"In order to succeed we must first believe than we can." Nikos Kazantzakis

ASSOCIATED SECURITY SERVICES & INVESTIGATORS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, INC.

Your Monthly News & Updates

Dear Members,

It is with a heavy heart that I announce the passing of Ted Whitenight with Mustang Security and Investigations on Saturday July 30th. Ted was an active member of ASSIST and was always there to lend a hand whenever needed. Ted helped ASSIST in their efforts here in Houston and across the state to make the security industry better. Ted also participated at the last few COTSO BBQ Fundraisers here in Houston. He will definitely be missed! Services will be held as follows:

Visitation: Thursday, August 11th, 2016
Metcalf Funeral Home
1801 East White Oak Terrace
Conroe Texas 77304
5:00pm - 7:00pm

Funeral Service: Friday, August 12th, 2016
Metcalf Funeral Home
1801 East White Oak Terrace
Conroe Texas 77304
11:00am

Memorial: In lieu of flowers, Ted would have appreciated a donation to the April Sound Civic Association for the "Boulevard Statue Fund" a project he was delighted by.
New And Improved DPS Website

Private Security "TOPS" Question

I have received multiple variations of the following question:

Q:
After reviewing the timeline on the TxDPS website it would seem that we won't be able to submit online applications from the 13th to the 29th of August. It does say that we can submit them by mail but how does that affect the process? Can we still get our officers fingerprinted so they can begin work after 48 hours? Or does this mean during those two weeks we can't hire (and put to work) anyone that is not already licensed? Also, does this affect applicants who are already licensed? If we hire someone who is already licensed can we put them to work during this time period if we mail in a Transfer Request?

A:
Please keep a close eye on the DPS website. By Friday, August 12th, you should see instructions on how to make fingerprint appointments with a CCR number. In the past when you mailed in a registration you had to wait until your check cleared your bank to get the CCR number off the check. DPS will be posting a temporary CCR number to be used during the down time. Specific instructions on fingerprint appointments will be posted. You will still be responsible for completing the criminal history and sex offender searches after the application and supporting documentation has been mailed. For those applicants that hold a current license in good standing, once the required update is mailed, they are eligible for work.

If you have any further questions please contact me at helpline@assisttexas.org

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