

News from the Membership Committee
By Jerome Coleman

I hope everyone had a great time in Corpus Christi. The Education Co-Chairs and their Committee are to be commended. There were a total of 211 Members attending the conference. Out of that 211, there were 40 first time attendees. This is the highest number of first timers in TACA history! The Membership Committee would like to give a great big thank you to Local Government Solutions and Smart Start for sponsoring our First Time Attendees Reception. Linda Kellogg, Gloria Puente, Christie Kersten, Amy Lechuga, Kristina Saucedo, Brenda Arp, Susie Saenz, Bruno Acevedo, Judy Bell, Dawn Ryle, Shelby Felme, Jackie Wortman, Sandy Hickman, Jan Brazelton, Elena DeAnda, Toy Moore, Lea Peebles, Glenda Taylor, Thelma Lopez, Beatrice Castillo and Irvin Hicks were the lucky recipients of our door prizes.

After the elections, our new board consists of Kristy Smith (Chair), Linda Kellum, Gracie Herrera, Brandi Loya, Randy Walker and John Warren (Past Chair). We have a total of 505 members to date. Please remember that dues come up for renewal in January. Reminder cards will be sent out at the end of December. You may access the membership application online at www.mytaca.org Be sure to put your e-mail address on the application, along with the person that referred you and encourage your Judge to become a Judicial member.

Membership would also like to send out special congratulations to the following members: Kathy Grange (25 yrs), Martin Allen (30 yrs) and Bob Wessels (30 yrs). Kristy Smith & Margo Wells were in the running for our new member recruitment contest. Due to a tie, the winner was drawn from a hat and Margo Wells was the recipient of the \$100 cash prize. The contest is open to all of our members, so get out there and start recruiting for next year.

Once again, I would like to thank the Membership Committee (Linda Kellum, Estella Alegria-Garza, Nora Anderson, Sherry Brown, Jessica Carrizales, Barbara Conley, Margaret Flores, Rebecca Gonzalez, Elviara Leal, Shannon McFarland and Myrna Salcido). A special thanks to Sharese Hurst, our Secretariat for a job well done. Remember TACA is your Organization and "TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE IT WORK".