



March

Newsletter

2009

SAVE THE DATE!!

***September 24-26, 2009
Lubbock, Texas***

***Texas Association of Drug
Court Professionals
Annual Conference.***



Letter from the President

Dear Members:

This month's newsletter highlights the new Overton Hotel being constructed here in Lubbock. The Overton Hotel will be the conference hotel for this year's TADCP conference to be held September 24th thru September the 26th. We thought it would be a good idea to give you a "sneak" peek of the hotel. We are looking forward to having all of you as guests in Lubbock.

Judge Reyes

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OVERTON
Hotel & Conference Center

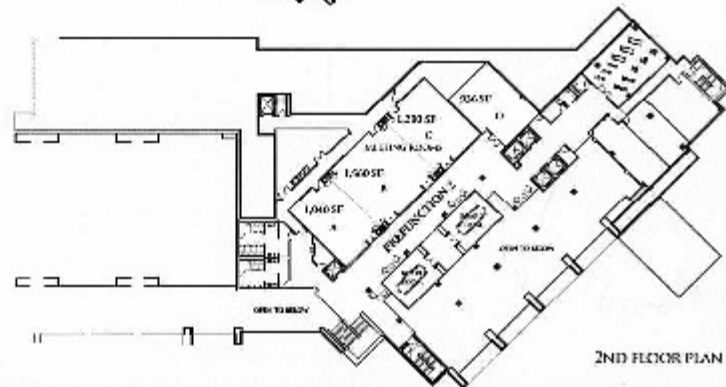
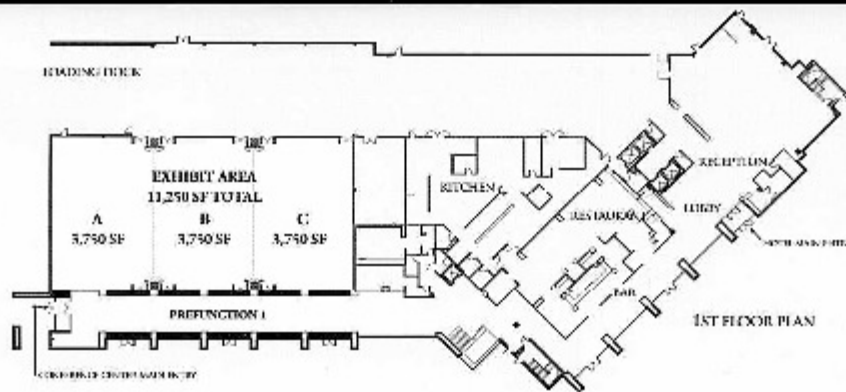
NEWEST STAR IN TEXAS.



**LUBBOCK'S NEW OVERTON HOTEL
& CONFERENCE CENTER OPENS IN 2009**

Over 20,000 square feet of resources for productive events • 11,250-square-foot column-free ballroom/exhibit area • 4 smaller meeting rooms and 2 executive board rooms • The latest audio-visual equipment and business center • Complete catering and food service • Accommodations for outdoor events • 15-story full-service hotel with 303 guest rooms and suites • Relaxing restaurant and bar • Spacious and flexible pre-function areas • Fitness facility and outdoor pool • Wired and wireless Internet access

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CAPACITIES

	Area Sq. Ft.	Ceiling Height	Length	Width	Classroom	Theater	Conference	U-Shape	Hollow Square	Banquet 10' Tables	Reception	Exhibit 10x10
Full Ballroom/Exhibit Area	11,250	25	75	150	450	1200				900	1125	56
Exhibit Area A	3,750	25	75	50	150	400	90	100	90	300	375	18
Exhibit Area B	3,750	25	75	50	150	400	90	100	90	300	375	18
Exhibit Area C	3,750	25	75	50	150	400	90	100	90	300	375	18
Meeting Room A,B,C	3,800	16	40	95	155	410	90	105	90	310	380	20
Meeting Room A	1,040	16	40	26	40	110	25	30	25	80	100	5
Meeting Room B	1,560	16	40	39	65	170	35	45	35	130	160	9
Meeting Room C	1,200	16	40	30	50	120	30	32	30	100	120	6
Meeting Room D	936	16	26	26	35	100	22	27	22	80	90	5
Executive Board Room A	513	13	27	19			18		18			
Executive Board Room B	513	13	27	19			18		18			
1st Floor Prefunction A, B, C	1,300	22	26	50								
2nd Floor Prefunction A, B, C, D	800	12	30	40								

The Overton was designed by meeting and conference professionals for today's events, with 20,000 square feet of all the resources you need for effective, memorable and productive events:

- 11,250-square-foot column-free ballroom/exhibit area, with sound-deadening walls to convert the space into three separate rooms
- Accommodations for outdoor events • Four smaller meeting rooms and two executive board rooms • Wired and wireless Internet access
- The latest audio-visual equipment • Complete catering and food service • Relaxing restaurant and bar
- Connected 15-story full-service hotel with 303 upscale rooms and suites • Spacious and flexible pre-function areas
- Modern and fully wired business center • Fitness facility and outdoor pool • Ample and convenient covered parking



Dallas DIVERT Court Celebrates Holidays

On December 23, 2008, the Dallas County DIVERT Court celebrated the holidays. The court hosted a holiday party for the children of our court participants. DIVERT Court and a local youth church group hosted the event, as the children listened to holiday music and ate yummy treats while playing holiday bingo. Many kids enjoyed having their face painted and drawing their very own fantasy Christmas tree. Dallas Children's Ministries, Half Price Books, DIVERT staff and current program participants donated gifts for all the children, including 20 MP3 players! As the children enjoyed the party, their parents attended a group meeting focusing on the holidays and the stress/triggers involved during the holiday season. A great time was had by all!!

By Julie Turnbull
DIVERT Court Prosecutor





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DALLAS
DIVERT COURT
CELEBRATES
HOLIDAYS

Pictured at the top
and below is
DIVERT Court
Prosecutor
Julie Turnbull with
Children of the
DIVERT Courts
Participants
Celebrating the
Holidays.





Upcoming Events

May is National Drug Court Month!

The theme is “Celebrating Twenty Years of Drug Court:
Restoring Lives, Reuniting Families and Making
Communities Safer”

National Drug Court Commencement Day— Friday, May 15, 2009

It is the hope that every Drug Court in the nation will hold a commencement ceremony on May 15, to coincide with a major twentieth anniversary celebration taking place at the site of the first Drug Court: Miami-Dade, Florida.

Twenty Six Annual Texas Man to Man Conference May 15-17, 2009 Lake Brownwood, Texas

The Texas Man to Man Conference is a three day retreat for AA and Al-non men held annually at the 4-H Center in Lake Brownwood, Texas. The conference balances in-depth workshops, meditations and speaker meetings for a unique recovery experience. Dallas County DIVERT Court Clinical Supervisor, Craig Ross will be a speaker at the conference.



Dear Members,

The contest is on!! Lubbock is still ahead at 19 new memberships, Bexar County moved up to second place with 15 new members. El Paso moved up to 3rd with 11 memberships, Grayson County is in 4th place with 9 new memberships, Angelina County has 4 , Jefferson County has 2, and Fannin and Dallas County are tied with one new membership. Where is Austin, Houston, Dallas???

Our memberships run from January 2008 to December 2008. If you haven't renewed your membership in the past month, yours is expired. Also you can renew for more than one year at a time.

Remember it's the memberships that help us put on the wonderful workshops that we have had in the past. Let's support our organization and meet our goal of increasing our memberships from 231 to 500!!

This year will be great with some wonderful key-note speakers and workshops. Bring your family and attend the musical festival that will be going on at the same time as the conference. This will be the best conference yet!! Next month I will be sending out information on the new hotel and conference center!

Debbie



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Member Information Form

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TITLE: _____

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RETURN TO: Debbie Fesperman
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Membership Fee is \$36.00 per year. Please make check or money orders payable to TADCP.



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Articles for the Newsletter

I would like to feature a different Drug Court each month. If you send me any information on your Court and any pictures I will write the article for you. Tell me when your program started, how many are in your program, how many have graduated, any special programs or projects. My email address and physical address is written below or you can call me at (903) 813-4215.

Thanks,

**Debbie Fesperman
Communications**

What's happening in your court?

If you want to share with us any events or accomplishments in your Drug Court please email to:

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or mail any information to:

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