

Governmental Collectors Association of Texas

January 2015 Newsletter

Membership Dues & Voting

You can definitely tell the holidays are over and everyone's back in full swing at work! As I say that – that can only mean that the 2015 GCAT Annual Conference is right around the corner! We are excited and getting everything into place to hold one of the best conferences yet!

Membership Dues & Voting

Just as a reminder – If you do not get your Membership dues in by March 31ST you will be unable to vote at the 2015 Annual GCAT Conference. Katie Patranella has been emailing pdf. receipts to each individual when she receives your payment. If you are in question whether we have received your renewal payments, please contact Katie Patranella at kpatranella@brazoscountytexas.gov.



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Scholarships

A total of 5 - 2015 GCAT Conference scholarships are available. The scholarship will cover your GCAT 2015 Conference Registration fee only. The criteria to submit is a 150-200 word description on how attending the 2015 GCAT Conference will benefit your city or county. Email all essays to Katie Patranella at kpatranella@brazoscountytexas.gov or call her at (979) 361-4593 by 5:00p.m. on April 17, 2015.

GCAT Website and Updates

Be looking for updates regarding the 2015 Annual GCAT Conference and the tentative agenda. We will be posting our reservations page online in the coming days. Please make sure and review the updated Conference information under the "Events" tab that will include the tentative agenda and speaker information.

Annual Awards & Recognitions

If you would like to nominate someone or a department for the following awards please email Katie Patranella at kpatranella@brazoscountytexas.gov or Michelle Joy at collections@burnetcountytexas.org no later than April 17, 2015!! In a paragraph of 100 words or less explain why your nominee should receive the award in the category you specify. The nominee must be a GCAT member in good standing.

Most Innovative Program

To an organization selected as having most improved collections by developing and implementing innovative procedures, systems, or techniques in the past year.

Collector of the Year

To a collector selected as having had the greatest impact on collections and the collections effort for their city or county in the past year.

Collections Program of the Year

To a program showing the most dramatic increase in revenue for their city or county in the past year.

Excellence In Service Award

An individual or program selected for unselfishly providing assistance to others embodying the elements of dedication, commitment, and service, to the association and its membership.

Becky Sirmans Award

An individual or program selected for finding a way to succeed in spite of seemingly insurmountable obstacles and challenges embodying the spirit to never give up.

Honorary Membership

Honorary membership is an honor reserved for those non-member individuals that the association believes have gone above and beyond the call of duty in assisting the association in achieving its mission and vision.

