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BREAKING NEWS....

**The New Year is coming and exciting things
are on the way for the West Coast Chapter**

YOU MUST ATTEND!!!!

Mark your calendar for these important dates:

Thursday December 18, 2008

-Christmas Meeting with Santa, Bring a gift! At the Doubletree Hotel

-Contact Jonathan Kemp at 727-893-8281

Thursday January 8, 2009

-ASIS International Chapter 30 Board Meeting
Wackenhut Office Tampa

-Call Patty Schmitt, CPP at 727-235-8665 (cell)

Thursday January 15, 2008

-Monthly Chapter Meeting at the Doubletree Hotel

-Jonathan Kemp at 727-893-8281

-Topic: Superbowl Security 2009

-Speaker: Sgt. Rick Ubinas of Tampa Police Department's Special Incident Management Unit

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Don't Miss It!!!

Mark your calendars

February 17th – 20th, 2009

**ASIS Chapter 30
Seminar**

at

St Petersburg College,

St Petersburg, Florida.

Register online at www.asistampabay.org



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TRACK A: CCP Examination preparatory program including a copy of the entire program on CD. The official ASIS CPP study guide will be available to attendees at a highly discounted price.

All aspects of the examination will be covered including:

Security Principals & Practices	Business Principals & Practices
Personnel Security	Physical Security
Information Security	Emergency Practices
Investigations	Legal Aspects

TRACK B: Advanced Security Information for the world of Today and Tomorrow:

Campus Strategic Security initiatives	Homeland Security Updates
Healthcare Security issues	Electronic Security as a management tool (Analytics)

Workplace Violence in today's World Shots Fired, When lightning strikes

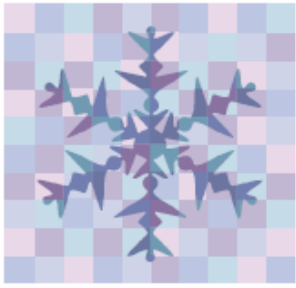
And these very interesting additional programs:

- **SECURITY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY EXPO:** On Wednesday, February 18, from 2:30- 4:30 pm, a Security Services and Technology EXPO will be held to provide hands on exposure to the services and equipment available from companies throughout the southeast.
- **FIREARMS CERTIFICATION AND SKILLS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:** A 4-hour recertification class for State of Florida firearm license holders (G License) will be available on Wednesday, February 18th from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm for \$90.00 (attendees only). An afternoon session, from 1:00pm to 5:00pm, for improving your firearms skills will also be available for \$75.00.
- **A ONE-DAY, HIGHLY ACCLAIMED, INFORMATIVE, PROGRAM ON THE WORLD OF JIHAD.** Iranian Ebrahim Ashabi, who escaped the revolution and now works on American counter-terrorism efforts as a member of the Long Beach CA Police Department, will share his immeasurable knowledge and provide a detailed understanding of the world of Jihad during a one-day Program on **Friday February 20**. Through his riveting and vivid explanation, Ashabi will explain Islam and help our attendees realize the radical Islamic mentality and way of life. He will discuss the Islamic culture, the five pillars of Ramadan, the Jihad and the origination of the American hatred, the threat posed to the United States, domestic terror groups in the U.S. and abroad, and how to detect, prevent, and respond to acts of terror. For those wishing to attend only this program, the fee is \$79.00. There is no additional charge for those registered for the full Seminar.

For more information and to register, go to the ASIS International Chapter 30 website:

www.asistampabay.org

- EARLY registration Fee by 1/15/09: \$329.00 per person includes all four days, course materials, and lunch February 17-20.
- FEE after 1/15/09 will be 359.00.
- Cancellation Policy: Individuals who cancel prior to 2/5/09 will receive 75% of the registration fee. There will be no refund for cancellations after 2/5/09.



SEASONAL SAFETY TIPS

The holiday season is traditionally a festive and busy time, filled with social events, family gatherings, shopping and travel. Unfortunately, this is also peak season for criminals. Here are some tips to avoid being a victim.

- ◆ Keep your purchases in your trunk - as well as anything else of value, like an iPod, GPS navigation system, laptop, CDs, loose change, etc...
- ◆ Be aware of your surroundings in store parking lots – don't park in corners or near walls where you could be cornered, or in areas of concealment such as bushes or dumpsters. Also, avoid parking next to large vehicles such as vans or delivery trucks. Park near the front door, a guard shack or in an area with surveillance cameras.
- ◆ If you're leaving town for the holidays, make sure your home appears occupied by using timer lights and having neighbors take care of your mail and newspapers.
- ◆ Make sure your doors and windows are locked at home, and close your drapes so burglars can't see any gifts and new purchases inside. Break down and place into trash bags any large boxes that may give potential criminals an idea of high-end, expensive gifts received.
- ◆ Keep your purse and checkbook close when you're shopping or carry credit cards and other essential items in your front pockets. When in line to pay do not hold your credit or debit card in your hand in a manner so that it can be photographed with a cell phone camera.
- ◆ Be careful when using an ATM and try to withdraw money during the day whenever possible.
- ◆ IF SOMEONE GRABS YOUR HANDBAG OR PURCHASES, *LET THEM GO.....REMEMBER, NOTHING IS AS IMPORTANT AS YOUR LIFE.*

Stay Alert. Don't be a Victim of Crime.

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