



**FALL WORKSHOP 2008**  
**TEXAS PUBLIC PURCHASING ASSOCIATION**  
 November 5-7, 2008  
 Odessa, Texas

## WORKSHOP AGENDA

### Wednesday, November 5, 2008

Time		General Sessions
11:00 am	5:00 pm	Registration
1:00 pm	1:05 pm	Welcome, Jack Beacham, TxPPA President
1:05 pm	1:45 pm	Federal Surplus Program
1:45 pm	2:45 pm	Panel Discussion: Escalation Clauses
2:45 pm	3:00 pm	Break
3:00 pm	4:15 pm	Case Studies
<b>Planned Group Activities / Networking Opportunity</b>		
4:30 pm		Buses depart from Hotel for CAF Hanger and AAH Museum
7:00 pm		Buses depart from CAF for dinner at Dos Amigos
8:30 pm	10:00 pm	Buses will make multiple return runs to the Hotel

### Thursday, November 6, 2008

Time		Concurrent Sessions	
7:00 am	3:00 pm	Registration	
		<b>Basic Purchasing Track</b>	<b>Advanced Purchasing Track</b>
8:00 am	9:00 am	Basic Terms and Conditions	Real Performance Measures
9:00 am	10:15 am	RFP Negotiations	Leadership vs. Management
10:15am	10:30 am	Break	
<b>General Sessions</b>			
10:30 am	11:30 am	Roundtables: Excellence in Public Purchasing Innovation Roundtable Best Practices Roundtable Leadership Roundtable	
11:30 am	1:00 pm	AEP Awards Recognition / Business Meeting / Luncheon	
<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>			
		<b>Basic Purchasing Track</b>	<b>Advanced Purchasing Track</b>
1:00 pm	2:00 pm	How to Apply for the AEP	Paperless Purchasing
2:00 pm	3:15 pm	Contract Administration	Is a Model Procurement Code Possible?
3:15 pm	3:30 pm	Break	
3:30 pm	5:00 pm	Understanding the RS Means in Job Order Contracting	Social Responsibility: HUB, Green Purchasing, Local Preference

### Friday, November 7, 2008

Time		General Sessions
7:00 am	10:00 am	Registration
7:30 am	8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	10:00 am	<u>The Honor System: Lessons in Leadership and Attitude</u>
10:15 am	11:45 am	<u>Motivational /Attitude Enrichment: Hilarity Therapy®</u>



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## ADDITIONAL WORKSHOP INFORMATION

### HOST HOTEL

*The MCM Elegante' Hotel* is conveniently located minutes away from the Midland International Airport, downtown Odessa and Midland. Within walking distance of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, we are also very close to local attractions such as Ratliff Stadium, Scharbauer Sports Complex, the Commemorative Air Force Museum, the Noel Art Museum, the Presidential Museum, the Globe Theater of the Great Southwest, Permian Playhouse, Midland Community Theater and many restaurants. The hotel also offers a complimentary shuttle to Music City Mall and the MCM Ice Rink for a day of shopping, ice-skating, movie going, and much more. Located at East Loop 338 and University (take I-20 exit 121, north one mile).

Be sure to register before October 15, 2008 and reference TxPPA to ensure the group rate of \$85 for a standard room. Call 866-368-5885 to make your reservations. Online registration using the Group ID is not available.

For more information, visit: <http://www.mcmeleganteodessa.com>.

### SPECIAL WORKSHOP EVENTS

**AEP Recognition and Business Meeting Luncheon:** Spouses and guests are welcome to attend the Workshop Luncheon on Thursday for a small charge to cover the cost of the meal. Please indicate on your registration form if a spouse or guest(s) will be participating to ensure adequate arrangements may be made in advance.

**Scholarship Raffle:** Carrying forward a popular tradition of the Texas County Purchasing Association, TxPPA will host a fundraising activity with proceeds benefiting a TxPPA scholarship program. Items will be displayed and tickets will be sold throughout the Workshop.

### PLANNED GROUP ACTIVITIES

**Group Visit to Commemorative Air Force (CAF) Headquarters:** The American Airpower Heritage Museum (AAHM) is located within the (CAF) Headquarters at Midland International Airport. The AAHM is recognized for its collection of authentic World War II artifacts, memorabilia and the world's largest collection of original aviation nose art now housed in a new gallery. The museum houses 40,000 square feet of "hands-on" permanent exhibits that detail the story of World War II airpower. As part of the museum tour, visitors will also see between 14 and 20 aircraft on display in the CAF hangar, with aircraft changing quarterly. A research library and archives house a significant oral history collection and give the public access to the museum's abundant information resources. A seminar series featuring World War II veterans is also part of the museum's regular agenda.

Admission is included with paid TxPPA Workshop registration; spouses and/or guests of registered Workshop attendees are welcome to join the group for a small fee. Please indicate on your registration form if a spouse or guest(s) will be participating to ensure adequate arrangements may be made in advance.

For more information, visit: <http://www.airpowermuseum.org>.

**Dinner at Dos Amigos Restaurant:** Following the visit to the CAF Headquarters, the group will enjoy the local atmosphere of Odessa at the Dos Amigos Restaurant. Dinner is included with paid TxPPA Workshop registration; spouses and/or guests of registered Workshop attendees are welcome to join the group for a small charge to cover the cost of the meal. Please indicate on your registration form if a spouse or guest(s) will be participating to ensure adequate arrangements may be made in advance.

## **LOCAL ATTRACTIONS AND EVENTS**

**Merry Market Place:** On the first Thursday through Sunday in November (November 6-9), a winter wonderland fills the Ector County Coliseum with beautiful gifts of all kinds. Merry Marketplace is a three-day merchants' market featuring fine gifts, accessories, and decorative items for the holidays and throughout the year. The Junior League of Odessa sponsors this event to help support their many worthwhile projects. It's a great time to get started on your Christmas shopping.

The twenty-sixth annual Merry Marketplace opens with a Preview Party on Thursday, November 6, 2008, and market days are November 7, 8 and 9. Admission is charged.

**Sunset Country Club**, located at 9301 Andrews Hwy, is the only semi-public golf course in Odessa. This 18-hole "regulation" course, which opened in 1954, features 6,665 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 72. Both members and non-members are welcome to play. Call 432.366.1061 for more information.

**The Presidential Museum** is one of the few museums in the country dedicated solely to the office of the President. Permanent exhibitions include the Dishong collection of First Lady miniature dolls, campaign trivia, historical documents, and the Leadership Library of the Presidents. Also on site is the former home of two Presidents, George H. W. Bush and George W. Bush.

Open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm. A gift shop is located in the museum. Located at 4919 E University; admission is charged. For more information visit the [website](#) or call 432.363.7737.

**The Ellen Noel Art Museum** of the Permian Basin is an independent art museum located on the campus of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. The museum features rotating exhibitions of historical and contemporary art, a permanent sculpture/sensory garden, and programs of art education for all ages.

Open Tuesday- Saturday: 10 am to 5 pm; Sunday 2 pm to 5 pm. Located at 4909 E University; free admission. For more information visit the [website](#) or call 432.550.9696.

**The Meteor Crater**, approximately 550 feet in diameter, is the second largest in the nation. The crater is the result of a barrage of meteors crashing to the earth some 20,000 to 50,000 years ago. It is approximately ten miles west of Odessa; via Interstate 20, exit 108. Enjoy a self-guided tour and visit the Thomas Rodman Museum and Visitor Center on site.

Museum hours: Tuesday through Saturday: 9 am to 5 pm; Sunday, 1 pm to 5 pm. Crater Trail is open for self guided tours every day from 9 am to 5 pm; free admission. For more information visit the [website](#) or call 432.381.0946.

**Historic Odessa Walking Tour:** The downtown tour begins where Odessa began - close to the railroad. Main Street Odessa. Call 432.335.4682 for more information.

### **Other:**

Contact the [Odessa Convention and Visitors Bureau](#) for more information on things to do in Odessa!

## **ODESSA FACTS AND TRIVIA**

- ★ Odessa's nickname is "City of Contrasts"
- ★ The city was named after the city of Odessa in Ukraine. In 2008 Odessa's population rose to about 98,000 (city proper) and a total of about 130,000 with combined West Odessa.
- ★ Odessa is home to Permian High School (mascot: Panther, nickname: MOJO), the school's 1988 football team was featured in the book and movie Friday Night Lights.
- ★ Odessa was the one-year home of U.S. Presidents George H. W. Bush and George W. Bush.
- ★ Odessa was once the home of author Raymond Benson, most notable for his continuation of the James Bond thrillers.
- ★ Odessa is the hometown of: former Texas Longhorn and current Detroit Lions wide receiver Roy Williams; former Oklahoma Sooner and Houston Oiler Daryl Hunt; former SMU and University of Iowa football coach Hayden Fry and country singer Larry Gatlin.
- ★ The African American singing group The Velvets was formed by Virgil Johnson in Odessa in 1959. At the time Johnson was an eighth grade English teacher who recruited four of his students into his singing group, a forerunner to the doo wop form of music.

# TRANSPORTATION

## Air Transportation

**Midland International Airport**, the ninth largest airport in Texas, with more than 450,000 boardings per year, is owned and operated by the City of Midland. The airport is conveniently located approximately halfway between Midland and Odessa.

### Major Carriers:

- ★ American Eagle Airlines: 1.800.433.7300
- ★ Continental Airlines: 1.432.563.5668
- ★ Southwest Airlines: 1.800.435.9792

**Schlemeyer Field** is located in northern Ector County and is the Odessa's oldest municipal airport. Schlemeyer acts as Odessa's business reliever airport and is not served by commercial airlines. The airport is equipped with hangar space to accommodate overnight storage and offers use of an auxiliary power unit. All the conveniences, such as a pilot's lounge, courtesy cars and rental cars are available. Phone: 432.367.5881

## Bus Service

Midland-Odessa Urban Transit District EZ Rider Bus: Toll Free 866.561.9990  
Greyhound Bus Lines: 432.332.5711

## Taxi Services

Checker Cab Co: 432.337.7333  
City-Yellow Checker Cab Co: 432.570.8712  
Midessa Transportation: 432.337.5501  
Yellow Cab Co: 432.337.6666

## Car Rental Agencies

Avis Rent-A-Car (Airport): 432.563.0910  
Budget Rent-A-Car (Airport): 432.563.1640  
Hertz Rent-A-Car (Airport): 432.563.0110  
Hertz Rent-A-Car (MCM Elegante Hotel): 432.366.8385  
National Car Rental (Airport): 432.563.0378

## Arriving by Car

Easy access to Odessa available by highway

- ★ U.S. Interstate Highway 20, a main East/West route
- ★ U.S. Highway 385, a main North/South route



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