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NEW ASPA CHAPTER FOUNDED FOR COASTAL BEND

There's a new professional public service chapter available to public servants in the Coastal Bend, specifically serving Nueces, Kleberg, San Patricio, Aransas and Jim Wells counties.

The Coastal Bend Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration was chartered on July 23, 2007. The chapter is one of over 100 chapters in ASPA, the nation's most respected society representing all forums in the public service arena since 1939.

ASPA's mission is to advance the art, science, teaching and practice of public and nonprofit administration through its programs and services, and fosters core public service values including: accountability and performance, professionalism, social equity, and ethics at the local, national and international levels.

Through its programs and services ASPA seeks to improve public service by helping members acquire the knowledge, technical skills and resources necessary to be excellent public servants.

ASPA has a diverse membership of approximately 9,500 government and nonprofit administrators, scholars, educators, and students. Membership is open to individuals in government, non-profit or university services.

New leaders of the Coastal Bend ASPA Chapter are as follows:

President – Robert Marraro, City of Corpus Christi
Vice-President – JoAnn Hooks, City of Corpus Christi
Secretary – Rudy Bentancourt, City of Corpus Christi
Treasurer – Reba George, City of Corpus Christi
Public Relations & Marketing Officer – Joan McKaughan, City of Corpus Christi

Membership Committee – Sylvia Arispe, City of Corpus Christi
Program Committee – Nick Horak, Nueces County Appraisal District
Communication & Publications Committee – Lynda Sutherland, City of Corpus Christi
Student Liaison Committee – Dr. Daniel Jorgensen, Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
Legislative Committee – Victor Salas, Nueces County Appraisal District
Public Recognition Week & Awards Committee – Daniel Vargas, City of Corpus Christi
Finance Committee – PaulaKay Olivarez, City of Corpus Christi
Constitution & ByLaws Committee – Annette L. Mouttet, Nueces County

Public administration consists of federal, state, and local government agencies that administer, oversee, and manage public programs and have executive, legislative, or judicial authority over other institutions within a given area. Public administration is, broadly speaking, the implementation of policy within a state framework. Nonprofit and charitable organizations are also considered part of the field.

For more information about ASPA check out www.aspanet.org or contact Sylvia Arispe, Coastal Bend Chapter Membership Committee Chairperson, at SylviaAr@cctexas.com or 826-3078.