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Michael A. Berkowitz Administrator Dear Fellow Orthopaedic Administrator:

I am pleased to announce the Fall Meeting of the Texas Orthopedic Administrators Association (T-BONES) will be held Friday, November 10th, 2006 at the Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel in Austin. On Thursday evening T-Bones Members and guest have been invited to a dinner hosted for our members by Euflexxa, which will be held at Cedar Street Courtyard 208 C West 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

I have received commitments from speakers who will provide valuable information to our group. They will address a variety of relevant topics.

**Michael Cushman is** an attorney with Stone Loughlin & Swanson, LLP in Austin. He will address issues arising from changes in the Workers' Compensation system.

**Bill Darling is** a Partner with Strasburger and Price, LLP in Austin. He will be speaking about Pay for Performance.

**Duane Hill is** the administrator of Beaumont Bone and Joint. He will be discussing the importance of having a disaster plan for an Orthopaedic practice.

**Lance Spivey is** the Principal for RCFO in McKinney, Texas. He will be discussing Benching and Key Performance Indicators.

**Brian White** is the Counsel for Policy Development in the Office of Injured Employee Counsel (OIEC) for the State of Texas. He will be speaking about this new state agency.

I am enclosing a tentative program as well as a registration form which will give additional information about this meeting. The expense for the Friday, November 10th, meeting is \$75, which includes breakfast and lunch. Please send your registration form **as soon as possible** since I must notify the hotel of the number of registrants. The meeting will be held at Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel. The hotel has agreed to reserve a block of rooms under the name of T-Bones for those interested individuals, but there is a deadline for reserving rooms at the convention rate. Reservations need to be made through the hotel 512-478-7000. <a href="https://www.//doubletree.hilton.com">www.//doubletree.hilton.com</a>

Please contact me at 281-440-6960 (office) or 713-728-4882 (home) if you have any questions concerning this information. I hope you will be able to attend this most important meeting. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Berkowitz Administrator

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