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Ector County Sheriff Mark Donaldson was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Sheriff's Association of Texas at the 132nd Annual Training Conference held in Fort Worth, July 25 – 27, 2010. More than 1,500 participants were in attendance at the Fort Worth Convention Center where they heard outstanding speakers, had opportunities for significant and timely training sessions, and visited more than 240 exhibits showcasing some of the latest technology in law enforcement.

Sheriff Donaldson has been the Sheriff of Ector County since January 1, 2001. He distinguishes himself in his county and throughout the State as he assumes this leadership role in the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

The Sheriffs' Association of Texas is one of the oldest law enforcement associations in the nation. The Sheriffs of Texas met for the first time on August 14, 1874, in the courthouse in Corsicana, Navarro County, Texas. The meeting was called to order by Sul Ross, Sheriff of McLennan County, who later became a notable part of Texas history.

The Sheriffs of Texas began annual training conferences in 1878. These training conferences today are the largest composite gathering of law enforcement officers, federal and state officers, and major industry security personnel attend. In addition to the annual training conferences, the Association conducts training throughout the year for law enforcement and municipal agencies and associations to promote cooperation, training, education, and more efficient services to the citizens of Texas.

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