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Welcome to Our Premier Issue...

With pride and enthusiasm, we present our premier issue of **Connected**. The purpose for this quarterly publication — exclusively for our members — is simple. It's a training and communication tool containing valuable information and useful resources. **Connected** will provide information, inspiration and ideas to help you start up or enhance your Citizens Police Academy and alumni association program, and allow you to stay up-to-date on what others are doing throughout the state.

Connected was designed to help you stay on top of current topics, trends and events relative to the Citizens Police Academy concept. Some issues will showcase a law enforcement Citizens Police Academy program, alumni association, or other volunteer program. We'll also highlight new or improved advancements being made relative to Citizens Police Academies and alumni associations, and other features will include information on what the Illinois Citizens Police Academy Association is doing, upcoming training events being conducted, and new resources we have available. We hope that **Connected** will become a "must read" in your quest for CPA success.

Enjoy this premier issue of **Connected**. Similar to Citizens Police Academies, alumni associations, and volunteer programs being conducted throughout Illinois, we are a work in progress, constantly evolving to keep our readers on the cutting edge of the 21st century. Any suggestions, ideas and contributions are always welcome. We value your input, and appreciate your support. Our sincere gratitude to the board, membership and the many supporters who help make the Illinois Citizens Police Academy Association a great organization. ❖