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### **HONOREES ANNOUNCED FOR 2009 CACP ANNUAL AWARDS**

DENVER – **Pioneer Policing Award** – Presented to the **Alamosa Police Department** at the CACP (Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference in Steamboat Springs on June 10, 2009. The Alamosa Police Department was recognized for their cooperative partnership with the Alamosa County Sheriff’s Office, San Luis Valley Private Probation, the 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Probation State of Colorado Probation, and the 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Senate Bill 94 Program to take action to abate and create a plan to permanently rid the city of the graffiti that had been increasing in the city of Alamosa and surrounding areas. This program is continuing and showing great promise for Alamosa. The award was accepted on behalf of the Alamosa Police Department by Chief John Jackson. The **Pioneer Policing Awards** recognizes a Colorado law enforcement agency which has pioneered a totally innovative program, policy or concept not knowingly used elsewhere, to further the professionalism of law enforcement, and/or the service to citizens. This Award is given to departments who have employed “risk taking” (without compromising ethics or safety) in a radical manner to find new and creative solutions never before tried.

The Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) is a professional organization committed to excellence in delivering quality service to our membership, the law enforcement community, and the citizens of Colorado. Through our leadership, we will provide education and training, and promote the highest ethical standards. We are personally and professionally dedicated to preserving basic family values, community safety and professional policing, which are essential for achieving a high quality of life.

**CACP HISTORY** - The Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police became a formalized organization of Chiefs of Police in the 1960's after the need was realized by a number of

Colorado Police Chiefs who had informally networked through the years prior to the organization's creation. The original bylaws were adopted April 24, 1964 and have been amended formally 10 times since then. Chief Ben Roach was elected the organization's first President in 1969. Through the years the organization has had a number of Chiefs of Police from across the state and from both large and small departments who have served one-year terms as president.

The CACP provides numerous training courses throughout Colorado on a continuous schedule, publishes a newsletter called *The Command Post* and has a Professional Standards Program, which has garnered national attention. The CACP provides Executive Certification; an Awards Program for Chiefs, law enforcement personnel and citizens; and works in the Colorado Legislature to enact Statutes favorable to communities and law enforcement.

For more information on CACP please call the CACP office at 303-750-9764 or visit the CACP web site at [www.colochiefs.org](http://www.colochiefs.org).

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