PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

The 56th Annual Meeting in Dallas was an unqualified success with record registrations, excellent meeting facilities, and scientific sessions that couldn’t be beat. Even the weather cooperated, after a minor scare of snow on the weekend before the meeting started, with temperatures in the mid-60s most of the week. While they certainly can’t take credit for the weather, thanks are due to outgoing President Ken Melson, his Program Committee, and the entire Academy staff, especially Executive Director Anne Warren and Meetings & Expositions Manager Nancy Jackson for all other aspects of this memorable meeting.

In addition to the fine meeting just completed, Ken leaves office with an enviable record of accomplishment. I know that everyone joins me in thanking him for the outstanding job he did leading the Academy this past year. It makes my job much easier knowing that the Academy is in good shape financially and otherwise.

I have one last word about the just completed annual meeting before moving on to my plans for the coming year. There are those who would claim that an elite group of individuals runs the Academy and its various sections, and that the average member has little or no say in the operation of either. In my opinion, the annual business meeting was at least partial proof that those claims are not valid. The membership assembled at that meeting made it quite plain that it is you – the members - who actually run the AAFS. While any organization with over 5,500 members is bound to have its cliques and divisions, it’s been my experience over the twenty-eight plus years that I have been associated with the Academy that “special interest” groups and cliques rarely last very long, and that in general, most of the sections go out of their way to involve new members in the organization. I firmly believe that the rewards and personal satisfaction that any member gets out of an organization is directly proportional to the amount of positive time and energy that he/she is willing to devote to it.

The coming year promises to be an exciting one on many fronts. The Forensic Science Educator Conferences, ably coordinated by Director of Development Jim Hurley, have continued to grow in popularity, with three conferences scheduled for this year. The Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC), now a standing committee of the AAFS, has completed its pilot programs and after some minor fine-tuning will be ready to offer accreditation to qualified colleges and universities offering degrees in forensic science. In addition to those two programs, I have formed a committee that has been tasked with bringing one of the workshops from our recently completed meeting “into the field” and presenting it at a regional society meeting later this year, making it possible for those who could not attend the meeting to benefit from at least some of the educational opportunities offered there. All of these programs fit perfectly into our commitment “to the promotion of education and the elevation of accuracy, precision, and specificity in the forensic sciences.”

Other plans for this year include exploring the role of newer members in our organization, seeing what can be done to make promotion requirements among the various sections more uniform, increasing our visibility both nationally and internationally, and continuing our move toward becoming a more proactive organization. As the months go by, I hope to bring you more information about these plans in this column.

I have chosen 21st Century Crime – 21st Century Forensics as next year’s meeting theme, a recognition that forensic science has had to adapt to rapidly changing challenges.

Ronald L. Singer, M.S.

RECENT AAFS BYLAWS CHANGES MAY AFFECT YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS!

At the Annual Business Meeting of the Members held on Wednesday, February 18, the voting membership approved many bylaws amendments that affect the status of Provisional Members, Trainee Affiliates, and Student Members.

The class of membership previously known as Provisional Member is now known as Associate Member. The class of membership previously known as Student is now known as Student Affiliate. Trainee and Student Affiliates are now known as “affiliates” of AAFS rather than “members.”

All Trainee Affiliates and Student Affiliates must now certify eligibility annually to remain at the current affiliate status.

Please contact Membership Services Coordinator Kimberly Wrasse at kwrasse@aafs.org with any questions you might have regarding your membership status in the Academy.

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FUTURE ANNUAL MEETING DATES

2005
New Orleans, LA
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2006
Seattle, WA
February 20-25, 2006
First, congratulations to Past-President Ken Melson for a great year under his leadership. Ken made further progress in getting the Academy’s message out to Capitol Hill and the White House by explaining the importance of forensic science. Probably Ken’s crowning achievement in this regard was to have Attorney General John Ashcroft address the entire Academy membership at the Dallas meeting. General Ashcroft spoke to a standing room only crowd of some 2,000 members and guests. I would like to quote from some of his prepared remarks:

“... We have been asked to continue our successful fight against crime. And we have been asked to take up the cause of freedom in the war on terror. We have the privilege, the opportunity, and the responsibility to protect the lives and liberty of the American people. This means preventing and punishing the predatory and lawless; detecting, disrupting and deterring those who would harm Americans; and, all the while, honoring the Constitution and the rule of law.

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences has become a critical part of our nation’s effort to provide equal protection under the law for every citizen.

Few groups have had as profound an impact on justice as the forensic science community.

The men and women in this room save lives. Your knowledge, your expertise, and your dedication to the truth bring justice to the guilty and a measure of peace to victims.

Forensic science is no longer on the fringes of criminal investigations. Science is solving cases that would otherwise remain unsolved. Science is identifying the guilty with a certainty that protects the innocent at the same time.

Forensic science plays no favorites. It cuts through prejudice. It validates truth. And to the extent that it speeds the arrest of criminals, it helps prevent crime, cutting short the careers of habitual offenders.

Over the last three decades, forensic science has made extraordinary advances — leaping from theory to practice on the cutting-edge of technology. As governor of Missouri, I saw first hand the promise of forensic science technology.

... The success of forensic science technology in fighting crime has been so great that it is having a multiplier effect on American’s attitudes toward law enforcement. The analyses done by the men and women in this room — from work in the labs to surveys of crime scenes — have inspired new appreciation for our justice system.

... A free nation is built on a fundamental trust in the citizen. And our free institutions, in turn, depend on the public’s trust in the justice system. Thanks in part to advances in technology, Americans have grown more confident in law enforcement and more cooperative in the battle against crime. That is why the Department of Justice has been so supportive of proven forensic science and seeks to push forward new forensic advances.

As forensic science increases our knowledge of crimes, it allows us to increase the information sharing and coordination between agents and officers, agencies and departments.

The FBI has taken a lead in forging strong alliances with state and local labs.

• Under the Visiting Scientists Program, non-FBI scientists have been able to perform collaborative and scholarly research in Quantico.
• Thanks to recent contracts, law enforcement has four regional labs to conduct mitochondrial DNA analysis.
• And we continue to expand the research partnership program to ensure effective communication among federal, state, and local analysts.

Information sharing and cooperation have been the driving forces behind the creation the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS). The National DNA Index now allows 175 participating laboratories from all 50 states, the U.S. Army Laboratory, and the FBI Laboratory. In addition, we have provided 18 countries with CODIS software enabling the exchange of DNA profiles across borders and oceans.

... I commend the men and women of the nation’s forensic science labs — many of whom are here today — for working closely with your federal counterparts to make America safer. This Administration understands that many state and local labs are overburdened and that many may not have the full capabilities available at federal facilities. This is why the United States Department of Justice has worked so hard to help provide assistance to state and local labs.

For instance, the Justice Department provided funds to the forensic experts involved in identifying the World Trade Center victims. The Department worked with them to develop protocols and techniques to help identify more quickly those killed on September 11th. These protocols will help us in the future, too, when state, local, and federal experts must work together.

The FBI is also involved in work to increase the capacity of its fingerprint system (IAFIS) and to make it more accessible to state and local law enforcement. And President Bush has proven his high regard for forensic science to crack old cases and stop the worst offenders.

Last March, the President announced his “Advancing Justice Through DNA Technology” Initiative, which seeks to provide $1 billion over five years to use DNA identification to solve crimes and to eliminate the backlogs at state and local labs. The President’s DNA Initiative seeks to provide:

• $91 million to reduce DNA analysis backlogs;
• $60 million to enhance state and local crime lab capacity;
• $5 million to develop materials and provide training in the collection, handling, and use of DNA evidence by criminal justice professionals and medical personnel;
• $5 million to defray the costs to states of conducting post-conviction DNA testing under state law;
• $2 million to promote the use of DNA technology in identifying missing persons and unidentified human remains.

While we have made tremendous strides in using DNA and fingerprints, there are many other areas of forensic expertise we can bring to crime fighting and prevention. DNA work represents just five percent of forensic analysis.
The Washington, D.C.-area sniper case is a good example of the use of multiple forensic disciplines. The snipers terrorized the Washington area, randomly killing innocent victims. Diligent teamwork and tireless investigative research led to the arrest of these criminals. And it is forensic evidence that provided strong circumstantial evidence against them. In addition to DNA, the more traditional fingerprint and firearms identifications and chemical analyses of trace evidence led to their convictions in Virginia courts.

... The National Institute of Justice is working to fund research in a number of areas to advance new and old disciplines alike.

For instance, NIJ funding is seeking to:
- Develop computer algorithms to improve the analysis of handwriting samples;
- Deploy laser technology to analyze dyes on paper, allowing better tracking of the origins of written materials used in crime;
- Enhance latent fingerprint analysis for missing and victimized children — fingerprints which are often difficult to develop over time;
- Finally, NIJ funding is working to find a fast, highly sensitive means of detecting date rape drugs, which could lead to a miniaturized device for detecting drugs associated with drug-facilitated sexual assault.

These are not just promising technologies. They are investments that help fulfill the government’s first responsibility: protecting the lives and liberties of the people.

But whether we are using new technologies or old technologies, we cannot rest on our laurels. Simply put, we cannot fulfill our responsibilities or the promise of forensic research unless we ensure the integrity and reliability of the scientific process itself. Inaccurate laboratory results or the use of bad science do not further justice — they jeopardize it.

A recently released report from the National Research Council recommends the FBI enhance the methods used in the statistical analysis of bullet lead. The FBI commissioned this independent report for precisely this reason: we are constantly seeking the highest possible level of integrity. In the best traditions of science, we welcome objective measures and independent observations in order to improve and advance our methods — especially when lives are on the line.

Effective quality-assurance programs have to be a part of every laboratory. I am very proud to say that the three major federal laboratories within the Department of Justice family are all accredited in quality assurance and I encourage every laboratory to become so as well. Quality assurance programs combined with newly developing technologies help assure a standard of excellence in our laboratories as our analyses become more precise. Excellence and new-age technologies promote public confidence in our judicial system, and give victims the hope that the criminal acts against them will be vindicated.

Last year, I had the privilege of meeting Kellie Greene at a White House Roundtable. On January 18, 1994, Kellie was attacked brutally and raped by an intruder in her apartment.

At the time of her attack, Florida did not analyze DNA in “no suspect” cases, so the DNA from her case sat on a shelf for more than three years. For three years, Kellie Greene lived in fear. She did not know when or where her attacker could strike again.

Finally, the DNA was analyzed and linked to the profile of David William Shaw. It turned out that Shaw was already serving a 25-year sentence for the rape of another woman that had occurred just weeks before his assault on Kellie.

Kellie told me, quote, “It’s a very dark place to walk once you’ve been a victim of crime, especially sexual assault. It takes a long time and a lot of hard work to heal, but knowing who committed the crime against you and knowing that that perpetrator, that that rapist, is in prison and not hurting anyone else makes that road a lot easier to travel.”

Your work carries the promise of helping people like Kellie Greene live without fear. Your work carries the promise of saving lives. Your work carries the promise of protecting freedom.

At a time when our nation is threatened on so many fronts, this gathering serves as a reminder of what we are fighting to protect. We are fighting to protect the right to communicate new ideas, to persuade our fellow citizens on new courses of action, and to advance peacefully the cause of freedom. This gathering represents everything terrorists fight against.

The war against terror reminds us all what an extraordinary vision founded this nation.

The war on terror has reminded us that there are those who oppose freedom, who abhor tolerance and new ideas, and who distrust this nation’s fundamental belief that every life has potential and every life is precious. This shared vision is why we defend the rule of law. It is why we seek to punish the guilty. It is why we wish to take heart when the innocent are exonerated.

Your towering accomplishments — often beginning with the tiniest molecules of evidence — have had a profoundly powerful effect: protecting the integrity of the law and vindicating the suffering of victims.

I encourage you to continue to cultivate the ingenuity, the innovation, and the dedication to truth that has so strengthened forensic science, our courts, and the cause of freedom.

Thank you. God bless your pursuit of justice, and God bless America.

(The above are excerpts from the Special Address of U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft before the American Academy of Forensic Sciences on Wednesday, February 18, 2004.)
On Tuesday, February 17, 2004, the Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC) announced the names of the five institutions that had been notified of accreditation awards for the 2003 Pilot Accreditation: Cedar Crest College (Allentown, PA), provisional accreditation for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry, Biochemistry, Biology, and Genetic Engineering with a concentration in Forensic Science; Eastern Kentucky University (Richmond, KY), conditional accreditation for the Bachelor of Science Degree Program in Forensic Science; Florida International University (Miami, FL), full accreditation for both the Certificate Programs in conjunction with the Bachelor of Science Degree in a natural science such as chemistry or biology and the Master of Science in Forensic Science; Metropolitan State College of Denver (Denver, CO), full accreditation to the Bachelor of Science Degree Program in Forensic Science; and, Michigan State University (East Lansing, MI), full accreditation to the Master of Science Degree Program (biology and chemistry tracks). An application for institutional accreditation for both the Bachelor of Science degree and the Master of Science degree programs was submitted by Virginia Commonwealth University for the Pilot 2003 cycle; however, the University withdrew its application for accreditation.

The next round of institutional accreditations is planned for Fall 2004. Program chairs/directors wishing to apply for the 2004 cycle of institutional accreditation are encouraged to review FEPAC Standards, Policy & Procedures, and the Self-Study Report found on the AAFS website (www.aafs.org). Deadline for applications is May 1, 2004.

Forensic science academicians and practitioners interested in participating in the on-site evaluation process for the 2004 accreditation cycle may submit applications on line. The Commission will meet in mid-May to review both institutional and on-site review applications. Applicants will be notified by June 1, 2004.

José R. Almirall was elected for a second one-year term as Chair of FEPAC. Other AAFS members who serve on the Commission for a three-year term (now all in Year 2) are Peter De Forest, Barry A. J. Fisher, Jane Homeyer, Susan Johns, Peter Marone, Bruce McCord, Carl Selvaka, Jay Siegel, and Charles (Chris) Tindall. Betty Horton begins her service on the Commission as Public Person. In addition, Anjali Swienton is presently commissioner pro tem replacing Dr. Selvaka while he is on medical leave; Max Houck serves as TWGED liaison; and Karen Kershenstein continues as FEPAC consultant.

Daniel Garner (Fellow in Criminalistics) continues to promote international relations, networking, and collaborations by bringing forensic science colleagues from around the world to the Academy’s Annual Meetings through the International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program (ICITAP). This year was exceptional with the presence of senior forensic advisors, lab directors, criminalists, general prosecutors, and other forensic experts from Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Colombia, Georgia, Haiti, Indonesia, Mexico, Moldova, Russia, and Sénégal. Dan announced that Indonesia, Mozambique, and Uganda have been recently added to the list of countries served by ICITAP. For those who may not know about ICITAP, I include the following mission: “In accordance with U.S. foreign policy and criminal justice goals, ICITAP helps foreign governments develop the capacity to provide professional law enforcement services based on best policing practices, respect for human rights and the rule of law.” To learn more about this agency and the contributions that Dan and his colleagues make to global law enforcement, log on to www.justice.gov/criminal/icitap/index.html. If you are interested in working with ICITAP, please review the article on pages 4 & 5 in the March/April 2002 Academy News where you will find an excellent testimonial by Carla Noziglia as well as Dan Garner’s coordinates. (Please do not hesitate to contact me (jhurstle@aafs.org) for further assistance.

Applications are steadily coming in for the three Forensic Science Educational Conferences taking place this year: FSEC/CUH (June 10-12) at Chaminade University of Honolulu; FSEC/STL II (July 12-23) at Saint Louis University School of Medicine; and, FSEC/LSU (November 5-7) at Louisiana State University. Information about these events, including the application process, is available on the AAFS website (www.aafs.org) under “What’s New.” Members interested in hosting a conference for middle- and high school science teachers should contact me for information and to receive a copy of the Academy’s FSEC Protocol.
MEMORABLE MOMENTS FROM THE 56TH AAFS ANNUAL MEETING

AAFS President Ken Melson introducing United States Attorney General John Ashcroft

Attorney General John Ashcroft addressing the Academy assembly

AAFS President Ken Melson thanking Attorney General John Ashcroft for his Special Address

Dick Frank presenting the proposed bylaws changes at the Annual Business Meeting

AAFS President Ken Melson thanking Past-President Graham Jones for his years of service to the Academy

Jurisprudence Section Secretary Margaret Tarver with Jim Subjack and Steve Hogan, also of the Jurisprudence Section

Richard Tanton opening the bidding at the auction to benefit the Forensic Sciences Foundation
Joe Polski, Dick Frank, and Ben Perillo enjoying some down time at the President’s Reception

Dan Isenschmid and Marina Stajic discussing the latest in toxicology news

AAFS Director of Development Jim Hurley(r) with Lee Goff, the Oversight Chair for the upcoming FSEC in Hawaii

Criminalistics Section Members Matt Wood, Ken Williams, and Anjali Swienton at the President’s Reception

George Taft and Ashraf Mozayani sharing a dance at the President’s Reception

Ben Perillo, Haskell Pitluck, and Dick Frank discussing an intense topic
2004-05 OFFICERS ELECTED

Ronald L. Singer, MS assumed the office of AAFS President and will be joined by the following individuals who were elected to the office at the Annual Business Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, February 18, 2004, in Dallas.

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In addition to the Officers, the following ten section Fellows-at-Large comprise the 2004-05 AAFS Board of Directors:

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Chair: Amanda J. Jenkins, PhD
Secretary: Timothy P. Rohrig, PhD
THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

The 2004 AAFS Annual Meeting Local Arrangements Volunteers were wonderful! Thank you to Dallas Local Arrangements Committee Chair Andrew T. Armstrong and Jenny Stewart, of the Armstrong Forensic Laboratory, Inc., in Arlington, TX. The support this group offered the AAFS Staff was paramount.

The Local Arrangements Committee assists AAFS Staff at the scene and behind the scenes (from answering the office phones to assisting with registration and special functions). The Academy Office would like to offer a sincere thank you to those individuals who volunteered their time.

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The Academy would like to thank the following sponsors for their support at the 2004 AAFS Annual Meeting:

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  sponsored the Toxicology Section's Thursday Morning Break

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  sponsored Workshop #3

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  sponsored the Multidisciplinary Symposium

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  sponsored the YFSF Poster Presentations

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  sponsored the Toxicology Section’s Awardees Recognition Reception and the Toxicology Section’s Thursday Afternoon Break

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- **Neogen Corporation**
  sponsored the Toxicology Section’s Annual Lectureship Break

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- **University of Central Florida**
  sponsored the YFSF Poster Presentations

LOST AND FOUND

Two pairs of prescription glasses were turned in during the AAFS Annual Meeting. If you think a pair may belong to you, please contact AAFS at (719) 636-1100.
2004 AWARD RECIPIENTS

2004 Section Award Honorees gather for a picture after the Annual Business Meeting

AAFS President Ken Melson presenting Jack Frost with the 2004 Distinguished Fellow Award

AAFS President Ken Melson congratulating 2004 Distinguished Fellow Award Recipient Gerry Vale

FSF Chairman Carla Noziglia presenting Joseph Hefner with the FSF Emerging Forensic Scientist Award
The 2004 American Academy of Forensic Sciences Annual Meeting was a great success. Special recognition goes to Past President Ken Melson, President Ron Singer, and 2004 Program Chair Carol Henderson for the time and effort they put into making the week in Dallas educationally and professionally rewarding. The involvement of all section Program Chairs and the 2004 Program Committee Chairs must also be recognized. Without their dedication, the individual podium and poster presentations would not have been so warmly received. And to the countless numbers of people who worked behind the scenes, including the Academy staff, thank you.

We now set our sites on 2005 in New Orleans. Dr. Tracey Corey and I look forward to working with everyone involved in the formulating an exciting program. Our goal is to put together an exciting week forensic scientists from around the world will await with great anticipation. The theme of the 2005 meeting is 21st Century Crime — 21st Century Forensics. Along with forensic scientists in the “traditional” settings, we hope to encourage the participation of computer forensics professionals in describing their emerging roles in scientific investigations.

Through a proactive approach, Tracey and I will be contacting our colleagues with suggestions for papers, workshops, breakfast seminars, and other activities for the week in New Orleans. We ask that everyone who reads this article think about answering a question: If you plan on attending the 2005 meeting, what is the title of one talk you would not miss if it appeared on the program? Be creative and send your ideas to jpbstlmo@erols.com, or traceyscorey@aol.com.

To those who anticipate making a presentation, I ask that you not wait until summer to put your ideas on paper. The August 1 deadline will be upon us sooner that expected. Feel free to contact Tracey or me at the e-mail addresses above if you have any questions about the program. For now, remember the words of the great American philosopher, Hank Williams, when he wrote “Son-of-a-gun we’ll have some fun on the bayou.”

2004-05 PROGRAM CHAIRS

AAFS President Ron Singer announced that Joseph P. Bono, MA (202/307-8871) and Tracey S. Corey, MD (502/852-5587) are the 2005 Program Co-Chairs for the 57th Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA. Assisting Joe and Tracey in developing the 2005 program are:

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Criminalistics

Source: Susan M. Ballou, MS, Section Chair

Congratulations to past Section Chair Tom Brettell for hosting an information filled meeting accompanied by a fantastic lunch! For those of you unable to attend the 2004 AAFS Criminalistics Section Business Meeting, here are some of the highlights.

Tom thanked everyone who assisted and supported him throughout the year. He then read the budget and motions were made for continuing funding. Some actions are as follows:

• $2000K Allocated to support regional associations’ meetings
• $500K as the Chair’s discretionary funds to include support for AV management at the next annual meeting.
• $1000K from the special section account to be donated to the Tony Longhetti Scholarship.
• $500K to the Young Forensic Scientists Forum

The minutes were posted and accepted as written. A moment of silence was held to honor those in the Criminalistics Section that had passed away during the previous year. Please keep in your hearts the following individuals:

Jack Cadman
Barry Gaudette
Shawn Gordon
Carl Kempe
Alison Ochiae
Enrico Togneri

Ron Singer proposed a motion that was unanimously accepted to allocate funds to the Forensic Science Foundation in Enrico Togneri’s name.

John DeHaan presented tidbits about the program he worked so tirelessly on that were to unfold over the next few days. He reminded everyone about the Multidisciplinary Session for Thursday morning and afternoon, and that Wednesday’s poster session would be extended to allow the presenters time between the scheduled business meetings.

Committee and liaison reports were given by Joe Bono, Carla Noziglia, John Lentini, Larry Quarino, Bill Tilstone, Dave Epstein, Jay Siegel, and Marie Samples. John Lentini, representing the Nominating Committee, appointed Peter DeForest as the Program Chair for the 2005 meeting. For those members who are interested in presenting papers next year, serving as moderator or hosting a workshop, you now have a point of contact; Peter’s email is PRD4N6@aol.com.

Marie Samples, representing the Awards Committee, announced the selections for the Mary E. Cowan Outstanding Service Award and the Paul L. Kirk Award. After Marie provided a riveting presentation on accomplishments and attributes, the membership gave a standing ovation to the selected individuals. Susan Johns for the Mary E. Cowan Award and Jay Siegel for the Paul L. Kirk Award.

In “New Business,” discussion flowed on motions that would change the wording of the Membership Requirements. It was determined by the attending membership that revision proposals would be better suited for evaluation by a committee. The committee will report next year on its suggestions.

Now the work begins for next year’s meeting. If you have any questions, contact Section Chair Susan Ballou, Section Secretary John DeHaan, or Section Program Chair Peter DeForest as the mood is set for 2005 and we head for New Orleans.

Engineering Sciences

Source: Robert N. Anderson, PhD, PE, Section Chair

At this year’s American Academy of Forensic Sciences meeting, held in Dallas, TX, in February, the Engineering Sciences Section accomplished significant section participation by accepting 61 papers for presentation and also by offering several workshops. The participation of members of the section was commendable.

During the business meeting, the following officers were elected for 2004-05:

Section Chair: Robert N. Anderson
Secretary: Zeno J. Geradts
Board Member in Succession: Scott D. Batterman

Committee chairs appointed are:

Program: Peter Alexander
Awards: Adam K. Aleksander
Treasurer: David S. Goldman
Membership: Helmut Brosz
Ethics: Laura L. Liptai
NAFE Liaisons: Thomas P. Shefchick
Student Academy: Laura L. Liptai
ASTM 30: Harold E. Franck
ASTM 30.05: Adam K. Aleksander

Engineering Sciences Section awards were presented to Adam K. Aleksander, who received the 2004 Andrew H. Payne, Jr. Special Achievement Award, and to John A. Talbott, who received the Section’s 2004 Founders Award. These awards were given out by 2003-04 Section Chair James S. Smith.
Committee. **Bob Thibault** and **Gil Brogden** are the Forensic Sciences Foundation Trustees. Awards Committee Chair **Vernon McCarty** announced that **Frank Horvath** was the recipient of the John R. Hunt Award and **John Gerns** was the recipient of the Paul W. Kehres Meritorious Service Award. The remaining details of the business meeting will be published in the minutes.
received the Harold A. Feder Award for her years of service and contribution to the section. Tremendous appreciation and thanks are owed to out-going Chair Andre Moenssens and Board Representative Stephen Brunette for their untiring service.

Sherri H. Mecklenburg and Michael P. Monohan were promoted to full Members and several new Associate Members also joined the section. Thanks to all who participated and contributed to the success of this year’s program. It is now time to begin planning for next year’s program which will be held in New Orleans. Program Chairs Charles Dold (cdold@speakeasy.net) and Joseph Maltese (jmaltese@courts.state.ny.us) are soliciting suggestions for program topics, speakers, and presentations.

ODONTOLOGY

Source: Thomas J. David, DDS, Section Secretary

Now that the 2004 meeting has ended, it’s time to think about next years meeting. The 2005 AAFS Annual Meeting will be held in New Orleans from February 21-26. In addition to the Scientific Sessions, there will be a variety of workshops presented. The ABFO will sponsor a workshop that will be presented by the Civil Litigation Committee. This will be an all day workshop tailored toward odontologists wishing to increase their testimony experience and preparedness. Attendance will be controlled with priority given to those odontologists that are trying to become Board (ABFO) eligible. Those who testify as witnesses in the workshop will have the opportunity to satisfy one of the sworn testimony requirements needed for the ABFO examination application.

At the recent annual meeting, many announcements were made in order to encourage research in the field of forensic sciences. In that regard, there are numerous sources of funding available. For those who are members of ASFO, research grants of up to $1,000 are available. In addition, those who are members of AAFS are eligible for research grants through the Forensic Sciences Foundation (FSF). These grants can be as little as $500 or as much as $5,000. For those who are interested, please contact Jim McGivney or the FSF. Please note that grants may be combined for research that exceeds the $1,000 level of the ASFO grants.

PATHOLOGY/BIOLOGY

Source: John C. Hunsaker III, MD, JD, Section Chair

The Pathology/Biology Section Officers thank all program participants, moderators, the Dallas hosts, and Academy staff for making the 2004 meeting a success. Program Chair Victor Weedn organized an outstanding scientific slate totaling 91 presentations. The section also midwifed one breakfast seminar, 10 workshops, one workshort, and several special sessions. Tracey Corey eloquently addressed the plenum on the contemporary interface between evidence-based medicine/ “reasonable medical certainty” and forensic pathology. Special kudos to Jack Frost, a section stalwart and recipient of the 2004 Distinguished Fellow Award. Long-standing Chair of the Student Academy, he oversaw the program introducing over 200 high school and college students to forensic science; the Pathology/Biology Section allocated funds to further enhance student teaching.

At the Pathology/Biology Section Business Meeting Julia Goodin, re-elected Section Representative of the Academy Board, reported on the theme of the 2005 meeting in New Orleans (21st Century Crime — 21st Century Forensics), a proposal for annual meeting rotating core sites, and planned upgrades to the AAFS website. She encouraged members to use online resources for early submission of program abstracts and papers for the Journal of Forensic Sciences. Dr. Goodin next outlined proposals for
complex Academy bylaws changes on governance and membership categories, and AAFS President-Elect Ed Donoghue and Past President Pat McFeeley offered commentary. Most of these changes were not adopted by the Academy-wide membership. Officers elected for 2004-05 are Chair John Hunsaker, Secretary Karen Ross, and Program Chair Andrew Baker. J. Keith Pinckard replaces Gregory G. Davis as Chair of the Research Committee.

Encourage membership applications, prepare abstracts, and think New Orleans!

PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Source: Paul S. Sledzik, MS, Section Secretary

The Physical Anthropology Section survived a busy week in Dallas with an expansive program and several members winning awards. In formal business, Marilyn London (mlondon@hers.com) was elected Chair and Paul Sledzik (sledzik@afip.osd.mil) as Secretary. Todd Fenton (todd.fenton@ssc.msu.edu) was drafted as Section Program Chair.

Competition for the J. Lawrence Angel student paper award was so intense that the committee selected two awardees, Laurel Freas and Anne Kroman, who will split the $500 prize. The Section unanimously selected Ted Rathbun to receive the T. Dale Stewart Award. Joseph Hefner was awarded the Forensics Sciences Foundation’s Emerging Forensics Scientist Award.

The Ellis Kerley Forensic Sciences Foundation (www.kerleyfoundation.org) selected the paper by Susan Myster and Sarah Nathan for the annual award. “An Evaluation of the Greulich and Pyle Skeletal Aging Standards for the Hand and Wrist in a Contemporary Multiethnic Population” was selected from among eight other competitors. The $1,000 Kerley Paper Award, based on the quality of the submitted abstract, is open to Associate Members, Members, and Fellows of the Section.

Additionally, the Kerley Foundation awards an annual $2,500 scholarship to a graduate student in forensic anthropology. No applications for the scholarship were received this year. Application information can be found at the Foundation website. The deadline is April 30.

William Bass drew an impressive crowd in Dallas for a signing of “Death’s Acre: Inside the Body Farm.” This latest addition to the crop of popular forensic anthropology books is selling well and receiving good reviews. Please take a moment to update your email address at the Academy website so that section officers can send out various items and reminders via email. If you have session or workshop ideas, contact the program chair.

SECTION & PROGRAM NEWS

PSYCHIATRY & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

Source: Daniel A. Martell, PhD, Section Secretary

John Montgomery, of the University of Rochester forensic psychiatry residency program, and Eugene Wang, of the University of Hawaii forensic psychiatry residency program, received Honorable Mentions for their submissions to the Richard Rosner Award for the Best Paper by a Fellow in Forensic Psychiatry or Forensic Psychology. Dr. Montgomery’s paper was entitled, “Use of a Television Crime-Drama Series to Promote Legal Understanding in Mentally Ill, Incompetent Defendants: A Pilot Study.” Dr. Wang’s paper was entitled, “Schizophrenia and Amphetamine Psychosis: A New Framework for Differential Diagnosis in Insanity Evaluations.”

Richard Rosner and Daniel Martell were elected Section Chair and Section Secretary, respectively, at the Section Business Meeting. Dr. Martell has recently been certified in forensic psychology by the American Board of Professional Psychology. Long-time AAFS Fellow Abraham Halpern received the Menninger Award at the February 2004 meeting of the American College of Psychiatrists. Jason Hershberger has been appointed Section Program Chair for the 2005 Annual Meeting. Those interested in presenting at the meeting may contact Dr. Hershberger at hershj02@med.nyu.edu.

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Many thanks to Dale B. Stobaugh and his team for providing the Section with a successful program this year, including the Adobe Photoshop workshop by Derek L. Hammond, Jason Lee Miller, William J. Flynn, and the presenters.

Special congratulations to Jan Seaman Kelly, the well-deserving recipient of the Questioned Document Section’s Ordway Hilton Award. Jan has been instrumental in improving the resources available to practicing document examiners in meeting the Daubert challenges. Her direction as president of ABFDE and her authorship of Forensic Examination of Rubber Stamps makes her an outstanding leader.

Many thanks to William J. Bodziak, outgoing Section Chair, for his many years of hard work and dedication to the Section and to the Academy.

Section officers for 2004-2005 are: John L. Sang, Chair; Sandra Ramsey Lines, Secretary; and William J. Farrell, Jr. and Troy Eberhardt, Section Program Co-Chairs. The section’s representative to the AAFS Board of Directors is Robert J. Muehlberger and Grant R. Sperry representative to the Forensic Science Foundation.

Patricia Manzolillo has done a wonderful job with the Student Academy and is continuing in that roll next year.

The 2005 Program Chair William J. Farrell, Jr., may be contacted at (504) 469 0275 or by e-mail at EXPERT.DOX9.aol.com.

The Questioned Documents Section is looking forward to another full program including workshops at the meeting in New Orleans next year. Please consider presenting a paper or poster for the upcoming meeting. Don’t forget that abstract deadlines are due by August 1, 2004. Members are encouraged at this time of year to apply for promotions. Applications are available online at www.aafs.org or from Kimberly Wrasse (kwrass@ aafs.org). If you have or know of any Questioned Document Trainees, please encourage them to apply.

The Toxicology Section Program at the AAFS Annual Meeting in Dallas this year was well attended and provided the members and other attendees with a wealth of scientific information. There were three technical workshops, 19 posters, and 32 platform presentations.

Wednesday evening marked the opening of the Section’s scientific program with the now traditional Toxicology Section Awardees reception, followed by the scientific poster session. This year the Section honored the following awardees: Michael I. Schaffer [Alexander O. Gettler Award – 2003], Naresh C. Jain [Alexander O. Gettler Award], Vina R. Spiehler [Rolla N. Harger Award], and Rebecca A. Jufer [Irving Sunshine Young Scientist Award]. Congratulations to all!

The Toxicology Open Forum on Thursday evening, moderated by H. Chip Walls and J. Robert Zettl, again allowed for a lively exchange of ideas and opinions on a wide variety of topics.

On Friday afternoon, the Section concluded its scientific session with the Annual Lectureship in Toxicology and the Pediatric Postmortem Toxicology Forum. The Annual Lectureship this year was presented by C. Scott Anthony. His lecture was entitled “The Physiology and Pharmacology of Chronic Pain.” The presentation was informative and followed with a very enthusiastic question and answer session that even continued out in the hallway well after the conclusion of his talk. The afternoon session wrapped up with the annual Pediatric Postmortem Toxicology Forum [Rob Middleburg] focusing on postmortem case findings, with active audience participation in the discussions.

All the Toxicology Section members would like to thank the 11 vendors for their generous funding of the various breaks and section receptions; specifically Aegis Laboratories, American Business Solutions, Analytical Research Laboratories, Cerilliant, Cozart, Immunoanalysis, LabOne, Neogen, International Diagnostic Systems, Shamrock Glass, and Varian, Inc.

A special thanks goes out to Peter Stout who again made sure for smooth transitions in the scientific sessions with his hard work and oversight of the PowerPoint presentations.

Please join the section in welcoming and supporting the newly elected Program Chair Adam Negrusz.
It's time to start thinking about and planning workshops and workshorts for the 2005 AAFS Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA. The Meeting’s theme is 21st Century Crime — 21st Century Forensics, with particular reference to terrorism and to computer-based crime in general. Although members are encouraged to keep this theme in mind when planning their workshop or workshort, subject matter need not be confined to theme-related topics. A review of the many workshops presented at the Dallas meeting should provide an idea of the range of material that can be successfully presented in this format.

Since these presentations can promote understanding and working relationships between various forensic science disciplines, the ideal topic will appeal to members of more than one AAFS section. Our goal is to provide a number of high quality workshops and workshorts that advance and reinforce both the general and specific forensic knowledge of our membership. We refer again to the programs presented in Dallas as examples of the multidisciplinary cooperation and edification they reflect.

Workshops are scheduled for Monday and Tuesday of the meeting week and may be offered as half-day (four hour) or full-day (eight hour) sessions. It is expected that workshop attendees will be provided relevant handout materials, references to relevant publications, and other pertinent resources that adequately summarize and reinforce the content of the workshops. Where applicable, workshops should include a hands-on component to reinforce learning. However, they may also be presented in the form of straight seminars, given by individual lecturers or by a panel.

Workshorts are to be two-hour, non-stop sessions. They are typically scheduled Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday. Any particular workshort may be presented as a “hands-on” participatory session, a lecture, or a panel discussion.

The formal workshop and workshort proposals must go through the Academy Office. However, members are encouraged to make early contact with Workshop Chair Thomas Bohan or Workshop Co-Chair Paul Kish in order to discuss ideas you may have, and for suggestions as to what may be needed to obtain approval for the ultimate proposal. Space at New Orleans is going to be more limited than it was in Dallas, so those who get started early in developing their ideas may have some definite advantage.

Finally, members are strongly encouraged to seek outside sponsorship of their workshops. Workshops that are thus sponsored provide a much higher return of registration receipts to the Sections involved.

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2005 ABSTRACT DEADLINE

A reminder that the deadline for all abstract submissions for the 2005 AAFS Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA, is August 1, 2004. Don’t delay; complete the Call for Papers and Abstract form found on pages 21-24 of this issue of “Academy News” for your workshop proposal, breakfast seminar, luncheon session, poster, or paper presentations, and submit it to the AAFS office today. You may also submit your abstract online at: www.aafs.org.

IN MEMORIAM

Roland Brown, MD, Retired Fellow of the Pathology/Biology Section, December 2003.

Gwendolyn Carson, PhD, Retired Fellow of the Toxicology Section, unknown.

Morris Chedekel, BS, Fellow of the Toxicology Section, January 2004.

Dominick J. DiMaio, MD, Retired Fellow of the Pathology/Biology Section, 2003.

John Feegel, MD, JD, MPH, Fellow of the Pathology/Biology Section, 2003.

Joseph Keefe, JD, Fellow of the Jurisprudence Section, December 2003.

Congratulations to Joseph T. Hefner, winner of the 2003 FSF Emerging Forensic Scientist Award (EFSA) paper competition, for his 2003 presentation in Chicago on "The Utility of Nonmetric Cranial Traits in Ancestry Determination - Part II." The EFSA covers the expense of attending the AAFS Annual Meeting, including meeting registration, airfare, five nights lodging, and a $50/day per diem. Mr. Hefner, a Student Affiliate of the Physical Anthropology Section, also was presented with a commemorative plaque during the AAFS Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, February 18.

The 5th Annual Emerging Forensic Scientist Award paper competition was hosted again this year in Dallas. Jeannette M. Perr, Student Affiliate in the Criminalistics Section, was selected as the 2004 winner by a panel of judges for her oral presentation entitled "Construction and Development of a SPME/IMS Interface for Detection of Explosive Compounds and Taggants Evaluated by SPME/GC/MS." Congratulations to Ms. Perr who will receive all expenses paid to attend the 57th Annual Meeting in New Orleans!

The deadline for paper submissions of the 6th Annual Emerging Forensic Scientist Award is August 1, 2004. Please see page 20 for submission guidelines.

Two Acorn Grants totaling $1,000 were awarded in February of this year for the following proposals:


Diana A. Dupuis, BA — $500 for A Study of Decomposition Rates in the Santa Monica Mountains.

The following two Douglas M. Lucas Grants were awarded earlier this year, totaling $5,000:

Romina Kaushik, MS — $2,500 for Ethyl Glucuronide as a Marker of Alcohol Consumption in Blood and Urine Samples Using HPLC and Pulsed Electrochemical Detection.


Congratulations to all the 2003-2004 FSF Grant recipients! The 2003-2004 FSF Research Committee was comprised of Robert Thibault (Chair), Gil Brogdon, John Pless, and Norman Sauer. The deadline for all FSF Research Grant submissions is June 15, 2004; please see page 19 for details.

The Foundation is pleased to report that the Endowment Fund balance is approximately $341,845, having increased from $290,178 in December 2002. Thanks to Academy members, contributions totaled some $30,000 in December 2003, compared to $26,000 in December 2002. If you contributed to the Foundation during the Academy’s annual meeting in Dallas, you will find your name listed on page 19 as FSF "gold star" contributors. Thank you very much!

If you would like to use the FSF contribution form on page 28, remember that you have three options for your contribution: 100% of your contribution can go to the Endowment Fund; 100% of your contribution can go to the FSF General Fund which assists with operating expenses; or your contribution can be divided between the Endowment Fund and the General Fund. If you have any questions about your contribution, please contact Charlene Albertson at the Academy office in Colorado Springs.

The FSF Career Brochure is THE most requested document of the AAFS/FSF office. The brochure is available on-line and can be downloaded by going to www.aafs.org. Click on "Resources" and "Choosing a Career." Please spread the word!

One trustee retired this year from the FSF Board of Trustees—James Kaplan (Pathology/Biology). The FSF Members elected one new trustee—Scott Denton (Pathology/Biology); Michele Kestler (Criminalistics), Marina Stajic (Toxicology), and Robert Thibault (General) were elected to serve second four-year terms. Congratulations!

The 2004-2005 officers of the Foundation—Carla Noziglia (Chair), John McDowell (Vice Chair), Robert Thibault (Secretary), and James McGivney (Treasurer), and the entire Board of Trustees—want to thank the Academy for your continued support. It is because of you that the Foundation is able to move forward into the 21st century by offering all of its grants and awards that further the advancement of the forensic science profession.
2004-05 FSF ACORN GRANTS AVAILABLE

The FSF Acorn Grants are small grants (up to $500) intended to help the investigator initiate original research. These grants are open to members and affiliates (at any level) of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences.

Proposals should include:
- Current curriculum vitae for each applicant
- Brief (approximately one page) description of the project
- Budget for project, including amount requested from FSF
- Plan for dissemination of the results
- Timetable for project

Funding requests for travel, equipment, routine agency operation, and bibliographic preparation are discouraged. Deadline for proposal is June 15. A progress report for the research must be sent to the FSF by December 1.

Brief proposals (original and two copies) should be sent to the FSF headquarters (PO Box 669, Colorado Springs, CO 80901-0669, Attention: Nancy Jackson) by June 15 of the current year in order to be considered by the FSF Research Committee. The deadline is firm with no extension.

2004-05 LUCAS GRANTS AVAILABLE

The FSF Lucas Grants are larger grants (up to $5000) intended to help the investigator in original research. These grants are also open to members and affiliates (at any level) of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences.

Proposals should include the same materials as applications for the Acorn Grants, though the description of the project may be up to 5 pages.

Funding requests for travel, equipment, routine agency operation, and bibliographic preparation are discouraged. Deadline for proposal is June 15. A progress report for the research must be sent to the FSF by December 1.

TWO HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE

“France Casting” has donated this museum quality replica of the skull of a gunshot wound victim in a hand-made walnut display case.

A fund raiser to benefit the Forensic Sciences Foundation, Inc., will take place in conjunction with the 2005 AAFS Annual Meeting in New Orleans. See future issues of the Academy News for more details on how you may acquire this unique display.

$500,000 BY 2005

The following Friends of the Forensic Sciences Foundation generously contributed to the Foundation during the Academy’s 56th Annual Meeting in Dallas, TX. Contributions are very much appreciated and will ensure a sound financial basis for the FSF Lucas Research Grant Program, the Emerging Forensic Scientist Award, and other FSF-sponsored educational programs.

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Forensic scientists who have matured under the 75-year-old Frye standard of “general acceptance” have faced intense challenges to their reliability and validity in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court’s ruling in Daubert v. Merrell-Dow, 509 U.S. 579 (1993). Forensic scientists presently sit at the epicenter of a fundamental shift of their legal foundations; new forensic scientists enter the field to face unprecedented challenges to their areas of specialized knowledge.

**PURPOSE:** To nurture a productive dialogue between emerging judicial and forensic standards of reliability and validity, the Forensic Sciences Foundation is pleased to offer the 6th Annual Emerging Forensic Scientist Award. The award will be presented to the author of the best paper on any topic focusing on the reliability and validity of techniques, processes, or methods in a forensic area of the author’s choice.

**HOW TO ENTER:** Entrants should submit an abstract of the proposed paper to the AAFS Program Committee by **August 1, 2004**, in compliance with AAFS abstract criteria, and indicate that the abstract is submitted for the Emerging Forensic Scientist Award. Initial review and acceptance/rejection of the abstract will be done by the AAFS Program Committee, which will focus specifically on the abstract’s treatment of reliability and validity issues.

**SELECTION PROCESS:** Abstracts accepted by the AAFS Program Committee and the EFSA Program Committee will be scheduled for presentation during the scientific session of the section which accepted the abstract, and evaluated by representatives of the Multidisciplinary Awards Committee appointed by the Forensic Sciences Foundation Board of Trustees. Announcement of the winning entry will be made in the Academy News following determination of the winner by the Awards Committee. The Award will be presented during the 2006 Academy Business Meeting.

**CRITERIA TO ENTER:** An eligible entrant need not be an AAFS member. However, entrants who are AAFS members must be a Student Affiliate or Trainee Affiliate. All entrants must be within three years of completion of formal training (must submit proof from laboratory director or university professor) at the time the paper is presented in 2005. Only the presenter is eligible for the award; no substitutions will be accepted after the application is submitted. The decision of the Awards Committee is final and the amount of the award is firm. The form below must be completed and sent with the abstract submission to the AAFS office by the **August 1, 2004**, deadline.

**THE AWARD:** The award will cover the expense of the recipient’s attendance at the 2006 meeting, including registration, airfare, five nights lodging, and $50/day per diem. A commemorative plaque will also be presented to the award winner at the 2006 AAFS Annual Meeting in Seattle, WA.
The Forensic Sciences Foundation, Inc., gratefully acknowledges the generous contributions made to the Foundation and its Endowment Fund. Please accept our apologies if your name has been inadvertently omitted and contact the AAFS office as soon as possible with the correction. This listing reflects contributions received from 08/01/03 through 03/01/04.

The Fund’s balance through 03/01/04 was $347,737. Additionally, the Endowment has provided $47,163 in awards and grants since its inception in 1990.

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EMBRACERY AND OTHER UNCOMMON COMMON LAW CRIMES

Wherefore Blackstone:
The common law was profi-
ligate in the creation and
enforcement of uncommon
crimes, at least from the retro-
spective viewpoint of a 21st
century person. According to
Blackstone in his Commentaries,
a book probably not on
everyone’s parlor reading
table, “it is an offence of the
most alarming nature.” The
“it” refers not to a violent
crime nor the corruption of the
justice system nor even treason. Blackstone is referring to
“gaming.” Yes, “gaming.”
The “gaming” to which Blackstone refers as “of the
most alarming nature,” I am pleased to report, does not
include games of chance, indulged in “merely for recreation,
and without any view to inordinate gain.” But “the most
alarming” crime of “gaming” does include games such as
tennis, tables, cards, dice, bowls, and other unlawful diver-
sions” where money is at risk. The legislative purpose in
defining such baleful conduct as criminal was to stem the
tide of “public idleness, theft, and debauchery among those
of a lower class” and, among the elite, to prevent their dis-
honoring themselves and their virtue, leading all “too often”
... “to self-murder.” (read: suicide)

Even without Blackstone or a dictionary at one’s elbow it is easy to surmise what “gaming” as a crime is all about
without missing the target entirely. But there are other
common law crimes whose meaning, once revealed, boggles
the mind.

Take the crime of “criminal conversation,” for example. Now “criminal conversation” would be a wondrous subject
of word game (not gaming, mind) fascination. As a matter of
fessing up, the crime has nought to do with “conversation” as understood in 1st Amendment to the United States
Constitution parlance. In so many, probably too many,
words, “criminal conversation” is conduct which constitutes
“the defilement of the marriage bed.” But what, pray tell,
crime, conduct is that? In a word “criminal conversation” was the
common law’s priggish way of speaking of the crime of
adultery.

Some criminal conduct, at the common law, was just
too abhorrent, too outré, too woe-be-gone to appear in so
many intelligible words in the statutes of the realm or even
in Blackstone. One such crime “not fit to be named” was
“the infamous crime against nature,” sometimes more elab-
orately known as “the abominable and detestable crime
against nature.” No, that is not common law verbiage,
excessive at that, for spitting in public or even kissing in
public or even sexual congress (you get the drift) in public.
That crime, well hidden behind words of outrage, was
sodomy whether committed in private or in public, whether
with or without the consent of the participants. In today’s
more understanding world the crime has been limited by
constitutional protections adumbrated in Lawrence v. Texas
(United States Supreme Court 2003) at least to such acts
which are non-consensual. But what acts render the crime of
sodomy punishable? Today’s statutes, unlike the common
law, are graphic and precise in detailing the prohibited
conduct, which delicacy tempers my revealing here.

Misprision Then and Now
Some common law crimes have been carried over into
modern statutes still packaged in the misma of common
law articulation. One such is “misprision,” most often
known as “misprision of felony.” The Federal criminal
code (Title 18 U.S.C. section 4) lists and defines the Federal crime
of misprision of felony. The definition is essentially that of
Blackstone who speaks of misprision of felony as “the con-
cealment of a felony which a man knows, but never
assented to; for if he assented, this makes him either
principal or accessory.” At bottom the crime of misprision is
intended to impose a duty, enforceable by criminal
punishment, on all members of the public who are privy to
facts which relate to the commission of a felony to divulge
such information to the appropriate law enforcement
authorities. In a sense this is a duty to rescue in the guise of
the criminal law.

Whereas, as a general rule, there is no duty of Good
Samaritanism in the law, misprision of felony is a limited
divergence from that general hands-off attitude regarding
those whose only role in the event is to have knowledge,
first hand or otherwise, of its occurrence. Recently, in
Massachusetts, a prosecutor is reported to be asking a
grand jury “to consider charges of failure to report (sexual)
abuse” by the Catholic hierarchy occurring long years ago
for the purpose getting around the statute of limitations on
other possible criminal charges. This report, without saying
so in the common law diction, is a report of an investigation
misprision of felony.

There may be a public policy paradox in this dichotomy
between the duty to rescue persons in straits which is non-
existent as a general proposition in the law and the duty to
inform law enforcement when it is in straits which is per-
vasive in the legal system. But a fuller discussion must await
another occasion since embracery lingers, as yet unseen, in
the arras, demanding to be heard.

The Wrong of Embracery
Embracery, at the outset it needs to be said, is devoid
of any reference to sexual conduct or misconduct.
“Embraceable You” is a song sung by Frank Sinatra and
other luminary songsters like Ella Fitzgerald. There is no
relation to criminal conduct there, incipient, suggestive or
otherwise. Nor is embracery, as my research assistant,
David Morfin, quipped all that people of my age were
allowed on the first date.

Embracery is a common law misdemeanor which
consists in attempting to corrupt a jury, whether petit or
grand, by inducements such as promises, persuasions,
threats, entreaties, money and such. It is an attack, not only
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on individuals whether litigants or jurors, but it is also an assault on the legitimacy of the system for the administration of justice. If the jury is to be truly the citadel of justice, then embracery is a cannonade against the citadel.

Movie afficionados have seen juries ablaze in corruption in some leading Hollywood hits. Kevin Costner, playing Elliot Ness, the quintessential G-Man in the “Untouchables,” saves the day for the Federal trial against Robert De Niro, as Al Capone, for his Federal crimes when he convinces the Federal District Court to dismiss the case. Jury tampering can also, under Hollywood’s lights, occur from within the jury, rather than from the nasties from without. Dennis Quaid, in “Suspect’ has all good intentions to assist defense attorney Cher while he serves during the day on the jury and after hours as an intrusive volunteer investigator. As a juror he was under oath to decide only on the facts presented by the parties in court, not from those evolving from his own investigative acumen. And lately we see John Grisham’s “The Runaway Jury” portrayed on the silver screen as “Runaway Jury.” The title to this Hollywood pot-boiler is misleading for it is not the jury that engages in “runaway” behavior but the litigants, from both sides, as well as a juror impaneled to serve in this damage action against a gun manufacturer. The jury manipulation is outright, obnoxious, and overt.

**Forensic Applications of Embracery**

In all these seemingly aimless ruminations on the eccentricities of the common law and their contemporary applications, is there some point of reference to forensic science? I thank the reader for staying the course with me for I have, at my loquacious last, come to that.

John Howell was an expert witness in a patent action in Federal court in Kansas. He was retained by the plaintiff, Manildra Milling Corporation, in its suit against Ogilvie Mills, Inc. After eighteen days of a protracted and complex trial a mistrial was declared. Following the mistrial Howell, the plaintiff’s expert, was sued in a Kansas state court for damages for embracery, among other tort claims, due to his having “contacted Manildra jurors with the intention to influence or attempt to influence their decision.” With no objection the action was removed from the Kansas state court to the local Federal District Court.

The sole question for the Federal District Court on Howell’s motion to dismiss the action was whether Kansas law recognizes a civil action for embracery, regardless of whether the claim is made against an expert witness or not.

The answer, coming from the submission of questions to the Kansas Supreme Court by the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, was a resounding and unequivocal no. In that regard Kansas decided against following the lead of North Carolina and Georgia in allowing such a tort action. Unfortunately in the three written opinions in this case it was taken as a given, without discussion, that the expert had engaged in embracery but the details were not spread on the record of these published opinions. The particulars of Howell’s alleged wrongdoing should have wide appeal since all experts, whether in patent litigation or beyond, are engaged in influencing juries or judges. Certainly the simple fact of being an expert in the presence of the jury exerting one’s best should not qualify as embracery. Any other result would qualify as drumhead justice.

Some conduct is patently not within the ambit of common law or modern day law of embracery. So in Hoston v. Silbert (D.C. Dist. Ct. 1981) the plaintiff’s attempt to hold members of the law enforcement community as well as the U.S. Attorney accountable in damages for failing to prosecute those responsible for the death of Curtis E. Hoston while in custody of the Federal government was held not to be encompassed by embracery, either at the common law or under the law of the District of Columbia. Nothing was said about jurors being corrupted, except to the extent that a failure to prosecute would keep the matter out of the cognizance of a jury. That was not the sort of jury tampering which was actionable as embracery.

Sometimes embracery is defined both in that name and in its particulars by statute. Georgia is illustrative of such a rarely observed statute. It statute (O.C.G.A. sec. 16-10-19) states that the offense of embracery occurs when a person seeks to “influence a person summoned or serving as a juror” by communicating with him “otherwise than as is authorized bylaw.” The legitimate testimony of an expert witness is beyond the reach of the plain language of this statute. But in Virginia, which adopts the common law on this topic as well as others, generally, leaves the definition up for grabs.

In the Federal system and in the majority of states embracery is retained as a crime but under the more intelligible terms of “influencing or injuring officer or juror generally.” (18 U.S.C. 1503) The crime is also broadened to include influencing a juror after his/her term of service has ended. Such conduct would not be embracery at the common law but would be cognizable as wrongdoing today. The case of Burgess v. Busby (2003) is a most deplorable example of a vendetta waged against jurors who resolved a medical malpractice claim by a verdict against one of two doctors in North Carolina who had been sued for damages.

After the verdict was rendered, the medical doctor who had survived the claim unscathed forwarded a written communication to every physician at the only local hospital giving those medical practitioners the names and addresses of all the twelve jurors who were said to “have found a doctor guilty.” The missive also listed the names and addresses of “others of whom I am leery.” It was signed by Rudy Busby, MD, the defendant in this action for damages by eight of the named former jurors.

The jurors argued that the doctor-defendant’s communication to the other medicos had the purpose of “influencing the present and future medical care” they might seek. That claim recalls the Seinfeld episode where Elaine Benes is blacklisted by one doctor after another because of her obstreperous behavior.

More to the present point the former jurors maintained that Dr. Busby’s memo causes them to “fear further severe emotional distress” if called to serve on a jury again.
because they would be open “to further harassment by litigants.” Although the North Carolina trial court had dismissed the jurors’ action, on appeal the plaintiffs carried the day as to most of their claims. On remand the matter was negotiated to a settlement, the terms of which are unknown.

The North Carolina appeals court’s opinion notes the particular tragedy of the jurors situation. The jurors went to court only after a trial court judge in the “med mal” action refused to hold Dr. Busby in contempt of court for the communication and the local prosecutor refused to prosecute Dr. Busby for the crime of obstruction of justice or otherwise. In the Federal system section 245 of title 18 is most relevant but it would not apply here since Dr. Busby did not act with “force or threat of force” “to intimidate” any person “serving, or attending upon any court in connection with possible service, as a grand or petit juror in any court of the United States”

And Then There Was More

One can glean a word to the wise from the Burgess v. Busby situation. Yes it is indicative of the on-going and fractious environment resulting from “med mal” litigation. Indeed a Texas company is reported to have produced a website which “compiles and posts the names of plaintiffs, their lawyers, and expert witnesses in malpractice lawsuits in Texas and beyond, regardless of the merit of the claim.” Are you listed?

In Maryland by rule of court (2-512) the address of a prospective juror when provided to the parties in any action “need not include the house or box number” of the address. The possible intimidation of jurors whose addresses are known in full is attempted to be offset by this court rule. Better not to have intimidation than to rely on a civil or criminal action for embracery or the like after the deed is done.

I conclude with a caveat. There is more at the common law which has not been included in this essay. So I leave the reader to his/her own devices in plumbing the depths of other uncommon common law crimes, such as engrossing, regrating and forestalling for example.

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The YFSF would like to thank the International Forensic Science Research Institute (IFRI) at Florida International University for sponsoring the first posters and cocktails session. Thanks to Elsevier Press for donating the books that were raffled off at the Poster Session. Thank you to Howard Cash and GeneCodes Forensics for sponsoring our fabulous lunch. We had silverware and china this year, folks! And last but not least, to the AAFS staff, especially Nancy Jackson, for making our programs such a success this year.

A picture is worth a thousand words... enjoy!

~ Sheila Estacio, BA
YFSF Secretary
Full house at the YFSF Special Session

Elsevier Press book raffle: YFSF Co-chair Chris Gojcz handing a book to one of the winners at the YFSF Poster Session

Det. Gordon Angus, Miami-Dade Police Department, and FIU student Jeanette Perr enjoying the YFSF lunch, sponsored by GeneCodes Forensics.

L-R Michael Sigman and Carrie Whitcomb from NCFS @ UCF, Allison Curran, Dr. K. Furton, and Dr. J. Almirall at the YFSF Poster Session

Howard Cash, President /CEO of GeneCodes Forensics, with YFSF Secretary Sheila Estacio and Dr. Theresa Caragine from NYC OCME

Panel Discussion: President Ron Singer, Susan Johns, Eric Stauffer, and Eve Tokumara
AUGUST 2004

13-17
International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association (ILEETA)
International Training Conference and Expo— To be held at the Holiday Inn in Rolling Meadows (Chicago), IL.
CONTACT: Ed Nowicki
ILEETA
PO Box 1003
Twin Lakes, WI 53181-1003
(262) 279-7879 Fax: (262) 279-5758
ncjtc@aol.com
www.ileeta.org

14-16
Insight Into Mass Spectra Course— To be held at the University of North Texas Police Academy in Denton, TX.
CONTACT: Edward E. Hueske
Forensic Coordinator
(940) 565-4988 Fax: (940) 369-8663
ehueske@scs.unt.edu
www.ntu.edu/policeacademy/

19-22
Crime Scene Reconstruction— Presented by the Office of Continuing Professional Education, George Mason University. To be held at the Hyatt Fair Lakes in Fairfax, VA.
CONTACT: George Mason University
Office of Continuing Professional Education
Prince William Campus, MS 4F2
10000 University Blvd.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 993-8335
www.ocpe.gmu.edu

19-22
Spring 2004 Southern Association of Forensic Scientists Meeting— To be held at the Best Western Hotel Acadiana in Lafayette, LA.
CONTACT: Kevin Ardoin
Acadiana Crime Lab
5004 West Admiral Doyle Drive
New Iberia, LA 70560
(337) 365-6671 Fax: (337) 364-1834
kkardoin@acadianacl.com

19-23
Shooting Incident Reconstruction/Officer-Involved Shootings Course— To be held at the Northwestern University Institute for Public Safety in Evanston, IL.
CONTACT: Edward E. Hueske
Forensic Coordinator
(940) 565-4988 Fax: (940) 369-8663
xprtwit@aol.com

20-22
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine Advanced Course— To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
700 N. 5th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
www.vifs.org

20-23
Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists 2004 Annual Meeting— To be held at the Wyndham Wilmington in Wilmington, DE.
CONTACT: Dan Katz
maafs2004@maafs.org
www.maafs.org/annualmeeting.htm

20-24
8th Cross Channel Conference on Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences— To be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Bruges, Belgium.
CONTACT: Katia Vyncke, Chemiphar NV
L. Bauwensstraat 4, B-8200
Brugge, Belgium
Tel: + 32 50 310252
Fax: + 32 50 310254
katia.vyncke@chemiphar.com
http://membres.lycos.fr/ccc2004/

26-28
The Reid Technique of Interviewing and Interrogation— To be held at the Embassy Suites in Colorado Springs, CO.
CONTACT: John E. Reid & Associates
(800) 255-5747
www.reid.com

26-30
Medicolegal Death Investigator Training Course— Sponsored by the Saint Louis University School of Medicine, Division of Forensic Pathology. To be held in St. Louis, MO.
CONTACT: Mary Fran Ernst or Julie Howe
Saint Louis University
School of Medicine
1402 South Grand Blvd., RS12
St. Louis, MO 63104
(314) 268-5970 Fax: (314) 268-5695
mlid@slu.edu
http://medschool.slu.edu/masters

27-29
SCANNING 2004 - 15th Annual Scientific Meeting— To be held at the Hotel Washington in Washington, DC.
CONTACT: FAMS, Inc.
PO Box 485
Mahwah, NJ 07430-0485
(201) 818-1010 Fax: (201) 818-0086
scanning@fams.org
www.scanning.org

28-30
Pediatric Forensic Nurse Examiner Training Course— To be held in Escondido, CA.
CONTACT: Jean Kellum
Palomar Pomerado Health
jean.kellum@pph.org

28-30
Advanced Shooting Reconstruction Course— To be held at the University of North Texas Police Academy in Denton, TX.
CONTACT: Edward E. Hueske
Forensic Coordinator
(940) 565-4988 Fax: (940) 369-8663
ehueske@scs.unt.edu
www.unl.edu/policeacademy/

MAY 2004

3-7
Spring 2004 CAC Semi-Annual Seminar - “Battin’ on Forensics”— To be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Foster City, CA.
CONTACT: Mona Tso
San Mateo County Sheriff’s Crime Lab
50 Tower Road
San Mateo, CA 94402-0035
(650) 323-5306 Fax: (650) 356-0351
aap@ssogt.com
www.aapsa.org

3-7
Forensic Science for Medicolegal Professionals Course— To be held at the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education, Clayton College & State University, in Morrow, GA.
CONTACT: Terri Brennan
(770) 960-4207
terribrennan@mail.clayton.edu

3-7
Comprehensive Composite Drawing— To be held at Scottsdale Artists’ School in Scottsdale, AZ.
CONTACT: (480) 333-5707 or (480) 990-1422
www.scottsdaleartschool.org
3-7
Basic Facial Reconstruction Sculpture—
To be held at Scottsdale Artists’ School in Scottsdale, AZ.
CONTACT: (800) 333-5707 or (480) 990-1422
www.scottsdaleartschool.org

9-14
The Robert F. Borkenstein Course on Alcohol, Drugs, and Highway Safety: Testing, Research, and Litigation—To be held at Indiana University, Center for Studies of Law In Action, in Bloomington, IN.
CONTACT: Darlena Lindsay
Indiana University
Center for Studies of Law In Action
1033 E 3rd Street
302 Sycamore Hall
Bloomington, IN 47405
(812) 855-1783   Fax: (812) 855-7542
dlindsay@indiana.edu

10-14
Advanced Two-Dimensional Identification Techniques—To be held at Scottsdale Artists’ School in Scottsdale, AZ.
CONTACT: (800) 333-5707 or (480) 990-1422
www.scottsdaleartschool.org

11-13
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine Part A 3-day Course—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
700 N. 5th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
www.vifsm.org

17-21
Spring 2004 Bloodstain Institute—To be held in Corning, NY.
CONTACT: Herbert L. MacDonnell
Bloodstain Evidence Institute
PO Box 1111
Corning, NY 14830
(607) 962-6581   Fax: (607) 936-6936
forensiclaboratory@stny.rr.com

18-20
Shock & Detonation: An Engineering Approach Short Course — To be held in Baltimore, MD.
CONTACT: John Zukas
Computational Mechanics Associates
PO Box 11314
Baltimore, MD 21239
(410) 532-3260
compmechanics@verizon.net
www.compmechanics.com

23-25
The MidWest Association for Toxicology and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (MATT) and the Society of Hair Testing (SoHT) Joint Meeting—To be held at the Sheraton Northwest Chicago Hotel in Arlington Heights, IL.
CONTACT: Adam Negrusz
(312) 996-2560   Christine Moore
(847) 375-0770   ext 111
www.midwesttox.org
www.soht.org

24-28
Advanced Bloodstain Pattern Analysis and Expert Witness Workshop—To be held at the Metropolitan Police Institute in Miami, FL.
CONTACT: Toby L. Wilson
Miami-Dade Police Department
Crime Laboratory Bureau
9105 Northwest 25th Street
Miami, FL 33172
(305) 471-3041   Fax: (305) 471-3350
twolson@mpdl.com

24-28
Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Workshop—To be held at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
Mercyhurst College
Applied Forensic Sciences Department
501 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
dirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu/Forensics/Anth/Short_courses.htm

24-29
8th Annual Human Skeletal Remains: Search, Recovery, and Identification for Law Enforcement and Death Investigators—Presented by the Southern Institute of Forensic Science. To be held at Missouri Western University in Saint Joseph, MO.
CONTACT: Ed Waldrip
Executive Director
Southern Institute of Forensic Science
Box 293
828 Royal Street
New Orleans, LA 70116-3199
(504) 794-6765
edwaldrip@msn.com

26-27
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine On-site Basic 2-day Course (to follow completion of on-line module)—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
700 N. 5th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
www.vifsm.org

26-28
Forensic Photography Course—To be held at the East Texas Police Academy in Kilgore, TX.
CONTACT: Edward E. Hueske
(972) 304-8668
xprtwt@aol.com

31-June 5
The 13th Annual Death-Scene Archaeology Short Course: Field Methods in the Location, Recovery, and Interpretation of Human Remains from Outdoor Contexts—Presented by the Applied Forensic Sciences Department at Mercyhurst College, Erie, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
Mercyhurst College
Applied Forensic Sciences Department
501 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
dirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu/Forensics/Anth/Short_courses.htm

31-July 10
1st Annual Forensic Anthropology Field School—Presented by the Applied Forensic Sciences Department at Mercyhurst College, Erie, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
Mercyhurst College
Applied Forensic Sciences Department
501 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
dirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu/Forensics/Anth/Short_courses.htm

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7-11  
**17th Annual Forensic Anthropology Course**—To be held at the National Transportation Safety Board Academy in Ashburn, VA.  
CONTACT: Mark Hovland  
Department of Medical Education  
Armed Forces Institute of Pathology  
Washington, DC 20306-6000  
(202) 782-2637 Fax: (202) 782-5020  
sutton@afip.osd.mil  
www.afip.org/departments/edu/  
coursehtm/04anthrofs.htm

7-12  
**The 4th Annual Forensic Anthropology Short Course in Human Identification: Laboratory Methods in the Identification of Human Skeletal Remains**—Presented by the Applied Forensic Sciences Department at Mercyhurst College, Erie, PA.  
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat  
Mercyhurst College  
Applied Forensic Sciences Department  
501 38th Street  
Erie, PA 16546  
(814) 824-2105  
ddirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu  
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu/ForenAnth/Short_courses.htm

11  
**Forensic Anthropology Workshop**—To be held at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA.  
CONTACT: Lawrence Quarino  
(610) 606-4666, ext. 3567  
lquarin@cedarcrest.edu

11-12  
**Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine On-site Basic 2-day Course (to follow completion of on-line module)**—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.  
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver  
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine  
700 N. 5th Street  
Richmond, VA 23219  
(804) 786-1383  
www.vifsm.org

11-12  
**Mediterranean Academy of Forensic Sciences Workshop**—To be held at the Conference Center of the Touristic Village IGV Club “Le Castella” - Isola Capo Rizzuto in Calabria (Southern Italy).  
CONTACT: MAFS Secretariat  
SIMEF  
Reggio Calabria  
Italy  
+ 39-0965891184/5  
Fax + 39-0965891125  
www.simef.com

14-16  
**43rd Professional Polygraph Seminar**—To be held at The National Training Center of Polygraph Science in New York, NY.  
CONTACT: Richard Archer  
The National Training Center of Polygraph Science  
Suite 1400, 200 West 57th Street  
New York, NY 10019-3211  
(800) 643-6597 Fax: (973) 838-8661

23-25  
**Introduction to Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Course**—To be held at the East Texas Police Academy in Kilgore, TX.  
CONTACT: Edward E. Hueske  
(972) 304-8668  
xprtwit@aol.com

24-25  
**Thirteenth Annual National Expert Witness Conference**—To be held at the Sheraton Hyannis Resort in Cape Cod, MA.  
CONTACT: SEAK, Inc.  
PO Box 729  
Falmouth, MA 02541  
(508) 457-1111  
www.seak.com

28-July 2  
**Detection and Recovery of Human Remains Workshop**—To be held at Chaminade University in Honolulu, HI.  
CONTACT: M. Lee Goff  
Chaminade University of Honolulu  
Honolulu, HI  
(808) 440-4209  
lgoff@chaminade.edu

28-July 9  
**Forensic Science Education Conference/Anchorage, AK**  
CONTACT: George M. Taft  
(907) 562-5684  
gtaft@msn.com  
www.alaskasummerjusticeinstitute.org
MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

JULY 2004

6-10 The 1st Annual Post-Bomb Blast Recovery Short Course: Documentation and Recovery of Human and Physical Evidence at the Terrorism Crime Scene—Presented by the Applied Forensic Sciences Department at Mercyhurst College, Erie, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
Mercyhurst College
Applied Forensic Sciences Department
501 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
ddirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu/forensics/index.shtml

12-17 Basic Human Osteology Course—Presented by the Southern Institute of Forensic Science. To be held in New Orleans, LA.
CONTACT: Ed Waldrip
Executive Director
Southern Institute of Forensic Science
Box 293
828 Royal Street
New Orleans, LA 70116-3199
(601) 794-6765
edwaldrip@msn.com

14-15 Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine On-site Basic 2-day Course (to follow completion of on-line module)—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
700 N. 5th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
www.vifsm.org

19-23 Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine Basic 5-day Course for Science Teachers—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
700 N. 5th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
www.vifsm.org

19-24 Paleopathology Course—Presented by the Southern Institute of Forensic Science. To be held in New Orleans, LA.
CONTACT: Ed Waldrip
Executive Director
Southern Institute of Forensic Science
Box 293
828 Royal Street
New Orleans, LA 70116-3199
(601) 794-6765
edwaldrip@msn.com

21-23 Reconstruction/Preservation of Footwear/Tire Tread Impression Course—To be held at the East Texas Police Academy in Kilgore, TX.
CONTACT: Edward E. Hueske
(972) 304-8668
xptwit@aol.com

27-29 Second Latin American Congress on Forensic Anthropology—To be held in Guatemala City.
CONTACT: U.S. Delegate
Mimi Doretti
mimidoretti@yahoo.com
ALAF email: alaf_03@yahoo.com

29-30 Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine On-site Basic 2-day Course (to follow completion of on-line module)—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
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Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
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AUGUST 2004

1-5 15th World Congress on Medical Law—To be held in Sydney, Australia.
CONTACT: WCML 2004 Congress Managers
Tour Hosts Pty Limited
GPO Box 128
Sydney, NSW 2001
Australia
Phone: + 61 2 9248 0800
Fax: + 61 2 9248 0894
wcml@tourhosts.com.au

3-5 Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine Basic Part B Course—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
700 N. 5th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
www.vifsm.org

8-12 31st Annual New England Seminar in Forensic Sciences—To be held at Colby College in Waterville, ME.
CONTACT: Special Programs
4730 Mayflower Hill
Waterville, ME 04901-8847
(207) 872-3386 Fax: (207) 872-3383
summer@colby.edu
www.colby.edu/spec.prog/cme/

18-19 Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine On-site Basic 2-day Course (to follow completion of on-line module)—To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
700 N. 5th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 786-1383
www.vifsm.org

21-23 19th World Congress for Clinical Forensic Science—To be held in Sydney, Australia.
CONTACT: Maria A. LeBeau
International Society of Forensic Toxicologists (ISFT) and The Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SFT)
31st Annual New England Seminar in Forensic Sciences—To be held at Colby College in Waterville, ME.
CONTACT: Special Programs
4730 Mayflower Hill
Waterville, ME 04901-8847
(207) 872-3386 Fax: (207) 872-3383
summer@colby.edu
www.colby.edu/spec.prog/cme/

28-Sept 3 2004 FBI Laboratory Forensic Toxicology Symposium & Joint Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOF) and The International Society of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT)—To be held at the JW Marriott Hotel in Washington, DC.
CONTACT: Marc A. LeBeau
Federal Bureau of Investigation
701 3rd Street SW
Washington, DC 20234
(202) 277-1130 Fax: (202) 277-1135
milebeau@fbi.gov
www.soft-tox.org
www.tiaft.org

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**SEPTEMBER 2004**

- **8-15**
  - National Association of Medical Examiners Annual Meeting— To be held at the Loews Vanderbilt Hotel in Nashville, TN.
  - CONTACT: Mary Fran Ernst
  - Saint Louis University
  - School of Medicine
  - 1402 South Grand Blvd, R512
  - St. Louis, MO 63104
  - (314) 522-3262, ext. 65009
  - Fax: (314) 522-0955
  - ernstmf@slu.edu

- **19-24**
  - Joint Meeting of the Southern Association of Forensic Scientists (SAFS), the Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists (MAAFS), and the Canadian Society of Forensic Science (CSFS)— To be held at the Grosvenor Resort in the Walt Disney World Resort, Lake Buena Vista, FL.
  - CONTACT: David Baer
  - Florida Department of Law Enforcement
  - Orlando Regional Crime Lab
  - 500 West Robinson Street
  - Orlando, FL 32801
  - (407) 650-5152
  - davidb7818@aol.com
  - www.southernforensic.org

- **20-24**
  - Fall 2004 Bloodstain Institute— To be held in Corning, NY.
  - CONTACT: Herbert L. MacDonnell
  - Bloodstain Evidence Institute
  - PO Box 1111
  - Corning, NY 14830
  - (607) 962-6581
  - Fax: (607) 936-6936
  - forensiclaboratory@stny.rr.com

- **28-29**
  - Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine Basic 5-day Course— To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
  - CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
  - Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
  - 700 N. 5th Street
  - Richmond, VA 23219
  - (804) 786-1383
  - www.vifsm.org

**OCTOBER 2004**

- **1-5**
  - Medicolegal Death Investigator Training Course— Sponsored by the Saint Louis University School of Medicine, Division of Forensic Pathology. To be held in St. Louis, MO.
  - CONTACT: Mary Fran Ernst or Julie Howe
  - Saint Louis University
  - School of Medicine
  - 1402 South Grand Blvd., R512
  - St. Louis, MO 63104
  - (314) 268-5970
  - Fax: (314) 268-5695
  - mldi@slu.edu
  - http://medschool.slu.edu/mldi

- **11-15**
  - Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists 2004 Training Conference and Meeting— To be held at the Westin in Oklahoma City, OK.
  - CONTACT: Brandy Reese
  - Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation
  - 2132 NE 36th Street
  - Oklahoma City, OK 73111
  - (405) 425-3857
  - Fax: (405) 427-5614
  - www.swafs.us

- **14-15**
  - Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine On-site Basic 2-day Course (to follow completion of on-line module)— To be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Resort in Glen Allen (Richmond), VA.
  - CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
  - Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
  - 700 N. 5th Street
  - Richmond, VA 23219
  - (804) 786-1383
  - www.vifsm.org

- **15-17**
  - 3rd Annual Legal Fiction Writing For Lawyers Workshop— To be held at the SeaCrest Oceanfront Resort in Falmouth, Cape Cod, MA.
  - CONTACT: Steve Babitsky
  - SEAK, Inc.
  - PO Box 729
  - Falmouth, MA 02540
  - (508) 548-9443
  - sbabitsky@aol.com

- **25-29**
  - California Association of Criminalists (CAC) Fall Seminar 2004— Hosted by the Ventura County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab. To be held at the Ventura Beach Marriott in Ventura, CA.
  - CONTACT: Michael Parigian
  - Ventura County Sheriff's Department
  - 800 S. Victoria Avenue
  - Ventura, CA 93009
  - (805) 654-2370
  - Fax: (805) 662-6717
  - michael.parigian@mail.co.ventura.ca.us

**NOVEMBER 2004**

- **1-5**
  - Basic Facial Reconstruction Sculpture— To be held at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, OK.
  - CONTACT: Betty Pat. Gatliff
  - (405) 321-8706
  - www.occe.ou.edu/facial/

- **8-11**
  - Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine 5 Year Anniversary and Convocation— To be held in Las Vegas, NV.
  - CONTACT: Michelle Oliver
  - Virginia Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine
  - 700 N. 5th Street
  - Richmond, VA 23219
  - (804) 786-1383
  - www.vifsm.org

- **8-12**
  - Shooting Reconstruction Training Course— To be held at the Gunsite Academy in Paulden, AZ.
  - CONTACT: Lucien Haag
  - PO Box 5347
  - Carefree, AZ 85377
  - (480) 488-4445
  - www.forensicfirearms.com

- **8-12**
  - Advanced Facial Reconstruction Sculpture— To be held at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, OK.
  - CONTACT: Betty Pat. Gatliff
  - (405) 321-8706
  - www.occe.ou.edu/facial/

- **29-Dec 3**
  - Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Workshop— To be held at the Metropolitan Police Institute in Miami, FL.
  - CONTACT: Toby L. Wolson
  - Miami-Dade Police Department
  - Crime Laboratory Bureau
  - 9105 Northwest 25th Street
  - Miami, FL 33172
  - (305) 471-3041
  - Fax: (305) 471-3350
  - twolson@mmpd.com
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MEDICAL EXAMINER
The Maricopa County Office of the Medical Examiner is seeking applicants for the position of Medical Examiner. Qualifications include graduation from an accredited medical school and certification from the American Board of Pathology in anatomic pathology; completion of a forensic pathology fellowship and certification, or eligible for certification in forensic pathology, and must be eligible for medical licensure in the State of Arizona. Responsibilities include performing medical examinations and autopsies; reviewing medical records, investigators reports, toxicology reports, and other information; preparing precise and complete reports of findings and conclusions; assisting in the identification of unknown remains; reviewing and approving the cremation of decedents’ remains; consulting with attorneys, physicians, and criminal investigators; and providing expert testimony in legal proceedings. Salary: $94,557-$110,906/annual. CONTACT: Philip E. Keen Chief Medical Examiner Maricopa County Office of the Medical Examiner 120 S 6th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85003 Fax: (602) 506-1546

CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER
The Vermont Department of Health (VDH) is seeking applicants for the position of Chief Medical Examiner for its office in Burlington, VT. This position is responsible for the overall management and supervision of two full-time deputy forensic pathologists, three administrative staff, and one state police investigator assigned to the office. Additional activities include instruction of students and residents affiliated with the University of Vermont’s College of Medicine, Department of Pathology. The office conducts approximately 400 autopsies per year with a total of 1,000 reported cases annually. The office supervises approximately sixty physician and non-physician local medical examiners, who provide regional statewide coverage. The VDH Office of the Chief Medical Examiner is housed on the Fletcher Allen Health Care campus, a Level III trauma center. The State of Vermont offers an excellent total compensation package. Please note that salary is commensurate with qualification and experience. To apply, interested candidates should use the online job application at http://vtstatejobs.info/or contact the Department of Personnel, Employment Services at (800) 640-1657 (voice) or 800-253-0191 (TTY/Relay Service). CONTACT: Beth Sisco-Cheng Search Coordinator (802) 651-1671 esiscoc@vdh.state.vt.us

DNA SPECIALIST/TECHNOLOGIST
Forensic and Criminalistic Training, Inc., is seeking applicants for the position of DNA Specialist/Technologist. Must meet DNA Tech qualifications under FBI Standards. Requires 310 Bio Analyzer experience with operation and maintenance. Courtroom experience a plus. This position will be the DNA Analyst for forensics, paternity. A minimum Department QC and QA - compliance with accreditation standards. One-year employment contract required. Possible advancement to Department Supervisor with qualifications. CONTACT: Ron Smock 4505 Montbel Place NE Albuquerque, NM 87107 (800) 748-2742 Fax: (505) 345-5799 fact@abqcrimelab.com rsmock@earthlink.net

FORENSIC SCIENTIST - ENTRY/
FORENSIC SCIENTIST I
The Oregon State Police Forensic Services Division is seeking Forensic Scientist Entry and Forensic Scientist I level positions for all disciplines including controlled substance, toxicology, DNA, latent print, questioned documents, crime scenes, and primary evidence evaluation. For detailed information regarding this opportunity, please see announcement number LESP5079 at www.oregonjobs.org. Application deadline: May 4, 2004. CONTACT: Personnel Services (503) 378-3720, ext. 4711 osp.forensics@state.or.us

FORENSICS PROJECT MANAGER/RESEARCHER
West Virginia University is seeking applicants for the position of Forensics Project Manager/Researcher. Qualifications include a master’s degree in forensic or natural science or a related field and four or more years experience in a forensic science or crime laboratory. Experience in administration, reporting, curriculum development, and teaching is desired. Responsibilities include using and generating modern and scientific methods for physical evidence analysis and theory development. Also responsible for FSI curriculum and short course development. Salary: $50,000 - $60,000/annual. Application deadline: April 12, 2004. CONTACT: Andrea Yanego West Virginia University PO Box 6064 Evansdale Drive, NRCE Bldg. Morgantown, WV 26506 (304) 293-7571, ext 5404 Fax: (304) 293-2120 andrea.yanego@mail.wvu.edu

FORENSIC TOXICOLOGIST
The Charlotte County Medical Examiner’s Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Toxicologist. Qualifications include a BS or MS degree in forensic toxicology and a minimum of two years experience in operation and troubleshooting of GC, GC-MS, HPLC, UV-VIS, Spectrophotometer and ETS-Plus (immunoassay). Court testimony experience desirable. CONTACT: Paula Alexander Director of Operations Charlotte County Medical Examiner’s Office 18130 Paulson Drive Port Charlotte, FL 33954 (941) 615-1111 Fax: (941) 627-0995

CRIMINALIST
The Boulder (CO) Police Department is seeking applicants for the position of Criminalist. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in a physical science, such as chemistry, biology, or forensic science related area, or equivalent combination of education, training, and experience. Must have two years experience performing forensic criminal investigative work with expertise in trace analysis (excluding drugs, arson, ballistics, and explosives), or expertise in all aspects of fingerprint processing and analysis. Responsibilities include responding to the scene of field investigations to perform the technical investigation; performing laboratory examinations of evidence; obtaining non-testimonial evidence, including hairs, fibers, saliva, blood, and other body fluids; preparing detailed reports; attending post-mortem examinations to collect desired evidence; performing forensic photography; providing testimony on forensic investigation and laboratory techniques in legal and administrative hearings; the proper handling procedures of hazardous materials in compliance with MSDS; preparing graphic representations and scale drawings of crime scenes; being available to work on-call and odd hours; attending classes to upgrade abilities and develop expertise within one or more forensic disciplines; assisting in the research and/or development of new laboratory techniques; assisting in preparing and presenting training, lectures, or video presentations to the Department and other agencies; and taking proper safety precautions regarding self and others. Salary: $44,850 - $71,750/annual. CONTACT: Robert Whitson Boulder Police Department WHITSONR@ci.boulder.co.us

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ASSOCIATE OR FULL PROFESSOR
The Criminal Justice Department at the University of New Haven is seeking applicants for the following positions: Director of Forensic Science Program, Graduate Studies - seeking an experienced forensic scientist to lead a graduate program with over 125 enrolled forensic science majors. Qualifications include an earned doctorate in a scientific discipline, extensive experience in academic forensic science or a forensic science laboratory, appropriate administrative experience, and qualifications for appointment to a senior faculty rank. Please send resume and supporting materials to Reference Search #04-02.

Forensic Science - Full-time Faculty Position - this individual should have a PhD in the physical sciences with forensic laboratory experience. Candidates without doctoral degrees may also be considered for a lecturer position, based on qualifications and forensic experience. Duties will include both teaching undergraduate and graduate forensic science lecture and laboratory courses and academic advising of majors. Rank and salary will be appropriate to academic qualifications. Please send resume and supporting materials to Reference Search #04-03.

Criminal Justice-Investigative Services - seeking a specialist in the area of investigations to work with the forensic science and criminal justice majors at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Preference will be given to those with a PhD in criminal justice, forensic science, or social/behavioral science; however, others with closely related terminal degrees will be considered. Please send resume and supporting materials to Reference Search #04-04. If applying for more than one position, separate submissions must be sent.

CONTACT: Human Resources Department University of New Haven 300 Boston Post Road West Haven, CT 06516 (203) 932-7000 www.newhaven.edu

FORENSIC PATHOLOGY FELLOWSHIP
The Tarrant County Medical Examiner’s Office is seeking applications for a twelve month Forensic Fellowship program accredited by ACGME. The Medical Examiner’s jurisdiction includes over 1800 Medical Examiner’s cases and 8000 total records during the year 2003. The fellowship program is under the supervision of the Chief Medical Examiner and three full-time forensic pathologists and highly qualified scientific staff. The state-of-the-art forensic laboratory system includes Toxicology, DNA, Histology, Trace and Fingerpint sections. The Human Identification Laboratory is run under the supervision of a full-time Odontologist who has the support services of a Fingerprint Specialist, AFIS, NCIC, TCIC. Over 200 cases are identified annually. The office is located in a central hospital district with access to various hospitals and medical centers, and the fellow is expected to take advantage of the educational activities such as grand rounds, seminars, etc. Library facilities are available at the University of North Texas Health Science Center located not too far from the Medical Examiner’s Office. The Tarrant County Medical Examiner’s Office promotes a variety of continuing education activities, not only to the office staff, but to the public and the local law enforcement agencies. The fellow is expected to take part in all these activities. The fellowship starts in July, 2004, and the fellow is entitled to receive a salary of $65,000 annually plus full county benefits including health insurance.

CONTACT: Nizam Peerwani, MD Chief Medical Examiner Tarrant County Medical Examiner’s Office 200 Feliks Gwozdz Place Fort Worth, Texas 76104 (817) 920 5700, ext 150

FORENSIC CHEMIST II (DRUG CHEMIST & DNA ANALYST)
The Baltimore County Police Department is seeking applicants for two Forensic Chemist II positions - one as Drug Chemist and one as DNA Analyst. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in chemistry, biology, or a related field, including at least 24 semester hours in either chemistry or biology. Must have two years of experience in the scientific evaluation of physical evidence, including testifying in criminal court as an expert witness. Responsibilities for the Drug Chemist position include identifying and quantifying controlled dangerous substances. Responsibilities for the DNA Analyst position include performing molecular biology extraction techniques for the purposes of isolating forensic DNA from evidence, and identifying genetic profile of extracted DNA. Salary: $40,038 - $49,871/annual.

CONTACT: Baltimore County Office of Human Resources 308 Allegheny Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-3135 http://www.co.ba.md.us/agencies/humanresources/jobsforensic_chemist2.html
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CRIME SCENE TECHNICIAN
The Kansas City (MO) Police Crime Laboratory is seeking applicants for the position of Crime Scene Technician. Qualifications include a high school diploma or equivalent; prefer three years related experience and/or forensic investigations experience, advanced education, or law enforcement experience. Responsibilities include recognizing, collecting, documenting, and preserving physical evidence from crime scenes. KC PD uses non-sworn Crime Scene Technicians assigned to three shifts to provide 24/7 coverage for a city of 500,000. Assistance is also provided to 20 local municipalities. Salary: $33,000/annual. Application deadline: April 5, 2004.

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FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST - DEPUTY CORONER
The Franklin County Coroner's Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Pathologist/Deputy Coroner. Only applicants who are board certified Anatomic Pathologists with board eligibility or certification in Forensic Pathology need apply. There are currently three Pathologists, under the direction of the Chief Pathologist. The Pathology Department has a caseload of 1,000 autopsies per year and is part of full service Coroner's Office serving a region of approximately 1 million people. Salary: $105,045 - $138,663/annual. Submit cover letter with curriculum vitae.

CONTACT: David H. Brobst, Director
Franklin County Coroner's Office
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Columbus, OH 43201
(614) 462-5290
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FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST FELLOW
The Franklin County (OH) Coroner's Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Pathology Fellow for the 2004-05 term. Only applicants who possess or can obtain an Ohio medical license by the start of the program need apply. The Pathology Department consists of three pathologists, under the direction of the Chief Pathologist. The Department has a caseload of 1,000+ autopsies per year and is part of a full service Coroner's Office serving a region of approximately 1 million people. Salary: $60,000/annual. Submit curriculum vitae with cover letter.

CONTACT: Dorothy Dean, MD
Franklin County Coroner's Office
520 King Avenue
Columbus, OH 43201

FORENSIC BIOLoGY SUPervIsor
LabCorp-ViroMed Laboratories is seeking applicants for the position of Molecular Biology Supervisor. Qualifications include a Medical Technologist degree or a bachelor's degree in biology or chemistry, with 3-5 years of experience. Must meet all State and local licensing and must meet CLIA requirements. Responsibilities include assigning, overseeing, and reviewing the work of employees; directing all phases of work, quality, service, and costs; and preparing necessary documentation and generating reports; data entry; rendering weapons safe; photographing weapons; handling evidence in accordance with all established protocol; testifying in court; collecting trace evidence; and assisting in quality assurance duties of section. Salary: $38,480/annual.

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FIREARMS TECHNICIAN
The Center for Forensic Sciences Forensic Laboratories is seeking applicants for the position of Firearms Technician in the Onondaga County Health Department. This is a grant funded, provisional appointment. The individual selected must successfully complete the Civil Service exam process. Qualifications include graduation from a regionally accredited college or university or one accredited by the New York State Board of Regents to grant degrees with a bachelor's degree in a natural science or closely related field or, three (3) years of full time paid work experience, or its part-time equivalent, performing work equivalent to a forensic firearms examiner, firearms instructor, IBIS technician, armorer or closely related field. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, performing data entry function for the Integrated Ballistics Information System (IBIS); performing limited forensic analyses (operability exam, trigger pull test, serial number restoration) while preparing necessary documentation and generating reports; data entry; rendering weapons safe; photographing weapons; handling evidence in accordance with all established protocol; testifying in court; collecting trace evidence; and assisting in quality assurance duties of section. Salary: $38,480/annual.

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FORENSIC SCIENTISTS
Forensic Alliance is a rapidly expanding privately owned Forensic Science Company and is seeking experienced quality Forensic Scientists in all disciplines (Biologists, Chemists, Toxicologists, Drug Scientists, Palynologists, Taxonomists). The company is committed to providing a high quality personal service to police forces and our other customers. Working in a science-focused environment, staff receive challenging work, extensive training, and opportunities for research and development. Scientists form the heart of the company and benefit from rapid expansion. Forensic Alliance requires a number of experienced Forensic Scientists. The scientists are valued, informed, involved, respected. Forensic Alliance is already a cosmopolitan company with scientists from the Boston, Idaho, Texas, Kentucky, Canada, New Zealand, Australia and other countries. Current laboratories are located near Oxford and Liverpool with cheap and easy travel to the rest of Europe. Crime free countryside to live in and to bring up families. Government paid health care and schools. Benefits include challenging work, competitive salary, 25 days annual leave plus public holidays, profit sharing scheme, re-location package, company pension, company share scheme, and a great place to work. Please send CVs with current salary details and contact details.

CONTACT: John Cameron
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TENURE TRACK FACULTY POSITION
The University of New Haven, which has strong undergraduate and graduate programs in Forensic Science and Criminal Justice, is seeking applicants for a full-time, tenure track faculty position to start in Fall 2004. Qualifications include a PhD in the physical sciences with considerable forensic laboratory experience. Responsibilities include teaching undergraduate and graduate forensic science lecture and laboratory courses, and academic advising. The rank and salary will be appropriate to academic qualifications and forensic experience.

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Reference Search #04-03
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West Haven, CT 06516

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ASSISTANT TOXICOLOGIST II

The Harris County Medical Examiner’s Office is seeking applicants for the position of Assistant Toxicologist II. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in toxicology, chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology, or related field and five years experience in chromatographic analysis; OR a master’s degree in toxicology, chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology, or a related field and two years of experience in chromatographic analysis. Each 12 hours of advanced courses in toxicology may be substituted for one year of working experience. Desired capabilities include practical knowledge of operation and maintenance of GC, GC/MS, HPLC and LC-MS; professional knowledge of forensic science and of principles/practices of quantitative/qualitative organic chemistry; knowledge of laboratory safety rules, regulations and procedures; and skills in developing, adapting and evaluating analytical methods to identify and quantitate a wide variety of unknown drugs and poisons. Responsibilities include carrying out laboratory examinations and analysis of exhibits submitted by medical examiners and law enforcement agencies; serving as an expert witness representing technical report findings; following all protocols, including Harris County Personnel Regulations, Medical Examiner’s Polocies, method manuals, safety and QA/QC procedures; maintaining safe and orderly work areas; responding to proficiency testing as required; and performing other duties as assigned. Work involves regular and recurring potential to solvents, strong acids and alkalis, as well as noxious odors from decomposed tissues. Employment is contingent upon passing a criminal background check. Complete transcripts are required at time of application.

CONTACT: Elena Siurna
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Harris County Medical Examiner Laboratory
1885 Old Spanish Trail
Houston, Texas 77054
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FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST

Western Laboratories Medical Group, a multi-specialty pathology group, is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Pathologist. Qualifications include graduation from an accredited medical school and certification from the American Board of Pathology in anatomic pathology; completion of a forensic pathology fellowship and certification, or eligibility for certification in forensic pathology, and must be eligible for medical licensure in the State of California. Responsibilities include performing medical examinations and autopsies; reviewing medical records, investigator report, pathology reports, and other information; preparing precise and complete reports of findings and conclusions; assisting in the identification of unknown remains; consulting with attorneys, physicians, and criminal investigators; and providing expert testimony in legal proceedings. Salary and benefits negotiable.

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FORENSIC SCIENTIST SUPERVISOR (TOXICOLOGY)

The Palm Beach County Sheriffs Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Scientist Supervisor (Toxicology). Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in chemistry, toxicology, forensic science, or closely related field, supplemented by four to six years pervious experience and/or training which includes two years supervisory experience related to functional assignment; or any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience which provides the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities for this position. Additional experience in toxicology may be substituted for advanced degree. Must have working knowledge of appropriate laboratory equipment (GC, GC/MS, etc.), and knowledge of personal computers and office equipment. Must possess and maintain or be able to obtain a valid Florida’s driver’s license. Responsibilities include providing Forensic Toxicology services to the County Medical Examiner’s Office; operating a Driving-Under-the-Influence Blood Alcohol program and performing analyses for an In-house Pre-employment/Random Urine Drug Testing Program; administering, supervising, and overseeing the Toxicology Section of the Crime Laboratory; preparing and maintaining annual budget, quality control operations, and ASCLD/Lab accreditation; testifying in court; preparing policy/procedure manuals; and interacting with State Attorney’s Office and other police agencies. This position entails lecturing at schools, interfacing with other laboratories and the public, as well as consulting with doctors and law enforcement personnel regarding general toxicology.

Salary: $51,828 - $56,592/annual. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of application. Go to www.pbso.org to download an application.

CONTACT: Palm Beach County
Human Resources Office
3228 Gun Club Road
West Palm Beach, FL 33406
(561) 688-3540

CRIME LAB MANAGER

The Broward County Sheriff’s Office (BSO), a 6,100-member department located in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Crime Lab Manager. This position directs, administers, and manages all forensic services functions for the BSO. Critical functions under charge include the Crime Laboratory, Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), and Latent Identification. Employees in this classification maintain responsibility for the direction and management of personnel engaged in latent and tenprint identification, audio/video enhancements, quality control/quality assurance, DNA analysis, firearms and tool mark identification, forensic chemistry,
degree in biology, chemistry, biochemistry or development projects. Qualifications for this assistant and support the general research and economics, and genealogy markets as well as reports within the forensics, pharmacogenomics. The candidate will use their broad technical and analytical skills to Florida. The successful candidate will use the growing publicly owned company and is DNAPrint Genomics, Inc., is a dynamic and full library, medical Internet, and other faculty privileges. Salary: $113,000 - $24,000/annual.

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FORESNICS LAB MANAGER
The City of Fort Worth is seeking applicants for the position of Forensics Lab Manager. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree in forensic science or related field (master's degree preferred), and six years experience in a scientific/crime lab including two years as supervisor or manager. Must possess working knowledge of technology/principles in forensic science. Excellent written and oral communication skills required. Responsibilities include managing budget, administrative, and personnel issues; leading effort to obtain ASCLD accreditation by September 2005; and developing working relationships with DA's office and other agencies.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

FORENSIC SCIENTIST
ChemImage Corporation is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Scientist. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with strong science background and experience in forensic science. A minimum of five years of work experience in a forensic laboratory performing forensic analysis is desired. Must have the ability to understand the principles and technology related to trace evidence and latent fingerprint development; research and evaluate spectroscopic and imaging methods and techniques; and write technical papers for peer reviewed publication. Specialized training in the area of fingerprint examination preferred.

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FORENSIC DNA ANALYST
DNAPrint Genomics, Inc., is a dynamic and growing publicly owned company and is seeking a highly motivated individual to join its high performance laboratory team in sunny Florida. The successful candidate will use their broad technical and analytical skills to provide accurate and timely test results and reports within the forensics, pharmacogenomics, and genealogy markets as well as assist and support the general research and development projects. Qualifications for this position include a minimum of a bachelor's degree in biology, chemistry, biochemistry or forensic science. Coursework or training in statistics or population genetics is also required. A minimum of 1+ years of related experience with forensic DNA experience is preferred. Salary and benefits offered are commensurate with experience. To learn more, go to www.dnaprint.com. Please send resume with current salary and contact information.

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TENURE TRACK FACULTY POSITION - BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES/FORENSIC SCIENCE
Keystone College is seeking applicants for a Full-time Tenure Track Faculty Position - Biological Sciences/Forensic Science. Qualifications include an MD, PhD, or terminal degree in the area of biological sciences, health sciences, or forensic science; physical anthropology will be considered. Substantial prior professional experience in the field will also be considered. Teaching experience at the college level preferred. Responsibilities include teaching courses in the biological/forensic sciences, assisting in the development and refinement of biology and forensic science course offerings, serving as academic advisor and curriculum coordinator to students, and serving on Division and College committees.

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ASSISTANT MEDICAL EXAMINER
The Office of the Rhode Island State Medical Examiners is seeking applicants for the position of Assistant Medical Examiner. Qualifications include Board eligibility/certification in anatomic and forensic pathology. Applicants must be able to obtain medical licensure in Rhode Island. Responsibilities include performing postmortem examinations, court testimony, teaching medical students and pathology residents, and working closely with families, law enforcement, the state health department, and the Attorney General's Office. The successful applicant will be eligible for a faculty position at the Brown University School of Medicine that includes full library, medical Internet, and other faculty privileges. Salary: $113,000 - $24,000/annual.

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