President’s Message

In the last 12 years, the AAFS Long Term Planning Committee has produced two strategic planning reports. These reports attempt to predict future directions that the forensic sciences may take. These predictions are used to guide the Academy to complement these directions and to ensure that members are receiving relevant educational programs. The Board of Directors is currently considering commissioning the next strategic plan. The logical first step in this process is to produce a Mission Statement and a Vision Statement for the Academy. The Long Term Planning Committee has done some preliminary work on these statements and it is time for input from the membership. The current suggested Mission Statement reads:

Through the advancement of knowledge, peer review, and education programs, AAFS will ensure that evidence is recognized, collected, preserved, examined, interpreted, and presented with such integrity and validity that in every instance relevant evidence will be appropriately considered in the judicial or regulatory process.

The suggested Vision Statements read:

(1) The American Academy of Forensic Sciences is the world’s foremost professional society in the field of forensic science. Its influence is present at all levels of criminal, civil and regulatory processes. It is the primary source of information for the media and public. Every person involved in a legal or regulatory process using forensic science will know that the outcome will be fair, just and based on well founded principles of forensic science and technology. Or,

(2) Wherever forensic science is used in legal or regulatory processes it will be recognized by all as being fair, just and based upon well founded principles of science and technology.

What follows in this article is a paper written by AAFS Secretary Carol Henderson. The paper details why a Mission Statement and a Vision Statement are important. We ask that you read this paper and send the Academy your thoughts on how to improve the statements detailed above.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee has announced its list of nominees for 2007-08 officers:

- **Carol E. Henderson, JD** (Jurisprudence)
- **J. Arturo Silva, MD**
- **Douglas H. Ubelaker, PhD** (Physical Anthropology)
- **Joseph P. Bono, MA**
- **Thomas L. Bohan, PhD, JD**

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The Nominating Committee is composed of three Fellows elected by the Board of Directors — **Edmund Donoghue** (Chair), **Ronald Singer**, and **Kenneth Melson**, and the immediate past chairs of each of the Academy’s ten sections: **John DeHaan** (Criminalistics), **Zeno Gerads** (Engineering Sciences), **John Gerns** (General), **Betty DesPortes** (Jurisprudence), **Bryan Chrz** (Odontology), **Karen Ross** (Pathology/Biology), **Paul Sledzik** (Physical Anthropology), **Daniel Martell** (Psychiatry & Behavioral Science), **Sandra Ramsey Lines** (Questioned Documents), and **Timothy Rohrig** (Toxicology).

In accordance with the AAFS Bylaws, nomination for any elected office of the Academy may be made by petition delivered to the Nominating Committee in care of the AAFS headquarters no later than September 1, 2006. Nomination petitions should state the name of the nominee, the office sought, a certificate stating that the candidate is a Fellow in good standing, and the signatures and printed names of 50 Fellows or full Members.
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Mission
A mission statement is an enduring statement of purpose for an organization that identifies what an organization does (the scope of its operation), and “why” the organization exists. Serving as a “compass,” the mission statement lets an organization’s members and the public know what the organization stands for and where it is headed. Mission statements also guide current, critical, strategic decision making.

Developing a mission statement moves an organization’s strategic plan from its inception into the future, and, as such, should be broad enough to allow for expansion of an organization’s services over the life of the strategic plan. Concurrently, the mission statement should be specific enough to enable “a focused allocation of organizational resources to address some tough questions: What is our purpose? Why do we exist? What are we trying to accomplish?” Mission statements provide direction, defining how an organization expects to achieve its goals, and focus, to concentrate on how to tap the organization’s stated strengths and competitive advantages.

Mission statements can include: policy statements providing guidelines of what behaviors an organization finds acceptable and unacceptable; challenge statements providing goals and achievement measurements; and passion statements to promote enthusiasm, pride and commitment.

Mission statements get members to understand and “buy into” the organization’s goals. An organization should link it’s strategic plan with its mission and vision statements to ensure the organization’s success.

The primary importance of the mission statement means that the failure to clearly state and communicate your organization’s mission can have harmful consequences, e.g., the organization may not think broadly enough about different possibilities if its mission statement is unclear or overly narrow.

Vision
In contrast to mission statements, vision statements push the organization toward some future goal or achievement. Vision statements are compelling, forward-thinking goals which, ideally, an organization’s members will enthusiastically embrace because the vision is worthy, and because it challenges them to grow. Because members are eager to feel a sense of passion it’s up to the organization to tell them what to feel passionate about, and effective vision statements provide that passion.

Vision statements are often figurative rather than literal. Steve Jobs, the co-founder of Apple computers, figuratively envisioned “An Apple on every desk.” It did not matter that realistically there would never be an Apple on every desk; the point is that Apple’s employees bought into his compelling and passionate vision. Vision statements are “motivational tools.” The long-term benefits of vision statements are substantial.

Visioning:
• Breaks you out of boundary thinking.
• Provides continuity and avoids the stutter effect of planning fits and starts.
• Identifies direction and purpose.
• Alerts stakeholders to needed change.
• Promotes interest and commitment.
• Promotes laser-like focus.
• Encourages openness to unique and creative solutions.
• Encourages and builds confidence.
• Builds loyalty through involvement.
• Results in efficiency and productivity.

The findings of at least one well-known statistical research organization and the in-depth writings of management professors, as well as other credible and widely-publicized management professionals conclude that effectively written and implemented mission and vision statements add intrinsic as well as tangible value to organizations, both profit and non-profit.

Implementing Mission and Vision
What makes a mission statement or vision statement successful depends on whether the mission or vision statement is effectively implemented. A mission statement has to be part of the association’s culture for it to have any relevance. A mission or vision statement is effectively implemented, when Board and membership “buys into” and is committed to the mission, vision, and values contained within the statements, and proves the commitment by ensuring that every facet of the organization’s business is relevant to the mission and vision statements, and effectively communicates the mission, vision, and values to its membership and the public, and seeks commitment to the mission and vision by its membership.

Prevalent within the literature regarding the value of mission and vision statements is an emphasis on membership emotion. Emotions motivate people to apply their knowledge creatively. This is important because the positive emotions of an organization’s members provide a competitive edge as well as affect the way an organization is perceived externally.

AAFS Objectives
The Bylaws of the AAFS in Section 3 of the Preamble state, “The objectives of the Academy shall be to promote education for and research in the forensic sciences; to encourage the study, improve the practice, elevate the standards and advance the cause of the forensic sciences; to promote interdisciplinary communications; and to plan, organize and administer meetings, reports and other projects for the stimulation and advancement of these and related

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purposes.” The objectives provide a starting point for AAFS’ mission and vision, but are different than a mission or vision required to move an organization forward to implement it’s strategic plan.

In closing, I think the words of Dr. Michael Peat, this year’s recipient of the AAFS Distinguished Fellow Award, in the foreword to the *History of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences* (1998) provide us with some guidance and inspiration: “We must continue to examine ourselves and the role of the organization. We need to reevaluate many sacred cows, including our organizational structure, our management structure, our relationship with the regional organizations and other professional bodies, and most of all our reason for being. Just as our founding fathers took a step into the unknown, it is time for our generation to step forward into the next 50 years.”

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Thanks for Completing the Meeting Survey!

The AAFS Staff would like to thank everyone who took the time to complete the 2006 annual meeting survey. The information has been tabulated and will serve as a beneficial resource in planning future AAFS programs.

Congratulations to *Arnold S. Hermanson, DDS*, Member of the AAFS Odontology Section. Arnold is the winner of the complimentary registration for the 2007 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas.
Legislative Corner

On April 5, 2006, the Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations (CFSO), through the sponsorship of Senator Jeff Sessions (R-AL), hosted the 3rd Annual Congressional Technical Fair on Capitol Hill. A dozen vendors exhibited at the fair which attracted staff members from key members of Congress. We were on ABC’s “Good Morning America” and were able to articulate our message that funds are needed for areas in addition to DNA testing. The CFSO also presented its annual Friends of Forensic Science Award to Senator Richard Shelby (R-AL). Senator Shelby chairs the Subcommittee of Commerce, Justice and Science of the Senate Appropriations Committee and both he and Senator Sessions recognized the need for greater funding for forensic service providers. All of us who attended were buoyed by the level of support from our friends in the Congress. Special thanks are noted for Henry Lee who came to present Senator Shelby with his award, award winning author Katherine Neville who attended at the request of our friend mystery writer Jan Burke, our lobbyist Beth Lavach who makes things happen for us in Washington, and our public relations specialist Melissa Milburn who helps get the media out.

The weekend before the tech fair, I was the only forensic science practitioner to join a group of nearly 40 leading research scientists, judges, law enforcement officials, and legal scholars for the first meeting of the American Judicature Society, National Commission on Forensic Science and Public Policy in Greensboro, North Carolina. The group is chaired by former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno, former FBI Director William Webster, and nationally known statistician Dr. Stephen Feinberg of Carnegie Mellon University – all of whom took an active part in the conference. The goal of the Commission is to bring the best of forensic science together with the best of law to ensure that the criminal justice system is fairer, more accurate, and more trusted.

The meeting was by turns enlightening, frustrating, and fascinating. I helped provide a real-world check for academics whose time is spent on how the world ought to work rather than on what goes on in crime labs and courtrooms on a daily basis. They in turn helped me see the value of...
Legislative Corner cont.

collaboration between forensic science and the law and research communities. What became clear after two and half days of discussions with leading experts on eye-witness identification, criminal law, genetics, and statistics is that there are gaps in our individual knowledge and that we need to do a better job of sharing that knowledge. Many at the meeting were surprised to learn of the already accepted and applied standards in our profession, for example. At the same time it was interesting to hear about what more we can learn from the fields of statistics, economics, and molecular biology.

The meeting was part of a larger announcement of the Institute on Forensic Science and Public Policy and the Commission on Forensic Science and Public Policy (the Institute will do research and inform the work of the Commission). Both the Institute and Commission are products of the American Judicature Society. The city of Greensboro rolled out several red carpets for the occasion, and is deeply committed to the success of the Institute and Commission. A new law school is opening across the street from the donated offices, all of the colleges and universities in the area are committed to the success of the program, the mayor gave the welcoming speech, and a local television station covered the opening ceremonies.

Both the Institute and Commission provide opportunities for those of us who do the work of forensic science to raise the profile of our profession and bring a better understanding real-world practice to academic studies of science and the courts. Most critically through the Commission and Institute we can help steer public policy that we will be the ones implementing. This provides an opportunity for the experts who do to educate the experts who opine.

We are in the midst of the “perfect storm.” The AJS Commission, the National Academies soon to be established Forensic Science Committee, unprecedented media attention, support from the Congress and the White House, all point to a new era for forensic science. The AAFS with the other members of the Consortium are at the vanguard in offering leadership and direction at a critical time. It is our collective goal to raise forensic service to its true potential.
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AAFS 2007 International Tour – Israel

Dr. Bruce Goldberger, AAFS President-Elect, is pleased to announce plans for a tour to Israel with tentative dates of June 8-17, 2007. Optional excursions beyond the Israeli borders are also under consideration. The tour will be limited to 30 persons; therefore, if you have been one of those wishing to visit the Holy Land, 2007 should be a good year. Since I have already received commitments from several couples, please let me know (jhurley@aafs.org) if you want me to add your name to the list.

As has become the custom, AAFS members will have opportunities to meet with forensic science colleagues in Israel and at the same time take advantage of the cultural and historical riches of this ancient, sacred corner of the world. Further information about the trip will be included in future Academy News articles and on the AAFS website.

Forensic Science Educational Conferences – June & July 2006

Final arrangements are being made for two more teachers’ conferences this summer. In preparation to host an estimated 100 attendees, Jay Siegel and his team have completed the following draft schedule of events for the June 22-24 FSEC/IUPUI, which will take place on the campus of Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis:

Thursday, June 22, 2006

Morning Session:

Welcoming Addresses
Schedule & Announcements – Jay A. Siegel, PhD
Theme: Forensic Biology/Trace Evidence

Talk 1: Forensic Anthropology –
Norman J. Sauer, PhD
Talk 2: DNA Typing – Mohammed A. Tahir, PhD
Workshop 1: Bones – Dr. Sauer
Workshop 2: Interpretation of DNA Data:
Dr. Tahir
Luncheon Presentation: Court TV – Forensics in The Classroom

Afternoon Session:

Talk 3: Blood & Blood Spatter –
Toby L. Wolson, MS
Talk 4: Hairs & Fibers and Other Trace –
Skip Palenik, BS
Workshop 3: Blood Spatter – Mr. Wolson
Workshop 4: Hairs & Fibers Microscopy –
Mr. Palenik

Friday, June 23, 2006

Morning Session:

Roundtables on Best Practices
Announcements and Day’s Schedule: Dr. Siegel
Theme: Forensic Chemistry/Pattern Evidence

Talk 5: White Powders/Drugs, Anthrax, etc. –
Dr. Siegel and John Funkhouser
Talk 6: Toxicology – Laureen Marinetti, PhD
Workshop 5: Analysis of White Powders –
Dr. Siegel and Mr. Funkhouser
Workshop 6: Interpretation of Alcohol Data in
Drunk Driving – Dr. Marinetti

Luncheon Presentation: Jurisprudence – Judge
David Lawson (invited)

Afternoon Session:

Talk 7: Questioned Documents –
Lawrence Quarino, PhD
Talk 8: Latent Prints – Donna M. Mohr, PhD (invited)
Workshop 7: Handwriting/Ink Analysis – Dr. Quarino
Workshop 8: Latent Print Processing – Donna M. Mohr, PhD
Special session: Forensic Pathology – AAFS President
        James G. Young, MD

Saturday, June 24, 2006

Morning Session:

Roundtables on Best Practices
Announcements & Day’s Schedule – Dr. Siegel

Theme: Engineering/Pattern Evidence/Legal Issues

Talk 9: Forensic Engineering – Scott D. Batterman, PhD
Talk 10: Firearms & Toolmarks – Walter F. Rowe, PhD
Workshop 9: Tire Treads & Shoe Prints – Dr. Batterman
Site Visit to Pig Rot

Luncheon Presentation: Henry C. Lee, PhD (invited)

Afternoon Session:

Forensic Science and the Law – Judge Haskell M. Pitluck
Mock Trial – Dr. Batterman, Judge Lawson, Dr. Rowe, and Judge Pitluck

Concluding Ceremonies

Past-President Mary Fran Ernst, AAFS Fellow Julie A Howe, and the St. Louis area high school steering committee have finalized the schedule of events for the July 24-26 FSEC/STL III at Saint Louis University School of Medicine. Details about the conference, including the scientific program, an application, and logistics, may be accessed on the AAFS website.

Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC)

“The mission of the Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC) is to maintain and to enhance the quality of forensic science education through a formal evaluation and recognition of college-level academic programs. The primary function of the Commission is to develop and to maintain standards and to administer an accreditation program that recognizes and distinguishes high quality undergraduate and graduate forensic science programs.” One of the duties of the FEPAC director of accreditation is to establish professional relationships with agencies specializing in accreditation in order to assist commissioners in meeting the mission cited above. One such agency highly recommended as a go-to accrediting body by Dr. Karen Kershenstein, former consultant to FEPAC, and FEPAC Public Member, Dr. Betty Horton is the Association of Specialized & Professional Accreditors (ASPA). The mission of ASPA, which complements that of the Commission, “provides a collaborative forum and a collective voice for the community of U.S. agencies that assess the quality of specialized and professional higher education programs and schools. ASPA represents its members on issues of educational quality facing institutions of higher education, governments, students, and the public. ASPA also advances the knowledge, skills, good practices, and ethical commitments of accreditors, and communicates the value of accreditation as a means of enhancing educational quality.”

On March 26-28, I attended the ASPA Spring 2006 Meeting in Chicago. This meeting was especially significant in that it followed the theme which Ms. Carol A. Griffiths (Office of Postsecondary Education of the United States Department of Education) had made to commissioners at the February FEPAC meeting in Seattle: the assessment of program outcomes—especially student outcomes. Ms. Griffiths was also a presenter at the ASPA meeting and so I was able to get a “double dose” of how local, state, and national organizations are currently evaluating program outcomes. As FEPAC proceeds to the fourth round of accreditations (Fall 2006), special instructions will be given to those programs seeking FEPAC accreditation to demonstrate the methods used to measure student outcomes. Of course, this is an important criterion for FEPAC as well, as the Commission reviews and updates its documents in preparation for a formal petition of recognition in January 2007 to the U.S. Department of Education.

The AAFS website (with access at the link “AAFS”/“Committees” and then the selection of “FEPAC” (or just click on the FEPAC icon on the home page) is the source for all things relating to accreditation of university programs.
It's hard to believe with the Seattle meeting just behind us that timelines are fast approaching for the development of 2007 meeting program for San Antonio. AAFS President JJ imm Y oonngghh as made key appointments of fellow Academy members to help develop the plenary sessions, workshops, luncheons, multidisciplinary session, and other aspects of the program. Those individuals are busy collecting ideas, suggestions, and content for the 2007 program, and this would be a good time to submit your suggestions. Proposals for these aspects of the program may be submitted through your individual section program chairs listed on the AAFS website (www.aafs.org), or to the overall program co-chairs Doug Ubelaker (UbelakerD@si.edu) or Barry Logan (barry.logan@wsp.wa.gov).

Crime is an international phenomenon and forensic science needs to be able to respond globally.

President Young has chosen as the meeting theme “Forensic Science in a Global Community: Issues and Advances.” In building the 2007 program, we are particularly interested in contributions that reflect the international nature of this profession, including collaboration, standardization, ethics, certification and accreditation, and sharing of information and resources across borders and between disciplines.

The success of the annual meetings is directly related to what you, as Academy members contribute. Organizing a workshop or special session within your own section’s program is a great way to learn more about a topic, and to contribute to the Academy’s education mission.

Remember that the deadline for submission of proposals and abstracts is August 1st 2006, and mark your calendars for San Antonio in February 2007!

Barry K. Logan, PhD
2007 Annual Meeting Program Co-Chair

A Word From Your 2007 Program Co-Chair

The 2007 AAFS Annual Meeting Program Committee would like to have a theme for one breakfast each morning. The theme would be “TV Crime Dramas: Influence on Forensics.” Outlined below are some ideas for these breakfasts. Members with additional ideas should contact Breakfast Seminars Chair Holly Adams at hadams_engr@yahoo.com. Those who have contacts in the world of TV Crime Dramas are also encouraged to contact Holly. Any feedback would be greatly appreciated. The deadline for breakfast seminar abstracts is August 1, 2006.

Theme Outline
The first breakfast would involve a discussion with the technicians who make the models (both physical and computer generated) for TV. It would include information not only about materials, but also about the amount of research involved in making the best models.

The second breakfast would cover how the explosion of TV crime dramas has affected what criminals do and how criminalists do their job. Are they making criminals smarter or harder to catch?

The third breakfast would comprise a discussion with prosecutors, experts, and other members of the legal system regarding how crime dramas have affected their trial strategies. Is it harder to convince jurors of a defendant’s guilt? Do jurors think they know all about the science from watching TV? Is their an expectation for DNA evidence to always be present?

Source: Holly A. Adams, BS, Breakfast Seminars Chair

Breakfast Seminar Call For Papers
AAFS Topics of Interest And Continuing Education Needs Identified

The following is a comprehensive list of recommended abstract topics based on the continuing education needs of the 2006 annual meeting attendees:

- Controversies in child homicide; defense witnesses/strategy and preparation for trial
- Ethics
- Elder Abuse
- Ethics for all forensic scientists
- Defense ploys in traumatic head injury in children
- More advanced state-of-the-art cutting edge technology
- More on gunshot wounds
- California has a substance abuse and ethics requirement
- Full day workshop on particular drug classes
- Missing and Unidentified, NCIC
- More original/more information in 'general' relating to forensic odontology
- FEMA (DMORT) should be invited to set up room to assist application process
- Fire investigation and emergency management courses
- Criminology, victimology, child abuse/neglect
- Workshop for odontology on Monday
- Need a Monday workshop on Odontology
- Case study analysis in psychology - methods
- Testifying as a DNA expert (how to explain DNA to the lay person)

2006-07 Program Committee Updates

In the March/April issue of Academy News, the 2006-07 Program Committee Chairs were printed on page 13. Please note the following updated information for that list:

Psychiatry & Behavioral Science Program Co-Chair addition:
Joseph N. Kenan, MD
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ABSTRACT FORM AVAILABLE TO SUBMIT ONLINE

The Call for Papers deadline is fast approaching! Do you have an interesting and educational topic to present at the AAFS 59th Annual Meeting, February 19-24, 2007, in San Antonio, TX? The deadline for submission of all abstracts is August 1, 2006. Please submit your abstracts now and keep in mind the meeting theme, “Forensic Science in a Global Community: Issues and Advances.” The AAFS Call for Papers form may be found on pages 23-26 of this issue of Academy News. HOWEVER, did you know you may also submit an abstract online? The online process is faster, easier, and provides immediate feedback from the AAFS office.

What are the requirements? Only that you have an email address to receive your password and future communications from AAFS headquarters.

What are the advantages? You will receive immediate confirmation of receipt of your abstract, the assurance that your paper has been received at the AAFS headquarters, and best of all, access to your abstract for editing.

Remember, the deadline for receiving your abstract is August 1, so have your abstract and curriculum vitae ready to attach and send electronically. Visit the AAFS website at www.aafs.org, and follow the links to the AAFS Online Abstract Submission Form.
It is an honor to be asked to serve as the Criminalistics Section Program Chair for the 2007 AAFS Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX. The annual meeting is the highlight of the year and one of the few places forensic scientists of so many disciplines meet for both scientific and social interaction. Particularly gratifying is having so able a Vice-Chair as Sandy Angelos and so helpful a predecessor as Lucy Davis Houck. The learning curve, despite 20 years as a Fellow of the Academy has been very steep already.

At the 2006 meeting in Seattle, a relatively small numbers of Criminalistics Section Associate Members were promoted to Member and even fewer Members promoted to Fellow, particularly considering the size of the Criminalistics Section. Attendance at an annual meeting is required for both; participation in the annual meeting as a presenter or moderator furthers promotion to Fellow. Presenters at the 2006 meeting are reminded that JFS reserves the right of first consideration for publication of any work accepted for presentation. Authors may not submit their work elsewhere for a period of six months following the annual meeting at which the work was presented.

There were two and sometimes three concurrent Criminalistics Sessions during the Seattle meeting, for a total of 174 presentations. This literally strains the schedule to accommodate so many presentations, so potential presenters should anticipate the August 1 deadline for abstract submission, targeting those data-rich technical matters, especially where one-on-one discussion is helpful, at poster sessions.

Potential moderators are asked to volunteer; moderators now must coordinate in advance with presenters to organize the electronic presentations onto the computers for projection and at the meeting, keep the sessions to schedule so that members may circulate through the Academy’s various sections.

We all look forward to an interesting group of papers at the upcoming 59th Annual Meeting at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, February 19-24, 2007, in San Antonio, TX.
What became clear is that the issues with regard to Tasers are mostly police policy and training issues regarding when and how they should be used. The question is where the Taser should fit within the hierarchy of use-of-force options available to the police. No one offered a solution to this question, acceptable to everyone. I had the feeling that the police officers who spoke would like to keep Taser use policies as they are now, while the human rights organizations feel that Taser use should be outlawed or limited, possibly to use only in preference to a gun.

It seemed to me that the various parties were not all that far apart regarding Taser use and an agreement could be constructed that would be acceptable to both sides.

The separate question and answer periods worked extremely well. Speakers did not allow their talks to run over into the 10 minute Q & A time, as they tend to do when it is lumped in with their talk time. The Q & A time was completely consumed by questions from the audience whose members queued up for a turn at questioning the speakers.

Don’t forget to start thinking about your abstract for the 2007 meeting. The deadline is August 1, 2006. Contact Anastasia Michaels (anastasia@forensicmaterials.com) with any questions.

**GENERAL**

Source: Paul E. Kish, MS, Section Secretary

Everyone should be planning their presentations for the 2007 AAFS Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. Program Committee Chair Julie Lecea and Co-Chair Mary Sullivan need members to complete their research and/or case studies for presentation in San Antonio. The names of those who volunteered to be session moderators for the San Antonio meeting have been forwarded to Julie Lecea. The success of the scientific paper section is dependent upon the membership submitting high quality and relevant abstracts in a timely manner. The diversity of the General Section members allows for an intellectually stimulating scientific session, which not only benefits the section but the entire Academy. Consider presenting a paper during the 2007 meeting in San Antonio.

Section Chair John Gerns and Section Secretary Paul Kish urge those of you seeking promotion of your member status to present a paper. If you need more time than typically allotted for a paper presentation, consider proposing a workshop or workshop to share your knowledge. The deadline for workshop and workshop proposals is August 1.

2006 General Section Committee appointments are as follows. Minutes Review Committee: Secretary Paul Kish (Chair), Steven McGibbon, and Joseph Keierleber; Nominating Committee: (appointed by James Adcock): Robert Freed (Chair), Catherine Daugherty, and Richard Walter; Sponsorship Committee: Robert Gaffney (Chair), David Baker, Jennifer Steel, Jake Kunkle, and William Lucas; Awards Committee: James Bailey (Chair), Robert Thibault, Patricia Speck, Nanepaga Zachariah, Joyce Williams, and B. Jones; Disciplines Committee: Julie Howe (Chair), Frank Horvath, Claire Shepard, Dan Matticks, Mark Pollitt, Laura La Cagnina, and Herbert Blitzer; Student Academy Representative: Timothy Palmibach; Forensic Science Trustees: Robert Thibault and Gil Brogdon; Regional Representative Ad Hoc Committee: Nancy Cabelus (Chair), Jack Sudimack, David Pauly, Amy Carney, and Edgar Collins; Reception Ad Hoc Committee: Mary Fran Ernst (Chair), Richard Walton, Joanna Collins, Steven Downs, and Mary Ellen O’Toole.

The minutes of the business meeting in Seattle have been reviewed by the Minutes Review Committee and submitted to the Academy Office. Awards Committee Chair James Bailey reminds all members that it is not too early to start thinking of nominees for the General Section Awards for 2007.

For those considering competing for the Achievement Award in San Antonio, the following criteria applies: Limited to Trainee Affiliate, Associate Member, or Member of the General Section, who have been a registered participant within the AAFS for no more than four (4) years. Plus, the candidate must proffer a paper at the General Section Scientific Session or Poster Session. For additional information, contact Awards Committee Chair James Bailey (jbailey6@earthlink.net).

**JURISPRUDENCE**

Sources: Margaret L. Tarver, JD, Section Chair

A record number of Jurisprudence Section members attended the AAFS Annual Meeting in Seattle. We hope to experience even greater participation in San Antonio next February.

Section members are also enjoying increasing success in their careers and accomplishments. Ken Nelson is continuing his work as a board member on the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD/LAB) and serves on the Advisory Council for the National Clearinghouse for Science, Technology and the Law at Stetson University College of Law, a program headed by section Fellow and AAFS Secretary Carol Henderson. Carol will be participating with other AAFS members on May 5-7, at the Forensic Sciences Educational Conference, which is cosponsored by Court TV and others, at the Florida Gulf Coast University. Carol also has been invited by the Florida Supreme Court to participate in a workshop on May 18-19, to update the Florida Judicial Branch Strategic Plan. Also, on May 23, Carol will present “Testifying Doesn’t Have to be Murder” to the New Jersey State Police Crime Lab personnel.

John Tarantino was elected President of the Rhode Island Bar Foundation and based on peer review was named one of the 500 Leading Lawyers in the U.S. in July 2005, one of the 500 Leading Litigators in the U.S., and a “Champion of Justice” in March 2006 by Lawdragon Magazine. In December 2005, John was named “Lawyer of the Year” by Rhode Island Lawyers Weekly for his handling of several high profile civil and criminal trials in 2005. Also in March 2006, he was one of 261 lawyers in the country to be named to “Who’s Who Legal: Commercial Litigation.”
Section News cont.

In February 2006, William Head became the National Editor of The DWI Journal, a national newsletter relating to the law and science behind DUI-DWI cases published by Whitaker Publications newsletters in Silver Spring, MD.

Steven Benjamin was appointed by Virginia Governor Mark Warner to the Forensic Science Board, the policy board providing oversight of the Virginia Department of Forensic Science.

On April 7, Professor Jim Starrs spoke at the National Library of Medicine on the topic of the crucible of time in forensic science. He recently addressed the D.C. Criminal Defense Bar’s meeting on the flaws in fingerprinting.

Members are asked to “Save the Date” for the National Conference on Science, Technology and the Law on November 2-5, in St. Petersburg, FL. Information on the panel topics and pre-conference workshops may be found at www.ncstl.org.

ODONTOLOGY

Source: Harvey A. Silverstein, DDS, Section Secretary

It was great to see everyone in Seattle. Besides the excellent scientific experiences to be gained at each annual meeting, the camaraderie that occurs is equally wonderful. The Odontology Program was well received, and the room was crowded at all of the paper presentation. The Tom Krauss Bite Mark Breakfast was sold out and the speaker was excellent. Congratulations to the two section award winners; Robert Dorion and Robert Barsley. Last but not least, thank you to Peter Hampi for all of his hard work as Local Arrangement Chair.

It may seem early, but please start thinking about paper presentations for the 2007 meeting in San Antonio. All abstracts must be at the Academy office no later than August 1, 2006. Have a great summer!

PATHOLOGY/BIOLOGY

Source: Andrew M. Baker, MD, Section Secretary

As you plan your summer vacation, don’t forget to set aside some time to think about and plan for the 2007 AAFS Annual Meeting in San Antonio! Abstracts are due August 1, and the deadline is firm. Pathology/Biology Section Program Chair Craig Mallek eagerly awaits submissions for platform and poster presentations. Craig is also working with other sections within the Academy to assemble a multidisciplinary session on traumatic brain injury. More details on that soon! The August 1 deadline also applies to submissions for workshops, workshorts, breakfast seminars, and luncheons.

If you are eligible for promotion in the section, please remember that the deadline for promotion applications is October 1, 2006. Requirements for promotion from Associate Member to Member, and Member to Fellow, may be found on the AAFS website at www.aafs.org. The October 1 deadline also applies to applications for new members. If you have students, fellows, or colleagues interested in joining the Academy, encourage them to start working on the application well before the October 1 deadline.

Keith Pinckard, Chair of the Research Committee, reminds us that research proposals should be submitted by the December 1 deadline. If you are interested in submitting a proposal, contact Keith at drkpinckard@yahoo.com for guidelines.

Victor Weedn, Pathology/Biology Section Chair, points out that the NIJ 180-day study is finally and belatedly out, and may be found on the AAFS website through a link on the left side of the homepage. Significant input was provided by the AAFS, NAME, ASCLD, and the IAI. The study speaks to: 1) manpower and equipment needs, 2) continuing education, 3) professionalism and accreditation, and 4) collaboration among federal, state, and local forensic service providers. Recommendations are given, including that a quality medicolegal death investigation system be encouraged.

Many section members will want to follow the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) Census of Medicolegal Death Investigations contracted to RTI—it is nearing completion. This will be the first truly comprehensive picture of the national infrastructure.

The National Academy of Sciences will develop a National Forensic Sciences Committee later this year that will take the place of a National Forensic Sciences Commission conducted by the NIJ. This NAS panel is funded by Congress through the NIJ.

PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Source: Michael W. Warren, PhD, Section Secretary

It is never too early to start looking ahead to the August 1 abstract deadline for the 59th AAFS Annual Meeting in San Antonio. Section Program Chair Laura Fulginiti (drlfulgi@cox.net) is accepting ideas for symposia and workshops. Two symposia are already under consideration. Tom Holland has agreed to organize an international symposium on forensic anthropology in keeping with next year’s theme of global community. Colleagues who work internationally are encouraged to contact Dr. Holland (Thomas.Holland@JPAC.PACOM.MIL) with ideas. Paul Sledzik (paul.sledzik@nsf.gov) is putting together an intriguing symposium on the future of forensic anthropology. Anyone who would like to contribute to this symposium is encouraged to contact Paul.

Joseph Hefner and Laura Regan were the 2006 recipients of the William R. Maples Scholarship. The Maples Endowment Fund was established in 1997 as a tribute to the late William R. Maples, a University of Florida Distinguished Service Professor and one of the country’s leading experts in the field of forensic anthropology. The scholarship provides financial support to University of Florida doctoral students conducting research in forensic anthropology and closely related areas.
PSYCHIATRY & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

Source: John L. Young, MD, Section Secretary

The AAFS office will send a mailing to members outlining the process for promotion to fellowship status in July. For the Psychiatry & Behavioral Science Section it is deliberately designed to fit easily into everyone’s very busy lives. No support letters are required, but simply some prior involvement with AAFS. Nor is there any charge or dues increase involved. If your status is still that of Member, please do give this invitation your serious attention when it arrives. Promotion to Fellow status will legitimately upgrade your résumé. The only catch is that the AAFS is inexorably strict about the October 1 deadline, so be sure to get those applications complete!

It is with great pleasure to announce that Stephen Billick recently received the Staples Award from the American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry. This recognition is a significant distinction and reflects well on the section within AAFS. It will give no less pleasure to make similar announcements in upcoming columns, so please send in your information about similarly well-deserved awards.

Clinically involved readers will be interested to know about the International Association for Forensic Psychotherapy which recently met at St. Catherine’s College, Oxford. Current reports from distinguished leaders in several countries inspired the interdisciplinary audience. More information at www.forensicpsychotherapy.com

This is your column; please send your news to jlmyoung@pol.net.

QUESTIONED DOCUMENTS

Source: Jane A. Lewis, MFS, Section Secretary

The 2007 AAFS Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas, approaches and members are asked to consider making a presentation. The 2007 Program Co-Chairs are Dennis Mooney (etfde@sbcglobal.net) and Fred Panhorst (frederick.h.panhorst@us.army.mil). Deadline for abstract submission is August 1, 2006. Poster presentations are also encouraged.

Congratulations to Linton Mohammed, John Ross, and Gerhard Wendt, who were promoted to Member. New Associate Members are Tiffany Ford, Daria McClure-Celentano, Larry Olson, Atul Singla, and Kathleen Suebe. New Trainee Affiliates are Mackenzie Diouf and Michelle White. A new Student Affiliate is Joseph Stephens. Also, Thomas V. McAlexander and Maureen Casey Owens have acquired Retired Fellow status.

This is a good time to encourage colleagues who meet membership qualifications to apply for membership in the Questioned Documents Section of the AAFS. Applications for membership and promotion are available on line at www.aafs.org.

TOXICOLOGY

Source: Adam Negrusz, PhD, Section Chair

Thanks go to 2006 Program Chair Rob Middleberg and Workshop Chair Pete Stout for putting together a spectacular scientific program of Toxicology Section at the recent meeting in Seattle. Their job wasn’t easy due to a large number of abstracts they received. A special thanks to all individual workshop chairs, moderators, volunteers, Toxicology Section sponsors, and all involved in meeting preparations including, but not limited to, Ann Marie Gordon. Congratulations go to this year’s recipients of section scholarships and awards. Specifically, Michele Merves was the recipient of June K. Jones Scholarship, Fiona Couper received the Irving Sunshine Award, H. Chip Walls was the Ray Abernathy Award recipient, Bruce Goldberger received the Alexander O. Gettler Award, and Joseph Manno was the recipient of the Rolla N. Harger Award.

Tim Rohrig deserves a big thanks for his hard work as last year’s Section Chair. The section’s incoming Officers are Adam Negrusz, Section Chair, and Rob Middleberg, Section Secretary. As mentioned during the Section Business Meeting in Seattle, Pete Stout will play an important role as Toxicology Section Program Chair for the 2007 meeting. Jeri Ropero-Miller was selected as a Workshop Chair. Thank you both for accepting these extremely important tasks! All section members are encouraged to offer your help and assistance to Pete and Jeri. They will need it. Sarah Kerrigan will remain as a Chair of the Awards and Scholarship Committee. Thank you Sarah and all committee members for all your fantastic work on a new Awards and Scholarship Handbook and extremely well organized awardees selection process. Congratulations go to Brad Hepler for being nominated and subsequently elected to the Awards and Scholarship Committee for a three-year term. Marilyn Huestis and Fiona Couper graciously agreed to serve on that committee as well. The Nominating Committee for the 2007 meeting consists of Tim Rohrig (Chair), Edward Stern, and Christine Moore.

We all look forward to working with you during the upcoming year.
John D. McDowell, DDS, MS
FSF Chair

Foundation News

The FSF Board of Trustees is gearing up for another proactive year, as we look forward to many new accomplishments. There are standing committees and new Ad Hoc Committees. Many of these committees are looking for Academy members. Read on and you may be interested in being a part of the Foundation. Contact the chair if you’d like to participate. We need members from different sections. The basic goals of each committee are noted.

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Standing Committees

The Education Committee researches potential workshops to be held during the AAFS Annual Meeting - Chair: Julie Howe (trustee); Marina Stajic (trustee); Norm Sauer (trustee). The Awards Committee is responsible for three grant awards: the Emerging Forensic Scientist Award (EFSA), the Student Travel Grant, and the Jan Bashinski Grant. The EFSA Subcommittee includes Chair: Michele Kestler (trustee); John Pless (trustee); Mark Marpet (trustee). The Student Travel Grant Subcommittee includes Chair: Bob Thibault (trustee); Ron Singer (trustee). The Jan Bashinski Grant Subcommittee includes Chair: Joe Bono (trustee); Mary Gibbons (practitioner); Thomas Nasser (Bashinski family representative); Bob Gaensslen (scholar); George Sensabaugh (scholar).

The Finance/Fund Management Committee manages the operational budget and the Endowment Fund - Chair: Jim McGivney (trustee); Robert Weinstock (trustee); Grant Sperry (trustee); Gil Brogdon (trustee); Scott Denton (trustee).

The Nominating Committee identifies nominees for the elected Officer positions on the Board of Trustees - Chair: Robert Weinstock (trustee); Grant Sperry (trustee); Gil Brogdon (trustee); Scott Denton (trustee).

The Research Committee administers the Lucas and Acorn Research Grants - Chair: Gil Brogdon (trustee); Scott Denton (trustee); Grant Sperry (trustee); Marina Stajic (trustee).

The following are Ad Hoc Committees created by the Chair for particular tasks in a finite duration.

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The Liaison Committee is the channel of information between the FSF Board and the FSF Members (AAFS Board of Directors) - Chair: Julia Goodin.

The Publications Committee is responsible for researching new publications and updating old ones. This year, the FSF website will be accomplished, and other educational means and methods will be researched: CDs, study sets, etc. - Chair: Greg Golden.

The Public Relations Committee will bring the FSF to the attention of members and non-members alike by banners and posters at the Annual Meeting. FSF merchandise will be researched as well as a speakers' bureau, PSA spots, and a display at the annual meeting with past FSF grant recipients - Chair: Jack Kenney (trustee); Cynthia Windsor (trustee).

The Theoretical Forensic Science Committee, a.k.a. Think Tank, will look at progress for the future in 10 to 20 years - Chair: Howard Harris.

FSF Acorn Grants Available

The FSF Acorn Grants are small grants (up to $500) intended to help the investigator initiate original problem oriented 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
- Cites for current or previous FSF Research Grants awarded to any of the investigators/researchers
- Cites of appropriate references
- Budget for project, including amount requested from FSF
- Plan for dissemination of the results
- Timetable for project

Funding requests for bibliographic preparation, travel, equipment, routine agency operations, including salary of investigators/researchers or assistants, are not normally approved and are discouraged.

Deadline for Acorn Grant proposals is June 15. A progress report for the research must be sent to the FSF by December 1 of the following year. Brief proposals (original and two copies) should be sent to the FSF headquarters (410 North 21st Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904, Attention: Nancy Jackson) by June 15 in order to be considered by the FSF Research Committee. The deadline is firm with no extension.

Note: FSF Lucas and Acorn Grant proposals on the same subject, differing only in scope and budget, may not be submitted by the same investigators in the same year.

FSF Lucas Grants Available

The FSF Lucas Grants are large grants ($501-$5,000) intended to help the investigator in original in-depth problem oriented 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 (up to 5 pages) description of the project
- Cites for current or previous FSF Research Grants awarded to any of the investigators/researchers
- Cites of appropriate references
- Budget for project, including amount requested from FSF
- Plan for dissemination of the results
- Timetable for project

Funding requests for bibliographic preparation, travel, equipment, routine agency operation, including salary of investigators/researchers or assistants, are not normally approved and are discouraged.

Brief proposals (original and two copies) should be sent to the FSF headquarters (410 North 21st Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904, Attention: Nancy Jackson) by June 15. The deadline is firm with no extension. A progress report for the research must be sent to the FSF by December 1 of the following year.

Note: FSF Lucas and Acorn Grant proposals on the same subject, differing only in scope and budget, may not be submitted by the same investigators in the same year.
FSF Travel Grants Available

The Forensic Sciences Foundation (FSF) is proud to offer a $600 Travel Grant for Students to assist with travel expenses in attending the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) Annual Meeting. This grant includes a complimentary meeting registration as well (special functions are excluded). This is a wonderful opportunity, and members are encouraged to promote it.

Travel Grant Guidelines:
• The applicant must be a fourth year undergraduate or a graduate student at an accredited four-year college, university, or professional school whose accreditation is acceptable to the FSF Board of Trustees.
• The applicant must have a letter of recommendation from his/her advisor or professor.
• The applicant must submit a 400-600 word essay explaining how attendance at an AAFS meeting will impact his/her career decision.
• The applicant must include information such as forensic science specialty and other pertinent data related to his/her forensic background as well as his/her curriculum vitae.
• The deadline for submission of the completed applications (including essay and CV) is October 1. Forward your letter of application, your CV, your letter of recommendation, and your essay to Anne Warren at AAFS, 410 N 21st Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904.
• Applications are judged by the FSF Student Travel Grant Committee on a scale of 1 to 5 (5 being outstanding) based on each of the documents submitted.
• The successful grant recipient will be notified by November 15, and will be acknowledged in the January issue of Academy News.

FSF Jan S. Bashinskinski Criminalistics Graduate Thesis Assistance Grant Available

Purpose: The purpose of the Jan Grant Fund is to provide Graduate Students with financial assistance to complete their thesis or independent research project as required for a graduate degree in Criminalistics/Forensic Sciences. The thesis or research project must be in the field of Criminalistics/Forensic Sciences.

Eligibility: The applicant must be a full or part time student completing his or her graduate degree requirements by conducting a research project at an educational institution accredited in the U.S. by a recognized academic body. This project must, in the opinion of the FSF Awards Committee, make a significant scientific contribution to the field of Criminalistics/Forensic Sciences.

Grant Amount: The Jan Grant award shall range from $500 to $2,500. Additionally, funds may be available in the Jan Grant Fund to be used for travel and per diem expenses for the grant recipient’s attendance at an American Academy of Forensic Sciences Annual Meeting. The purpose of this travel shall be the presentation of a platform paper pertaining to the completed research for which the grant recipient received his or her Jan’s Forensic Science Fund - Grant. The reimbursement of travel expenses must be documented by the grant recipient by submission of receipts acceptable to the Awards Committee and the Foundation’s accounting office. In order for the grant recipient to receive reimbursement for the expenses incurred, the recipient must identify in the published abstract and in the presentation the fact that the research was supported by a grant from Jan’s Forensic Science Fund - Grant.

Application: Please complete the application and submit with the required attachments outlined in Part II on the application form.


Please forward your application (found on page 24 of this issue of Academy News) and required supporting documentation to the Forensic Sciences Foundation office in care of FSF Executive Director Anne Warren, 410 North 21st Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904, no later than the submission deadline of June 15, 2006.
Jan Bashinski Criminalistics Graduate Thesis Grant Application

Please print legibly or type all information. Add additional sheets as necessary.

PART I - Background Information*

Last Name_____________________________  First Name_________________________  M.I._____   Social Security No._______________________
Mailing Address_____________________________  City___________________  State_______ Zip__________  Country___________________
Home Phone___________________  Daytime Phone___________________  Cell Phone___________________  Email______________________
Marital Status (optional)___________   # of Dependents (optional)_______    Date of Birth___________________   Citizen of _________________

Employment - May include permanent or part-time employment, internships, military experience, or volunteer work.
Current (or last) Employer ________________________________________________  Position Held______________________________
Employer’s Address ___________________________   City___________________  State_______ Zip__________  Country___________________
Supervisor’s Name_____________________________   Work Phone___________________________  Email______________________________

Education - List your education accurately and completely. Submit your most recent cumulative college/university transcripts for your undergraduate and graduate degree(s).
Name of Undergraduate School ___________________________________  Full/Part Time _______  Hours Earned Sem ________  Qtr ______
Major ____________________________________  Dates Attended From (mo/yr) _____________________  To (mo/yr) __________________
Level of Degree Earned_______________________   Graduation Date (mo/yr) _______________________
Name of Graduate School ________________________________________  Full/Part Time _______ Hours Earned Sem ________  Qtr ______
Major ____________________________________  Dates Attended From (mo/yr) _____________________   To (mo/yr) __________________
Level of Degree Earned_______________________   Graduation Date (mo/yr) _______________________
Name of Graduate Advisor ________________________________   Address ________________________________________________________
Advisor’s Phone _____________________________________    Advisor’s Email _____________________________________________________

*The applicant must be a full or part-time student completing his/her graduate degree by conducting a research project at an educational institution accredited in the USA by a recognized academic body.

PART II - Thesis/Research Information

(Attachment I) Provide a concise three (3) to six (6) page double-spaced thesis/research proposal which addresses the following:
  · Title
  · Introduction, background, and significance of the proposed research
  · Experimental procedure
  · Expected results and contributions to the criminalistics (forensic science) knowledge base
  · Budget for the total project
  · Description of how support from the grant would contribute to the completion of the project

(Attachment II) Provide a concise one (1) to two (2) page double-spaced statement of qualifications explaining why you believe you will be successful in completing your research. Include reasons why you require financial assistance to complete your research.

(Attachment III) Curriculum Vitae. Provide your curriculum vitae of no more than three (3) pages.

(Attachment IV) Letter of Recommendation. Provide a letter of recommendation from your research advisor.

PART III - Certification/Acknowledgement

Statement of Applicant
I, the undersigned, certify that all information provided by me in this application is true and factual. I further agree that should I receive a “Jan S. Bashinski Criminalistics Graduate Thesis Grant”, I shall acknowledge the grant in any publication resulting from the research supported by the grant.

Signature of Applicant __________________________________________                        Date __________________________
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 8th 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 the August 1, 2006, deadline, 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 2008 Academy Business Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

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 2007. 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, 2006, deadline.

THE AWARD: The award will cover the expense of the recipient’s attendance at the 2008 meeting, including registration, airfare, five nights lodging, and $75/day per diem. A commemorative plaque will also be presented to the award winner at the 2008 AAFS Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

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FSF Emerging Forensic Scientist Award Entry Form

I am submitting an abstract to the FSF Review Panel to be considered for the Emerging Forensic Scientist Paper Award. The AAFS Section in which I wish to present is: ____________________________________________________________

I entered the field of forensic science in __________.

Name ______________________________________________________________________________________________

Employer ______________________________________________________________________________________________

Street Address __________________________________________________________________________________________

City/State/Province ______________________________________________________________________________________

Postal/Zip Code ________________________________Country _________________________________________________

Telephone ________________________________________Fax _________________________________________________

E-mail ________________________________________________________________________________________________

Send this form by August 1, 2006 to: AAFS 2007 Program Committee

410 N. 21st Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80904-2798

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and comply with the requirements noted above and that the information provided is true and correct. Attached is a letter from my affiliated laboratory/university. My resume and completed “Call for Papers” form (found on page 15 of this issue on the Academy News) also are attached.

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Signature                                      Date
In Memoriam
Rolland L. Soule, BA, Retired Fellow of the Criminalistics Section, date unknown.
Richard Watkins, BS, Fellow of the Criminalistics Section, date unknown.

Saying Goodbye to Joe Nicol

Sources: John D. DeHaan, PhD,
Past Criminalistics Section Chair
Sanford Angelos, MS,
Past Criminalistics Section Chair

Professor Joseph D. Nicol, 1919 - 2005
One of the Founding Members of the Academy
and one of criminalsistics’ most influential
practitioners, Prof. Joseph D. Nicol, passed away on
August 1, 2005. He was Chairman of the Police
Science Section (now the Criminalistics Section) for
four years (1951-54) and was a member of the
Executive Committee (now the Academy’s Board of
Directors) from 1970 to 1973. Younger members
may not remember the Journal of Criminal Law,
Criminology and Police Science which was the pre-
eminent professional publication for forensic
scientists from the early 1930s (when Calvin
Goddard’s American Journal of Police Science was
acquired) to the 1960s when The Academy’s own
Journal of Forensic Science came into its own. Joe
was a long-time Associate Editor and contributor to
that august publication.

Joseph Nicol was a Wisconsin native and attended
Northwestern University where he received his BS
in chemistry and MS in physics. He was a police
scientist for the Chicago Police Dept. from 1941 to
1950. He was the Director of Pittsburgh –
Allegheny County Crime Lab, 1951-52, and then
moved to warmer climes to be the Director of the
Dade County Crime Lab, 1952-57. Michigan State
University then tapped him to be an Associate
Professor in Police Science at East Lansing from
1957-61, when he was appointed to the directorship
of the Illinois State Crime Lab - first in Springfield,
then at Joliet - prior to his retirement in 1968 (at
least from front-line criminalsistics). Not to rest for
too long, he joined the brand-new Criminal Justice
faculty at the brand new University of Illinois -
Chicago Circle as Professor of Criminalistics. He
held that position until his real retirement in 1984.

During those years (and all those moves!) he found
time to marry his lovely wife, Barbara (in 1942), and
raise three daughters and four sons. When Joe died
at the age of 86, he left a thriving family of those and
17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Because of his 43 year career with so many facets,
he seemingly knew everyone in forensic science.
When his students went with him to an Academy
meeting, they were introduced to many of the
legendary names of criminalsistics, toxicology,
pathology, questioned documents, and more. To
say you were one of Joe Nicol’s students (as we were
privileged to be) was a major point in your favor
when meeting anyone in forensic science in the
eastern half of the U.S. To be an active member of
the Academy was part of being a professional, and it
was expected that those of us who took up
criminalistics would join at the earliest opportunity.

With his vast scene and lab experience, Prof. Nicol
could (and would!) offer case histories of crimes
from challenging and noteworthy to the bizarre.
One of the cases on which he is still cited was the
JFK assassination. He was involved in the firearms
identification portion. His stories of late night
evidence transfers and hotel room comparisons
sound like John Le Carre, but they were part of that
history. He taught from the experience of the past
but always looked to the future. He introduced us to
such cutting-edge ideas as computer-based
communications systems, operations research, and
scanning electron microscopy. His was the first lab
to have an electron microprobe for elemental
analysis of hairs, soil grains, and microscopic paint
flakes. No matter what the tools being used, the
controlling tenet was always to look at the evidence
- carefully and in unbiased fashion - and then
follow that to test the other lesser forms -
eyewitnesses, confessions and the like. (Perhaps
that’s where the creators of Dr. Gil Grissom were
first inspired.) He taught us to be critical, even
cynical, about humans and their behaviors. We
didn’t have any laboratory space in the early days at
UICC, so we discussed crime scenes both real and
imagined. We were expected to watch “Mission:
Impossible” each week and comment on the
potential for success of their complex plots and what

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Joe Nicol cont.

evidence could be used to foil them. These discussions were fundamental in forming the analytical processes that we have since employed countless times in our own cases. For all his enthusiasm for “high-tech” tools, Joe was a firm believer in doing the scene work, gathering information and evidence first-hand. When the department finally obtained laboratory space and equipment, the emphasis was still on the forensic aspects not just the technical analysis. He was probably shocked to see the development of the current trend to “bench-only” analysts and specialists doing only one function of the analyses required in complex cases.

Joe was never one to linger on, however, and when he retired in 1984, he moved to Arizona and started on new challenges. When one of us caught up with him (finally) in 1991, he was involved in silversmithing and pottery (as well as his model-making and woodworking). He said then that when he retired, he meant it! We were really lucky to encourage him to come to the 50th Anniversary of the Academy in San Francisco in 1998. It was quite a reunion as it was a reminder of what Prof. Joseph Nicol had contributed to the discipline of criminalistics and the lives of those who followed him into that profession.

Thank you, Joe - criminalist, teacher, colleague, friend.

Past Criminalistics Section Chairs John DeHaan (left) and Sandy Angelos (right) with Joe Nicol at the AAFS 50th Anniversary Meeting in San Francisco, CA.

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Academy Address Update

Please note that the Academy has officially cancelled its PO Box address. With the exception of dues payments, all mail should be mailed to the street address of:

410 North 21st Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80904

Dues payments are now being mailed to the following address where payments are directly deposited:

AAFS Lock Box
PO Box 12007, Suite 4994
Cheyenne, WY 82003
The 59th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) will be held February 19-24, 2007, in San Antonio, TX.

The Program Committee solicits the submission of abstracts on topics of interest to the forensic science community. **August 1, 2006**, is the deadline for the submission of abstracts.

Scientific papers selected for presentation will be divided into two groups:

- Platform Presentation (standard scientific session)
- Poster Session

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Sample Abstract

Injury Pattern Analysis in Fatal Traffic Crash Investigation
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After attending this presentation, attendees will understand some principles of crash investigation, the necessary elements for the application of Injury Pattern Analysis, characteristic injury patterns of certain types of crashes, and an example of a practical application of Injury Pattern Analysis.

This presentation will impact the forensic community and/or humanity by serving as a key aspect of fatal crash investigation as it can augment traditional means of investigation in a systematized format via interdisciplinary communication and collaboration.

Reconstruction of a fatal crash can be augmented, in certain circumstances, by information gleaned from the postmortem evaluation. Further improvement of the scope and accuracy of an investigation can result from evaluation of the injuries of crash survivors, taking into account the conformity of individual vehicle interiors as well as the movement of the occupants during the crash.

The term “Injury Pattern Analysis (IPA)” is proposed as a description of a fatal crash investigation technique that utilizes accident investigation, and reconstruction techniques, occupant kinematics, postmortem records, hospital and healthcare provider acute injury records, and other evidence as an adjunct to the investigation of homicides resulting from fatal crashes.

The authors will present a case study in IPA as an example of the practical application of the technique. It is recommended that medicolegal death investigators become familiar with the principles of IPA.

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Unwonted Executions

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Willie Francis in Louisiana
It doesn’t often happen that a criminal is executed twice. That was the unwonted fate of Louisiana’s Willie Francis, a convicted murderer, who was electrocuted in 1946 in Louisiana but survived, only to be electrocuted a second time in 1947, successfully on this second occasion. Apparently by dint of some mechanical difficulty in the electrocution apparatus or due to his natural resistivity to the low voltage electrical current sent through him, his being put to death on the first turn of the electrocution wheel was short-circuited.

The United States Supreme Court was asked by Willie to prevent his being jolted a second time. But the high court did not see it his way, maintaining that no Federal constitutional protections guaranteed to Willie by the U.S. Constitution’s Due Process clause would be violated by a second electrocution.

The opinion by a divided Supreme Court allowing the second execution was as close as it could be. Justice Reed spoke for four justices, while Justice Frankfurter concurred in a separate opinion, providing the majority need to go forward with the execution. The dissentent four were led by Justice Burton, whose opinion is remarkably on a par with the objections to lethal injection as a method of execution now under review in the U.S. Supreme Court. (Hill v. Crosby, 2006 W.L. 171583).

The four constitutional claims to which the majority gave short shrift were double jeopardy, cruel and usual punishments and the equal protection of the laws. The thrust of Justice Reed’s opinion rejecting all these claims was essentially the same as to each of them. As he put it succinctly and bluntly before dispatching all the constitutional claims individually: “Accidents happen for which no man is to blame.” In the same tenor, he said “(w)hen an accident, with no suggestion of malevolence, prevents the consummation of a sentence,” double jeopardy has not occurred. And the fact that “an unforeseeable accident prevented (an execution does not) “add an element of cruelty to a subsequent execution.” Furthermore, as to the assertion of their being an equal protection violation, Justice Reed was not impressed. “Laws,” as he said, “cannot prevent accidents nor can a law equally protect all against them.”

Obviously the dissenters were not at all supportive of the need for malice on the part of the Louisiana state authorities in order for them to declare the second electrocution to be beyond the pail of Federal constitutional permissibility.

The Supreme Court’s decision was close but final. No gubernatorial clemency intervening Willie Francis, in 1947, became the only person to be executed twice for the same crime.

Hooch Simpson in Skidoo, California
Things were worse, if that is possible, for Joe “Hooch” Simpson, in contrast to the fate the law imposed on Willie Francis, although Hooch’s death and its aftermath were part and parcel of another unwonted execution.

Hooch was living in the early 20th century in the mining camp at Skidoo, California, a town in Death Valley, California, when his drinking, mining, and pimping days ended with his being lynched and, the first lynching not satisfying all those who pride themselves as being voyeurs at an execution, he was lynched a second time.

Skidoo was a unique Death Valley enclave, being privileged to be the beneficiary of water aplenty, brought in on a twenty-three mile pipeline from the snowfields of Telescope Peak. Skidoo also had a very singular resident among its other, less singular, inhabitants, named after one of his abiding passions Joe “Hooch” Simpson. Hooch might not have been friendless but he was certainly not friendly.
As it happened the folks in Skidoo were not altogether surprised when the word went round that Hooch had tried unsuccessfully on Easter Sunday in April 1908, to rob the local branch of the Southern California Bank. Hooch was just not up to the standards of the later-day professional bank robber Willie Sutton.

As the tale is told Hooch, pistol at the ready, entered the Skidoo Trading Company’s store where he found the bank manager, Jim Arnold, in the rear conducting his banking business. Hooch pulled his pistol and demanded twenty dollars of Arnold, yes the exact amount of twenty dollars, not all the money on hand just twenty dollars of it and not a penny less.

In his unusual demand Hooch was not unlike the panhandler who confronted this writer on the sidewalk in Seattle, Washington in February 2006 during the American Academy of Forensic Science’s Annual Meeting and pleaded for twenty three cents, not a penny more or less. After receiving twenty-five cents in reply the mendicant explained that he never asked for more than he needed. But, I remonstrated, you took more than you had requested. “Yes,” he said, “I never ask for more than I need, but I will take more if it is offered to me.” With that he boarded a waiting bus, now having a sufficient amount to pay the fare.

Hooch never got the opportunity to take more than the twenty dollars he demanded at gunpoint, known in the west at that time as a “sight draft” (one made over a gun sight). He was disarmed by the quick-reacting Jim Arnold and given the old heave ho, known there and widely ever after as the 23 Skidoo (according to one account the 23 derived from the 23 mile long water pipeline but the U.S. government postal authorities would not give a name to a post office and widely ever after as the 23 Skidoo (according to one account the 23 derived from the 23 mile long water pipeline but the U.S. government postal authorities would not give a name to a post office). The phrenologists detected in the size and shape of the skull the personal faculties of a person, even to the point of seeing in the tell-tale bumps signs of benevolence, suavity, and destructiveness (this last in the areas of the parietal). The frontal bone (the forehead) was considered to be most instructive and was employed by Professor Moriarty on his first meeting with Sherlock Holmes (“The Final Problem”) to demean the great detective. As Moriarty put it, after intently viewing Homes cranial features from side to side “in a curiously reptilian fashion,” “You have less frontal development than I should have expected.”

But Hooch was not to be dispatched so handily. He returned to the bank, yet again in possession of a handgun, and confronted Jim Arnold asking whether he had anything against him? When Arnold, only moderately cowed, answered that he did not, Hooch is reported to have said, “Now you do,” while at the same time putting a bullet into Arnold, killing him.

The aftermath of Hooch’s death was as bizarre as its precursor. His death may have ended his personal shenanigans, but not those of the townsfolk, especially a local medical doctor named R.E. MacDonald. Dr. MacDonald saw to it that Hooch did not have a decent burial. After his hanging he was brought down only to find himself hanged a second time (see photo) when the big city journalists arrived on the scene only to have been disappointed to have missed the hanging. Dr. MacDonald obligingly arranged to have it staged a second time to satisfy the ghoulish yearnings of the media for, as we would call it today, a timeless photo “shoot.”

Now, it would seem, Hooch was ready for a decent burial. Not exactly. A coffin was readied for him and he was placed in it, but the ground did not yet beckon. Dr. MacDonald had his coffin sequestered in an abandoned mine shaft. Why?

Dr. MacDonald had plans of his own for Hooch’s remains, or at least part of them. It was widely believed that Hooch was not only an alcoholic but also a syphilitic. Dr. MacDonald saw himself as able to resolve the latter assertion, while the former was beyond his medical ken. With such a medical objective in mind he lied to Hooch’s coffin and removed the skull for his analysis. But first he boiled it to remove the flesh.

The top of the skull (calvarium) was removed and Dr. MacDonald examined the intra-cranial cavity for signs of syphilitic lesions. Whether he found any lesions is not reported, but it is said that the skull continued making the medical rounds finding its way into the possession of another medical doctor, a Dr. Homer Evans, who kept it as a trophy on display in his office in Trona where he was the first medical director of the Borax Company.

It was not an uncommon occurrence for medical practitioners in those days, and even before, to keep a skull or two in plain view in their surgery. The practice was something like the diplomas and certifications hanging on the walls of medical personnel today.

Often the purpose in other times was not only to signify the professionalism of the office holder, but also to demonstrate the practitioner’s interest or, more likely, firm belief in phrenology, whose chief American exponent was Lorenzo Fowler (well named).

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What it was Dr. Evans observed in Hooch Simpson’s skull that marked it as worthy of phrenological or other viewing, we will never know.

Be that as it may, it is reliably reported that there were a group of do-gooders from Rhyolite, Nevada, who were up in arms over the headless body of Hooch Simpson lying unburied in a coffin in a Skidoo mine shaft. A group of them journeyed to Skidoo and retrieved what remained of Simpson’s body, taking it by cart across the desert intending to bury it decently and properly in Nevada. They never made it.

The combination of the hellish heat and its effect on the putrefaction of Hooch’s tissues caused the most stalwart of his rescuers to be overcome by the stench, causing them to forego their benevolent wish to give Hooch a proper Christian burial. His body was left behind in the desert for the wind, the sand, the buzzards, and the heat to give it their version of a proper burial, leaving Death Valley with a perverse legend of a most capricious kind arising in a town appropriately named Skidoo.

The moral of this tale, as it comes to us from its raconteurs, goes something like this: “Don’t get hung up over a sight draft, and, if possible, do try to keep your head.”

Photo of the hanged Hooch Simpson used courtesy of the Death Valley 49’ers, Inc.

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AAFS Chronicles — Do You Remember When?

Source: Ken Field, Academy Historian

In 1956...
... two big firsts occurred! It was a banner year for the Academy as it appointed an Editor for the Journal of Forensic Sciences and the first volume was published. Samuel A. Levinson, MD, PhD, was designated the first Editor and Volume 1 was distributed in the fall of that year. Callaghan and Company of Chicago was the publisher. The lead scientific article was “The Historical Development of Toxicology” by Alexander O. Gettler, PhD.

In 1966...
... the procedure for submitting an abstract for a presentation at the annual meeting was a bit different than it is today. An author was required to submit his or her abstract on a stencil and include three mimeographed copies. Stencils for approved abstracts were then delivered to the Chairman of the Press Room for reproductions to be used by the invited press. No editing of abstracts was done by the Academy, to the embarrassment of some less than attentive authors. With today’s technology, the majority of abstracts are submitted electronically and are all peer reviewed and edited by the Program Committee.

In 1976...
... on June 17, the executive director of the Forensic Sciences Foundation received a response to his earlier letter to the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) wherein he had outlined a fictional TV show featuring the workings of the forensic sciences. He had recommended that the forensic science theme could be used in a series of show and that the Foundation would be willing to serve as an advisor. ABC’s response was that they were not interested because they were already working on such a show or series. Maybe so, but no such ABC series appeared any time during the late 70s. Today you don’t need to click that remote control too far before you find a forensic science-related program.

In 1986...
... led by Don Harper Mills and Doug Lucas, the Academy engaged in a major first during the summer. At the request of the “People to People” organization, 42 AAFS members, accompanied by 24 spouses, toured major cities in China exchanging information on forensic science practices in China and in North America. It was most fitting that Dr. Mills would be one of the delegate leaders; he was born in Peking.
The following individuals have submitted applications for Associate Member, Trainee Affiliate, or Student Affiliate. Applications that are received and completed by October 1, 2006, will be considered for approval at the February 2007 Board of Directors Meeting. Due to space constraints, AAFS does not list members who are applying for promotion to Fellow or to Member. Comments regarding an applicant should be submitted in writing to: Kimberly Wrasse, Membership Services Coordinator, AAFS, 410 North 21st Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904-2798. Comments must be received by February 15, 2007.

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Young Forensic Scientists Forum Newsletter

2007 YFSF Program
The YFSF is looking for interest in planning and organizing next year’s AAFS Young Forensic Scientist Forum with activities and events to last the entire week. If you have a personal interest, want to get involved, or have questions about next year’s session please feel free to contact YFSF President Allison Curran at amccurran@gmail.com or YFSF Secretary Jeannette Perr at jeannette.perr@fiu.edu.

VCU Professor Honored With YFSF Founder’s Award
Marilyn Miller was presented the YFSF Founder’s Award at the 2006 AAFS Annual Business Meeting in Seattle. Dr. Miller was chosen for the award based on her outstanding commitment to educating young forensic scientists and her continued support of the YFSF.

The educational career of Dr. Miller began at the University of New Haven and continues at her current position at Virginia Commonwealth University. While Dr. Miller’s education of young forensic scientists begins in the classroom, it often continues through advisement outside of classes and even after her students have graduated. Dr. Miller has shown a major commitment over the years to her current and past students often keeping in contact with many of them years after graduation.

It is through her teaching that Dr. Miller became involved in the YFSF. In the past, she has provided advisement for the YFSF Program Committee, assisted with projects, encouraged her students to participate in the YFSF BYOS, and consistently traveled with her students to the AAFS meetings. At the Seattle meeting, not only were her students encouraged to participate in the YFSF BYOS, it was a portion of a class project. Additionally, while she encouraged students to attend meetings she also encouraged them to attend the YFSF. Her students have been attending the YFSF since the 2000 meeting in Reno, and the numbers have consistently grown resulting in about 40 of her students attending the YFSF in Atlanta (2002) and Chicago (2003).

Due to her initial support a growing organization and her continued support of the education of young forensic scientists, YFSF activities and programs the YFSF was proud to present Dr. Miller with the 2006 YFSF Founder’s Award.

—Claire Shepard, MS
Past YFSF President
The Importance of Internships:
Take the “Hands-On” Approach

A college degree is not the only aspect of importance to your future career; internships are becoming an increasingly critical component of education and training. As a member of the AAFS, you should understand that the field of forensic science has become progressively more popular due to the media. Therefore, many people who had otherwise been uninformed in the areas of forensic science are now interested in forensic careers increasing the competition dramatically. The influx of persons interested in these jobs and an increase in educational programs in forensic science places each one of us in a larger pool of competition. We all must find a way to enhance our skills to create a more marketable position over our competition. Hands-on training in the field will help give you a valuable advantage in job interviews.

Whether you are an undergraduate student who is interested in pursuing a career in forensic science or a graduate student in a program specifically focused in an area of forensics, internships are still a valuable tool. For those early in your education an internship will give you the opportunity to “test the waters.” Commitment is a key quality to possess if you wish to pursue a career in forensic science. If you are unsure of your career direction, an internship may help you determine what skills you have, which ones you need to develop, or simply determine something you dislike. We all want to be happy in our careers doing something we enjoy. An internship in the area(s) of forensics you are interested may help you determine if this career path is the right choice for you. For those of you already in a forensics education program, an internship is the best way to translate book knowledge into real-world applications. Learning the techniques and theories behind a specific technique is important; however, being able to apply those techniques in a lab is what really matters in the real world.

An internship is primarily viewed as a way for you to obtain hands-on experience in the field. However, there are many other advantages of internships that you may not be aware of. First, an internship is a way to assimilate yourself into the field of forensics. When applying for an internship, it is much like applying for a job: you will be interviewed and most likely undergo the necessary testing/background procedures required as if you were directly hired for a position with that lab or agency. An internship gives you the opportunity to see what to expect when applying for a job in the field and provides you with practice in your interviewing skills. Second, an internship is a way to provide you with insight the way a particular agency operates. You will learn lab protocols or agency principles relevant to the standards in the field. Knowledge in these standards will be extremely advantageous when applying to similar agencies or labs. Finally, an internship may just provide your “way in.” Think about the networking opportunities an internship can provide, the people you will meet and work with. Your internship may turn into a job after you finish your degree or help you locate a job in another area. These are just a few of the reasons you should seek out an internship if you are interested in a career in forensic science. Learning how to use the skills taught to you in the classroom is the best way to ensure success on the job.

— Marrah Lachowicz, MFS
YFSF Program Co-Chair

About the YFSF

The YFSF is dedicated to the education, enrichment, and professional development of young forensic scientists. YFSF participants can be non-AAFS members, while organizers must be AAFS members from any section within the AAFS. The Forum provides a medium to educate and to network with young forensic scientists to facilitate their establishment within the forensic science community. The YFSF is composed of a Special Session, a Poster Session, a Bring Your Own Slides Session, and a Breakfast Session during the AAFS Annual Meeting. Outside the Academy meeting the YFSF works to further the endeavors of young forensic scientists through the YFSF newsletter and the YFSF website (http://www.aafs.org/yfsf/index.htm). YFSF President Allison Curran (amcurran@gmail.com) and YFSF Secretary Jeannette Perr (jeannette.perr@fiu.edu) can answer any questions about the YFSF, and are looking to many different levels of young forensic scientists participating next year’s session.

YFSF Website

The YFSF is looking for a technologically savvy person to help design the new website. If interested please contact Jeannette Perr (jeannette.perr@fiu.edu). Look for the improved website soon!
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Spring Bloodstain Evidence Institute—To be held in Corning, NY.
CONTACT: Herbert L. MacDonnell, Director
Bloodstain Evidence Institute
PO Box 1111
Corning, NY 14830
(607) 962-6581 Fax: (607) 936-6936
forensiclab@stny.rr.com

15-19
Transportation Disaster Response Course - Mass Fatality Incidents for Medicolegal Professionals—To be held at the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) Training Academy in Ashburn, VA.
CONTACT: Peter Knudson
NTSB Academy
43065 Riverside Parkway
Ashburn, VA 20147
(571) 223-3900
academy@ntsb.gov
http://www.ntsb.gov/Academy/CourseInfo/TDA403_2006.htm

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Photodocumentation of Traumatic Injuries Course—To be held at the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) Training Academy in Ashburn, VA.
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43065 Riverside Parkway
Ashburn, VA 20147
(571) 223-3900
academy@ntsb.gov
http://www.ntsb.gov/Academy/CourseInfo/IM305_2006.htm

18-21
50th Anniversary Meeting of the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry—To be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Toronto, Ontario.
CONTACT: Executive Office
American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry
PO Box 30
Bloomfield, CT 06002
(888) 691-8281 Fax: (860) 286-0787
aap@ssmgt.com
www.aapdp.org

21-26
The Robert F. Borkenstein Course on Alcohol, Drugs, and Highway Safety: Testing, Research and Litigation—To be held at the Center for Studies of Law in Action, Indiana University, in Bloomington, IN.
CONTACT: Darlena Lindsay
Indiana University
1033 East 3rd Street, 302 Sycamore Hall
Bloomington, IN 47405
(812) 855-1783 Fax: (812) 855-7542
dlindsay@indiana.edu
www.indiana.edu/~lawactn

24-26
Forensic Entomology Workshop—To be held at Penn State University in State College, PA.
CONTACT: Ke Chung Kim
(814) 865-1895
kck@psu.edu
http://conferences.cas.psu.edu/
ForensicEnt/default.html

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18-21
DNA Academy—21-week course to be held at the Northeast Regional Forensic Institute at the University at Albany in Albany, NY.
CONTACT: W. Mark Dale
Northeast Regional Forensic Institute
University at Albany
Biology 225, 1400 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12222
(518) 437-3791
wdale@uamail.albany.edu
http://www.albany.edu/nerfi

Academy News
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Basic Facial Reconstruction Sculpture Workshop—To be held at the University of Texas Dental School in San Antonio, TX.
CONTACT: Betty Pat. Gatliff
1026 Leslie Lane
Norman, OK 73069-4501
(405) 321-8706

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Post-Symposium Workshop on Forensic Anthropology—To be held at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA) in San Antonio, TX.
CONTACT: UTHSCSA
Continuing Dental Education
(210) 567-3177
smn@uthscsa.edu
http://smile.uthscsa.edu
www.utforensic.org

5-7
Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis for Laboratory Scientists Workshop—To be held at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA.
CONTACT: Janine Kishbaugh
Cedar Crest College
100 College Drive
Allentown, PA 18104
(610) 606-4666, ext. 3643
jkishbau@cedarcrest.edu

12-16
Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Course—To be held at the Nashua Police Department in Nashau, NH.
CONTACT: Paul Erwin Kish
Forensic Consultant & Associates
PO Box 814
Corning, NY 14830
(607) 962-8092
pkish@localnet.com

5-9
17th Southwest Symposium on Forensic Dentistry—To be held at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA) in San Antonio, TX.
CONTACT: UTHSCSA
Continuing Dental Education
(210) 567-3177
smn@uthscsa.edu
http://smile.uthscsa.edu
www.utforensic.org

12-17
Short Course on Laboratory Methods in the Identification of Human Skeletal Remains—To be held at Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
Dept of Applied Forensic Sciences
Mercyhurst College
501 East 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
ddirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu

13-16
Printing Process Identification and Image Analysis for Forensic Document Examiners Seminar—To be held at the Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, NY.
CONTACT: Ken Posman
Industry Education Programs
Printing Industry Center
Rochester Institute of Technology
55 Lomb Memorial Drive
Rochester, NY 14623-5603
585-475-4729
krptpd@rit.edu
www.seminars.cias.rit.edu

19-23
Short Course on the Analysis of Bone Trauma and Pseudo-Trauma in Suspected Violent Deaths—To be held at Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
Dept of Applied Forensic Sciences
Mercyhurst College
501 East 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
ddirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu

5-10
Short Course on Death Scene Archaeology: Field Methods in the Location, Recovery, and Interpretation of Human Remains from Outdoor Contexts—To be held at Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
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501 East 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
ddirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu

6-9
MAFS/MRFC Advanced Trace Evidence Symposium—To be held at Iowa State University in Ames, IA.
CONTACT: Chris Bommarito
(517) 322-6566
bommarito@michigan.gov

14-16
Detection and Recovery of Impression Evidence at the Crime Scene Workshop—To be held at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA.
CONTACT: Janine Kishbaugh
Cedar Crest College
100 College Drive
Allentown, PA 18104
(610) 606-4666, ext. 3643
jkishbau@cedarcrest.edu

14-16
International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (IAFMHS) 6th Annual Conference—To be held at Congress Center De Meervaat in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
CONTACT: Tracey Moropito
IAFMHS
Suite 617
718-333 Brooksbank Ave.
North Vancouver, BC
Canada V7J 3V8
(604) 924-5026
tmoropito@iafmhs.org
www.iafmhs.org

19-23
Basic Facial Reconstruction Sculpture Workshop—To be held at the Case Western Reserve University Medical School in Cleveland, OH.
CONTACT: Betty Pat. Gatliff
1026 Leslie Lane
Norman, OK 73069-4501
(405) 321-8706

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20-21
Forensic Applications of Digital Photography Workshop—To be held at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA.
CONTACT: Janine Kishbaugh
Cedar Crest College
100 College Drive
Allentown, PA 18104
(610) 606-4666, ext. 3643
jkishbau@cedarcrest.edu

26-28
Cambridge Heathtech Institute's 14th Annual Nucleic Acid-Based Technologies Conference—To be held at the Sheraton Crystal City in Arlington, VA.
CONTACT: Cambridge Heathtech Institute
1037 Chestnut Street
Newton Upper Falls, MA 02464
(617) 630-1300 or (888) 999-6288
Fax: (617) 630-1325
www.healthtech.com

26-28
International Symposium on Fire Investigation Science and Technology—To be held at the University of Cincinnati in Cincinnati, OH.
CONTACT: National Association of Fire Investigators
857 Talleevast Road
Sarasota, FL 34243
Toll Free: (877) 506-NAFI
(941) 359-2800
info@ISFI2006.com
www.ISFI2006.com

26-30
Short Course on the Documentation and Recovery of Human Remains and Physical Evidence at the Terrorism Crime Scene—To be held at Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA.
CONTACT: Dennis Dirkmaat
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501 East 38th Street
Erie, PA 16546
(814) 824-2105
ddirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu
http://mai.mercyhurst.edu

27-30
The 16th Conference of The European Association of Psychology & Law—To be held at the University of Liverpool, England.
CONTACT: Centre for Investigative Psychology
The School of Psychology
University of Liverpool
Eleanor Rathbone Building
Bedford St South
Liverpool, England L69 7ZA
Tel.: +44 (0) 151 794 3912
Fax: +44 (0) 151 794 3938
eap@liv.ac.uk
http://www.i-psy.com/eap

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10-14
LFSC 591c Forensics: DNA, Drugs & the Law Workshop—To be held at the Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA.
CONTACT: Dick Rezba
(804) 828-1334
rrezba@vcu.edu or
www.vcu.edu/workshops

10-14
Forensic Examination of Textiles and Fibers Workshop—To be held at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA.
CONTACT: Janine Kishbaugh
Cedar Crest College
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Allentown, PA 18104
(610) 606-4666, ext. 3643
jkishbau@cedarcrest.edu

24-28
LFSC 591c Survey of Forensic Science Workshop—To be held at the Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA.
CONTACT: Dick Rezba
(804) 828-1334
rrezba@vcu.edu or
www.vcu.edu/workshops

31-Aug 4
Human Identification in Forensic Anthropology Course—To be held at the Forensic Anthropology Center, University of Tennessee in Knoxville, TN.
CONTACT: Joe Hefner
University of Tennessee
Department of Anthropology
250 Stadium Hall
Knoxville, TN 37996-0720
(865) 974-4408
Fax: (865) 974-2686
jhefner@utk.edu

AUGUST 2006

2-6
Criminalistic and Forensic Sciences V International Congress—To be held at the Iguaçu Grand Hotel Resort & Casino in Puerto Iguazu - Provincia de Misiones, Argentina.
CONTACT: Asociación Graduados Ciencias Criminalísticas República Argentina
Junín 1811 - Piso 2 - Of. 1
Posadas - Misiones
CP 3300 - Argentina
+54-351-423610 / 422977
www.decriminalistica.com.ar

7-8
Forensic Laboratory Accreditation - ISO/IEC 17025:2005 Management System Implementation Course—To be held at the Northeast Regional Forensic Institute at the University at Albany in Albany, NY.
CONTACT: W. Mark Dale
Northeast Regional Forensic Institute
University at Albany
Biology 225, 1400 Washington Ave
Albany, NY 12222
(518) 437-3791
wdale@uamail.albany.edu
http://www.albany.edu/nerfi

7-12
Southern Institute of Forensic Science Course on Basic Forensic Pathology for Law Enforcement and Death Investigators—To be held at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, CO.
CONTACT: Ed Waldrip
Southern Inst. of Forensic Science
PO Box 15764
Hattiesburg, MS 39404
(601) 794-6765
edwaldrip@msn.com
www.southernforensics.com

9-11
33rd Annual Florida Medical Examiners Education Conference—To be held at the University of Florida.
CONTACT: www.maples-center.ufl.edu
www.fameonline.org
American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE) 2006 Meeting—To be held at the Doubletree Hotel, Lloyd Center, in Portland, OR.

CONTACT: Linton Mohammed, Program Chair
(514) 485-0832
qdamam777@aol.com
www.asqde.org

Canadian Society of Forensic Science (CSFS) Annual Meeting—To be held at the University of Windsor in Windsor, Ontario.

CONTACT: CSFS
PO Box 37040
3332 McCarthy Road
Ottawa, Ontario
Canada  K1V 0W0
(613) 738-0001
Fax: (613) 738-1987
http://www.csfs.ca/

Microbial Forensics Workshop—To be held at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA.

CONTACT: Janine Kishbaugh
Cedar Crest College
100 College Drive
Allentown, PA 18104
(610) 606-4666, ext. 3643
jkishbau@cedarcrest.edu

21st Congress of the International Academy of Legal Medicine—To be held in Budapest, Hungary.

CONTACT: Alice Spice
ialmcongress2006@motesz.hu

Cambridge Healthtech Institute's Sixth Annual Microarray Data Analysis and Interpretation Conference—To be held at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Washington, DC.

CONTACT: Cambridge Healthtech Institute
1037 Chestnut Street
Newton Upper Falls, MA 02464
(617) 630-1300 or (888) 999-6288
Fax: (617) 630-1325
www.healthtech.com

SEPTEMBER 2006

4-8
Basic Facial Reconstruction Sculpture Workshop—To be held at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, OK.
CONTACT: Betty Pat. Gatiff
1026 Leslie Lane
Norman, OK 73069-4501
(405) 321-8706

11-15
Advanced Facial Reconstruction Sculpture Workshop—To be held at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, OK.
CONTACT: Betty Pat. Gatiff
1026 Leslie Lane
Norman, OK 73069-4501
(405) 321-8706

18-22
International Forensic Photography Course—Presented by the Miami-Dade County Medical Examiner Department Forensic Imaging Bureau.
CONTACT: Marie Alexander
(305) 547-3721
malex@miamidade.gov
www.miamidade.gov/medexam

OCTOBER 2006

2-3
Forensic Laboratory Accreditation - ISO/IEC 17025:2005 Management System Implementation Course—To be held at the Northeast Regional Forensic Institute at the University at Albany in Albany, NY.
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University at Albany
Biology 225, 1400 Washington Ave.
Albany, NY 12222
(518) 437-3791
wdale@mmail.albany.edu
http://www.albany.edu/nerfi

2-6
Medicolegal Death Investigator Training Course—Sponsored by 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 S Grand Blvd; R712
St. Louis, MO 63104
(314) 977-5970
Fax: (314) 977-5695
mldi@slu.edu
http://medschool.slu.edu/mldi/

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Photodocumentation of Traumatic Injuries Course—To be held at the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) Training Academy in Ashburn, VA.
CONTACT: Peter Knudson
NTSB Academy
45065 Riverside Parkway
Ashburn, VA 20147
(571) 223-3900
academy@ntsbn.gov
http://www.ntsbn.gov/Academy/CourseInfo/IM305_2006.htm

4-5
Southern Institute of Forensic Science Seminar on Management of Major criminal Cases—To be held in Denver, CO.
CONTACT: Ed Waldrip
Southern Inst. of Forensic Science
PO Box 15764
Hattiesburg, MS 39404
(601) 794-6765
edwaldrip@msn.com
www.southernforensics.com

9-13
35th Annual Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists Fall Meeting—To be held at the Hyatt in Indianapolis, IN.
CONTACT: Mark Ahonen
Indiana State Police Laboratory
8500 East 21st Street
Indianapolis, IN 46219
(317) 899-8521
Fax: (317) 899-8298
mahonen@isp.state.in.us

13-18
National Association of Medical Examiners Annual Meeting—To be held at the Hyatt Regency San Antonio on the Riverwalk at Paseo de Alama in San Antonio, TX.
CONTACT: Mary Fran Ernst
NAME Meetings Manager
70 East Sherwood Drive
St. Louis, MO 63114
(314) 522-3262, ext. 6509
Fax: (314) 522-0955
ernstmf@slu.edu

18-20
International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts Conference—To be held in Corning, NY.
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1-4
32nd Annual Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists Meeting—To be held at the Tarrytown DoubleTree Hotel in Westchester County, NY.
CONTACT: Elayne Schwartz
Westchester County Forensic Lab
10 Dana Road
Valhalla, NY, 10595
(914) 231-1810,
Fax: (914) 231-1798
ess6@westchestergov.com

6-10
The Southwestern and Northwestern Association of Forensic Scientists Joint Conference—To be held in Colorado Springs, CO.
CONTACT: The Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists
swafsweb@swafs.us
www.swafs.us

15-17
5th Annual TWGFEX Symposium: The Integration of Local, State & Federal Resources for Response to Terrorist Incidents—To be held in Orlando, FL.
CONTACT: National Center for Forensic Science
University of Central Florida
12354 Research Parkway
Orlando, FL 32826
(407) 823-6469
natlctr@mail.ucf.edu
www.twgfex.org

DECEMBER 2006

4-8
Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Workshop—Hosted by the Miami-Dade Police Department Specialized Training Unit in Miami, FL.
CONTACT: Toby L. Wolson
Miami-Dade Police Department
9105 Northwest 25th Street
Miami, FL 33172
(305) 471-3041
Fax: (305) 471-3350
twolson@mdpd.com

4-8
Examination of Tire Impression and Tire Track Evidence—To be held at the Miami-Dade Police Department’s Training Bureau in Miami, FL.
CONTACT: William J. Bodziak
38 Sabal Bend
Palm Coast, FL 32137
(386) 447-3567
Fax: (386) 447-3568
wbodziak@earthlink.net

JANUARY 2007

22-26
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mldi@slu.edu
http://medschool.slu.edu/mldi/

American Board of Forensic Odontology
Civil Litigation Committee
presents
“The Art & Science of Expert Witness Testimony” Workshop

Date – Saturday February 24, 2007
Time – 8:00AM-5:00PM
Place – To Be Announced
Fee – Expert Witnesses - $595
Fee – Observers - $195

The Civil Litigation Committee of the American Board of Forensic Odontology (ABFO) will present another workshop on Expert Witness Testimony. The workshop will be held in conjunction with the 2007 AAFS Annual Scientific Meeting in San Antonio, TX. It will be held on Saturday, February 24, at the end of the AAFS Meeting. The workshop will accept both “expert witness” candidates as well as observers interested in attending the all day session. The case presented at the workshop will be a “Standard of Care” case. The morning session will include presentations by attorneys and experienced expert witnesses. The presentations will cover pertinent topics such as guidelines for expert witnesses and relevant Standards of Care in dentistry. The afternoon session will feature “testimony” by the “expert witness” candidates in a mock trial format that includes a judge and jury. The expert witness candidates will be evaluated by members of both the Civil Litigation and Certification and Examination Committees. Those whose testimony meets certain standards will be given credit for one of the two sworn testimony requirements of the ABFO Examination application. This credit is not automatic, but rather a sign of achievement of a certain level of accomplishment as an expert witness. Those who testify as “expert witnesses” will be sent “working case files” as well as some didactic material ahead of time to facilitate advance preparation. Those who only require sworn testimony in order to complete the ABFO application will be given preference for acceptance into the workshop as expert witnesses. All others will be accepted on a “first come, first serve” basis. The deadline for applying as an “expert witness” is September 1, 2006, and this deadline is FIRM! If you wish to participate in the workshop or would like additional information, please contact Dr. Tom David by e-mail @ tjd214@bellsouth.net or call 404-633-9742 or 770-565-2320.
Employment Opportunities

FORENSIC EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN
(LATENT PRINT/CrIME SCENE EXAMINER)

The Monterey County Sheriff’s Office is recruiting to establish an eligible list to fill a current and future vacancies if they arise. The Forensic Evidence Technician, which is assigned to the Investigations Division, compares unknown latent prints to known inked prints 80% of the time. In addition, this position examines, prepares, and develops latent fingerprints both chemically and with conventional dusting techniques; enlarges and traces usable prints taken at or off of evidence collected at crime scenes; searches files for comparisons with those of known persons, both manually and by scanning into the automated Cal-ID fingerprint system; and responds to major crime scenes and provides specialized support by searching for, collecting, preserving, transporting and processing physical evidence gathered at crime scenes. Qualifications include possession of a California Class C driver’s license issued by the State Department of Motor Vehicles by time of appointment. Must have a working knowledge of fingerprint identification and other technical and scientific instruments, equipment, supplies and procedures used to search for, collect, preserve and process latent fingerprints; Henry System of fingerprint classification; methods and techniques of latent print comparison; criminal identification, crime scene investigation, and of various chemical, laser and physical processes and related safety requirements; rules of evidence; applicable laws and regulations, health and safety codes and precautions for handling and preparing deceased persons and for contagious disease control; modern cleaning and disinfection methods and practices for cleaning of persons, floors, walls, fixtures and equipment; and digital computer enhancement software such as Microsoft Office Applications and Adobe Photo Shop. Must have the skill and ability to take and classify fingerprints in accordance with established methods and standards; search, document, collect, and preserve evidence gathered at crime scenes; operate and maintain various fingerprint identification and other technical and scientific instruments, equipment and supplies; operate photography, audio and video recorder equipment; take and develop digital photographs; prepare clear and concise reports and keep accurate records; prepare physical evidence and exhibits for court; testify in court as expert witness; maintain facilities and equipment in a safe, sanitary and orderly manner; follow written and oral instructions of a technical nature; establish and maintain effective working relationships with those encountered in the course of work; work independently with minimal supervision; and correlate, interpret and draw conclusions from information received from a variety of sources. Significant duties include analyze and compare latent fingerprints; operate videotape and digital equipment to record evidence at crime scenes; collect, preserve and photograph evidence such as hair, fingerprints, clothing, fingernail scrapings, saliva and other physical samples on and from persons at crime scenes; attend autopsies to collect evidence; fingerprint deceased person; photograph deceased before and after being cleaned up; tag evidence as autopsy is conducted; classify inked fingerprints using the Henry system; prepare complete reports to findings/results and consults on latent fingerprint identification problems; and offer expert testimony in court and prepare physical evidence and exhibits. The selection process is tentative and applicants will be notified if changes are made. Submit a completed Monterey County Application and Supplemental Questions.

CONTACT: Monterey County Sheriff’s Office
Human Resources
1414 Natividad Road
Salinas, CA 93906
(831) 755-3744 or (831) 759-7298
www.co.monterey.ca.us/personnel
www.co.monterey.ca.us/sheriff

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FORENSIC AUTOPSY TECHNICIAN
Monterey County Sheriff’s Office is recruiting to establish an eligible list of qualified on-call temporary Forensic Autopsy Technician candidates to assist pathologist in preparing Human bodies for and in conducting autopsies for traumatic, unnatural or suspicious deaths; process and preserve deceased persons; maintain facilities and equipment in a sterilized, disinfected manner; and perform other duties as required. Qualifications include possession of an appropriate California Class C driver’s license issued by the State Department of Motor Vehicles. Must have a working knowledge of surgical instruments, equipment, supplies and procedures used to assist a pathologist in performing medico-legal autopsy examinations; basic anatomy, physiology, dissection, and medical terminology; rules of evidence regarding chain of custody and methods to preserve and safeguard evidence; applicable laws and regulations, health and safety codes and precautions for handling and preparing deceased persons and for contagious disease control; and modern cleaning and disinfection methods and practices of cleaning floors, walls and fixtures. Must have the following skills and abilities: operate and maintain surgical instruments, equipment and supplies when assisting in performing medico-legal autopsy examinations; prepare clear and concise reports and keep accurate records; process and preserve deceased persons for autopsies; maintain facilities and equipment in a sterilized manner; follow written and oral instructions of a technical nature; establish and maintain effective working relationships with those encountered in the course of work; work with bodies of deceased persons to include those associated with traumatic deaths and those infested with insects and vermin; and tolerate unpleasant odors such as those from decomposed bodies and preservative chemicals. Significant duties include: receives, identifies, releases and moves deceased persons from refrigeration storage; and prepares deceased persons for autopsy exam and final disposition; assist pathologist in performing medico-legal autopsies to include the opening and closing of deceased persons and the removal of internal organs; maintains morgue and autopsy rooms and floors in a clean, sanitary and orderly manner; cleans and sterilizes equipment; and checks for proper ventilation and condition of equipment; orders and maintains autopsy laboratory, x-ray and darkroom supplies; examines, x-rays, photographs and records external identification characteristics of deceased persons such as height, weight, hair, eye color and scars; performs x-rays and fluoroscopy examinations on deceased persons and develops films; observes and reports conditions found that may be of value in an autopsy investigation; collects and prepares evidence, clothing and specimens for lab examination; and preserves, stores and discards evidence, clothing and specimens as directed or according to established procedures; prepares for transport, bodies containing contagious or infectious diseases, inventories and stores personal property of deceased persons; completes daily logs and activity reports; serves as witness in Coroner cases as required; and transports bodies for cremation. Applicants must pass a background investigation and be able to work flexible work hours, shifts, weekends, holidays and be subject to call back duty. The selection process is tentative and applicants will be notified if changes are made. Submit a completed Monterey County Application and Supplemental Questions.

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www.co.monterey.ca.us/sheriff

EVIDENCE CUSTODIAN
A private company seeks Evidence Custodians for employment as civilian contractors supporting U.S. military activity on-base in Iraq. Former CID Evidence Custodians preferred. Duties include the following: receiving and documenting evidence using appropriate Army evidence vouchers; properly marking and tagging evidence in accordance with Army Law Enforcement guidance (ARs and FMs) and maintaining associated evidence room documentation; assisting in the preparation of Laboratory Examination Requests and assisting with limited processing and stabilization of forensic evidence, e.g., superglue fuming of nonporous surfaces before shipment; preparing, transmitting, and receiving registered mail evidence packages; continually coordinating with supporting state-side forensic laboratory entities regarding evidence preservation, stabilization and transmittal procedures for best success; coordinating with local Army Law Enforcement and Physical Security offices for timely completion of required Evidence Room inspections; and performing related duties benefiting the evidence collection and preservation for the mission. This position involves contract support to U.S. military activities on-base (not directly with CID units). Applicants selected will be subject to a government security investigation and must meet eligibility requirements for access to classified information. Pre-deployment training required. Duty rotation is a minimum four month tour in Iraq, 30-60 days unpaid rest and recreation back in the U.S., another four months in Iraq, etc. This is a good opportunity for a retiree seeking to supplement his or her income. This is a temporary position with an estimated time frame of six months to two years. Salary for well-qualified applicants is $86,400 to $144,000 annually, depending on the number of contract months. Free food, lodging, and transportation are included. If interested, email your resume and contact information to careers@idealinnovations.com.

FORENSIC PHOTOGRAPHER
A private company seeks Forensic Photographers for employment as civilian contractors supporting U.S. military activity on-base in Iraq. Prefer former USACIL Forensic Photographers. Duties include the following: preparing and supervising preparation of evidentiary images, including impression evidence, using visible light digital photography in accordance with U.S. evidence guidelines including SWFAST and, insofar as possible, SWGIT and SWGDE; establishing and maintaining an image archive and filing/storage system that interfaces with CENTCOM Latent Print Team collaboration site, continuity of operations back-up copies, and otherwise facilitating evidentiary image recording of important visible evidence; conducting training for U.S. and Iraqi personnel in digital image procedures; and performing related duties benefiting evidence collection and preservation for the mission. This position involves contract support to U.S. military activities on-base (not directly with CID units). Applicants selected will be subject to a government security investigation and must meet eligibility requirements for access to classified information. Pre-deployment training required. Duty rotation is a minimum four month tour in Iraq, 30-60 days unpaid rest and recreation back in the U.S., another four months in Iraq, etc. This is a good opportunity for a retiree seeking to supplement his or her income. This is a temporary position with an estimated time frame of six months to two years. Salary for well-qualified applicants is $108,000 to $158,400 annually, depending on the number of contract months. Free food, lodging, and transportation are included. If interested, email your resume and contact information to careers@idealinnovations.com.
LATENT PRINT EXAMINER
A private company seeks several Latent Print Examiners for employment as civilian contractors supporting U.S. military activity on-base in Iraq. CLPEs trained to competency in a state or federal ASCLD/LAB accredited laboratory, with recent Latent Print Examiner employment experience are preferred. Duties include the following: supervising and evaluating/examining evidence for the presence of identifiable impressions; supervising and assisting Crime Scene Technicians and Evidence Custodians regarding limited evidence processing, preservation and stabilization procedures (normally only superglue fuming and packaging); supervising Evidence Custodian preparation of Laboratory Examination requests; conducting training for U.S. and Iraqi personnel regarding latent print evidence procedures; and performing related duties benefiting the evidence collection and preservation for the mission. Well-qualified Latent Print Examiners from coalition force countries (UK, etc.) will be considered. Applicants selected will be subject to a government security investigation and must meet eligibility requirements for access to classified information. Candidates must already have or have the ability to obtain certification from IAI as an LPE. Pre-deployment training is required. Duty rotation is a minimum four month tour in Iraq, 30-60 days unpaid rest and recreation back in the U.S., another four months in Iraq, etc. This is a good opportunity for a retiree seeking to supplement his or her income. This is a temporary position with an estimated time frame of six months to two years. Salary for well-qualified applicants is $108,000 to $158,400 annually, depending on the number of contract months. Free food, lodging, and transportation are included. If interested, email your resume and contact information to careers@idealinnovations.com.

CRIMINALIST IV - ANTHROPOLOGIST
The New York City Office of the Chief Medical Examiner is seeking applicants for the position of Criminalist IV - Anthropologist. Qualifications include a Bachelor of Science degree from an accredited college, with specialization in criminalistics, biochemistry, molecular biology, immunology, anthropology, ecology, forensic science chemistry, biology, physics, or a closely related scientific or engineering field and four years of satisfactory full-time experience in criminalistics, forensic science, or analytical chemistry; OR, a master’s degree from an accredited college with specialization in one of the areas specified above and two years of satisfactory full-time laboratory experience in criminalistics, forensic science, or analytical chemistry; OR, a master’s degree from an accredited college with specialization in one of the areas specified above and two years of satisfactory full-time laboratory experience in criminalistics, forensic science, or analytical chemistry; OR, education and experience equivalent to the above. All candidates must have a minimum of a baccalaureate degree and, except for those candidates with an appropriate master’s degree, four years of professional forensic scientific experience as cited above. Successful candidate should possess the following: expertise in human osteology and forensic anthropology; archaeological recovery techniques; excellent interpersonal, organizational, analytical skills; the ability to exercise independent judgment and manage multiple priorities. Responsibilities include the daily routine casework involving analysis of skeletal, decomposed, mummified, burned and/or fragmented human remains; ensuring 24-hour scene response when skeletal remains are discovered; assisting with autopsies for the sole purpose of identification and/or assessment of skeletal trauma; conducting analysis on WTC remains and case files; reviewing final reconciliation reports; the supervision of anthropology staff; the management of anthropology casework; serving as a critical member of the agency’s disaster response team; training OCME and law enforcement personnel on laboratory and field techniques relating to Forensic Anthropology; and performing other duties as assigned. Annual Salary: $58,183 - $87,402. Submit resume and cover letter. Please reference job posting number JVN: 816/06/CME046 when applying for this position. CONTACT: Nicole Murphy Assistant Commissioner Human Resources The Office of Chief Medical Examiner 520 First Avenue, Room 124 New York, NY 10016 Fax: 212-447-1836 Resumes@ocme.nyc.gov http://www.nyc.gov/

INSTRUCTOR - EXAMINING THE EVIDENCE
The Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth is seeking applicants for a summer Instructor position teaching Examining the Evidence. Qualifications include experience teaching or working with middle-school or high school students and biology, chemistry, and/or forensic science coursework. Housing in the DC area necessary for 3-6 weeks in the summer. Responsibilities include teaching 12-15 5th and 6th grade students for one or two three-week periods, Monday through Friday, with the help of a teaching assistant. Curriculum has been developed, but instructors have some flexibility. CONTACT: Laura Saxton McAuley Hall 5801 Smith Avenue, Suite 400 Baltimore, MD 21209 (410) 735-6183 Fax: (410) 735-6187 www.cty.jhu.edu/summer/employment

FORENSIC SOFTWARE TESTING ENGINEER
JusticeTrax is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Software Testing Engineer. This position will validate the quality of JusticeTrax products using established test plans and their knowledge of forensic analytical procedures. The Testing Engineer finds weaknesses in the product so Software Engineers can resolve them before the customer can experience a problem. Qualifications include two years of experience working in a forensic laboratory; proficient in Microsoft Office applications; the ability to personally achieve results, take ownership and accept responsibility; the ability to plan and budget multiple priorities to achieve a specific result and follow through on commitments; a keen grasp of time management; the ability to communicate in a clear and structured way and good listening and questioning skills; and detail-oriented written communication skills. Knowledge of software development or programming a plus, but not required. Responsibilities include validating the quality operation of database scripts designed to migrate data from one release to another; testing all JusticeTrax applications via builds, releases or regression tests; testing installation process; validating “fixed” issues are actually resolved; striving continually to complete assigned projects on time and within budgeted hours; representing JusticeTrax to all outside contacts in a positive professional manner; remaining consistently up to date on new technologies and how to apply them to resolve customer needs; and producing user documentation. CONTACT: JusticeTrax Inc One West Main Street Mesa, AZ 85201 jobs@justice-trax.com
FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST/DEPUTY CORONER
The Lucas County Coroner's Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Pathologist/Deputy Coroner. Qualifications include being a Board certified/eligible forensic pathologist. This position will join three other forensic pathologists in a forensic pathologist run coroner's office. It is a regional office serving NW Ohio and SE Michigan performing 1,000 autopsies last year with excellent relationships with the medical community, criminal justice system, and referring coroners. The Lucas County Coroner's Office is located in Toledo, OH in a modern facility with its own toxicology lab adjacent to the medical school. Annual Salary: $125,000 with full benefits, excellent retirement, and possible faculty supplement.

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FORENSIC SCIENTIST - SEROLOGY UNIT SUPERVISOR
The Indianapolis-Marion County Forensic Services Agency is currently accepting applications for the position of Forensic Scientist-Serology Unit Supervisor. Qualifications include possession a bachelor's degree in a natural science, (i.e., biology, chemistry), criminialistics, or a forensics-related area, with successful completion of at least 12 credit hours in all of the following areas: biochemistry, genetics, molecular biology, and statistics or population genetics. Responsibilities include performing supervisory duties while working with the Biology Section's DNA Technical Leader. Applicants should have training/competency/proficiency in both serology and (STR) DNA. This position will also perform casework in the disciplines of serology and DNA. They will also prepare performance evaluations; perform quality assurance, and present expert testimony in court. A master's degree in forensic science or related area and education, training and experience in supervision of personnel is preferred. Annual Salary: $47,733 - $76,373. The successful applicant for this position will be subjected to a background investigation and a drug test. If the successful applicant meets the "preferred" education and experience standards, the starting date for the position may be negotiated in a range of 3-9 months. Please send resume to Jeani Nolte at jnolte@indygov.org.

FORENSIC SCIENTIST - DNA
The Indianapolis-Marion County Forensic Services Agency is currently accepting applications for the position of Forensic Scientist-DNA. Responsibilities include performing complex examination and analyses of evidence, including body fluids and body fluid stains, hair and any other items needing DNA or related analyses; preparing written reports of findings; performing quality assurance; and presenting oral testimony in court. A Master's Degree in forensic science or related area and forensic DNA STR casework experience is preferred. The salary range for this position is $46,432 - $72,000. The salary hiring point will be based on education, certification, and experience. The individual selected for this position will be subjected to a background investigation and drug test. If the successful applicant meets the "preferred" education and experience standards, the starting date for the position may be negotiated in a range of 3-9 months. Qualifications include possession of a bachelor's degree in a natural science, (i.e., biology, chemistry), criminalistics, or a forensics-related area, with successful completion of at least 12 credit hours in all of the following areas: biochemistry, genetics, molecular biology, and statistics or population genetics. Please send a resume to Jeani Nolte at jnolte@indygov.org.

DIAGNOSTIC TECHNICAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE
Neogen Corporation is seeking applicants for the position of Diagnostic Technical Services Representative. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree in biology, chemistry, or biology; a minimum of two years of experience with immunoassays (specifically ELISA); experience with troubleshooting immunoassay applications, ELISA automated equipment; being detailed oriented; and possession of excellent computer and communication skills. Experience in forensic toxicology preferred. Responsibilities include immunoassay work; technical training/troubleshooting to support customer base; writing technical literature and general laboratory procedures; and 5%-10% overnight travel. Application deadline: June 1, 2006.

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SENIOR FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST/DEPUTY CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) Division of Forensic Pathology is seeking applicants for the position of Senior Forensic Pathologist with possibility for appointment as Deputy Chief Medical Examiner. Successful applicant will join three other forensic pathologists. TTUHSC operates the Lubbock (TX) County Medical Examiner's Office via contract with Lubbock County. TTUHSC also contracts with over 80 other west Texas counties to provide forensic autopsies, family requested autopsies, and courtroom testimony. The job requires some travel as well as 'on call' rotation with the other forensic pathologists on a weekly basis. There is also occasional scene investigation for major Lubbock County cases. Qualifications include graduation from an accredited medical college or university with a Doctor of Medicine/Osteopathic degree. Completion of pathology residency and forensic pathology fellowship is required. Must have or be able to obtain a Texas Medical license. Must be Board certified in anatomic pathology. Must be Board certified/eligible in Forensic pathology. If Board eligible, incumbent must complete Board certification within two years of hire date. Must have or obtain a Texas Driver's license. Must be able to provide effective and articulate court testimony. The position will require enthusiasm and willingness to teach residents, medical students, medical personnel, law enforcement, and the future forensic pathology fellowship program scheduled to begin July 2006. Must have administrative skills and experience. Must clear and maintain a favorable background investigation from the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office and/or the FBI. Faculty appointment at the TTUHSC will be awarded and a modest program of scholarly inquiry would be preferred. All employees of TTUHSC are state higher education employees with excellent benefits. The salary is commensurate with experience and ranges from $175,000 - $190,000. Interview and moving expenses will be provided.

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PROGRAM SPECIALIST III - TOXICOLOGY
The Forensic Toxicology Laboratory of the Department of Pathology at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine is seeking applicants for the position of Program Specialist III. Qualifications include a minimum of a BS degree in chemistry, biology, medical technology, or closely related field; three years of forensic toxicology job related experience as an analytical chemist/taxonomist in the areas of pharmacology, clinical toxicology and/or forensic toxicology including experience with immunoassay screening, sample preparation techniques and GC/MS and LC/MS/MS; court room testimonial experience high desirable; must be eligible for a license in clinical chemistry in the State of Florida. Send a letter of intend including salary requirements & CV.

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CRIMINALIST II or III (TRACE EVIDENCE/DRUG ANALYSIS)
The Broward Sheriff’s Office is seeking applicants to fill Criminalist II or III positions in the agency’s ASCLD/ISO accredited Crime Laboratory. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in the natural or physical sciences, to include organic chemistry, qualitative analysis (analytical chemistry), and instrumental analysis (advanced analytical chemistry); and a minimum of 2 years experience in a crime laboratory analyzing trace evidence/controlled substances. Criminalist III position required certification by the American Board of Criminalistics. Under direction, the position performs and analyzes chemical and evidentiary samples in criminal identification and investigations. Employees perform specialized technical and scientific work in the application of moderately complex to advanced laboratory techniques in trace evidence/drug analysis. Position is also responsible for the formal reporting of and testifying to the findings of such analysis. Annual Salary: Criminalist II - $47,783 – $78,579; Criminalist III - $52,656 – $85,771.

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Human Resources Bureau
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PROGRAM SPECIALIST IV - TOXICOLOGY
The Forensic Toxicology Laboratory of the Department of Pathology at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine is seeking applicants for the position of Program Specialist IV. Qualifications include a minimum of a BS degree in chemistry, biology, medical technology, or closely related field; seven years of forensic toxicology job related experience as an analytical chemist/taxonomist with two years as a supervisor in the areas of pharmacology, clinical toxicology and/or forensic toxicology including experience with method development & validation, QA/QC, immunoassay screening, sample preparation techniques and GC/MS and LC/MS/MS; court room testimonial experience; experience with computer software such as database management, word processing highly desirable. Must be eligible for a license in clinical chemistry in the State of Florida. Send a letter of intend including salary requirements & CV.

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SENIOR SCIENTIST LEADER
Provincial Health Services Authority is seeking applicants for the position of Senior Scientist Leader of the Provincial Toxicology Centre. This position will be charged with leading and overseeing the operations of the Provincial Toxicology Centre, and reports to the Discipline Head for Toxicology. This mandate is responsible for toxicology testing and toxicological analysis of Coroner cases from British Columbia as well as acting as the clinical toxicology resource for the province. In addition, this position supports research and development for the Provincial Medical Coroner's Toxicology Program. Using the new, state-of-the-art technology in the new purpose built lab, responsibilities include ensuring provision of in-depth drug screening, therapeutic drug monitoring and routine drug screening to support the PHSA agencies as well as other Health Authorities within BC, all the while benefiting from the PHSA’s academic health sciences environment; managing the Centre by setting priorities and providing guidance to lab technicians; ensuring that testing and the handling of evidence conform to standards and guidelines; working closely with coroners, pathologists, crown attorney, and other members of provincial import to provide forensic advice on preliminary findings. As a forensic expert who has achieved a PhD in chemistry, pharmacy, biochemistry or a related chemistry-based science, applicant must display a strong analytical toxicology background and proven expertise in the interpretation of forensic toxicology results; possess at least five years of experience in the use of gas chromatography, mass spectrometry, and high-pressure liquid chromatography regarding the analysis of drugs and toxins in biological specimens; and qualify as a forensic toxicologist in a court of law in order to give expert testimony. Experience and Board certification in a pathology related subspecialty will be highly beneficial. This position will lead the development of a sustainable model for the Provincial Toxicology Centre; guide a vigorous academic agenda and strengthen the Centre’s role in BC; and develop and maintain broad networks to support the advancement of the Centre. Please submit your CV, quoting Competition # 2006-0381.

CONTACT: PHSA Specialty Recruitment Office
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SENIOR FORENSICS FINANCIAL ANALYST
Torres AES is seeking applicants for the position of Senior Forensics Financial Analyst. Qualifications include five years of relevant forensic accounting experience with U.S. Military or other Federal Government Agency. Incumbent must be able to obtain Government Security clearance. Responsibilities include conceiving, planning, developing, and performing operational management, policy making, and oversight actions for overt and controlled forensic accounting operations.

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INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON ANCILLARY PHYSICIAN SERVICES
SENIOR FORENSIC CONSULTANT
Project Time & Cost, Inc. is seeking applicants for the position of Senior Forensic Consultant. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in Civil Engineering, PE, and at least 5 years of experience in the forensic field working with the insurance industry. Experience working with law firms is a plus. Experience in commercial, institutional, healthcare, high-rise and governmental facilities is also a plus. Must be able to communicate with all levels of personnel and clients. Must be able to travel a high percentage of time. Must be able to work outdoors in the hot/cold weather conditions; be able to stand/walk for long periods of time; be able to climb on roofs, ladders, attics and small crawl spaces; be able to kneel, squat or bend; and be able to lift up to 50 pounds. As a Forensic Consultant (Structural Engineer), this position will provide residential and commercial site investigations to determine the cause and origin of structural failures, damages or defects; investigate and assess damages due to catastrophes such as windstorm damage, hurricanes, floods and earthquakes; and provide detailed reports outlining the cause and origin of the damages to clients. May also be called upon to provide expert testimony in a court of law.

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FIRE INVESTIGATOR
Project Time & Cost, Inc. is seeking applicants for the position of Fire Investigator. Qualifications include a minimum of 5 years as a Fire Investigator with a background in the forensic field and working directly with the insurance industry. CFEI or CFI certification preferred. Must be capable of obtaining CFEI, CFI and PI licenses. 4 year college degree preferred. Experience working with law firms is a plus. Must possess strong interpersonal skills to interact with clients and conduct business development, and have strong computer skills to include MS Office. Must be able to travel and or work weekends & holidays. Must be able to work outdoors in the hot/cold weather conditions; be able to stand/walk for long periods of time; be able to climb on roofs, ladders, attics and small crawl spaces; be able to kneel, squat or bend; and be able to lift up to 50 pounds. This position will provide residential, commercial (high-rises), industrial and petrochemical site investigations to determine the cause and origin of fires or explosions; collect evidence; photograph scenes; conduct interviews; a provide detailed reports outlining the cause and origin of the fires or explosions to clients; and provide expert testimony in a court of law on fire causation.

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MECHANICAL ENGINEER
(VEHICLE ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTIONIST)
Project Time & Cost, Inc. is seeking applicants for the position of Mechanical Engineer (Vehicle Accident Reconstructionist). Qualifications include a minimum of 5 years of professional experience providing vehicle accident reconstructions and a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering. ACTAR certification is preferred. Must be able to communicate with all levels of personnel both verbal and written. Must be able to travel a high percentage of time if needed. Must be able to work outdoors in the hot/cold weather conditions; be able to stand/walk for long periods of time; be able to climb in or around vehicles and small crawl spaces; be able to kneel, squat or bend; and be able to lift up to 50 pounds. This position will investigate vehicular/boating/motorcycle accidents and crashes to determine the cause and origin of the accident by interviewing witnesses, participants and other individuals containing information regarding the accident; acquires scene photographs or videos when appropriate; and documents and reports the findings of the investigation to the client which could consist of insurance companies, adjusters or law firms. May be called to provide expert testimony in a court of law.

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MANAGEMENT SUPERVisory SERVICE
The Metropolitan Police Department (Washington, DC) is seeking applicants for the position of Biologist (DNA-Forensic Examiner) Management Supervisory Service. Qualifications include one year of specialized experience in the management of a forensic laboratory, a subordinate staff, and contractor work. This position serves as a master forensic examiner and is responsible for managing, planning, coordinating, and directing forensic science activities to include expert examinations, results, training, testimony, and research. Annual Salary: $78,760 - $102,124.

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BIOLOGIST (DNA-FORENSIC EXAMINER)
The Metropolitan Police Department (Washington, DC) is seeking applicants for the position of Biologist (DNA-Forensic Examiner). Qualifications include a bachelor's degree or higher in biological sciences. Responsibilities include performing comprehensive technical analyses of evidence in various types of difficult, sensitive, and complex forensic cases in accordance with policies, protocols, standards, and procedures. Annual Salary: $56,948 - $87,248.

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ASSISTANT CHIEF TOXICOLOGIST
The Harris County Medical Examiners Office is seeking applicants for the position of Assistant Chief Toxicologist. Qualifications include a PhD degree in toxicology, biochemistry, chemistry, pharmacology or forensic science with at least three years full-time experience in a forensic toxicology laboratory; or a master's degree in toxicology, biochemistry, chemistry, pharmacology or forensic science with at least six years of full-time experience in a forensic toxicology laboratory. Preferred skills include D-ABFT certification and working experience in an ASCLD/LAB and/or ABFT accredited facility. The incumbent will report directly to the Laboratory Director/Chief Toxicologist. The candidate will formulate and implement operational policies, goals and objectives relating to the Toxicology laboratory. The candidate will be responsible for ensuring that the toxicology laboratory remains in compliance with the ASCLD/LAB and ABFT accreditation requirements. The candidate will manage ongoing laboratory operations; direct the implementation of the LIMS system; supervise the writing of grants and direct the management of grants and grant funding acquired by the laboratory; and oversee the sections quality assurance and training programs. Annual Salary: $100,356.

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FORENSIC CHEMIST III
The Harris County Medical Examiners Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Chemist III. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in science, or forensic science, with at least one year of on the job experience in the operation and maintenance of GC and GC/MS instruments. LC/MS, UV and FTIR experience is desired, but not required. The employee will carry out examinations of suspected controlled substances submitted to the laboratory by medical examiners and law enforcement agencies, write technical reports, and testify in court as an expert witness. He/She will follow all established protocols and procedures and may be assigned other tasks as deemed necessary. Salary: up to $4579.00 per month.

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TOXICOLOGIST II
The Harris County Medical Examiners Office is seeking applicants for the position of Toxicologist II. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree in toxicology, chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology or related field and five years of experience in simple and complex extractions and chromatographic analysis of samples; 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 work experience. Responsibilities include performing laboratory examinations and analysis of biological specimens submitted by medical examiners and law enforcement agencies; processing and interpretation of chromatographic data; and performing peer review of case files. In addition, the employee will prepare technical reports that support the analytical findings and testify in the court of law as an expert witness. He/She will follow all established protocols and procedures, and may be assigned other tasks as deemed necessary.

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ACADEMY NEWS

TOXICOLOGY TECHNICIAN
The Harris County Medical Examiners Office is seeking applicants for the position of Toxicology Technician. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in a science related field. One year experience in a forensic or similar laboratory including two years supervisory experience. Good knowledge of drug analytical laboratory techniques and principles/practices of quantitative and qualitative chemistry is required. Preferred skills include experience with American Society of Crime Lab Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD/LAB) accreditation standards and experience with JusticeTrax® or a similar LIMS database. The employee will carry out examinations of suspected controlled substances submitted to the laboratory by medical examiners and law enforcement agencies, write technical reports, and testify in court as an expert witness. He/She will follow all established protocols and procedures and may be assigned other tasks as deemed necessary. Salary: up to $3,497 per month.

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FORENSIC CHEMIST I
The Harris County Medical Examiners Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Chemist I. Qualifications include a bachelor’s degree in degree science or chemistry with three years experience in a forensic or similar laboratory including two years supervisory experience. Good knowledge of drug analytical laboratory techniques and principles/practices of quantitative and qualitative chemistry is required. Preferred skills include experience with American Society of Crime Lab Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD/LAB) accreditation standards and experience with JusticeTrax® or a similar LIMS database. The employee will carry out examinations of suspected controlled substances submitted to the laboratory by medical examiners and law enforcement agencies, write technical reports, and testify in court as an expert witness. He/She will follow all established protocols and procedures and may be assigned other tasks as deemed necessary. Salary: up to $6138 per month.

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TOXICOLOGIST III
The Harris County Medical Examiners Office is seeking applicants for the position of Toxicologist III. Qualifications include one year laboratory experience with a bachelor’s degree in toxicology, chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology or medical technology with ASCP certification in chemistry; or a master’s degree in toxicology, chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology or a related field. Practical knowledge of the principles/practices of forensic science; operation/maintenance of gas and/or liquid chromatography or immunochemical instrumentation; and solid-phase or liquid/liquid extraction is desirable. The employee will carry out laboratory examinations of exhibits submitted by medical examiners and law enforcement agencies. The employee will serve as an expert witness representing technical report findings in a court of law. He/She will follow all established protocols and procedures and may be assigned other tasks as deemed necessary. Salary: up to $5,458.00 per month.
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ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER
The Snohomish County Medical Examiner’s Office is seeking applicants for the position of Associate Medical Examiner. Qualifications include certification from the American Board of Pathology in anatomic pathology and certification in forensic pathology. Must also obtain medical licensure in state of Washington. Responsibilities include performing medicolegal examinations including autopsies; certifying cause and manner of death; preparing detailed reports of autopsy findings; and participating in management team. Application and CV may be submitted by mail, fax, or email. Annual Salary: $811,552 - $1,604,458.
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FORENSIC CHEMIST II
The Harris County Medical Examiners Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Chemist II. Qualifications include certification in chemistry; or a master’s degree in chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology or a related field. Practical knowledge of the principles/practices of forensic science; operation/maintenance of gas and/or liquid chromatography or immunochemical instrumentation; and solid-phase or liquid/liquid extraction is desirable. The employee will carry out laboratory examinations of exhibits submitted by medical examiners and law enforcement agencies. The employee will serve as an expert witness representing technical report findings in a court of law. He/She will follow all established protocols and procedures and may be assigned other tasks as deemed necessary. Salary: up to $5,458.00 per month.
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DNA ANALYST II
The Marshall University Forensic Science Center is seeking applicants for one full-time DNA Analyst II position. Qualifications include a master’s degree in forensic science, biology, chemistry or a forensic related science including course work in areas of genetics, biochemistry, molecular biology, legal issues and statistics; a minimum of two years of experience in complex DNA analysis including operation of complex laboratory instrumentation/equipment and experience in conducting technical review of DNA Analysis; and expert witness testimony experience in the field of DNA analysis. Responsibilities include conducting analysis on samples submitted for DNA identification according to established protocol; producing detailed accurate reports of results, conclusions and statistical calculations; organizing and maintaining detailed records relating to all aspects of laboratory operations; participating in validation of new laboratory procedures and equipment; performing general laboratory maintenance and calibration of equipment; following laboratory policies and practices as mandated by federal standards. Salary: commensurate with experience. General information about the laboratory may be found at http://forensics.marshall.edu. Positions are funded through a cooperative agreement with the National Institute of Justice and are full-time positions. Submit cover letter, resume and references with contact information.
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Huntington, WV 25701
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MANAGERIAL CRIMINALIST
The New York City Police Department is seeking applicants for the position of Managerial Criminalist, M-II in the Firearms Analysis Section. This position will be directly responsible for method development and validation, new instrument qualifications, and the supervision of the training of new personnel. Extensive experience in all aspects of firearms and tool mark examination, particularly in firearms microscopy, which entails the comparison of discharged cases and projectiles, is required. Candidates should be familiar with the Police Crime Laboratory’s quality management system and ASCLD/LAB accreditation requirements. Qualifications include a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college with specialization in criminalistics, forensic science, chemistry, biology, physics, molecular genetics, genetics, biochemistry, molecular biology, entomology, anthropology, ecology, or a closely related scientific or engineering field, and four years of full time experience working in the area of criminalistics, forensic science, or analytical chemistry, 18 months of which must be managerial/supervisory in nature. Education beyond the bachelor’s degree may be substituted for full time work experience at the rate of 18 graduate level credits for each year of full time work experience. Possession of a PhD in a specialization listed above will be considered the equivalent of three years full time experience. However, all candidates must have a minimum of 18 months of experience in the specialization area in a managerial/supervisory capacity. New York City residency is not required for this position. All applicants will be subject to medical, fingerprinting, and background investigation. To apply for consideration, please submit a cover letter with two copies of resume.
CONTACT: Associate Staff Analyst Frances Watson
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FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST
North Louisiana Forensic Center (NLFC) is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Pathologist. The NLFC is a private corporation that supports more than 20 parishes and counties to provide forensic autopsies and family requested autopsies. Successful candidate must be Board certified in anatomical and forensic pathology and be able to obtain a medical license in the state of Louisiana. Must obtain a Louisiana driver's license and be able to provide effective and articulate court testimony. Candidate must have academic and research related interests and the willingness to mentor and teach consistent with the instructional lab and internship programs. Must clear and maintain a favorable background investigation. Responsibilities include determining cause of death only and being available for court depositions and private consulting work. The coroner's office in each parish or county provides investigators to be on call. Additionally, successful candidate will assist in the development of an instructional lab and internship program scheduled to begin mid 2007. Annual Salary: $170,000 - $190,000. Interviewing and moving expenses are available. Benefits include retirement and health packages. Please submit CV to forensic@atsilink.com.

FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST
The Sacramento County Coroner's Office is seeking applicants for the position of Forensic Pathologist. Qualifications include possession of a license to practice medicine in the State of California; graduation from a Forensic Pathology Fellowship Program; Board certification in anatomical pathology and/or AP/CP Board certification. Responsibilities include conducting autopsies, medical case reviews, and external examinations for cause of death determination; testifying in legal proceedings when required; and attending various boards and conferences as a representative of the Coroner's Office. Annual Salary: $128,892 + incentives.

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DRUG CHEMIST II (2 positions)
The Dallas County Human Resources/Civil Service Department is seeking applicants for two positions as Drug Chemist II. Qualifications include education and experience equivalent to a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in physical sciences, chemistry or in a job related field of study; one year of additional work related experience; thorough, current knowledge of principles, techniques and procedures of firearms and toolmarks analysis; thorough knowledge in chemical and biological safe handling procedures; detailed understanding of established evidence handling procedures; working knowledge of personal computers and standard applications; the ability to communicate in a concise and effective manner, communicate scientific information to lay persons, work cooperatively with others, establish work priorities and work with minimal supervision. Must possess manual dexterity and visual acuity sufficient to accurately execute standard protocols, including the ability to perceive minute differences and details and to withstand the strain of continued close work. Moderate lifting may be required and frequent and often unanticipated travel within the state of Texas. Must be willing to reside in Dallas County. Responsibilities include performing a variety of complex, independent physical and microscopic laboratory tests, analyses, classifications, comparisons and identifications on all types of toolmarks, firearms and ammunition and other types of physical evidence using established protocols; providing scientific consultation services to submitters and other interested parties and may offer recommendations for relevant analysis on submitted items; interpreting analytical results and preparing written opinion reports; testifying in legal proceedings regarding validity of testing protocols; and performing various quality control procedures and ensuring the integrity of evidence. Annual Salary: $40,312 - $48,600.

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TRACE EVIDENCE EXAMINER
The Dallas County Human Resources/Civil Service Department is seeking applicants for the position of Trace Evidence Examiner. Qualifications include education and experience equivalent to a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university in chemistry, physical or natural sciences with a strong chemistry background or in a job related field of study. One year of additional work related experience required. Responsibilities include applying scientific principles and using specialized instrumentation to perform a variety of complex, independent chemical and physical laboratory tests, analyses, classifications, comparisons and identifications on all types of physical evidence using established protocols, with emphasis and expertise in one or more sub-specialty areas. Annual Salary: $38,820 - $46,596.

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FIREARMS EXAMINER
The Dallas County Human Resources/Civil Service Department is seeking applicants for the position of Firearms Examiner. Qualifications include education and experience equivalent to a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university in physical sciences, chemistry or in a job related field of study; one year of additional work related experience; thorough, current knowledge of principles, techniques and procedures of firearms and toolmarks analysis; thorough knowledge in chemical and biological safe handling procedures; detailed understanding of established evidence handling procedures; working knowledge of personal computers and standard applications; the ability to communicate in a concise and effective manner, communicate scientific information to lay persons, work cooperatively with others, establish work priorities and work with minimal supervision. Must possess manual dexterity and visual acuity sufficient to accurately execute standard protocols, including the ability to perceive minute differences and details and to withstand the strain of continued close work. Moderate lifting may be required and frequent and often unanticipated travel within the state of Texas. Must be willing to reside in Dallas County. Responsibilities include performing a variety of complex, independent physical and microscopic laboratory tests, analyses, classifications, comparisons and identifications on all types of toolmarks, firearms and ammunition and other types of physical evidence using established protocols; providing scientific consultation services to submitters and other interested parties and may offer recommendations for relevant analysis on submitted items; interpreting analytical results and preparing written opinion reports; testifying in legal proceedings regarding validity of testing protocols; and performing various quality control procedures and ensuring the integrity of evidence. Annual Salary: $40,312 - $48,600.
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