

International Association for Identification



October, 2010 – IAI Monthly Update

FYI, this update is sent each month to all IAI board members, officers, committee chairs, regional representatives, division secretaries, certification board chairs and secretaries, division editors and IAI staff. This update contains information that is of particular interest to these groups. It is also available on the “Members’ Area” of the IAI’s website. Please see the last page of *Identification News* for login and password information.

Hello again from the IAI office.

Free NIJ Sponsored Tenprint Examiner Training Program

In partnership with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) (www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij) the National Forensic Science Technology Center (NFSTC) (www.nfstc.org) is pleased to announce that Tenprint Examiner Training will be provided at no cost to eligible applicants under an NIJ Cooperative Agreement Award (#2009-DN-BX-K198).

This training program is designed to lead a cohort group of entry-level tenprint examiner trainees through sequential course offerings in preparation for taking the International Association for Identification (IAI) certification examination. For more information regarding that certification program, please view the following website:

(<http://www.theiai.org/certifications/tenprint/index.php>)

The Tenprint Examiner Training program consists of four onsite instructional sessions at the NFSTC training facilities in Largo, FL.

Please read [full announcement text containing program requirements and link to online application](#).

Applications will be accepted from Friday, September 24, 2010 through 11:59pm EST, Sunday October 24, 2010. Course delivery begins in January 2011 and concludes in April 2011.

2011 Annual IAI Membership Directory

Around the middle of November all materials for the IAI’s annual membership directory will be sent to the printer. If anyone has changes to their personal information such as employer, e-mail address, phone number etc., please send it to the IAI office as soon as possible.

Thanks for your assistance.

2011 Dues Invoices

During the week or two, 2011 dues invoices will be mailed to all members. We appreciate prompt attention to the invoices and hope that members continue to see the value of IAI membership even in these difficult financial times.

Necrology

On October 2, past IAI President Danny Hasty passed away. Danny had been battling melanoma of the lungs for over a year. More information about Danny will be in the next issue of *Identification News*. Our condolences and prayers go out to Danny's wife Kathy and his family.

Crime Scene Certification Program Application Timeline

Recently there have been numerous problems with applications for crime scene certification. Many times those applications were submitted to the IAI office within two or three weeks of a scheduled crime scene examination. These examinations are often scheduled at the conclusion of a crime scene certification preparation class or as part of the curriculum of a crime scene investigation course of instruction.

The late submissions of those applications resulted in many unnecessary and expensive steps in order to attempt to meet the testing date. To relieve this situation and provide clarity to instructors, applicants and the IAI office, the Crime Scene Certification Board voted to enact the following policy:

All applications for crime scene certification at any level must be submitted to the IAI office at least 60 days prior to the date of anticipated testing. Applications submitted closer than 60 days to the test date will not be processed for testing on the requested date.

Applicants may still submit applications for testing with the understanding that the test will be scheduled by the appropriate IAI Division Certification Committee at a mutually convenient date and time. That may not coincide with the test offered as part of the class.

Please address any questions regarding this policy to the Secretary of the Crime Scene Certification Board, Curtis Shane, at cshane@usparkpolice.org or the Chair of the Crime Scene Certification Board, Domingo Villarreal at mingo146@yahoo.com

As always, don't hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions.

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