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President’s Message

This June issue marks the start of another busy summer. As Bloodstain Pattern Analysis grows in stature, we find ourselves as key players in crime scene investigations. The Journal of Bloodstain Pattern Analysis is also a key player in the growth of analysts not only for the education of our membership but also for reference by the legal community. It’s obvious that your contributions are critical. When you publish or have a colleague who is ready to publish remember that we offer a prime venue for your work.

As reported in the March issue we all benefit when IABPA members take advantage of the Travel Award as well as the Dan Rahn Grant. To date these opportunities are still available. While we are represented at the Australian and New Zealand Forensic Science Society Conference, we are still open for applications for one more Travel Award, as well as the Dan Rahn Grant.

At this time of year you are likely finalizing plans to attend our Training Conference in Portland Maine. Your hosts: Brandi Caron, Alison Gingras, Scott Gosselin are led by Herb Leighton and have the details well in hand. We look forward to seeing you there and if you have a potential presentation please don’t hesitate to contact them.

Our Certification Research Committee continues to make progress. Their latest effort is for Don Schuessler to join the IAI Bloodstain Certification Board. This is a great opportunity for us, through Don, to have some input into their process. It will be up to the membership to see if we can find ways to set our own program in motion or find ways to collaborate with the IAI. Please don’t hesitate to contact Don or his co-chair Tony with any questions or comments.

As we head toward the 2014 Training Conference in Portland Maine, we’re already thinking of nominations for the 2015 Executive Board. If you have ever wanted to get involved now is the time to consider your options. Today’s board is interested in the future and you might want to be a part of it. Any issue you may have is important so don’t hesitate to contact your regional Vice President, who will bring it to the Board’s attention. We’ll soon be getting our agenda together.

See You in Portland.

Pat Laturnus
President
IABPA
IN MEMORIAM

Retired Inspector Edward J. Podworny passed away on April 20, 2014. Ed joined the RCMP and trained at “Depot” Division. Upon graduation, he was transferred to “E” Division, serving in Penticton and Chilliwack. He became a member of the Identification Section while in Chilliwack. Ed remained in the Identification Section and served in Winnipeg and Ottawa before being transferred to “E” Division. At the time of his retirement, he was the Officer i/c Forensic Service for British Columbia and Yukon.

During the mid-1980's, Ed Podworny was part of a group of RCMP members that developed the discipline of Bloodstain Pattern Analysis in Canada. Around 1988/89 he moved to Ottawa, Ontario and began working on cases as well as leading a team of bloodstain pattern analysts across Canada. By doing case work and providing lectures for police officers, Ed was one of those analysts who helped investigators realize the value of Bloodstain Pattern Analysis. He served as President of the IABPA in 1991 and 1992. Ed went on to a more administrative role in the mid 1990's. He however continued to provide guidance and support to those working in the field.
The 2014 IABPA Annual Training Conference to be held in Portland, Maine September 30-October 3, 2014

The Conference is being organized by Herb Leighton, Brandi Caron and Alison Gingras of the Maine State Police.

The Conference venue will be:
The Westin Portland Harborview Hotel
157 High Street
Portland, Maine
04101

Visit the IAPBA website, www.iabpa.org for further information and registration.

The Fifth European IABPA Conference to be held in Rome, Italy May 12-15, 2015.

The Conference is being organized by the Arma dei Carabinieri - Forensic Science Department. IABPA 2015 will be held at the Forensic Science Department of the Arma dei Carabinieri and will consist of 3 days of lectures and caseworks.

The Conference Venue will be:
Arma dei Carabinieri - Forensic Science Department HQ
Viale di Tor di Quinto, 119
00191, Rome (IT)

Please visit the Website https://5theuropeaniabpaconference.com/ for a thorough overview of the Conference Venue, Registration, Transport Information and best sites to visit during your stay in the Eternal City! You may send an e-mail to info@5theuropeaniabpaconference.com for any additional info you may need. You may also directly call the Forensic Science Department (Dr. Andrea Berti) at: +39 06 809 803 32. We’re looking forward to see you all in Rome for the Conference. On behalf of the Organizing Conference Committee we send you our best regards!

Dott. Andrea Berti

Recent BPA Related Articles in the Scientific Literature


Organizational Notices

Moving Soon?

All changes of mailing address need to be supplied to our Secretary Norman Reeves. Each quarter Norman forwards completed address labels for those who are members. Do not send change of address information to the Journal Editor. E-mail your new address to Norman Reeves at:

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Membership Applications / Request for Promotion

Applications for membership as well as for promotion are available on the IABPA website: IABPA Website: http://www.iabpa.org

The fees for application of membership and yearly dues are $40.00 US each. If you have not received a dues invoice for 2014 please contact Norman Reeves at norman@bloody1.com. Also, apparently, non US credit cards are charging a fee above and beyond the $ 40.00 membership/application fee. Your credit card is charged only $40.00 US by the IABPA. Any additional fees are imposed by the credit card companies.

IABPA now accepts the following credit cards:

Discover MasterCard
American Express Visa

If you had had a change of address, please contact Norman.
Training Opportunities

August 4-8, 2014

Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Course
McHenry County Sheriff’s Office
Woodstock, Illinois

Instructors: Stuart H. James and Anna Cox
Contact: Stuart H. James
Tel: 954-651-2865
E-mail: jamesforen@aol.com

September 15-19, 2014

Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Course
Loci Forensics B.V.
Flierveld 59
2151 LE Nieuw-Vennep
The Netherlands

Instructors: Martin Eversdijk and Rene Gelderman
Fax: +31(0)20-8907749
E-mail: Info@lociforensics.nl

September 22-26, 2014

Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Course
(German)
Blutspureninstitut
Obergasse 20
61250 Usingen
Germany

Instructor: Dr. Silke Brodbeck, MD
Tel: +49-170-84 84248
Fax: +49-6081-14879

October 13-17, 2014

Advanced Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Course
(English)
Blutspureninstitut
Obergasse 20
61250 Usingen
Germany

Instructor: Dr. Silke Brodbeck, MD
Tel: +49-170-84 84248
Fax: +49-6081-14879
November 17-21, 2014

Advanced Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Course
Loci Forensics B.V.
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December 1-5, 2014

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December 8-12, 2014

Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Workshop
Miami-Dade Public Safety Training Institute
Doral, Florida

Instructor: Toby Wolson, M.S., F-ABC
Miami-Dade Police Department
Crime Laboratory Bureau
Forensic Biology Section
9105 N.W. 25th Street
Doral, Florida
33172-1500
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December 8-12, 2014

Visualization of Latent Bloodstain Course
Loci Forensics B.V.
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March 9-13, 2015

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December 7-11, 2015

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Articles and training announcements for the September 2014 issue of the Journal of Bloodstain Pattern Analysis must be received before August 15th, 2014
Editor’s Corner

I was anticipating two scientific articles to be submitted for peer review and possible publication in this issue of the Journal but they have not been received. Hopefully, they will be received and reviewed in time to be considered for the September issue. As our President Pat Laturnus stated in his President’s Message, “Your contributions are critical. When you publish or have a colleague who is ready to publish, remember that we offer a prime venue for your work”. As we are approaching the October IABPA Annual Training Conference in Portland, Maine, I would ask that the speakers give consideration to having their presentation submitted for review and possible publication in the December issue.

This issue announces the passing of RMCP Retired Inspector Edward J. Podworny. I did not know him well but recognized and appreciated his contributions to the discipline of Bloodstain Pattern Analysis and as a Past President of the IABPA during 1991-1992.

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