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American Society of Crime Lab Directors Crime Lab Minute

General Announcements

Dear Colleagues:

I'm honored to serve as your President and excited to announce the 2013 ASCLD Board of Directors:

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The 2013 symposium is only a few days in the past and yet we have already taken notes and handed out assignments for the Scottsdale meeting. We hope to "fine tune" the program content and make it even more worthwhile and informative next year. We are also creating a symposium planning committee and are looking for members to serve. If you are interested, please contact me at jhenry@utah.gov.

The board has a busy year ahead of us with plenty of other pressing topics including: Leahy legislation, reestablishing Coverdell funding and hiring an Executive Director.

I want to express my appreciation to all of the

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volunteers that worked so hard to provide the membership with a fantastic 40th symposium celebration! Lastly, I want to thank my predecessor Past President Jill Spriggs and the entire ASCLD Board for their hard work for the last 21 months. Thank you all!

Jay Henry
ASCLD President

The [April CFSO Newsletter](#) is now available for reading on the ASCLD website. The ASCLD Board Member web page has been updated to reflect the changes resulting from the election during the business meeting on May 9, 2013. A copy of the [presentation](#) from the Nov 15, 2012 business meeting that was held via webinar is also posted on the website. Presentations and posters from the 2013 symposium will be posted as soon as possible.

George Herrin
ASCLD Communications Chair

News Around the Globe

[Forensic work winning war on crime, but it's no TV show - Sydney Morning Herald](#)

Sydney Morning Herald

And while Hollywood might have viewers believing such an outcome has been easily achievable for police for some time, in reality results like this are being heralded as a breakthrough in forensic investigations, not just in NSW but around the world ...

[Assembly considers DNA testing bill, Brianna's Law](#)

San Francisco Chronicle

A bill that would require the collection of DNA from people arrested on felony charges in Nevada encountered tough questions Thursday from lawmakers concerned that samples from innocent people would not be destroyed properly or promptly.

['Good forensic staff are leaving SA'](#)



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Employment Opportunities

[Executive Director](#), ASCLD, Unknown, Expires: June 30, 2013

[DNA Analyst III / Serologist / DNA Operations Technician](#), Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, Houston, Texas, Expires: July 31, 2013

[DNA Analyst III](#), Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, Houston, Texas, Expires: July 31, 2013

[Forensics Lab Director](#), Oregon State Police, Central Point, OR, Expires: May 20, 2013

[Forensic Scientist I \(Chemical\)](#), Suffolk County Crime Laboratory, Hauppauge, NY, Expires:

Independent Online

“Highly-skilled state forensic scientists are leaving the country and going overseas because people without the correct training and skills are being appointed to key positions because department heads want to get the demographics right,” Klatzow said.

[European migration evident in DNA patterns](#)

Los Angeles Times

It turned out that pairs of people living as far away from each other as Britain and Turkey shared the DNA chunks 20% of the time, the researchers discovered. That meant that each pair would have to have had at least thousands of common ancestors over ...

[Hatch bill seeks immigrants' DNA](#)

Salt Lake Tribune

Hatch has submitted 24 amendments to the immigration package that he says will improve the bill, including one that would require the DNA test — to be checked against criminal databases — for anyone over the age of 18 who wants to gain provisional ...

[Now, device to simplify human DNA extraction - Zee News](#)

Zee News

The device will give hospitals and research labs a much easier way to separate DNA from human fluid samples, which will help with genome sequencing, disease diagnosis and forensic investigations. "It's very complex to extract DNA. When you think of the ...

[New Utah forensic tool gets 'CSI' exposure](#)

Salt Lake Tribune

Some prime-time exposure on "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" might help, too. The vacuum showed up in the background of the May 1 episode, "Fearless," and Wednesday, DNA specialist Henry (played by Jon Wellner) uses the M-Vac for the first time in the ...

[Iowa's expanded DNA sampling bill goes to governor](#)

San Francisco Chronicle

A bill that would require people convicted of certain

August 5, 2013

[Latent Print Examiner](#), Colorado Bureau of Investigation, Denver, CO, Expires: May 29, 2013

[Quality Director](#), Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, Houston, Texas, Expires: July 30, 2013

[Crime Scene Investigator I](#), Johnson County Sheriff's Office, Criminalistics Laboratory, Olathe, Kansas, Expires: May 27, 2013

[Forensic Scientist 2 – Drug Chemistry](#), MN BCA Forensic Science Laboratory, St. Paul, MN, Expires: May 30, 2013

[Sheriff's Supervising Forensic Scientist – Comparative Analysis \(Firearms/Toolmark/Trace\)](#), Ventura County Sheriff's Office, ventura, Expires: May 17, 2013
[Latent Print Section Supervisor](#), Austin Police Department, Austin, Texas, Expires: June 1, 2013

[Latent Print Examiner](#), Metro Nashville Police Department Crime Laboratory, Nashville, TN, Expires: May 24, 2013

[Quality Assurance Specialist](#), DC Government – Department of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, Expires: July 16, 2013

[Forensic Scientist – Firearms & Toolmark Examiner \(Part-Time\)](#), DuPage County Forensic Science Center, Wheaton, IL, Expires: May 31, 2013

[Forensic Scientist – Latent Print Examiner \(Part-Time\)](#), DuPage County Forensic Science Center, Wheaton, IL, Expires: May 31, 2013

[Supervising Forensic Scientist – Latent Prints](#), NM DPS Forensic Laboratory Bureau, Las Cruces, New Mexico, Expires: May 31, 2013

[Criminalist – Controlled Substances – Temporary Position](#), Houston Police Department Crime Lab, Houston, Texas, Expires: May 17, 2013

[Forensic Specialist IV – Trace Evidence Senior Criminalist](#), Kansas City Police Crime Laboratory, Kansas City, Missouri, Expires: July 9, 2013

[Forensic Scientist II \(2 positions\)](#), DC Government – Department of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, Expires: July 5, 2013

[Forensic Scientist – Latent Print Examiner](#), DuPage County Forensic Science Center, Wheaton, Illinois, Expires: May 17, 2013

[Forensic Scientist Supervisor \(Digital Evidence\)](#), DC Government – Department of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, Expires: June 20,

aggravated misdemeanors to submit DNA samples now heads to the desk of Gov. Terry Branstad for review. The Iowa House approved the Senate's changes to the bill Tuesday ...

[Destruction of six million DNA samples will see loss of key cold case tool](#)

Telegraph.co.uk

But police and forensic experts have warned that the loss of the original samples will hamper their work particularly in the field of familial DNA, which cannot achieve the same results from profiles. Patricia Wiltshire, whose evidence was crucial in ...

[Justice Dept. admits flaws in forensic testimony in Mississippi death-row case](#)

Washington Post

The Justice Department has acknowledged flaws in forensic testimony by the FBI that helped convict a man in the 1992 slayings of two Mississippi State University students, and federal officials have now offered to retest the DNA in the case. The ...

[First DNA Lab Launched in Zambia](#)

AllAfrica.com

ZAMBIA has launched its first - ever DNA forensic laboratory which will help law enforcement agencies track down killers as the country experiences an unprecedented rise in unsolved murders. The establishment of a forensic laboratory would also save ...

Training

No-cost, NIJ Medicolegal Death Investigation online training program. The information available online at: <http://www.nfstc.org/apply-now-for-online-medicolegal-death-investigation-course/>

The West Virginia University Forensic Science Initiative invites you to utilize their FREE webinar series on a variety of topics in forensic science! Experts in the field will present on a wide range of forensic science topics from the reliability of eye witness identification to fire scene investigation. Sign up now for the Texas Forensic Science Commission: Justice Through Science presentation. Follow the [link](#) for a list of upcoming webinars.

2013

[Forensic Scientist Supervisor \(Fingerprint Analysis Unit\)](#), DC Government – Department of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, Expires: July 1, 2013

[DNA Technical Lead](#), Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD), Las Vegas, NV, Expires: June 29, 2013

[Analytical Chemist Faculty](#), Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, Expires: May 19, 2013

[Ohio Attorney General's Office – Bureau of Criminal Investigation Fellowship](#), The Ohio Attorney General's Office, London, Ohio, Expires: June 15, 2013

[Criminalist Specialist – FIREARMS](#), Houston Police Department Crime Lab, Houston, Texas, Expires: June 7, 2013

[Criminalist Specialist – SEROLOGIST](#), Houston Police Department Crime Lab, Houston, Texas, Expires: June 7, 2013

[Director of Forensic Studies – Tenure Track \(Open Rank\) Professor](#), University of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD 21201, Expires: June 3, 2013

[Toxicology Supervisor](#), Metro Nashville Police Department Crime Laboratory, Nashville, TN, Expires: June 1, 2013

[Quality Assurance Coordinator](#), Los Angeles County Coroner, Los Angeles, CA, Expires: May 26, 2013

[Forensic Scientist, Controlled Substances](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Manassas, VA, Expires: May 27, 2013

[Forensic Chemist -2939](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 20, 2013

[Firearms and Tool Mark Examiner – 2937](#), A-T Solutions, Ft Gillem/ Afghanistan, Expires: May 20, 2013

[Latent Print Examiner](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

[Evidence Custodian](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

[DNA Examiner](#), A-T Solutions, Ft.

Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

[Case File Manager](#), A-T Solutions, Ft.

Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

Try your CSI skills at the Basic Crime Scene Investigation for Legal Professionals course at West Virginia University's forensic crime scene complex. This four day course will offer hands-on training specifically for the legal professional. Learn how to properly identify, collect, and preserve evidence at a crime scene. To better assist each student, class seating will be limited. For more information, click [here](#).

[ATF National Firearms Examiner Academy \(NFEA\)](#)

Registration for 2013-2014 session open until July 31, 2013 for apprentice/entry level firearm and toolmark examiners from Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies.

Conferences

May 20-24, 2013 12th Annual Advanced DNA Technical Workshop – Bode East, Amelia Island, FL. See [Bode East Conference](#) for more details.

June 7, 2013 The 4th Annual Prescription for Criminal Justice Forensics Conference at Fordham Law School in New York City. See [ABA forensics_2013.pdf](#) to review a complete brochure and to register for the conference

June 23-28, 2013 AFTE 44th Annual Training Seminar, Hyatt Regency in Albuquerque, NM. See [AFTE 2013 Seminar](#) for more information.

August 4-10, 2013 International Association for Identification (IAI) 98th International Educational Conference in Providence, RI. For more information see www.theiai.org or contact conference@theiai.org

September 2-6, 2013 – 25th World Congress of the International Society for Forensic Genetics in Melbourne, Australia. For more information see: <http://isfg2013.org/>

September 23-26, 2013 2nd Annual Advanced DNA Technical Workshop – Bode Mid-Atlantic, Charlottesville, VA. See [Bode Mid-Atlantic Conference](#) for more details.

September 29 – October 4, 2013 Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists Fall Meeting Dayton, Ohio. See www.mafs.net or [MAFS 2013](#) for more details.

October 7-11, 2013 Association of Forensic Quality Assurance Managers (AFQAM) Annual Training Conference, at The Genesee Grande Hotel in Syracuse, NY. Additional details are posted at www.afqam.org.

October 20-24, 2013 Southern Association of Forensic Scientists, Huntsville, AL. [Click here for more information](#).

October 27-30, 2013 35th Annual Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists, Santa Fe, NM. See <http://www.swafs.us> for more details.

October 28-November 1, 2013 Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Orlando, FL. See <http://www.softox.org/meeting> for more information.

August 31 – September 4, 2014: 22nd International Symposium on the Forensic Sciences in Adelaide, South Australia. See <http://anzfss.org.au/international-symposium/> for more information.