

March 19, 2013



American Society of Crime Lab Directors Crime Lab Minute

General Announcements

Hi All:

Don't forget to make your hotel reservations for the 2013 ASCLD Symposium in North Carolina. The cut-off date is March 29, 2013 and fast approaching!

Thought for the Week

"I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear."

*Nelson Mandela
Civil Rights Leader
Have a great week!*

Jill Spriggs
ASCLD President

ASCLD Symposium

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The [Preliminary Agenda](#) for the 2013 Symposium is now available on the ASCLD website. Submit your symposium [Registration Form](#) to the ASCLD office by April 8, 2013 to save 20% by avoiding late registration fees.

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George Herrin
ASCLD Communication Chair

News Around the Globe

[Beautiful three-minute video explains DNA](#)

Wired.co.uk

The video embedded above covers DNA and distills the essence of the subject down to the absolute necessities, looking fantastic while doing it. It was written by Andrew Walsh and Matthew Adams, and animated by Territory Studio. Will Samuel, the lead ...

[Janesville man's invention changed forensic science 25 years ago](#)

Janesville Gazette

At a lunch meeting at a Holiday Inn in Freeport, Ill., in 1986, Hyzer said he listened to Kansas native Dr. Thomas Krause, an expert in forensic odontology, or "bite-mark" science, explain a conundrum to him. At the time, criminal investigators had no ...

[Former SF police crime lab tech pleads guilty to cocaine possession](#)

San Francisco Examiner

A long-running case against a former San Francisco Police Department crime lab technician ended in a misdemeanor plea bargain Friday when she pleaded guilty in federal court to a reduced charge of possessing cocaine in 2009. Deborah Madden, 63, of ...

[Famous 'HeLa' Human Cell Line Gets Its DNA Sequenced](#)

Scientific American

Having been replicating in labs around the world for six decades, HeLa cells have also accrued errors not present in the original tumor DNA. Moreover, not all HeLa cells are identical, and Steinmetz says that it would be interesting to chart the cell's ...

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[Moms of murdered daughters push for Nevada DNA bill](#)

USA TODAY

Opponents of the bill dispute that DNA testing would have saved Brianna Denison's life. The only previous arrest of her killer, ex-Marine James Biela, was in 2002 for a misdemeanor that would not have resulted in DNA testing under the proposed Brianna ..

[Mass. Crime Lab Scandal Reverberates Across State](#)

NPR

A scandal in a Massachusetts crime lab continues to reverberate throughout the state's legal system. Several months ago, Annie Dookhan, a former chemist in a state crime lab, told police that she messed up big time. Dookhan now stands accused of ...

[Intense terahertz pulses cause DNA damage but also induce DNA repair](#)

EurekAlert (press release)

New research performed on lab-grown human skin suggests that short but powerful bursts of THz radiation may both cause DNA damage and increase the production of proteins that help the body fight cancer. The findings, which are the result of a ...

[Crime lab not ignoring Syracuse police requests, investigation finds](#)

Syracuse.com

Syracuse, NY - An investigation into the Onondaga County crime lab brought on by allegations it often ignored requests from the police department was closed after no finding of wrongdoing, according to the national agency that provides lab ...

[Innocence Project Northwest wins right to DNA testing for felons serving time ...](#)

UW Today

Felons who serve part of their prison sentence in the community may now have the right to publicly funded **DNA** testing, thanks to a court victory won by a student representing the University of Washington School of Law's Innocence Project Northwest ...

[Loyola University New Orleans, Master of Science Criminal Justice Administration](#)



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[Inside the Indiana State Police Forensic Laboratory](#) WISH

24-Hour News 8 got a look inside one of the four Indiana State Police Forensic Laboratories this week. The scientists working there provide forensic science services to the criminal justice system, meaning local police departments bring evidence there ...

[Crime lab backlogs delay cases like Shawnee hit-and-run](#)

fox4kc.com

The Helfrich case doesn't involve DNA, but it does involve blood and urine. While police are pretty sure the driver wasn't drunk, they are waiting on crime lab tests to be sure. "If it takes 90 days, it takes 90 days, if it takes 180 or a year that's ...

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/>

[Essentials of Forensic Science for Legal Professionals](#)

West Virginia University. Currently accepting registration until March 4, 2013 for the 2013 Spring Essentials of Forensic Science for Legal Professionals program which is an onsite, NIJ sponsored event intended for prosecuting attorneys who work with a government agency.

[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

March 24-28, 2013 10th Annual Advanced DNA Technical Workshop – Bode West, San Diego, CA. See [Bode West Conference](#) for more details.

Opportunities

[Criminalist Supervisor](#), CA Department of Justice, State-wide, Expires: April 2, 2013

[Criminalist Manager](#), CA Department of Justice, State-wide, Expires: April 2, 2013

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

[Criminalist-Controlled Substances & Blood/Breath Alcohol](#), County of San Mateo, San Mateo, California, Expires: March 28, 2013
[Assistant Section Heads, Biology](#), Ontario Public Service, Toronto, Ontario, Expires: March 28, 2013

[Forensic Scientist Supervisor- Criminalistics](#), WI DOJ, Madison, WI, Expires: March 25, 2013

[Forensic Sciences Program Director](#), Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, NM, Expires: April 15, 2013

[Supervising Criminalist](#), Sacramento District Attorney Office Lab, Sacramento, CA, Expires: March 28, 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

[Latent Fingerprint Examiner](#), St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department, St. Louis, Mo, Expires: March 30, 2013

[ETU Supervisor/Technical Leader](#), St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department, St. Louis, MO, Expires: March 30, 2013

[SP Director of Forensic Services](#), New York State Police, Albany, New York, Expires: March 20, 2013

[Forensic Scientist \(Biology\) I, II, or III](#), Onondaga County Center for Forensic Sciences, Syracuse, NY, Expires: March 29, 2013

[Crime Scene Investigator III](#), Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Omaha Nebraska, Expires: March 25, 2013

[Crime Scene Investigator II](#), Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Omaha Nebraska, Expires: March 25, 2013

[Crime Scene Investigator I](#), Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Omaha Nebraska, Expires: March 25, 2013

[Director of Forensic Studies – Tenure Track](#)

May 5-9, 2013 ASCLD Symposium in Durham, NC. Jay Henry – Symposium Chair, jhenry@utah.gov

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

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

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.

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.

[\(Open Rank\) 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
[Forensic Biology Section Supervisor](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Roanoke, VA, Expires: April 11, 2013
[Deputy Director of Forensic Biology and DNA](#), Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Meriden, Connecticut, Expires: March 28, 2013
[Quality Assurance Coordinator](#), Los Angeles County Coroner, Los Angeles, CA, Expires: May 26, 2013
[Forensic Scientist – Latent Prints](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Richmond, VA, Expires: March 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
[Program Manager – Chemistry](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Richmond, VA, Expires: April 1, 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
[Section Supervisor, Firearms & Toolmarks](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Roanoke, VA, Expires: March 25, 2013
[Forensic Scientist II, III, IV & Supervisor](#), City of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ, Expires: May 6, 2013
[Crime Scene Section Supervisor](#), City of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ, Expires: May 6, 2013
[Criminalist – Toxicologist](#), Houston Police Department Crime Laboratory, Houston, Texas, Expires: May 3, 2013
[DNA Analyst/Forensic Science Officer – 2813](#), A-T Solutions, Deployed, overseas, Expires: May 5, 2013
[Forensic DNA Analyst](#), York County Sheriff's Office, York, SC (Charlotte Metro Area), Expires: April 1, 2013
[Sr. Investigator, Video Examiner](#), Target,

Minneapolis, MN, Expires: April 30, 2013
[Forensic DNA Analyst](#), Jefferson Parish Sheriff's
Office DNA Laboratory, Harvey, LA, Expires:
April 25, 2013
[Executive Director](#), Houston Forensic Science
LGC, Inc., Houston, TX, Expires: April 19, 2013
[Regional Crime Laboratory Director](#), Wisconsin
Department of Justice, Milwaukee, WI, Expires:
April 1, 2013
[Forensic Scientist – Crime Scene Response](#),
Washington State Patrol Crime Laboratory
Division, Seattle WA, Expires: April 12, 2013
[DNA Technical Lead](#), Las Vegas Metropolitan
Police Department (LVMPD), Las Vegas,
NV, Expires: March 27, 2013
[Forensic Toxicology Fellow – Toxicologist IV](#),
Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences,
Houston, Tx, Expires: March 21, 2013