# THE OK-IAI EXAMINER

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SUPPORT OF SCHOLARSHIP FUND This year the

MEMBER

This year the Division received a generous donation to the Harry Stege Scholarship fund of \$1,000 from Tommy "Gus" Handke. Handke is the Undersheriff for the Carter County

Sheriff's Office and became an OK-IAI member in 2021. After receiving the donation, Secretary Yvonna Hill stated she was "truly speechless", and she had been working to get this scholarship off the ground for years. The organization is truly grateful for the opportunities Handke has provided for future conference attendees.

The Harry Stege Scholarship was established in honor of the Division's first president. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide financial assistance to aid members in attending the Annual OK-IAI Educational Conference. The scholarship shall be awarded to no more than ten members per year. Individual scholarships granted shall be in the amount of the current Educational Conference "Member" base registration fee, not to include elective activity fees.

# NEW MEMBERS OF OK DIVISION OF IAI



The organization would like to welcome the following new members since May 2021:

Brantlee Olinger, Edmond Police Department Grady Dickinson, Ardmore Police Department Kelsey Backry, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Kate Millar, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Taylor Jordan, Broken Arrow Police Department Cody Stanton, Broken Arrow Police Department Jerry Carter, Oklahoma City Police Department Jennifer VanDeventer, Oklahoma City Police Department Brandi Corriveau, Oklahoma City Police Department Haylee Smoot, Oklahoma City Police Department Lori Bilodeau, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Zachary Stults, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Haley Kennedy, Midwest City Police Department Austin Dobbs, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation

Applications for student, active and associate memberships can be found on the Division's website, theokiai.org, and the submitted to the Division secretary. The application requires the signature of a current "recommending" member and a membership fee/application fee.

#### ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

The 56th Annual Training Conference will be held on May 24th-26th, 2022 at the University of Central Oklahoma Forensic Science Institute. A variety of speakers and topics will be presented. Among those speakers are Alan Salmon and Jason White.

#### FEATURED CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

Special Investigator Alan Salmon has been employed by the State of Oklahoma Bureau Investigation for the past forty-one years. He served as a Major Crimes Special Agent in South Central Oklahoma for the first fourteen years, as the electronic agent specializing in surveillance for ten years, and for the past seventeen years as the state's only full-time forensic video analyst. Salmon graduated from the University of



graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a B.A. degree in Law Enforcement Management and has more than five thousand hours of law enforcement training. He holds an Advanced Law Enforcement and Instructor Certification through the Oklahoma Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training. Salmon is one of only fifty-four Certified Forensic Video Analysts worldwide, thirty-three in the United States. He is a member of the global instructional team for the Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Video Association, International (LEVA). He spent eight years on the Board of Directors for LEVA including two years as President and five



years as Chairman of the Board.

Detective Jason White is a 23year veteran of the Tulsa Police Department. Throughout his career he has worked in uniform patrol, along with serving as a member of the Street Crimes Unit, undercover investigator in the Special Investigations Division Narcotics Unit, School Resource Officer, and Crime Scene Detective. His education

includes a B.S. degree in Professional Law Enforcement from Oklahoma City University and an A.S. degree in Police Science from Oklahoma State University. White is currently assigned to the Homicide Unit where he has served for more than 12 years and has been featured in several episodes of The First 48 on A&E. Over the course of his career, Det. White has received multiple commendations, including a Citation of Recognition from the State of Oklahoma House of Representatives in 2012, Medal of Valor in 2011, and the Chief's Unit Award in 2009. Det. White has spoken throughout the country, and Canada.

#### **2022 BUSINESS MEETING**

This year's business meeting with be held on May  $25^{\text{th}}$  from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm. For the convenience of attendees, lunch will be provided. Elections for open positions will be conducted during the meeting.

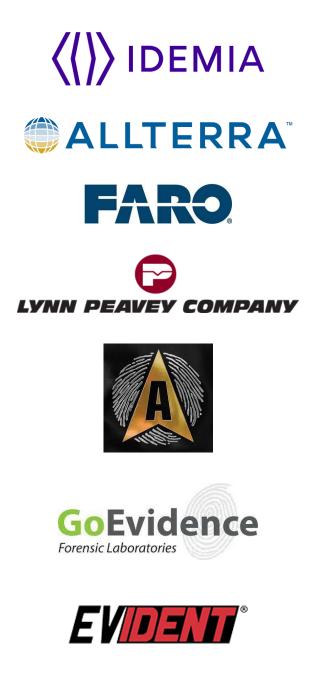
Officer/Board Positions up for election:

- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- (3) Board Members

To nominate yourself or another member for a position, email Lisa Gleisberg, OK-IAI Secretary: <u>lisa.gleisberg@okc.gov</u>

## **CONFERENCE VENDORS**

The Division would like to recognize the following vendors supporting this year's conference.



# **IN REMEMBERENCE**

Several long-time OK-IAI members passed away this year. Their contributions to forensic science and impact on our lives will always be remembered.



Left: Harry Hunt, 7/25/1942 – 1/24/2022 Middle: Alford Cross, 3/18/1947 – 4/14/2022 Right: George Kennedy, 11/17/1937 – 4/24/2022

#### WEBMASTER VACANCY FILLED

The Division would like to introduce our new Webmaster, William (Bill) Hedrick. Hedrick is a Special Agent with the OSBI and is taking time out of his busy schedule to manage the organizations website, theokiai.org. We appreciate his dedication to filling this much needed role. Contact Bill at william.hedrick@osbi.ok.gov for any issues with the website.

# **COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITES**

Committees are the perfect opportunity for members to serve the Division. Below is a list of standing OK-IAI Committees:

- Certification
- Auditing Finance
- Conference Planning
- Publicity
- Constitution and Bylaws

Additional information and duties for each of these committees are described under Section 8 of the bylaws, located on the organization's website, theokiai.org.

# **OTHER FORENSIC SCIENCE NEWS2KNOW**

- IAI 105<sup>th</sup> Conference date set for July 31- August 6 in Omaha, Nebraska. Registration is now open. Go to theiai.org.
- The Facial Identification Subcommittee of the IAI's Science and Practices Committee is trying to assess interest in a Facial Identification Certification. A survey has been created to determine potential participation among vested agencies/organizations. The survey can be accessed through the following link or QR code.

https://forms.office.com/r/iBaajbFbB8

