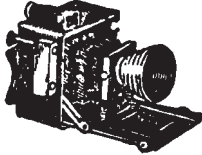




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## A SCAFO Exclusive

The British are coming! Well, one of them. **Dr. John Bond** has agreed to attend the 18th annual forensic training seminar of the Southern California Association of Fingerprint Officers (SCAFO).

Dr. Bond has developed a groundbreaking technique that enables detecting fingerprints on spent bullets and shell casings, reportedly even when the print had been wiped off.

This technique detects the minute corrosion of metal caused by sweat, which corrodes the metal in the shape of the fingerprint.

“That sweat is in the pattern of the original fingerprint that was deposited” states Dr. Bond. Dr. Bond has assisted law enforcement agencies in Texas and Georgia in cold case homicides.

As a **SCAFO Exclusive**, Dr. Bond will make his first presentation in the United States of America at the association's 18th annual forensic training seminar in Burbank, California. In addition, Dr. Bond will also provide a demonstration on his technique.

**Another SCAFO EXCLUSIVE:** Two young scientists from Australia that have developed a technique of developing fingerprints from paper substrate will also be making their first presentation in the U.S.A. at the SCAFO forensic training seminar.

**Adam Brown** and **Daniel Sommerville's** technique discovery is reported to shorten the often time consuming process of developing fingerprints through the use of harsh chemicals by using an extreme heat process, thus saving time and money. The gentlemen will also speak in general on crime scene processing techniques used 'down under.'

You are encouraged to visit [www.scafo.org](http://www.scafo.org) for information on both the association and the forensic training seminar.

Membership in SCAFO is not a requirement to attend the SCAFO seminar.

**At the June 8, 2009 SCAFO training meeting the association bestowed upon member Susan Garcia, Past President 2006, the Distinguish Member honor. Congratulations Susan!**

## SCAFO TRAINING / MEETING

**Saturday, August 8, 2009**

*12:30 PM REGISTRATION / SOCIAL HOUR*

*1:30 PM LUNCH (\$35.00 PER PERSON)*

*TRAINING / BUSINESS MEETING FOLLOWING*

**SOUTH COAST WINERY  
RESTAURANT**

**3608 SOUTH BRISTOL STREET**

**SANTA ANA, CA 92704**

*Lunch Buffet: Caesar Salad, Chicken Primavera,  
Pasta Primavera, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Fresh  
Seasonal Vegetables, Dessert Display, Soft drinks  
and Coffee*

### **Training Topic**

**1994 Santa Ana Homicide Cold Case Solved**

*Presented by:*

*Detective Louie Martinez*

*Firearms Examiner Rocky Edwards*

**RSVP to Mark A. Waldo**

SCAFO Director

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*RSVP Deadline is Wednesday, August 5, 2009*

*Making a reservation makes a commitment*

## SCAFO TRAINING / MEETING

**Sunday, November 22, 2009**

*11:00 AM REGISTRATION / SOCIAL HOUR*

*12:00 PM LUNCH (\$35.00 PER PERSON)*

*TRAINING / BUSINESS MEETING FOLLOWING*

*2010 Executive Board Installation Ceremony*

**J.T. Schmid's Restaurant & Brewery**

**2610 East Katella Avenue**

**Anaheim, CA 92806**

### *Menu Choices*

*Crusted Parmesan Chicken*

*Prime Aged Flat Iron Steak*

*Grilled Salmon*

*Angel Hair Pasta (vegetarian)*

*All choices include bread, lunch salad with Ranch or  
Caesar dressing, soda, iced tea and water. Alcoholic  
drinks are available for purchase.*

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*Making a reservation makes a commitment*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all SCAFO members and readers of The Print

*I have noticed as we proceed into the summer season that the 18th Annual SCAFO Conference is right on the horizon! Several informational fliers have been distributed already, and you will truly enjoy the great guest speakers we have lined up for the attendees. Of particular note is that Dr. John Bond, a Forensic Research Scientist at the University of Leicester and a Scientific Support Manager at Northamptonshire Police in the United Kingdom will be in attendance as well as Mr. Adam Brown and Mr. Daniel Sommerville from Australia. I am very excited and honored to lay claim that their presence will be a SCAFO EXCLUSIVE as we will be the first to have them lecture in the United States on their new technology on detecting latent prints; in Dr. Bond's case latents from bullets and casings and in Mr. Brown and Mr. Sommerville's case latents off paper. The following links provide further details about Dr. Bond and this new technology process:  
[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2008-08/uol-fat082608.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2008-08/uol-fat082608.php)  
<http://www.northamptonchron.co.uk/news/Fingerprint-technology-tackles-USA-cold.4433332.jp>  
<http://www.bio-medicine.org/biology-news-1/New-fingerprint-breakthrough-by-forensic-scientists-3505-1/>  
Dr. Bond is not only lecturing on his process but will also demonstrate it the next day. I highly recommend you submit your seminar registration in quickly so that you can reserve your seat. The application can be located on the SCAFO web site. Due to Dr. Bond's popularity all over the world, and the expected popularity of Mr. Brown and Mr. Sommerville we have extended the SCAFO conference flyer out to everyone throughout the United States; seating will be limited. If you plan on staying at the host hotel, the Holiday Inn, make your reservation now. The rate is a good one. I personally believe this year's seminar will be most valuable to all the SCAFO members and their agencies. Hope to see you all there!*

*Sincerely,  
Amy Hines  
SCAFO President 2009*

## OCTOBER ELECTIONS

*During the business meeting that is normally held on the second day of the association's annual forensic training seminar the election for officers and directors that will guide the association for the next year. takes place*

*Each member should take a moment now and decide if they desire to become more involved with their association by holding an office on the Executive Board and if they have the qualities to do so.*

*The qualities include commitment, willingness to dedicate their self to the association, enthusiasm, strong leadership capabilities and the desire to move through the ranks for the good of the association, among others.*

*The duties of each position is described in the by-laws which can be reviewed on the association's web site at [www.scafo.org](http://www.scafo.org).*

*How does it go one asks? Well it's best to start off as a Director and in doing so one becomes familiar with the structure of the association from a different perspective that the regular membership. Directors are elected for a two year term*

*Normally a Director, at the completion of their term, submits his or her candidacy for the Sergeant At Arms position , after which it's off to the races. Next stop would be the Treasurer or Secretary position, then onward to the Second Vice President, to the First Vice President and finally the President of an association that has been in existence since 1937.*

*Of course one can submit their candidacy for the office of Editor or the Historian, which are two year terms.*

*The Parliamentarian position is bestowed upon a Life Member who, in the opinion of the presiding President, is deserving of this title. At the end of a President's term he or she becomes the Chairperson for the following year.. Interested? Initiate a discussion with a current officer or director!*

*Fraternally,  
Marvin Spreyne  
Chairperson and Editor*

# Southern California Association of Fingerprint Officers

An Association for Scientific Investigation and Identification Since 1937

Amy Hines, President - Debbie Stivers, Seminar Coordinator

## 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Forensic Training Seminar

### October 2-3, 2009

Visit [www.scafo.org](http://www.scafo.org) for Registration Form

Host Site: Holiday Inn – Burbank Media Center, Burbank, California 91502

### A SCAFO EXCLUSIVE – First presentations in the U.S.A.:



**Direct from the United Kingdom – Dr. John W. Bond**, Forensic Research Scientist at the University of Leicester and Scientific Support Manager at Northamptonshire Police, U.K. Dr. Bond will be providing both a lecture and a demonstration of his technique of detecting fingerprints on spent bullets and casings, even when the print had been wiped off. See Volume 25, Issue 2, of *The Print* at [www.scafo.org](http://www.scafo.org)

Lecture on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Demonstration on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>



**Direct from Australia – Dan Sommerville, B.S., and Adam Brown, B.S.**, will lecture on their technique of using short burst of extreme heat to develop fingerprints on paper documents. Using this technology reportedly one can process many more documents in less time than when than when using chemical solutions. See Volume 25, Issue of *The Print* at [www.scafo.org](http://www.scafo.org)

Lecture on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – 'Down Under Procedures Talk on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

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#### ADDITIONAL RENOWNED SPEAKERS



**Gil Carrillo**, Lieutenant, Homicide Bureau, LASD, will give an informative "Overview of a Serial Killer – The Night Stalker Case" Lecture on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>



**William (Bill) Leo**, CLPE, Lead Instructor/training Coordinator, Latent Print Section, LASD. 'Bill' will verbalize his "Review of the NAS Report on Forensic Science and its Effect on Friction Ridge Identification." Lecture on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>



**Michael Stapleton**, Special Agent, FBI (retired) will lecture on the 1980 Mt. Saint Helen's Volcanic Eruption and the FBI Disaster Team response. Lecture on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

All handout material, continental breakfasts, lunches and afternoon snacks are included in the registration fee. Certificates of attendance will be awarded for 8 hours of continuing educational training for each day.

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**Southern California  
Association of Fingerprint Officers  
18<sup>th</sup> Annual Forensic Training Seminar**  
*An Association for Scientific Investigation and Identification Since 1937*

**October 2-3, 2009**

**Holiday Inn-Burbank Media Center, Burbank, CA. 91502**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Registration:** Fees include speaker lectures, handout materials, goodie bag, continental breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack, and SCAFO Friday evening social event in the Crystal View Lounge sponsored by *Cogent Systems*. Note: The social event will include an assortment of appetizers and two free drink tickets.

**Cancellation:** Cancellations must be received in written form via email to SCAFO Secretary Teri Eklund at [scafosecretary@yahoo.com](mailto:scafosecretary@yahoo.com) prior to September 1, 2009 in order to receive a full refund. Cancellations after September 1, 2009 will be handled on a per case basis.

Hotel parking discount rate is \$5.00 daily (cash only). Validation stickers can be purchased on day of seminar at SCAFO registration table. There is no parking fee for registered guests staying at the hotel.

Type of Registration	Check Box	Early Bird Registration	Check Box	After August 15, 2009
Full Reg – SCAFO member	_____	\$150.00	_____	\$160.00
Full Reg – non-member	_____	\$160.00	_____	\$170.00
Friday Reg <u>only</u> – SCAFO member	_____	\$75.00	_____	\$80.00
Friday Reg <u>only</u> – non-member	_____	\$80.00	_____	\$85.00
Saturday Reg <u>only</u> – SCAFO member	_____	\$75.00	_____	\$80.00
Saturday Reg <u>only</u> – non-member	_____	\$80.00	_____	\$85.00

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**Make checks payable to "SCAFO" (no cash please) and mail to:**  
**SCAFO Registration**  
**Teri Eklund, Secretary**  
**P.O. Box 21273**  
**El Cajon, CA. 92021**

**Hotel Room Rates:** \$55.00 a night plus tax. Call the hotel directly at 818-841-4770 for reservations and ask for the SCAFO discount rate. Hotel reservations must be made by September 1, 2009 in order to receive the SCAFO discount rate. Note: \*\*\*Do not call the 1-800 number or you will not get the SCAFO room rate.\*\*\*

## Forensic board suspends former FBI analysts for error in '01 Monroe murder case.

June 29, 2009 Pocono Record – News and Information – NE Pennsylvania – Edited by SCAFO The Print Editor

Because they made a technical error in misidentifying a fingerprint on a gun in a Monroe County murder case, two retired FBI analysts have been given one-year suspensions on their forensic expert certifications by the disciplinary body which gave them those certifications.

Ivan Futrell and George Wynn are appealing the International Association for Identification's decision to suspend them for a year after they provided fingerprint analysis results requested by defense attorneys in the Helen Biank murder case. **The suspensions prohibit Futrell and Wynn from testifying or being relied on as experts in any further court proceedings anywhere for that one year.**

On Halloween 2001, a female was fatally shot in her home, where a fire then was set. The investigation led police in 2005 to arrest Biank's ex-boyfriend, Mark Miller, 42, and charge him with Biank's murder. Evidence against Miller included the murder weapon with a fingerprint believed to be his on it.

Miller's defense attorneys contacted Futrell and Wynn, who analyzed the fingerprint on the gun and concluded the print was not Miller's. Miller later pleaded guilty to third-degree murder, saying he was playing with the gun when it accidentally went off and shot Biank, who had rejected his marriage proposal. After Miller's guilty plea, the prosecutor contacted the International Association for Identification, which had certified Futrell and Wynn as forensic experts.

The IAI conducted a lengthy investigation into the matter and in February had its attorney send the prosecutor a letter stating, "Mr. Futrell and Mr. Wynn were found to have made a technical error in their misidentification of the latent fingerprint and, as a result, disciplinary action will be taken."

"If you're a forensic expert suspended by the IAI, that's a blow to your credibility," Pennsylvania State Trooper Phillip Barletto said. Futrell declined to comment to the Pocono Record when contacted at his Stafford, Va., home Monday evening.

*Comments by William 'Bill' Leo, CLPE, LASD*

'This is the second time that Ivan Futrell has been disciplined by the International Association for Identification.

In 2006, Futrell, while testifying in Los Angeles County Superior Court, testified that a print obtained during a sexual assault investigation had been fabricated. In 2007, an IAI investigation also found Futrell's analysis to be incorrect and he was censured for his conduct. Futrell appealed the censure. The findings and censure were upheld by an appeals panel of the IAI."

# MINUTES OF JUNE MEETING

Yvonne Sanchez, *LASD*  
Mireya Cervantes, *LASD*  
Alberto Solis, *LASD*

**DATE:** June 6, 2008  
**LOCATION:** Jagerhaus - Anaheim  
**HOST:** Anne Carlson and Cynthia Fortier  
**SECRETARY:** Teri Eklund  
**PROGRAM:** 3D Imaging of Crime Scenes with the Lecia 3D Scanner  
**CALL TO ORDER:** General meeting, 2000 hours by President Amy Hines  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Past President Bill Leo (1996)

**ATTENDANCE:**  
**PAST PRESIDENTS Present:** Dell Freeman (1973), Bill Leo (1996), Bob Goss (2001), Steve Tillmann (2002), Ed Palma (2004), Susan Garcia (2006), Craig Johnson, (2007), Marvin Spreyne (2008)

**EXECUTIVE BOARD Present:** President Amy Hines; 1st Vice President Mari Johnson; 2nd Vice President Debbie Stivers; Secretary Teri Eklund; Chairman of the Board, and Editor, Marvin Spreyne; Parliamentarian Craig Johnson; Historian Bill Leo; Sgt. at Arms Cynthia Fortier; Directors Cindee Lozano, Larry Rodriguez, Mark Waldo and Anne Carlson

**EXECUTIVE BOARD Absent:** Lisa Jackson, Treasurer

Members and guests present: 71

## OLD BUSINESS:

### Second Readings:

Donna Thomas, *LASD*  
Michelle-rene Marmolejo, *LASD*  
John Froelicher, *Santa Barbara S.D*  
Ameneh Raahimzadeh, *OCS*  
Gina Lopez, *LASD*  
*Motion to Accept:* Susan Garcia, second by Craig Johnson

Swear Ins: by 2004 Past President Ed Palma

## NEW BUSINESS:

The honor of Distinguish Member was bestowed upon Past President Susan Garcia (2006)

### First Readings:

Carrie Harris of Torrance Police Dept,  
*Recommended by:* Abe Catabay of Torrance Police Dept.

Nancy Dang of Orange Sheriff's Office  
*Recommended by:* Linda Rodriguez of OCS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Torrance PD has an opening for a Supervising Latent Print Examiner

SCAFO 2009 Annual Training Seminar will be held at the Burbank Holiday Inn Media Center, Oct. 2nd and 3rd. A SCAFO EXCLUSIVE: Dr. John Bond, United Kingdom and two scientists from Australia, as well as Gil Carrillo, Michael Stapleton and Bill Leo, will be providing lectures and/or demonstrations.

NEXT MEETING Saturday August 8th at 12:30 PM at the South Coast Winery Restaurant in Santa Ana. Hosted by Mark Waldo, SCAFO Director

ATTENDANCE DRAWING of \$25.00 won by Brian James:

## DOOR PRIZES:

Provided by Executive Board members present and Amoeba Music ([www.amoeba.com](http://www.amoeba.com))

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Motion by: Cynthia Fortier, Second: Craig Johnson

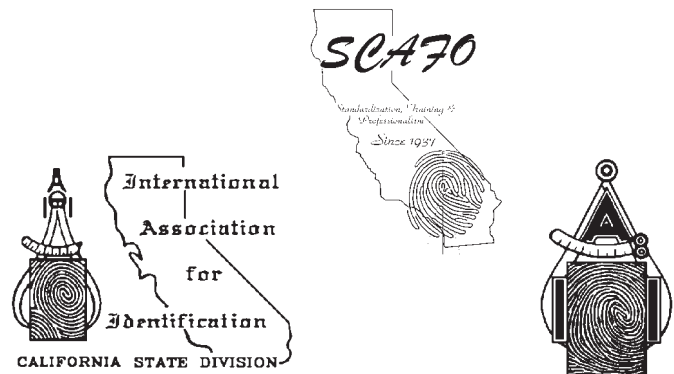
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OCTOBER 2-3, 2009**

**HOLIDAY INN - BURBANK  
BURBANK MEDIA CENTER  
150 EAST ANGELENO  
BURBANK, CALIFORNIA. 91502**

**1-818-841-4770**

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See instructions on the  
website's email page.**

***-- Upcoming Events/Schools/Seminars--***

**August 8, 2009**

**SCAFO Training Meeting  
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3608 South Bristol Street  
Santa Ana, California, 92704  
RSVP to Mark Waldo @ [MWaldo@Santa-Ana.org](mailto:MWaldo@Santa-Ana.org)  
714-245-8475**

**October 2-3, 2009**

**SCAFO Annual Training Seminar  
Holiday Inn  
Burbank Media Center  
150 East Angeleno  
Burbank, California, 91502  
Registration Form @ [www.scafo.org](http://www.scafo.org)**

**November 22, 2009**

**SCAFO Training Meeting  
2010 Executive Board Swearing-In Ceremony  
JT Schmid's Restaurant  
2610 East Kalella Avenue  
Anaheim, California, 92806  
RSVP to Mari Johnson @ [m2johnso@lasd.org](mailto:m2johnso@lasd.org)  
323-260-8556**

**May 24-27, 2010**

**CSDIAI Annual Training Conference  
Rancho Mirage, California 92270  
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