

***OWLA Spring Conference Training Announcement
April 8 & 9, 2010
Inn at Spanish Head, Lincoln City, Oregon***



For Thursday April 8th

CASE INVESTIGATION – THE MURDER OF BROOKE WILBERGER

***Instructors – Corvallis Police Department Captain Jonathan Sassaman
Benton County District Attorney John Haroldson
Benton County Deputy District Attorney Karen Kemper
Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent Joe Boyer***

Brooke Wilberger, a 19-year old college student, was abducted from Corvallis, Oregon, on the morning of May 24, 2004. Police soon focused on Joel Patrick Courtney, a registered sex offender, as a suspect after New Mexico authorities circulated details about a similar abduction and rape in their jurisdiction. Investigators learned Courtney owned a van that matched the description of a vehicle seen by witnesses near the scene of Wilberger's disappearance. When the van was searched, both Wilberger's and Courtney's DNA were located. Even though Brooke's body had not been found, Courtney was indicted on 19 counts relating to Wilberger's disappearance. As part of a plea deal to avoid the death penalty, Courtney agreed to tell officials where he had left Brooke's body after kidnapping, raping and murdering her. Courtney received a life sentence without the possibility of parole.

FORENSIC DRAWINGS & INTERVIEW TECHNIQUES

Instructor – Carolyn Crawford

Carolyn Crawford is a former Portland Police Bureau Detective and Forensic Artist with over 23 years of law enforcement experience. Learn how and when to explore the possibility you might need a forensic drawing for your case investigations. Ms. Crawford will also instruct officers on interview techniques that can be used in all phases of police work, not just forensic art.

CLEVELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SHOOTING

Instructor – Retired Deputy Chief Tom Gaumer, Stockton California PD

In the late morning hours of January 17, 1989, the Stockton Police Department in California began receiving shots fired calls near the area of Cleveland Elementary School. As the number of calls began to pour into the dispatch center, it was obvious this was not just one your typical "report of shots fired" calls. A short time later, with the sounds of shots being fired in the background, frantic calls from people inside the school itself came in indicating several children had been shot. An all out police and medical response was initiated.

The first police units to arrive on scene could still hear shots being fired from the playground area at the rear of the school and also reported hearing an explosion. The first officer on scene worked

his way to the playground where he heard one final shot and located the shooter on the ground just outside the door of a portable classroom at the edge of the playground.

The gunman, later identified as Patrick Purdy, had fired a total of 108 rounds within an approximately five minute timeframe into a schoolyard filled with elementary aged children who were on recess. At the conclusion of Purdy's shooting spree, five children were dead and 30 children and one teacher were wounded. Purdy was pronounced dead at the scene.

The ensuing investigation centered not so much on "who done it" as typical with most investigations, but "why he done it."

GANG THREAT: WHEN POLICE BECOME THE TARGET
Instructor – Retired Deputy Chief Tom Gaumer, Stockton California PD

As law enforcement officers we deal with dangerous situations on almost a daily basis. However, how do we deal with situations when the suspect actually goes so far as to threaten the life of a peace officer and/or his family? What steps does the law enforcement agency take to protect the officer, their family, and what protective steps does the officer take?

For Friday, April 9th

CASE INVESTIGATION – FOREST PARK SERIAL KILLER
Instructor – Sergeant Rich Austria, Portland Police Bureau

Learn the investigative details that unfolded during the 1999 cases of three homeless women who were found strangled within a month span in Forest Park, a wooded recreational area in Portland, Oregon. The victims, all prostitutes and drug addicts, were found nude and strangled, and had a striking resemblance to one another. The Portland Police Bureau's Forest Park Task Force went proactive and used an undercover officer who fit the killer's physical preference. Investigators solved this serial crime spree in just eight weeks. Todd Allen Reed was arrested for the deaths of these young women and in February of 2001 was sentenced to life in prison with no parole.

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$175 for Non-Members ★ \$150 for OWLA Members
(2010 Membership dues of \$25 must already be paid to receive member rate)

Complimentary Hospitality Room Thursday Evening!

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***NOTE: Registration fee includes breakfast both mornings and lunch on Thursday, April 8th.**

Mail conference payment to OWLA, PO Box 462, Chehalis, WA 98532

LOCATION & LODGING:

Location: Inn at Spanish Head, Lincoln City, OR
Lodging Rates: \$87 for single, \$112 for studio, \$159 for one bedroom suite
For room reservations contact the Inn at Spanish Head at

1-800-452-8127 or 541-996-2161

Conference Schedule

Thursday, April 8, 2010

0715 – 0800 Conference Registration & Breakfast (Included in Registration Fee)

0800 – 1200 Case Investigation – The Murder of Brooke Wilberger

1200 – 1300 Lunch (Included in Registration Fee)

1300 – 1400 Forensic Drawings & Interview Techniques

1400 – 1600 Cleveland Elementary School Shooting

1600 – 1700 Gang Threat: When Police Become the Target

Visit our complimentary hospitality room Thursday evening!

Friday, April 9, 2010

0715 – 0800 Breakfast (Included in Registration Fee)

0800 – 1200 Case Investigation – Forest Park Serial Killer

***Periodic rest breaks will be taken at the instructors' direction.
Twelve (12) training hours.***

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PRINTABLE INVOICE

2010 OWLA Spring Training Conference Registration Fee/
Membership Dues for the following person:

Name:

Agency:

E-Mail Address:

Training Dates: April 8 & 9, 2010 – 12 Training Hours

Non-Member Spring 2010 Conference Registration Fee: \$175.00

-OR-

Member Spring 2010 Conference Registration Fee: \$150.00

Annual Membership Dues: \$ 25.00

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