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From the Editors




Dear _____ member,

Welcome to the last edition of "The Examiner" for 2017. In the previous edition of The Examiner (July 2017) we mentioned the fact that Kalisa and I got married in June. During the writing of our last edition of The Examiner, we were on our honeymoon. We spent three weeks in the US travelling to Florida, Los Angeles, Vegas and San Francisco. We truly had the trip of a lifetime. Beautiful scenery, amazing food and the best time of our lives.

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VSC QC1+ Document Scanner

**Foster and Freeman
launching forensic
document scanner at
connect:ID.**

Secure identity solutions firm Foster+Freeman has launched a new compact passport and ID card imaging system.

In a statement, the firm said the touchscreen VSC QC1+ solution can greatly increase document based security whilst maintaining the ease of use and high rate of throughput

The summer is now over and the yellow colour of trees is now becoming noticeable. As you will read later on in the newsletter, the location of next year's conference was decided and now it is in the planning stages. Start planning ahead for attending a yet another great conference.

Just a reminder, that you can submit your articles to the wider ICSIA family. If you would like to share any articles, stories, interesting cases you have worked on, you can send these to us so we can use in future newsletters. We know everyone is extremely busy, but the more articles and information we collate from everyone the more we can learn from each other. Even if it's just an interesting case you have worked on, or a technique you are using.

Keep up the good work.

If you have any questions/comments or if you would like to become a reporter or contribute any articles in future newsletters, please do not hesitate to contact us via email on Kyp.Georgiou@anglia.ac.uk or Kalisa@hadji.co.uk

Director's Letter

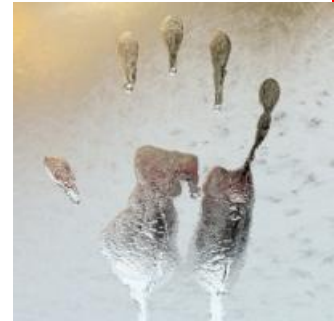
Greetings!

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the victims of the recent mass shooting in Las Vegas. Our thoughts are with our Brother and Sister CSI's who are handling that crime scene. While everyone runs away from the scene, the 1st Responders rush to the scene, on and off duty! Thank you.

Besides the recent mass shootings we have endured several natural disasters with the hurricanes, flooding and forest fires. The USA is not alone in handling disasters, the Caribbean countries received major damage and will take years to rebuild. Other parts of the world are not spared, Mexico as an example had a major earthquake and then a hurricane. Meanwhile, we do what needs to be done to get the job done.

required for frontline applications.

For more information click [here](#).



Capturing the Scene

By Dick Warrington

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As a crime scene officer working a traffic fatality, homicide, theft, assault, or any other kind of case, you must capture an accurate record of the scene and the evidence collected. In order to provide a complete record of each scene, you need field notes and diagrams, along with relevant still photographs that correlate with those notes and diagrams.

Our CSI Conference Chair Frank Ragains is busy preparing for the 2018 conference in Nashville. You will find an article from him in this newsletter. Frank is trying to make the 2018 Conference better than any of our past ones.

We lost another well known person in the forensic world, Dr. Jay Siegel. I dealt with Dr. Siegel when he was the Editor of the Forensic Science Encyclopedia. [Here is a link](#) to his memorial. Rest in Peace sir.

Our new web site is up and running, with a few glitches but we are getting them ironed out. We are always looking for article for the web site and the newsletter so please consider sending in an article or two.

Membership fees will increase as of January 1, 2018. When you renew your membership it will now be \$25 per year instead of \$25 for two years except internationals. Theirs will remain at \$25 for two years.

I know you are all busy with work and family but try to be active with ICSIA. Facebook, LinkedIn, or Twitter is our social media. We would like to hear from you from time to time.

As always, stay safe and hope to see you at the 2018 CSI Conference in May in Nashville!

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Read the full article [here](#).



Digital Forensic Tools

Digital – or “cyber”, if you prefer – forensics today is a far different beast than it used to be. Forensics always has been about investigations, either supporting or conducting, and discovering hidden artifacts that can explain some activity. We were flying somewhere many years ago and as we settled down for a trans-Atlantic flight, the flight attendant noticed our forensic text and asked what it was all about .

Please click [here](#) for the full article

ICCSIA's 2018 Conference



Next years conference will be held in Nashville between May 15th - 17th, 2018.

Venue Address: Airport Embassy Suites, 10 Century Blvd, Nashville, Tennessee, USA.

Frank Ragains: Hello fellow ICCSIA members. I hope this newsletter finds you doing well and in good spirits. The reason why I am reaching out today is twofold. First, in case you haven't heard about it, the date and time of the 2018 ICCSIA Education and Training Conference has been determined. Nashville, Tennessee, known to most as "Music City USA" has been selected as the host city. The date of our conference has been set for, May 15-17, 2018. This should give you plenty of time to plan your attendance! But don't wait to plan too long, because before you know it, May 2018 will be here.

Read the full article [here](#)



Bombing Trial Shows NYC's Blanket Coverage by Video Cameras

There's one video of a man walking to and from the scene of a bombing in a Manhattan's bustling Chelsea neighborhood. Another shows him minutes later planting another homemade explosive a few blocks away. A third has him in a backyard in New Jersey, apparently testing an incendiary device. Prosecutors say the person captured on those incriminating videos and several others is Ahmad Khan Rahimi.

Read the full article [here](#).

Our reporters*

Shernadine Peters (Belize): "\$800,000 worth of Equipments at work in the Jewel BELIZE"

Hello friends, this is Shernadine Peters reporting to you from the beautiful country of Belize. i was happy to be a part of an epic day which i have to share with you.

On Wednesday 26th July, 2017 at 10 a.m. a ceremony was held at the compound of the National Forensic Science Services where over \$800,000 worth of equipments were handed over to the Scenes of Crime Unit and the National Forensic Science Services personnel. The equipments includes a total of (9) Nine vehicles compact with Crime Scene processing kits, digital cameras, generators, area lighting systems, a portable drying container/room for drying wet/moist clothing and the list of assorted accessories goes on.

Read the full article [here](#).

Marcus Bastien (Royal St. Lucia Police Force): No report this time

John Paolucci (USA, New York): No report this time

Ulf Steinert (Germany): No report this time

Nico Delport (South Africa): No report this time

Christian C. Ferretti (Italy): No report this time



Forensic Photography Reference Guide

The document attached below, is the "Forensic Photography Reference Guide" currently used at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Should you have any queries about this, please contact either Yvette Gonzales or Erika Di Palma via the emails provided below:

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Read the guide [here](#).

Kalisa Hadji (United Kingdom): No report this time

Fernando Picoli (Brazil): No report this time

Salar Jadoon (Pakistan): No report this time

Wendell Ballantyne (Virgin Islands): No report this time

*Please note that English may not be the first language of some of our reporters. If you have any questions regarding any articles, please do not hesitate to contact our newsletter editors for clarifications.

On the web

[Plastic banknotes: new fingerprint technique means criminals can't avoid capture](#)

[How a Gilded Age Heiress Became the 'Mother of Forensic Science'](#)

[DNA in the dock: how flawed techniques send innocent people to prison](#)

['Croydon cat killer': forensic science lab to re-examine deaths](#)

Crime Scene First Responder for the Patrol Officer

As you may be aware, ICSIA has developed a **FREE** online entitled "Crime Scene first responder for the patrol officer". In this short course, we will review the steps involved at the scene for the uniformed first responder and demonstrate the importance of this task by actual case work. Students who complete the course will

receive a certificate from the International Crime Scene Investigators Association.

Please click [here](#) to sign-up for the free online course.

The next edition of "The Examiner" will be in January 2018

If you would like to contribute any papers/articles/stories from your experiences about any of these themes, please do not hesitate to contact us here with your papers in order to include them in our future newsletter. Our email address is: Kyp.Georgiou@anglia.ac.uk and Kalisa@hadji.co.uk

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