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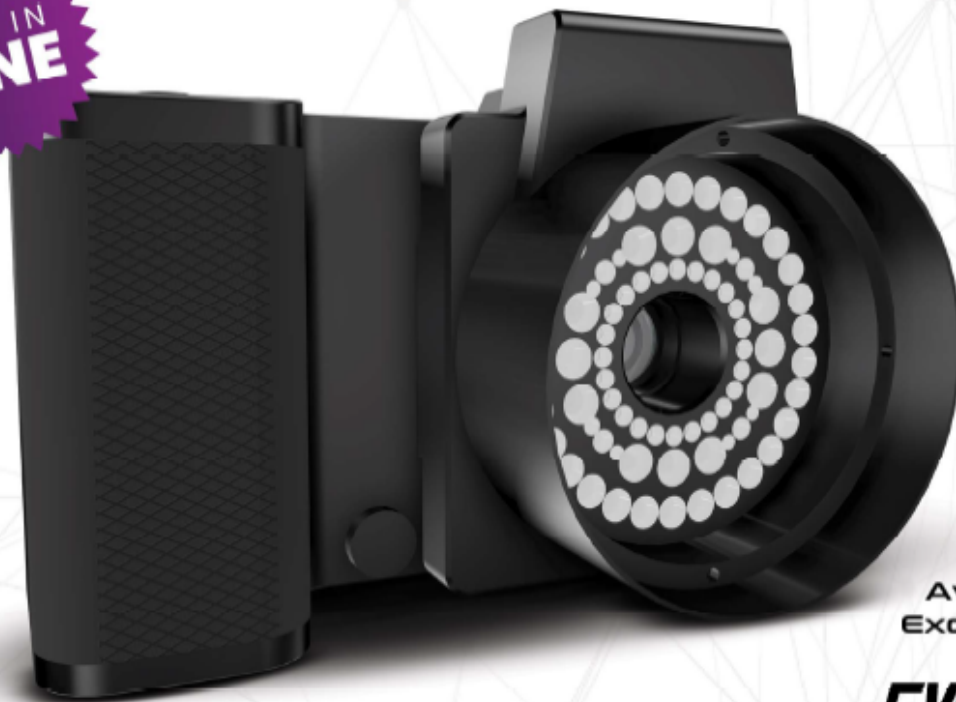
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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

I hope this message finds you well. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for allowing me to serve as your President during the 2024/2025 term. It has been a pleasure connecting with many of you, teaching at SLED, and hosting several Zoom training sessions. I am excited to continue my journey with the SCIAI and encourage each of you to engage actively in our community. If you know others who are not yet members, please invite them to join us—getting involved can lead to incredible opportunities.



On February 28th, we hosted a successful Zoom training session titled “Stresses that Leave an Impression,” presented by Candice Sieg. Her insights into how our work impacts us daily were invaluable. While the session was particularly geared toward latent examiners, the tips and information shared are applicable across all disciplines. For those who were unable to attend, I am happy to provide a recording of the session upon request.

As we look ahead, I am excited to announce that the annual SCIAI conference is approaching, and this year we will be gathering in the Greenville/Greer area. We have secured two exceptional keynote speakers who will offer intriguing and informative presentations. Additionally, we invite you to take an active role in the conference. If you have ever considered presenting or sharing a case, please submit your proposal to be a presenter at this year's event. Sharing your case work or training experiences can be a significant stepping stone in your career as a forensic scientist.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in May and am eager for the engaging discussions and networking opportunities that await us.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement.

Warm regards,
Teresa Bryant,
SCIAI President

SCIAI ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ALL MEMBERS** are encouraged to review the SCIAI constitution and by-laws posted on the website located under the News tab.
- Renewal for memberships must be submitted by **Tuesday July 1st 2025** for the upcoming years' membership.
- Submissions for case study features and Member Spotlights are open. We want to highlight our members and interesting or unique cases that you have personally been involved with. If you would like to see yourself, a coworker, or one of your cases featured, please contact the Editor at bribrown@greenvillecounty.org
- Have a topic you would like to see covered or have an article you would like to submit for future issues of *The Identifier*? Submit your proposals to the Editor at bribrown@greenvillecounty.org — guest authors are welcome!
- If you've taken a newsletter appropriate forensic related photograph that you would like to see featured in an upcoming issue of The Identifier — Please contact the Editor at bribrown@greenvillecounty.org!

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MEET THE OFFICERS

- **President—Teresa Bryant**
- **Vice President—**
- **Treasurer—James Kearney**
- **Secretary—Chris Gary**
- **Historian—Brittany Brown**



**The Vice President spot
is currently vacant!**

Please contact Teresa at teresab450@gmail.com
if interested in filling the position!



THE SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF THE IAI

— 2025 LATENT PRINT WEBINAR RECAPS —

“Loops, Whorls, and Arches, Oh My!”

- Brian Turner, Broward County Sheriff’s Office (FL) -

On January 8th, a successful webinar training session titled *“Loops, Whorls, and Arches, Oh My!”* was presented by Brian Turner. The webinar provided an in-depth look at fingerprint pattern types, covering the specific criteria and characteristics used to classify each one. It emphasized the importance of correctly identifying core and delta areas for accurate ridge counting. Designed to be accessible for new practitioners while still offering valuable insight for experienced examiners, the course provided a well-rounded approach to fingerprint pattern recognition and classification.

“Stresses That Leave an Impression”

- Candice Sieg, CLPE, Sumter County Sheriff’s Office (FL) -

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NEW

Quarterly Book Review

Stay tuned for Forensic related books to be reviewed in upcoming issues of The Identifier!
If you have a book that you would like featured, please contact the editor!

Book Title: *Stiff* The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers

Author: Mary Roach

Genre: Nonfiction/ Science

Published: April 17, 2003

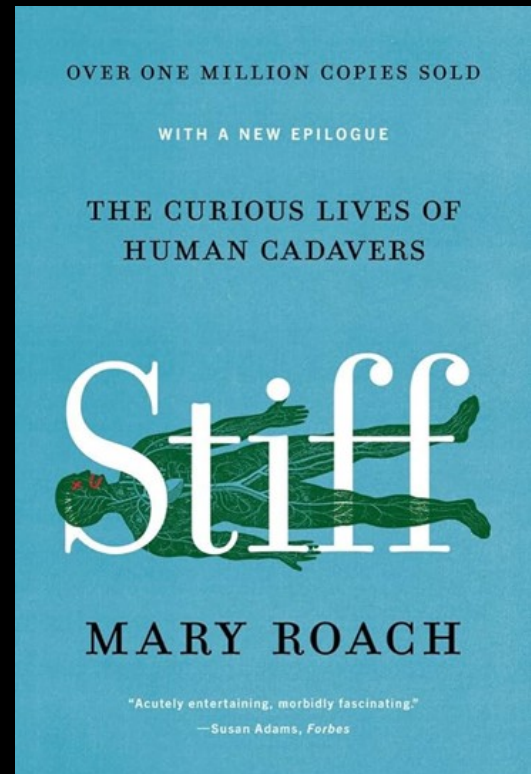
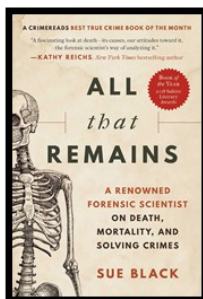
Pages: 300

Reviewed By: H. Battles, Greenville County Forensics

Review:

This book presents a scientific perspective on human cadavers with an informative and humorous tone, making it a delightful read. It explores the history and significance of cadavers, from introducing the 1828 Edinburgh anatomist Robert Knox to topics like plane crashes, body snatching, medicinal cannibalism, and many more fascinating subjects. At times, I found myself laughing, while at other times, I used my color-coded tabs to highlight new information. Overall, I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book and would recommend it to anyone looking for a good laugh and an opportunity to learn something new.

Summer Issue Book Review:





2025 South Carolina IAI Educational Conference

May 5-8, 2025 Greer City Hall Event Center, Greer, SC

15+ PRESENTATIONS ON CRIME SCENE, LATENT PRINTS, AND OTHER FORENSIC TOPICS



2025 Conference Exclusive Challenge Coin

Preorder the 2025 Conference Exclusive Challenge Coin by March 13th, 2025. This 3” coin has sequential numbering and is the largest coin to date! Each coin costs \$16 (+s/h). Coins will arrive late April/early May or pick them up at the Greer Conference.



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2025 SCIAI Conference Keynote Speakers

May 5-8, 2025

Greer City Hall Event Center, Greer, SC

DR. BILL KIMBERLIN PSY.D.

***"WATCH ME DIE- LAST WORDS FROM
DEATH ROW"***

Inside the mind of killers- Dr. Kimberlin has been researching and writing about death row and the execution process for well over a decade focusing on the criminal minds of those who devoted theirs to killing innocent human beings. Dr. Kimberlin is a forensic specialist and therapist who will dive into this world with us during his keynote presentation for the SCIAI



DET. LOUIE AGUILERA

LA COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE

***"ANDRESSIAN KIDNAPPING AND MURDER
CASE STUDY"***

Det. Aguilera has worked hundreds of homicide investigations in his career at the LA County Sheriffs such as the 2023 Monterey Park mass shooting, Saugus High School mass shooting, and the helicopter crash that killed Kobe Bryant. In his keynote presentation he will dive into the 2017 Andressian disappearance and murder of 5 year old Aramazd "Piqui" Andressian where he led the massive multi-state investigation ending in the recovery of the child and conviction of the killer.



Event Details at www.sciai.org/SpringConf.html

Registration opens soon! *presentations subject to change*



THE SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF THE IAI

2025 CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

MAY 5-8, 2025 GREER, SC

Register Today @ www.sciai.org
\$100 Members, \$200 Non-Members,
FREE Student Members (\$35)

Keynote Presentations

"Andressian Kidnapping and Murder Case Study"

- Det. Louie Aguilera, LA County Sheriff's Office -

"Watch Me Die- Last Words from Death Row"

-Dr. Bill Kimberlin, Psy.D. -

Crime Scene Presentations-Workshops

"DSLR to Mirrorless Camera Transition"-George Potash, Columbia PD

"Practical Crime Scene Photography" -Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.

"Results of an Interagency Study of Scene Investigation Using Virtual Reality"-

Jaclynn McKay, RTI International

"Missing Persons and Unidentified Remains Investigations"

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"Crime Scene Policies and Procedures" -Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.

"BPA Documentation and Description Workshop" -Casson Reynolds, NC DOJ

"Firearm Handling, Documentation, and Identification for the CSI"

-Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.

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Latent Print Presentations-Workshops

"Pore Structure in Friction Ridges" -John Vanderkolk and Richard Fenrich

"Best Practices, Tips, and Techniques for Impression Evidence"
-David "Ski" Witzke (virtual)

"Latent Print Testimony Workshop" -John Black, B&W Forensics

"Shapes and Labels in Forensic Comparative Science" -John Vanderkolk and
Richard Fenrich

"Latent Print Case Study" -Chris Gary, Greenville County Forensics

"Examination of Pore Details in Friction Skin Impressions Workshop"
-John Vanderkolk and Richard Fenrich

General Studies Presentations-Workshops

"FBI Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP) and Other Investigative Resources" -Alexa McConnell, FBI

"Embracing Change: A Guide to Technology and Process Improvement" -Luke
Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.

"Healing Through Humor-Practical Strategies to Manage Workplace Stress"
-Teresa Bryant, Jupiter PD (ret.)

"OSAC Updates and Standards Implementation"
-Steven Johnson, OSAC/ Ideal Innovations

****Presentations subject to change****



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2025 SCIAI Annual Conference Agenda w/ Presentations

Greer, SC ~ May 5-8, 2025

presentations and agenda subject to change

Monday May 5th

All Attendees Together

11:30AM to 1:00PM

Registration Open

1:00 PM

Opening Ceremony - Welcoming Message

1:30 PM to 4:30PM

Det. Louie Aguilera, LA County Sheriff's Office - *"Andressian Kidnapping and Murder Case Study"*

Evening

Welcome Social- Wild Ace Pizza and Pub

Class Types:

General Studies

Crime Scene

Latent Prints

Tuesday May 6th

Room 1

Room 2

Room 3

8:00AM to 9:00 AM

Coffee and Pastries

9:00AM to 10:00 AM

"DSLR to Mirrorless Camera Transition"
George Potash, Columbia PD

"FBI Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP) & Other Investigative Resources"- Alexa McConnell, FBI Crime Analyst

"Pore Structure in Friction Ridges"-John Vanderkolk- Unique Forensics, Richard Fenrich- i3

10:00 AM to 10:30AM

Break in Vendor Area

10:30AM to 11:00 AM

"Embracing Change: A Guide to Technology and Process Improvement" Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.

"FBI Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP) & Other Investigative Resources"- Alexa McConnell, FBI Crime Analyst

"Shapes and Labels in Forensic Comparative Science" -John Vanderkolk- Unique Forensics, Richard Fenrich- i3

11:00 AM- 12:00 PM

"OSAC Updates and Standards Implementation" Steven Johnson, OSAC- Ideal Innovations

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Lunch on Your Own

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

"Healing Through Humor-Practical Strategies to Manage Workplace Stress"- Teresa Bryant, Jupiter PD (ret.)

"Results of an Interagency Study of Scene Investigation Using Virtual Reality" Jaclynn McKay, RTI International

"Best Practices, Tips, and Techniques for Impression Evidence" - David "Ski" Witzke (virtual)

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

"Missing Persons and Unidentified Remains Investigations from a Crime Scene Perspective"- Jaclynn McKay, RTI International

3:00PM to 3:30PM

Break in Vendor Area

3:30 PM to 5:00PM

"Healing Through Humor-Practical Strategies to Manage Workplace Stress"- Teresa Bryant, Jupiter PD (ret.)

"Crime Scene Policies and Procedures"- Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.

"Latent Print Case Study" Chris Gary, Greenville County Forensics

EVENT DETAILS/REGISTRATION

Wednesday May 7th	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM	Coffee and Pastries		
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	"BPA Documentation and Description Workshop"- Casson Reynolds, NC DOJ	"Practical Crime Scene Photography"- Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.	"Latent Print Testimony Workshop" John Black, B&W Forensics
10:00 AM to 10:30 AM	Break in Vendor Area		
10:30 AM to 11:30 AM	"BPA Documentation and Description Workshop"- Casson Reynolds, NC DOJ	"Practical Crime Scene Photography"- Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.	"Latent Print Testimony Workshop" John Black, B&W Forensics
11:30 AM to 1:00 PM	Lunch Provided- SCIAI Business Meeting		
1:00 PM to 2:30PM	"BPA Documentation and Description Workshop"- Casson Reynolds, NC DOJ	"Practical Crime Scene Photography"- Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.	"Examination of Pore Details in Friction Skin Impressions Workshop" John Vanderkolk-Unique Forensics, Richard Fenrich- i3
2:30 PM to 3:00 PM	Break in Vendor Area		
3:00PM to 4:00PM	"BPA Documentation and Description Workshop"- Casson Reynolds, NC DOJ	"Firearm Handling, Documentation, and Identification for the Crime Scene Investigator"- Luke Spratt, Charleston Police Dept.	"Examination of Pore Details in Friction Skin Impressions Workshop" John Vanderkolk-Unique Forensics, Richard Fenrich- i3
4:00 PM to 5:00pm			
Evening	Evening Banquet and Entertainment		
Thursday May 8th	All Attendees Together		
9:00 AM	Dr. Bill Kimberlin, Psy.D., "Watch Me Die- Last Words from Death Row"		
12:00 PM	Conference Closing		

EVENT DETAILS/REGISTRATION

Fun in Forensics

Frequently in the field of Forensics, we, as a whole, deal with a variety of difficult and demanding scenes, tough scenarios, and are often placed in stressful situations. This panel is designed for you to have the opportunity take a quick mental break, refresh your mind, and also to have a little fun. 😊

Solve the anagrams to reveal the letters for the final message.

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Answers from the hidden message from the Winter Issue

Finding The Suspect

UPCOMING TRAINING/EVENTS

May 5th-8th, 2025, [SCIAI Spring Conference](#)

3 day, Greer Events Center, 301 E. Poinsett St, Greer, SC

\$100 for members, \$200 for non-members

June 9-10, 2025, [Crime Scene Metal Detector Operations](#)

\$339—TriTech Forensics, Charleston Police Department, Charleston SC

Aug 5-7, 2025, [Homicide & Crime Scene Management Training](#)

\$310 (register 2 seats & get a 3rd seat free)—Inside the Tape: 216 C David Stone Rd, Pickens, SC

Aug 11-15, 2025, [Crime Scene Reconstruction I](#)

\$725—Bevel, Gardner & Associates Inc., SLED Forensics Laboratory, Columbia, SC

Sept 1-5, 2025, [Bloodstain Pattern Analysis I](#)

\$745—Bevel, Gardner & Associates Inc, SLED Forensics Laboratory, Columbia, SC

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Greenville County: [Firearms Laboratory](#)

Greenville County: [Administrative Specialist II](#)



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