Welcome to the latest newsletter from the Forensic Chemistry Program at the College of New Jersey.

**Meetings, Conferences and Courses**

Whether you’re a student, teacher, forensic scientist, or someone interested in the field, there are many opportunities to continue your education. One way is to attend meetings and short courses, some general for forensic science and some specific to sub-disciplines. Below are some meetings coming up in the next few months that you might consider (some meetings have a career fair component so they’re great opportunities for those of you looking for a job in the area or just to network with others in the field).

**Topic:** Courtroom Presentation of Evidence  
**Date:** November 3-4, 2011  
**Hosts:** Center for Forensic Science Research and Education. To be held at Arcadia University, King of Prussia Campus in King of Prussia, PA  
**Cost:** $500  

**Topic:** DNA and Civil Liberties Conference II  
**Date:** November 10-12, 2011  
**Hosts:** MassBay Community College in Wellesley, MA  
**Cost:** $90 for full conference.  
**For More Information:** [http://www.massbay.edu/dnaconference.aspx](http://www.massbay.edu/dnaconference.aspx)

**Topic:** 8th Annual Security Printing Conference  
**Date:** November 16-18, 2011  
**Hosts:** Information Management Institute. To be held at Hollywood Beach Marriott in Hollywood, FL.  
**Cost:** $1095  

**Topic:** Forensic Aspects of Archaeology  
**Date:** November 26, 2011  
**Hosts:** Institute of Conservation. To be held at University of London in Cartwright Gardens, London.  
**Cost:** £40 (About $65)  
Topic: Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Workshop
Date: December 5-9, 2011
Hosts: Specialized Training Unit in Miami-Dade Public Safety Training Institute in Doral, FL.
For More Information: please contact Toby Wolson of Miami-Dale Police Department (Crime Laboratory Bureau/Forensic Biology Section) at (305) 471-3041 or twolson@mdpd.com
For More Information: http://www.iabpa.org/training.htm

Topic: Certified Evidence Photographer Training/EPIC-Imaging USA
Date: January 12-17, 2012
Hosts: Professional Photographic Certification Commission and Evidence Photographers International Council. To be held in New Orleans, LA.
Cost: $695

Topic: American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) 2012 Annual Meeting
Date: February 20-25, 2012
Hosts: AAFS. To be held in Atlanta, GA.
Cost: TBA. Registration opens in November.
For More Information: http://www.aafs.org/aafs-2012-annual-meeting

Topic: The Borkenstien Drug Course
Date: April 15-20, 2012
Hosts: Borkenstien Course. To be held in Indiana University in Bloomington, IN.
Cost: $1500
For More Information: http://www.borkensteincourse.org/

Ward’s Natural Science: Professional Development Academy

Ward’s Natural Science offers a special program for teachers through its Professional Development Academy of Science Teacher Training. The program provides a hands-on interactive workshop designed for educators to bring workshop activities and academic exercises directly into the classroom. The workshops are lead by experts scientist and educators. The workshops are offered to teachers in three different methods. During Live Workshops, the experts demonstrate the activities in person and guide the teachers as they practice what they learn. Workshops are also offered through interactive webinars, where through the internet the presenter will provide a similar experience to the “live” person version. The third method is one where Ward sends you a “Train-the-Trainer” kit along with a DVD that will guide you through the workshop. Ward offers the course in a variety of scientific fields. Live workshops range from about $1500 to $900. Webinars cost from about $650 to $500 while “Train-the-Trainer” kits cost from about $725 to $400.

For more information: http://wardsci.com/article.asp?ai=1451
Online Self-Learning
The internet now offers substantial new opportunities for learning. Here are some online “self-learning” opportunities:

Course: Online Self-Learning Modules for New Forensic DNA Analysts
Link: http://www.forensic-training-network.com/cgi-bin/DJcalendar.cgi?TEMPLATE=event.html&EVENTNO=00004

Course: DNA-110 Essential Aspects of Forensic DNA Testing
Link: http://www.forensic-training-network.com/cgi-bin/DJlinks.cgi?T=st-enroll.html&ID=00019

Course: NIJ-F01 Forensic Fingerprint Analysis Basics
Link: http://www.forensic-training-network.com/cgi-bin/DJlinks.cgi?T=st-enroll.html&ID=00136

Course: Forensic Photography: Basic Concepts and Applications
Link: https://www.forensic-training-network.com/cgi-bin/DJlinks.cgi?T=st-enroll.html&LANG=EN&ID=00150

For more free online courses, we suggest the following website: www.forensic-training-network.com/cgi-bin/DJlinks.cgi?TEMPLATE=courses.html&SORT=V1

Webcasts
Opportunities for learning what is state-of-the-art in many areas are available through online lectures (webcasts) - but you have to be quick. They are often announced a few weeks before they occur. Try one – you may enjoy a free (hopefully) lecture on your desktop! Some examples:

Topic: Introduction to Forensics: Fingerprint Analysis
Date: October 6, 2011 at 6pm EST.
For more information: http://wardsci.com/article.asp?ai=1369 and email training@vmreducation.com to register.

Topic: Packaging Migration and Economic Adulteration: Testing for Phthalates in Food and Beverage Matrices
Date: October 11, 2011 at 11am EST.
For more information: http://chromatographyonline.com/phthalates

Topic: A Milestone in Food Safety Testing– Using LC/MS/MS to Simultaneously Screen for Multiple Allergens at Low ppm Levels
Date: October 12, 2011 at 2pm EST.
For more information: http://chromatographyonline.com/lwppm
Topic: Apple Webcast: Challenge Based Learning in Action  
Date: October 19 2011 at 10am PST.  
For more information: https://edseminars.apple.com/event/IB94o-913OJ

Topic: Enhancing Metabolomics Studies: Comprehensive Solutions for Molecule Analysis  
Date: October 19 2011 at 11am EST.  
For more information: http://chromatographyonline.com/enhancing

Topic: Teaching Comparative Anatomy using Dissection  
Date: October 25, 2011 at 6:30pm EST.  
For more information: http://wardsci.com/article.asp?ai=1369 and email training@vmreducation.com to register.

Topic: Hands-on Blood Typing Analysis  
Date: October 27, 2011 at 4:00pm EST.  
For more information: http://wardsci.com/article.asp?ai=1369 and email training@vmreducation.com to register.

Topic: Validation of Quantiplex Quantification Kit for Use in Forensic Casework: Evaluation of Preliminary Data.  
Date: November 10, 2011 at 1:30pm EST.  
For more information: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/659098106

Book Shelf  
Some new books on the market that may be of interest:


