



OHIO INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION

The Professional Association for State Investigators

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NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members:

The November meeting will be my last serving you as President of the OIA. I would like to thank the membership, especially past and current officer holders, for all the help and support you have given me the past two years. I would like to encourage members who have not traditionally served in leadership roles in the OIA to "give back" to the organization. This can be accomplished by running for office, chairing a committee or providing suggestions on how to make the organization better. The OIA needs you and the rewards far outweigh the labor.

Our guest speaker for the November meeting is Mr. Sam Faulkner. Sam has been an instructor at the Ohio Peace Officer's Training Academy since 1987 and specializes in defensive tactics and physical conditioning. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hiram State University and a master's degree from Kent State University. Sam holds a fourth-degree black belt in karate and is a past gold medal winner in the Ohio Law Enforcement Olympics. He has been featured on LETN, is a recognized expert in the area of "use of force" and has published numerous articles on the topic. In 1999, he authored a book titled *Use of Force: Decision-Making and Legal Precedence*. He is a consultant to *Caliber Press* and the U.S. Department of Justice, National Institution of Justice (NIJ) on force issues. Sam is a 1997 winner of the Attorney General's Professionalism Award. He currently holds a

police commission with Port Columbus Police Department.

Mr. Faulkner's topic will be "Countering Stinkin Thinkin." Make your reservations early; you won't want to miss it.

See you at the meeting.

Lou

OIA BANQUET – 1860s STYLE

Mark your calendars now for the upcoming OIA Holiday Banquet. Step back in time and experience a truly unique holiday banquet. Come and enjoy a 1860s period holiday at the Ohio Village, 1982 Velma Avenue, located next to the Ohio Historical Society. (Detailed directions and full menu are attached with this newsletter.) There will be good food, good times, awards and door prizes in a 1860s holiday atmosphere.

The date of this event will be Wednesday, December 3rd from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 for members and \$15.00 for guests. Reservations can be made at the November meeting or by contacting Faith Ottavi at 752-2468. Reservations should be made as soon as possible, as seating will be limited.

OIA INVESTIGATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The recipient of the OIA Investigator of the Year Award will be announced at the December banquet. Nominations for the 2004 recipient will be accepted beginning in January.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Only 1 Event Left!

December 3rd (OIA Banquet)

Except for November, all meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Please visit our web site for more information about these meetings.

OIA OFFICERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Officers & Committee Chairs for 2003

President, Lou Agosta – 614-728-5139

Vice-President, Chad Holland - 466-2316

Secretary, Gary Kennedy - 644-5955

Treasurer, Randy McGough - 461-0256

Membership, Faith Ottavi - 466-4135

Newsletter/Web, Gregg Thornton – 644-9110

Nominating, Alan Bonham - 644-7139

OIA luncheon? Take time out to greet and exchange information.

OIA PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

OIA mugs and writing pens are available. The cost of the mug is \$5.50 for members and \$7.00 for non-members. Writing pens are only \$1.00. Please visit our web site or contact Arnie Schropp, Jr. for more information.

LUNCH RESERVATIONS

We would encourage everyone's cooperation by paying by check or if you prefer to pay by cash, no denomination larger than a ten-dollar bill.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report will be made at the November meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The secretary's report will be made at the November meeting. See a new member at the

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