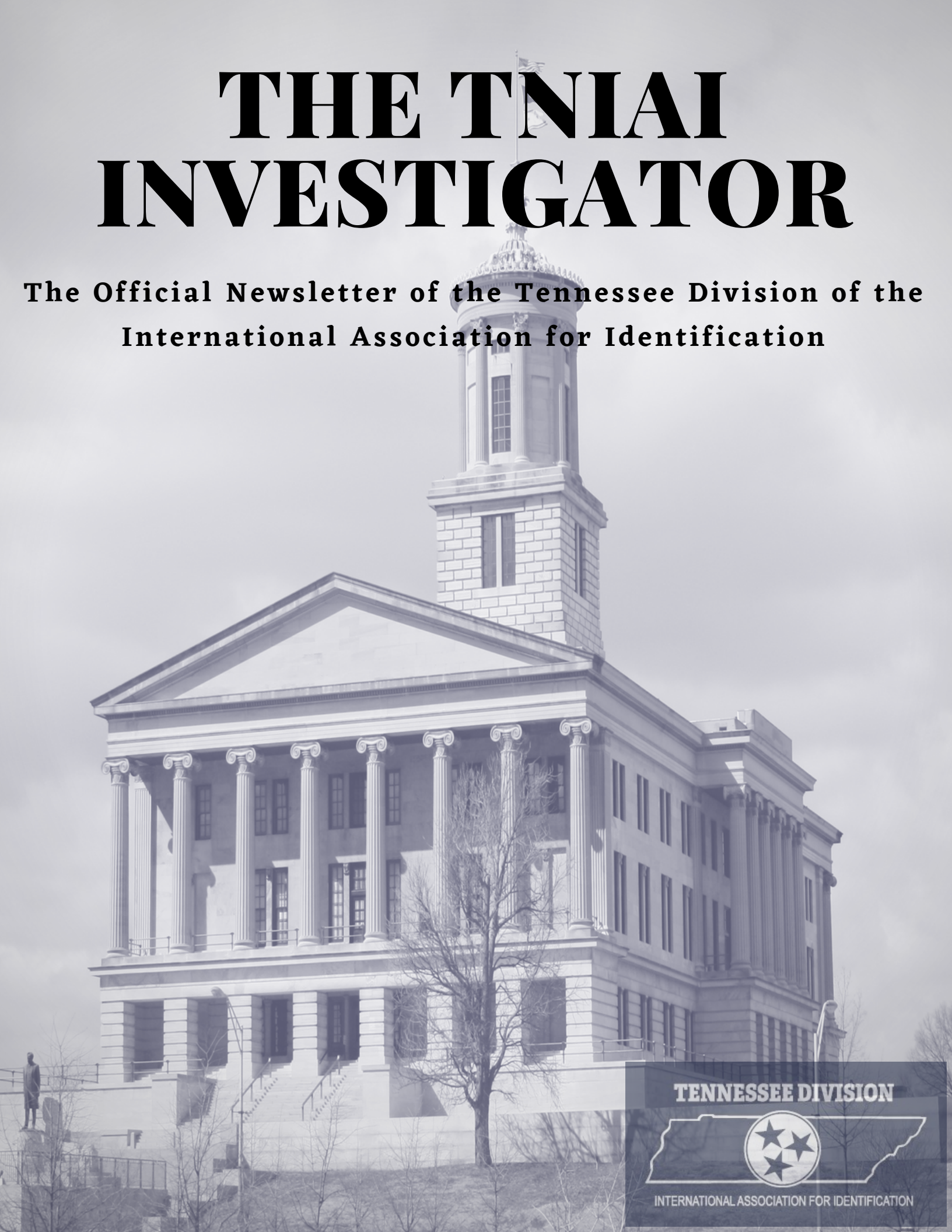


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**The Official Newsletter of the Tennessee Division of the
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Analysis & Documentation of Medicolegal Death Investigations

Hands-On Learning with Instructor-Led Groups

KNOXVILLE, TN | AUGUST 7 - 11, 2023

This course has been approved for 40 hours of certification/re-certification training credit in the IAI Crime Scene Certification Board.

This is a five-day, 40-hour course that will cover basic topics in analysis and documentation of medicolegal death scenes, to include techniques of crime scene investigation. This course incorporates an interdisciplinary approach and is designed for any investigator involved in the scene. The course will assist the investigator with the knowledge and confidence needed to properly observe, document, and process a death scene through time of death indicators, wound characteristics, evidence collection, scene observations, and more. Students will gain knowledge of best practices in crime scene investigation and medicolegal death investigation and analyze real-world case studies of equivocal deaths. The student will gain fundamental knowledge in all manners of death, including homicide, suicide, natural, and accidental. Modules include an Introduction to the Death Investigation System, Documentation and Observation at Death Scenes, Wound Characteristics and Postmortem Changes, Overview of Investigative Issues, and Case Study Evaluation and Group Presentations.

Instructor Dr. Maria Pettolina has over a decade of experience in the forensic field. She has been involved in thousands of criminal investigations and is court qualified as a forensic expert in both Crime Scene Investigation and Chemical Processing. She holds a current certification as a Senior Crime Scene Analyst through the International Association for Identification and is a member of numerous forensic organizations. She is a full-time Criminology and Criminal Justice professor at the University of Northern Colorado and also instructs forensic classes as an adjunct instructor for three other universities. Dr. Pettolina has received over 1300 hours of specialized certificate forensic training.



Dr. Maria Pettolina

Register for this course by visiting tritechtraining.com.





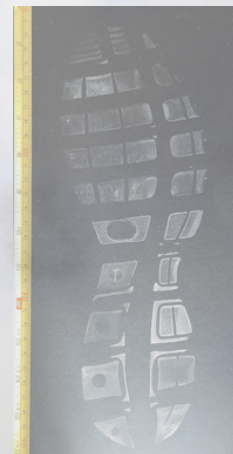
EDITOR'S MESSAGE



Message from the Editor and Committee

We hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy and safe. As always, we are very proud of our newsletter and the progress we have made. Creating content that is applicable to our members and sponsors is our top priority. The goal of this newsletter is to promote further education and forensic training, encourage research and outreach, and share advancements and developments within the forensic community. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our amazing members for their continued support and participation in this organization. If you or your company have any achievements, promotions, or kudos that you would like to award, please let us know and we would be happy to include them in the next newsletter.

- Isabella Barnett





***Summer and sun are
here, so stay cool
and enjoy the time
with family and
friends!***

The Double Loop Podcast is a weekly show featuring Glenn Langenburg and Eric Ray discussing latent print topics, current events in forensic science, the newest research articles, interesting guests, and analysis of notable cases from a forensic scientist perspective.

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Double Loop Podcast

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Message from the President

Hello everyone!

I hope your summers are going well and you can stay cool during this heat wave we have been experiencing. As many of you know we are gearing up for our joint annual conference with the North Carolina and Georgia Divisions of the I.A.I. The conference will be held on October 2-5, 2023, in Cherokee, NC. Prior to registering make sure your member dues are paid up to date to ensure you get member pricing for the joint conference. Feel free to visit the TN IAI conference page on our website to find information on conference registration, hotel registration, and the tentative conference schedule. If you or anyone in your agency is interested in entering the photo contest at the conference, please be sure to visit the TN IAI Facebook page for information on how to enter. If you have anything you would like to present at one of our future conferences, please reach out to myself or our conference chair. I highly encourage anyone who is willing to present to do so.

As always, please be looking for the latest updates through email and our website, and do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any comments, questions, or concerns.

- Amber Smith



Amber Smith
2021-2023 TNIAI President





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OCTOBER 2ND-5TH, 2023

Joint Educational Forensics Conference

Presented by NCIAI, GAIAI, and TNIAI

**Harrah's Cherokee Resort and
Conference Center**



Rooms only \$105/ night (+ tax/fees) if booked by September 1, 2023

More Information to Come!

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INFORMATION



Please join us in welcoming our newest members!

LeeAnn Martin – MTSU

Tracy Sheppard – MTSU

Thomas Simpkins – Metro P.D.

Vivian Stockman – Metro P.D.

Jacob Stout – MTSU

TN Regional Training Opportunities:

University of Tennessee Law Enforcement Innovation Center PoliceTraining.net

TN Law Enforcement Training Officers Association

TRITECH Forensics Training

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International Association for Identification

TRITECH Forensics Training

University of Tennessee Law Enforcement Innovation Center

Please visit <https://www.tniai.org/forum> for more information



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Research and Innovation:

If anyone has a research project that they have worked on, an article they have written, or anything else that other members of the TNIAI might find interesting feel free to send it to tennesseeiai@gmail.com and we will add them to the newsletters.

About Us:

The Tennessee Division for the International Association for Identification (TNIAI) is comprised of forensic scientists, tenprint examiners, detectives, crime scene technicians, police officers and others dedicated to the advancing of education and training for crime scene processing and forensic identification disciplines. The TNIAI hosts an educational conference featuring current topics and distinguished speakers.

For additional training opportunities, visit our website at <https://www.tniai.org/training>.

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Missing something?

If you or any other TNIAI member in your agency has received any sort of promotion, award, or achievement, please submit the story to us for inclusion in the next newsletter!

Got any ideas or suggestions for the newsletter? Send them our way! We would love to hear from you.

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