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MAAFS Spring 1981 Meeting

The Spring MAAFS meeting is just around the corner. The meeting will be held in Charlottesville, Virginia, at the Boar's Head Inn on April 20 and 21, the Monday and Tuesday after Easter. The meeting will begin at 10 AM on Monday and will end around 3 PM on Tuesday.

The Boar's Head is a country inn set on a lake. Activities available include pool facilities, tennis, golf, and nightly entertainment in the Tavern. Beautiful Charlottesville, located at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains, is the home of Monticello. Other historical sites in the area include the Rotunda at the University and Ash Lawn, James Madison's home.

Hotel rooms have been reserved at the Boar's Head (\$47 single/night; \$55 double/night) and at the Cavalier Inn (\$25 single/night; \$35 double/night.) It is the responsibility of each individual member to make their own reservations. The rooms will only be held until March 19.

We are only holding a limited number of rooms at each location. This is a busy time of year in Charlottesville. Make your reservations early!!!

The Boar's Head Inn
Box 5185
Charlottesville, VA 22905
(804) 296-2181

It is located 1 mile west of the Route 250 bypass, approximately 3 miles from the intersection of Routes 29 and 250 (Note Route 250 and Route 250 bypass are *two*

separate roads.)

The Cavalier Inn
Box 5647
Charlottesville, VA 22908
(804) 296-8111

This inn is located at the intersection of Route 29 and Route 250.

If you have any questions, please call Rick Tontarski at (301) 443-5335.

Even at this early date, we have received several requests to present papers at our Spring 1981 MAAFS meeting. The topics include new techniques in explosive analysis, arson investigation from a laboratory's and an investigator's standpoint, and a discussion of the facts behind the Frye Rule.

In an effort to expand the scope of our meetings, I have contacted all the police departments in the Charlottesville area and professors at the University of Virginia to encourage their attendance and participation. Our work is designed to benefit the law enforcement community and our meeting may aid in a better understanding of forensic science by police officers. The University professors and students may be able to contribute ideas and techniques which may be applicable to our different disciplines. This exposure to forensic science may also give students a glimpse at a different kind of scientific career.

I look forward to seeing all (maybe most all) of you in Charlottesville.

— Rick Tontarski

Minutes 16th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Peter Marone at 5:03 PM at the Crystal City Marriott Hotel. Ed Franzosa was appointed Parliamentarian by President Marone. President Marone asked all present to please sign the attendance roster being circulated. President Marone called for approval of the minutes of the last meeting, published in the MAAFS Newsletter, Volume 8, Number 3, August, 1980. The motion was moved, seconded, and carried. The Treasurer's Report and Budget were read, and it was moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried. It was moved and seconded that the Budget be accepted as read. The motion carried. President Marone noted that there was a quorum present.

President Marone presented the Forensic Scientist of the Year Award, an award by the organization to an individual who has exemplified what the organization stands for, both in the field and who has done much for the organization, to Dr. Antonio Cantu, the man who "can do."

President Marone turned over the gavel to President-Elect Richards, who thus assumed the office of President. President Richards presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Past-President Marone.

The results of the election were announced by Tony Cantu, chairman of the Nominating Committee. The President-Elect is Delbert Agee, Secretary-Treasurer is Mike McGee, and Member-at-Large is Rick Tontarski.

President Richards announced that the Spring 1981 meeting would be held in Charlottesville, Virginia, and that Rick Tontarski and Jim Mudd would be co-chairmen. The Fall 1981 meeting will be held in Virginia Beach, Virginia, and Bob Campbell will be the chairman. President Richards called for volunteers to assist the meeting chairman. President Richards also took this opportunity to thank

Minutes continued

his co-chairmen for this meeting, Rick Tontarski and Carrie Parker.

President Richards reappointed the following members to these standing or ad-hoc committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Awards Committee: Chairman Rose Lanzetta, members Tim King, Jane Speaker, Norm Mausolf and Ted Whitcomb.

Membership Committee: Joe Koles

Budget Committee: Jim Crockett and Mike McGee

Nominating Committee: Chairman Tony Cantu, members Ed Franzosa and Pete Marone

Jobs Committee: Al Bober

Historian: Joe Gormley

AD-HOC COMMITTEES:

T-Shirt Committee: Jim Manning, Dave Pomposini, Tom Meyers and Ed Franzosa

Directory Committee: Tony Cantu, Rick Gervasoni and Ed Franzosa

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Report of the T-Shirt Committee: No new slogans have been received by the committee: Ed suggests that we put our thinking caps on and submit some slogans.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Executive Committee Report: The Executive Committee has voted to change the days of the semiannual meetings from Friday and Saturday to Thursday and Friday (or Monday and Tuesday.) There will be about the same amount time for papers, and should require only a one night motel stay.

The Executive Committee has voted to seek an amendment to the By-Laws to raise the annual dues to \$10.00 per annum from \$7.50 per annum, this raise to become effective in 1982.

There are 79 members of MAAFS who are in arrears of their dues.

Mike McGee proposed that MAAFS join with SOFT and NEAFS to sponsor workshops. This would cost MAAFS no money, as we would only supply our mailing list for these workshops, the workshops being paid for out of the tuition paid by the attendees. In fact, as a member of a sponsoring organization, MAAFS members would probably be eligible for discounts. It was moved that MAAFS join with NEAFS and SOFT in presenting workshops in the area of Forensic Science. The motion was seconded, and was carried after some discussion.

There was no further new business.

President Richards made the following announcements: (1) There will be a social hour immediately after the business meeting until 6:30 PM, (2) There will be a Hospitality Room in rooms 701-703 at 8:00 PM and (3) the sessions start tomorrow at 9:00 AM.

All attendees of the business meeting were requested to sign the paper being circulated, to get credit for attending the business meeting. Members were requested to spread the word to other MAAFS members that members who have not attended a business meeting in the last three years can apply to the Executive Committee in writing for dispensation and thus retain their MAAFS membership. Also, members who are 65 or older, or who have been in the field for 25 years and have been MAAFS members for 5 years or longer, are eligible for Emeritus status. Anyone knowing of a member eligible for Emeritus status should bring that to the attention of any Executive Committee member.

There was a discussion of the matter of the requirement of attending one business meeting in six, and questions as to changing this requirement or even dropping it. However, no motions were made, and no official action was taken.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 5:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael P. McGee
Secretary-Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report - 16th Semiannual Meeting

Balance in Checking Account as of May 6, 1980	\$1693.83
Deposits:	
\$536.49 15th Combined Meeting	
\$165.00 Dues and Application Fees	

\$701.49 Total Receipts	+\$701.49

	\$2395.32

Expenses:

\$300.00 Scholarship Award	
\$388.75 15th Combined Meeting and President's Reception	
\$365.00 Newsletter Printing and Expenses	
\$36.75 Ballots and envelopes for Election	
\$22.38 Secretary-Treasurer's Postage	
\$397.14 Deposit towards new Certificate of Deposit	
\$280.00 16th Meeting - Fall 1980	
\$8.00 Miscellaneous	

\$1798.02 Total Disbursements	-\$1798.02

Balance in Checking Account as of October 8, 1980	\$597.30
Balance in Certificate of Deposit as of September 30, 1980	\$5114.77

Balance in Treasury as of October 8, 1980	\$5712.07

1981 Budget

Proposed Budget for 1981

Approximate Expected Income:

Dues (225 active members @ \$7.50 each)	\$1687.50
Interest from Certificate of Deposit	\$475.00

Total Expected Income	\$2162.50

Approximate Expected Expenses:

Secretary-Treasurer's supplies	\$50.00
Postage (except Newsletter)	\$100.00
Newsletter printing and postage	\$1200.00
Meeting Advances	\$200.00

President's Reception	\$300.00
Scholarship Award	\$475.00
Miscellaneous expenses	\$37.50

Total Expected Expenses*	\$2362.50

*Expenses exceed income by \$200 since the meeting advances will be reimbursed from the meeting proceeds.

New Members

The following is a listing of the new members in MAAFS since we published the last list in 1980.

- 310 Joseph P. Boni
Bureau of Forensic Science
Box 999
Richmond, VA 23208
- 311 John M. Schreiber
Bureau of Forensic Science
Box 486
Merrifield, VA 22116
- 312 Barbara J. Stammerjohn
Bureau of Forensic Science
Box 486
Merrifield, VA 22116
- 313 Marc D. Cunningham
DEA Mid-Atlantic Regional Lab
460 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20537
- 314 Richard A. Guerrieri
835 West Lynn Street
Greensburg, PA 15601
- 315 Bruce L. Pagano
U. S. Secret Service
1800 G Street, NW
Washington, DC 20220
- 316 Raymond O. Keto
12517 Middlebrook Road
Germantown, MD 20767
- 317 Joseph H. Bowers
FBI Laboratory
9th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20535
- 318 Gary M. Bald
1541 Marlborough Court
Crofton, MD 21114
- 319 Kevin M. McGuinness
DEA
7704 Old Springhouse Road
McLean, VA 22102
- 320 Lee R. Waggoner
15308 Carrolton Road
Rockville, MD 20853
- 321 Richard W. French
8360 Greensboro Drive, No. 306
McLean, VA 22102
- 322 David W. Springer
Bureau of Forensic Science
Box 486
Merrifield, VA 22116
- 323 Lynnda M. Tomorie
Maryland State Police Crime Lab
Pikesville, MD 21208

324 Robert E. Shark
1923-P Hopkins Road
Richmond, VA 23224

325 John McPhee, Jr.
5515 Westcliff Court
Burke, VA 22015

326 Robert A. Relick
8466 Yellow Leaf Court
Springfield, VA 22153

Spring 1982 Meeting

A suggested site for this meeting is Alexandria, VA, a location central to the majority of members in MAAFS. In 1978 we had an enjoyable Spring meeting at the Old Town Holiday Inn and perhaps this location may well suit us again.

Our principal need at this time is for volunteers for the positions of Program Chairman, Exhibitor Chairman and Arrangements Chairman. Please call President Gerald Richards at (202) 324-4450 if you are interested in helping out. We should start working on this meeting now since the competition in this area (metropolitan Washington) for meeting space is very strong.

Canadian Society of Forensic Science

The 1981 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Forensic Sciences will be held at McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, from August 24th to 28th, 1981.

The first two days will be devoted to practical workshops and seminars.

The plenary sessions and scientific papers to be presented on the final three days.

For details on the workshops, contact:

Dr. J. A. J. Ferris
Hamilton General Hospital
237 Barton Street East
Hamilton, Ontario
Canada L8L 2X2

For all other information, contact:

Brian M. Dixon
Centre of Forensic Sciences
25 Grosvenor Street
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M7A 2G8

Amendment

January 9, 1981

Michael McGee
Secretary-Treasurer, MAAFS

Dear Mike,

This is an official proposal to amend the MAAFS By-Laws regarding ARTICLE II, Section 5. Dues as discussed in our Executive Committee meeting during the 1980 Fall meeting.

The present article reads as follows:
ARTICLE II, Section 5. Dues

A. Dues in the amount of \$7.50 shall be paid by Charter, Regular and Corresponding members to the Secretary-Treasurer at the beginning of each year.

B. Emeritus members shall be exempt from paying dues.

The proposed change to the article reads as follows with the change in bold type:

ARTICLE II, Section 5. Dues

A. Dues in the amount of **\$10.00** shall be paid by Charter, Regular and Corresponding members to the Secretary-Treasurer at the beginning of each year.

B. Emeritus members shall be exempt from paying dues.

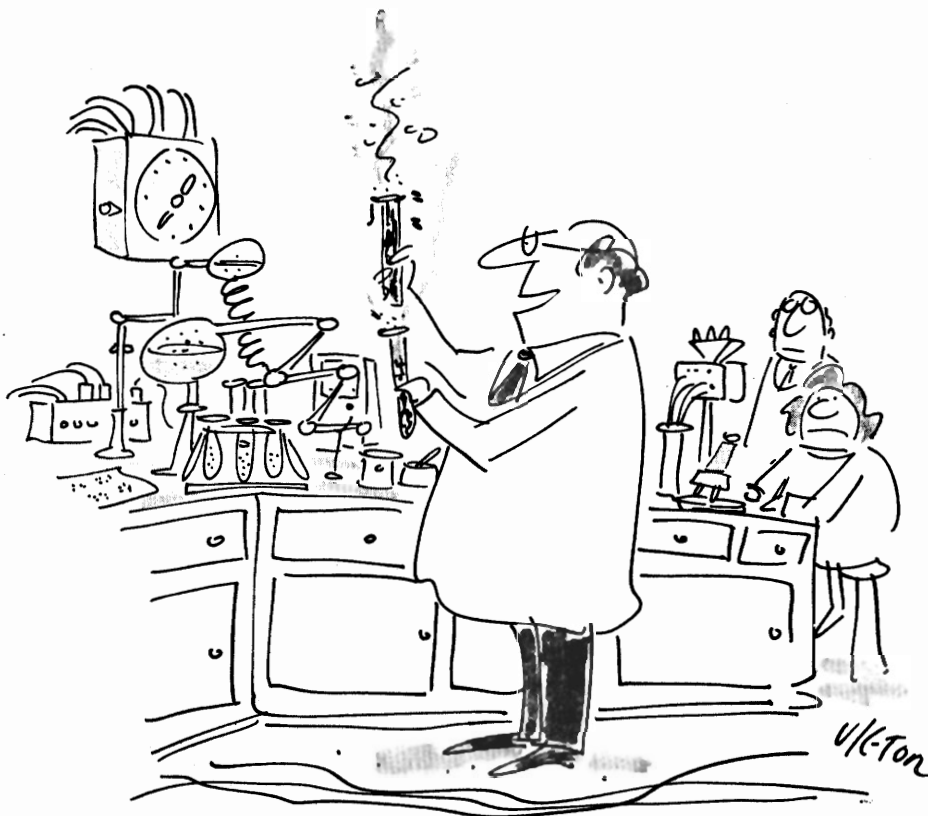
This increase will help defray the cost of the organization's new membership directory and increased annual operating expenses.

Sincerely,
Gerald Richards
President, MAAFS

For every member's information we are publishing ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS of the MAAFS By-Laws which covers the procedure for changing the By-Laws.

Section 1. Proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing to the President at least ninety (90) days prior to a meeting. The proposed amendment shall then be distributed to the membership through the newsletter at least thirty (30) days prior to the next business meeting.

Section 2. Amendments to the By-Laws shall require approval by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the membership present at the business meeting.



"Eureka! Another sticky, gooey mess!"

JOBS

Al Bober is running an Employment Clearing House (under MAAFS auspices) for forensic scientists in the Mid-Atlantic area. He keeps resumes of MAAFS members who are looking for work for 90 days and provides the information to all potential employers who contact him. Al provides this service free of charge. All members interested in employment possibilities are asked to write to Al at the following address:

Al Bober
8430 Allenswood Road
Randallstown, MD 21133

If you should hear of a job opening or receive a notice of an employment opportunity, please send a copy of the notice to Al. Thank you for your cooperation.

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CRIMINALIST CRIME LABORATORY

Qualifications: A minimum of a BS in Criminalistics, Chemistry or closely related fields and a minimum of two years experience in a Crime Laboratory.

Salary: \$17,158 to \$25,736 plus liberal fringe benefits. (Starting salary open, depending upon additional education, training and experience.)

Preference will be given to those applicants who are Court qualified in the analysis of drugs using microscopy, GC, IR and UV instrumentation.

Applicants with training, experience and Court qualified in other Criminalistic fields will be considered (Serology, Trace, Firearms, etc.)

Send letter of inquiry, resume, references and transcripts to:

Harold M. Alfultis, Director
Criminalistics Laboratory
Lorain County Community College
1005 North Abbe Road
Elyria, Ohio 44035

Deadline for completion of all application materials is May 8, 1981 (post-marked.)

An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY
DEPARTMENT

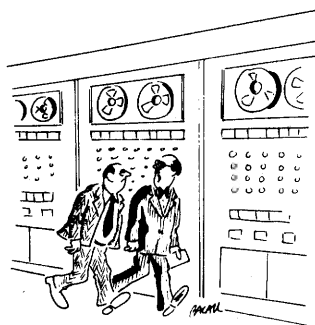
Three Positions Opening December 15,
1980

CRIMINALIST II – \$23,840 to \$30,188 negotiable. The Dade County Crime Laboratory Bureau, Miami, Florida, is seeking a Criminalist with courtroom time and a broad base of experience in the examination of a number of types of "trace" evidence, including but not limited to: paint, glass, fibers, safe insulation, building materials, soils, cosmetics, accelerants and petroleum products, GSR and explosives residues. Mileage in Crime Scene, QD and toolmarks and firearms examination would be helpful. Minimum qualifications include a Baccalaureate degree in Chemistry, Biology, Criminalistics or related area and heavy experience.

SEROLOGIST-CRIMINALIST I – \$20,450 to \$25,890 or **CRIMINALIST II** at \$23,840 to \$30,188 negotiable. We are also seeking a court-qualified Serologist. Minimum qualifications include a Baccalaureate degree in Chemistry, Biochemistry, Biology, Criminalistics or related area and two years experience.

CRIMINALIST I – DRUG CHEMIST \$20,450 to \$25,890 negotiable. We need, right away, a court-qualified drug analyst with a Baccalaureate degree, preferably in Chemistry, and two or more years experience in drug identification and quantitation.

Contact: The immediate supervisors of these operations are Alan Lynn and Bud Stuver, who you may contact directly, or Edward Whittaker, Commander, Crime Laboratory Bureau, Dade County Public Safety Department, 1320 NorthWest 14th Street, Miami, Florida 33125 (305) 547-7368.



Do you know what I miss about the old days? The employees snapping to attention as I walk by."

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SEROLOGIST

The Montgomery County Crime Laboratory (Rockville, MD) has an immediate opening for a Serologist.

TITLE: Forensic Chemist – Salary range is \$19,129 to \$29,133.

QUALIFICATIONS: BS in chemistry, biology or related science; a minimum of two years experience in serology; must be court qualified as an expert witness.

If interested, please send a complete resume to:

Mr. Charles W. Ebert
Montgomery County Police Dept
Personnel Management Division
2350 Research Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20850
(301) 840-2525

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US NAVAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE

The US Naval Investigative Service is seeking one Senior Chemist and two Drug Chemists for employment in each of four new laboratories, to be located in Norfolk, Virginia; San Diego, California; Honolulu, Hawaii; and Naples, Italy. A Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry is desired, along with court experience or experience in a laboratory. Salary for the Senior Chemist positions will be up to the GS-12 level in the Federal Civil Service (\$26,951-35,053) depending on qualifications; the Drug Chemists at each location will be hired at GS-9 (\$18,585-24,165 per annum) or GS-11 (\$22,486-29,236).

Contact:

Mr. Langager
Technical Services Dept - Code 26
US Naval Investigative Service
Box 16230
Suitland, MD 20023
(202) 762-3775

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA Bureau of Forensic Science

The Commonwealth of Virginia is seeking a Serologist, with experience, for its Tidewater Regional Laboratory located in Norfolk, Virginia.

Requirements: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a major study in natural or physical science, forensic science, police science or a relat-

ed area and three years experience in applicable forensic laboratory work. A related master's degree may be substituted for one year of experience. Course work and experience should be related to the area of expertise. Experience may be substituted for education on the basis of two years experience for each year of education.

Salary: Starting salary is dependent on experience and training. Present salary range is \$16,040 to \$21,910 plus benefits.

Contact:

Warren G. Johnson, Director
Bureau of Forensic Science
Box 999
Richmond, VA 23208
(804) 786-2281

FACSS 1981 and 1982

Dear MAAFS Members,

I have been asked to chair a special symposium on forensic science during the 1981 Federation of Analytical Chemistry and Spectroscopy Societies (FACSS) meeting. This meeting, their eighth and referred to as "FACSS-VIII", will be held at the Philadelphia Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia, PA, September 20-25, 1981. At least until 1984, this meeting will be held each fall in Philadelphia. The forensic symposium has previously been chaired by Al Bober and has traditionally been a one-day affair.

My original thoughts on this meeting were to have the MAAFS fall meeting (1½ days) be the symposium mentioned above or have the symposium be a joint MAAFS/NEAFS fall meeting. This may be possible for 1982 since both of our forensic associations appear to be committed for 1981. My hopes obviously were to reduce the number of forensically related fall meetings held in the mid-atlantic and northeastern regions of the United States. It seems that besides the MAAFS and NEAFS fall meetings, and perhaps others, there is the FACSS meeting mentioned above, the Eastern Analytical Symposium normally held in New York City, and the Society of Forensic Toxicologists meeting when they meet in this area. I will therefore ask you to think having MAAFS meeting with FACSS in Philadelphia in 1982.

In the meantime, I ask for your support and help in planning the 1981 sym-

Letters to the Editor:

Editor,

I wish to thank Jim Vandiver for resurrecting Bruce Ettling's article on electrical wire and the MAAFS Newsletter Editor for reprinting it for the benefit of the general membership.

Personally, I found the article to be an excellent compilation and rendering of the essential features that can be identified and related to the involvement of electrical wiring in fires. Also, I am in agreement that the determination as to what extent an identified short circuit had in the cause of a structure fire cannot be made by the laboratory alone. The investigator's view of the fire is the determining factor and the laboratory may, in some instances, aid in that determination.

Exception can be taken, however, to the author's paragraphs headed "Miscellaneous Effects" wherein he states that the finding of brittle wire "has no value in determining the cause of the fire." In talking with electricians, power company engineers and electrical inspectors, a pattern of opinion emerges with respect to brittle copper if it is immediately adjacent to an identifiable short circuit. These people have classified short circuits as being either high resistance or low resistance types. The identifying feature is the presence or absence of brittle wire in the short area, brittle being the signature of high resistance shorts and non-brittle being the signature of low resistance shorts. In the opinion of the power company engineer, a high resistance short heats the wire adjacent to the break in the conductor to a critical level such that metallurgical changes in the copper are caused by the discharging arc, thus rendering the copper brittle for a distance from the break, the distance being related to the energy of the arc. The electrician and the electrical inspector feel that it is unlikely that a low resistance short would be the direct cause of a structure fire. They point out that most low resistance shorts occur following a high resistance short in the same branch circuit; this assumes that the circuit protection devices failed to function.

With these comments in mind, twelve short circuit cases were reviewed and it was found that by applying the brittleness test all the shorts could be classified into the two categories. For each case where a brittle short was found, several non-brittle shorts were also found in the same branch circuit. Two cases exhibited only non-brittle shorts, these involved lamp cord wires. The brittle shorts all involved single strand conductors and, in the case where the cable consisted of two conductors plus ground, brittle shorts were found in each wire - one

posium. The theme chosen is "Current Analytical Problems in the Forensic Laboratory." Being a meeting centered around analytical chemistry and spectroscopy, I am soliciting presentations of work in these areas.

The registration fee for the 1980 meeting was \$35 for advanced registration (ten days or more before the meeting), \$45 for regular registration at the meeting, \$20 for a single day (such as the forensic symposium may be) and \$5 for full-time students.

brittle short per wire, per branch circuit. Relating the brittle short to its physical location in the structure via the investigator yielded a correlation between the short and what an experienced fire investigator had determined was the point of origin of the fire. Correlation was had in six cases only, as the extensive damage in the other two precluded comparison of the short to a location.

What this seems to come to is that: if a brittle short is found, it may be said that the arc left a signature, i.e. brittleness, indicating that it possessed enough energy to cause a fire. All other shorts either do not possess the necessary energy or a determination is not feasible. All that would seem to be left to do is correlate the brittle short to the structure fire via the investigator and the question of did the short cause the fire is seemingly answered. If so, then the finding of brittle copper wire has meaning after all.

Ralph Plankenhorn
Pennsylvania SP Regional Lab
100 North Westmoreland Ave.
Greensburg, PA 15601

Editor,

Thank you for putting one of my papers on electrical wiring [in structural fires] in the September 1980 issue of the MAAFS Newsletter. Two more references should be added. They are:

"Copper Metallurgy as a Diagnostic Tool for Analysis of the Origin of Building Fires" by David W. Levinson, *Fire Technology*, Vol 13 No. 3, pp 211-222, August 1977

and

"Electrical Wiring in Building Fires" by B. V. Ettling, *Fire Technology*, Vol 14 No. 4, pp 317-325, November 1978

A paper on arc marks and mechanical gouges in wires has been submitted to *Fire Technology*, but I have no information on acceptance yet.

Incidentally, I am no longer connected with Washington State University. My business address is:

Technical Fire Investigation
Bruce V. Ettling, Ph.D.
3109-B NorthEast 65th Street
Vancouver, WA 98663
(206) 695-0558

Sincerely
Bruce V. Ettling

Call or write me if you wish to present a paper:

Antonio A. Cantu
BATF, National Lab Center
1401 Research Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20850
(301) 443-5335

I will need a title and a 50 word brief by April 1, 1981, and later, when accepted, I will need a 250 word abstract by June 1, 1981.

Thank you,
Antonio A. Cantu

President's Letter

Fellow members,

During an Executive Committee meeting held at Quantico, Virginia, in January 1981, a formal proposal was made by me to raise our meager dues of \$7.50 per year to \$10.00 per year. If this proposed By-Law change is approved by you in the Spring 1981 meeting, it will expand our financial base so as to offset the continually increasing expense of postage, printing, Association overhead and meetings which do not quite break even. In this same vein there are quite a few members whos dues payments are in arrears for last year (1980.) Each of these individuals will be contacted by our Secretary-Treasurer so that they may maintain their membership.

During the 1981 American Academy of Forensic Science meeting in Los Angeles, Mike McGee and I attended the first meeting of representatives from all seven regional associations of forensic scientists. Two points of discussion were agreed upon at this first gathering. First, on a continuing basis, a complete list of each association's executive committee members and newsletter editors would be forwarded to all the other association's presidents, newsletter editors and secretaries. Secondly, representatives of each association would meet each year during the annual American Academy meeting for the purpose of establishing better lines of communication between the seven regional groups.

Tony Cantu has advised that the long awaited membership directory is ready to go to press, and hopefully will be out before the Fall 1981 meeting.

It happened again last fall!!! Several members attended the entire first day session, and at least one person that I am aware of also attended the Saturday sessions, but none of them got credit for attendance since they were not present at the business meeting. Please remember, that according to our By-Laws, you must attend at least one business meeting out of every six meetings (3 years) to retain membership. If members do not attend this one meeting, and do not submit an explanation in writing as to why they were not able to attend at least one meeting, they will be automatically dropped from the membership rolls. All persons who have not attended one out of six meetings as of January, 1981, should have been personally contacted by one of the Executive Committee members.

For the information and convenience

of the membership, the following list is provided of the individuals on the 1980-1981 Executive Committee, the Standing Committees and the Ad-Hoc Committees.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Past President Pete Marone
President Jerry Richards
President-Elect Del Agee
Secretary-Treasurer Mike McGee
Newsletter Editor Ed Franzosa
Member-at-Large Rick Gervasoni
Member-at-Large Rick Tontarski

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Membership:

Joe Koles

Nominating:

Tony Cantu
Ed Franzosa
Pete Marone

Budget:

Jim Crockett
Mike McGee

Historian:

Joe Gormley

Jobs:

Al Bober

Awards:

Rose Lanzetta
Ted Whitcomb
Tim King
Jane Speaker
Norm Mausolf

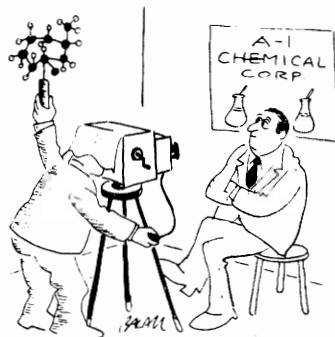
AD-HOC COMMITTEES:

Directory:

Tony Cantu
Ed Franzosa
Rick Gervasoni

T-Shirt:

Jim Manning
Tom Meyers
Dave Pomposini
Ed Franzosa
Pam Townsend



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SOFT MEETING

SOCIETY OF FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY

Do you have a desire to better understand the application of Toxicology/Pharmacology as it applies to Forensic Medicine of Today? You are cordially invited to meet with others possessing the same interest at the 11th Annual meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicology in Chicago, Illinois, on November 4 through 6, 1981, at the Ramada - The O'Hare Inn.

Topics for discussion include:
The Challenges of Toxicology:
The Drug Scene, et al.
Is that level lethal or therapeutic?
It isn't all drugs anymore.
Environmental Problems and the role of the Toxicologist.
Comparative Methods of Trace Metal Analysis.
Current Analytical Techniques in Toxicology.
Instrumentation of the Future.

Want to present a paper (deadline for abstracts is August 1, 1981) or need more information, then write to:

Eleanor Berman, PhD
Division of Biochemistry
Cook County Hospital
1835 West Harrison Street
Chicago, Illinois 60612

FALL 1981 MEETING

Editor,

Please put the following in the next newsletter:

The Fall 1981 MAAFS meeting will be held 24 and 25 September at the Holiday Inn, 39th Street on the beach in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

-Meeting Chairman
Robert J. Campbell
Tidewater Regional Lab
401-A Colley Avenue
Norfolk, VA 23507
(804) 623-8327

MEMBERSHIP APPLIACION

Print in ink or type application; obtain signatures of two current MAAFS members and then mail form to Secretary-Treasurer. Application fee is \$2.50 (non-refundable) and must accompany this application form. Yearly dues at \$7.50. By-Laws require applicant to attend one MAAFS meeting before application can be accepted.

Name:

Occupation/Job Title:

Employer:

Business Address & Phone:

Home Address & Phone:

(Please circle or check your preferred mailing address.)

Education and Experience (include all past employment relating to the forensic sciences):

Circle MAAFS Meetings that you have attended (By-Laws require attendance at one meeting before application can be accepted):

Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall
1977	1977	1978	1978	1979	1979	1980	1980	1981	1981	1981	1981

Membership in Professional or Scientific organizations:

Signature of Applicant:

Date:

Proposed by:

Seconded by:

Past President:

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For the Forensic Scientist of the Year Award I hereby nominate:

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Nominations by ten (10) members will be required in support of each nominee for the award. All nominations will be submitted to the Awards Committee for authentication and review by two (2) month before the semi-annual Spring Meeting. The nominations will then be forwarded to the Executive Committee who determines a final choice of one or none before the Spring Meeting.

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SPRING 1981 MAAFS MEETING - CALL FOR PAPERS

The Spring 1981 MAAFS meeting will be held at the Boar's Head Inn, Charlottesville, Virginia on April 20 and 21. The program will begin at 10 a.m. on April 20 and end by 3 p.m. on April 21, and will consist of papers from all fields of forensic science.

If you are interested in presenting a paper at this meeting, please return the completed form on the next page to one of the meeting chairmen and telephone one of the program chairmen, Bruce Given or Rich Gervasoni (see below) by March 27. If anyone wishes to chair or serve on a panel presentation, and feels they have a suitable topic, please discuss it with one of the program chairmen.

As an extra added attraction, anyone who presents a paper at the meeting, will receive a free lunch on April 21. The April 20 lunch will be included in the registration fee.

The business meeting will be held late Monday afternoon, and all who wish to receive credit for attending the Spring meeting must attend the business meeting.

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April 20 and 21
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Charlottesville, Virginia

REGISTRATION FEE	AMOUNT	ENCLOSED
Members	\$18	_____
Non-members	\$23	_____
Students	\$13	_____
Guest (Luncheon on Monday)	\$11	_____
Late fee for registration after April 10, 1981	\$5	_____
Luncheon on Tuesday (optional)	\$6	_____
	TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED	_____

Registration includes a luncheon on Monday only.

Please make check or money order payable to MAAFS and enclose it with this completed form:

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