

“In A Few Words”

A message from the Managing Editor

Welcome everyone to Volume 2, Number 1, January 2010. In this issue I am publishing two good articles, a case study and a book review, all of which I am sure you will find to be informative and well worth the read.

One of the articles comes to you from the United Kingdom where Police Officer Dean Jones reports on his dissertation research concerning murder cases and the need for supervisory reviews of ongoing investigations. It is titled **“Reviewing the Reviewers: The review of Homicides in the United Kingdom”**.

The other article was prepared by Alexander Jason and is titled **“Shooting Dynamics: Elements of Time and Movement in shooting Incidents.”** This is an informative piece that should be important to all investigators who are charged with investigating shooting incidents, especially police shootings.

The Case Study, **“The Ill-Fated Beer Run: The Shooting of Christopher St. Louis”** by Bryan R. Burnett, documents the reconstruction of a shooting incident. We live and work in an adversary system with differences in opinions but this study amplifies the need for us all to conduct sound and accurate reconstructions if we are to learn the truth as to what happened.

Lastly, a Book Review conducted by Frank Horvath, PhD, of D. Kim Rossmo’s book **“Criminal Investigative Failures”**, CRC Press, 2008. This is a very important book that all investigators should read. While we do not want to hear about our mistakes, we do need to take note and prevent as many of them that we can.

The next issue of The Investigative Sciences Journal is scheduled for July 2010. Please submit your research, writings, case studies, etc. to www.investigativesciencesjournal.org or to me at Editor@InvestigativeSciencesJournal.org. Thank you.

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