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Greetings!

While enjoying a Saturday afternoon lunch at home with my wife, she decided to put an old Andy Griffith DVD in the player and watch whatever episode came on. Real risk takers we are!

My family, including my kids, have always enjoyed watching the reruns of Andy Griffith, and I'm sure we each take something different away from every show we watch. But this episode was different, not for its content, but for the surprise I found as I looked up the history of an actress in the episode.

It was an episode from 1962 or 1963 in which Andy is sitting on the porch playing the guitar, as his new love interest "Peggy" sings. I didn't remember the episode from years ago, but her voice and natural beauty led me to believe that she must have gone on and done great things in her life.



I wondered who she was, certain that the Internet would yield a story of fame and fortune, with the Andy Griffith Show serving as her launching pad.

What I found however, left me speechless. The actress, Joanna Moore (who changed her name from Dorothy Cook) was born in Americus, Georgia in 1934 and she was one of two girls born to her parents.

When she was young, her family was involved in an automobile accident that left her mother, father and sister dead. She was later adopted by her grandmother, who eventually gave her up to foster parents when she could no longer care for her.

Later she moved to Los Angeles to try modeling and acting. She married Ryan O'Neal, and is the mother of Griffin and Tatum O'Neal, but the marriage did not last, and other marriages suffered the same fate. She became a drug user and alcohol abuser, tried to get help many times, but always seemed to find refuge in a bottle. She was arrested 5 times for DUI.

She died of lung cancer in 1997. No stars, no walk of fame, no fortune, no indication of what she could have been!

As I read about her tragic life, I couldn't help but feel for her, and the many others whose lives I encounter who may be consumed by demons, unseen to my eye, but eating away at their souls.

Are there folks in my circle of life, dealing with the hidden struggles created by misfortune, tragedy, or illness, that seek refuge in all the wrong places?

Can I do more to help them?

Andy Reid, coach of the Philadelphia Eagles, who just lost his son Garrett

to a drug overdose after many rehabilitation attempts said it best,

"Garrett's road through life was not always an easy one. He faced tremendous personal challenges with bravery and spirit. As a family, we stood by him and were inspired as he worked to overcome those challenges. Even though he lost the battle that has been ongoing for the last eight years, we will always remember him as a fighter who had a huge, loving heart."

With the story of Joanna Moore fresh in my mind, I read of Garrett Reid and asked myself if my heart was large enough to open my eyes to those crying out for help.

This month we will highlight statement analysis, another tool to open our eyes to stories hidden below the surface!

May God Bless You,

Jim Rechel - Newsletter Editor

Can You Read this Statement...?



We generally think of statements as being written on sheets of paper, entries in Word docs, postings in blogs and other traditional locations. However, it is important to understand other methods of communicating through statements, which includes gang graffiti. Differentiating mischief and vandalism, from symptoms of greater problems in a community is an important component of a much larger definition of "Statement Analysis".

A great resource to better understand gangs, and how they impact a community can be found in a recent FBI resource from the National Gang Intelligence Center.

For more coverage: [National Gang Threats - Emerging Threats](#)

Another Resource: [USDOJ - Graffiti and Gangs](#)

"Statements" in Game Consoles



Game consoles continue to evolve, and as such, are being used by criminals in new and innovative ways. Make sure you don't overlook evidence that could be at your fingertips.

Article: [Gaming Device Used for Child Porn](#)

Resource Article: [Evidence in Gaming Consoles](#)

Statement Analysis

ICJE offers comprehensive statement analysis courses, with Statement Analysis I, II, and III courses.

A one hour introduction to the concepts will be presented in this year's "The Crook's are Getting Smarter" seminar so make sure to register if you are interested in learning more.

Highlights of the programs are shown below:

Statement Analysis I

The specific words used by a suspect or victim reveal a lot about what they want you to believe. Statement Analysis examines the words used by a suspect or victim and uses them to help plan specific interview strategies. Officers using this analysis are much more prepared to testify in court about deception in a person's statement and will be prepared to explain to a judge or jury why they have perceived that deception, instead of just having a gut feeling.

This course will take the participants through the process of gathering a useful statement, detailed presentation of materials, discussion of cases, practical exercises, and tools that can be used after leaving the classroom. It is amazing how much people will reveal when you look at their words, word structure, and how they relate to a crime scene.

Statement analysis has been useful in solving crimes, verification of false reports, gaining confessions, clearing innocent suspects and may be useful in all types of investigations. This is a tool that can be used by patrol officers and investigators to document and analyze statements that may help them solve crimes more quickly.

Statement Analysis II

Statement Analysis II will include a review of previously presented material along with new skills used to examine the words used by a suspect or victim and helps to plan specific interview strategies. Officers using this analysis are better prepared to testify in court about deception in a person's statement and will be prepared to explain to a judge or jury why they have perceived that deception, instead of just having a gut feeling.

This course will take the participants through detailed presentation of new material, discussion of cases, in-depth practical exercises, and practical use of techniques that can be used after leaving the classroom. It is amazing how much people will reveal when you look at their words, word structure, and how they relate to a crime scene.

Statement Analysis III

Statement Analysis III is a continuation of the skills presented in Statement Analysis II and Statement Analysis I.

Statement Analysis III will include a review of previously presented material along with new information, individual and team practical exercises, and interview strategies. Officers using this analysis will have additional techniques to aid in their investigations, are better prepared to testify in court about deception in a person's statement, and will be prepared to explain to a judge or jury why they have perceived that deception.

This course will take the participants through detailed presentation of new material built upon I and II, discussion of cases, in-depth practical and team exercises, and practical use of techniques that can be used after leaving the classroom. Statement Analysis helps to determine how people reveal truthfulness and deception when you look at their words, word structure, and how they relate to a crime scene.

The Crooks are Getting Smarter - September 27 - 9am to 4pm

If you are interested in attending the 6th Annual "The Crooks are Getting Smarter" seminar you need to register soon. More than 140 are registered and the class is nearing the maximum seating capacity, which is approximately 150-175.

To register: [The Crooks are Getting Smarter](#)

New ICJE Website



Be sure to visit our newly designed website at: [ICJE Website](#)

It has past issues of the newsletter, articles and course information about ICJE courses.

APTA

2012-B Certified Instructor Development Course Update

The next Five Day Law Enforcement Instructor Development Course for 2012 will be held in Montgomery at the Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center in October, dates to be announced. Registration link will appear below.

This course will only be open to the first 15 APTA members who register. Those registering after the class is full will be placed on the standby list. If there is enough interest, ICJE will hold the next class in February, 2013.

Although the training is free to APTA members, there is a required registration fee of \$75 per participant. This fee helps cover the course materials and a working lunch each day. The fee is due prior to the course (unless registrants provide a departmental purchase order) and is non-refundable due to the limited class size; however, substitutions are permitted.

Instructor Development Course Curriculum

- Course Introduction
- Instructional Systems Design
- Instructional Goals and Objectives
- Adult Learning
- Needs Assessment
- Task Analysis
- Lesson Plans
- Evaluating Instruction
- Creating Tests
- Basics of Instruction
- Instructor Role
- Methods of Instruction
- Student Perception
- Leadership, Ethics and Legal Responsibility
- Facilitation Skills
- Motivation and the Psychology of Learning
- Presentation Skills
- Creating Effective Learning Environments
- Visual Aids
- PowerPoint and Practical Exercises
- Student Presentations and Final Exam

APTA Annual Meeting and Training

The 2012 training and annual meeting date is set for December 11, 2012, at AUM in Montgomery. The training and meeting are free to APTA members and a complementary lunch will be provided. This promises to be our best seminar yet, so please plan to attend. Those attending the training will receive 6 APOST CEUs.

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