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FALL CONFERENCE **Holiday Inn Summit County** **Frisco, CO** **October 29-31, 2014**

Registration Forms Are
Available On The CCA Website.
There are a limited number of
rooms for our group, and
reservations must be made
before September 28, 2014
in order to receive the
discounted rate of
\$79.99 + tax/per night
Use booking code: **CCA**

For additional information
Call (970) 628-5151 or email
Jenny Howe, Conference Coordinator
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ELECTION **CCA Board of Directors**

The election of Board Members took place on June 18, 2014 by a show of hands. There were 6 positions for two-year terms, and 1 vacant position for a one-year term.

The results are:

Dr. Patrick Allen, President (2016)
Brenda Bock, Vice President (2016)
Randy Gorton, Secretary (2016)
Mike Graeff, Treasurer (2016)
Dr. Thomas Canfield (2016)
Mark Ward (2016)
Regan Wood (2015)

Four scholarships will be awarded for the **October 2014 Fall Training**. The deadline for submission is Friday, September 5th by 5:00 p.m. Scholarship forms are available on the CCA website.



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A Message from the CCA President

I have been asked to remind all Coroners to please be respectful of the time commitments of various first responders and facilities such as EMS, Firefighters, etc.

There have been occasions that Coroners have kept ambulances, Flight-for-Life aircraft, and similar crews tied up for hours waiting for the Coroner to arrive and take custody of the remains of a patient who died while in transit. Legitimate delays do of course happen, but be mindful that these agencies need to be back in service to aid patients/victims in non-fatal situations.

Similarly, try to avoid tying up the emergency room if a patient has expired in a hospital ER.

Next Board Meeting:

Thursday, October 30, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at the
Holiday Inn Summit County.

Board Meetings are open to all CCA Members.
If you have questions, please call Jenny Howe at
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Electronic Death Registration
(E.D.R.) System

For the latest updates, check the
CCA website under the "Links"
tab or sign up for updates at:
cdphe.edr@state.co.us

Scholarship Committee

George Crocket, Chair, Jackson County
Randy Gorton, Kit Carson County
Art Nordyke, Custer County
Mark Ward, Weld County

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Patrick Allen, MD, Larimer County, Chair,
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Marketing Committee

Mike Graeff, Elbert County, Chair
Sandy Graeff, Elbert County
George Crocket, Jackson County

Certification Committee

Brenda Bock, Grand County, Chair



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New Coroner Institute

The New Coroner Institute will be held December 8-12, 2014 at the Adams County Coroner's Office in Brighton. All new Coroners, and Coroners who are currently in the office since 2011 but have not attended this training, are required to attend.

Details will be sent to all Coroner's offices as more information becomes available. The New Coroner Institute is being presented by the Colorado Department of Health and Environment (CDPHE) in conjunction with the Colorado Coroners Standards and Training Board (CCSTB).

CCA Death Investigators.

I have been having major computer issues so some of the emails that were sent since the conference in June were lost. Please bear with me as I try to get all the issues straightened out. Several of you have gotten a hold of me about your listings and I really appreciate you doing that.

I have uploaded the newest list to the website. Please take the time to check it out for any mistakes that might have been made and let me know. Hopefully I have all of your information entered correctly. I had to go through each folder to update your certification expiration dates. **I won't be sending out new certificates unless you specifically ask me to**, but will send them out the next time you re-certify.

Also on the website is a new feature for Certification. It's an FAQ. Hopefully this will answer some questions for those of you that want to get certified. If you have any questions please let me know.

Brenda Bock, Certification Chair



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FAQ's for Certification

- Q.** When I attend the autopsies, do they all have to be signed off by a Forensic Pathologist?
A. Three of the autopsies must be signed by Forensic Pathologist and two can be signed by a hospital pathologist. (They must be natural deaths.)
- Q.** It says that the investigations must be signed off by a certified death investigator. Does it have to be a CCA Certified Death Investigator or will any certified death investigator work?
A. It must be a CCA Certified Death Investigator who signs off on your Application.
- Q.** How long do I have to complete the Application?
A. You have 4 years from start to finish. Autopsies, Investigations and Classes/Seminars done prior to that can't be used.
- Q.** How long do I have to get re-certified after my Certification expires?
A. You have a one year Grace period to get your paperwork in. Any longer than that and you have to start the whole process all over.
- Q.** I can't find my High School Diploma. Will my College Diploma or transcripts work?
A. Yes
- Q.** Why are the CCA Certified Death Investigators signing for my investigations?
A. They are saying that you have investigated the cases by yourself and that they believe you have done a thorough job.
- Q.** I don't currently work at a Coroner's Office, can I still re-certify?
A. No. You have to be currently working at a Coroner's Office. The Coroner has to sign off on your application verifying the information is true and accurate.

CCA June 2015 Conference
June 3rd – 5th
DoubleTree Hotel
Colorado Springs

Visit the CCA website at
<http://www.coloradocoroners.org>
for updates on training, conferences,
and other important information.



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