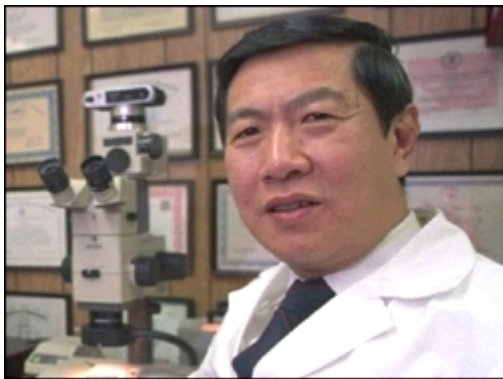


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1. 6th Annual AIA Conference A Smash Hit

From all the feedback received so far, our conference--held October 5th in Anchorage, featuring Dr. Henry Lee, was a resounding success. Thanks to all who helped make this year's conference our most successful ever.



Dr. Henry Lee

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2. Board Member Candidates, Volunteers Needed

AIA is looking for motivated members willing to *actively* participate in helping to make AIA a great organization. First, members in good standing who wish to serve on the AIA Board may submit their names for consideration. Names must be submitted by 1 December. All names submitted will be put to a vote of the general membership, with the six candidates garnering the most votes being elected for a two-year term. Board members will in turn select from their ranks the positions of president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. Board members must be willing to participate in monthly membership meetings and serve on at least two committees during their term. Interested members should contact President Joe Austin at: austin@alaska.net.

AIA members not able to participate in the Board, but who otherwise wish to participate in their organization are encouraged to volunteer for one or more committee positions. Committees needing committed members are membership, conference, legislative affairs, public affairs, fundraising, and law enforcement liaison.

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3. Membership votes to raise dues January 1st

During the annual membership meeting held October 5th, the AIA membership voted to increase membership dues to \$50, effective January 1, 2003. If you renew before that date, the cost will be the old rate of \$35. Therefore, this is a great opportunity to renew your membership and save. Better yet, put for two or even three years in advance and save even more. For example, renew for 2003 and 2004 at \$70, saving \$30; or renew for 2003 through 2005 for \$105, saving \$45!

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4. P.I. Museum

The P.I. Museum is both an educational and fun experience. To go to the P.I. Museum web site, where you can take a Virtual Tour, click on <http://www.pimuseum.com/piframe.shtml>

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5. Black Book Online newsletter

The official newsletter of Black Book Online contains important information about new information sources and products from author and P.I. Robert ("The Investigator's Little Black Book") Scott. This newsletter is primarily for private investigators and other investigative professionals. Click on: <http://www.crimetime.com/online.htm>

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6. Area Code 809 Phone Scam

Editor's note: The following is great information, not only for yourself but to pass on to clients.

Don't respond to Emails, phone calls, or web pages which tell you to call an "809" Phone Number. This is a very important because it alerts you to a scam that is spreading *extremely* quickly, can easily cost you \$2400 or more, and is difficult to avoid unless you are aware of it. This scam has also been identified by the National Fraud Information Center and is costing victims lots of money. There are lots of different permutations of this scam.

How It Works:

You will receive a message on your answering machine or your pager, which asks you to call a number beginning with area code 809. The reason you're asked to call varies. It can be to receive information about a family member who

has been ill, to tell you someone has been arrested, died, to let you know you have won a wonderful prize, etc. In each case, you are told to call the 809 number right away. Since there are so many new area codes these days, people unknowingly return these calls. If you call from the US, you will apparently be charged \$2425 per-minute. Or, you'll get a long recorded message. The point is, they will try to keep you on the phone as long as possible to increase the charges. Unfortunately, when you get your phone bill, you'll often be charged more than \$24,100.00.

Why It Works:

The 809 area code is located in the DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. The 809 area code can be used as a "pay-per-call" number, similar to 900 numbers in the US. Since 809 is not in the US, it is not covered by US regulations of 900 numbers, which require that you be notified and warned of charges and rates involved when you call a "pay-per-call" number. There is also no requirement that the company provide a time period during which you may terminate the call without being charged. Further, whereas many US homes that have 900 number blocking to avoid these kinds of charges, do not work in preventing calls to the 809 area code. We recommend that no matter how you get the message, if you are asked to call a number with an 809 area code that you don't recognize just disregard the message. Be wary of email or calls asking you to call an 809 area code number. It's important to prevent becoming a victim of this scam, since trying to fight the charges afterwards can become a real nightmare. That's because you did actually make the call. If you complain, both your local phone company and your long distance carrier will not want to get involved and will most likely tell you that they are simply providing the billing for the foreign company. You'll end up dealing with a foreign company that argues they have done nothing wrong.

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7. Famous Last Words of the Condemned

GUY CLARK (hanged in 1832) - On the way to the gallows, the sheriff told Clark to speed up the pace. Clark replied, "Nothing will happen until I get there."

WILLIAM PALMER (hanged in 1856) - As he stepped onto the gallows Palmer looked at the trapdoor and exclaimed, "Are you sure it's safe?"

JAMES W. RODGERS (shot in 1960) - Asked if he had a last request, Rodgers stated, "Why yes -- a bulletproof vest."

From "The Book of Lists 3" (1983).

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8. P.I. Licensing in Alaska

Editor's Note: For some reason there seems to be continuing confusion about private investigator licensing requirements in Alaska. This brief article sums of the current state of affairs. The Alaska

Investigator's Association is working to institute professional licensing in Alaska. If you wish to join in this effort, contact AIA President Joe Austin [austin@alaska.net]

At this time there is no there is no statewide P.I. licensing requirements in Alaska. There is a Process Server License. Requirement through Alaska DPS. The only License a P.I. needs in Alaska is a State Business License. To find out more or to apply for a license online, go to:
http://www.dced.state.ak.us/occ/apps/BLEC_Start.cfm

If you do business as a P.I. within the municipalities of Anchorage or Fairbanks, those locations require P.I. Licensing *in their jurisdictions only*. For information on licensing in Anchorage, go to the following site, where you can download the instructions and applications in PDF format:
<http://www.muni.org/assembly2/clerk%20business%20license.cfm>. For information on licensing in Fairbanks go to:
<http://www.labor.state.ak.us/research/dlo/fprvdet.htm>.

If you want to research the licensing requirements in other states, click on:
http://www.tracersinfo.com/links/pi_licensing.html.

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9. CD-ROM Version of Locks, Safes, and Security

The electronic version of LOCKS, SAFES, AND SECURITY is now available on CD ROM (LSS+). The second edition of the bound edition was released in 2001 by Charles C. Thomas Publishers, and is recognized as the most comprehensive treatise on the subject of locks, safes, and their bypass. A great deal of material has been added to the electronic supplement to the book, including over 4,000 new images, 300 full-text patents, and about forty hours of audio and video clips in the GOVERNMENT version. The multimedia segments deal with forced entry, forensic investigation, and covert bypass of high security locks and safes.

LSS+ contains a total of four books, including two famous treatises by George Price and Alfred C. Hobbs, both of which were written during the Industrial Revolution. The Art of Manipulation has been rewritten and is also included. LSS+ is available in three security levels: PUBLIC, LOCKSMITH, and GOVERNMENT. The LOCKSMITH version comes with five disks; the GOVERNMENT version has ten disks.

LSS+ is built around an extremely sophisticated search engine to allow instant access to the more than 5 GB of data contained on the disks. There is an on-line tour of LSS+ at www.security.org/lss-tour.htm.

You may obtain a preview copy of LSS+ from Security.org by e-mail request to lss@security.org, or by downloading it. Reader inquiries are welcome. You may also read the review in The National Locksmith magazine, July 2002, at Security.org.

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10. Web Watch

Editor's Note: The following web sites have been selected as potentially useful for our readers:

Juneau City Assessor's Online Database allows you to do a property search in Juneau: www.juneau.lib.ak.us/assessordata/assessor.asp

Databases for Alaskans: An excellent selection of 18 databases provided free by four commercial vendors: www.juneau.org/databases/index.html

Alaska Quicklinks: (Has tons of links to Alaska information and sources, including Alaska white and yellow pages) www.50states.com/alaska.htm

REMINDER: The member's only section of the AIA website has hundreds of links useful to investigators. If you aren't already tied into this resource and don't know how, contact webmaster@akinvestigators.com.

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11. New Lexis online commentary: Pen Registers and Trap and Trace Devices

In 1979 the United States Supreme Court ruled that individuals have no Fourth Amendment expectation of privacy in telephone numbers dialed from or into a telephone line. *Smith v. Maryland*, 442 U.S. 735, 61 L.Ed.2d 220, 99 S. Ct. 2577 (1979). Therefore, the Government did not violate the Constitution through detection of those telephone numbers by use of pen registers and trap and trace devices...

For a thorough discussion of the issues involved, click below to read the entire commentary:

<http://www.nita.org/lexiscommentaries.htm>

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Please tell a friend or associate how to join AIA so they can subscribe this newsletter and take advantage of the other great benefits AIA has to offer.

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