



# THE OREGON INVESTIGATOR

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The Oregon Association of Licensed Investigators (OALI) had their Annual Meeting Friday, June 4, 2004 and Summer Seminar on Saturday, June 5, 2004.

We voted on one Constitutional change adding "Section 3" to Article VII.

Beautiful wall plaques were presented to 2003-2004 Board members in appreciation for their services. I am holding plaques for those not present, you know who you are, call me if you are in Portland so you can pick yours up.

Several members made presentations including Thia Bell of Eugene who is our Constitution Committee Chair. Thia asked the Board to consider paying an attorney who specializes in non-profit associations, to look at our Constitution and recommend any changes that may be

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## ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Oregon Association of Licensed Investigators was called to order by President Patricia Vollbrecht at 12:50 AM, June 4, 2004, at Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond, Oregon.

Members Present:  
Thia Bell

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A message from our leader!

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## Schedule of Events

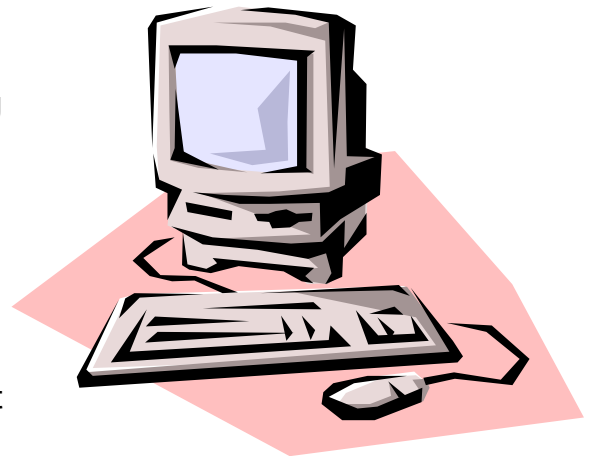
- **8/23-29**—WAD Conference, Moscow Russia, see [www.alternativa.com](http://www.alternativa.com)
- **8/26-28**—Super conference, New Orleans, , co-hosted NALI & NAIS...[www.nalionline.org](http://www.nalionline.org)
- **8/16**—SEAHAWKS @ Packers
- **8/21**—Broncos @ SEAHAWKS
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## WHY DEVELOP A FINANCIAL PLAN?

Most people find that managing their finances is a challenge. We face many opportunities, obstacles and hazards along the way. We struggle with the anxiety relating to our personal financial circumstances. Also, many families are too busy dealing with the challenges of day to day life to think about next month, let alone retirement, which may be twenty years or more into the future!

Let us think a moment about a simple short-term goal. Would you go on vacation without doing some basic planning – where you want to go, how you’re going to get there, how much money you need, what items you should pack?

Even with the best of efforts in preparing for your vacation, you will have to make adjustments along the way.



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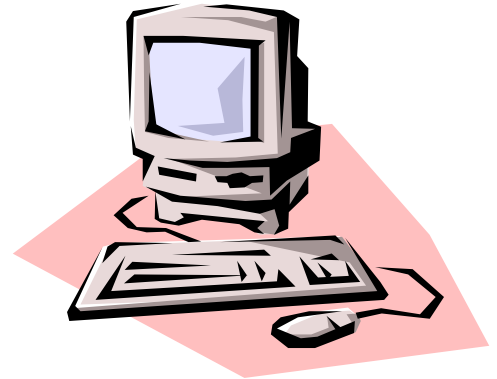
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needed to keep us legally current. Thia provided the name of one possible attorney and hourly fee.

Later the Board agreed to spend \$200.00 for a consultation for Thia to visit with an attorney to discuss our Constitution and get an estimate of cost for additional work, if needed.

The 2004-2005 OALI Board will remain much the same as the 2003-2004 Board. I'd like to welcome new Board members: NE Regional Director-Wm. R. "Bill" Hamilton; Coast Regional Director-Charles Vander Perren and Valley Regional Director-Thia Bell. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at every Seminar because following the Seminar there will be a Board meeting. All members are welcome at Board meetings.



OALI elections were conducted this past June

OALI had a members only drawing Friday, June 4th, at the end of the business meeting. You had to be present to win. A check for \$89.00 was given to long-time member William "Bill" Lioio, Tribunes, Inc, PO Box 70011, Eugene, OR 97401, (541) 342-4846.

Saturday, June 5, 2004, Seminar drawing winners and the company who donated items:

LONGBOTTOM COFFEE, Portland, Oregon, donated three (3), Coffee & Travel Mug gift baskets.

PI MAGAZINE, [info@pimagazine.com](mailto:info@pimagazine.com), donated two (2), one-year subscriptions to the magazine. Winners:

Charles VanderPerren, Sea Breeze Investigations, PO Box 986, Manzanita, OR 97130, (503) 368-3771

Robert McManus, Misty Mountain Investigations, PO Box

429, Junction City, OR 97448, (541) 998-8668

LONGBOTTOM COFFEE, Portland, Oregon, donated three (3), Coffee & Travel Mug gift baskets. Winners:

Ralph Radmer, Radmer Investigations, PO Box 2473, Clackamas, OR 97015, (503) 558-9422



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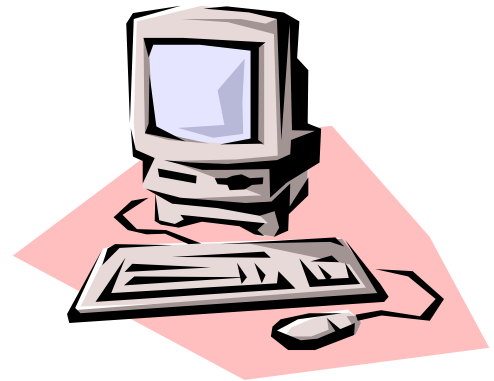
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Brian Freeland, Lawyer's Legal Service LLC, P.O. Box 9007, Portland, OR 97207-9007, (503) 224-7911

Jeff Nussman, Cascade Investigative Agency, Inc, PO Box 6783, Bend, OR 97708, (541) 389-5271

OALI, [oali@oali.org](mailto:oali@oali.org), donated several items.

"Code of Professional Conduct" by Kitty Hailey, won by: Renee Nussman, Cascade Investigative Agency, Inc. PO Box 6783, Bend, OR 97708, (541) 389-5271.



Fun times!

Confetti-cut personal paper shredder, won by: Stuart Wood, Eagles Eye Legal Investigations, PO

Box 944, Estacada, OR 97023-0944, (503) 630-3150.

Portable warmer/fridge with a/c-d/c adapter, won by: J.R. Wilkinson, James R Wilkinson, PI, 2712 NE Riverside Ave #13, Pendleton, OR 97801, (541) 276-9782.

OALI appreciates the donations from PI Magazine, Long bottom Coffee & Tea and Christopher Stringham. Thank you.

Christopher Stringham, computer specialist donated software items.

Microsoft Visio, won by: Shelley Radmer, Radmer Investigations, PO Box 2473, Clackamas, OR 97015, (503) 558-9422.

Microsoft Server Software, won by: Dan Matarazzo Investigator, 16177 NW Claremont Dr, Portland OR 97229, (503) 690-5652.

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After the seminar the new OALI Board met to discuss plans for 2004-2005. Among other things, the Board agreed to have a Free Seminar for OALI



Nice Prizes!

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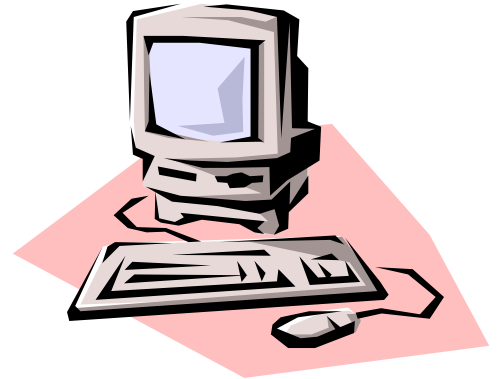
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members, non-members would pay a minimum \$75.00(?) or more. The free Seminar is scheduled November 6, 2004, Red Lion, Eugene. Seating is limited, pre-registration required.

Several past presidents including Stuart Steinberg wanted to put on a free seminar for members but until recently our financial position made it impractical. I am thrilled we can do this for our members. At \$75.00 a year to be an OALI member, one free seminar is worth a years membership.

The free seminar is a benefit of membership and a good time for non-members to consider joining OALI. If you are acquainted with non-members, invite them to join OALI so they can get in free too.



Free Seminar is coming!

Greg Parson, OALI Vice President, is always looking for great speakers, contact him if you have a suggestion. He is listed on the OALI website <http://www.oali.org/> on the Board page.

Oregon Board of Investigators (OBI) renewal packets include a Continuing Education (CE) form for recording your CE.

Check your information on the OALI website "Locate a Private Investigator". Sometimes we have a hick-up (operator error) and your information is changed by accident. You are responsible for making sure the right information is published. Make it a habit to check it from time to time.

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clude a Continuing Education (CE) form for recording your CE. I get calls from people filling out the CE form asking "how many CE did such-n-such "OALI seminar have?" Go to the OALI website <http://www.oali.org/> the information is on the OALI videotape library page. Dave Vollbrecht, OALI Treasurer produces a video tape for nearly every seminar speaker, and lists them in date order on the website. We don't mind answering your questions by phone but if you have web access, it may be quicker for you to check the website "Videos" page.



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## PRESIDENTS LETTER, CONTINUED

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Please use the website <http://www.oali.org/>, you will find a lot of information there, like the free library for members, the benefits page—make sure you are getting all the benefits of membership, files and publications, etcetera.

Webmaster Chris Stringham added a forms page. If you have a form you feel beneficial to members, send a copy via e-mail to the Webmaster [oali@oali.org](mailto:oali@oali.org).

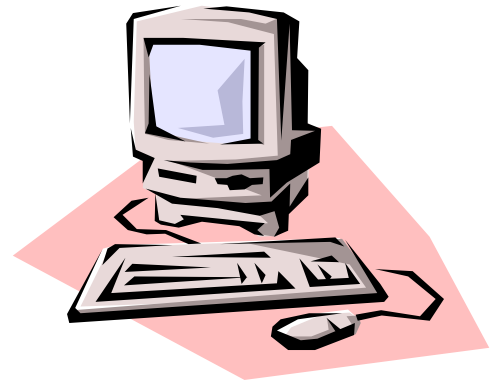
There is so much your Board is doing for you that I want to tell you and so much more we plan to do but I'll stop here with this last item. Contact us, we are listed on the website Board page. Let us know how we are doing

and what you want us to do. We'll give it our best shot.

Thanks for re-electing me president 2004-2005.

Sincerely,  
Patricia A Vollbrecht  
President

Have a better understanding of your current financial situation



Lot's of work to be done!

## FINANCIAL PLAN, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

Financial planning is no different. By developing a financial plan, you and your family will:

- Have a better understanding of your current financial situation
- Determine attainable retirement, education, insurance and other financial goals
- Review goals, funding strategies, and alternatives when goals have to be compromised



Have a financial plan!

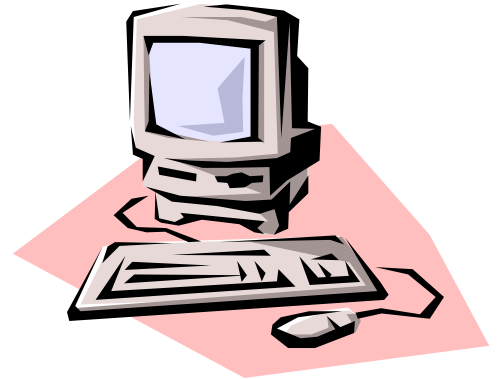
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## FINANCIAL PLAN, CONTINUED

- Have the necessary financial resources set aside to fund goals as they occur
- Reduce the effect of unexpected events, such as disability, premature death, etc...

Michael J Eugenio  
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10190 SW Laurel Beaverton OR 97005

Securities Offered by Pacific West Securities  
Member SIPC / NASD



Call Michael!

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Kurt Wuest  
Robert McManus  
Gary Crowe  
David Carlson

Renee Nussman  
Jeff Nussman  
Greg Parson  
Charles VanderPerren  
Diane Wood  
Stuart Wood  
Vincent Salomone  
Dan Davis

Thanks for re-electing me president  
2004-2005.

Shelley Radmer  
Ralph Radmer  
Bill Liolio  
Clinton Park  
Dave Vollbrecht  
Patricia Vollbrecht  
Dan Matarazzo  
Stu Steinberg



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## ANNUAL MEETING, CONTINUED

Also Present:  
Mary Brown

Those members of the Board of Directors who were present were introduced.

Items of Discussion:

OCDLA Vendor Table—There have been no volunteers to man the table June 18-20, so we have not reserved a table.

OALI Audit—President Vollbrecht asked for a volunteer to find someone to perform an audit or review of the OALI books. Gary Crowe volunteered to talk to

some people and determine if we need a full audit or a review, and will see if he can find someone to perform the work.

Board of Director Certificates and Certificate's of appreciation were presented to Board members present.

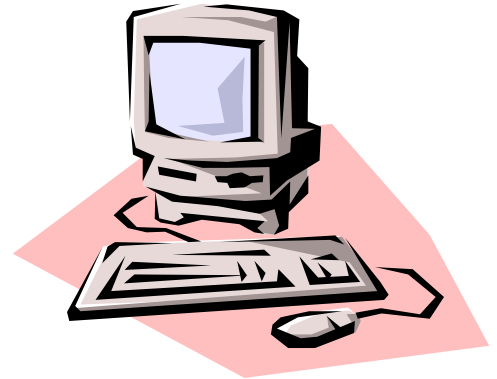
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Treasurer's Report—Dave Vollbrecht presented the Treasurer's Report (attached). A discussion ensued as to what we should do with the approximately \$22,000 in our

account. It was proposed that we keep at least \$10,000 of it for a contingency fund and perhaps use some for a part time lobbyist. Other suggestions included seminars and an Executive Director with a small salary. Treasurer Vollbrecht noted that our goal was to have 200 more members as we already have the infrastructure to support them. He said that the main reason given by those who resigned from OALI was retirement.

Constitutional Changes—Thia Bell gave a report regarding implementing



Volunteer for OALI!



Be part of the team!

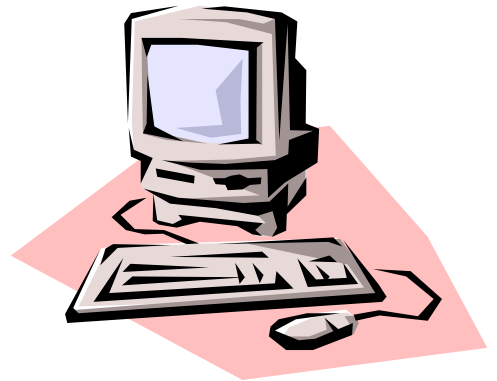
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# ANNUAL MEETING, CONTINUED

changes in OALI's constitution. There are some typographical and other potential errors that need to be corrected. Ms. Bell suggested that we get a specialty attorney to review our by-laws and prepare amendments that will be ready by the Fall meeting.

OBI Legislative Proposals—It was pointed out that members should be checking the OBI website to check for Legislation the OBI is hoping to pass. It was also suggested that OALI might want to pursue legislation to require more PI members on the Board.



Greg Parson re-elected as VP!

Elections—Elections of Board of Members was held. Stu Steinberg nominated Charles Vander Perren for the Coast Region Director. Ballots were also

counted regarding the proposed constitutional amendment. Results are:

President Patricia Vollbrecht  
Vice President Greg Parsons

Secretary Shelley Radmer  
Treasurer David Vollbrecht  
Sergeant at Arms Charles Farrington, Jr.  
Membership Director Richard Templeton  
NW Regional Director Gary Crowe  
NW Regional Director Second Position Dan Matarazzo  
NE Regional Director Wm. R. "Bill" Hamilton

Ballots were also counted regarding the proposed constitutional amendment.

Eastern Regional Director Ken Dunleavy, Jr.  
Coast Regional Director **Charles Vander Perren**  
Valley Regional Director **Thia Bell**  
Southern Regional Director Wilburn "Will" Ray  
Central Regional Director Vincent Salomone



Gary Crowe re-elected RD!

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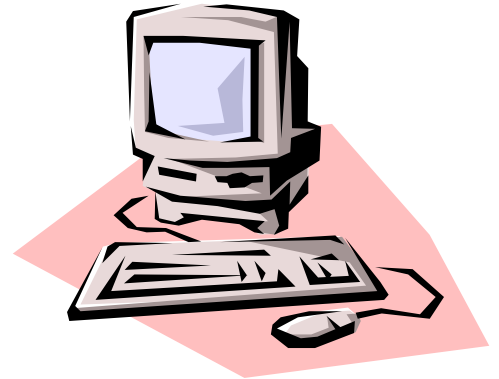
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Constitutional Amendment:  
Article VII

[Section 3. A minimum of three officers and three regional directors are needed to constitute a quorum for holding a regular or special Board meeting. A majority of the votes cast by those board members present and eligible to vote passes a motion. No absentee or proxy votes are accepted at Board meetings outside of conference calls.]

The Constitutional Amendment passed.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30 PM.



We need You for OALI!

Respectfully submitted,  
Shelley Radmer  
OALI Secretary

The Constitutional Amendment  
passed.

## FUTURE OALI SEMINAR DATES

I have set the 2005 Seminars Dates & Locations. (I will be continuing to line-up Speakers)

Spring Seminar, February 25, 2005 @ Monarch Hotel, Clackamas, OR. This is on a FRIDAY.

Annual Meeting Seminar, June 10th & 11th, 2005 (Second Weekend in June) at the Gearhart by the Sea Resort, Gearhart, OR.



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## SEMINAR DATES, CONTINUED

OALI at this time has its Seminar Dates set first over other Associations which have not committed to their 2005 dates. So at this time we are not in conflict with any other groups. I will have these dates posted on the OALI, and OBI web sites.

Thanks again for all of your suggestions and input, it was very helpful to me. I'm am still working on finalizing the Speakers for the Fall, November 6th, 2004 Seminar. So far members who have suggested a speaker have all been different, nobody has requested the same topic? You still have time to give me your thoughts on speakers.

Thanks again for you support,

Greg Parson  
V.P. OALI  
Office: 503-640-1369

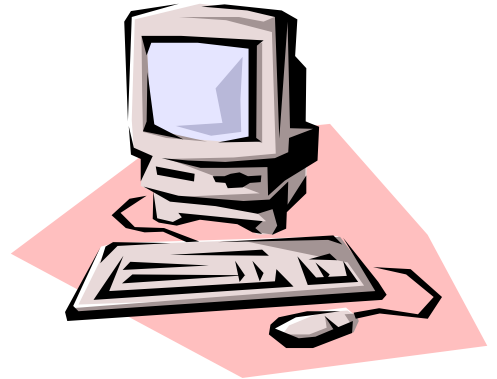
The Oregon Board of Investigators  
has proposed changing 703.

## PROPOSED OBI LEGISLATIVE CHANGES, OBI Legislative changes

Don't wait until it is too late.

The Oregon Board of Investigators has proposed changing 703. Please visit their website <http://www.obl.state.or.us/Welcome.htm> scroll down to "May 2004: Draft of Proposed Changes to ORS 703." This is a 20 page .PDF document, there are sweeping changes in it that you may or MAY NOT

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We love free seminars!



Watch out for sweeping law changes!

# PROPOSED LEGISLATION, CONTINUED

agree with.

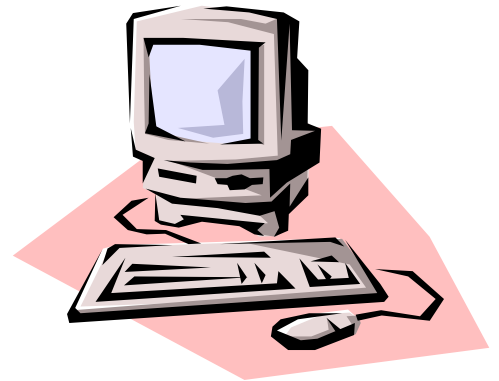
Put your comments in writing and e-mail/fax or write to the OBI, (copy me).

Next scheduled OBI meetings Friday, August 6th, and Friday November 5th, 2004, at 9:00 AM. They are held at their offices, in NE Portland. Patricia and David Vollbrecht will be there. We need all of your voices, either in Person, or in writing.

OBI Contact information:

Oregon Board of Investigators  
Kelly Paige, Executive Director  
800 NE Oregon St Suite 445

Portland OR 97232  
(503) 731-4359/Office  
(503) 731-4366/FAX  
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Don't stay silent!

Thanks in advance.

Sincerely,  
Patricia A. Vollbrecht  
President, OALI

Put your comments in writing and e-mail/fax or write to the OBI, (copy me).

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

### Board Members Present

Patricia Vollbrecht  
David Vollbrecht  
Dan Matarazzo  
Shelley Radmer  
(meeting)  
Gary Crowe  
Charles Vander Perren  
Greg Parson

### Also Present

Ralph Radmer  
Dani Wilki  
Hedy Rijken  
Chris Stringham (portion of  
Brian Freeman  
Mary Brown



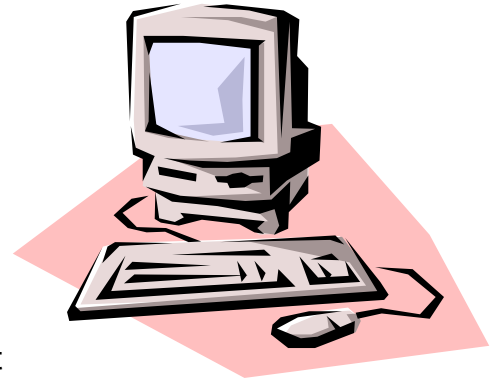
Have your opinion counted!

## BOARD MINUTES

President Vollbrecht called the meeting to order at approximately 4:40 PM

Dan Matarazzo moved to approve the previous minutes and Charles Vander Perren seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was waived as it was presented on June 4, 2004 at the OALI Annual Meeting. Treasurer Vollbrecht asked for reaffirmation of approval for expenditure of \$2500 for a projector. Gary Crowe so moved and Shelley Radmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Treasurer also indicated that there might be some confusion with our fiscal year ending after our Annual Meeting.



The board weighs a lot of issues!

He will investigate the possibility of moving our fiscal year.

### Committee Reports

**Legislative**—Chairman Dani Wilki said she is working on determining what district our various members are in. She has been receiving suggestions for legislation from our members and will be presenting them to the Board. She will put out feelers for a lobbyist to work with OALI. She thought we might be able to piggy-back, at least on some matters, with OCDLA

The consensus of the Board was that our 2005 Annual Meeting should be held at the Coast on the second weekend of June.

**Seminars**—VP Parson again reported that the Fall Seminar was being held November 6 at the Eugene Red Lion.

This will be a free seminar. It will be \$75 for non-members, but the admission charge will be waived if they join OALI. The Spring Conference may be held at Spirit Mountain or the Monarch in Clackamas. It may be held earlier next year, possibly in February. The consensus of the Board was that our 2005 Annual Meeting should be held at the Coast on the second weekend of June. VP Parson will see what arrangements can be made. Gary Crowe moved that VP Parson be given authority to lock in whatever arrangements need to be made. Dave Vollbrecht seconded and the motion carried unani-



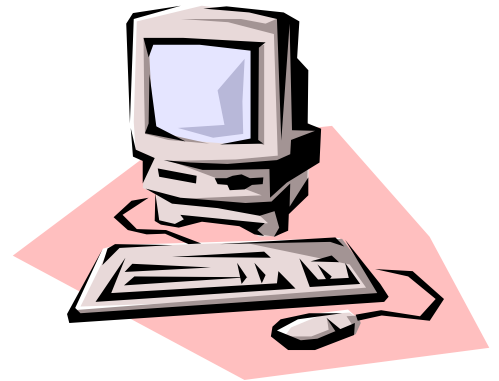
Fall seminar is Free!

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# BOARD MINUTES

mously. Some members have indicated a desire to serve on a CE committee. Treasurer Vollbrecht will post their names and try to get a committee formed.

Regional Directors—There were no reports from Regional Directors. President Vollbrecht reminded the Board that the Regional Directors should be having meetings in their respective districts and that all Board members should try to attend Board meetings whenever possible.



Join a committee!

## Unfinished Business

Webpage/Referrals—Referrals from our answering service aren't being allocated fairly due to lack on knowledge on the part of the answering service regard-

ing geographic locations, and their reluctance to use our website to find investigators. Treasurer Vollbrecht will investigate having Gary Crowe's office start handling the referrals since his office already is set up to perform this kind of service.

*Webpage referrals have been an issue among members*

OALI Audit—the Board determined that we don't need a formal audit, but rather a review. President Vollbrecht recommended having Karen Winters perform the review. Secretary Radmer moved to use Karen Winters to conduct a review of the books and Greg Parson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Attorney to Rework Constitution—Gary Crowe moved that

the Board authorize the expenditure of \$200 for a consultation fee to have an attorney give us an idea of what the cost would be to rework the Constitution. Dan Matarazzo seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



Have a nice day!

## New Business

Gary Crowe suggested the Board should consider forming an Executive Director's position with a small salary. This position would be outside the

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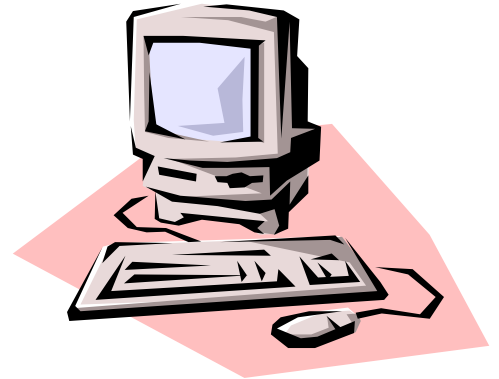
# BOARD MINUTES, CONTINUED

Board and nonvoting. The Board will consider this and it is tabled until the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Radmer  
OALI Secretary



Pay your dues on time!

## TREASURERS REPORT

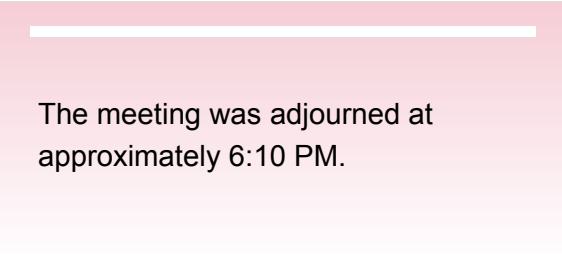
### Accrual Basis

#### ASSETS

##### Current Assets

##### Checking/Savings

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Checking-Wells Fargo      | 2,544.46  |
| Petty Cash                | 100.00    |
| Savings Account           | 19,595.08 |
| Total Checking/Savings    | 22,239.54 |
| Accounts Receivable       |           |
| Accounts Receivable       | 2,974.52  |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 2,974.52  |
| Other Current Assets      |           |



The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:10 PM.

\*Un-deposited Funds 253.00  
 Total Other Current Assets 253.00  
 Total Current Assets 25,467.06  
 Fixed Assets  
 Equipment 1,471.51  
 Equipment Expensed -1,459.53  
 Total Fixed Assets 11.98  
**TOTAL ASSETS 25,479.04**  
**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**



Get colleagues to Join OALI!

## TREASURERS REPORT, CONTINUED

### Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Credit Cards

Visa Card - President 42.66

Total Credit Cards 42.66

Total Current Liabilities 42.66

Total Liabilities 42.66

### Equity

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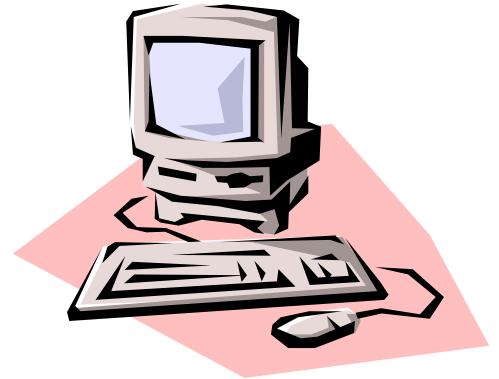
Retained Earnings 14,875.80

Net Income 6,985.66

Total Equity 25,436.38

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 25,479.04**

**OALI, Inc**



Economic prognosis is good!

### Balance Sheet

**As of May 31, 2004**

OALI has been the "voice" of the professional investigator since long before many of the current members were investigators.

## WHY BELONG TO OALI?

Ah--the age old question rears its head again!

Why belong to OALI, they ask. We need only look to history, both ancient and recent, to answer the question.

OALI has been the "voice" of the professional investigator since long before many of the current members were investigators. It was designed to be a "professional association for professional



Education is the Key!

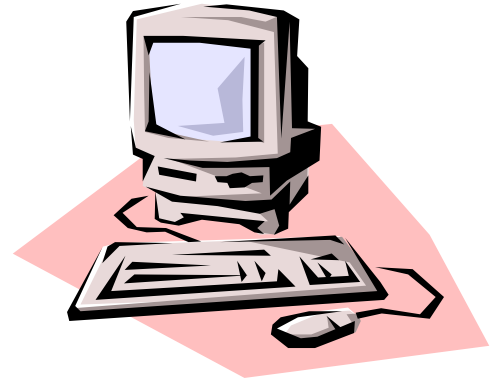
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## WHY BELONG TO OALI?, CONTINUED

investigators" and the emphasis has always been based on education, professionalism and networking.

OALI led the fight for licensing of professional investigators in Oregon---for decades! Sometimes we had to kill our own Bill because it got changed dramatically in committee, but the struggle continued the next year. Licensing hasn't been the answer to many problems--and has even created more problems in some cases---but before licensing we had people with Uzis mounted in their vans, burglars being arrested and claiming innocence because they were "private investigators," etc. The state, and many city, police agencies used to call my office to have me check my list of Oregon investigators to see if the person they were about to arrest was known as a private investigator! Now they know that to make that claim the person should have proof of licensing.



Be educated, be professional!

Just a few short years ago it was quite uncommon for a woman to be accepted as a private investigator in Oregon. Proving our competence and worth was not an easy task and much of the credit for our success

must be given to those few women of OALI who determined to set the standard for professionalism, and the men who were willing to work with (and for) us.

but before licensing we had people with Uzis mounted in their vans, burglars being arrested and claiming innocence because they were "private investigators," etc.

Is it possible for an Oregon investigator to do his or her work professionally without a known network of fellow investigators to call upon for advice, assistance and exper-

tise? I think it would be very difficult and that opportunity to network and build a list of professional contacts has always been a major benefit of belonging to OALI. Whether it is through becoming familiar with a colleague at OALI meetings and seminars, or asking a question on the Forum, networking is a mainstay of the business. Who of us hasn't met someone at an OALI meeting and said, "Whew, I'm glad I never hired that person to get information for me?" If the networking opportunities that OALI provides didn't exist, we might have blindly called that person from an ad in the telephone book. (Of course, we always hope that the seminars OALI provides

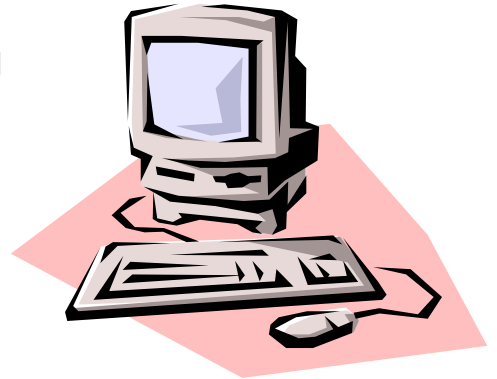


Go to conferences and learn

## WHY BELONG TO OALI?, CONTINUED

will quickly bring that person up to speed so that we later change our minds about contacting him or her, and I have seen that happen!)

As for never making any money from membership in OALI---when I was actively working in Oregon, I always looked to OALI members first when I needed information, interviews, forensic work, etc. that I didn't have the time or expertise to gather myself. When we learn to assign part of our case work to others, we find that the caseload can be increased. Our OALI colleagues can help make that happen by being there for us. It works well. Obviously, when the caseload increases, the dollars should follow. The "referral system" needs to start with us. If we sit around waiting for someone to call us, it may be a long wait. Someone has to start the ball rolling.



Encourage every investigator to become a member!

OALI wouldn't have existed to accomplish any of this if someone hadn't been faithfully paying their dues every year. In the early years the membership was very small. I recall the first time we broke a hundred. There was great rejoicing! That was before licensing. It's

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my personal opinion that a person working in Oregon as a licensed investigator should be embarrassed to not be supporting OALI as a dues paying member. I have spoken at many state, national and international association meetings across the nation--mostly because of my past association with OALI,--- and believe me, OALI is a shining star in its accomplishments to date! We have long

been known for our outstanding seminars and educational events.

Why pay dues in OALI---to show that you are serious about being an investigator and want to give back to the association that has made it possible to be recognized as a professional in this state! There is much work yet to be done and that takes time and the money from your dues!

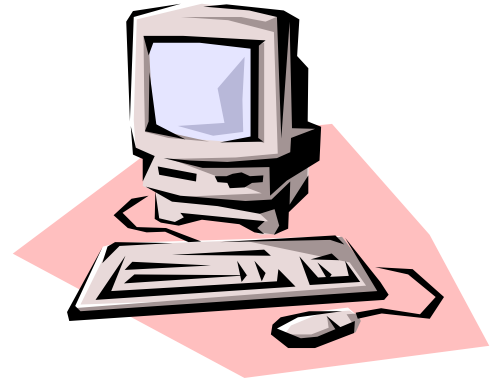


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# FREE OALI SEMINAR, NOVEMBER 6TH 2004

FREE TO ALL Members!  
 Non-Members \$75.00  
 Continental Breakfast, Buffet Lunch and Snacks provided for the Saturday seminar.  
 Saturday November 6th, 2004, 8:00am - 4:30pm (Pre-Registration is required @ door fee \$75.00).  
 (6.5 Continuing Education Credits)  
 Red Lion Hotel  
 205 Coburg Rd, Eugene, OR 97401  
 Room Reservations: 541-342-5201 (Book before October 15th, 2004 to secure your room).  
 Guest Speakers & Topics:  
 1) Paul Kulas, Skip Tracy, LLC  
 2) Kyle Bollmeier, Court-trax Corporation  
 3) Leonard D. DuBoff, The Duboff Law Group, LLC  
 4) Patrick Higgins, Higgins & Associates



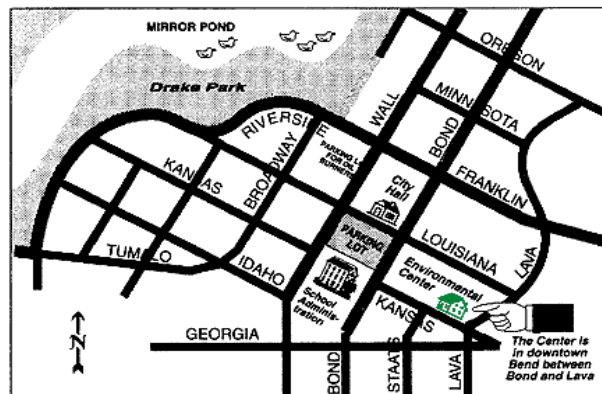
Great seminars...Free CE's!

## CENTRAL REGION FREE CE SEMINAR

The following map and information was provided by Vincent Solomone the Regional Director in Bend. The two speakers are Jeff Nussman and Richard Finley. Richard will be talking about the forensic part, safeguarding evidence and assessing the investigation. Richard said it is tailored to the average investigator.

Here is a map to the Central Oregon Environmental Center at 16 NW Kansas, Bend Oregon. The day is Wednesday, September 15th. The time is 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM. Refreshments will be served.

Please use the form that has your current information on it



Be Involved! Attend this and all seminars!

## NEW OALI DIRECTORIES

The new OALI Directory will go to print soon. All members are encouraged to verify their OALI database information. Send changes as quickly as possible. Last day for changes August 27, 2004. Mail to OALI, PO Box 2705, Portland, OR 97208, FAX: 503-659-1052. Please use the form that has your current information on it (included with this newsletter or mailed separately). Thanks-Dave, OALI Treasurer.

## **TOP TEN SIGNS THAT IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG INVESTIGATION**

**1.** He REALLY, REALLY, REALLY didn't do it.

**2.** Your client asks you if you've ever seen Cape Fear.

**3.** The only picture that you have, of the guy you're trying to locate, is a third generation photocopy of a police sketch published in a newspaper.

**4.** Your client tells you not to worry because he explained everything to the police at the time of his arrest.

**5.** One of the attorneys asks you for help on something that "will only take about five minutes."

**6.** At the jail, you notice a correction officer and an inmate walking down the corridor and realize that the guy wearing handcuffs and leg irons is NOT the one in the orange jumpsuit.

**7.** On the eve of trial, you get a card from your client that says "Having a great time - wish you were here" and the card has a Tierra Del Fuego postmark.

**8.** Your client introduces his Jerry Mahoney doll to you as an alibi witness.

**9.** You do a Google search on one of your witnesses and the next day you get a call from an FBI agent inviting you to his office for a chat.

**10.** Your Internet map program insists that there is only one "Florida" and that's the one in upstate New York.

## OALI NW Region #8

### Free CE Seminar!

Region 8 Co-Directors Daniel Matarazzo and Gary Crowe are proud to announce that we will be hosting a very informative and very educational seminar this fall. It is free to all OALI members and will be worth 3 CE credits.

The event is scheduled for Thursday, September 23, 2004, at 12:00 – 4:00 PM, at the Residence Inn Hotel, at 18855 NW Tanasbourne DR Hillsboro OR 97124 (185<sup>th</sup> exit off Hwy 26).

Our speakers are:

- 1) Christopher Rycewicz, an attorney from the Portland firm Rycewicz and Chenoweth. He is a very distinguished attorney who specializes in Environmental and Corporate Law, and Personal Injury. As such he is in a good position to know the usefulness of Investigators. Mr. Rycewicz will speak about the vital attorney/investigator relationship. Their website and contact information is [www.northwestlaw.com](http://www.northwestlaw.com).
- 2) Gerald "Gary" Brown, from G. Brown and Associates. Mr. Brown is one of the world's foremost experts on Forensic Statement Analysis. He can be reached at [gbassoc@aol.com](mailto:gbassoc@aol.com) or 503-524-4613. Mr. Brown's presentation is entitled "Danger between the lines" and I encourage everyone who can to attend.

See you all at the seminar! Have a great summer!

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## EDITOR'S NOTE—WHY BELONG TO OALI, CONTINUED

Thanks for listening,

Grace E. Castle  
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orary member)  
Eugene, OR  
541-342-1401 (new number)

Many thanks to Grace Castle,  
an OALI past president for  
her great essay.

Belonging to OALI is about  
advancing investigations in  
our State and helping to  
maintain professionalism in  
our profession.

We all need to remember that  
we don't live alone or work in  
a vacuum. Everything that  
we say or do, as investigators  
is a reflection upon the pro-



Go to the meetings!

fession as a whole, and vice-  
versa. It is not all about refer-  
rals.

We all need to actively try to  
improve ourselves, our col-  
leagues, and our licensing  
board, because as somebody  
famous once said....:)  
It's a small world out there!

Editor