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No. 133
Winter 2023

Winter Seminar Wednesday, March 1, 2023

Wilmington, OH - Roberts Centre

123 Gano Road, Wilmington, OH 45177
Phone 800-654-7036

6 Hours of Continuing Ed have been applied for in OH
Cost is \$90 Members and \$180 Non Members

DAY AT A GLANCE

- .75 Hour – 8-8:45 am Registration and Coffee
- 3.0 Hour – 9-12 **John Hill, Embalming**
- 1.0 Hour – 12-1pm – Lunch
- 3.0 Hour – 1-4 **Dr. Russell Uptegrove, Forensics, Manner of Death, Case studies**

ACCOMMODATIONS

Rooms are being held at the Roberts Center Holiday Inn
123 Gano Rd – Wilmington, OH – 45177.
Phone 937.283.3200. Mention OEA for special rate.

DIRECTIONS - The Roberts Centre is located on I-71 at Exit #50 and US 68.

Cut out and return with payment registration form

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Reservation Information for Seminar - Roberts Centre - 123 Gano Road, Wilmington, OH 45177
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If non-member, please use space below for your current mailing address:

Name	Embalmers' license #	FD License #	Member ID
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Presidents Message

I always like when I see the FOCUS for the Winter Seminar. For several years it has been held in mid to early March and while still technically Winter, warmer weather and Spring are soon to follow. Get an early start on your hours needed to maintain your license and plan on attending this great seminar and the many others we have planned for 2023. Safe travels and health in 2023.

Respectfully,
Dan Becker,
President OEA 2022-24



OTHER NEWS

Here are the Seminar dates and locations for the rest of 2023.

- **May 10**, Brennans Party Center – Cleveland OH
- **Oct 11**, The Lodge at Hocking Valley
Logan OH

OFDA will hold their convention in April this year at Easton Hilton – Columbus OH.

OEA was saddened by the death of long-time member and supporter, Tom Benz this past December. Tom's love of cars, laughter and manhattans will be missed by many.

It is my intention to include a in memoriam page on the website starting this year for members who have died during the course of the year.

TOPICS

JOHN HILL

Explaining Embalming to Everyone 1 hr
Hill will talk about explaining embalming to everyone and its value in the grieving process. Hill will provide examples of proper sensitive terminology of the embalming process, even if he is only a licensed funeral director and not an embalmer. Whether this be during the arrangement conference or a community talk, Hill will demonstrate the importance of having knowledge and proper verbiage of explaining embalming to the public.

Embalming Best Practices 2 hr
John will discuss embalming best practices. Included will be treatments for jaundice, edema, decomposing cases and other challenges the embalmer faces. Emphasis is placed on the proper procedures of case analysis, selection of fluids, and injection techniques to have desired results. Upon completion, funeral professional practitioners should be able to better identify difficult cases and how to better prepare them to provide closure to the families served. Slides and case studies support the presenter in his discussion

DR. UPTEGROVE

Forensic Pathology Cases Studies 3 hr
In this lecture Dr. Uptegrove will provide an in-depth look into the Coroner's office. He will talk about history of the origins of the coroner, what is the duty of the funeral director on a death call and death investigations. To round out the talk Dr. Uptegrove will discuss case studies in forensic pathology.



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MEET THE SPEAKERS

JOHN T HILL, a native of Raleigh, North Carolina, is a licensed embalmer and funeral director in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, and Washington D.C. He has earned many other titles in the Funeral profession: Restorative Arts Specialist, Certified Funeral Service Practitioner (CFSP), Member of the British Institute of Embalming (MBIE), Funeral Service Education Instructor, Chaplain, Celebrant, and Certified Crematory Operator (CCO).

He works full time at James Funeral Home and Northlake Memorial Gardens in Huntersville, North Carolina. He owns Hill Mortuary Service, a trade embalming and restorative arts service to funeral homes and has helped over 30 firms. Whenever schedule allows, John also is a trade embalmer for Rouse Mortuary Service in Greenville, North Carolina, which is the largest mortuary service in the state.

In October of 2020, John became a Funeral Service Education Instructor at his alma mater, Fayetteville Technical Community College in Fayetteville, North Carolina teaching the Embalming courses with labs and Restorative Arts courses with labs. In September of 2022, he also became an instructor for Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Service teaching embalming and other funeral science courses. He is also a presenter at funeral service seminars in continuing education courses.

Mr. John T. Hill became a Restorative Arts Specialist by furthering his education on embalming and restorative arts in Advance Post Mortem Reconstructive Surgery at Fountain National Academy of Professional Embalming Skills in Springfield, Missouri under Vernie

R. Fountain. He has also received continued education in Anatomical Preservation and Dissection Theory at Fayetteville Technical Community College in Fayetteville, North Carolina and Experience Anatomy in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mr. John T. Hill and his story is featured in the September 2022 issue of Southern Calls Magazine, the leading professional journal for funeral service. He has a passion not only to serve families during their most difficult time, but to instruct and inspire current and future funeral professionals to better themselves and succeed.

RUSSELL UPTEGROVE, M.D. Coroner

Dr. Uptegrove started working with the Coroner's Office April 1, 2004. He assisted Dr. Young until Dr. Young's retirement in April 2007 at which time he was appointed as County Coroner.

Dr. Uptegrove received his undergraduate degree from Clemson University and his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina. He completed a residency in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology at the Medical University. He completed a fellowship in Forensic Pathology at the Charleston County Medical Examiner's Office.

He has been involved with death investigation since 1992 and is a Forensic Pathologist for the Montgomery County Coroner's Office. He is a guest lecturer at the Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy in London, Ohio and Clinical Instructor for Wright State University School of Medicine. He is also a member of the Ohio State Coroner's Association, American Academy of Forensic Sciences and National Association of Medical Examiners.