



Kansas Gang Investigators Association

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President's Letter

Sincerely, thank you for taking time away from families, agencies, and communities to attend the 17th Annual Kansas Gang Investigators Association Training Conference. The KGIA Board has been working hard since its inception in 2006 to bring its members quality and relevant training. As your current Board has continued this tradition for this year, I would like to introduce them to you.

- **President Tony Moe, with the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General**
- **Vice President Donald Moore, with the Wichita Police Department**
- **Secretary Gwyn Fogarty, Lawrence Police Department**
- **Treasurer Jason Kramer, with the Kansas Department of Corrections**
- **Region 1 Representative Jamie Miller, with the Kansas City Police Department**
- **Region 2 Representative Vacant**
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- **Region 5 Representative Chad Beard, with the Wichita Police Department**
- **Conference Coordinator Kristin Brewer, with Wichita State University**
- **Training Coordinator Jenny Caywood, with the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center**
- **Webmaster Heather Buller, with the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center**
- **Advisor to the Board Aaron Chaffee, with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives**
- **Charitable Donations Coordinator Efrain Rueda, with the Wichita State University Police Dept.**
- **Community Relations Coordinator Steve Jerrell, with the Wichita Police Department**

KGIA cannot continue to grow without your assistance through new thoughts and ideas on how to make your conference experience better. Please contact one of the Board members and express your conference experience with us. Even though we encourage you to speak to us throughout the conference, we also rely on you filling out the conference evaluation forms. We are always looking for new networking opportunities, topics, trends, and presenters.

This Association happened because of the foresight of its founding members.

- **Jerry Schiffelbein**
- **Traci Rankin**
- **Tim McClure**
- **Mike Velasquez**
- **Ruben Salamanca**

I would also like to give thanks to lifetime board members and lifetime member.

- **A.V. Plank**
- **Kristin Brewer**
- **Troy Robinson**



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Each year we try to make the KGIA Annual Training Conference stronger by providing you subject matter experts on the most current trends and topics. We are honored to host this year.

- **Jamie Miller – Gangs 101**
- **Michael Eberhardt – Crime Gun Intelligence and Gang Investigations**
- **Jim Griffiths and Brett Sissell – KDOC Update**
- **Aaron Stein – National OMG Trends and Patterns, and OMG Expansions and Contacts: Traffic Stops**
- **Jakob Blackman – Gang Case Study**
- **Lieutenant Colonel Dave Grossman – Bulletproof Mind**
- **Randal Calhoun – Prominent Gangs in the BOP**
- **Alex Avendano – Gang Intervention and Prevention**

I would like to take a moment to thank our presenters for expressing their knowledge and assisting us with combating gangs in the communities we serve.

I would like to acknowledge the two people who traveled the farthest to attend this conference. From Queensland, Australia Shayne Webley and Cameron Wilson. Please introduce yourselves and make them feel at home, but don't offer them a Foster's.

I would also like to extend or appreciation to the dignitaries who took time out of their schedules to welcome us in our endeavors in the continued fight against gangs in our communities.

- **Pastor Kurt Schneider, Family Pastor, Riverlawn Christian Church**
- **Chief Guy Schroeder, Wichita State University Police Department**
- **Chief Joe Sullivan, Wichita Police Department**
- **Sheriff Jeff Easter, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office**
- **District Attorney Marc Bennett, Sedgwick County District Attorney's Office**
- **Resident Agent in Charge Jason Fuller, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives**
- **Marshal Ron Miller, United States Marshal for the District of Kansas**
- **US Attorney Kate Brubacher, United States Attorney's Office District of Kansas**
- **Attorney General Kris Kobach, State of Kansas Attorney General**
- **Senator Jerry Moran, United States Senator for Kansas**

Please remember our 118 fallen Brothers and Sisters from 2023 nationwide, two of those were from Kansas.

"Today for the first time in centuries, there are warriors who wake up every morning and don armor. They hang a weapon on their hip and they hang a shield on their side. And on that shield, that badge, that star, is under whose authority they go forth and do good deeds and administer justice in the land. So whether your armor is Kevlar or a firefighters jacket. Whether your weapon is a gun or a hose, there are warriors who move towards what everyone else runs away from, and they bear the shield. If that is not a knight, you tell me what is."

- **Lieutenant Colonel Dave Grossman**



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Once again, thank you for sacrificing time away from your families, agencies, and communities. Please let me know if there is anything the Board or I can do to enhance your conference experience.

Thank you, God Bless, and Stay Safe,
Tony Moe,
President of KGIA

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Tony Moe, President
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