Region 3 is proud to welcome members of ACJA/LAE and guests to Kansas City, MO for the 83rd Annual National Conference. Conference Director, Christina Fouse, Conference Coordinator, Roger Pennel, and Region 3 members are working hard to bring you an enjoyable and educational Conference. The theme of the 2020 National Conference is “The Twisted Reality of Drug Addiction.” Below are things you need to know about the upcoming Conference:

Conference Pre-Registration: In order for colleges/universities to obtain the Conference pre-registration fee, if the Conference Pre-Registration Forms and fee(s) cannot be POSTMARKED as of the cut-off date of February 28, 2020, the college/university must FAX completed Conference Pre-Registration Forms for individuals attending the Conference along with a signed Purchase Order for the amount that will be forwarded to pay for the Conference attendees fees. This policy would also apply to an individual who is having their Conference fee paid by a school or someone other than themselves. The National Office will accept the Conference Pre-Registration Form and the pre-registration fee AFTER the cut-off date (not postmarked by the cut-off date) and register the member(s) for the Conference. The member(s), however, will be notified that they are responsible for the “onsite” fee (the difference between the pre-registration rate and onsite rate) to be paid at the National Conference. If the member(s) does not wish to pay the onsite fee, their money will be returned to them. Members must register as a “member”, not as a “guest”, even if they are not competing in the competitions (Standing Rules, X., 2.). Please print additional copies of the Pre-registration Form if you are bringing a guest(s) and send one Registration Form for each member/guest. No registration fees will be returned after March 6th. Please send checks or money orders only. The Association does not accept Debit or Credit Cards.

Membership and Chapter Voting: An applicant is not considered a member of the Association until such time as the membership application is received and approved by the Executive Secretary of Grand Chapter. (Bylaws, Article III. C. 1.) The cut-off date for new members and 2020 renewals to be counted toward your chapter’s vote for the 2020 National Conference will be February 28th. Please be sure that if your chapter has any new members who are going to the National Conference, their applications are postmarked and sent to the National Office by February 28th. Current members will be billed for 2020 dues the first week in December. Please pay your 2020 renewal no later than February 28th. If you have not paid your renewal by the cut-off date, your membership will not be current at the National Conference and you will be asked to pay your dues at the Conference in order to compete. There will be no one at the National Office during the National Conference.

Transportation to/from the Hotel: The Hotel is located 5.5 miles from the Kansas City International Airport. The Hotel offers a complimentary shuttle to/from the airport during limited hours. The shuttle runs every 30 minutes starting at 5am every morning and is available until Midnight each night.

Hotel: The Embassy Suites Kansas City – International Airport Hotel is located at 7640 NW Tiffany Springs Parkway, Kansas City, MO, 64153, (816) 891-7788. The Hotel has 237 air-conditioned two-room suites featuring refrigerators and microwaves. All suites are furnished with 37-inch flat-screen televisions, coffee/tea makers, iron/ironing boards, and complimentary Wifi. The Hotel also includes an indoor pool, spa, and 24-hour modern-equipment fitness center. The Hotel also has a 24-hour business center. The Hotel is a 100% Smoke-Free facility.

Conference Room Rate: The room rate will be $126.82 (includes tax) (single thru quad). Rooms must be booked by Friday, February 28, 2020 to avoid a higher room rate. Check-in time is 4:00PM and check-out time is 11:00PM. Members are urged to make their room reservations through the Hotel’s Booking Link on our web site. The Conference rate is available 3 days before and 3 days after the Conference, subject to availability.

Hotel Parking: The Hotel offers FREE parking.

Members are urged to stay at the Embassy Suites Kansas City – International Airport Hotel. Many hotel charges and fees are based on the room nights that are booked for the Conference. If the minimum Hotel “block” is not filled for the Conference week, it causes a financial impact to the Association with regard to banquet fees, meeting rooms, etc. when Conference attendees stay at a hotel or location other than the Embassy Suites Kansas City – International Airport Hotel.

Food Services: The Fountain Court Bar & Grille Restaurant, serving lunch and dinner, is located in the Hotel and a complimentary cooked-to-order breakfast is served daily. The Hotel offers a complimentary Evening Reception consisting of a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages while enjoying light appetizers.

Workshop Speaker: The speaker(s) will be posted to the website when they are available.

Thursday: Pending
Alcohol: The legal drinking age in Kansas City, MO is 21.

Lip-Sync/Talent Contest: The 2020 National Conference will host the 29th Annual Lip Sync/Talent Contest and Dance to be held on Wednesday, March 25th from 8:30 PM until 1:00 AM. Trophies will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in Talent (individual) and 1st, 2nd and 3rd in Talent (Group). Trophies will be given 1st, 2nd and 3rd for The Lip Sync (Individual or Group). Participants must provide their own music in cassette or CD format. The Conference will provide the equipment to play cassettes or CDs. Hopefully, every chapter will have a group for this event. Start practicing now! If you have any questions at this time, please contact Emily Maurer, 2020 Student Representative and Lip-Sync / Talent Contest Coordinator at emily.maurer1614@charter.net.

Written Competitions: All written tests will be (75) multiple-choice questions with a tie breaker, if needed. Please refer to the website for the textbooks to be used for the written competitions.

Firearms Competition: The Firearms Competition will be held at Frontier Justice, an indoor range. Transportation will be provided to/from the range or members can drive their own vehicles. Only Brass-cased ammunition can be used at the range and ammunition can be purchased onsite or members can bring their own. Frontier Justice also offers a gun rental option. All shooters must complete a Frontier Justice Online Waiver prior to the Firearms Competition. Please check the website and read Frontier Justice’s Range Rules.

The minimum score for qualifying for the Firearms Competition is 240. The Black B27 cardboard target is the standard for all Firearms Competitions. The E-Board adopted the NRA (National Rifle Association) Police Pistol Combat Rules with the exception that ties be broken from the inside – out rather than from the outside – in for scoring targets. Shooters will affirm (attest) by signing a waiver to the fact that they are competent and they have shot and achieved the minimum score of at least 240 on the ACJA-LAE Course of Fire. Teams of three (3) must be registered as a team PRIOR to the Competition.

All participants MUST attend the Safety Meeting on Tuesday morning (March 24th) to sign waivers. You will not be allowed to compete if you do not attend the meeting. Shooters MUST ATTEST to the fact they are competent to compete in the Firearms Competition and have shot and achieved a minimum score of at least 240 on the ACJA/LAE Course of Fire. (Please check the website for National Firearms Policy)

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Firearms Competition Weapons and Other Needs: Weapons to be used in the match must meet the following specifications:

- Semi-automatic or double-action revolver, 9mm to .45 caliber (semi-automatics will only load 6 rounds per magazine)
- Three to six inch barrel length
- No electronic or dot-type (i.e., Aimpoint etc.) sights
- Trigger pull must not be less than two and one-half pounds
- Weapon must be usable as a standard police duty weapon
- No aftermarket compensators, porting, or Bull Barrels are permitted.
- NO MODIFIED WEAPONS WILL BE ALLOWED!

Competitors must have the following to shoot in the Competition: (a) hearing protection, eye protection, and a hat; (b) authorized firearm; (c) three (3) magazines or speedloaders for said firearm; (d) authorized strong side holster for firearm; (e) magazine or speedloader holders attached to belt; (f) picture ID and Conference badge; (g) yellow copy of Liability Release and Shooting Release; and (h) shooter scorecard. (For more information, please read the National Competition Standards and the Firearms Safety Briefing available on the website.)

Physical Agility Competition: The Physical Agility competition will be held at the Hotel.

Crime Scene Competition: When you and your team sign up for the Crime Scene Competition, you must be at the Crime Scene Room on time. Your time will start on schedule and will not be extended. If there is time left, and after all the teams that have signed up have competed, we will allow people to reschedule. There will be no guarantee of a second chance. Teams of three (3) must be registered as a team PRIOR to the Competition.

Weather: March in the Kansas City area can range from 35 degrees (wet, snowy and/or windy) to 60 degrees (and sunny). You may want to check the long-range forecast for the Kansas City area before you pack your bags.
**Dress Suggestions**: The Opening and Closing Banquets should be considered semi-formal. A suit or coat and tie for the men and a dress or dress slacks outfit for the ladies is recommended. We will have a "Presentation of Colors" at the Opening and Awards Banquet. The Star Member Reception should also be considered a "dressy" event. All members attending the Conference are encouraged to attend the Star Reception to honor our Star Members.

**Things To Do In and Around the Kansas City Area**: Includes the Strawberry Hill Museum, Kansas City Zoo, Harry S. Truman Library and National World War I Museum to name a few.

**Contact**: If you have any questions concerning the upcoming 2020 National Conference, please contact Christina Fouse, 2020 Conference Director, at cfouse0002@gmail.com or Roger Pennel, Conference Coordinator and Region 3 President at rpennel@ucmo.edu.
## Tentative 2020 Conference Schedule of Events

### Sunday, March 22:
- 8:00AM - 10:00AM: Committee Meetings (if needed)
- 9:00AM - 5:00PM: Registration *(sign-up for crime scene & firearms)*
- 10:00AM - 5:00PM: Executive Board Meeting
- 6:00PM - 7:00PM: Advisors “Get-Together”
- 8:00PM - 1:00AM: Ice Breaker

### Monday, March 23:
- 9:00AM - 3:00PM: Late Registration *(sign-up for crime scene & firearms)*
- 8:00AM - 5:00PM: Academic / Written Competitions
- 8:00AM - 5:00PM: Crime Scene Competition
- 9:00AM - 3:00PM: Job Fair
- 6:00PM - 7:00PM: Social Hour
- 7:00PM - 1:00AM: Opening Banquet and Dance

### Tuesday, March 24:
- 7:00AM - 8:00AM: Safety Meeting *(mandatory for competitors)*
- 8:00AM - 5:00PM: Firearms Competition
- 8:00AM - 5:00PM: Physical Agility Competition
- 7:00PM - 9:00PM: Regional Caucuses

### Wednesday, March 25:
- 7:30AM - 9:00AM: Chapter Officers’ Breakfast & Meeting
- 7:30AM - 9:00AM: Chapter Advisors’ Breakfast & Meeting
- 9:00AM - 4:30PM: Workshop Speaker(s) TBA
- 6:00PM - 8:00PM: Star Member Recognition Reception
- 8:30PM - 1:00AM: 29th Annual Lip Sync / Talent Contest

### Thursday, March 26:
- Training / certification sessions for professionals and non-professionals

### Friday, March 27:
- 8:00AM - 9:00AM: Voter & Proxy Registration
- 9:00AM - 5:00PM: National Business Meeting
- 6:00PM - 7:00PM: Social Hour
- 7:00PM - 1:00AM: Awards Banquet & Dance