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August 11-15, 2025



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SCHEDULE

Monday August 11th, 2025

16:00 - 18:00 Early Registration

Tuesday, August 12th, 2025

8:00 - 9:00 Registration

9:00 - 9:10 Opening Ceremonies

9:10 - 9:20 Rachel Grose - Cardiac Solutions

9:20 - 10:45 RCTA/NCTC/LSPFC/RISS (ROCIC)

10:45 - 11:45 Board Elections

11:45 - 13:30 Lunch (on your own)

13:00 - 17:00 Drug ID and Trends

18:00 - 22:00 Hospitality Room

Wednesday August 13th, 2025

8:30 - 12:00 Shots Fired

12:00 - 13:30 Lunch (on your own)

13:30 - 17:00 Conspicuous, Hidden in Plain Sight (Asset Forfeiture)

18:00 - 22:00 Hospitality Room

Thursday, August 14th, 2025

8:30 - 12:00 Intro to Undercover Social Media Investigations

12:00 - 13:30 Lunch (on your own)

13:30 - 17:00 The Covenant School Tragedy, An Officer's Perspective

19:00 - 21:30 Awards Banquet

Friday, August 15th, 2025

9:00 - 11:00 Legal Updates

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CLASS INFORMATION



Drug ID and Trends

Tamara Keller - 8/12 13:00-17:00

This presentation will cover all the major drug categories including stimulants, depressants, hallucinogens. Also, we will talk about general synthesis and what to look for in your investigations. In addition, we will cover current trends relating to each drug, including Louisiana statistics as well.

Shots Fired

Michael Martinez - 8/13 08:30-12:00

Michael Martinez is a San Diego native and has been an Officer with the San Diego Police Department for 8 years. He attended college in Honolulu, Hawaii, and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a Bachelor of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice. He was hired with the San Diego Police Department in 2016. Immediately after a training phase, Officer Martinez was assigned to Southern Division where he had the opportunity to work with a proactive squad. While at Southern Division, he worked a variety of assignments including Patrol, Acting Detective, Field Training Officer and PERT Officer. Officer Martinez has been involved in four Officer Involved Shootings and two off duty critical incidents. In November 2019, he took advantage of a career and life-changing opportunity that was offered to him by the San Diego Police Department's Wellness Unit. Officer Martinez entered a first responder only treatment center where he was diagnosed with PTSD. By accepting the help that was offered to him, he was able to save his life, marriage, career and spirituality. Officer Martinez now shares his story of struggle and resilience with fellow law enforcement officers. Officer Martinez is currently assigned to the San Diego Police Department Wellness Unit and truly believes his new assignment is his calling to help others who are struggling in silence. He is a member of the San Diego Police Department's General Peer Support Team, OIS Peer Support Team and Extradition team. Officer Martinez currently presents to law enforcement organizations, various law enforcement agencies, and conferences. Officer Martinez has received numerous awards including a Medal for Valor, Commanding Officer's Citations, Supervisor's Commendations and Employee of the Month Citation. Officer Michael Martinez's goal is to break the stigma of seeking and accepting help within the law enforcement profession and to be a resource to other officers and their families.

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Conspicuous, Assets Hiding in Plain Sight

Gary Haston - 8/13 13:30-17:00

The course is to help investigators recognize valuable items that criminals readily display within plain view. Most officers are not familiar with expensive merchandise sold at high-end retail stores. Diamonds, gold, clothing, shoes and art are flaunted in the view of interdiction officers without detection.

Currency is being laundered through merchandise. Smuggled out of country, only to be sold and converted back to currency to defeat interdiction efforts. Law enforcement Officers (LEOs) from the rookie to the salty veteran often fail to identify items worth millions while working interdiction at airports, on highways, buses, trains and during the execution of search warrants. Criminals possess expensive merchandise from the sale of illicit drugs, fraud, identity theft and human smuggling; yet LEOs tend to only focus on items considered valuable, such as a car, or small denominations of currency.

This course fills the gap for LEOs to see what has been unseen, until now. Stop seizing the questionable car with shiny wheels, the \$20k cash and start seizing the \$200k watch and \$1.2 million dollar movie poster. Work with asset forfeiture attorneys through education and rapport to begin seizing the most valuable contraband.

This isn't the typical asset forfeiture course about conducting a financial investigation but geared toward helping understand how to recognize the millions of dollars of assets being smuggled.

Intro to Undercover Social Media Investigations

Cameron Pavlicek - 8/14 8:30-12:00

Yellowstone Narcotics welcomes you to our 4-hour crash course into working undercover online. Originally a 2-day course, this presentation will contain the most pertinent information condensed down to everything you need to know, and nothing you don't!

Packed with case studies and alternative ways to initiate investigations, this presentation promises to be both informative and entertaining. This is not your typical law enforcement training, because we realize our attendees are not your typical investigators. Do something different, stay bold, and we will see you at LNOA in August.

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Covenant School Tragedy, An Officer's Perspective

Michael Collazo - 8/14 13:30-17:00

I am Michael Adrian Collazo, born on April 17th, 1991, in Nashville, Tennessee. My family, rooted in Tennessee, consists of my parents, Sharon and Reynaldo, my elder brother Rey Carlos, and my half-sister Dianna. Sharon is originally from Knoxville, Tennessee, while Reynaldo hails from San Juan, Puerto Rico. Growing up, I spent my entire life in Middle Tennessee. Following high school, I met my wife, Cassie. We married in 2015 and together, we have been blessed with two daughters, Everleigh Jean and Leonna Jane.

In my early years, I nurtured aspirations to make a meaningful impact on my life. After completing high school, I chose to enlist in the Marine Corps, dedicating a total of 8 years and earning my college degree while actively participating in the Reserves. Post-college, I embraced the opportunity to attend the Police Academy with the Nashville Police Department. Upon graduation, I initially served as a patrol officer for approximately two years before transitioning to a Flex Team, where I dedicated three additional years to this proactive uniformed unit. Subsequently, I moved to a Crime Suppression Unit, focusing on street-level narcotic cases with a specialized team for several years. After that experience, I transitioned to a Field Intelligence Unit, focusing on more complex cases for extended durations. It was within this unit that I found myself on the day of the shooting at the Convent School—a pivotal moment that would forever reshape both my life and my career.

On March 27, 2023, a lone gunman entered the Convent School located at 33 Burton Hills Blvd, Nashville, Tennessee, and tragically took the lives of six individuals. I, along with four other officers, were among the first responders that day. Our small team swiftly entered the school, searching for the gunman. Ultimately, our unit encountered the shooter, leading to a confrontation and resulting in an exchange of gunfire.

Michael Collazo has had the privilege of speaking at conferences, schools and events across the nation. Currently, he's contracted with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center to deliver keynote speeches at their quarterly two-week Command Classes. He's spoken at renowned events such as the AXON Conference, ALERRT, Tennessee Narcotics Conference, Florida SWAT Round-Up, California Gang Conference, and the California District Attorney Conference, among many others. For 2025, he's already secured contracts to speak at 10 additional conferences. Additionally, he's committed to attending in-service training for first responders, where he engages directly with them to share insights and support their development. The presentation is divided into three main sections. The first part provides a brief overview of everyone involved that day, including teachers, officers, and paramedics. The second section walks through the timeline from the moment the first call was received until the threat was neutralized. The third part focuses on the lessons learned from the incident, highlighting both the positives and the areas for improvement. Finally, he will conclude with a memorial video honoring the victims.

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