



2021 Regional In-Service Training

Location: Courtyard Marriott Bellevue at Beardmore Event Center

3730 Raynor Parkway, Bellevue, NE 68123

(Registration and Sign in is Sunday October 17, 2021 1400-1600 in Salon G) Registration and Sign in can also be done Monday Oct 18 0700-0800 in the Grand Ballroom. Opening Ceremonies begin promptly at 0830.

Hotel rates are \$96/night not including tax. If you are staying at the Hotel please use the link below and let them know you are booking for the IABTI Conference. K-9 Rooms are also available and no extra cost to house your dog. The link for the hotel is:

Your Hotel Link is: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1611118835872&key=GRP&app=resvlink>.

Their phone number is (402) 408-5300 for any questions or for direct contact.

WHEN: October 18- 22, 2021

COST: \$400 (Members)

\$450 (Technology Partners/Exhibitors)

Registration link for registration is on the IABTI website under trainings. You must be an IABTI member to attend the training. To become a member please visit the IABTI.org website. If you are a technology partner who is not a member of the organization you can still attend. Contact us for details at region3@iabti.org. If you wish to be a Platinum, Gold, or Bronze sponsor please see the Technology Partner attachment on the IABTI Website under Region 3 training.

We are planning some new things for the 2021 RIST and NEED YOUR SUPPORT!!! After speaking to the membership and hearing your concerns, this will be the first attempt at conducting a more hands on training experience for both the delegates and exhibitors. We will be having a Homemade Explosives class and range demo this year as well for delegates who may not have been able to attend an ATF or FBI Homemade or Improvised Explosives Training. For K-9's MSA Security will be conducting training with your Explosives Detection Dogs so put the word out to your K-9 Divisions so they can participate in this event as well.

IF YOU ARE A TECHNOLOGY PARTNER OR EXHIBITOR AND WISH TO BE A PART OF THIS EXTRAORDINARY OPPORTUNITY PLEASE REGISTER AND SUPPORT REGION 3! WE WILL HAVE AN OUTDOOR TECHNOLOGY DAY PLANNED THIS YEAR!

Tentative Agenda

- Monday October 26, 2020
 - Opening Ceremonies
 - Guest Speaker Opening Remarks
 - Regional Business Meeting
 - Ordnance ID and Recognition (Tom Gersbeck, Author Practical Military Ordnance Identification and Don Bergeron Federal Resources)

- Tuesday October 27, 2020
 - Exhibitor Introductions
 - Hands on familiarization with various exhibitors to include Robots, Xrays, PPE, Disruptors, SCBA, Chemical ID Instruments and HAL. RANGE OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED OFF SITE for a better training experience.

- Wednesday October 28, 2020
 - Electronics Class (Dave Keener, Keentech LLC)
 - Austin Powder Explosives Familiarization
 - ATF IOI Explosives Regulations and Storage

- Thursday October 29, 2020

- Homemade Explosives Class and Range (St. Louis PD Lab)
- Friday October 30, 2020
 - Virtual Briefings from IST
 - Closing Ceremonies

ALL SPEAKERS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

HEADLINERS FOR THE 2021 REGIONAL IN-SERVICE

- We would like to welcome **Tom Gersbeck** to this year's Region 3 RIST. He will give a great presentation on Ordnance from a CONUS perspective as only he can. He is published author and has the second edition of Practical Military Ordnance Identification available for purchase through the internet. Please read his biography below also.
- We also want to welcome back **Mike Wynn of MSA** who will be conducting Explosive Detector Dog training for those who have EDD K-9 Teams and want to get some training.
- The **St. Louis Police Department Crime Lab** will have Chemists giving a lecture on Homemade/Improvised Explosives and then conduct a demonstration of the mixtures at a range.

If you are an exhibitor or know one that wants to be a part of a progressive Association that strives to educate and train Bomb Techs, Investigators, and Explosive Detector K-9 teams please have them contact us at Region3@iabti.org.

BANQUET and SILENT AUCTION!!! We are still in need of Auction Items. Please contact me with any donations at Region3@iabti.org.



Tom Gersbeck served as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) technician in the U.S. Marine Corps, retiring in 2001 as a Chief Warrant Officer. He then served 7 years with the Federal Air Marshal Service (FAMS) as an explosives security specialist before deploying as an independent contractor. Deployments include two tours in Afghan CEXC facilities and one tour as project manager of Task Force Paladins C-IED mobile training teams operating throughout the country. Deployments in support of Department of State include serving as an EOD team lead in Iraq, advising the Tanzanian Peoples Defense Force after the Gongo La Mboto disaster (February 2011) and training deminers with Golden West Humanitarian Foundation in Cambodia.

Today, Tom is a full time member of the graduate faculty for Oklahoma State University's School of Forensic Sciences, Arson-Explosives, Firearms and Toolmarks Investigation (AEFTI) Program. He holds a Master of Forensic Sciences degree, is an active member of the International Association of Bomb Technicians and Investigators (IABTI), is a Fellow in the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) and continues to work in his field.