



TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT
GANGS: SECRET CODES, SIGNS AND SYMBOLS
NOVEMBER 13, 2013 **0800-1700**

NO COST TRAINING

The United States Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida and the Center for Public Safety Innovation at St. Petersburg College are pleased to announce that the Project Safe Neighborhoods Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program will conduct a one day class on the secret writings, codes, signs and symbols used by gang members in efforts to code or disguise the contents of their written communications. The training is being hosted by the Federal Bureau of Prisons and will be held at the Federal Correctional Complex Training Center, 846 NE 54th Terrace, Coleman, Florida 33521. There are no fees or costs to attend the training.

Here is an opportunity to attend a gang intelligence training session with real impact. This course is designed to provide law enforcement and corrections officers with knowledge of the covert methods of communication used by gang members in correctional facilities and in other situations where covert communications are used. The emphasis is on deciphering and code-cracking of confiscated documents. Participants will learn how to look for patterns that help to decode documents and develop an appreciation for the ingenuity of criminals to hide their messages. The presenter, G.S. KLIVANS, uses codes that he has deciphered to illustrate intricate hidden signs and symbols. Secret codes, signs and symbols are used to demonstrate the complex and sophisticated nature of the communications used by gangs.

Due to the sensitive nature of the material, registration is limited to law enforcement and corrections personnel. Appropriate agency credentials required at sign in.

When and Where:

The training event will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at the Federal Correctional Complex Coleman, 846 NE 54 Terrace, Coleman, FL 33521. Dress is casual.

For information regarding the training location, please contact Loretta Ellis, FCC Coleman, at telephone # 352-689-4001 or email at lyellis@bop.gov.

For all other information, please contact St. Petersburg College PSN Training Coordinator Mike Miller at 727-344-8010 or by email at miller.mike@spcollege.edu.

To register please visit the RCPI website: <http://cop.spcollege.edu/cop/Registration.htm>

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Instructor:

G.S. Klivans is retired with the rank of Captain after serving for approximately 20 years with the Westchester County (NY) Department of Corrections. Mr. Klivans also served in the US Army Reserve for 30 years assigned to the US Army Criminal Investigation Command (CID). He has written more than a dozen gang related articles which have been published in American Jails Magazine, Sheriff Magazine and Deputy and Court Officer Magazine. Mr. Klivans is a guest columnist for www.CorrectionsOne.com and www.PoliceOne.com. He is the author of the book "Gang Secret Codes: Deciphered", Police and Fire Publishing, Santa Ana, CA (www.policeandfirepublishing.com). Mr. KLIVANS has been a Guest Lecturer for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), through the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Office of State and Local. He is also an Adjunct Instructor for St. Petersburg College, Florida, and as such, lectures for the federally funded Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force Training (MCTFT) program and for the Center of Public Safety Innovation. He is certified as a general topics instructor by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and the Municipal Police Training Council (MPTC).

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