

National Association of Bunco Investigators, Inc.
Conference Training Schedule
Elder Exploitation and Nomadic Organized Crime

Tuesday, October 6th

0700-0800	Registration and Continental breakfast (Lobby and Training Room)
0800-0815	Introductions, welcome and opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gary Nolte, NABI President• Pete Robinson, NABI Executive Director• Donald F. Eslinger, Sheriff of Seminole County
0815-0900	Introductions to the Criminal Gypsies and Travelers: An overview of America's nomadic criminals and some of their crimes and an introduction to the nationwide problem of Organized Transient Criminal Groups, their crimes and consequent effect on the elderly. <i>(Presenter: Detective Gary Nolte, Skokie, Illinois PD, retired; NABI President)</i>
0910-1015	Fortune Telling Fraud/Psychic Crime: Exposing Fortune telling as a fraud and its financial impact on the elderly and all of society. <i>(Presenter: Inspector Greg Ovanessian, San Francisco PD, Retired; NABI Intelligence Director)</i>
1030-1130	The Sweetheart Swindle and its Victims: A reverse "Sugar Daddy" scheme that can net hundreds of thousands of dollars. An examination of two common cons that yield high financial returns to the perpetrators. <i>(Presenter: Inspector Greg Ovanessian, San Francisco PD, Retired; NABI Intelligence Director)</i>
1130-1300	Lunch on your own
1300-1350	The Elderly; The Perfect Victim/ Role of the Roma "Fixers": Why the elderly are victimized and their reactions to the crimes; why "fixers" are so important in the criminal gypsy community. <i>(Presenter: Deputy Chief John Livingood, Abington Township, Pennsylvania PD)</i>
1400-1630	Organized Retail Theft Groups: A description of Organized Retail Theft Groups, their <i>Modus Operandi</i> and their effect on the retail industry. <i>(Presenter: Nelson Harrah, Director of Organized Retail Crime, The Gap, Inc.)</i>
1630-1700	Case Studies and Information Exchange: Attendees may bring their own cases for review at the seminar for assistance
1715-1800	NABI Annual Board Meeting: Conference Training Room
1900-2200	Awards Dinner (Marriott Lake Mary)

Wednesday, October 7th

0730-0800	Continental Breakfast: Sheriff's Office Training Room
0800-0850	The Polish Gypsies: The Lakatosz Family, Till Taps and Burglaries. <i>(Presenter: Detective Gary Nolte, Skokie, Illinois PD, retired; NABI President)</i>
0850-0950	Store Diversions; The Yugoslavians and The Romanian Nationals: The re-emergence of store diversions and the new Gypsies. <i>(Presenter: Detective Gary Nolte, Skokie, Illinois PD, retired; NABI President)</i>
1000-1130	The Travelers: English, Irish and Scottish: Nomadic bands of home repair con artists, how they are confused with criminal gypsies; their methods of intimidation and bait and switch of the elderly and why the elderly are a prime target. <i>(Presenter: Dirk Moore, Lavaca County, Texas Sheriff's Office)</i>
1130-1300	Lunch on your own
1300-1400	What NABI Can Do For You: As a member of NABI, the resources we can provide to assist you; and the website's capabilities and resources to include tips, tricks, and traps and use of interactive maps, search engine, bulletins, eLogs and galleries. <i>(Presenter: Colonel Pete Robinson, USA Retired; Seminole County Sheriff's Office, Retired; NABI Executive Director)</i>
1410-1500	The Elderly; Proactive Techniques, Community and Police Awareness: Validating the elderly as victims and your interview to include interviewing, proactive approaches to the crimes, and making the police and the community aware of fraud as a common term. <i>(Presenter: Detective Brad "Bubs" Bryant, Wichita, Kansas PD, Retired)</i>
1515-1645	Impediments to Prosecution/How to Keep You, the Police, Out of Jail Investigative ideas to prosecution, law enforcement ethics/behavior and false allegations against the investigator; why these criminals are "Non-Traditional Organized Crime." <i>(Presenter: Detective Gary Nolte, Skokie, Illinois PD, retired; NABI President)</i>
1645-1700	Administrative announcements