

ANNOUNCEMENT FOHVAMP Annual Meeting October 21st, 2017 9am to 3 pm

Wells Fargo Center

1700 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203



Paige Birgfeld

Cold Case Study Co-Sponsored By; Northern Colorado Crime Stoppers FOHVAMP Annual Meeting



Paige Birgfeld

A Cold Case Study

Overview

Frank Birgfeld will be this year's key note speaker. His daughter Paige was murdered in 2007.

Our annual meeting will be at the beautiful Wells Fargo Center located at 1700 Lincoln Street in Denver Colorado. Our main feature this year will be a Cold Case Study in which co victims will learn more about the complicated nature of how our system of justice works, and possibly glean ideas on how to better manage their own unresolved homicide and missing person cases. This year we will focus on the covictim relationships with law enforcement and the often time emotional, angry and frustrating experiences that result when cases turn cold.

In the course of this Cold Case Homicide Study, we will hear from many of the actual key figures in the investigation such as District Attorney, Crime Lab Experts, Police detectives, victim advocates and this year's *key note speaker, Co-Victim Frank Birgfeld.*

Through the course of this study and panel discussion, it is our sincere hope to bring out lessons learned from all of these individuals as to the need for good communication between Co Victims and law enforcement, between law enforcement agencies, District Attorney's, Coroners, Crime lab Experts and others. The Colorado Bureau of Investigations representatives will be discussing the last years cold case homicide and missing persons statistics as well as new forensic procedures that are having a major impact on resolving cold cases.

We will have a media panel discussion with producers, journalists, and print media who specialize in covering unresolved homicides and missing persons to include this year, a representative from Crime Watch Daily News Magazine from the FOX network. We will have a room set up for co victims to share their stories on film.

As always, time will be set aside to talk to the Detectives and law enforcement personnel assigned to your case if possible. Please contact Robert M. Wells, Executive Director of Families of Homicide Victims and Missing Persons (FOHVAMP) to register your requests at 202-497-4580 or E-mail at <u>rwells7335@aol.com</u>.

In addition, co-victims who wish to interview with media and crime watch daily will be able to discuss their cases for possible future airing on their programs.

Families of Homicide Victims and Missing Persons FOHVAMP Schedule Annual Meeting

0800 - 0845 Meeting set up and preparation on Level 2 (L-2)

0900 - 0930 Introductions and Building Orientation

0930 – 1030 Colorado Bureau of Investigations Year to Date Statistics and Cold Case Review, Cold Case Task Force Sunset Review, and successes since conception. Update on DNA and New Forensics' Technology.

1030 - 1045 Break

1045 – 1145 Media Panel – Media Panel will consist of National and Local media covering unresolved homicides and missing person's cases. Crime Watch Daily Producer Kelly McLear, Denver Channel 7 News Liz Gelardi, and Whitney Wild of Channel 9 News will discuss personal experiences and observations of relationships between law enforcement and co victims of homicide and missing persons.

1200 - 1230 Pot Luck Lunch - A light fare of participant's favorite dish's

1230 – 1330 Key Note Speaker Frank Birgfeld "Lessons Learned" A Co-Victims Journey Toward Case Resolution" 1330 – 1500 Panel Discussion This panel will consist of parties involved in the Paige Birgfeld Homicide and the unique challenges that were overcome to result in case resolution after nearly a decade. Panel will discuss personal perspectives and lessons learned that may assist others in dealing more effectively with their unresolved homicide or missing person's case management. Panel participants will include Mesa District Attorney's Office, Case Detective, Colorado Bureau of Investigations and Forensics Lab Representatives, as well as Co Victim Frank Birgfeld, Paige's Father.