THOMAS MAURIELLO, RECIPIENT OF THE DONALD B. WOODBRIDGE AWARD

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This year's Woodbridge award was presented to an individual that I'm sure many of you have been inspired by at one point or another at a local Chapter training event or the National Seminar. Thomas Mauriello has been an avid supporter of NCMS at all levels. Tomm has dedicated his career to training, teaching and motivating others. He is currently employed by the DOD as the Chief of Polygraph Services for the Associate Directorate for Security and Counterintelligence. He also teaches Forensic Sciences, Criminalistics, Criminal Investigations, Hypnosis and Polygraph at the University of Maryland.

Tomm is an accomplished writer and authored and published the legal treatise, *Criminal Investigation Handbook – Strategy, Law and Science* and the popular book the *Dollhouse Murders*. Considered a renowned and expert forensic sciences consultant, he is in high demand for newspaper and radio interviews and has appeared on several television programs including ABC World News Tonight; CBS Sunday Morning News; Fox; and MSNBC cable news shows. Tomm's vast public speaking experience includes presentations of counterintelligence awareness briefings and forensic science lectures at numerous universities and law schools, as well as motivational seminars such as "Motivation through Communication" and "Truth and Lies of the Polygraph".

Tomm was truly honored and humbled by the award. He thanked NCMS for giving him a platform to present his briefings. During his acceptance speech Tomm reflected on the story of the "Star Fish". The point taken from this story was that one man can make difference. Tomm has definitely made a difference in the knowledge of anyone who has had the chance to attend one of his workshops and in the industrial security community.

Congratulations again, Tomm, on this well deserved recognition. You have been a role model and friend to many in government & industry and we wish you continued success. ❖

BOB SCHWALLS RECEIVES THE 2011 LONNIE R. BUCKELS PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

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The Lonnie R. Buckels Presidential Award is based on extraordinary or unique contributions made to the Society or Information Security field by an individual or organization. It is named for Lonnie R. Buckels, who served NCMS as President in 2002 and 2003.

Robert Schwalls was nominated and approved by the Board of Directors as the 2011 recipient of this award. Having worked in this industry for over 30 years, as a younger security professional I was aware of Bob in name only. I was aware of some of the changes he enacted as a leader within the Defense Security Service (formerly DIS); however, I really did not fully appreciate the impact until I developed into a manager in this industry. So it was gratifying to present him with this well deserved award.

Bob was a proponent of change and collaboration among government and industry long before those concepts were successfully carried out. Throughout his career, he has always sought to balance risk against threat. As Deputy Director of the Defense Industrial Security Program, he had responsibility for DISCO, Office of Industrial Security International, the Defense Industrial Security Institute and more than 50 field offices located throughout the United States. He was instrumental in the consolidation of Cognizant Security Offices from 9 down to 5 and centralizing functions from those Cog Offices to a centralized location (Facility Clearance Process, FOCI). In December 1984, DIS and AIA combined forces to tackle this very tough problem (deficiencies in the processing of personnel security clearances and identifying methods of improving clearance processing time). Representatives from both industry and government were convinced an electronic link between industrial security contractors and DIS would be the key elements of an automated clearance processing system. His collaboration with Industry enabled the DIS to roll out and utilize the e-PSQ (pilot 1986, roll-out 1988) automated clearance program was the result.