

COUNTY OF OAKLAND
OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

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Oakland County Sheriff's Personnel Graduates
From the National Firearms Examiner Academy (NFEA)
at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)

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October 18, 2010 (Oakland County)—The Oakland County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce that its own Forensic Lab Specialist Megan Moore, Royal Oak resident and Sheriff's Office employee for the last five and half years, was one of twelve law enforcement personnel from across the country to recently graduate from the prestigious ATF's National Firearms Examiner Academy.

The NFEA provides training for firearm and tool mark examiners from law enforcement agencies across the country. This training program is extremely comprehensive, is a year long, and students received instruction in everything from the history of firearms to firearm identification and manufacturing, bullet examination and comparison, terminal ballistics, shot patterns and many other topics. This training serves as a foundation for trainees to become qualified examiners. The ATF is a law enforcement agency with the U.S. Department of Justice that is dedicated to preventing violent crime.

"Our Forensic Science Laboratory specialists are some of the best in the country, and successful completion of programs like those offered by the ATF is part of the reason why," said Sheriff Bouchard. "We are dedicated to continual training of our personnel, which results in improved services for our residents as well as for other area law enforcement agencies. As one of only two forensic crime labs in the area, our continued commitment to excellence is critical."

Fully equipped with an Integrated Ballistic Identification System (IBIS), Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), chemical analysis of evidence from drug testing, and blood splatter to name a few, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Forensic Science Laboratory is staffed with a team of experts ready to conduct crime scene investigations at a moment's notice.