

Homicide Class



Is the Caller the Killer?

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Date: **APRIL 23 AND 24TH, 2026**
(this is a two-day class)

Location: Mt. Vernon PD
600 S. 27th St
Mt. Vernon, Illinois 62864

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Registration is required
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Tracy Harpster has served as a police officer in Ohio since 1984. He has worked as street officer, undercover narcotics officer, Sergeant, Detective Sergeant, Lieutenant and Deputy Chief. In 2006, DC Harpster achieved a Graduate degree from the University of Cincinnati where his Master's Thesis examined the indicators of innocence and guilt of 911 homicide callers reporting the offense. The study defined and analyzed the indicators in order to assist homicide detectives gain insight into the offense, suggest offender probability, and explore pertinent issues during the interview and interrogation phases of the investigation.

Deputy Chief Harpster is a member of the Vidocq Society and has shared his research at homicide conferences across the country and used his research to investigate over 2500 homicides.

This training is specifically designed to educate all criminal justice personnel including Detectives, Patrol, Dispatchers, Supervisors, Medical Examiners, Arson Investigators and Prosecutor's.