

## *A Message from the President*

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Fellow Members,

As your President, this is the last message I will write for the Newsletter. The year 2002 has had its share of newsworthy events. The amount of children and younger people being kid-napped has been astounding. Two Deputy Sheriff's in Maryland were murdered the other week serving a court order to commit a mentally unstable person. As is plainly evident, our work continues to be of paramount importance.



I attended the IAI Conference in Las Vegas this summer. It was the largest training conference they have hosted to date! The conference next year is being held in Canada, and it will be equally great!!! The courses and workshops offered were fantastic. I want you to know that approximately sixty members of the Florida Division were able to attend this year's IAI Conference! Great turnout Florida!

Our own Conference is coming soon in Destin. Please make every effort to attend. You will not regret it. Continuing your education in these rapidly changing times is so very important.

As your President for 2002, it has been my pleasure and honor to serve the members of the Florida Division of the IAI. I know Bud Haemmerle will continue the tradition set down by all the past presidents and Board members and serve you well.

Again, thank you for the chance to be your President. See you in Destin! And as the year draws to a close, have a happy and safe holiday season!!!

Respectfully,

Harold Ruslander

