Message from the Director. . . . . . Merry Morash

Linkages throughout the nation and the world

Whenever I speak to students who are potential applicants to our programs or who present themselves at student orientation meetings, I stress that they will benefit from their contact at the School of Criminal Justice not only because they will learn a great deal, but because they will become a part of the network of alumni. These alumni include not only the traditional student, but students who have taken their coursework through interactive television and practitioners who have participated in our training programs. Beginning in January, 1998, this group will extend to those who completed their degree in security management by taking courses via the Internet. Technological advances, and travel, have expanded the learning environment well beyond the boundaries of the East Lansing campus.

In extending the boundaries of the School of Criminal Justice, the faculty, academic advising staff, and training specialists at the School have been innovative in their use of technology, but at the same time have emphasized the importance of core values and the worth of person-to-person conversation. The Internet delivery of the masters degree in security management is an excellent example of how this works. Students will be able to take coursework anywhere in the United States, and they will benefit from the best of technology provided by the University. At the same time, they will have weekly contact with other groups of students through conversations in “reading rooms” and “chat rooms” on the World Wide Web, and they will have weekly individual contact with the faculty member who is teaching the course. These faculty also teach on campus, so they will link off-campus and on-campus students in a common learning experience.

Another example is the use of teleconferencing to provide information about community policing to teams of community members and police officials. A training specialist has done the groundwork with neighborhood associations and other community groups to excite members about the potential for community policing. This “old fashioned” community work will get people to a teleconference, where the new technology allows for the delivery of information through presentation and discussion by a panel of experts, and screening of a videotape that has been made in Michigan. Facilitators at each site provide a personal contact, but the teleconference structure gives people at many different sites access to expert knowledge.

The School is dynamic, and current initiatives may develop into distance education for international students.

Although we have the capacity, and the experience, for quick change to adapt to newly detected needs of professionals and students, the School culture promotes attention to the individual student, practitioner, or alumni.
Study Abroad: Ukraine

A new study abroad program in Ukraine is scheduled for summer term 1998. The School and Project Harmony, a non-profit organization based in Vermont that facilitates educational exchanges between the former Soviet Union and the United States, initiated the first of three stages in July 1997.

Twelve Ukrainian law enforcement officials from the Lviv Institute of Internal Affairs—the main center for police training in the western region of Ukraine—came to MSU to take part in professional enhancement seminars. The Institute of Internal Affairs is a four to five year degree granting institution for future command officers in Ukraine's National Police Department.

During the second stage, the School of Criminal Justice and the College of Social Science will co-sponsor an interdisciplinary study abroad program, "In Search of a New Democracy". The study abroad program will take students to the medieval city of Lviv, the Black Sea coastal city of Odessa and Ukraine's capital city, Kiev.

The political and economic change from a communistic socialized system six years ago to a democratic capitalistic system has been a dramatic change for the citizens of Ukraine. The summer study program will provide students with an opportunity to examine the process of establishing a democratic based constitution and the resulting effects for the provision of governmental services.

Open to all majors, students have the option to build on the core program by examining topics of personal interest in greater depth. Students will visit many of Ukraine’s old and new towns as well as excursions to museums, churches, buildings and historical relics such as Olesky Castle and Belgorod-Dnestrovskiy Fortress.

The third stage is a two-way Teaching Fellowship for the School of Criminal Justice and the Lviv Institute of Internal Affairs. Faculty/Specialist exchanges will provide opportunities for curriculum development and research.

The School is actively recruiting students for the Ukraine Study Abroad Program. The program dates are from May 12 through June 11, 1998. The enrollment deadline is March 6, 1998. Students from other universities and colleges are welcome. If you would like more information, check our web page: http://www.cj.msu.edu/~general/uke.html, or contact Jim Rapp 517-353-5268, or through E-Mail at rappj@pilot.msu.edu.
Thailand Police Day Celebration

Returning a visit by Royal Thai Police Lt. General Chidchai Vanasatidya and other high ranking police officials, Merry Morash, Director of the School, was an invited guest at the Royal Thai Police Academy celebration of Police Day last October 13th. During her visit she met with representatives of the Royal Thai Police Academy and finalized the Linkage Agreement that will formally tie the School of Criminal Justice with Thailand's police academy.

Several activities specified in the Linkage Agreement have already begun. Criminal Justice students, who will return to Thailand to work as instructors in the Police Academy, are currently studying at Michigan State University. These include two Ph.D. students (Somradee Chaiyarej and Thakoon Nimsombun), two master students (Bhamornwal Janleka and Assanee Sangkhanate) and two police cadets who are completing their bachelors degrees (Tanakorn Songrug and Jakkrit Wongyai). To build an exchange component into the academic aspect of the program, Professor David Carter is developing an overseas study program, which will take Michigan State University students to Thailand.

In addition to an exchange of students, faculty will work with personnel at the academy to develop joint research and training programs.

Forensic Science Students Spend Finals in Court

Under the watchful gavel of "Judge" Jay Siegel, forensic science graduate students recite an oath and take the witness stand in order to pass their final exam. Professor Siegel has testified in more than 200 trials, including the 1991 William Kennedy Smith rape trial. From those experiences he firmly believes; "Being in a courtroom is an important part of being a forensic scientist. If you cannot testify, you are not much use to the criminal justice system." Therefore, he puts his students through the same paces as would a real trial.

Each student receives a fictional case, two pieces of evidence, one week of lab time and a day in court to defend findings. The goal is to simulate the courtroom experience. Siegel plays the judge, his teaching assistants serve as jurors, but the attorneys are real.

David Lawson, a partner with Clark Hill law firm, plays the prosecuting attorney. His firm's young associates - most of whom lack courtroom experience - deliver the defense cross-examinations - giving them training as well. If that isn't enough, the setting is also real - the Ingham County Courthouse in Mason.

Criminal Justice Career Planning Course Approved

The College of Social Science curriculum committee at Michigan State University has recently approved a 2 credit course centered around criminal justice career planning. CJ 394 will be offered during the summer of 1998 to undergraduate students interested in identifying personal career interests, and exploring a specific area of criminal justice for an internship or job search.

Through research of criminal justice agencies, students will discover how to identify professional organizations that match individual skills and interests, establish mentor relationships, increase networking skills and learn how to conduct informational interviews. Self-Marketing techniques are an integral part of this course, including employee selection processes, verbal communication skills, and resume, cover letter and portfolio construction.

On-the-job knowledge will also be incorporated through this course. Students will gain business writing and computer skills, in addition to learning more about professional ethics, safety and security issues, and other professional employment expectations.

Radford Jones, Academic Specialist in matters of security management, has been appointed as of August 1977, as Chairperson of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police Private Security Liaison Committee by Chief Ron Dexel, President, MACP.
Fulfilling the Land Grant Mission

As a Land Grant University, Michigan State University has a tripart mission - research, education and outreach. The School of Criminal Justice is committed to that mission. Faculty members are proud of their unique ability to develop knowledge through research and then transfer that knowledge both in the classroom and to the practitioner world.

Christina DeJong, Assistant Professor has published several articles, sharing knowledge developed through her research.


Christopher E. Smith, Associate Professor, has published several articles on his research.


The Rehnquist Court and Criminal Punishment (New York: Garland, 1997).


Training/Technical Assistance Available

The National Center for Community Policing provides on site technical assistance by a professional team with academic and police experience who have worked extensively with police departments and communities to facilitate the change to a community policing style.

Steps in the process

Facilitated self assessment

The Center Team meets with executives/management team to identify factors of change, the police department's capacity to analyze and generate strategies and provides the dynamics of the organization. This is a critical process that will provide strategic planning capability. The session is half a day. A comprehensive written report is returned to you for your planning.

Organizational Survey

An innovative approach that identifies and measures perceptual differences that exist between officers, supervisors, management and civilian employees that will give clear direction to the department with areas to concentrate on whether in planning or training. This survey also provides measurement and evaluation to be readministered in the future.

For additional information, call 800-892-9051 or 517-355-9648 or E-Mail jane.white@ssc.msu.edu or weber@pilot.msu.edu. Our Home page address is www.cj.msu.edu/ -people/cpl/
Regional Community Policing Institute at MSU

A Regional Community Policing Institute (RCPI) has been established at Michigan State University with funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS). The RCPI is a partnership venture between the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University, the Neighborhood Association of Michigan and the following Michigan police agencies:

- Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Tribal Police
- Grand Traverse County Sheriff's Department
- Lansing Police Department
- Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police
- Michigan Law Enforcement Officers Training Council
- Michigan Sheriffs Association
- Michigan State Police
- Novi Police Department
- Traverse City Police Department
- Washtenaw County Sheriffs Department

The following Michigan police and sheriff departments have been selected to receive varying types of training and/or technical assistance from MSU's RCPI:

- Gerrish Township
- Leelanau
- Monroe County Sheriff
- Saginaw-Chippewa Tribal Police
- Bay City
- Monroe City
- Kalkaska
- Kentwood
- St. Johns
- Mt. Pleasant
- Kalamazoo

Officers in recipient departments will first complete an organizational survey which focuses on officer perceptions of key issues relevant to the move to community oriented policing.

Approximately three weeks later a facilitated self-assessment will take place with project personnel and members of the recipient department.

St. Johns, Monroe City, Monroe County and Bay City will receive a labor-management assessment in addition to the above two services. Five departments will receive training and technical assistance, based on results of the above processes previously administered. Those five departments include the following: Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Tribal Police; Novi and Traverse City Police Departments; Grand Traverse and Washtenaw County Sheriffs Departments.

Career Night

The annual Criminal Justice Career Night will be held on February 10, 1998 at the Kellogg Center. This special opportunity to increase students' networking and career searching skills will be co-sponsored by the School of Criminal Justice, the American Criminal Justice Association (Mu Sigma Upsilon Chapter) and Alpha Phi Sigma, the criminal justice honor society. Several agencies with alumni representatives will distribute information regarding employment and internship possibilities while collecting resumes from prospective applicants. Mock interviews are also scheduled giving practitioners an opportunity to provide immediate feedback on student's interview skills and resume content.

Last year, approximately 600 students and 55 agencies participated in this event. This year promises to be an equal success. If you have any questions or would like to participate as a mock interviewer or represent your agency, contact Caryn Mateer (517) 432-3197.

Security Documents Donated

In December 1997, William C. Cunningham, (60), President of Hallcrest Systems, Inc., McLean, VA, donated a number of his security and law enforcement manuscripts, monographs, and books to the School. He provided the material to enhance the literature available to criminal justice and security students, faculty, and researchers.


The donation of these materials, several of which are one or of a kind documents, will provide additional resource information to students and faculty and will assist in making our program the best in the nation. The School of Criminal Justice appreciates his donation of these valuable documents.
A Vital Resource

International Association of Chiefs of Police

Once again the School of Criminal Justice exhibit booth at the annual IACP gave faculty and staff an opportunity to network with alumni and friends. Rad Jones, security specialist was on hand to recruit candidates for the Internet Security Masters program scheduled to start Spring 1998. Professor David Carter, Director of the National Center for Community Policing, (NCCP) was available to discuss both NCCP upcoming activities and his January 1998 interent course offering of CJ433 "Law Enforcement Intelligence Operations."

Pictured above at Host Chiefs Night from MSU School of Criminal Justice: Karen Sherman; Jane P. White, Associate Director, NCCP; Jim Rapp, Associate Director, Michigan D.A.R.E. Training Coordination Office; and Eunice Weber.

D.A.R.E. Comes to M.S.U.

On October 1, 1997, the School of Criminal Justice became the State Coordinators Office for the D.A.R.E. program in Michigan. The School was selected through a competitive grant process by the State of Michigan's Office of Drug Control Policy.

A State Coordinator for D.A.R.E. has the primary responsibility for overall coordination and supervision of the State's Training Academies for police instructors.


Visiting Scholars

The School of Criminal Justice frequently invites "visiting scholars" to visit the University for an agreed upon period of time to undertake research on a specific topic whether independently or in collaboration with University faculty and/or staff. The invited scholar can be a professional or an academia person, usually of masters or doctoral educational level. Visiting scholars most often provide their own financial support.

This semester the School has five international visiting scholars.

Kwong-Rae CHO, from South Korea has been at the School since August and will return home mid-February. His focus of study is security, especially personal security.

Hyoung Young CHUNG, also from South Korea has been on campus since September and will be returning home mid-March. His focus of study is on criminal justice and the criminal procedures of the United States.

Mahdy EL-KASSAS is from Egypt. He will be completing his dissertation on legal reasoning in April 1998.

Yoon Ho LEE, will complete his third year of study in October 1998. He is from South Korea and his research focus is on delinquency and wife abuse.

Yan SHANG, from China, is visiting until October 1998. Her focus is security, especially licensing of physical security companies.
President's Message ...... James Batzer

As the year 2000 approaches, the School of Criminal Justice Alumni Association and its Board of Directors face many challenges as they strive to best serve the School and its alumni. While not forgetting our past, we must look to the future to position ourselves and the School for the challenges ahead.

Students today can complete entire masters degree programs via the Internet and never set foot on the East Lansing Campus. As an alumni association, what can we do to connect to these alumni, to make them feel part of Michigan State University and the School of Criminal Justice? Our Board of Directors membership needs to represent these students from around the world who may have never left their country.

E-Mail and the World Wide Web have given students access to friends and contacts around the world in less time than it takes to dial the telephone. When these students graduate and go into the work world, they will take with them the desire to continue this type of access. They will want us to be accessible to them via these same technologies. Are we willing and ready to be accessible?

With this almost instant access to resources around the world, are we, as an alumni association, positioned to be a resource to the School or its graduates? If not, what needs to be done to get us repositioned?

We need to reach out and recruit a diverse board of directors. We need a broad base, not only in areas of interest (law, police, corrections etc.) gender, age and ethnic background, but geographic diversity as well.

It is also time to rethink the purpose of our board. Could we be of more assistance to the School and the University? For example, by meeting less often (we currently meet twice a year), but taking on more of a Board of Visitors type role. Would this allow for greater participation by professionals from other regions of the country? This may mean we need to revisit our constitution and bylaws and/or our expectations of members of the Alumni Board of Directors.

If you're interested in being part of this exciting new era for the School's Alumni Association, express your interest by contacting Audrey Martini (martini@pilot.msu.edu) or Mary Lee Vandermoere (vander11@pilot.msu.edu) at the School (517) 355-2322 or fax (517) 432-1787 and let them know you would like to run for one of the seats on the Board that will be vacated this spring.

Nominations for Alumni Awards

The MSU Alumni Association Board of Directors is once again seeking nominations for three awards:

The Distinguished Alumni Award, The selection will be made from Michigan State University alumnus candidates who have distinguished themselves by obtaining the highest level of professional accomplishments.

Honorary Alumni Award, The selection will be made from non-Michigan State University alumni who have demonstrated continuing outstanding volunteer service to MSU.

Alumni Service Award, The selection will be made from candidates who are graduates or former MSU students in good standing with the MSU Alumni Association who have demonstrated continuing outstanding volunteer service to Michigan State University and/or meritorious public service.

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MSU graduates who are experts in their field and who have extended their expertise to better the lives of others should be nominated so their efforts do not go unrewarded.

Additional information and/or nomination forms can be obtained from Mary Lee Vandermoere or Audrey Martini (517) 355-2322. Nominations must be returned to Audrey Martini by February 6, 1998.
Alumni Happenings...

Alumni are invited to submit a brief update on where they are, what they're doing, awards, honors or special recognition received, or recent transfers, promotions or retirements. Information will be listed in alphabetical order by last name. (If your name has changed since graduating, include both names.) We will try to honor all requests, but space is limited. Mail requests for submission to the attention of Mary Lee Vandermoere, School of Criminal Justice, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1118. Fax 517-432-1787.

Vail, Chris, ("71) of Law Enforcement Development located in Marietta, Georgia, is now the Executive Director of the Police Supervisor's Group (PSG).

Horvath, Gregory, (BA '96) has completed 18 weeks of training at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), and is now serving as a Special Agent with the Environmental Protection Agency, Criminal Investigation Division.

Soltys, Charles J. (BA '84) received the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Administrator's Award (the Agency's highest award) in recognition of his exemplary performance during a 90-day tour of duty in the Chapare Jungle Region of Bolivia.

Special Agent Soltys (a former Spartan football player) graduated number one in his class at the Academy in Quantico, VA.

Donaldson, Roger (MS '95) was recently named an investigator with the Special Investigation Unit of the ASU Risk Management Services, Ltd. His duties include investigating suspicious insurance claims, as well as the collection and preparation of evidence used to prosecute fraudulent claims.

Laren, Daniel M. ('89) earned his J.D. from the University of Kentucky and is currently employed as a prosecutor in Lexington, Ky. He is also the current president of the local MSU Alumni Club in Lexington.

Upcoming Events

April 13, 1998 4:30 p.m.
College of Social Science Awards Convocation Kellogg Center

July 24, 1998
Annual Tournament of Friendship Golf Outing

May 8, 1998
Alumni Board meeting East Lansing, Michigan

September 11, 1998
Annual Robert C. Trojanowicz Golf Outing Branson Bay Golf Course $60/person (Co-sponsored with the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police-Youth Scholarship)

Board Vacancies

Under the provisions of the School of Criminal Justice Alumni Association Article of Association (ARTICLE VI - ELECTIONS): "The nominating committee shall present the names of at least one nominee per vacancy to the Board by June 1 each year with election by the board prior to July 1. At least one-third of the Board shall be elected each year." The Articles also state (ARTICLE V - OFFICERS & DIRECTORS): "The term of office for each Director shall be from July 1 of the year elected to June 30 of the third year."

Five Director vacancies will occur this June. Only three of the five current board members are eligible for re-election at the May 8, 1998 Board meeting.

Any alumni interested in running for the CJ Alumni Board should send a resume and brief introduction to Mary Lee Vandermoere, School of Criminal Justice, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1118. Fax 517-432-1787.

Agencies in the Washington DC area provide many experiences for criminal justice interns, and many of these students need housing for the duration of their internships. Volunteers to host internship students in the Washington DC area would be greatly appreciated.

The School of Criminal Justice internship program provides professional experiences in a variety of environments for students. The skills and contacts that are developed through internships lead to many career opportunities for students, and hands-on knowledge of agencies has been described as an important part of a complete education.

Alumni living in the DC area who would be willing to house a student intern during the semester of their internship are encouraged to contact Caryn Mateer at (517) 432-3197, for information about signing up for this program.
What Happens to Your Alumni Dues . . .

It is IMPORTANT that you designate a constituent association (Criminal Justice) on all your membership applications. Otherwise, the entire amount of your dues will be retained by the MSU Alumni Association. By marking your applications for Criminal Justice, $10 of the dues is forwarded to the CJ Alumni Association. This is your opportunity to become an Alumni Member, if you are not already. Fill this out and return with your check or credit card information.

Michigan State University Alumni Association Membership Application

PLEASE PRINT - FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL AND LAST NAME.

*APPLICANT NAME

*SPOUSE'S NAME IF JOINT MEMBERSHIP

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

( ) ( ) HOME PHONE BUSINESS PHONE

*NAME AT GRADUATION IF DIFFERENT

SCHOOL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

PAYMENT PLAN

☐ ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP - $35.00
☐ LIFE MEMBERSHIP - $500.00
☐ CHECK ENCLOSED - PAYMENT TO:
  MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
  VISA ☐ MASTER CARD ☐

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SIGNATURE

College Awards Program

This year’s College of Social Science Awards Convocation will be Monday, April 13, 1998, 4:30-6:30pm at the Kellogg Center. This annual program brings together School faculty and staff, student and faculty honorees, and friends and alumni of the College who support the scholarships and awards being recognized.

Eileen M. Hitch is this year’s recipient of the Graduate Alumni Endowment Scholarship. Eileen writes in her letter to Alumni Board President, James Batzer:

"...I would like to thank you and the Criminal Justice Alumni Association for this award. I appreciate the generous contribution to my education. My academic experience at Michigan State University is providing me with a foundation upon which I hope to build a career that will enhance the field of criminal justice. I plan to research and develop programs that will alleviate some of the problems in the correctional system, especially programs that will reduce recidivism rates. I am also interested in programs that work with victims of crime...."

The Alumni Endowed Scholarship was established as part of the School’s Golden Jubilee celebration. The fund was further enhanced last year when the School’s doctoral graduates raised additional funds as part of that group’s 25th Anniversary activities.

If you would like to contribute to the scholarship fund, checks made out to Michigan State University should be mailed to the School of Criminal Justice, Attention Beverley Bockes, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, MI 48823-1118.
Welcome Back Graduates of the 50's

The School regrets that for whatever reason we have not kept better track of our CJ alum. With the few tidbits of information that pass through my hands relative to our graduates, I’m sure it would be unbelievable if we had a complete list of where our graduates have been and what they have accomplished since leaving the residence halls of Michigan State University.

Guests at our recent Homecoming Open House gave us a taste of the variety of career paths taken by some of our graduates from 1950 (and other years).

Boyd, Joanne ('52) worked as a policewoman with several departments, including the Detroit Police Department prior to becoming a probation officer with the 16th District Court in Livonia, Michigan. She recently retired from that position.

Hareck, Donald ('54) former Chief of Midland, Michigan Police Department. He is currently retired and residing in Midland.


Nill, Earl ('50) retired from the Michigan Department of Corrections, currently residing in Okemos, Michigan.

Sobosky, Paul ('55) retired California parole agent, currently residing in Chino, California.

Southwell, Lang ('54) retired Michigan Department of Corrections, currently residing in Suttons Bay, Michigan.

Solak, James ('86) works for the State of Colorado, Department of Military Affairs, as a police officer.

Walbrecq, Dick ('51) currently residing in Jackson, Michigan.

Weed, Robert H. ('50) retired from the U.S. Secret Service and residing in Peoria, Illinois.
ACJA Region Six Conference

The Region Six American Criminal Justice Association conference took place at Michigan State University on October 18, 1997. ACJA members from Tri-State University, Kent State University, Michigan State University, the University of Wisconsin-Superior, and the Chicago Police Department attended the conference. There were interesting speakers, demonstrations, and competitions that provided an exciting and informative experience for those who attended.

The conference granted ACJA members from across the region an opportunity to meet other students and professionals in the field of criminal justice, as well as to listen to field experts speak on various topics. The keynote speaker was Jane P. White, Associate Director of the National Center for Community Policing. Other speakers from the School of Criminal Justice included Radford W. Jones, who presented security issues, and Dr. Jay A. Siegel, who spoke on Forensic Science.

Guest speakers included Officer Gayelord Mankowski, a police officer with the Meridian Township Police Department, who presented community policing and K-9 Unit policing issues; and Pamela K. Withrow, warden for the Michigan Reformatory, Ionia, who spoke on career options in corrections. A special thanks goes out to all these speakers, who contributed to the conference's success.

In addition to informative lectures, there were several competitions, including an essay competition, a physical agility contest, and a crime scene competition. A very special thank you goes to all the ACJA conference committee members who worked hard to make this day outstanding. Their time and energy were greatly appreciated.

Alpha Phi Sigma Update

The MSU Alpha Phi Sigma Beta Chapter at Michigan State University recently amended its Constitution and Bylaws to better accommodate the semester system. New officers will now be elected at the end of Fall semester to allow one semester for transition from the old to new Executive Board, hopefully resulting in a more continuous administration of Chapter business. The Chapter’s new President, Marnie Beneson, inherited a thriving group with one of the largest memberships seen in the last 4 or 5 years. The group is currently working with the American Criminal Justice Association and the School’s Internship program to put final touches on this year’s Career Fair, February 10, 1998. The exhibit area will open at 6 p.m. in Kellogg Center’s Big Ten Room.

The National Alpha Phi Sigma Convention will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 11-15, 1998. The Executive Board is currently working to raise money to send at least two representatives.

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School of Criminal Justice
New Faces

The School of Criminal Justice welcomes four new faces, three of whom have joined the Regional Community Policing Institute (RCPI) Staff.

JEROME G. BOLES II, Jerry, former Chief of Lansing Police Department, has been hired as lead trainer in the self facilitations for small and rural police departments who will be receiving training and/or technical assistance through the RCPI. From those facilitations, he will develop and deliver community policing training for small/rural police agencies and work with Priscilla Holmes in community-police partnership development in those communities. He will also develop and deliver two related curriculums, crime analysis and problem-solving.

PRISCILLA HOLMES will be working with the RCPI as the key community partner link with police and academia. As the Community Development Specialist, Priscilla will be working with community leaders and local police departments to build community capacity to be full working partners in community policing. Priscilla is the former Director of Lansing Neighborhood Council where she had responsibility for communication between 13 neighborhood groups and hundreds of volunteers. She has extensive experience and expertise in community organization, having organized nine neighborhood committees in community policing districts to deal with problem properties.

JOHN J. GUTIERREZ, John retired from the Department of Michigan State Police, has been hired as a Juvenile Justice Specialist with the School under a grant with the Family Independence Agency. John’s last assignment with MSP was with Tri-County Metro Narcotics. He has been an adjunct faculty member with Lansing Community College Criminal Justice and Law Center since 1985. He is also a cultural diversity facilitator, having taught a two-day seminar at various locations throughout Michigan since 1992.

CHAD KIELAS, a recent graduate of the School’s Masters program, has been retained by the School to fill the position of Technology Specialist for the Regional Community Policing Institute. He has just completed the coordination of the Institute’s second statewide teleconference. He is also responsible for the development and maintenance of the RCPI World Wide Web page and the project’s ListServe. Chad hails from Minnesota originally, but has transplanted to the East Lansing area.

Invited Professor

Jay Siegel, Associate Director and Professor, will be visiting Sydney, Australia for the Spring semester, 1998. He has been named Invited Professor at the Department of Chemistry, the University of Technology-Sydney. UTS has the only forensic science program in Australia. It is an honours course that is part of the bachelor’s degree in chemistry. Dr. Siegel helped to start up the program when he hosted Dr. Gary Norton, at that time, the chair of the Department of Chemistry, for ten weeks during the Fall, 1995 semester. Dr. Siegel paid a return visit to UTS in 1996 and final arrangements for the sabbatical were made.

Dr. Siegel’s duties will encompass teaching, research and mentoring students in the program. He will be primarily responsible for the law and forensic science class and will offer lectures in other classes in the program. He will also be carrying out research in the analysis of scientific evidence in collaboration with members of the faculty of the chemistry department. He will also work with individual students in helping to secure internships and employment in forensic science. While in Australia, Dr. Siegel will visit forensic science labs in Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne and Adelaide. These will hopefully result in increased opportunities for MSU forensic science students to come to Australia to study or engage in internships.

Accolades

Dennis Payne, Associate Professor, was recently honored by MSU President McPherson for service in the President’s Speakers Bureau. Professor Payne was the first speaker for this MSU outreach initiative with a presentation to the Lansing Area Safety Council.

This past September, Professor Payne was the keynote speaker at the Michigan Family Independence Agency’s Fall Conference in Bellaire, Michigan. “Ethics in Investigations” was the topic presented to approximately 150 criminal investigators.
Masters Degree Via the Internet

Continuing with its tradition of excellence, beginning Spring semester January 1998, the School of Criminal Justice will offer its Master of Science in Criminal Justice with a Security Management specialization via the Internet to a cohort of Target Stores assets protection personnel. The School will be the first department at MSU to offer its entire masters degree program via long distance learning technology.

Course offerings are structured so the student can complete his/her degree within two years. The masters degree will require no on-campus time except for a two-day orientation at the beginning of the program. The Internet Security Management Masters Program requires successful completion of 30 credits in the areas of business, criminal justice and security. Courses will be taught by the same School of Criminal Justice and Eli Broad College of Business faculty who teach the classes held on campus.

Applications are currently being accepted for a second cohort to begin Fall semester, August 1998. Interested applicants must meet the following criteria:

- A bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution
- An undergraduate GPA of 3.2 or higher
- Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scores at or above the 50th percentile
- Evidence of personal traits and characteristics considered important for successful scholarly performance

Additional information and a review of the program may be obtained by contacting our web page at www.cj.msu.edu/~outreach/seedist.html or through the Virtual University web page, www.vu.msu.edu. Additional information may also be obtained by contacting Project Director, Rad Jones, (517) 355-9648, or E-Mail jonesrad@pilot.msu.edu.

Tournament of Friendship

The Annual Tournament of Friendship Golf Outing was started 15 years ago primarily as a means of improving communication between law enforcement and community leaders. Over the years it began earning money that allowed for the establishment of two scholarships: one within the Lansing Community College Criminal Justice program and one within the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University.

This year the outing not only raised dollars to assist two MSU students, Sharona Miller and Raychael Green, it brought back to the School one of its alumni. Sergeant Patrick McGreevy, currently assigned to the Recruiting Unit of the Michigan State Police, has assumed the Outing’s Treasurer’s responsibility.

After graduating from Michigan State University in 1980, Sergeant McGreevy moved to the East coast and served as a police officer there for two years prior to returning to Michigan and joining the ranks of the Michigan State Police.

1998 will be Pat’s second year with the Scholarship Tournament. He is looking to see other Michigan State University alumni and friends at this year’s outing, Friday, July 24, 1998. For more information, contact Caryn Mateer, (517) 432-3197.

The School of Criminal Justice has developed a mentoring program to give students an opportunity to network with practitioners. Students with mentors will meet and make contacts in the professional world, to gain knowledge and insight regarding possible career choices. Mentors reach out and offer career advice to students as they step into the professional world.

Any student in the school is encouraged to participate. A one year commitment is desired for mentors. This will involve contact of approximately four hours per month. Alumni from all areas of Criminal Justice are still needed to make this program successful. Mentors will be matched with students according to career interests. Students are responsible for contacting the mentor, once the appropriate mentor name and phone number are provided. Questionnaires and further information are available through the Internship Placement Office. Contact Caryn Mateer at (517) 432-3197, or make an appointment at 532 Baker Hall.

To provide mentoring profile information.

Timothy Bynum, Professor, was elected president of the 1997-1998 Justice Research and Statistics Association Executive Committee. JRSA is a national nonprofit organization of state Statistical Analysis Center directors, researchers, and practitioners from throughout government, academia, and criminal justice organizations.

JRSA provides a clearinghouse for current information on state criminal justice research, programs and publications. Its Training and Technical Assistance Center provides training and technical assistance on a wide range of topics.
1997 Trojanowicz Golf Outing

Once again the weather held and a good time was had by all at the Annual Robert C. Trojanowicz Golf Outing. The golf outing is a fund raiser for two worthy causes, the Robert C. Trojanowicz Community Policing Endowed Fund and the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police Youth Scholarship.

The MACP Youth Scholarship is awarded annually to a Michigan high school youth, preferably a graduating senior, who has shown him/herself to be an outstanding citizen.

The Trojanowicz Endowed Scholarship was established to benefit worthy capable graduate students enrolled at Michigan State University, either in the School of Criminal Justice or the Urban Affairs Program, and whose area of research focuses directly on community policing concepts and ideals as advocated by the late Professor Robert C. Trojanowicz.

Amanda Robinson, a first year doctoral student in the School of Criminal Justice was the Trojanowicz endowment's first recipient of funds. Ms. Robinson is using the funds to advance her research on evaluating new federally funded community policing programs to combat domestic violence initiated by the Flint, Michigan Police Department. It was especially fitting that the first recipient of this award be conducting research in Flint, where Professor Trojanowicz’s ground breaking foot patrol experiment was initially implemented.

This year prizes were awarded to the first, 12th and 24th placed teams. Al Rose’s team, with Bill Weinman, Scott King and Bill Wilson took home the first place prize. But the most fun was had after the golfing - when the drawing for door prizes took place.

Mark this year’s date on your calendar now...Friday, September 11, 1998, Branson Bay Golf Course. Hope to see you there!!
Distinctive and Enduring Character
Who's Who...

At the October Homecoming Open House, several returning alumni brought pictures and stories to share. One of the group photos is shown below. Can any of our readers help us out?

What was the occasion of the photo? What year? Who are the people pictured in the photo?

Send your information to Audrey Martini, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, 48823-1118, fax it to her at (517) 432-1787, or E-Mail it to martini@pilot.msu.edu.

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