Dear Spartan:

Welcome to the fall edition of the CJ e-News, our online networking and informational newsletter for our alumni, students and friends. This fall brought us another superb homecoming weekend, where we had a wonderful time meeting with alum in the homecoming tent and inducting five distinguished individuals into the school's 2006 Wall of Fame.

As technology moves forward and time becomes ever so valuable, the School is offering a variety of credited and non-credited courses. In this edition we are adding a new section, "e-Learning", that will give you an update of all courses offered, as well as, links for further information.

In addition to "e-Learning", we will begin featuring members of our faculty to keep you informed with on-going research in the criminal justice field as well as giving you an opportunity to get acquainted with members of the Alumni Board, through "e-Link to Alumni."

If you have any articles that you would like to submit for the next edition of the e-News please send them to Candy Curtis.

The photo above in banner is the Identification Section of the Michigan State Police, 1939.
Criminology (ASC) had a strong MSU flavor and presence. Faculty and graduate students were well-represented in a number of paper and poster presentations. We held a reception that offered a very enjoyable reunion of MSU alumni, faculty, and graduate students. The ASC meeting also saw two of our alumni receive awards from the Division on Women and Crime. Dr. Barbara Koons-Witt, received the "New Scholar Award". Dr. Robin Haar, received the "Coramae Richey Mann, Inconvenient Women Award". This was just the second time this award has been bestowed. The original winner was MSU alum, Dr. Joanne Belkap. Barbara, Robin, and Joanne were all doctoral students of Merry Morash. Thus, it is not surprising to see them make their marks in ASC. Congratulations Barbara, Robin and Joanne!

The newsletter includes more detail on the Dae Chang International Visiting Scholar program, the awards presented at ASC, as well as other school developments. We wish all our alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends a very Happy Holiday Season.

Criminal Justice Highlights

Dae Chang Visiting Scholars Endowment - Professor Gloria Laycock the Director of UCL Jill Dando, Institute of Crime Science, University College, London, visited our campus in September. She lectured to faculty, students and practitioners on "Why the Police need to think like Scientist's". Ms. Laycock has spent twenty years on research and development in the policing and crime prevention fields. She has established and headed the home office of the Police Research Group and edited its publications on policing and crime. It was a distinct pleasure to have Professor Laycock on campus sharing her knowledge of policing and crime prevention.

Land Management Police Training - Jill Finster, joint fisheries and wildlife and criminal justice master’s student received a plaque for successful completion of the Land Management Police Training Program at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Program.

Jill Finster was the first student intern to complete all aspects of the LMPTP program. Jill also conducted her master’s degree research on the LMPTP program. Ed McGarrell was pleased to be the keynote speaker at commencement.
Outstanding Senior – Kimberly Hesse received this year’s outstanding senior award. Kimberly, graduated with honors, was President of the Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma and member of the Michigan State's Honors College.

“New” Student Resource Room - On October 24th, 2006, the vision and hard work of many individuals from both Target and the School of Criminal Justice culminated in the official opening of the Target & Blue - School of Criminal Justice Student Resource Room. Located on the first floor of Baker Hall, this room houses two brand new computer terminals complete with printer, a large flat-panel LCD TV for viewing agency recruiting videos and/or for presentations, as well as couches and chairs for meetings and informal discussions. This is a wonderful resource for all of our students, faculty, staff, alumni and practitioners to use.

Special thanks go out to Mr. Damon Cavasin - District Assets Protection Team Leader for Target.

On-Line Police Supervision Certificate Program – This course allows the student to enter the electronic classroom. It is a new and bold online blended learning program offering three, 12 week courses. These courses are in the area of “Accountability”, “Communication” and “Leadership”. In addition, to the online advantage, there are three 8 hour face-to-face class sessions. These courses are specifically designed for the working supervisor in policing or corrections to meet the demands of their organization. The focus is on learners who go out and immediately apply strategies they have assisted in creating during the class competencies with clear performance standards. The courses are taught by former successful police practitioners.

The Supervision Communication course begins Jan. 10th through March 28th and Supervision Leadership begins April 11th through June 27th, 2007. For more information go to www.policesupervision.msu.edu, or call 1-800-892-9051.
Campus Community Emergency Response Team (C-CERT) - October 1, 2005, the School was awarded a two-year, competitive training grant for $1,539,461 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Office of Grants & Training (DHS-G & T) to develop and deliver a Campus Community Emergency Response Team Train-the-Trainer Program for colleges and universities nationwide. The grant was awarded to allow MSU to apply the established CERT model to the college and university environment. Every campus community is a virtual "city within a city," with many of the same challenges to public health and safety faced by any other community, but also some unique or special risks and vulnerabilities. For more information contact Phil Schertzing.

Critical Incident Protocol - The School is a leader in the development of public-private partnerships across the nation for joint crisis management. Through the Critical Incident Protocol (CIP)—Community Facilitation Program, we provide guidance to government entities, associations, non-profit organizations, businesses, and community stakeholders for the coordination of joint critical incident response and recovery to both natural and man-made disasters.

CIP emphasizes four key areas for communities: create stronger public-private partnerships, identify community resources for critical incident management, reduce the impact of critical incidents, and utilize joint training, exercising, and planning for emergency preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery.

MSU is currently seeking new communities to participate in the CIP Program. For more information, please contact Brit Weber, Program Director, at (517) 355-2227 or by email, at weberbr@msu.edu. You may visit our website, which provides an overview, program details, and our current newsletter.

Photo: Public and private sector representatives collaborate in a simulated critical incident tabletop exercise, during a CIP.
ASC Division on Women and Crime Awards -
The School is proud to announce that three of our alum graduate students have received awards from the American Society of Criminology Division on Women and Crime. The Coramae Richey Mann “Inconvenient Woman of the Year” Award was presented to Dr. Joanne Belknap in 2004 and Dr. Robin Haar in 2006. Joanne is a Professor of Sociology at the University of Colorado and her academic interests include intimate partner abuse, sexual victimization, incarceration of women and girls, criminal legal policy, and feminist criminology. Robin is an Associate Professor of Criminal Justice and Police Studies at Eastern Kentucky University and has worked on behalf of the rights of women and children, and against violence that has affected women and children, all over Asia, particularly in Tajikistan.

New Scholar Award 2006 was presented to Dr. Barbara Koons-Witt who is currently an Associate Professor at the University of South Carolina. She received her Ph.D. in 2000 from Michigan State University and, since then, has accumulated an impressive number of publications in a relatively short time. Barbara's research has been in the area of criminal justice, with a particular focus on women's offending and violence.

Research Counts

SCJ faculty member Professor Chris Smith has broad interests encompassing many aspects of criminal justice policy and the operations of the criminal justice system. Many of his books and articles examine topics concerning law and courts. Recent publications address such topics as the Bill of Rights in the post-9/11 era, the U.S. Supreme Court and constitutional criminal procedure, the impact of technology on constitutional rights, and symbolic aspects of law. Chris has just begun work on a judicial biography of U.S. Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens who has begun his 32nd term of service on the Court—making him one of the longest serving justices in history. The focus of a judicial biography is to identify influences over the justice’s values, judicial philosophy, and approach to judicial decision making, as well as evaluate the justices’ judicial opinions and impact on law & policy.

Chris had the honor of meeting Justice Stevens at the Supreme Court for an extended private conversation this past summer. In addition, to analyzing his opinions, he expects to interview many of his former law clerks, family members, and, hopefully, other Supreme Court justices. Chris is also making use of the papers of former Supreme Court justices Harry Blackmun, Thurgood Marshall, Wiley Rutledge, and others at the Library of Congress.

He has applied for several research fellowships for 2007-2008 to facilitate his work on this project. For more information on Chris
Smith’s work, visit [online](#).

## e-Learning

The School of Criminal Justice is expanding their resources through the internet to offer credit and non-credit courses to students and professionals. e-Learning is designed to give students more flexibility in when and how they attend classes, and allows practitioners to continue their education according to their own schedules. For more information just click on the courses.

### Professional Development Non-Credit

**Counter-Terrorism Awareness** - This is a self-paced, web-based training program available to verified U.S. law enforcement personnel.


**Police Supervision** - A new and bold online blended learning certificate program for first-line supervisors and managers.

**Judicial Administration** – Case flow, Human Resources and Information Technology Management, Leadership, Purposes and Responsibilities of Courts and more.

### Graduate Studies Credit

**Alumni Corner**

**Alumni Annotations** – After graduating from the School of Criminal Justice earning a Masters of Forensic Science from George Washington University, I went to work with the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI), training in firearms identification and trace evidence analysis and serology. From there I received additional training in another lab in the area of crime scene investigation (CSI) and photography. I worked with the Northern Illinois Police Crime Lab in bloodstain pattern analysis as well as teaching police officers how to conduct crime scene investigations and received certification from the American Board of Criminalistic. Currently, I am the Lab Director for the Cook County Sheriff’s Police Forensic Laboratory.

At the September 29, 2006, meeting of the School of Criminal Justice Alumni Board of Directors, I was nominated Chair for 2007. It is a humbling honor and privilege to serve in this capacity.
greatly appreciate this opportunity to give something back to my alma mater and to the School from which I graduated thirty years ago.

The first order of business is to express thanks to outgoing board members and welcome new members, William Nash, Richard Lively, Matthew Heins and Michael Oltersdorf.

Finally, the Board has proposed several ideas to consider during the 2007 year:

- Produce a thirty second PSA for the School of Criminal Justice to be telecast on national television.
- Expanded development of an endowed scholarship sponsored by the Alumni Board of Directors for SCJ students.
- Adjustments to the requirements of induction to the Wall of Fame to include professors who have left a profound and indelible mark on the School but who were not graduates of the program.
- Development of a five-year strategic plan.
- Dedicated facility to embody the various disciplines of the School.

The School of Criminal Justice Alumni Board solicits your input and comments; we would appreciate any advice or ideas you would offer. Please spread the word about this publication and the excellent work being accomplished by Dr. McGarrell and the staff at SCJ, especially to fellow alumni who may not be aware of our current events.

If I may be of assistance to any of you, or if you have any questions about or for our Alumni Board, please email me. Thank you for all of your encouragement and support.

William H. Wilson, 76'

Photo: Bill Wilson, Chair, School of Criminal Justice Alumni Association

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Homecoming Weekend

Photos: Marty Schmuckel, Anne Corbin and Mark Smith and Ed. Also Kent Mauer and Ed

School of Criminal Justice Alumni Board – The board met for their annual meeting and members received an update from Ed McGarrell on the Schools advancements in homeland security, academics, research and professional development. They also discussed many innovative ways to enhance the schools progress in the future. Marty Schmuckel was also in attendance with information on Alpha Phi Sigma’s activities as well as Anne Corbin who received the Alumni Endowment Graduate Assistantship Scholarship. In addition, Mark Smith our outgoing Chair and board members Kent Mauer, Michael Pearson and Charles Rinkevich
were given plaques in appreciation for their service.

**Homecoming Tent** – Great time was had by all who stopped by the homecoming tent to reconnect with fellow alum and visit with Ed and staff. We also had a special visit from “Sparty” to rally all fellow Spartans before the game. Hope to see you at next year’s event.

![Photo: Paul Sparks and Ralph Hobrat Jr, Don Weatherspoon and Mike Morrissey, and the Vanosdalls are all featured with Ed.](image)

**Wall of Fame** – The School was honored to induct R. Barri Flowers, Walter Lloyd, Audrey Z. Martini, Nancy Oesch and David Westrate into the School of Criminal Justice Wall of Fame. The ceremony took place on October 1, 2006 at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center. Congratulations to these inductees and their families. If you would like more information regarding the Wall of Fame please contact Candy Curtis or visit our [Virtual Wall of Fame](#) or our [online nomination form](#).

**On the Web: Wall of Fame 06 Video** - We are pleased to offer the 06 Wall of Fame video on the web through CJ, Youtube and podcasting. Just click on [CJ](#) or [Youtube](#) to view. For podcasting download from iTunes under TV and Films.

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**e-Link to Alumni**

**Bruce A. Sokolove (Coach Sok), 70’** – Coach Sok earned a MS in Police Administration/Public Safety at Michigan State University, 70’, the final class before the School of Criminal Justice emerged! So, he’s an R.E. Olds Hall old guy! Coach Sok, a native New Englander, earned a Bachelor of Arts from the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (History and Mathematics).

He is a former Police Officer and Patrol Commander having served as a uniformed police officer in North Adams, Massachusetts (while attending college) and Ann Arbor, Michigan and as Executive Officer and Undersheriff for the Washtenaw County Sheriff’s Department (Ann Arbor, Michigan). Coach Sok is a member of the State of Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) Curriculum Advisory Task Force. Coach Sok has published in the International Association of Chiefs of Police publication, Police Chief, as well as Law and Order magazines.

Coach Sok has presented at the FBI National Academy in
Quantico, Va., as well as at the Annual Conferences of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

He is President of Field Training Associates located in a 136-year-old former mansion in the historic district of Ypsilanti, Michigan. FTA is a law enforcement consulting firm specializing in public safety human resource administration, training issues and employment mentoring processes.

The very best part of this dye-in-the-wool Spartan’s life revolves around his thirty-seven year marriage to Linda Sokolove and their two sons and extended family, which include two Spartan-bound grandchildren!

Class Notes

Doug Firmaudig – BS 01' sent along a note that he is working in Washington DC and currently employed with the State Department. Great hearing from you Doug and keep us updated!

Melinda Berry – BS 01’, MS 05 is working for the Gallatin County re-entry program, a division of Community Counseling and Correctional Services in Montana. She loves her new job and the great state of Montana. Congratulations on your new job Melinda and keep in touch!


In addition, he has also signed a contract with McFarland for an updated version of his groundbreaking law book, "Criminal Jurisdiction Allocation in Indian Country" (Associated Faculty Press, 1983). The new edition will tentatively be entitled, "Criminal Jurisdiction Within Tribal Lands" (McFarland, 2007). Abstracts of Barri’s academic works can be found at the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) site. Contact Barri at: BarriBorn2Write@cs.com.

Looking Back

Louis Radelet a Notre Dame product and a sociologist who anticipated as early as 1955 the growing issue of "police community relations," a term he coined and then elaborated upon in two standard textbooks. After devoting several years to help desegregate and "humanize" the police, he joined the staff in 1963 and directed MSU's unique "National Center on Police and Community Relations."

To learn more about our rich history you can

Memoriam

Roland L. "Ron" Loomis, Horseheads, NY, graduated Magna Cum Laude BS, 62’. He had a 25 year career as Director of Corporate Security for Corning Glass Works and was a member and served on the board of ASIS. Prior to attending MSU, he served in the US Army during the Korean War and received the Purple Heart. Heartfelt condolences to his family.

Peter C. Hotis, Sound Beach, NY, hailed from Baldwin and lived for many years in Commack. He graduated from the School of Criminal Justice, BS, 61’. Our thoughts are with Peter’s family.

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