Dear Spartan,

Enjoy reading the summer edition of the School of Criminal Justice newsletter to stay up to date about fellow alum and the activities of the School.

As the summer of 2012 moves along rapidly heralding the beginning of the 2012-13 academic year I have the privilege to share information on some events and activities that demonstrate the excellence of the School of Criminal Justice during the past academic year. I am very pleased to highlight various achievements of faculty members during this year. Associate Professor David Foran has been promoted to the rank of Professor; Assistant Professor Jesenia Pizarro has been tenured and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor; and, Assistant Professor April Zeoli has been reappointed to another 3 year term.

I am also very pleased to bring to light awards and recognition received by some of our alumni in academia. In a recent article in the *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, an analyses of *Top Female Stars in Criminology and Criminal Justice* listed three of our graduates among the top 20 around the world. These include: Beth Huebner (University of Missouri at St. Louis), Kristi Holtfreter (Arizona State University), and, Barbara Koons-Witt (University of North Carolina, Columbia). Please join me in congratulating all three of them for their contributions and achievements!
During this academic year a record number of doctoral students (7) defended their dissertations and were awarded Ph.Ds. In addition, 66 students graduated with their MS degrees in Criminal Justice, Forensic Science, and Law Enforcement Intelligence Analysis.

< Interim Director Mahesh Nalla >

The Network Journal Honors Karen Morris

Karen Morris was named one of the 25 Most Influential Black Women in Business by The Network Journal, an African American business magazine for professionals and business owners. This award honors women whose professional achievements have made a significant impact on industry or their profession and who have also made important contributions to their community.

Karen is a Senior Vice President of human resources for the Meijer Corporation. She received both her BA in Criminal Justice and Master of Labor and Industrial Relations at Michigan State University and was a 2011 Wall of Fame Inductee.

Hollis Whitaker was a Leader in the Field of Security

Hollis Whitaker passed away after a short illness on April 15, 2012. He graduated from Police Administration in 1951 and pursued an exemplary career as a security professional with the CIA and served in both domestic and overseas operations.

Following his distinguished service with the CIA, Hollis worked for TRW Electronics and Defense as an Assistant Director of Security. Hollis Whitaker was inducted into the School of Criminal Justice Wall of Fame (2003).

Rick Myers Accepts Position as Interim Chief

Richard Myers, former chief of police in Colorado Springs, Colorado and Appleton, WI has accepted the position as Interim Chief of Police for the City of Sanford, Florida. The City of Sanford, Florida has experienced a tremendous crisis with the tragic death of Trayvon Martin and has asked Rick to lead the agency as Interim Chief of Police.

Rick received his MS (1989) and was inducted into the School of Criminal Justice Wall of Fame (2009).
Jim Botting Publishes Second Book

Jim Botting has just published his second book entitled *River Bottom Rum*. He dives right into what he knows best and wrote a collection of eleven police procedural short stories based on his thirty years as an FBI agent and police officer. You can get a copy of his book at Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and Xliris.

Jim Botting earned a MS (1966) and was inducted into the School of Criminal Justice Wall of Fame (2007).

Joanne Belknap Elected President of ASC

Joanne Belknap has been elected President of the American Society of Criminology (ASC). She received her Ph.D. (1986) and is a Professor of Sociology at the University of Colorado.

Dr. Belknap has numerous scholarly publications, most of which involve violence against women and girls and female offenders.

Alan Boehm: Assistant Inspector General for Investigations

Alan Boehm, BA (1976), is now serving in the capacity of Assistant Inspector General for Investigations at the National Science Foundation Office of Inspector General. Prior to this position, he served as the Assistant Director for Accountability at the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board managing investigators, analysts, and contractors at the Recovery Operations Center.

Rod Kinghorn Named Industry Fellow with A-CAPPP

Rod Kinghorn, BS (1974), was named as an Industry Fellow to the Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection Program (A-CAPPP). As an Industry Fellow, he is currently partnering with A-CAPPP staff to deliver anti-counterfeit training and to develop and review A-CAPPP resources where he can help to integrate an industry perspective.

Rod Kinghorn is the former Director of Global Security for the General Motors Corporation.

< Rod Kinghorn, Jeremy Wilson >
Joshua Reinsch Receives the ICE Director's Award

Joshua Reinsch, BA, (2006), MS (2007), received the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director's Award (Agent of the Year) for the successful arrests of persons involved in a large drug smuggling operation. He is a Special Agent for DHS Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in Phoenix.

Donald Weatherspoon Appointed Emergency Manager

Donald Weatherspoon was appointed by Governor Rick Snyder as an Emergency Manager for the Muskegon Heights School District. He also serves as a member of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Don graduated in 1967 with a degree in Police Administration and is a School of Criminal Justice Wall of Fame inductee (2000).

Nancy Oesch Presenting at the Oxford Roundtable

Nancy Oesch, BS (1973), MS (1983), and Wall of Fame Inductee (2006), has been selected to present at the Oxford Roundtable addressing Domestic Terrorism. She has been presenting studies on high security threat groups and stranger on stranger homicide at Oxford since 2006.

The Oxford Round Table promotes education, art, science, religion and charity by means of academic conferences and publication of scholarly papers.

Two New Criminal Anthologies Available

Barri Flowers, BA (1977), MS (1980), criminologist and best selling author is the editor of two new anthologies, Murder Here, Murder There (Twilight Times, June 2012), a collection of mystery and thriller tales by bestselling mystery writers, and Masters of True Crime: Chilling Stories of Murder and the Macabre (Prometheus, August 2012), with crime tales by top selling true crime writers.

Barri will be featured in the Fall 2012 MSU Alumni Magazine discussing Masters of True Crime, including his own true story about serial killer Donald Miller. Barri, a proud 2006 Wall of Fame honoree, has also written a thriller novel, Murder in Honolulu: A Skye Delaney Mystery, available in eBook, audio, and print. Follow him on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and at his home page.
Scott McIntosh Receives Fulbright Award

Scott McIntosh a graduating Senior with a BA in Criminal Justice and a BA in Arabic has been selected to receive the United States Student Fulbright award in Bahrain. During his time at MSU he completed the Arabic Language Instruction Flagship program.

The Arabic Flagship Program at Michigan State University is a unique language learning opportunity for undergraduate students interested in developing superior-level proficiency in Arabic. Students major in a subject of their choice while completing specialized coursework in Arabic language and culture through the four years of their college experience developing the language skills necessary to function professionally in Arabic.

Study Abroad Students Show Their Spartan Spirit

The Southeast Asia study abroad program gives students the opportunity to visit the Philippines to learn firsthand the many contradictions, challenges, and opportunities in a transitional and developing society in the areas of justice and legal systems, the dynamics of governance and public citizenship, and environmental protection.

Study Abroad Students Show Their Spartan Spirit

< Michelle Hamilton, Lauren Mausolf, Dr. Sheila Royo Maxwell, Tyrone Mattison, Raymund Narag, Steven Le at Boracay >

Madison Boden Chosen for MSU Homecoming Court

Madison Boden has been chosen to sit on the 2012 - 2013 MSU Homecoming Court. Madison is majoring in both Criminal Justice in the College of Social Science and Chinese in the College of Arts and Letters.

Madison Boden is also a member of the Michigan State University Honors College.
J. Edgar Hoover Foundation Scholarship Awarded

John McIllory has been awarded a Scientific Scholarship from the J. Edgar Hoover Foundation. William Branon, Chairman of the J. Edgar Hoover Foundation and retired FBI Agent, visited our campus to present the $25,000 scholarship. John is currently working on a joint Masters in Forensics and a Ph.D in Chemistry. Each year, a Scientific Scholarship in the amount of $25,000 is awarded to a deserving candidate.

This award is conferred based on a candidate's interest in pursuing a forensic science related career in law enforcement. Since the founding of the J.Edgar Hoover Foundation, over three and one half million dollars have been distributed for scholarships, grants for education, as well as legal and professional law enforcement training.

Online Master Degree Programs Ranked 6th by Super Scholar

Super Scholar has ranked our online Masters degree program 6th in the nation. The ranking was based on the School offering an accredited 30 credit-hour Master of Science program that mixes theory and practice and prepares students with concentrations in criminal justice, forensic science, or intelligence analysis. Additionally, our programs prepare students for criminal justice research and teaching, or careers in law enforcement and security.
Scholars Address International Criminology Issues

Dr. Dalibor Dolezal and Mr. Praveen Kumar visited our campus as part of the Dae Chang International Scholar's program.

Dr. Dolezal is a researcher from the University of Zagreb, Department of Criminology, Croatia. His presentation entitled *Corruption and Organized Crime in the Balkans* explores the current issues regarding corruption and organized crime through a political context from the former Yugoslavia until present day.

*Challenges to Police Training in India* was the topic presented by Mr. Praveen Kumar. He spoke about the need for India to have police who are recruited and trained with the expertise within their specialization, such as security, investigative and law and order, and the challenges this training brings. Mr. Kumar is a Joint Commissioner of Police and Chief of Intelligence for the Hyderbad City Police Department, India.

< Mahesh Nalla, Praveen Kumar >

Dr. Carter to Lead Assessment Team in Puerto Rico

The Department of Justice has chosen Dr. David Carter to be a Team Leader for a project that will do a comprehensive assessment of Homicide Investigations by the Puerto Rico Police Department (PRPD). Puerto Rico has experienced an island-wide increase in homicides while the clearance rates for homicides has decreased. In addition, PRPD was chastised for investigative techniques, among other factors, in a recent Justice Department Civil Rights Division Investigation of the PRPD.

The Team Dr. Carter leads consists of six experienced homicide investigators from major cities around the U.S. who were handpicked by the Justice Department. The assessment will examine all aspects of homicide investigation from the crime scene through the preparation of the case for prosecution. In 2010 he was a Team Leader of a similar assessment of homicide investigations at the New Orleans Police Department following civil rights investigations.
Building Evidence Based Solutions Through SMART Policing

School of Criminal Justice faculty Merry Morash, Steve Chermak and Jeremy Wilson are working with the Michigan State Police as partners to provide quality policing services through Smart Policing. This effort will help the agency transform itself into a learning organization that uses evidence based policing.

The Smart Policing Initiative (SPI) is a collaborative consortium composed of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, CNA, and law enforcement to build evidence based and data driven solutions to serious crime problems.

Faculty Visit Ahmedabad India to Initiate Research

Two of our faculty members, Merry Morash and Soma Chaudhuri visited Ahmedabad, India to initiate research on alternative approaches that non-governmental organizations use to promote social change to contain and address domestic violence. Their trip was funded jointly by GenCen, Asian Studies Centre and Casid.

The photo was taken at the Ahmedabad Women's Action Group (AWAG) with its founder Dr. Illa Pathak at their Bapunagar workshop and shelter. Their mission is to "empower women through assertion of their individuality, to assist them in getting social justice and to help them to regain their health".
A-CAPPP Expands Advisory Board

The Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection Program (A-CAPPP), located within the School of Criminal Justice, recently expanded their industry advisory board. The program added four new board members, Scott Emmer, Manager Global Brand Protection at General Motors; Jeff Mieseler, Director of Corporate Security at Callaway Golf Company; Barbara Toop, Intellectual Property Executive Counsel at General Electric Power and Water; and Jeff Kwasny, Manager of PPS Brand Protection at Hewitt-Packard.

Each new board member brings vast experience around brand protection from various types of industries.

Journal of Criminal Justice Education Ranks Faculty Productivity

*Journal of Criminal Justice Education* has consistently ranked the School of Criminal Justice 4th and 5th on the metric of doctoral faculty productivity between 2005 - 2009. The School's ranking continually increased from 11th to 5th between 2000 - 2009.

Dr. Carter Receives an Honorary Doctorate of Laws

Dr. David Carter was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the President and Board of Governors of the University of Central Missouri. The award is the highest honor the University awards to recognize distinguished alumni. Dr. Carter received the award for his many contributions to the field of Criminal Justice.