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CRIMINOLOGISTS AND FOUL LANGUAGE

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During my fifteen years (1985-2000) as Editor of Crime and Delinquency, we published a number of screeds written by myself or in collaboration with my Assistant Editor and colleague, Kathryn Ann Farr (Gibbons, 1995, 1987; Gibbons and Farr, 1998, 1989; also see Gibbons, 2002). In these, we bemoaned the sorry state of scholarly writing in criminology and criminal justice. We also provided considerable "chapter and verse" about the extent and nature of bad writing in our field, along with a number of suggestions as to how this state of affairs might be addressed. As best I can tell, our complaints and suggestions were generally met with indifference, which is why I am moved to seek a wider audience and try again to deliver our message.

Let me be clear on a couple of points. First, I make no claim to great expertise with respect to professional writing or the technical rules of composition and the like. However, I can write reasonably well and am able to recognize particularly egregious cases of bad writing. I am also fairly skilled at copy-editing the work of others. Indeed, I applied my editing skills to a sizable share of the submissions to Crime and Delinquency and in the process, wore out a number of boxes of Sanford "Sharpie" red marker pens over my fifteen-year tenure.

I also acknowledge that there are many persons in our field who write extremely well. Even so, I suggest that bad writing is sufficiently widespread as to deserve more attention than it has received in the past. On a related point, these complaints about criminological writing are not restricted to neophytes, that is, graduate students or newlyminted Ph.Ds. There are more than a few established scholars who do poor quality work, although I have no firm statistics showing the precise number of bad writers in our midst. Still, I can go beyond simply asserting, in the fashion of humorist Dave Barry when he reports on a bizarre bit of Americana, that "I am not making this up."

Consider some lines of support for the claim that bad writing is endemic in criminology. While I want to avoid "outing" specific persons whose writing is flawed, I would note that I have read two published essays in the past few years by former Presidents of the American Society of Criminology which left a good deal to be desired in terms of literary merits. Also, I have encountered a number of recently-published books in criminology which contain a host of misspelled authors' names, badly-written sentences, and a host of other defects. It appears that many major publishing houses have in recent years moved away from the detailed copy-editing, proofreading and related tasks which they

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B. JAYE ANNO, criminologist and co-founder of the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC), received the 2003 Gustav O. Lienhard Award, along with Bernard P. Harrison, lawyer and co-founder of the NCCHC, from the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies. Anno and Harrison were honored for their prfound contributions to improvements in the quality and humanity of the medical care systems for the incarcerated. As co-founders of NCCHC, they are responsible for developing the first comprehensive standards for health services in jails, prisons, and juvenile detention facilities, and for initiating the concept of voluntary accreditation as the incentive for states, counties, and the federal government to upgrade health care conditions in correctional facilities. The award was presented October 27 at the IOM's annual meeting which included a medal and a \$25,000 prize.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

WESTERN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY, February 19-22, 2004,. Long Beach Hilton Hotel, Long Beach, California. Contact: Mike Day, 503-725-8586; daym@pdx.edu; http://www.sonoma.edu/cja/wsc/flyer04.html

JERRY LEE CRIME PREVENTION SYMPOSIUM, February 23-24, 2004. For more information, contact Nancy Morris at ccjg@crim.umd.edu 301-405-4710

ACADEMY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCIENCES, March 9-13, 2004, Riviera Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas Nevada. Www.acjs.org/PDF9620Files/Committee.pdf

IMPACTING JUVENILE JUSTICE: THE INTERSECTION OF AP-PROACHES, March 29-31, 2004, Central Missouri State University. Contact: Frances P. Reddington, 660-543-4961; reddington@cmsul.cmsu.edu

SPANISH CRIMINOLOGY CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY THE FED-ERATION OF ASSOCIATIONS OF CRIMINOLOGISTS OF SPAIN AND THE SPANISH SOCIETY FOR CRIMINOLOGICAL RESEARCH, April 1-3, 2004, Salamanca, Spain. Www32.brinkster.com/criminologiac ongreso. criminologia@usal.es

CANADIAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY. April 1-4, 2004, Toronto. Www.canadiansocietyofcriminology@hotmail.com

CTR FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES & CRIMINAL JUSTICE RE-SEARCH, April 14-16, 2004, The Sheraton Society Hill Hotel, Philadelphia. Contact Kristen Gilmore, 732-932-1225; cmhs@cjr@ihhcpar.rutgers.edu

YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION CONFERENCE, "Scientific Approaches to Youth Violence Prevention", April 24-26, 2004, sponsored by the New York Academy of Sciences. For further information visit: http://www.nyas.org.

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SOCIETIES OF CRIMINOLOGY 1st KEY ISSUES CONFERENCE, "What Works in Reducing Crime", May 13-15, 2004, Paris Renaissance Hotel. Www.asc41.com/paris

SCOPIC (The Social Contexts of Pathways in Crime) ANNUAL CONFERENCE, June 2-6, 2004, Cambridge, UK. Www.scopic.ac.uk

FIFTH BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE CONFERNCE,

"Policing in Central and Eastern Europe: Dilemmas of Contemporary Criminal Justice", September 23-25, 2004, Ljubljana, Slovenia. Contact: Dr. Gorazd Mesko, Vice-dean, Faculty of Criminal Justice, University of Maribor, 1000 Ljubljana, Kotnikova 8, Slovenia. Email: Gorazd.mesko@fpvv.uni-mb.si. For more Details visit the Conference Home page at: http://www.fpvv.uni-mb.si/conf2004. formerly performed, so that these days, if errors of commission or omission are to be avoided in books, the job of finding and correcting them has to be accomplished by authors themselves. Lamentably, many criminological writers seem to be disinterested in these more tedious but essential aspects of the writing task. (1)

However, I am mainly concerned here with flawed journal submissions. While Editor of Crime and Delinquency, I read and reviewed upwards of 3,000 manuscripts (not counting resubmissions) which had been submitted to the journal, some authored by newcomers and some by relatively senior persons. A very large share of these papers needed drastic copy-editing, most of which I supplied. I don't believe that this mass of flawed papers was an unrepresentative sample of journal submissions, having been produced by inept writers who had zeroed in on Crime and Delinquency as an outlet for their work. On this point, Bob Bursik, former Editor of Criminology, has told me that his experiences with regard to bad papers paralleled mine, as also has Michael Tonry in comments to me about the number of poorly-written manuscripts that he received for several anthologies of criminological work which he has edited.

The claim that "there's a lot of bad writing out there" is a broad one, that is, there are numerous forms of poor writing about which we should be embarrassed. Farr and I included a large and broad sampling of writing flaws in our essays, but let me note some of these here as well.

Many of the papers I reviewed over the years were filled with spelling errors, words used incorrectly (such as frequent reports of "a myriad of" something), inconsistent use of tenses, a mixture of singular and plural verb forms, misspelled authors' names, and kindred easily-avoidable errors. Then, too, many of them involved problems of poor organization, awkward sentence structure, and so on. Many of them also contained instances of writing in which the authors managed to say something quite different from what they intended. A particularly striking case-in-point was that of two authors who, in an effort to support the claim that the practical significance of scientific discoveries is often not immediately apparent, alluded to Einstein and his death from adventures in space! Finally, in addition to specific errors, many of these submissions could be characterized overall as turgid, boring, and inelegantly written.

If the situation is pretty much as I have described it, how concerned should we be? I have argued elsewhere (Gibbons, 2002: 247-248) that: "'the criminological enterprise' centers almost entirely on 'talking about crime and criminals,' either in lectures to students or in books, journal articles, and other written products. Thus if we cannot deliver a reasonably lucid and articulate lecture, we are in trouble. And even more important, if we cannot master the standard rules of composition and the essentials of clear writing, we are in even more trouble. Why should we expect non-criminologists to pay attention to us if we write in obscure and/or ponderous ways and if we fracture the English language? Learning to write reasonably well should be a central feature of taking criminology seriously."

What should be done about the foul language problem? My guess is that it is too late to do much about those relatively senior persons who write poorly, but what about criminologists-in-training, that is, graduate students? In our essays, Farr and I emphasized that the problem is an institutional one, rather than simply attributable to the inadequacies of a few individuals. Currently, a few students come to doctoral training already well-equipped with writing skills while many others show up deficient in writing ability. Some of the latter get into contact with fellow students who can write and are helped by them. In other cases, often at the dissertation stage, unskilled students link up with a faculty member or two who provide them with some basic writing skills and who also "hold their feet to the fire" and require them to turn out an adequately-written dissertation. But regrettably, far too many students slide through without learning much about "the tricks of the trade" of writing.

What should we do about this latter group? Some might argue that the lack of writing skills is their problem, not ours. Perhaps we should simply inform them of this fact, or perhaps we should encourage them to enroll in writing classes in the English Department. Too, we might advise them that there are a number of internet sites which deal with professional writing to which they might turn. Finally, we might encourage them to buy a copy of the 15th edition of The Chicago Manual of Style (2003) for \$55 (\$38.50 on the internet). But while this book is an invaluable reference source for all writers, skilled or otherwise, my guess is that many graduate students would be overwhelmed by it's 965 pages, at least at the beginning of their efforts to hone and sharpen their writing skills.

I submit that it is our professional responsibility to educate students about professional writing. That responsibility is no less important than our obligation to educate them in methodology and statistical techniques, substantive theory, and so forth. In short, the problem demands systematic and sustained attention at the department level. There are a number of specific ways in which the bad writing problem might be addressed, but in my view, the most effective tactic is probably to make sure that writing-challenged students receive personal attention from someone who is competent to mentor them and give them candid advice on their writing "with the bark on," so to speak. Criminology is too important to be entrusted to persons who cannot communicate effectively, either verbally or through the written word.

NOTES

In our essays, Farr and I argued that bad writing in criminology is often attributable to <u>ineptitude</u>, <u>sloth</u>, and <u>hubris</u>, or some combination of the three. Ineptitude is self-explanatory, while sloth and hubris are closely related. Sloth applies to persons who know how to write reasonably well and who are aware of the need for careful proofreading of one's work, etc., but who are insufficiently motivated to "take care of business." By hubris we mean that some persons appear to regard proofreading, correction of spelling errors, and the like as dreary tasks that should be left to someone of lesser importance.

In the past several decades, a somewhat muted debate has been apparent, involving on the one side, those who content that criminology out to be a basic science devoted mainly to the discovery of the causes of crime, while on the other side are persons who argue that the raison d'etre for criminology should center on the provision, to policy makes, of policy-relevant facts. I favor the first view, in large part because I hold that the basic task of scholarly disciplines is the pursuit of knowledge, but also because most of the criminological knowledge developed to this point is qualified and equivocal. In short, we still do not know enough to be able to serve as experts on "what works" as far as crime control is concerned. At the same time, there would seem to be little justification for criminology had nothing of importance to say to the citizenry. While our knowledge is qualified and conditional, we do know things about lawbreaking and lawbreakers that we ought to share with our fellow citizens. On this point, my next-doorneighbor who has an MBA from Harvard is an intelligent and informed citizen who is quite capable of reading and understanding most of the insights and findings of criminology. Moreover, he, like a goodly number of other citizens, has a fairly keen interest in criminological topics. Accordingly, when we go about producing books on the contemporary forms of terrorism, hate crime, the impact of globalization on crime, the nature of "white collar crime," and the like, these ought to be written so that lay persons can understand them.

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NOMINATIONS FOR 2004

MICHAEL J. HINDELANG AWARD

For the Most Outstanding Contribution to Criminology

The American Society of Criminology has established the Michael J. Hindelang Award, to be given annually for a book published during the previous two to three years that makes the most outstanding contribution to research in criminology. To be considered, a book must be nominated by an individual, as opposed to a corporate, member of the ASC. The Committee will not consider anthologies and/or edited volumes. The Award will be presented during the annual meeting of the Society. The Executive Board may decide not to give the Award in a given year.

The Award Committee is soliciting nominations for the Michael J. Hindelang Award. To nominate a book, please send the title of the book, its authors, the publisher, the year of the publication, and a brief discussion of your reasons for the recommendation to the Awards Committee. The deadline for receiving nominations is **February 15**, 2004. Send your nomination to:

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RUTH SHONLE CAVAN YOUNG SCHOLAR AWARD

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This award will be given to recognize outstanding scholarly contributions to the discipline of criminology by someone who has received the Ph.D., MD, LLD, or a similar graduate degree no more than five years before the selection for the award (for this year the degree must have been awarded no earlier than May of 1999). The Award may be for a single work or a series of contributions, and may include coauthored works.

Those interested in being considered for the award or nominating someone for the Award should send copies of applicant's/nominee's vitae and published works to:

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Seven copies of all materials submitted in support of a nomination must be received by March 1, 2004.

The person selected for the Award will receive a plaque commemorating the Award, one thousand dollars, and up to five hundred dollars towards their airfare travel to the ASC meetings.

2004 NOMINATIONS FOR ASC FELLOWS

The ASC Fellows Committee invites nominations for Fellows in the Society. This title is available to those members of the Society in good standing who have achieved distinction in criminology. The last meeting of the ASC Executive Board approved the following clarification of this distinction: "The honorary title "Fellow" recognizes persons who have made a scholarly contribution to the intellectual life of the discipline, whether in the form of a singular, major piece of scholarship or cumulative scholarly contributions. Longevity alone is not sufficient. In addition, a Fellow must have made a significant contribution to the field through the career development of other criminologists and/or through organizational activities within the ASC."

The names of those who have been awarded the Fellow status will be announced at the 2004 Annual Meeting and the candidates will be acknowledged by the Society with the presentation of a Certificate.

In your nominating letter, please describe the reasons for your nomination and include a copy of the nominees curriculum vitae (or make arrangements to have it sent to the Committee). All materials should be received by March 1, 2004. Send materials to:

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The nominations will be reviewed by all members of the Committee and recommendations made to the Executive Board for their consideration during their Spring Board meeting. Any questions concerning eligibility or the nomination process should be directed to Professor Peterson.

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William E. Amos
John Ball
David Bayley
Donald Black
Alfred Blumstein
Frank Boolsen
David Bordua
John Braithwaite
Robert J. Bursik, Jr.
Maureen Cain
Ruth Shonle Cavan
William Chambliss
Meda Chesney-Lind
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Jacob Chwast
Marshall Clinard
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Philip J. Cook
Bruno Cormier
Donald Cressey
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NOMINATIONS FOR 2004 ASC AWARDS

The ASC Awards Committee invites nominations for four major awards, to be presented at the 2004 annual meetings. In submitting your nominations, provide the following supporting materials: a letter evaluating a nominee's contribution and its relevance to an award, and the nominee's c.v. (short version preferred) by March 1, 20043 to the appropriate committee chair. The awards:

EDWIN H. SUTHERLAND AWARD, which recognizes outstanding scholarly contributions to theory or research in criminology on the etiology of criminal and deviant behavior, the criminal justice system, corrections, law or justice. The distinguished contribution may be based on a single outstanding book or work, on a series of theoretical or research contributions, or on the accumulated contributions by a senior scholar.

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THORSTEN SELLIN & SHELDON AND ELEANOR GLUECK AWARD, which recognizes those who reside outside the United States who have gained international recognition for their contributions to criminology. The recipient need not speak English; however, his/her work must be available, in part at least, in the English language (either by original publication or through translation).

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AUGUST VOLLMER AWARD, which recognizes a criminologist whose research scholarship has contributed to justice or to the treatment or prevention of criminal or delinquent behavior, either through a single outstanding work, or a series of theoretical or research contributions, or on the accumulated contributions by a senior scholar.

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ANNOUNCING THE ASC UNDERGRADUATE MINORITY SCHOLARS PROGRAM

One of the most vexing problems facing the field of higher education in criminology and criminal justice is the under-representation of people of color among the professoriate. This problem, often expressed as a lack of faculty diversity in higher education, is a problem throughout academe, but it is a particularly distressing problem for our field given the prominence of questions of racial and economic inequality in our studies.

Studies of this problem show that there is a high attrition of minority undergraduates, leaving a depleted pool of minority candidates for later graduate study. Fields such as criminology and criminal justice struggle to attract the most outstanding minority scholars, who are often recruited into areas of study that promise more lucrative assignments or have a standing capacity to support minority scholars. The American Society of Criminology has long sought to invest in strategies that will increase diversity among faculty and students of criminology and criminal justice, but efforts to date have produced little change in the basic demographics of the field. The ASC's current minority scholars program makes awards to graduate students and is an important program that will be retained, but those awards go to students who have already chosen criminology or criminal justice as a field of graduate study. Therefore, since the existing program does not increase the pool of new graduate students (and subsequent faculty members) in our field, the ASC Board has decided to implement a new program that will address this need by focusing on undergraduate students.

In this issue of *The Criminologist*, the new ASC Undergraduate Minority Scholars Program is announced. This program seeks faculty-student co-applicants from accredited undergraduate programs in preparation for financial support that provides mentoring beginning in the student's junior year. During the student's senior year, a research paper will be presented at the ASC meetings by the student and mentor collaboration. Up to 12 student-mentor pairs will receive awards in the next three years. A total of \$10,000 in scholarship money will be provided to each student, and up to \$1,500 in travel funds. Up to four awards will be given each year, for a three-year program trial (see the announcement in this issue for more details).

The deadline for applications is upon us (May 1) and so the ASC Board has asked that I explain the history of this award program as a way of encouraging applications. People with specific questions may contact me directly about it (tclear@jjay.cuny.edu).

Under the ASC presidential term of Ronald Huff (2001-2002) the Executive Board of the American Society of Criminology began to consider various proposals to address this disparity. President Huff appointed an ad-hoc committee, co-chaired by Orlando Rodriguez and Sally Hillsman, to provide to the Board a concept paper for how the ASC might address minority under-representation in the profession. They reviewed the work of various other disciplines, including a program developed by the American Sociological Association. In the Spring of 2002, the committee reported a recommended strategy that included scholarships for students and significant grants to Universities, with match requirements from Universities.

After lengthy discussion, the Board voted in principle to support a less expansive version of the committee's recommendation, and asked me to co-chair the committee with Orlando Rodriguez. The other members of the committee were Ron Huff, Stephanie Bush-Baskette, and Lynn Goodstein. We drafted a program that called for two-year scholarships to support mentoring relationships between senior scholars and minority undergraduates, with the aim of attendance at the ASC meetings as seniors and applications for Ph.D. granting programs in criminology or criminal justice. The revised version, which would cost the ASC \$138,000 to operate for three years, provided for mentoring expectations, written products along the way, and created the basis for an anticipated increase of minority scholars entering graduate programs in criminology and criminal justice.

This program generated considerable support among the members of the ASC Board, and already one private donor associated with a doctoral program of study has offered to contribute \$20,000 toward ASC's program costs.

All that is left is to obtain high-quality applicants. If you know a young minority scholar who is a Freshman or Sophomore and who, with the ASC Undergraduate Minority Scholar Program support, might be routed to an academic career in criminology or criminal justice, you should apply for this award! With strong applications from promising young talent, we can make this program a success and change the profession in the process.

Todd Clear January 6, 2004

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

Requests Nominations for ASC Undergraduate Student Minority Scholar/Mentor Research Grants

Deadine for Nominations: May 1, 2004

The ASC Minority Scholars/Mentors Research Grant program was established by the American Society of Criminology in order to increase the number of scholars in criminology and criminal justice who are members of historically disadvantaged and under-represented ethnic and racial groups. Undergraduate students who are members of these under-represented ethnic and racial groups and are near the end of their sophomore year of study are eligible. The goal of this initiative is to facilitate the advancement of academically talented students into graduate (especially doctoral) study in criminology (or criminal justice).

Faculty members who are mentoring students will co-apply for the grant with the student. Applications are submitted during the student's sophomore year, with funding beginning in the student's junior year. Nominations must be received by May 1st preceding the student's junior year. Grantees will be selected by the Board of the American Society of Criminology, upon the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee on Minority Scholar/Mentor Research Grants.

Grantees receive \$10,000 in research scholarship funds, which is divided into awards of \$5,000 for the student during his or her Junior and Senior years of undergraduate study. Grantees also receive a grant of up to \$1,500 to support travel to the annual meetings of the American Society of Criminology during November of the student's Senior year of undergraduate study. At that annual meeting, the student will present a research paper (developed during in the previous year) under auspices of a faculty mentor (who may be a co-author). Awardees begin their work on the paper during the junior year of study.

ASC will allocate up to 12 awards, with 4 awards given each year for the next three years.

Students selected for this award will receive:

- \$5,000 research grant each year for the junior and senior year of study
- · Up to \$1,500 travel grant to attend the annual meetings of the American Society of Criminology
- · Guidance in the development of a research paper on a topic in criminology
- · Guidance in the scholarly area of criminology
- · Guidance in the application process for graduate school

The mentoring relation is expected to involve the following areas:

- Mentoring the student in a collaborative research project that will yield a paper presented at the ASC meeting in the student's senior year.
- Mentoring the student in the field of criminology during the student's two years of funding. This might involve weekly meetings, readings/independent study courses, courses, work on other projects, or attendance at local criminology conferences.
- Mentoring of the student that will facilitate the student's preparation for and successful application to graduate study in criminology/criminal justice.

The proposal to ASC for the award is a collaborative effort. The primary criteria for allocating the awards are (1) the student's potential for completing doctoral work in criminology and (2) the quality of the proposed mentoring relationship.

In this proposal, the faculty member should do the following:

- Provide a written recommendation for why the potential grantee has the academic potential and career aspirations to successfully
 complete graduate study in criminology (or criminal justice) leading the student into an academic (or related) career.
- Provide student transcripts and any other supporting materials demonstrating the student's promise as a scholar (these may include ACT, SAT, and/or GRE scores).
- Provide a description of the proposed collaborative research project that will result in a presentation at the ASC meeting in the student's senior year.
- · Provide a description of other mentoring activities and proposed contact with the student over his or her junior and senior years.

In this proposal, the student should do the following:

- Provide a personal statement on his or her career goals in criminology.
- Provide a statement on how the Mentoring Grant would enable the student to focus more time on his or her academic work and better achieve his or her career goals (e.g., lessen time spent on a job).

Nomination proposals should be sent by May 1, 2004 to: TODD R. CLEAR, Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Minority Scholar/Mentor Prize, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, 899 10th Avenue, New York, NY 10019 212/237-8470; tclear@jjay.cuny.edu

The New and Improved aSC Email Mentoring Program

... is up and running and awaiting ASC students to make use of our many willing criminologists who can help answer your research, theoretical, and career questions. It is spam-free, thanks to our new password system, and we even have new bright and shiny mentors.

Our mentors represent a range of races/ethnicities, ages, nationalities, and genders. Not to mention, you can choose from practitioners, researchers, and academics. And, very importantly, they have a great number of areas of expertise (women and crime, hate crimes, corrections, etc.), listed on the website.

You can find them by going to the ASC main website or by going directly to the ASC Email Mentoring Website:

http://ascmentor.anomie.com

And, dear students, don't forget to nominate your choice for

The American Society of Criminology Mentor of the Year.

Please nominate your choice for the ASC mentor-of-the-year award. Choosing from the ASC Email Mentoring Program list, send nominate someone who has been especially helpful to you. It's easy! Just email me at the address below with your nomination.

Your chosen mentor will receive a lovely plaque at the upcoming ASC meetings. Please make your nominations by October 1, 2004 (I goofed in the last announcement and said November 1. October 1 would be much preferred.)

Thunks!!!

Bonnie Berry, PhD Social Problems Research Group Mentor_inbound@socialproblems.org

STUDENTS - CALL FOR ENTRIES

2004 ASC GENE CARTE STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

We invite participation in The American Society of Criminology Gene Carte Student Paper Competition. These awards are given to recognize outstanding scholarly work of students. Following are the procedures for the 2004 competition.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Any student currently enrolled on a full-time basis in an academic program at either the undergraduate or graduate level. Persons who are previous first place prize winners of this competition are ineligible.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR PAPERS

No paper may be submitted to more than one ASC student competition for the same year. Any paper that has previously won any prize in any ASC competition is ineligible for submission to another ASC competition. Papers may be conceptual and/or empirical but must be directly related to criminology. Papers must be typewritten, double-spaced on 8-1/2x11 white paper, and no longer than 7,500 words. The CRIMINOLOGY format for the organization of text, citations and references should be used. Authors' names, departments and advisors (option) must appear ONLY on the title page, since papers will be evaluated anonymously. The next page of the manuscript should include the title and a 100-word abstract. The author must submit EIGHT copies of the manuscript, accompanied by a letter indicating the author's enrollment status and co-signed by the dean, department chair or program director.

DEADLINE: Papers must be submitted with a postmarked on or before April 15, 2004 to:

CRYSTAL GARCIA

School of Public and Environmental Affairs
Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis
801 W. Michigan Street, BS/SPEA 4063
Indianapolis, IN 46202-5152
317/274-7860 FAX

PROCEDURES FOR JUDGING ENTRIES

The Student Awards Committee will rate entries according to criteria such as the quality of the conceptualization, significance of the topic, clarity and aptness of methods, quality of the writing, command of relevant work in the field, and contribution to criminology. The Committee's award determinations will be final.

AWARDS

The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place papers will be awarded prizes of \$500, \$300, and \$200, respectively and will be eligible for presentation at the 2004 meeting of The American Society of Criminology in Nashville, Tennessee, November 17-20, 2004. The 1st prize winner will also receive a travel award (generally hotel accommodations) to help defray costs for attending the Annual Meeting. The Committee may decide that no entry is of sufficient quality to declare a winner. Fewer than three awards may be given. Prize-winning students will be acknowledged at the Annual Meeting Awards Ceremony.

NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS

The author(s) of entries selected by the judges for awards will be notified in writing by August 1, 2004.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

Announces

FELLOWSHIP FOR ETHNIC MINORITIES

Up to \$18,000

Deadline: March 1, 2004

ELIGIBILITY: The Fellowship is designed to encourage African American, Asian American, Latino, and Native American students to enter the field of criminology and criminal justice. Applicants need not be members of the American Society of Criminology. Individuals studying criminology or criminal justice issues are encouraged to apply. The recipient or recipients of the Fellowship must be accepted into a program of doctoral studies.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: A complete application package must be received no later than March 1, 2004. A complete application must contain (1) up-to-date curriculum vita; (2) indication of race or ethnicity; (3) copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts; (4) statement of need and prospects for financial assistance for graduate study; (5) a letter describing career plans, salient experiences, and nature of interest in criminology and criminal justice; and (6) three letters of reference.

NOTIFICATION: Award(s) will be made by June 1, 2004.

Applications should be sent to:

Sarah Hall, Administrator American Society of Criminology 1314 Kinnear Road, Suite 212 Columbus, Ohio 43212-1156

The Society reserves the right not to award the Fellowship

SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS

2004 MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP

The Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) is recruiting applications for the 2004 Minority Scholarship. Persons accepted into an accredited doctoral program in any one of the Social and/or Behavioral Sciences are invited to apply for the \$10,000 Minority Scholarship. **Deadline for submission is March 15**, 2004. Visit www.ssspl.org for an application or contact Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer with questions (W: 865-689-1531, mkoontz3@utk.edu). Upon completion of the application, it should be forwarded to Dr. Teresa Scheid, Chair. Full address is contained in the application form.

Societies of Criminology 1st Key Issues Conference

Call for Papers

Paris Renaissance Hotel - May 13-15, 2004

THEME: What Works In Reducing Crime

This conference is a first joint effort undertaken by several professional societies of criminology. The primary goal of this conference is to examine evaluative research efforts of programs and initiatives that have demonstrated a positive impact upon the nature and extent of crime. By bringing together the professional societies of criminology worldwide, this conference will strengthen the level of crossnational research cooperation and advance the knowledge base regarding "What Works in Reducing Crime" in a global context.

The partners in this effort to date are:

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
African Criminology and Justice Association
American Society of Criminology
Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology
British Society of Criminology
Campbell Collaboration
Canadian Society of Criminology
Chinese Society of Criminology
Dutch Society of Criminology
French Society of Criminology
German Learned Society of Criminology
HEUNI

Hong Kong Society of Criminology
Indian Society of Criminology
International Center for the Prevention of Crime
Internat Ctr for Criminal Law Reform & Crim. Just. Policy
International Society of Criminology
International Society of French Speaking Criminologists
Israeli Society of Criminology
Italian Society of Criminology
Mexican Society of Criminology
Scandinavian Research Council
Spanish Society of Criminological Research
World Society of Victimology

The Conference will be held at the Paris Renaissance Hotel from Thursday, May 13 through Saturday, May 15, 2004. Arrangements have been made for sleeping rooms at the Paris Renaissance Hotel at the rate of 250 Euros/night (service, tax and breakfast included). They may be contacted at 33-1-41-97-5050 (phone); 33-1-41-97-5151 (fax); Rhi.parid.events1@renaissancehotels.com Sleeping room reservation forms are available at www.asc41.com/2004hotelparis.

Registration dues for the meetings will 200 Euros, payable by April 30, 2004 (those who can document their student status may register onsite for 20 Euros, payable in cash). A meeting registration form is available at www.asc41.com/regform1. This form may be either faxed 402-472-2504 or emailed to Chris Eskridge (ceskridge@unl.edu). The online registration form is available at www. asc41.com/regform2. Onsite registration will be 300 Euros and will be on a cash only basis. Registration includes a continental breakfast each morning, and a wine and cheese reception on the Friday evening of the meetings.

Those wishing to participate in the Societies of Criminology 1st Key Issues Conference are asked to submit a 250word abstract that details the nature of the study, the methodology, the major finds, and where appropriate, the policy implications. Abstracts are to be submitted to representatives from the participant's primary professional organization by January 15, 2004 using the abstract form at www.asc41.com/absformparis. Complete panel submission forms can be found at www.asc41.com/panelformparis. The language will be English and French, but no translation services will be offered.

The primary contact for the American Society of Criminology is: Finn Esbensen – esbensen@umsl.edu; 314-516-4619 (p)
314-516-5048 (f)

For more information, contact:

Chris Eskridge, Program Coordinator SOC 1st Key Issues Conference Department of Criminal Justice University of Nebraska Lincoln, NE 685880630 402-472-6755 (phone) 402-472-2504 (fax) ceskridge@unl.edu

New Journal Announcement

The Haworth Press announces the forthcoming publication of the new Journal of Security Education: New Directions in Education, Training, and Accreditation, scheduled to be published in Fall, 2004.

The Journal will report on the development, implementation, and operation of security education and training programs. The Journal will provide essential information of the highest standards on recent developments in security academic programs, security research, the theory and practice of security, management and technology, distance learning, training, and assessment. The Journal will contain web site and book reviews alongside its peer-reviewed articles.

Prospective authors are invited to request an "Instructions for Authors" brochure. The deadline for article submission is April 15, 2004. Inquiries may be directed to:

Editor, John I. Kostanoski
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NIDA REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)

PREVENTION RESEARCH FOR THE TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD (RFA-DA-04-013)

NIDA has a new Request for Applications (RFA) with \$1.5 million to be dedicated to research on prevention of drug related problems among young people during the transition to adulthood. **Application deadline is**March 23. The full announcement can be found at the website below. People with questions should contact Susan Martin at NIDA: smartin@nida.nih.gov; phone: 301-402-1533.

PREVENTION RESEARCH FOR THE TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD

(RFA-DA-04-013)

National Institute on Drug Abuse
INDEX: DRUG ABUSE

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-04-013.html

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

CALL FOR PAPERS

Annual Meeting 2004

Nashville, Tennessee November 17-20, 2004 Renaissance Hotel and Nashville Convention Center

Conference Theme:

Taking Stock:

The Science of Criminology and the Pursuit of Justice

Program Co-Chairs: Bonnie S. Fisher, University of Cincinnati Melissa M. Moon, Northern Kentucky University

The 2004 Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology will be held from Wednesday, November 17th through Saturday, November 20th, 2004. The deadline for submissions this year is:

March 15, 2004

This year, all abstracts for individual papers and for panels will be submitted on line through the ASC website. The directions for on-line submission are contained in this Call for Papers. To submit materials for the program, go to:

www.asc41.com/Nashville

If you have questions about the program, please send an email to:

ASCprogram.question@uc.edu

To register for the 2004 Annual Meeting:

- On-line please go to: www.asc41.com/regform.html
- Printed version to be faxed or mailed, please go to: www.asc41.com/2004aregistration_form.htm

If you have *questions* about registering for the Annual Meeting, please e-mail the ASC office at: asc41@infinet.com

TYPES OF PARTICIPATION

There are various ways in which to participate in the program. These areas are similar to those in the past few years, with some minor modifications. This year, when you submit a paper and/or panel, you will be asked to select one of the following five types of sessions:

- Individual Paper Presentation Requires only the submission of a title and abstract.
- Poster Presentation Requires only the submission of a title and abstract.
 Posters should display data, policy analysis or theoretical work in a visually appealing poster format to encourage more interactive communication. All poster sessions will be held late Thursday afternoon, November 18th, 2004.
- Completed Panel A completed panel consists of a minimum of three and a
 maximum of five papers. The on line form requires participants to submit all titles
 and abstracts for all papers and author information at the same time.
- 5-page Proposal Papers: Individual Submission Requires the submission of a paper that has demonstrated substantial preparation, although not completed, by the March 15th deadline. A five-page "preview" is required upon submission. Each proposal will be reviewed by one of the members of the Program Committee.
- 5-page Proposal Papers: Completed Panel Must follow the requirements in the Individual Submission above. Each proposal will be reviewed by one of the members of the Program Committee. The on line form requires the participants to submit all abstracts, titles, author information and 5-page preview at the same time.

ASC IS USING ON-LINE SUBMISSION THIS YEAR!

This year, all abstracts for individual papers and for panels will be submitted on line through the ASC website.

This submission procedure differs from that used in previous years. In the past, presenters were instructed to send "program materials"—that is, information on the authors, title and abstract of the paper, 5-page proposal—to individual members of the Program Committee responsible for specific scholarly areas. For the 2004 meeting, however, we are using one central location to submit program materials. This means, of course, that you should **not** send your abstract/program materials directly to an area chair; he or she will not accept any such submissions.

HOW TO SUBMIT PAPERS and PANELS

The following steps have been provided to guide you though the online submission process. If you have questions about submitting a paper and/or panel, please send an email to **ASCprogram.question@uc.edu**.

- Step 1: Go to the ASC web page at www.asc41.com/Nashville
- Step 2: Click to submit a paper and/or panel.
- Step 3: Once you open this web page, you will first be asked to select what kind of submission you are making: 1) individual paper, 2) poster, 3) completed panel, 5-page proposal as either 4) an individual panel or 5) a completed panel.

You will then be asked to select the area and sub-area on the program to which you are submitting your program material. Both areas are listed on the following pages. Just "click" on the area and sub-area that you think best reflects the content of your paper.

To successfully submit your program material, you will need to complete information for your paper and for all authors on the paper. You also will be asked to supply an abstract of up to 300 words. So, before you begin, please have the following information available:

- Author and co-author information (e.g., complete mailing address, phone, email)
- Title and Abstract
- 5-page preview (if required)

Step 4: Once all information has been added, you will "click" on submit. You will receive an email notifying you that you have successfully submitted your paper and/or panel.

PROGRAM AREAS

I. CRIMINOLOGICAL THEORY AND EMPIRICAL TESTS

- 1. Strain and Anomie Theory
- Social Learning/Differential Association Theory
- Social Bond and Self-Control Theories
- 4. Integrated Theories
- 5. Labeling and Shaming Theories
- 6. Psychological Theories
- African American Criminological Thought

II. LIFE-COURSE THEORY AND RESEARCH

- 1. Risk Factors Across the Life Course
- Research on Early Onset and Resilience
- 3. Stability, Change, and Desistance
- Biosocial/Genetic Factors in the Development of Offending
- 5. Tests of Life-Course Theories

III. RATIONAL CHOICE, OPPORTUNITIES, AND CRIME

- 1. Routine Activity Theory
- 2. Deterrence Theory
- 3. Rational Choice Theory
- 4. Environmental Criminology
- 5. Offender Decision-Making

IV. SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CRIME

- 1. Communities and Crime
- 2. Families and Crime
- Economy and Crime
- 4. Religion and Crime
- 5. Education/Schools and Crime

V. WOMEN, CRIME, AND JUSTICE

- Feminist Theory and Research on Offending
- Violence Against and Victimization of Women
- 3. Women in the Correctional System
- Gender, Sentencing, and Criminal Justice Processing
- 5. Race, Class, and Gender

VI. CRIME, JUSTICE, AND PEOPLE OF COLOR

- 1. Racial Inequality and Offending
- 2. Race and Victimization
- 3. Racial Profiling
- 4. Minorities in the Correctional System
- Race, Sentencing, and Criminal Justice Processing

VII. CRITICAL CRIMINOLOGY

- 1. Peacemaking Criminology
- 2. European Perspectives
- 3. Radical Criminology
- 4. Cultural Criminology
- 5. Crimes of the State and Powerful

VIII. INTERNATIONAL/ COMPARATIVE CRIMINOLOGY

- Crime and Victimization Across
 Nations
- 2. Policing Across Nations
- 3. Corrections Across Nations
- 4. Criminal Justice Innovations Across Nations
- Emerging Issues in Comparative Criminology

IX. THEORY AND RESEARCH ON VIOLENCE

- 1. Causes of and Trends in Violence
- 2. Gangs and Violence
- 3. Guns, Violence, and Control
- 4. Homicide and Serial Murder
- 5. Terrorism

X. THEORY AND RESEARCH ON DRUGS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

- 1. Causes of Substance Abuse
- Drug and Substance Abuse: Measurement and Trends
- 3. Drugs, Markets, and Violence
- 4. Assessing Drug Courts
- 5. Assessing Drug Control Policy

XI. VARIETIES OF OFFENDING

- 1. White-Collar/Occupational Crime
- Organized Crime
- 3. Sex Offending
- 4. Hate Crimes
- 5. Street Crimes and Offenders

XII. POLICING AND ENFORCEMENT

- Problem-Oriented/Community Policing
- 2. Police Organization and Management
- 3. Police Culture and Occupational Role
- Police Discretion and Decisionmaking
- 5. Police Corruption and Use of Force

XIII. THE COURTS AND THE LAW

- 1. Prosecution and Plea Bargaining
- 2. Fairness and Sentencing
- 3. Impact of Sentencing Guidelines
- Innovation in Court Process and Policy
- Court Decisions and Emerging Legal Issues

XIV. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

- Race, Fairness, and Capital Punishment
- 2. Wrongful Convictions
- Public Opinion about Capital Punishment
- 4. Emerging Legal Issues
- Deterrence and the Impact of Capital Punishment

XV. CORRECTIONS

- 1. Community Corrections
- 2. Jails
- 3. Prisons
- Health and Aging Issues in Corrections
- Re-Entry, Collateral Consequences, and Other Emerging Issues
- The Impact of Incarceration on Individuals and Communities

XVI. JUVENILE DELINQUENCY AND JUSTICE

- 1. Studies of Delinquency
- 2. Trends in Juvenile Offending
- 3. Interventions with Juvenile Offenders
- Assessing Changes in Juvenile Justice Policy
- 5. The Future of Juvenile Justice --

XVII. REHABILITATION AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

- "What Works" in Correctional Intervention
- Meta-Analysis and Effective Intervention
- Evaluating "Get Tough" Correctional Programs
- 4. Innovations in Restorative Justice
- 5. Effectiveness of Restorative Justice

XVIII. CRIME PREVENTION

- 1. Early Intervention Programs
- Cost Effectiveness of Prevention Programs
- 3. Situational Crime Prevention
- 4. Security
- 5. Homeland Security

XIX. VICTIMIZATION

- 1. Theories and Studies of Victimization
- Measurement of and Trends in Victimization
- Bullying and School Victimization
- 4. Impact of Victimization
- 5. Victim-Related Programs and Policies

XX. CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY

- 1. Public Opinion and Policy
- 2. The Media and Policy
- 3. Explaining Criminal Justice Policy
- 4. Assessing "Get Tough" Policies
- Impact of Criminal Justice Policies on Minorities

XXI. MEASURMENT AND METHODOLOGY

- Meta-Analysis and the Organization of Knowledge
- 2. Issues in Evaluation Research
- Feminist Perspectives on Methodology
- 4. Advances in Quantitative Methods
- Advances in Qualitative Methods

XXII. TEACHING ABOUT CRIME AND JUSTICE

- Teaching Through the Internet and Distance Learning
- Multicultural Perspectives in Criminal Justice Education
- Gender Issues in Criminal Justice Education
- 4. Impact of Criminal Justice Education
- 5. Emerging Issues in Criminal Justice Education

ASSISTANT PROFESSORS

Saint Peter's College, a Catholic, Jesuit Institution, is located in Jersey City, New Jersey. It has an Undergraduate enrollment of approximately 2,200 full-time students, 600 part-time students, and a Graduate enrollment of over 500 students. The usual teaching load is 12 credit hours per semester. The following tenure-track positions for Assistant Professors are available for August, 2004. A Doctoral Degree is required. Teaching experience is preferred.

For more information about Saint Peter's College, please visit

www.spc.edu.

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The Office of the Provost Saint Peter's College 2641 Kennedy Boulevard Jersey City, New Jersey 07306

Review of applications begins immediately and will continue until positions are filled.

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DIVISION NEWS

DIVISION OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINOLOGY

2004 DIC Distinguished Book Award for Comparative Research

The Division of International Criminology (DIC) is seeking nominations for the 2004 Distinguished Book Award. This award is offered for a comparative work on crime, deviance or social control, published in 2003. Authors from any country may be nominated. Self-nominations are also encouraged. Multiple-authored books, including edited collections of previously unpublished articles, are eligible. The committee is comprised of Professors Edna Erez, Daniel Glaser, and Susanne Karstedt. Please send nominations no later than April 30, 2004 to the Chair of the Distinguished Book Award Committee: Professor Edna Erez, Department of Justice Studies, Kent State University, Kent, OH 44242, Telephone 330 672 0310, Fax 330 672 5394, Email: eerez@kent.edu.

The Distinguished International Scholar Award

The Division of International Criminology (DIC) is soliciting nominations for the DIC 2004 Distinguished International Scholar Award. The DIC offers the award to a non-United States scholar who has made a significant contribution to fostering research and exchange of information concerning criminology in an international perspective or a scholar whose work has been of particular interest to criminologists in the United States. Before sending in a nomination, please do the following: (1) ascertain whether the scholar would be willing and able to come to attend the ASC Meetings and (2) obtain a curriculum vitae from her or him. Please send nominations by May 1, 2004 to the Chair of the Distinguished International Scholar Award Committee: Dr. Alexander T. Vazsonyi, Auburn University, Dept. of Human Development and Family Studies, 284 Spidle Hall, Auburn, Alabama 36849, Tel. 334 844 4091, Fax 334 844 4515, Email: vazsonyi@auburn.edu. The 2003-04 Distinguished International Scholar Award Committee consists of Alexander Vazsonyi (chair), Dick Andzenge, Nancy Grosselfinger, and Dirk Van Zyl Smit.

Past recipients of the Award:

2003: James Vadackumchery, Professor of Criminology, Police Training College, Kerala, India and Wang Mu, Professor of Criminal Justice and Law at Institute of Criminal Justice, China University of Politics and law, Beijing, China

2002: Maria Lós, Professor of Criminology at the University of Ottawa, Canada, and Rosa del Olmo, Venezuela Central

University, Venezuela

2001: Michael Levi, the University of Wales, Cardiff, Great Britain

2000: Heinz Steinert, Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt on Main, Germany

1999: Tamar Pitch, University of Camerino, Italy

1997: Emil W. Plywaczewski, University of Bialystok, Poland

1995: Guo, Qiang, China University of Political Science and Law, China

DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME

Newly elected officers of the Division on Women and Crime are:

Chair:

Susan Sharp, University of Oklahoma

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Kimberly Cook, University of Southern Maine

Executive Counselors: Jean Flavin, Fordham University

Amy D'Unger, Emory University

ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

The Fifth Biennial International Criminal Justice Conference

POLICING IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE:

Dilemmas of Contemporary Criminal Justice Ljubljana, Slovenia, September 23-25, 2004

Faculty of Criminal Justice, University of Maribor, Slovenia, the Scarman Center, Leicester University, the United Kingdom and the European Group of Research into Norms, Guyancourt, France are pleased to announce the Fifth Biennial International Conference "Policing in Central and Eastern Europe: Dilemmas of Contemporary Criminal Justice" to be held in Ljubljana, Slovenia, September 23-25, 2004. The first "Policing in Central and Eastern Europe" conference, subtitled "Comparing Firsthand Knowledge with Experience from the West," took place in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in November 1996. It gathered eighty-two authors from twenty-three countries from five continents. Sixty-four papers were published in a book Policing in Central and Eastern Europe: Comparing Firsthand Knowledge with Experience from the West, edited by Dr. Milan Pagon. The U.S. National Institute of Justice has later published the whole book on their Internet pages. It can be accessed at http://www.ncjrs. org/unojust/policing/index.htm. The second "Policing in Central and Eastern Europe" conference, subtitled "Organizational, Managerial, and Human Resource Aspects," took place in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in November 1998. Eighty authors from seventeen countries presented their papers at the conference. Fifty-three papers were published in a book Policing in Central and Eastern Europe: Organizational, Managerial, and Human Resource Aspects. The third "Policing in Central and Eastern Europe" conference, subtitled "Ethics, Integrity, and Human Rights," took place in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in September 2000. Eighty-two authors from twenty countries presented fifty papers, which were published in a book Policing in Central and Eastern Europe: Ethics, Integrity, and Human Rights. The fourth "Policing in Central and Eastern Europe" conference, subtitled Deviance, Violence and Victimization took place in Ljubljana in September 2002. Eighty authors from sixteen countries presented sixty papers, which were published in a conference proceedings Policing in Central and Eastern Europe - Deviance, Violence and Victimization. All four conference proceedings were edited by Dr. Milan Pagon.

The fifth Biennial Conference aims at exchange of views, concepts, and research findings among scientists, researchers, and practitioners from the East and the West in the broad area of criminal justice studies, as they pertain to policing, the work of prosecutor's offices, courts, corrections and other forms of formal and informal social control. Broad coverage of the many topics and disciplines by CJ scholars, criminologists, and other scholars from around the world will create an opportunity for scholars from Central and Eastern Europe to present their views and research to their colleagues from other parts of the world, as well as opportunity for scholars from other parts of the world to share their views and research with their Central and Eastern European colleagues. The conference will highlight new ideas, theories, methods, and results in a wide range of research and applied areas relating to the dilemmas of contemporary criminal justice theory, research and practice.

The conference will have two parallel tracks: the Research Track and the Practitioners' Track. While the Research Track is the primary focus of the conference, we would also like the conference to provide some practical guidance to CJ practitioners who are dealing with "nuts and bolts" of the everyday criminal justice practice.

Two presentation options are available within the Research Track: Panel Presentations and Poster Sessions. Panels include formal presentations of written papers, with time allotted for discussion. The poster session allows for a summary presentation of individual works. Authors post printed information about their research on a board for inspection by attendees. Scheduled time is then provided when authors meet with interested parties at their poster location for informal discussion of a study.

Novel research papers and posters are invited on any topic related to deviance, violence, and victimization. While papers typically present results from completed research, poster presentations are especially appropriate for works in progress. Although we are primarily looking for research papers, high-quality conceptual papers will also be considered.

Two presentation options are also available within the Practitioners' Track: Workshops and Roundtables. Workshops involve formal presentation with a variable number of presenters. Their purpose is to transmit information to participants rather than discussion. They are focused on a particular practical issue, providing applicable information and/or experience. Examples might be "Understanding of CJ system," "Comparative and international CJ," "Training of police officers in dealing with victims of violent crimes," "Motivating CJ experts for ethical conduct," "What are advantages and disadvantages of restorative justice?" or "What are the main problems of criminal procedure?" "Does prison work?" We encourage workshops with an emphasis on novel approaches, methods, ideas, and perspectives. Roundtables emphasize open discussion, centered on diverse viewpoints in a particular topic area. Several well-informed individuals serve as discussants; no formal papers are presented. Examples might be roundtables entitled "Can high levels of safety and human rights be reconciled?" or "What can be done for better understanding of CJ system among CJ practitioners?"

Guidelines for Submissions

A proposal should be submitted by March 19, 2004, accompanied by a cover sheet which contains the presentation's title and the full name(s), affiliation, complete return address, telephone, fax, and e-mail address of the author to whom all correspondence will be sent. In the proposal, the track and the presentation option of your choice should be clearly indicated. For a panel presentation, submit a 350-word abstract of the paper. For a poster session, submit a 200-word summary of the poster. For a workshop, submit a proposed title and a 350-word description of the topic. You should also indicate or suggest the names of other presenters in the workshop. For a roundtable, submit a proposed title and a 350-word description of diverse viewpoints that the roundtable should address. You should also indicate or suggest the names of other discussants in the roundtable.

To create a high-quality program representing the newest ideas and results in the field, submitted proposals will be evaluated by the Program Committee with respect to several criteria, including originality, quality, and significance, relevance to a broad audience of police researchers and/or practitioners, and clarity of presentation. The Program Committee's final decision regarding acceptance of proposals will be mailed to authors no later than April 19, 2004.

Authors of the accepted proposals for papers, posters, and workshops will receive the detailed instructions regarding format of the **final version** of their contributions, which will be due by **July 1**, **2002**. Authors should be prepared to personally present their papers/posters/ workshops at the Conference. Authors of proposals for a roundtable must be willing to accept the role of a moderator.

All authors will receive information regarding participation at the conference (travel information, hotel options, social events, etc.) in April 2004. Selected papers and all abstracts will be published in the Conference Proceedings.

The working language of the Conference is English. Abstracts, final papers, as well as all correspondence should be written in English.

All correspondence regarding the Conference, including proposals and final versions of conference papers, should be addressed to:

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For more details visit the Conference Home page at: http://www.fpvv.uni-mb.si/conf2004

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Scientific Approaches to Youth Violence Prevention

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The purpose of this symposium will be to summarize and assess the current state of scientific knowledge about the prevention of youth violence. By focusing especially on violence committed by and upon youth (adolescents and young adults), we hope to emphasize the importance of preventive, as opposed to merely retributive, approaches to the problem of violence. For further information visit: http://www.nyas.org

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Sixth Annual Conference

JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION

Edgewood College Madison, Wisconsin

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

The Justice Studies Association is pleased to announce a call for participation for its sixth annual conference scheduled for Thursday, June 3 through Saturday, June 5, 2004. The conference theme is "Examining Daily Life in a World of Increasing Militarism, Inequality, and Adversarial Justice: Possibilities for Social and Restorative Justice." Presenters are invited to talk about: the increased use of militarism; the impact of globalization and empire; social inequality; adversarial justice; and ways to create just social, economic, and political arrangements in such a world.

SITE AND REGISTRATION

The conference will be held at Edgewood College, Madison Wisconsin (www.edgewood.edu). Thanks to the hospitality of our friends at Edgewood, lodging and meals at the college for four nights (single or double)--which includes Wednesday evening picnic and three meals a day except Saturday--are \$190.

Registration costs are: \$90 for members; \$120 for non-members; \$60 for full-time students and those with less than \$11,000 annual income paid prior to April 1, 2004. Payments made after April 1 will be: \$110 for members; \$140 for non-members; \$80 for full-time students and those with less than \$11,000 annual income. JSA offers 3 needs-based scholarships for those unable to afford the registration fee. Participants can apply to the program chair via a 300-word statement describing situation of need by March 15.

HISTORY

Seeds for the Justice Studies Association were first sown during the groundbreaking 1997 Albany conference Justice Without Violence: Views From Peacemaking Criminology and Restorative Justice. In 1998, JSA was officially established as an association with the purpose of providing a nonviolent alternative forum for those interested in thinking about, discussing, acting, and living a nonviolent and restoratively just life. The official journal of the association is Contemporary Justice Review (Routledge).

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

The annual conference has an opening and luncheon keynote speaker. These have included: Noam Chomsky; David Gil of Brandeis; James Zion, Solicitor of the Navajo Nation Court; Scott Schaeffer-Duffy, Worcester Catholic Worker; Robert Renny Cushing, Murder Victims Families for Reconciliation; Daniel Berrigan, writer, activist; and Maarit Kohonen, Office of Human Rights of the United Nations.

ANNUAL CHOMSKY AWARD

Each year the association presents its Noam Chomsky Award to a person who demonstrates a commitment to nonviolence and social justice through her or his work, activism, and way of life. Recipients have included: Arundhati Roy, Daniel Berrigan and Elizabeth McAlister, and the editors of Z Magazine. The 2004 recipient will be Ed Chambers, long-time colleague of Saul Alinsky and a foundation stone of Industrial Areas Foundation.

PRESENTERS

Interested presenters should send a title/abstract of 250 words or alternative proposal to: Daniel Okada, JSA 2004 Program Chair, Division of Criminal Justice, California State University-Sacramento, Sacramento California 95819-6085; office: 916/278-5286; fax: 916/278-7692; E-mail: dokada@csus.edu, before February 15, 2004. For more information on JSA, see www.justicestudies.org

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2004-2005 Election of Officers

To:

ASC MEMBERSHIP

From:

Christopher Uggen

Executive Secretary

Following the recent call for nomination of officers by the ASC Nominations Committee, the following slate of officers was approved by the ASC Executive Board for the 2004-2005 election:

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Gary LaFree, University of Maryland

Cathy Spatz Widom, New Jersey Medical School

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Rolf Loeber, University of Pittsburgh

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Mark Warr, University of Texas at Austin

In accordance with the ASC Constitution, this slate must now be presented to the ASC active membership. Active members may place additional candidates for each office on the ballot if such candidates receive nominations from two percent of the membership — 46 nominations.

Active members may suggest additions to the slate if such additions are received by March 31, 2004. If any Active member receives the required percentage of nominations, his/her name will be placed on the ballot that will be submitted to the membership April 15, 2004.

Please forward your nominations by March 31 to the ASC Executive Office, 1314 Kinnear Road, Suite 212, Columbus, OH 43212-1156.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CRIMINOLOGIST will regularly feature in these columns position vacancies available in organizations and universities, as well as positions sought by members of the Society. A charge of \$150.00 with the absolute maximum of 250 words allowed will be made. A charge will of \$75.00 will be charged to institutional members of ASC to place a position announcement in the newsletter.

It is the policy of the ASC to publish position vacancies announcements only from those institutions or agencies which subscribe to equal education and employment opportunities and those which encourage women and minorities to apply. Institutions should indicate the deadline for the submission of application materials.

To place announcements in THE CRIMINOLOGIST, send all material to: Sarah Hall, ASC, 1314 Kinnear Road, Suite 212, Columbus, OH 43212-1156. Telephone (614)292-9207, Fax (614)292-6767.

When sending announcements, please include a phone number, fax number and contact person in the event we have questions about an ad.

The Professional Employment Exchange will be a regular feature at each Annual Meeting. Prospective employers and employees should register with the Society no later than three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Society. The cost is \$100 to register online at www.asc41.com/employpg.html. Dr. Ken Adams (keadams@iupui.edu) is in charge of the website Employment Exchange.

CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Assistant Professor, Department of Justice Studies. The Department is seeking candidates with interests and field experience in the area of juvenile justice processes or law enforcement. A Ph.D. or other terminal degree in Criminal Justice or related field is required. For more information visit our web site at www.cup.edu/employment. Cal U is M/F/V/D/AA/EEO.

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NIAGARA UNIVERSITY

The Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology seeks to hire a tenure-track Assistant Professor starting Fall 2004. Responsibilities: teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in areas of criminal justice or criminology; an active program of research and potential for scholarly publication; and service to the University, the profession and the community. Qualifications: Ph.D. in Criminal Justice, Criminology, or a closely related discipline; demonstrated potential for excellence in teaching and research. The area of specialization is open but consideration given to applicants who can teach juvenile justice and/or comparative criminal justice systems at the undergraduate and graduate level. Send letter of application, curriculum vita, evidence of teaching and research potential, and three letters of reference to Craig Rivera, Search Committee Chair, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, Niagara University, NY 14109; fax: Department of Criminal Justice 716-286-8079. Niagara University is a private Catholic institution sponsored by the Vincentian community. To learn more about Niagara University and the Department of Criminal Justice visit http://www.niagara.edu. First consideration will be given to applications received by February 1, 2004, but applications accepted until the position is filled. NU encourages women, minorities, and disabled persons to apply. AA/EOE. Niagara University is a warm community of 3,600 students. Campus is an attractive mix of historic, contemporary buildings in the quaint village of Lewiston, on the Niagara River Gorge with easy access to Buffalo, Toronto, and beautiful Western NY--a culturally vibrant area. Ranked in Top 20 by US News & World Report for "Great Schools at Great Prices".

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

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UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

The University of Alabama invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position in the Department of Criminal Justice, to begin August 2004, contingent upon availability of funding. The position requires (1) the teaching of undergraduate and graduate

courses; (2) the origination and publication of research; (3) the pursuit of external funding; and (4) service to the Department and the College of Arts and Sciences. The Department currently houses a sociology minor program as well as criminal justice major and minor programs. There are five faculty, about 275 undergraduate majors, and 25 master's students. The Department seeks a scholar with a strong background in social inequality, and/or an interest in law-related topics in sociology and/or criminal Justice. This position should have teaching and research interests include at least two of the following: law and society; gender and crime; family violence; race and ethnic relations; social inequity; research methods and statistics. The successful candidate will hold the Ph.D. in either sociology, criminology, criminal justice, or a related discipline by the date of appointment. Send a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, writing sample, and list of three or more references to: Celia Lo, Chair, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Alabama, Box 870320, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0320. Inquiries may also be directed to (205) 348-7795 or CLO@UA.EDU. Review of applications will begin by January 5 and continue until the position is filled. The University is committed to diversity and to equal opportunity for all, thus applications from women, minority, and differently abled scholars are especially desired. U.S. News & World Report in the past three years ranked The University of Alabama among the top 50 public universities nationally.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

The Department of Criminology, Law and Society is seeking candidates for appointment at the associate or full professor level. Substantive area is open. The Department has a special interest in scholars whose work involves criminological theory, empirical research on crime/criminal justice policy, or inter-disciplinary/ecological approaches to the study of crime or criminal justice. Applicants should send a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and a list of references to: Henry Pontell, Chair, Senior Search Committee, Department of Criminology, Law and Society, Social Ecology II, University of California, Irvine 92697-7080. The position will remain open until filled. Review of applications will begin on January 15th, 2004. The University of California, Irvine has an active career partner program, is an equal opportunity employer committed to excellence through diversity, and has a National Science Foundation ADVANCE Gender Equity Program.

UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

The Department of Criminal Justice, College of Health and Human Services, The University of Toledo, invites applications for two tenure-track positions to be filled at the Assistant or Associate Professor rank. A Ph.D. in criminal justice or closely related discipline or a J.D. with graduate degree or extensive experience in corrections, criminal law, or policing is required. For the Assistant level, scholarly potential is required. For the Associate rank, a successful record of teaching, research, and service in higher education which warrants a tenure appointment at the Associate Professor rank is required. The first position requires the ability to teach research methods/statistics courses. Secondary areas of specialization are open, but the department is particularly interested in applicants with expertise in policing, forensic science, and/or terrorism. The areas of specialization for the second position are open, but the department is particularly interested in applicants with expertise or interest in the following areas: theory, international/ comparative criminal justice, corrections, policing, forensic science, and/or terrorism. Responsibilities for both positions include the ability to teach undergraduate and graduate courses, conduct research, publish scholarly work, and participate in universityrelated service. In addition to teaching and research, the successful applicant at the Associate rank is expected to mentor other fac-The University of Toledo, founded in 1872, is a Carnegie Doctoral/Research - Extensive Institution with a total enrollment exceeding 20,000 students. The Department of Criminal Justice is a dynamic, growing department which offers associate, bachelor, and master degrees. The university is located in a suburban area six miles from downtown Toledo, a community of over 600,000. Toledo is the regional center for the arts and cultural life with close access to outdoor activities and rural life. For additional information about The University of Toledo, visit its website at http://www.utoledo.edu/. For information about the Department, visit its website at http://www.hhs.utoledo.edu/criminaljustice/aboutcriminaljust.html. Send a letter of interest, curriculum vita, copies of graduate transcripts, and contact information for three references to: Eric Lambert, Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Criminal Justice, College of Health and Human Services, Mail Stop 400, University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio 43606. Review of applications will begin on February 18, 2004 and continue until the positions are filled. The University of Toledo is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. A concerted effort is underway in the College of Health and Human Services to ensure and enhance culturally diverse representation among our faculty, students, and staff. Women and people of color are encouraged to apply.

WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY

The Department of Criminal Justice seeks applications for a full-time tenure track assistant professorship beginning Fall 2004. The successful applicant must have a Ph.D. or ABD in criminal justice or a closely related area, demonstrated interest and ability in scholarly endeavors, and significant experience in the field of criminal justice. Prior teaching experience and a record of teaching excellence are preferred. Finalist must successfully complete the interview process and teaching demonstration. Initial teaching responsibilities will include introduction to criminal justice, criminological theory, and courses in the instructor's area of specialization on both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Send letter of interest, current vita, student and peer teaching evaluations, and letters of support from three professional references to: Mary Brewster, Department of Criminal Justice, West Chester University, West Chester, PA 19383. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until February 20, 2004 or until the position has been filled. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

PENNSTATE



TENURE-TRACK POSITION CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Division of Social Sciences at Penn State Abington seeks to fill a tenure-track position, with the appointment to begin in August 2004. Desired specialties include juvenile justice, probation and parole, demographics, and corrections to support the Division's baccalaureate programs in Administration of Justice, serving approximately 150 majors. The successful candidate will normally teach six courses per academic year including both lower- and upper-division undergraduate courses in administration of justice and other specialty areas. Supervision of undergraduate research and internship experiences will be expected.

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Applicants should present a record of effectiveness in teaching, research, and scholarly activity. Key considerations are a commitment to undergraduate education and a willingness to serve the College and the community. A Ph.D. is required for appointment at the assistant professor level or a rank commensurate with qualifications. Applications should include a full curriculum vitae, academic transcripts, a statement of teaching and research interests, and the names, addresses (including e-mail if possible), and phone numbers of at least three references. Official placement dossiers will also be accepted. Send materials to James F. Smith, Ph.D. Head, Division of Social Sciences, Penn State Abington, Box B-16718, 1600 Woodland Road, Abington, PA 19001. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Learn more about Penn State Abington by visiting our website at http://www.abington.psu.edu.

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WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Criminal Justice program in the School of Community Affairs at Wichita State University invites applications for a tenuretrack assistant professor position beginning August 2004. Required qualifications are a doctorate in criminal justice, criminology, sociology, or a related field, the ability to conduct and publish research; excellent oral and written communication; and successful experience working with diverse populations. The J.D. degree is not an acceptable credential for this position. Preferred qualifications are professional experience in criminal justice, the ability to attract external funding, and successful university teaching experience. A potential candidate should be prepared to teach graduate and undergraduate courses in the criminal justice program. The candidate will be expected to develop and maintain a vigorous research program that will attract external funding and provide research opportunities for graduate students. The criminal justice program is one of the largest on campus with over 400 undergraduate and 70 graduate majors. Faculty are engaged in numerous research and training programs activities with external funding exceeding \$1.5 million annually. The criminal justice program maintains a close relationship with the Regional Forensic Science Center in Wichita, a state-of-the-art facility which provides complete forensic services to law enforcement agencies in the region. Wichita State is a Carnegie Research Extensive university located in a metropolitan area with a population of more than 500,000. Wichita is located in a metropolitan area in south central Kansas and has a low cost of living and a generally mild climate. Wichita State currently enrolls 14,500 students, of which about one in five is a graduate student, and employs more than 500 full-time faculty. Women and people of color are especially urged to apply. Applicants should submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and the names, mail, e-mail addresses, and telephone numbers of at least three persons who can provide professional references. The starting date for the position is August, 2004. Application review will begin on December 15, 2003 and continue until the position is filled. Please send all applications and nominations to: Paul Cromwell, Ph.D., Director, School of Community Affairs, Wichita State University, 1845 Fairmount, Wichita, Kansas 67260-0135, paul.cromwell@wichita.edu. Wichita State University is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to excellence through diversity. Interested persons are invited to visit our website at http:\\sca.wichita.edu\.



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JOURNAL OF CONTEMPORARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDIES: A CRITICAL JOURNAL OF CRIME, LAW AND SOCIETY

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JOURNAL OF CONTEMPORARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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Dr. Jonathan Shepherd Honored with Sellin-Glueck Award: A True Pioneer in Injury Prevention Research

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At this year's ASC Meetings in Denver, Dr. Jonathan Shepherd was honored with the Sellin-Glueck Award, an award that recognizes non-U.S. scholars who have gained international recognition for their contributions to criminology. Dr. Shepherd, graduated from the University of London completed a Master's Degree as a research fellow at Oxford and received his specialist training in maxillofacial surgery at Leeds University. Subsequently, he was a senior lecturer at the University of Bristol, where he completed his Ph.D. in Criminology, with a specialization in victimology. Since 1991, Dr. Shepherd has been Professor of maxillofacial surgery at the University of Wales at Cardiff. His clinical practice is dominated by victims, because face injury is so common in violence.

Dr. Shepherd defines himself as a behavioral scientist with training in the biological sciences and has called the ASC his intellectual home. He is a pioneer in injury prevention research, where he blends lessons from criminology with insights from an emergency surgery and public health. Though he performs routine elective and emergency surgical procedures weekly, his research interest and energy, is spent gaining insights about the importance of interventions designed to minimize victimization and injury as a result of violent conduct. Perhaps his most important discovery is the great extent to which violence which results in medical (mainly ER) treatment is not reported to any other agency. Furthermore, his research has found age, gender and location - speak in differentials in police recording from the ER standpoint. Even very senior violence - involving firearms may not be reported to the police.

Previous work by Dr. Shepherd based on ER data has been able to identify "hot spots," namely where there are high concentrations of violent and injurious acts. These data have then been provided to local government and law enforcement agencies; not surprisingly, most injuries occur at or near bars, pubs, or night clubs. They also frequently involve the use of beer glasses as weapons. This has prompted Dr. Shepherd to pragmatically propose and recommend the use of different types of glass to prevent serious injury. Surprisingly, since as Shepherd notes the pubs are part of the problem, they are also part of the solution, a number of organizations, including pub owners, have taken an interest in these findings and the recommendations.

His current projects include a study that collects injury data with a standard instrument from 60 of the 220 emergency rooms in England; these data are used to develop recommendations for violence prevention and more specifically, injury reduction. He is also following N = 269 male violent offenders between the ages of 16 and 30 years who have been convicted of a violent or public disorder offense. This study, a randomized trial which follows the offenders over the course of one year, assesses the impact of a brief motivational interview and alcohol intervention immediately following sentencing. Dr. Shepherd aptly noted the principle of "capitalizing on a teachable moment" - the rationale is to reduce alcohol consumption and to decrease the likelihood of violent conduct resulting in injury. A third project, also taking full advantage of another teachable moment, this time for victims, is a project that is designed to reduce crime and violence as a result of a brief intervention that is provided or combined with wound care (presumably resulting from violence itself).

Dr. Shepherd's work, though grounded in theoretical processes or ideas, is very pragmatic and strongly relates to situational prevention. Emergency room surgeons see the results of violence first hand, and over the years, Dr. Shepherd has been very keen on providing tangible, practical, yet elegant solutions to violence and injury. As a result of efforts to bring together a team of community members and professionals in 1996, Dr. Shepherd's efforts have resulted in the UK Crime and Disorder Act, enacted legislation requiring health services, local government and law enforcement to join forces in combating crime, violence, and injury. This is the very essence of his work and his vision, namely collaborative efforts that cross disciplines and jurisdictions to reduce violence and injury. For example, he is a strong proponent of university police schools, training grounds that connect research, teaching, and service, as is universal in University medical schools. Currently, he has discovered few law enforcement officials believe that what social scientists do has much relevance for police work. Many believe that criminologists are stuck in ivory towers . . . He proposes the implementation of the medical model for these university police schools where there would be an integration of research, teaching, and operations or outreach. Though challenging to provide adequate breadth about a scholar receiving such a prestigious award, this brief essay provides a glimpse of Dr. Shepherd's research and his vision of reducing violence and preventing injury. He is widely recognized as a leading authority on injury prevention trials and on bridging public health and criminology, and we can continue to look forward to new impetus and stimuli for our thinking and work from this exceptional scholar. During our interview, Dr. Shepherd recalled a session at one of the initial ASC Meetings he attended, where an overhead about the backgrounds of ASC members was shown; what struck him then was the great diversity of backgrounds and breadth of training represented in the Society. He believes that this is a great asset of the ASC and something that will further evolve to include more clinical scientists, for instance. Finally, Dr. Shepherd also commented that despite all the recent advances in biological sciences and genetic research, crime is (and will remain) about people and behavior, about people and injury.

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