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Upcoming Conferences

ACJS:

Chicago will host the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences March 15th-19th. Many of our faculty and graduate students will showcase their research.

Erin Lane will be presenting her thesis, "Urban Disadvantage and Racial Profiling: An Analysis of Ecology and Officers' Race-specific Search Behaviors."

Stephanie Carmichael, Nicole Piquero and **Alex Piquero** will present "Do Perceptions of Punishment Vary Between White-Collar and Street Crimes?"

Nicole will also team with **Andrea Schoepfer** and **Lynn Langton** on "Completely Out of Control or the Desire to be in Complete Control? An Examination of Low Self-Control and the Desire for Control."

Alex is also working with **Lynn**

and **Zenta Gomez-Smith** on "Gender and Procedural Justice."

Jodi Lane, Lonn Lanza-Kaduce, and **Beth Parker** team up on "Evaluating the Florida Faith and Community Based Delinquency Treatment Initiative: Lessons About Start-Up."

Other Conference News:

Eve Brank will be attending the American Psychology and Law Society Conference in early March in LaJolla, California. She is presenting a paper entitled "Will They Tell? Weapons Reporting by Middle School Youth."

Karen Parker will present "Concentrated Disadvantage, Traditional Role Models and Juvenile Arrests," with **Amy Reck-**

denwald at the Southern Sociological Society's annual meeting.

Brian Stults will also present at April's SSS conference, held this year in Charlotte North Carolina.

CLHS Info

The Criminology and Law Honor Society is an honorary society open to all majors and minors who have career interests in criminology, the legal field or law enforcement. Meetings are held every other Thursday and feature guest speakers from the field (such as FBI agents, U.S. Marshals, attorneys, etc.). After all meetings, members are invited for free appetizers at a restaurant. The society also has a variety of socials, such as dinners, bowling and billiards, and BBQ's. For more information about the society and how to join, visit their website at www.crim.ufl.edu/honorsociety/index.htm.

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Syndicate Update

Fall Recap

Fall was a very productive term for the Syndicate. We were able to fund rental vans for 10 graduate students who attended the ASC conference in Nashville in November using special request money from the Board of College Councils. Also, we conducted a survey of graduate students regarding current officers, and we are working to implement suggestions on improving leadership and communication for the organization. Finally, the Syndicate launched its website, located at <http://grove.ufl.edu/~gclass/>. Thanks to all who participated or volunteered their time and energy.

Student Government Budgets

Organizational budget hearings for the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Student Council (CLASSC), the Syndicate's parent organization, were held in early January. Budget hearings for the Board of College Councils are scheduled for February. When BOCC hearings are complete, the Syndicate should know exactly how much funding to expect for the 2005-06 school year. These funds will be earmarked primarily for graduate student travel to conferences such as ASC and ACJS.

Faculty Visits

The Syndicate coordinated lunch events with the four visiting Assistant Professors in January and the two visiting Professors in February. These luncheons were an excellent opportunity for graduate students to interact with faculty recruits and discuss current research in the field. Student turnout to the colloquia and lunch sessions was very good, and we believe that the program was well-represented. Thank you to all who attended!

Leadership Elections

Elections for the Syndicate's three offices (President, Vice President, and Treasurer) are scheduled to take place in March. *(please turn to Syndicate Update, page 6)*

Gainesville Youth Summit



The State Attorney's Office is hosting its 3rd annual summit, "Serving Youth: Strategies that Work" on Friday, March 11, at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 4000 NW 53rd Ave., Gainesville, FL.

Education Activist, Joe Clark, will provide this year's keynote. Clark is the subject of the Warner Brothers film, *Lean On Me*, starring two-time Oscar nominee Morgan Freeman as Joe Clark. With the aid of a bullhorn, a baseball bat and the strength of his convictions, Clark took a crime infested, drug-ridden, inner-city high school and transformed it into an institution filled with serious learning

and immeasurable pride.

If interested in attending, the registration fee is \$20 per person if registered by March 4th, and \$30 per person for on-site registration. Registration fee includes refreshments, lunch, program materials, and the 2005 juvenile justice resource guide.

For more information on workshops, presenters, agenda, and registration, please visit

<http://sawwww.co.alachua.fl.us/payback/>

If anyone has questions about the summit, feel free to contact **Kris Kelly** for more information.

Publication Page



As usual, the department's faculty are keeping the Criminal Gator busy with news of many upcoming and current publications.

Richard Hollinger, Dean Dabney and Laura Dugan had their paper, "Who Actually Steals? A Study of Covertly Observed Shoplifters," published in Justice Quarterly.

Jodi Lane, along with co-authors Susan Turner, Terry Fain and Amber Sehgal, had "Evaluating an Experimental Juvenile Probation Program: Intervention and Outcomes," published in Crime and Delinquency. Jodi also had an article published in Criminal Justice Review entitled, "Researcher-Practitioner Collaboration in Corrections: Overcoming Hurdles for Successful Partnerships," co-authored by Susan Turner and Carmen Flores.

Alex Piquero had papers accepted at several journals, including Criminology, Journal of Quantitative Criminology, and Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency.

Angela Gover's article, "The Impact of Native American Ethnicity, Childhood Maltreatment, and Other Risk Factors on Juveniles' Perceptions and Adjustment to Confinement in a Boot Camp and Traditional Facility," is coming out in the Journal of Offender Rehabilitation in March.

Karen Parker has two forthcoming articles coming out. The first, "A Dynamic Model of Racial Competition, Urban Disadvantage and Interracial Violence: Accounting for Change in Rare Events" is co-authored by Patricia McCall and will appear in Sociological Inquiry. Karen's article with Helena Alden, "Gender Role Ideology, Homophobia and Hate Crime: Linking Attitudes to Macro-Level Indicators of Gender Stratification and Hate Crime," will appear in Deviant Behavior.

Class Notes



Jason Forker (B.A., '03) was sworn in as a law enforcement officer with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission on Nov. 12, 2004. He is assigned a water patrol position in Charlotte County and is currently in the field training program. In March he will be on his own protecting the state's wildlife resources on the water and in the woods. He writes, "I thought I would give the department a big thank you

for getting me prepared for his career and I hope to see many future UF alumni in the agency."

Any other department alumni who wish give updates on how life "post-UF" is going may send an email to Dr. Karen Parker at kparker@crim.ufl.edu.

ASC 2004—Nashville: In-'crim'-inating Photos



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Other Department News.....

Alex Piquero was awarded the 2005 Magid Term Professor in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

In January, **Jodi Lane** gave a presentation entitled, "Juveniles in Adult Corrections" to Chapter 15 of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency.

Richard Hollinger was the subject of a feature interview (with pictures!) in the January-February issue of Loss Prevention Magazine (www.losspreventionmagazine.com).

Brian Stults was quoted in eight newspapers around the country regarding his recent Demography article on segregation trends.

Doctoral candidate **Allison Chappell** has accepted a tenure-track assistant professor position in the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia.

Graduate student **Rachel Taylor** has joined the Criminology and Law Honor Society.

Syndicate Update, Continued...

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This is a great opportunity to get involved and give something back to the program. For anyone interested in running for office, please contact Matt Nobles via e-mail.

Constitutional Review

The Syndicate is undertaking a comprehensive review of its constitution in an effort to improve the language and add new provisions where necessary. Input or participation is welcome from all. Please contact Jon Gurney via e-mail for more information.

Basement Cleanup Project

We are in the process of reviewing the needs in the shared basement offices (computers, furniture, and so forth). Some materials will be disposed of, while we are optimistic that some new equipment will be purchased for graduate student use in the near future. If you have suggestions on ways to improve the efficiency of the basement, or if you'd like to volunteer to help out with the project, please contact Kate Fox via e-mail.