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FROM THE EDITOR

Due to work commitments Prof Anthony Minnaar resigned as editor of this newsletter and as a result the CRIMSA EXCO appointed Dr Brenda Beukman as the new editor. The editor accordingly makes a call on all members as well as students to send in news, conference-, seminar- and workshop reports. As well as news on research projects and masters/doctoral research registered.

The editor especially wants to encourage students to submit contributions. This is a positive environment to develop your publishing experience. Contributions should not exceed 500 words.

This issue of the newsletter has information on the CRIMSA conference which took place from 27th to 29th August 2007 at the University of Pretoria.

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to take this opportunity of the last CRIMSA Newsletter for 2007 to wish you all a festive season and best wishes for the end of year vacation time (for most of us!). It has been a very full year for all of us in many ways and 2008 is shaping up to be as full and busy as this one. Many of us are looking at new and exciting courses in our various disciplines and will need to do extensive re-curriculation. I take this opportunity to make a call on all of you to share and assist where we can in this process and build ever stronger networks of co-operation within our small discipline. May we all go from strength to strength.

Anthony Minnaar
President: CRIMSA

CRIMSA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AUGUST 2007

The Criminological & Victimological Society of Southern Africa (CRIMSA) Conference with the theme: *Perspectives on Crime and Criminal Justice in Africa* was held at the University of Pretoria Conference Centre from Monday 27th to Wednesday 29th August 2007.

The 2007 CRIMSA Conference, the first conference held by CRIMSA since 1999 would appear to have been a resounding success all round with more than 100 delegates attending three days of presentations, discussions, deliberations and debate. Although there were a few late withdrawals a total of 53 presentations in breakaway sessions were made with another six international speakers presenting in daily plenary sessions. Across the board presentations on a wide variety and range of topics stimulated much discussion, questions and debate with even more networking and meeting of similar minded academics and students occurring at tea time and during lunches. An innovation at this year's conference being the encouragement given to post-graduate students to submit papers as 'works-in-progress'.

The conference dinner at the Mokha Restaurant at the Botanical Gardens was enjoyed by all who attended with the participatory drumming session an undoubted highlight – even if the lack of rhythm being made up for by lots of enthusiasm!

At the dinner the following conference awards were also made:

CRIMSA Conference 2007: Awards

All papers submitted prior to the conference dealing with South African topics in four categories namely, Criminology, Victimology, Penology and Criminal Justice were evaluated. There was also a category for work-in-progress/post-graduate student paper in all four categories.

Broadly the evaluation criteria looked at use of language, how well written the paper was and how each argument was developed in a logical progression and if based on research (preliminary or literature review in the case of work-in-progress) how the findings had been presented, discussed and interpreted. Additional aspects such as innovation and new focus areas of research or a different approach to an issue or problem area of research were also additional complementary

factors looked at in the evaluation. A short list in each category was drawn up after which EXCO committee members made a final selection of the best paper.

Best papers in their categories

The best paper for South African Criminology at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 was awarded to **Michelle Ovens** for the paper titled: *Maternal substance abuse in South Africa: An area for concern?*

The best paper for South African Criminal Justice at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 was awarded to **Michael Meyer & Jean Steyn** for their joint paper titled: *Developing cynicism among male and female recruits in the South African Police Service.*

The best paper for South African Penology at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 awarded to **Richard Aitken** for his paper titled: *Inventing prison programmes based on the theory and tradition of restorative justice: The experience of Phoenix Zululand projects in eleven regional prisons.*

The best paper for South African Victimology at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 awarded to **Elaine Steyn & Jean Steyn** for their joint paper titled: *Revictimisation of rape victims by the South African Police Service.*

Best papers in their categories: Work-in-progress/postgraduate students

The best paper for South African Penology (work-in-progress) at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 was awarded to **Gregory Breetzke** for his paper titled: *Exploratory Spatial Data Analysis (ESDA) of violent, economic and sexual offenders in the City of Tshwane, South Africa*

The best paper for South African Criminology (work-in-progress) at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 awarded to: **Charmaine Collins & Christiaan Bezuidenhout** for the paper titled: *Implication of delusional disorders and criminal behaviour for criminology*

The best paper for South African Victimology (work-in-progress) at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 awarded to **Michelle de Neully Rice** for her paper titled: *The victimological impact of heroin abuse on the family: A study in progress*

The best paper for South African Criminal Justice (work-in-progress) at the CRIMSA Conference 2007 awarded to **Hema Hargovan** for her paper titled: *Knocking and entering: Restorative Justice arrives at the courts!*

Congratulations to them all on their awards.

Honorary members

In addition to the paper awards the awarding of two new honorary memberships of CRIMSA to Profs Jan Naser and Johan Prinsloo were announced at the dinner. These awards of Honorary Membership were not only for their many years of service to the principles and ideals of the Society but also to their overall scholarly and research contributions to the discipline and its sub-disciplines in South Africa over a long period of time.

All papers submitted will be loaded on the CRIMSA website with a selection (after a peer review process) being made for inclusion in the two special editions of *Acta Criminologica* due out at the end of February 2008.

After the holding of this successful conference the CRIMSA EXCO have made a decision in principle to make the CRIMSA Conferences bi-ennial with the added suggestion that the 'in-between' years be set aside for one-day colloquiums (for each of the four categories of criminology; penology; victimology and criminal justice) to be organized at different venues all over South Africa on different dates.

So all start planning for colloquiums in 2008 and the bi-ennial conference in 2009. Any offers from universities to organize a colloquium? Or the bi-ennial conference?

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank all my committee members for all the hard work put into the organising of this conference. Without their support and co-operation the conference would not have realized let alone have been such a success – yes there were some glitches and shortcomings but we have established a good solid foundation on which to build and improve for future success. In addition a special word of thanks to the Student Conference Crew who made the daily running of the conference go off so smoothly. These thanks would be incomplete if I were not to thank all those who came from far and wide to present and participate in the conference – thank you then to all of you especially those who made a special effort to travel from overseas – at future conferences we hope to see many more of you!

Anthony Minnaar
Chair: CRIMSA Conference Organising Committee

ANZSOC CONFERENCE REPORT

Conference Report: Australian & New Zealand Society of Criminology (ANZSOC established in 1967 – 40 years old) 20th Annual Conference: *Criminology building bridges*, Adelaide, South Australia. 23-26 September 2007

This conference report comes to you practically 'live' and written directly from Adelaide at the end of the conference. I thought that CRIMSA Newsletter readers would be interested in some of my impressions of this criminology conference. More than 250 delegates attended – mostly Australians with a sprinkling of New Zealanders and the odd delegate from Canada, US, UK, Italy, Poland, Malaysia, Taiwan, China, India, Indonesia and South Africa (1). The programme listed 187 presentations over the three days with 12 plenary speakers in two plenary sessions per day. One of my first impressions is that Australian academics are fortunate to receive research funding in quite substantial amounts from the Australian research Council (the equivalent of our NRF) as well as from the Australian Institute for Criminology (AIC) (a government funded research institute dedicated to criminology research and the dissemination of findings) as well as from a wide range of government departments. Much of the funding is not to single scholars at one institution but often to a team of academics from different co-operating universities often in multi-disciplinary networks. This allows team members to work on one project but from different angles or with a specific individual focus on the research problem – with the clear message that

“collaborative networks are better able to attack a problem”. In essence this is a research system for ensuring quality research. Such grants often run for three to five years.

Topics covered at the conference focused on a number of the usual ones ranging from policing, professionalism in policing, sexual offences, recidivism, rehabilitation and reintegration, prison management, group conferencing (RJ) but with often a new take or approach on similar problems. Some new directions involved trafficking of women, private policing, collective efficacy (the level of community willingness to participate in local crime prevention programmes) peacekeeping in UN policing missions, peacebuilding using restorative justice methods, counter-terrorism; restorative and what is now also being termed responsive justice, persistence and desistance (reintegrative shaming), predicting re-offending; cybercrime and global fraud; procedural justice, police satisfaction factors (fair treatment (procedural justice) as opposed to merely performance levels (instrumental factor), evidence-based research influencing policy makers; crime, privacy and technology; GIS and spatial crime analysis; risk assessment in juvenile offenders; therapeutic jurisprudence; outlaw motorcycle gangs and organized crime – to mention a few of the paper themes.

A little bit about the “Community efficacy” approach to crime prevention. In essence the research tries to establish or determine, within the context of the depersonalized nature of community crime, the level of response (collective efficacy) of community members to crime by identifying and explaining the extent and nature of that response (if any). If there is any feeling of “village” community links to each other then individuals are more likely to collaborate in response (collective action) and the quality of the inter-personal relationships (ownership of community responsibility) also determines the level of social involvement in the communal response to crime. Communities with “loose” ties (depersonalized) may not be effective units of crime control. Hence the need for the implementation of situational crime prevention community-based programmes to improve feelings of safety and reduction in crime levels.

There appears to be very good working relations between government departments, policing agencies, prosecutors, attorney general offices, practitioners and academics and researchers at the universities. Research findings are constantly being disseminated usually through the agencies of the AIC.

Some interesting crime facts emanating from the conference: 30% fall in crime rates in Australia since 2002; 2006 institution of a Victims of Crime Compensation Fund – funded by proceeds of confiscated motor vehicles, asset forfeitures etc. which are sold by public auction. Australian police jurisdictions are doing interventions at the level of anti-social behaviour among the youth in order to deter juvenile creep into more criminal activities; new legislation to disrupt activities of criminal motorbike gangs and their links (drug dealing, extortion, prostitution etc.) with organized crime; behaviour contracts at community level to ensure cleaner and safer neighbourhoods; wider use of CCTV in courts so that victims having more trust (especially domestic violence and sexual abuse cases) in giving evidence by remote, i.e. need not go to court to face offender. Innovative use of technology and new developments in shaping criminal justice response to crime (e.g. development of national DNA databases).

This ANZSOC conference also demonstrated the foundation strength of criminology being its multi-disciplinary nature. Criminology and criminal justice is a popular specialist subject in many Australian university undergraduate studies.

An innovation to this year's conference was the holding of a criminology post-graduate student pre-conference conference on the Sunday before the main conference started.

All paper presentations will in due course be loaded on the ANZSOC website. Next year's ANZSOC conference will be hosted by AIC in Canberra from 26-28 November 2008. Well worth attending.

Anthony Minnaar
e-mailed from Adelaide, South Australia
26 September 2007

CRIMSA AGM 2007

The CRIMSA AGM will be held on 25 October 2007. Details of the AGM, matters for discussion and the seminar (to follow the AGM) presenters will be circulated at a later stage. The AGM will be held at the University of Pretoria. All attendees are invited for lunch afterwards.

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

2007

8th NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PREVENTING CRIME: HELPING BUILD SAFER COMMUNITIES, 3-5 October 2007 http://www.ncpc.org/training/National_Conference.php

eCRIME RESEARCHRS SUMMIT. Hosted by Carnegie Mellon CyLab, 4-5 October 2007, Pittsburg, PA,USA.<http://www.ecrimeresearch.org/2007/cfp.html>.

AFRICAN SECURITY SECTOR NETWORK CONFERENCE ON SECURITY SECTOR REFORM IN AFRICA. Addis Ababa. 7-11 October 2007. For more information go to <http://www.iss.co.za>.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TERRORISM.: COUNTER-TERRORISM POLICING IN CULTURALLY DIVERSE COMMUNITIES. Melbourne, Australia. 15-16 October 2007. www.ctic2007.com

IMPROVING COMMUNITY SAFETY: LESSONS FROM THE COUNTRY AND THE CITY CONFERENCE. Hosted by the Australian institute of Criminology, together with the Australian Crime prevention Council and the Townsville City Council in Townsville, 18-19 October 2007. More information on the conference is available at:<http://www.aic.gov.au/conferences/2007-RegionalComSafety/>

CRIME, LAW AND REGULATION: AN INTER-DISCIPLINARY CONFERENCE. Toronto, Canada. 25-26 October 2007. More information on the conference is available at http://www.criminology.utorono.ca/grad_conference/

ISS CONFERENCE. POLICING IN SOUTH AFRICA IN 2007. KEY ISSUES AND DEVELOPMENT. Johannesburg 31 October 2007. Read more <http://www.iss.co.za>.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE POLICING OF CYBERSPACE (POLCYB) International Summit 2007, Bangkok, Thailand, 5-7 November 2007. Incl. Cybercrime Training Sessions, Bangkok, Thailand 8-9 November 2007. International Law Enforcement Academy (I.L.E.A.) Thailand.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY, Atlanta Georgia, USA 14-17 November 2007. www.asc41.com.

IIRP CONFERENCE: "Restoring Community in a Disconnected World"

7th –9th November 7-9 - Budapest, Hungary. More information available at: <http://iirp.org/hu07>

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YOUNG PEOPLE, CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY: ENGAGEMENT AND EARLY INTERVENTION. Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. 25-26 February 2008. www.aic.au

ACADEMY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCIENCES ANNUAL CONFERENCE: AMERICAN JUSTICE – RHETORIC OR REALITY? Cincinnati, Ohio. 11-15 March 2008. www.acjs.org

SURVEILLANCE & SOCIETY CONFERENCE: INVISIBILITIES – THE POLITICS, PRACTICE & EXPERIENCE OF SURVEILLANCE IN EVERYDAY LIFE. Hosted by the Centre for Criminological Research, University of Sheffield. Sheffield. 2-3 April 2008. www.surveillance-studies.net

15th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL POLICE EXECUTIVE SYMPOSIUM (IPES): POLICE WITHOUT BORDERS – THE FADING DISTINCTION BETWEEN LOCAL & GLOBAL. Cincinnati, Ohio. 11-12 May 2008. www.ipes.info

BRITISH SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY CONFERENCE: CRIMINOLOGICAL FUTURES – CONTROVERSIES, DEVELOPMENTS AND DEBATES. Hosted by the Applied Criminology Centre, University of Huddersfield. 9-11 July 2008 www.hud.ac.uk/hhs/dbs/acc

4th NATIONAL JUSTICE MODELLING WORKSHOP. Brisbane, Queensland, Australia. 10-11 July 2008. www.griffith.edu.au/jmag

22nd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE REFORM OF CRIMINAL LAW. 11th-15th July 2008. Dublin, Ireland. More information is available at <http://www.isrcl.org> or e-mail: secretariat@isrcl.org

12th WORLD MULTI-CONFERENCE ON SYSTEMICS, CYBERNETICS AND INFORMATICS. 29th June to 2nd July 2008. Orlando, Florida, USA. More information is available at <http://sciis.org/wm-sci08>

15th ICS WORLD CONGRESS OF CRIMINOLOGY: CRIME AND CRIMINOLOGY – RESEARCH & ACTION. Barcelona, Spain. 20-25 July 2008. See <http://www.worldcongresscriminology.com/index.asp?pagina=com&idioma=en> for more information.

10th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF IATSO (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF SEXUAL OFFENDERS). “Sexual Violence: Preventing through Offender Treatment and Public Policy” . Cape Town South Africa. 27-30 August 2008. e-mail Elisabeth.quendler@iatso.org

21st ANZSOC ANNUAL CONFERENCE: CRIMINOLOGY – LINKING THEORY, POLICY AND PRACTICE. Canberra, ACT. 25-28 November 2008
www.anzsoc.org/conferences/

2009

WORLD SOCIETY OF VICTIMOLOGY (WSV) Symposium 2009. Tokiwa University, Japan. Theme: Victimology and Human Security. Dates: Third week of August.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

WILLAN PUBLISHERS

<http://www.willanpublishing.co.uk>

Dictionary of Probation and Offender Management

Edited by Rob Canton (De Montfort University) and David Hancock (formerly Nottingham Probation). Due : September 2007. Size: 246x171mm, 432pp.

ISBN: 9781843922896 (Paperback). Price: GBP £22.50/USD \$ 39.95. ISBN: 9781843922902 (Hardback). Price: GBP £50.00/USD \$ 85.00.

Other titles in the dictionary series include: Dictionary of Youth Justice (Due: Feb 08) Dictionary of Prisons and Punishment (Due: Oct 07) Dictionary of Policing (Due: Jan 08) and Dictionary of Forensic Psychology (Due: Feb 08).

New books coming in September and October

September

Police Leadership and Management

Published in Australia by Federation Press and distributed in the UK and Europe by Willan Publishing. Edited By Margaret Mitchell and John Casey

Pub : September 2007. 304pp. ISBN: 9781862876491 (Paperback). Price: GBP £26.00

Dutch Prisons

Edited by Miranda Boone (University of Utrecht) and Martin Moerings (Leiden University)

Published in the Netherlands by BJU Legal Publishers and distributed in outside the Netherlands and Belgium by Willan Publishing Pub : September 2007. 234x156mm, 328pp. ISBN: 9789054549048 (Paperback). Price: GBP £25.00

Safety Crimes

Steve Tombs (Liverpool John Moores University) and Dave Whyte (University of Liverpool). Due : September 2007. 234x156mm, 264pp. ISBN: 9781843920854 (Paperback). Price: GBP £19.50/USD \$ 39.95. ISBN: 9781843920861 (Hardback). Price: GBP £45.00/USD \$ 74.95.

Handbook of Victims and Victimology

Edited by Sandra Walklate (University of Liverpool)

Due : September 2007. 576pp. ISBN: 9781843922575 (Pbk). Price: GBP £29.95/USD \$ 49.95. ISBN: 9781843922582 (Hbk). Price: GBP £67.50/USD \$ 110.00.

Northern Soul

Music, drugs and subcultural identity

Andrew Wilson (University of Sheffield)

Due : September 2007. 234x156mm, 232pp. ISBN: 9781843922087 (Hardback). Price: GBP £40.00/USD \$ 69.95.

Psychology and Crime -Understanding and tackling offending behaviour

Francis Pakes (University of Portsmouth) and Jane Winstone (University of Portsmouth)

Due : October 2007. 234x156mm, 232pp. ISBN: 9781843922599 (Pbk). Price: GBP £17.99/USD \$ 32.50. ISBN: 9781843922605 (Hbk). Price: GBP £40.00/USD \$ 69.95.

Surveying Crime in the 21st Century

Edited by Mike Hough (King's College London) and Mike Maxfield (Rutgers University, New Jersey) Due: October 2007. 224pp. ISBN: 9781881798750 (Pbk). Price: GBP £29.50. ISBN: 9781881798743 (Hbk). Price: GBP £47.50.

Understanding Prison Staff.

Edited by Jamie Bennett (HM Prison Service), Ben Crewe (University of Cambridge) and Azrimi Wahidin (Queens University Belfast) Published in association with The Prison Service Journal.

Due: October 2007. 246x171mm, 448pp. ISBN: 9781843922742 (Pbk). Price: GBP £25.00/USD \$ 44.95. ISBN: 9781843922742 (Hbk). Price: GBP £50.00/USD \$ 85.00.

Child Pornography Crime, Computers and Society

Ian O'Donnell (Institute of Criminology, University College Dublin) and Claire Milner (Institute of Criminology, University College Dublin). Due : October 2007. 234x156mm, 240pp. ISBN: 9781843923565 (Pbk). Price: GBP £22.00/USD \$ 37.50. ISBN: 9781843923572 (Hbk). Price: GBP £45.00/USD \$ 79.95.

Crime Reduction and Community Safety -Labour and the politics of local crime control

Daniel Gilling (University of Plymouth). Due : October 2007. 234x156mm, 224pp. ISBN: 9781843922513 (Pbk). Price: GBP £19.50/USD \$ 37.50. ISBN: 9781843922520 (Hbk). Price: GBP £45.00/USD \$ 69.95.

Madness and Crime

Philip Bean (formerly Loughborough University). Due : October 2007. 234x156mm, 192pp. ISBN: 9781843922975 (Hbk). Price: GBP £35.00/USD \$ 64.95.

Prisoner Resettlement- Policy and practice

Edited by Anthea Hucklesby (University of Leeds) and Lystra Hagley-Dickinson (University of Northampton). Due : October 2007. 234x156mm, 272pp. ISBN: 9781843922537 (Pbk). Price: GBP £22.00/USD \$ 37.50. ISBN: 9781843922544 (Hbk). Price: GBP £50.00/USD \$ 85.00.

RESEARCH REPORTS

RESTORATIVE PRACTICES eFORUM

American Psychological Association Challenges School Zero Tolerance Policies and Recommends Restorative Justice.

A report issued by the American Psychological Association (APA) found that zero tolerance policies in use throughout U.S. school districts have not been effective in reducing violence or promoting learning in school. The report called for a change in these policies and indicated a need for alternatives, including restorative practices such as restorative justice conferences.

This article by Doug Graves and Laura Mirsky provides details from the APA report. To read the article, please go to: <http://www.safersanerschools.org/library/apareport.html>

To download the PDF version of the article, please go to: <http://fp.enter.net/restorativepractices/apareport.pdf>

NEW JOURNAL ARTICLES

Police Practice and Research: An International Journal Volume 8 Issue 2

(http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=issue&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alertype=new_issue_alert,email) is now available online at informaworld (<http://www.informaworld.com>).

Special Issue: Re-shaping Policing- Ideas in Action

This new issue contains the following articles:

From the Editor-in-Chief p. 95

DOI: 10.1080/15614260701377554

Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=95&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alertype=new_issue_alert,email

From the Guest Editors: Re-shaping Policing: Ideas in Action p. 99

Authors: Clifford Shearing; Jennifer Wood.

Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=99&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alertype=new_issue_

Tracing the Diffusion of Policing Governance Models from the British Isles and Back Again: Some Directions for Democratic Reform in Troubled Times p. 107

Authors: Michael Kempa. Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=107&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alerttype=new_issue_alert,email

The Impact of International Models of Policing in Latin America: The Case of Community Policing p. 125. Authors: Hugo Frühling

Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=125&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alerttype=new_issue

Creating Institutions: Linking the 'Local' and the 'Global' in the Travel of Crime Policies p. 145. Authors: Susanne Karstedt

Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=145&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alerttype=new_issue

Converging Corporatization? Police Management, Police Unionism, and the Transfer of Business Principles p. 159. Authors: Pat O'Malley; Steven Hutchinson DOI: 10.1080/15614260701377653

Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=159&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alerttype=new_issue

Surprise News: Policing Works p. 175

Authors: Ian Blair

Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=175&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alerttype=new_issue

Policing Cybercrimes: Situating the Public Police in Networks of Security within Cyberspace p. 183. Authors: David S. Wall

Link: http://www.informaworld.com/openurl?genre=article&issn=1561-4263&volume=8&issue=2&spage=183&uno_jumptype=alert&uno_alerttype=new_issue

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INTERVICT NEWSLETTER of the International Victimology institute at the University of Tilburg Netherlands August 2007 now available at www.intervict.nl

JOURNALS

Justice Quarterly

New Editor for 2008: Richard Tewksbury - University of Louisville, USA

Justice Quarterly is a multidisciplinary journal that publishes theoretical contributions and empirical studies on issues of crime and justice. We welcome articles from authors trained in all disciplines applying various methodologies to the study of crime and the justice system. We will consider only original manuscripts not published previously or currently under consideration. Please submit a submission letter including contact information (address, telephone number and e-mail), four (4) copies of your manuscript, a copy on computer disk, and a processing fee of \$10.00 (checks should be made out to ACJS). The review process normally takes less than 12 weeks. Your manuscript should be double-spaced, preferably less than 40 pages (including tables,

references, and appendices), and conform to APA format. A style sheet is available upon request from the editorial office. Send manuscripts to: Richard Tewksbury, Department of Justice Administration, University of Louisville, Kentucky 40292, USA. Reprints, back issues, reproduction requests, and advertising inquiries should be directed to: ACJS National Office, 7339 Hanover Parkway, Suite A, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770.

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WEBSITES

Crime Reduction Website - August 2007 update

This month's additions include:

Guidelines on the use of Acceptable Behaviour Contracts

How to avoid becoming a target for crime

Guidelines for security requirements for domestic property

Teens, drugs and violence

Out-of-court disposals for adults: A guide to alternatives to prosecution

Read the full bulletin at <http://www.crimereduction.homeoffice.gov.uk/monthlybulletin07-08.htm>

The Bundeskriminalamt in Wiesbaden (Federal Criminal Police Office) has been publishing recently an Abridged Version in English of the Pozeiliche Kriminalstatistik = Police Crime Statistics, Germany 2006, Wiesbaden 2007. It contains, on some 60 pages, the most relevant information on the crime situation in Germany out of the more comprehensive and detailed original German version, in particular:

1. The developmental history of Germany's Police Crime Statistics 2
2. Contents and informational value of the Police Crime Statistics 6
3. Definitions 7
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Download the PDF-file under the following URL:
http://www.bka.de/pks/pks2006ev/pcs_2006.pdf

The Weekly Accessions List (WAL) for the week ending September 1, 2007 is now available. To view the full list, click on the current week's link at: <http://www.ncjrs.gov/wal.html>

This week's list contains 53 documents in the following subject areas:

- Corrections (1)
- Courts (1)
- Criminology (11)
- International Criminology (1)
- Juveniles (23)
- Police (13)
- Statistics (1)
- Victims (2)

These new titles are part of one of the largest justice and drug policy libraries and abstract databases in the world. Accessing and using these resources is easy:

- * Search the NCJRS Abstracts Database online at: <http://www.ncjrs.gov/abstractdb/search.asp>
- * Sort and download your search results.
- * Link to full text (where available).
- * Order, request, or borrow copies.
- * Visit the NCJRS Research and Information Center in Rockville, Maryland.

IPES WPS NEWS

The IPES working Paper Series is a new forum for the international community of police experts, researchers and practitioners. Recent WPS articles are available at <http://www.ipes.info/workingpapers.asp>.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

Community Service Project: Awaiting trial children and juvenile detainees Department of Social Work and Criminology (University of Pretoria)

In April 2007 the second year Criminology students started to engage in a community service project under the guidance of Mrs Booyens, the first year Criminology lecturer. The focus is on awaiting trial children (14-17 years) and juvenile (18-25 years) detainees. We visit Pretoria Local Correctional Center once a week offering recreational programmes such as HIV/AIDS awareness, drug awareness and engage the detainees in debate.

For the HIV/AIDS awareness month we informed the detainees about the contraction, spread and typical symptoms of a person infected with HIV/AIDS. Regarding the use of condoms we asked a volunteer from the group to show the others how to open, put on and dispose of a used condom. Thereafter the group had to identify the mistakes that the volunteer made where after we showed them the correct method for opening, putting on and disposing of a condom. After each lesson each of the detainees received learning material they had to prepare and within two weeks they completed a questionnaire on HIV/AIDS. Each participant received a certificate of attendance and we encouraged them to test their HIV/AIDS status once released into the community. The detainees were eager to know their status and enquired whether a mobile (once-off) testing station could be set up inside the correctional center.

On the 20th of June 2007 youth day was celebrated inside the correctional center. The Rag Committee of the University of Pretoria was approached to sponsor gifts for the detainees. During the celebrations the children received a gift pack consisting of a Bible, phone card and a Youth Magazine. The members of the juvenile choir each received a tracksuit and a t-shirt, where after they performed three songs for the audience.

We are currently busy with drug awareness and debates. Unlike with the HIV/AIDS awareness the detainees seemed to know a lot about drugs. As criminology students we learned some of the street names for example crack (cocaine) is known as “rock lefetse”. The majority of the detainees stated that they committed crimes while under the influence of drugs and that most of them have had experiences with drugs like Dagga and Nyawupe, which is the mixture of dagga and mandrax.

Through our experience with the detainees we have learned that despite them being in the correctional center they are still human beings. They are not as heartless as some people would speculate but are able to love and care about others as well. We as society should not categorize them as criminals but as human beings who have made mistakes and are paying for it.

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