President's Message
Al Patenaude
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

I think that my credit cards have just about recovered from the beating they took from a well-known mouse… at least they didn’t melt from over-use! I did have fun and learned a few things at the ACJS annual meetings in Anaheim, so I keep telling myself it was worth it! ACJS President Richard Bennett confirmed that he will be attending our regional meeting in San Antonio.

Among the items that came out of the ACJS meeting was an interest in the accreditation of criminal justice programs. One of the panel sessions on this topic was quite lively and brought forth a few issues which we as both a regional and national body need to discuss. The issues include standards for accreditation, academic versus professional accreditation, and deciding which association should be the accrediting body for criminal justice education in the United States. This is an area in which we, as a region, could have an impact since many of us have dealt with similar issues at the state-level.

Based on discussions during our regional meeting in Anaheim, I’ve been exploring the possibilities of SWACJ creating an electronic journal. I examined a number of electronic journals that have been around for some time and have established a track record, so to speak, and have talked with their editors. Although I will present a more formal report to you in San Antonio, the following electronic journals offer examples of a few of the various formats which we could choose to adopt or integrate into a format of our own design:

1. Western Criminology Review:  http://wcr.sonoma.edu/
2. The Qualitative Report:  http://www.nova.edu/ssss/QR/index.html

In addition, there are electronic versions of existing journals which could be examined such as the British Journal of Criminology at:  http://bjc.oupjournals.org/.

I was pleased that during our regional meeting we recognized Bill Stone of Southwest Texas State University for his hard work and effort in designing and maintaining our SWACJ website. I will be sending a letter to that effect to both Bill and his department Chair. If you can think of anyone else that has helped our regional association and should be recognized for his or her effort (such as Tori Caeti and his work as Secretary-Treasurer… hint, hint), let's discuss it. In closing, I look forward to seeing all of you (I just couldn’t type y’all with these Canadian fingers) in San Antonio. Take Care --
CALL FOR PAPERS

The SWACJ Annual Meeting will be
October 3rd—5th, 2002
Four Points Sheraton Hotel Riverwalk North, San Antonio, Texas

This 2002 theme is:
"Partners in Criminal Justice Education: Community Colleges and Universities"

For more information, please contact:
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--- IMPORTANT REMINDERS ---

Those planning to attend the 2002 SWACJ Annual Meeting should keep in mind the following dates. Your cooperation in registering early enables us to better estimate the number of attendees expected for the President’s Reception, luncheon, and other functions. Attendees are encouraged to complete and submit the information form found on Page 11 of this newsletter. Please be sure to note the number of students (if any) you plan on bringing with you.

Important Dates:

- **Abstracts due to Program Chair:** August 15th
- **Student papers due to First Vice President:** September 7th
- **Cutoff date for SWACJ rate at the hotel:** September 10th

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Important titles on
Criminal Justice, Criminology and Policing

Restorative Justice
Ideas, Values, Debates
By Gerry Johnstone (University of Hull)
Restorative justice is one of the most talked about topics in the field of criminal justice and is increasingly emphasized in relation to young offenders. It is seen as a shift away from dominant punitive and therapeutic paradigms, emphasizing reintegration of offenders and potential offenders into their communities. This book addresses this little understood issue by providing an authoritative introduction to the ideas and principles of restorative justice and considers arguments both for using and not using this method of criminal justice.
ISBN 1-903240-43-3, h/b, $59.95

Captive Audiences
Media, Masculinity and Power in Prisons
By Yvonne Jewkes (University of Hull)
The role and the impact of the media on everyday life in the context of prisons is the focus of this book. It is based on the pioneering research into the nature, impact and consequences of a situation where most prisoners in English prisons have access to some media resource, whether its radio or television, and whether its via communal or individual access. This book charts for the first time the way in which prisons use media in coping or failing to cope with the pressures of prison life, and explores the impact of the media in terms of prisoners’ identities, shaping power relations between prisoners and other prisoners and in helping a prisoner ‘get through’ a prison sentence.
ISBN 1-903240-64-6, p/b, $29.99
ISBN 1-903240-65-4, h/b, $59.95

Introducing Criminology
By Clive Coleman and Clive Norris (University of Hull)
Criminology or the study of crime has developed rapidly as a subject in recent years, while crime and the problem of how to respond to it have become major concerns for society as a whole. This is a highly readable, much needed introduction to this subject for students and those who are interested to discover the field of criminology. The authors focus on upon attempts to understand and explain crime through the disciplines of psychology and sociology, and consider also the impact of feminist and postmodern thought on the development of criminology. The authors take three issues - serial murder, policing and CCTV, exploring the issues raised by each topic and show how criminologists have gone about their work.
2000, 212pp.
ISBN 1-903240-09-3, p/b, $26.50
ISBN 1-903240-10-7, h/b, $59.95

Critical Criminology
Issues, Debates, Challenges
Ed. By Russell Hogg and Kerry Carrington (Univ. of Western Sydney)
Foreword by Elliott Currie (Univ. of California, Berkeley)
This book explores the key issues and future prospects facing critical criminology, bringing together a set of leading authorities in the field from the UK, Australasia and the US. The authors review the possibilities and strategies of pursuing critical criminological scholarship in the context of an increasingly dominant administrative criminology paradigm reflected in the rise of neo-liberalism, a ‘governmentalized’ criminology or risk, crime control and situational crime prevention.
ISBN 1-903240-68-9, p/b, $28.50
ISBN 1-903240-69-7, h/b, $59.95
Trustee Report  
Barbara Hart  
*University of Texas—Tyler*

-- Greetings to All From Your Regional Trustee --

Has everyone finished the semester and recovered from the ACJS annual meeting? Spring is a busy time but don’t let the summer fly by without planning for the next meetings. We have the SWACJ regional meeting in early October (abstracts due in late summer) and abstracts for presentations at the next ACJS annual meeting are due October 1.

The 2003 ACJS annual meeting will be in Boston, March 4-8. The hotel is the Boston Marriott Copley Place, 110 Huntington Avenue, (Zip is 02116). Their reservations number is (800) 932-2198 and the conference rate is $159 per night. The reservation materials will be mailed to you by December but the registration forms will soon be on the ACJS web site (www.acjs.org).

The 2002 ACJS annual meeting was successful with 1,181 registered attendees, 34 exhibitors booths and scores of presentations. Attendance was down for us as it was for all major conferences since the tragedies of September 11. In addition travel funds are limited for many of us. The ACJS Executive Board is working very hard to keep costs down for the annual meetings. The hotels large enough to hold the majority of the attendees and supply enough meeting rooms are more costly, yet they are convenient for us to be in one location. Tier Two cities with slightly smaller hotels are more economical but they may also require a spill-over space to adjacent hotels. Compromises are not easy. Please let me know if you have opinions or suggestions.

ACJS President Richard Bennett hit the ground running and has many committees working on behalf of the organization. If you are interested in being involved with future committees, do let him know or send me an email. Remember the National Office has moved to Maryland – 7319 Hanover Parkway, Suite C, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770. The telephone number is (301) 446-6300, fax (301) 446-3819. My email address is bhart@mail.uttyl.edu. Hope to hear from you.

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**2002 SWACJ Meeting—San Antonio, Texas**

Hotel Information: Sheraton Four Points Hotel Riverwalk North  
110 Lexington  
San Antonio, TX 78205  
**Telephone:** (210) 223-9461 **Fax:** (210) 223-9267

Please mention that you are with the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice when making your reservations. The cutoff date for reservations at the Sheraton is **September 10th.** Rooms are $90 for one person and $105 for two.

A review of the hotel complete with pictures, directions, activities, and descriptions of the services can be found at [www.fourpointssanantonio.com](http://www.fourpointssanantonio.com)

Information on San Antonio can be found at: [www.sanantoniocvb.com](http://www.sanantoniocvb.com)

*See you in San Antonio!*
2002 SWACJ STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? Graduate and undergraduate students currently enrolled (and those who will be enrolled September 2002) in a university, college, junior college or community college within the Southwest Region.

Awards:

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JUDGES: Judges will be selected from the active membership role of the Association. The judges may or may not elect to award all of the prizes available depending on the number of entrants and quality of the papers.

ENTRY RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. The paper must be authored by student(s) only. No faculty/student joint papers will be considered.
2. The paper must be an original work. It may be especially prepared for the 2002 SWACJ annual meeting or it may be a revision of a paper prepared for course work at the student’s home university or college.
3. Three copies of your paper must be submitted to Verna Henson, Criminal Justice Department, Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas 78666 before September 7, 2002. Papers received after the deadline will not receive consideration.
4. The paper must meet standard publication formats as established at the student’s home university or college.
5. The title page of the paper should include the student’s full name and address, school affiliation and status as either graduate or undergraduate. The author's name and affiliation should not appear on any other page of the submitted paper.

PRESENTATION OF SUBMITTED PAPERS: Students are not required to attend the meeting or to present their papers to be eligible for the awards. We do encourage students, however, to consider presenting their papers. Students wishing to attend the meeting should complete the registration form found in this newsletter. The form can also be found on the SWACJ webpage at www.cj.swt.edu/swacj/intro.html. Students who submit papers for presentation are not obligated to enter the paper contest. The paper competition is strictly voluntary.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE WINNERS AND PRESENTATION OF THE AWARDS WILL BE MADE AT THE LUNCHEON.

-- All Students Are Encouraged To Participate --
ACJS Annual Meeting Minutes, Anaheim, California, March 7, 2002

SWACJ President Al Patenaude welcomed everyone at 4:10 PM. Al stressed the need for SWACJ members to encourage more students to get involved with the association whether it be through writing book reviews, presenting papers, and/or becoming members. Al reminded everyone of the theme for the 2002 Annual Meeting: “Partners in Criminal Justice Education: Community Colleges and Universities.”

Second Vice President Beth Pelz noted that some members were confused regarding the site for the 2002 SWACJ annual meeting. She mentioned that we’ve reserved the Sheraton Four Points Hotel - Riverwalk (the site of last year’s meeting), although we could move to the Marriott if members are interested. Questions concerning room costs were then raised and several suggested we target potential attendees who don’t regularly attend the meetings in efforts to enhance participation. The issue of identifying people to run panels at this year’s meeting arose, as did the need to identify panel themes/facilitators, and whether or not we wish to have a keynote speaker. It was suggested that we invite someone from the ACJS Executive Committee to discuss accreditation at the meeting, or possibly the Superintendent for the San Antonio community college system. The ideas of having a social luncheon, or a point/counterpoint discussion regarding some current critical issue were also offered.

Barbara Hart asked about the financial success of the 2001 meeting. Former Secretary/Treasurer Tory Caeti noted that we did better than the 2000 meeting in El Paso, and generally broke even primarily due to the support of several book publishers and the University of North Texas and Sam Houston State University.

The conversation then shifted to membership with Secretary/Treasurer Chip Burns soliciting input on “cleaning up” the membership list, noting the need to update the information. Wes Johnson offered the services of a graduate student to update the list, while Joy Pollock suggested we make phone calls or send e-mails to those on the list. Webmaster Bill Stone noted that archiving the current membership list would be no problem. It was suggested that we develop an archival-and current membership list.

Al Patenaude stated he would approach the chairs of criminal justice departments in our region to solicit institutional sponsorships, adding that promoting SWACJ would also be the primary charge of an ad hoc committee headed by Richard Hill. A call for assistance with the committee was issued. Al then offered the idea of having SWACJ sponsor a journal (perhaps an electronic journal). Bill Stone mentioned that it would not be difficult to post the journal online. It was then proposed that a committee be assigned to investigate the potential for SWACJ to host a journal. Wes Johnson, Joy Pollock, Chip Burns, Barbara Hart, and Al Patenaude agreed to serve on the committee. Al mentioned that he would be in touch.

Wes Johnson suggested SWACJ send a letter to Bill Stone’s Dean in recognition for Bill’s continuous hard work. Beth Pelz sought clarification regarding whether we want a keynote speaker for this year’s meeting. Joy Pollock mentioned that it is difficult to find someone who is appropriate for everyone. Barbara Hart mentioned that having a speaker at the luncheon helps pull everyone together. ACJS President-elect Dick Bennett was suggested as a speaker.

Barbara Hart provided the Trustee’s Report, noting that ACJS adopted dark blue as the academy color, and that as expected, attendance at the Anaheim meeting was down. She noted that we made our room block, and that we should thank ACJS President Mittie Southerland for her hard work. Barbara reported that future ACJS meeting sites have been announced although there is uncertainty regarding the
2006 meeting with Jacksonville and St. Louis as potential locations. She noted that ACJS may tighten up on registration, possibly requiring registration fees with abstracts, and there may be a move to offer students membership without journals in efforts to reduce academy costs. Barbara concluded the report by noting that for reasons unknown 13% of those registered for the Anaheim meeting did not attend. Upon conclusion of Barbara’s report, Mary Parker asked if SWACJ has maintained its recognition as a charter member, particularly for the purposes of taxes. Barbara mentioned that she would look into it. The meeting concluded at 5:25.

UPDATE TO MINUTES: The SWACJ annual meeting will again be held at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel and ACJS President Richard Bennett will speak at the luncheon.

BOOK REVIEWS


The anthology entitled *Correctional Counseling and Treatment* (4th ed.) provides an interesting combination of selected articles that prove useful for institutional and community correctional personnel. Among these personnel, both security-oriented and treatment-related staff will find these works to be highly relevant to their particular concerns. It is this synthesis between both criminal justice and therapeutic considerations that give this text its unique sense of utility. Not being too security-oriented, nor overly clinical, the text achieves a carefully constructed balance between the concerns of institutional/community security and treatment concerns among therapists and their clients. This balance can be difficult to achieve, particularly if a given text goes beyond simple theorizing and makes an earnest effort at offering practical insights that can be implemented by correctional practitioners. But this text succeeds in this endeavor, providing such insight in a concrete and easy-to-digest manner.

Section I starts with an evaluation of interventions, an important aspect for criminal justice administrators and correctional treatment staff. While not directly focusing on assessment and/or prediction instruments, per se, the beginning section does illustrate the difficulty in establishing intervention programs that meet the contrasting demands for public safety and offender reintegration. This section follows with an extensive discussion pertaining to research impediments in conducting successful program evaluations. Methods for improving treatment integrity are discussed, with concrete suggestions given for the full spectrum of treatment issues ranging from intake and assessment to eventual release to post-hoc follow-up program evaluation.

Section II discusses the role, education, and job stress of correctional workers. This is a unique approach for such a text which can be very useful in understanding the blending of roles for most correctional staff. For security personnel, the basic ambiguity between the dual yet competing purposes of custody and treatment can be particularly demanding and fraught with peril. Section III continues the focus on the balance between crime prevention and diversionary treatment-oriented processes but presents restorative justice and mediation approaches as middle road resolutions to the great divide between retribution and rehabilitation; all set against a backdrop of public concern for safety and security.

Classification models in both institutional and community settings are elaborately detailed in Section IV. Home confinement treatment programs and even privatized treatment programs are given full attention. This compilation provides a more-than-adequate job of addressing each of the key areas related to correctional treatment, especially when one considers the global and aggressive objectives of this book. Many selections provide detailed examinations of counseling and treatment processes. Thus, this text is highly useful for mental health clinicians whose clients are offenders. Sections V through
The intent of this book is to provide the reader with information on the most widely used treatment techniques, including those that can be employed with both juvenile and adult offenders in both institutional and community based settings. This provides the text its pragmatic appeal. Through addressing theoretical orientations such as reality therapy, behavior modification, and family systems, this book provides specific and concrete guidance on a wide range of issues likely to be encountered by any therapist involved in correctional treatment. Additionally, both individual and group approaches are included with concrete modalities provided. Useful guidance and recommendations are given in a step-by-step process that demonstrates both broad and specific expertise in offender treatment among the various contributors. Casework counseling, multiculturalism in counseling, interviewing techniques, and crisis intervention are all addressed in a comprehensive and very adept manner. Each contribution has been carefully selected, showing great care and concern by the editor.

All in all, this is a well-constructed anthology that is ideally suited for any graduate course in correctional treatment. Whether used as a main text, an assigned reader, or selected for personal reading, this anthology is well worth considering. Given the depth and breadth of coverage provided on this topic, the editor and the contributors do a fine job informing the reader. This book is highly suggested for anyone interested in correctional treatment programs and modalities.

Reviewed by Robert D. Hanser
Sam Houston State University


Women have historically been ignored by the criminal justice system. With the women’s movement of the 1960s/70s, however, the role of women in the criminal justice system has been brought to the forefront of public attention. In Women and (In)Justice, Sheryl Grana takes a legalistic approach to explain the plight of women in society. This innovative approach enables Grana, as noted in the Preface, to format the book in a manner which combines both “civil-justice and criminal-justice” issues into a cohesive piece of literature.

This ten chapter work addresses a broad spectrum of legal issues established by common law practices that have been implemented into the criminal justice system. Moreover, included in the chapters are excerpts relevant to women, ideology, and justice, and/or significant United States Supreme Court cases pertaining to each topic.

Chapter One sets out to establish why women are in a subordinate position within our society. Using Juliet Mitchell’s (1971) analysis of patriarchy, Grana clearly establishes the concept of quadruplexation, which combines the ideas of socialization, production, reproduction, and sexuality. Through this, a comprehensible picture is constructed to illustrate both the historical and current conditions of women in society.

Chapter Two is a conglomeration of topics amalgamated together to establish a legalistic foundation for the book. This chapter begins with a discussion of common law and its impact on gender. The chapter then changes pace and focuses on crime and women’s roles as criminals. Chapter
Two concludes with an examination of both feminist and past criminological attempts to explain female criminality.

Chapter Three analyzes the United States Constitution and the idea of equality based on a Constitutional framework. This chapter initially observes the Constitution from a historical viewpoint taking into consideration the men and ideology present during the creation of this landmark document. Grana then questions the interpretation of the Constitution and its stance on sexual equality. The chapter concludes with a discussion of the evolution of the rights of women.

Chapter Four focuses on the family, the traditional roles of women (wife and mother), and new controversial issues surrounding these roles such as lesbianism and incarceration. Chapters Five and Six focus on women in the public sphere. Chapter Five looks at women’s roles in the public arena, their attempt to gain acceptance and equal treatment in the workplace, and laws that have been implemented to promote equality in society. Chapter Six is a continuation of the previous chapter, however, this chapter specifically addresses the development of women working in the criminal justice system and the problems and pressures women typically encounter working in these male-dominated fields.

Chapter Seven begins where Chapter Four left off, providing readers with a look at both the private and public spheres. This chapter examines the feminization of poverty in the United States and addresses the government’s role in the impoverization of women.

Analysis of the private sphere resumes in Chapter Eight with the discussion of traditional women’s topics: reproduction, domestic violence, and sexual assault. The chapter further explores women’s bodies and sexualization by addressing pornography, prostitution, and the impact of the media’s portrayal of women in a stereotypical manner.

Chapters Nine and Ten provide a fine sense of closure to the book. Chapter Nine examines the history and problems of incarcerating females, observing what happens when society fails women. Chapter Ten is, in essence, a summation of the book in which Grana applies her theory of quadraplexation to offer policy suggestions for improving women’s roles, law, and society as a whole.

Overall, Women and (In)Justice is an informative piece of literature for anyone interested in the study of women, law, and/or society. Even though the topics could have been fleshed out a bit more and some chapters were a bit disjunctive, the book is still a useful source for the field. Grana’s innovative technique of applying both a legalistic perspective and her theory of quadraplexation give the reader a new angle through which they can evaluate the subjugation of women in both society and the criminal justice system.

References


Reviewed by Tammy S. Garland
Sam Houston State University

ABOUT OUR ASSOCIATION

The Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ) is a regional affiliate of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. It is composed of criminal justice educators and practitioners from Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. We are committed to developing the highest standards in education, training, practice, and research in criminal justice and criminology.

The Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice encourages participation from criminal justice agencies, community and junior colleges, four-year colleges and universities in the process of furthering the criminal justice system through research and education. The organization strongly encourages the participation of students in our annual meetings.
Membership is welcomed from individuals involved in:

- Higher Education
- Criminal Justice Training
- Criminal Justice Agencies
- Criminal Justice-Related Private Enterprises
- Others Interested in Criminal Justice

For additional information regarding membership in SWACJ, please visit our web page at: www.swt.edu/swacj/intro.html, or contact Chip Burns at Texas Christian University (contact information is provided on Page 1)

Call For Book Reviews

Care to share your views on a particular book? Wish to see your work in print? Want a free book? Need another entry on your vita? SWACJ is seeking book review contributors for upcoming newsletters. Graduate students are encouraged to submit reviews although all are invited to share their work. Willan Publishing and Atomic Dog Publishing recently donated books for review. Available titles include:

- Restorative Justice: Ideas, Values, Debates, by Gerry Johnstone (Willan Publishing)
- Introducing Criminology, by Clive Coleman and Clive Norris (Willan Publishing)

The guidelines for submitting a book review for the SWACJ newsletter are similar to those prescribed by ACJS:

- Provide a review that will help the readership determine the utility of the book for teaching particular courses.
- Identify how the book is applicable to criminal justice, criminology, sociology, and/or other related curriculums.
- Identify the courses for which the book will be useful.
- Identify the level of students most likely to find the book useful.
- Identify the teaching style most consistent with the book's approach.
- Reviews should be limited to no more than three (3) single-spaced pages with references in APA style.
- Submission of a review to the SWACJ newsletter implies that the review has not been published elsewhere nor is it currently under submission to another publication.
- Contact SWACJ Secretary/Treasurer Chip Burns at the address provided on Page 1 for additional information.
2002 SWACJ Annual Meeting Program Participants Information Form

Interested individuals should mail the following information with $50.00 ($40.00 for students) meeting registration fee* to:

Chip Burns, Secretary/Treasurer, Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice
Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, TCU Box 298710
Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX 76129
Phone 817-257-6155, Fax 817-257-7737
r.burns@tcu.edu

(Please be sure to complete this form even if you choose not to actively participate in the proceedings. Information from these forms is used to estimate attendance at the President's Reception and the luncheon)

Please Type or Print Legibly

Name:______________________________________________________________

Affiliation:________________________________________________________

Mailing Address:____________________________________________________________________________

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Telephone:____________________________ e-mail:_______________________

I will be staying at the meeting hotel  yes  no  I will be bringing _______ number of students / attendees

Paper Title:________________________________________________________________________________

Paper Abstract - Please type in complete sentences and do not use references, figures, tables, or quotations. Please limit Abstracts to 100 words or less. Use the space provided or attach on a separate sheet:

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Present a paper  ____  Present a student paper  ____  Attend, but NOT present a paper ____

Chair a panel  ____  Serve as a discussant  ____

Organize a panel  ____  Organize a workshop or round table  ____

Please Submit Abstracts and Fees by August 15th, 2002

*NOTE: Late and on-site registration is an additional $10.00 (waived for students).
Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice
Application for Membership

NAME:__________________________DATE:__________
TITLE:__________________________
INSTITUTION OR AGENCY:__________________________
ADDRESS 1:______________________________________
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CITY:__________________________STATE:__________ZIP:____________________
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PLEASE INDICATE MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY:  FULL MEMBER $10.00)  STUDENT $5.00)
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SWACJ ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ Members are encouraged to verify their information as found in the "Directory of Members" link on the SWACJ web site. Please report necessary changes to Chip Burns at r.burns@tcu.edu.

♦ SWACJ President Al Patenaude earlier suggested we develop an ad hoc committee to increase the association's visibility and membership. Those interested in serving on the committee should contact Richard Hill (713-221-8932; hill@dt.uh.edu) for more information.

♦ "A Prize?" ACJS offers "ACJS Today," ASC publishes "The Criminologist," the Southern Criminal Justice Association has "The Dialogue"… What should we name the SWACJ newsletter? Consider possible titles as a vote will be taken at the October business meeting to name the letter. A prize will be awarded to the member whose name is selected.

♦ Do you have information you'd like to share in "SWACJ ANNOUNCEMENTS?" Send contributions to Chip Burns at r.burns@tcu.edu. Your announcement will appear in the following newsletter and on the website.