“Criminal Justice Education and the Moral Order”

SWACJ conference in Bryan, Texas September 29th & 30th and October 1st at the Hilton College Station & Conference Center.

Of Note:

SWACJ General Winter Business Meeting in conjunction with the ACJS annual conference will be held Wednesday, March 2d from 5:00 -6:00 in the Sheraton Center Toronto Hotel – Conference Room C.

President
M. George Eichenberg

Dear SWACJ members and friends,

A few years ago while at the SWACJ annual meeting, I mentioned to Tori Caeti and Wes Johnson that I would like to serve the Association in some capacity. Tori promptly nominated me for secretary with Wes seconding the nomination. I was the only candidate for the office. I am not sure serving as president was in my mind back then, but here I am some seven years later beginning my sixth year of service to our organization. It has been my privilege to work with many wonderful folks and make many good friends as well as contributing in some small way to advancing criminal justice education in the Southwest Region. I thank each of you for allowing me to continue my service to our organization; it has been and continues to be an honor and a privilege.
I have seen our Association mature as I have seen our discipline mature and believe that great things lie before us. We have accomplished much and have much to look forward to. Of special note, at our 2010 annual meeting we amended our constitution creating a new category of membership specifically for the growing number of high school students enrolled in criminal justice coursework and exploring criminal justice as a career field. This newly created category of student membership should also spark interest in our organization among their teachers so we can work together to mentor and assist criminal justice students even before they reach college. Additionally, we have the newly created position of Student Representative to the Executive Board, a means by which we hope to further mentor and encourage our students as they advance to careers as practitioners or academicians.

Our 2011 Annual Meeting will be held in College Station, Texas September 29 and 30 and October 1. Your Board has numerous projects in the works for the conference including our annual Undergraduate Quiz Bowl and, new this year, an Undergraduate Crime Scene Search Competition. In addition to our usual fine presentations and roundtables, we are arranging tours of the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) training facility. TEEX, a subsidiary of Texas A&M University, is a premier, worldwide trainer of EMS and enforcement personal. Their facilities are nothing short of amazing.

As we enter the new year, many of us are facing economically based challenges at our institutions. As a result, regional associations will assume a greater role in professional development as many faculty, especially younger faculty, may lack the resources for attending national and international meetings. It is thus more important than ever that we, as an association reach out to new faculty to make them feel welcomed and comfortable within our association. While no organization can ‘be all things to all people’ I hope that we can be as inclusive as possible and further develop our existing feelings of camaraderie as we work to advance our discipline and allied career fields. Again, I thank you for this opportunity to serve.

Happy New Year All –

2011 promises to be exciting and challenging. The economy will surely hit us all, but hopefully we will all have more good news than bad. Perhaps the challenge of the economy will cause us to be more creative with our work and will ultimately lead to better things. I always have hope with our group.
I’m going to miss everyone in Toronto this year at ACJS. Again with the economy. This will be the first year I haven’t made ACJS since the early 90’s. There will still be a SWACJ gathering though and I look forward to hearing all about it. And yes, I’m a little jealous of those of you who are going. These conferences are always such a bright spot in the year.

It’s been a busy holiday season, but we are really on track for the fall meeting in College Station. George is doing a great job setting up the hotel and the rest of the events for us. We all say this every year, but I really believe this upcoming conference will be one of the best yet.

It’s really a privilege to work with the executive group and make these things happen. They are such a wonderful group of people – I actually look forward to teleconferences and other meetings.

Hope you all have a great spring semester.

Stay Warm!

Lorie

2nd Vice-President
Claudia San Miguel

I have been part of the membership of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice for some years and it is truly an honor to serve the organization in this new role. Thank you for your support and confidence. I am looking forward to working with each of you to enhance the mission of the organization.

Congratulations to David Montague and everyone, including the site team, who made the 2010 meeting in Arkansas a great success. I have heard nothing but outstanding commentary on the presentations and the entertainment in Little Rock. Don’t forget to join us at our mid-year meeting during the ACJS conference in Toronto and mark your calendars for the annual meeting of SWACJ in College Station. I hope to see everybody in Toronto and especially in College Station next year.

Thank you again for your support.

Claudia
Treasurer’s Greeting

W. Tom Jordan

I want to start this note by writing “Thank you” to the SWACJ membership for your confidence in me as I take on the position of Treasurer. I look forward to serving you. Second, I want to thank Rob Worley for his service as Treasurer these past three years. By the time you read this, Rob will have closed out the books for his tenure and I will be managing the Association’s finances. I appreciate your patience during this transition period. Our new bank account is open and the starting bank book balance is $9564.35.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2011, the form is on the website with my mailing address. If you know of potential members in our region, point them to our website and encourage them to join.

For the Executive Board, I am exploring two new techniques to streamline your financial transactions with SWACJ. By the time for our annual meeting, we hope to be able to collect membership fees and registration fees via credit card. With our Secretary, we also expect to implement a new financial record keeping system that will more easily produce receipts and duplicates as well as sharing data electronically with officers and auditors. As we begin our new year, I hope you are already planning to attend and participate in our Annual Meeting.

Tom
Greetings to One and All,

The conference in Little Rock was great and I am looking forward to future conferences. I am always amazed, impressed, and awed by our members. If you missed Little Rock – you missed a great conference and yet I know the 2011 conference will be even better (Sorry David!). I will send out periodic emails to keep you informed of the conference preparations and reminders for deadlines.

As always if you have questions, comments, or concerns do not hesitate to contact me.

Be safe in your travels.

Christine

Overview - Business Luncheon

October 8th, 2010

The North Little Rock Police Department Bomb Retrieval Unit provided a demonstration.

Dr. David Montague, SWACJ President, presented Candace Greenlee a gift card for years of dedicated service to the University of Arkansas-Little Rock and SWACJ. At the time of the conference, Candace and husband were awaiting the birth of their first child. Candace will be a stay at home mom for a while.

Dr. Montague introduced the keynote speaker, Ron Angel, the Director of Youth Services - Arkansas. Dr. Montague stated, “SWACJ represents something unique through the different aspects of criminal justice as Region IV of ACJS. Educators from the field make up ACJS. Ron Angel embodies the theme for the 2010 SWACJ conference, “Theory to Practice”. Ron taught police officers for many years”.

Mr. Ron Angel said, “The field of law enforcement is more intricate now than in the past. In the 1970’s the military would pick the biggest and meanest guy to be in the military police. Now law enforcement has to work smarter and be more knowledgeable of the law. I am a graduate of UALR, attended school at night and worked during the day. Dr. Chastain, my favorite professor, knew how to engage and make law enforcement think.”
Mr. Angel continued, “The importance of education is respect and honor cannot be taught. I shared the knowledge gained in class with the law enforcement officers I trained. After retirement, I applied for the Director of Youth Services. It is not an easy profession. There are many critics. Prior to becoming the Director of Youth Services, the length of survival for a Director was three years. In the prior ten years, there had been a succession of nine directors. Youth services work together with UALR to help the youth of Arkansas and the impact is important. In the past five years juvenile recidivism has been reduced by 28.2%. Recidivism within a three-year period for a probation violation, another committed crime results in return to Youth Services, and a subsequent crime the outcome for juveniles is corrections.”

“Reading comprehension for Arkansas youth is at a fifth grade level, IQ in the seventies, and math at a sixth grade level. Fifteen percent of the youth have no biological parent in the home and eleven percent subjected to sexual abuse in the home before the age of ten. Ninety-one percent experience mental health problems, fifty four percent use drugs, and thirty one percent abuse alcohol. Ten percent of the youth are sex offenders, though some are sexually reactive. These kids do not have a chance and need understanding. Once the average daily attendance is complete for the year – kids are kicked out of school. The month of March is the benchmark in education and kids are put out of school to ensure test scores do not go down. Fifty two percent of African Americans kids are committed. Kids are committed for two weeks in the drug ward where they learn to adapt. Kids like being committed due to structure. They do not want to return to the toxic environment of home.” Mr. Angel ended by asking, “What is the effect of education? It will and does help. There are 400 million in correctional facilities and 54 million juvenile delinquents are in rehabilitation. The real solution is with the five and six year olds who are not going to school.”

On behalf of SWACJ, Dr. Montague presented a plaque of appreciation Mr. Angel. Dr. Lisa Hutchinson, UALR, who works closely with youth services and Mr. Angel, presented him with a personal $100 gift certificate.

Dr. George Eichenberg, 1st VP announced the student quiz bowl would begin at 3 PM. Lawtech provided a different format with the questions and answers on PowerPoint and buzzers for student responses.

The luncheon was adjourned.

October 8th, 2010 - SWACJ Business Meeting

Dr. David Montague, called the meeting to order and stated (paraphrased), “It was good to see members’ dedication in addressing the theme of “From Theory to Practice”. SWACJ is trying to keep in style with ACJS our parent organization. Why mention Theory to Practice? It better addresses the multi discipline criminal justice issues. As educators, advocacy maximizes relationships similar to those talked about by Ron Angel, the keynote speaker. Many members served in a professional capacity prior to becoming educators”.

Dr. Montague spoke about a three part temporal crime theory.

1) Home - the past and the present are always relevant in addressing the crime problems of the present.
2) Public policy perspective - relevant policy stakeholders need to take a position.
3) Connection of theory to practice – it is how we learn from our past and convince stakeholders to assist with needing funding.

Dr. Montague continued with a call for members to continue working as an organization and noted he had served in every capacity of SWACJ with the exception of secretary and regional trustee.

Dr. Montague expressed his appreciation to the officers, the members for their support, and the students for their participation. Stakeholders were commended for supporting the SWACJ region and ACJS.

Executive Board reports

1st Vice President - Dr. George Eichenberg (Tarleton State University) reported the proposed date for the 2011 SWACJ annual meeting is 29-30 Sept to 1 Oct. The conference site is College Station. A first site visit revealed a lot to offer and Texas A&M is the parent campus to Tarleton State University.

Dr. Eichenberg provided several handouts related to College Station and the Hilton Hotel – proposed conference hotel. The Hilton is a true convention center and tentatively offered a rate of $93 a night – single or double occupancy. There are a number of deals on the table at the Hilton.

The Texas Engineer Extension Service (TEEKS) is partnering with Tarleton State University and with a 100 acres dedicated to a disaster village (Oklahoma City & World Trade Center bombings) for First Responder training. The local forensic science club may be available to host an undergraduate team crime scene search competition.

A motion was made to enter into a formal negotiation with the Hilton as the conference center for the SWACJ 2011 annual meeting. The motion received a second. A call for votes on the motion passed with none opposed and carried authorizing Dr. Eichenberg to negotiate the Hilton Hotel.

2nd Vice President – Lorie Rubenser (Sul Ross State University) reported the results of the student papers competition. Dr. Rubenser was assisted by Dr. Will Oliver and Vidisha Barua reading the student papers. Five graduate and no undergraduate papers were submitted. The second place price of $150 was awarded to Taylor Oxley of UALR. First place prize of $250 was awarded to Valley Mendez of UT-San Antonio.

Dr. Rubenser announced the special Conference Edition of the Journal would accept papers presented at the 2010 Conference. As the editor, Dr. Rubenser extended the submission deadline to midnight 13 Oct 2010. Additionally, an invitation was extended to Valley Mendez, winner of the student paper competition, to submit to the special edition.

Treasurer’s report – Dr. Rob Worley (Texas A&M University-Central Texas) stated the account started with $13,433.01, with outstanding checks amounting to $500.00, $3930.00 in
payments received, and $9516.95 in hotel expenses. Quiz bowl payments – 1st place $250 to Wiley College sponsored by LawTech and SWACJ sponsored 2nd place to Prairie View A&M.

The SWACJ bank balance is approximately $9000.00. The audit was successfully conducted. Dr. Worley expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve as treasurer and it was a great three years.

Secretary’s report – Ms. Christine Nix (UMHB) – In regards to the SWACJ Constitution– the proposed changes were mailed to members in July. Additionally a form was available on-line to update the membership roster via the SWACJ gmail account. During the next year – members will receive update on SWACJ/ACJS items of interest via email.

Journal editor report – The Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice – (Dr. David Montague spoke on behalf of Dr. Roger Enriquez who could not attend the conference). Negotiations with Ebscohost (good research resources) for a contract without cost to SWACJ. The most recent edition of the journal would be posted to Ebscohost. This vehicle of online research would increase SWACJ’s visibility. Additionally, Ebscohost would pay SWACJ for the number of hits received. The reimbursement could amount to a couple of hundred dollars per year and the reimbursement would be sent directly to the SWACJ treasurer. Dr. Helen Green asked if ACJS has been informed of the negotiation with Ebscohost. Dr. Will Oliver stated it was discussed and approved by ACJS.

Webmaster report – Dr. Bill Stone (Texas State University) discussed implementing a pay online credit card tool via PayPal. Dr. Montague stated numerous members had praised the efficiency and user friendly SWACJ website.

Regional Trustee report – Dr. Willard M. Oliver (SHSU) stated that a September meeting with ACJS was conducted in Baltimore, Maryland. A consulting group – Raben is lobbying for ACJS and ACS in regards to Senator Webb’s crime bill. A presentation will be held in February 2011 in Toronto during the ACJS annual meeting regarding the lobbying efforts.

The Journal of Criminal Justice Education will be looking for an editor soon. If interested in this position, contact Will. ACJS online voting will begin fall 2010. A preliminary email has or will be sent for correct email address verification.

Both the ACJS and JCJE journals are going online. New members will automatically receive the online versions. Current members will have the option of paper or online. If membership dues are not paid- subsequent reinstatement will automatically result in the online subscription. Membership in ACJS is approximately 2500. SWACJ is in 4th place among the regional associations in numbers of members who are also members in ACJS. Approximately 1703 members attended the 2010 ACJS conference in San Diego. The 2011 ACJS annual conference will be held in Toronto, Canada from 1-5 March. A passport is a must.

The Experient group is assisting ACJS with the location of future conference sites. Due to the large number of rooms needed usually only one hotel in a city can provide accommodations and subsequently are in a position not to offer great room rates. ACJS is considering going to the same hotel in various cites of Baltimore, Denver, Orlando, and San Francisco.
Dr. Oliver stated he had been asked to research and write the history of ACJC in honor of the 50th anniversary in 2013. An ad hoc committee has been formed to decide upon a position of ACJS historian. In the 1970’s a position for ACJS historian existed and then disappeared.

**New Business – Dr. David Montague** asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. Dr. Montague invited past presidents to make remarks and none were made. Dr. Montague spoke in regards to the proposed constitutional changes from the 2009 business meeting in Laredo. The proposed revisions to the constitution were written by Drs. Eichenberg and Rubenser. The proposed changes were the different levels of membership for members and students in Section III and an amendment to Article III. Dr. Montague stated we, as members, should be better stewards of the Association and utilize electronic instead of postal mail for means of communication. The proposed changes were posted on the website and a letter informing members was mailed ninety days prior to the present meeting. Dr. Stone made a motion to accept the proposed changes and Ms. Katy Eichenberg made the second to the motion. A call for a vote was made and the motion carried with no opposition.

Dr. Montague discussed the open positions on the executive board and ad hoc committees. The position of treasurer was open since Dr. Worley rotated off after completing his three year term. The 2nd Vice President position was open and Dr. Montague informed the members present of Dr. Claudia San Miguel (Texas A & M International University) expressed interest in the position. Dr. Jeff Walker made the motion to nominate Dr. San Miguel for the position of 2nd VP and it was seconded by Dr. Oliver. Dr. Oliver made the motion to close the nominations and it was seconded by Dr. Walker and the vote carried. Dr. Montague called for nominations for the position of treasurer. Ms. Katy Eichenberg nominated Dr. Tom Jordan (Texas A&M University-Texarkana) and it was seconded by Dr. Will Oliver. With no other nominations made and a unanimous vote, Dr. Jordan was elected as the new SWACJ treasurer.

Dr. Montague informed the members present of Dr. Claudia San Miguel’s long time active participation in SWACJ. Most recently Dr. San Miguel had worked closely with Dr. Bill Stone (SWACJ – Webmaster) to increase the visibility of SWACJ. Dr. Tom Jordan was thanked for his participation with the SWACJ audit committee. With his election to treasurer a vacancy existed on the audit committee. Members were instructed to contact Dr. George Eichenberg if interested in serving on the audit committee. George Day (SHSU) and Barbara Dimon expressed their interest in serving on the audit committee.

Dr. Montague presented a plaque of appreciation to Dr. Rob Worley for his hard work and dedication to SWACJ and as the treasurer from 2007 – 2010. Dr. Lorie Rubenser was presented a plaque of appreciation for her service as SWACJ secretary from 2007-2009.

Dr. Montague restated his appreciation to the members and the executive board for their support during his term as president. Dr. Montague officially turned the meeting over to Dr. George Eichenberg, the incoming 2011 SWACJ president.

**Incoming President – Dr. George Eichenberg** praised Dr. Montague and the UALR criminal justice department for their hard work in putting together an excellent conference. His first act of president was the presentation of a plaque of appreciation to Dr. Montague. A position of Past President was proposed by Dr. Eichenberg facilitate the transition from president to president.
A motion was made to adjourn, seconded, and voted upon without opposition.

Regional Trustee’s Report
Will Oliver

This letter comes to you after both a successful mid-year business meeting for the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) and annual meeting of the Southwest Association of Criminal Justice in Little Rock, Arkansas. The mid-year business meeting was held in Baltimore with a side trip to the national office and proved to be quite productive. Those of you who were in attendance in Little Rock I am sure will agree, it was an excellent conference. The Past Presidents’ reception at the State House was quite an elegant affair, the food was phenomenal (best ribs I ever had), and the special display on Arkansas’s criminal justice truly fit the theme. The panels, luncheon, guest speaker, hotel facilities and its location were all well received by those in attendance, and we especially appreciated the “hospitality room”? If you missed the Little Rock conference, start planning now for next year’s conference when we head to College Station next September 29 through October 1, 2011 (see the President’s report for more information).

In regard to events related to ACJS, we have an equally exciting conference coming up March 1-5, 2011, in Toronto, Canada. As several members of the SWACJ executive board will not be in attendance, I have agreed to run the general business meeting. If anyone has any business for the meeting or something you would like to share, please let me know before March. I do want to encourage you to try to attend the annual meeting in Toronto, just remember though, if you are planning to attend – make sure you have your passport.

While at the executive board meeting in Baltimore, we were visited by representatives of the Raben group who discussed the continued work between ASC and ACJS in order to make our organizations more visible in the public policy process. The Raben group has represented ACJS most recently before NIJ, OJP, and BJA, and there is continued work with Senator Webb who is trying to advance the passage of a crime bill that would create a new national commission on crime and criminal justice. Right now that bill is stalled in the Senate and with the recent elections is not likely to see passage this Congress. No doubt, Senator Webb will reintroduce the legislation come January with the opening of a new Congress.

We were also visited by Experient, a group that specializes in assisting large organizations like ourselves in obtaining the best conference locations suited to our needs for a reasonable price. As you all know, conferences and conference hotels are becoming more expensive. We are faced with somewhat of a dilemma due to growth in conference attendance. The past two years we have seen conference attendance exceed 1,700. In light of the number of panels and break out rooms necessary, many cities can no longer support us or, if they can, there
is a limited number of hotels that suit our needs – often only one. That creates a problem in terms of negotiating a fair price since the hotel more than likely knows they are the only host in town. Experient has been working to have chains compete with each other for our business by hosting us for the 2015, 2016, and 2017 conferences. They have come up with a short list of hotels for those three conferences and they are as follows (with the last year ACJS was in that city in parentheses): Baltimore, MD (2006), Denver, CO (1990), Kansas City, MO (1993), Orlando, FL (1999), and San Francisco, CA (1988). If you have any strong preference for any of these locations, please let me know before the ACJS conference in Toronto and I will bring it before the board.

ACJS is also now in the process of looking for a new editor for The Journal of Criminal Justice Education. The 2nd VP chairs the committee that makes a recommendation to the board, that is Craig Hemmens from Boise State University and I have been asked to serve on the board as well. If you would like to nominate anyone for this position or if you are considering applying for the position yourself, please let me know. The review process begins in January.

In addition, by now you all probably know, ACJS has gone to both on-line voting for our elections, as well as electronic journals (JQ, JCJE). If you are interested in continuing to receive the print copy of the journal you may do so, but you must indicate your desire and you must remain a member. Any new member after December 31, 2010, will only receive the electronic version. That means if you let your membership expire and you have to renew, you will lose your option to the print version.

Last Spring, at the business meeting in San Diego, CA, I was asked by the board to write the history of ACJS for the upcoming 50th anniversary of our parent organization. It is my intent to release the report at the annual meeting in 2013. I also requested that an ad hoc committee be formed at the mid-year meeting to explore bringing back to ACJS the board position of ACJS Historian. Our first, as far as I can tell, was Dr. Ed Ferris from New Mexico State University. I have formed my committee and will be delivering a report to the board at the business meeting in Toronto.

As always, if member has anything you would like me to bring before the ACJS executive board, please let me know at your earliest convenience. Additionally, as I have agreed to run the general business meeting of SWACJ in Toronto, if there is anything that needs to be brought before the SWACJ membership, please let me know at your earliest convenience.

Hope to see you all in Canada this March.

Will Oliver
Region IV Trustee
CALL FOR CONFERENCE PAPERS

Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice

Annual Meeting
September 29 – October 1
2011
In College Station, Texas

Conference Theme for 2011:
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See the Winter 2010-11 SWACJ newsletter for details or visit www.swacj.org

DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS: September 10, 2011

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Paper Abstract: (100 words or less – Please use complete sentences and refrain from using references, tables, or quotations. Feel free to attach your abstract on a separate sheet or insert below.)
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Please complete this form even if you choose not to actively participate in the proceedings. Information from this form is used to estimate attendance at the President’s Reception and the luncheon!!! Abstracts and other participation applications should be sent on the Abstract and Panel Participation Form to David Montague.

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See you in College Station, Texas!
2011-2012 Membership Form

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Tory J. Caeti Student Presentation Scholarship

Who is Eligible?
Undergraduate students currently enrolled (and those who will be enrolled September 2011) in a university, college, junior college or community college within the Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice.

Presentation of submitted papers:
Students are required to attend the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice annual conference and present their papers to be eligible for the scholarships.

Awards:
Registration fee for the top two winners for the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice annual conference.

Criteria:
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.
3. Undergraduate students currently enrolled (and those who will be enrolled September 2011) in a university, college, junior college or community college within the Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice.
4. The paper must not be a winner in the SWACJ Student Paper Competition.
5. Three copies of each paper must be submitted before September 10, 2011 to the current president of the Texas Section:

   Dr. George R. Franks, Jr., Ph.D.
   Director - Master of Public Administration Program
   Assistant Professor of Government
   Department of Government
   Stephen F. Austin State University

   Papers received after the deadline will not receive consideration.
6. The paper must meet standard publication formats as established at the student’s home university or college.
7. The paper will be judged at the conference after the luncheon by a panel of 3. The panel will be appointed by the current president of the Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators.
8. 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 Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice

CALL FOR JOURNAL PAPERS

The Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice (SWJCJ), the online, refereed journal of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ),* is now accepting manuscripts for consideration. We are interested in receiving submissions of original work that have not been previously published. Diversity in theoretical and methodological approaches is encouraged as is the submission of policy-related research. Authors need not be members of the SWACJ to submit a manuscript for consideration.

For submission information, go to http://utsa.edu/swjcj/ Inquiries may also be directed to the journal editor, Roger Enriquez, at swjcj@utsa.edu

SWJCJ is also looking for manuscript and book reviewers. Those interested may contact the journal editor at swjcj@utsa.edu

NOTE:
Due to a series of events beyond the control of the editor, the Special Conference Edition of the Southwestern Journal of Criminal Justice has been unavoidably delayed. Please look for the edition on-line on or about February 15, 2011. We are very sorry for any inconvenience caused by the delay.

* SWACJ is the regional affiliate of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS).
Right in the heart of Texas, the Hilton College Station & Conference Center is located at the intersection of University Drive and Tarrow Boulevard, less than two miles from Texas A&M University. The hotel has 303 luxuriously appointed guest rooms, with over 65 suites, several in-room Jacuzzi suites and a two bedroom Presidential Suite on the top floor, overlooking the beautiful Brazos Valley. With over 27,000 square feet of meeting and ballroom space, the Hilton can easily play host to not only large conventions and corporate meetings, but also most any size banquet, wedding reception or social event.

Within a three mile radius of the hotel, guests can shop at the Post Oak Mall, visit the Brazos Valley Museum, or tour the new George Bush Library located on the campus of Texas A&M University. The Messina Hof Winery, located just minutes from the hotel, offers daily tours of the winery, vineyard, and wine cellar as well as samplings of the many award winning wines produced here in the Brazos Valley.

The Hilton's state of the art exercise room features a wide selection of cardiovascular and weight equipment, and you are sure to enjoy the oversized hot tub and outdoor pool.

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Location for the 2011 SWACJ Past Presidents’ Reception

**Escape to Texas Wine Country!**

Messina Hof Winery & Resort, a Texas vineyard established in 1977 by Paul and Merrill Bonarrigo, is rooted in the union of two family heritages. Winemaker Paul Bonarrigo’s family dates back seven generations to Messina, Sicily. Merrill’s family is from Hof, Germany.

If you enjoy kicking back with a bottle of Messina Hof or Paulo, just wait until you visit the Messina Hof estate. Our 100-acre estate, of which 42 host the vineyard, is nestled in Bryan, Texas. In addition to the winery, the estate is home to The Villa bed & breakfast, The Vintage House restaurant and the Winemaster's Room wine bar. [Tours and wine tastings](#) are offered seven days a week. Our [calendar of events](#) is packed with cooking classes, wine appreciation classes, food and wine pairing seminars, murder mystery and winemaker dinners, and more!

**Messina Hof Company Mission Statement**

Messina Hof is a family owned business based on the three cornerstones of family, tradition, and, romance; and is dedicated to produce a gold medal winning wine in every varietal and to maximize opportunities developed from the wines in a tourism destination focused on the best in hospitality, food, and customer service.
Coming Soon!

The Student Corner