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THE CJ CHRONICLES



Bayley Tours India

Professor David Bayley did a three-week lecture tour of India in February, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State. During the 21 days he was there, he gave 23 speeches and seminars and stayed in 11 hotels. He spoke about terrorism, police discipline and accountability, and evaluation research on the police.

Among the high spots, he was the “Chief Guest” and keynote speaker at the graduation of police officers with advanced degrees from the Punjab Police Academy and he met with the American Ambassador to

discuss America’s agenda for providing assistance to India’s police. He also spent 1 1/2 hours respectively with the chiefs of police of Mumbai and Kolkata and their senior officers, discussing counter-terrorism.



Bayley has visited India several times before, including living there twice for extended periods. His Ph.D. dissertation was about India. “Altogether,” he reports, “this trip was exciting, instructive, and exhausting.”

Awards & Honors

Congratulations are in order!

McDowall Named ASC Fellow

Professor David McDowall has been named a Fellow of the American Society of Criminology.

Lizotte Rewarded for Excellence

Professor Alan Lizotte has been selected to receive the 2009 University at Albany Excellence in Research Award. The award will be presented at a campus-wide ceremony on May 7 at 3:30 p.m. in the Campus Center, Assembly Hall.

Peterson Promotion

Dr. Dana Peterson has been promoted to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure.

Faculty News

Stamatel Receives ACLS Travel Grant

Professor Janet Stamatel received a travel grant from the American Council of Learned Societies to present her research on property crime variation in Eastern Europe at the European Society of Criminology meeting in Slovenia this fall.

**Upcoming Conference Presentations -
McDowall and Bailey**

Professor David McDowall has been invited to present a pre-conference workshop on Time Series Analysis at the American Society of Criminology meetings this November. In 2006, the ASC also invited McDowall to conduct its first pre-conference workshop (on generalized linear models). Last August, he gave a four-day time series workshop at Griffith University in Australia.

Professor Frankie Bailey will be a key speaker at the First Annual International Crime, Media and Popular Culture Studies Conference: A Cross-Disciplinary Exploration. The conference, sponsored by the Indiana State University Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, will be held October 5, 6 & 7.

Bushway in ABA Teleconference

Professor Shawn Bushway participated in an American Bar Association teleconference titled "Criminal History, Bad Credit Scores, and Hiring Discrimination: New Developments in Title VII Regarding the Use of Criminal Records and Credit History as Hiring Criteria."

Redlich Chapter on False Confessions

Redlich, A. D. & Meissner, C. A. (2009). True lies: The psychology of false confessions. In J. Skeem, K. Douglas, & S. Lilienfeld (Eds.), *Psychological science in the courtroom: Controversies and consensus* (pp. 124-148). New York: Guilford Publications, Inc.

Acker and Redlich Team on Book

Professors Jim Acker and Allison Redlich recently signed a contract to write a book tentatively entitled "Wrongful Convictions."

Pogarsky in JQC

Paternoster, R. and **Pogarsky, G.** (2009). "Rational Choice, Agency and Thoughtfully Reflective Decision Making: The Short and Long-Term Consequences of Making Good Choices" *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*. 25:2:103-127.

**Media Seek Bushway on
Economy & Crime Stories**

Professor Shawn Bushway's expertise has again been tapped by the media. He was interviewed by the *Washington Post* for an article entitled "Some Link Economy With Spate Of Killings" (<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/04/07/AR2009040703979.html>). The Washington Post article led to an appearance on the syndicated radio show *Culture Shocks with Barry Lynn*. Bushway was also interviewed by *Capital News 9* for a story entitled "Economic Connection to Crime" (<http://capitalnews9.com//Default.aspx?ArID=135761>).

Redlich Takes Seat on Advisory Board

Professor Allison Redlich was invited to join the Advisory Board of the newly formed Center on the Wrongful Conviction of Youth, operated through the Northwestern University School of Law.

8th Annual**Michael J. Hindelang Lecture
Wednesday, May 6 - 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Scott H. Decker, Ph.D. will be the speaker at the Hindelang Criminal Justice Research Center's 8th Annual Michael J. Hindelang Lecture on May 6 in the Arthur Levitt Room. The lecture is entitled "Drug Smugglers on Drug Smuggling." Dr. Decker is Professor and Director of the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Arizona State University in Phoenix. He earned his Ph.D. in Criminology from Florida State University, and his research interests include criminal justice policy, gangs, violence, and juvenile justice.

Student News

Sacco Receives START Research Award

Ph.D. student **Lisa Sacco** has been selected by the National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) to receive a 2009-2010 Terrorism Research Award. The award consists of a \$5,000 stipend; funded travel to the 2009 and 2010 START annual meetings in College Park, MD; and participation in quarterly Terrorism Research Webinars. The START National Consortium is a research center sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Lisa will use the funds to support travel to a number of U.S. cities to collect data for her dissertation.



2009 Commencement Awards

Distinguished Dissertation Awards

Gregory Zimmerman & Christine Englebrecht

Lumbard Award for Academic Excellence

Bob Edward Vasquez

Lt. John F. Finn Scholarship

Heidi Bonner

Remington Award for Interdisciplinary Legal Studies

Giza Rodick

Walter M. Francis Policing Award

Tanya Meisenholder

Valedictorian Award

Eric Martin

Newman Award for Outstanding Achievement

Christopher Bzduch

Hettwer Hits the Road

On April 20, Master's student **Kim Hettwer** ran her fifth Boston Marathon. She ran her first marathon in 2000, and has since run a total of 17. She has run in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia, but her favorite is at Disney World, where she runs an unbelievable half marathon on Saturday followed by a full marathon on Sunday.

Kim started running when she entered the State Police Academy in 1990. "At the time," she says, "I couldn't run a quarter mile, but I caught the bug and started setting goals for myself."

Her enthusiasm can be contagious. Just ask her mother, who runs the half marathon at Disney. "Running is one of my passions," Kim explains, "and I am never at a loss for words when it comes to trying to motivate people to run and enter road races."

So, ask Kim about her racing experiences, but be forewarned, there may be a training schedule for marathons in your mailbox the next day.



Casey, a 10-year-old beagle, is Kim's running partner. The medals represent all of the races for which Casey has helped Kim train.



GSA International Dinner

The Graduate Student Association held its International Dinner on March 26, in conjunction with the Nano College Graduate Student Organization. Forty people, including Dean Julie Horney, enjoyed the



variety of cuisines. Kelly Socia's fish-less sushi was a favorite, as were Raquel Moriarty's meatballs.

IT News

contributed by Janet Stamatel

New ICPSR Summer Workshops

The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) at the University of Michigan offers a series of workshops over the summer related to quantitative methods of social science research. While many graduate students go to ICPSR for a wide range of statistics classes (“stats camp”), they also offer substantive workshops highlighting popular datasets or methods in different fields. Every year they run a four-week workshop, sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Statistics and led by Dr. Jim Lynch, on the Quantitative Analysis of Crime and Criminal Justice Data. This is a great opportunity for graduate students analyzing secondary data for their dissertations to make substantial progress with their research. This year ICPSR is also offering some new, shorter workshops related to criminal justice: Using National Juvenile Corrections Data and Sentencing and Other Federal Case Data Analysis. Many of the substantive workshops are competitive and provide stipends for participants. More information about all of this year’s ICPSR offerings can be found online at www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog.



SPSS is now PASW



SPSS has officially changed its name to PASW, short for Predictive Analysis Software, although it will probably be a while before this really catches on. The latest version (v. 17) promises a range of new features, including a more sophisticated syntax editor, a codebook builder, better graphics, and multiple imputation options in the Missing Values module. (I haven’t actually seen the new version yet, so I can offer no insights as to whether or not it is actually better than previous versions.)

Events Calendar

Tues May 5	12:15 p.m.	GSA Meeting	Draper 217
Tues May 5 & Thurs May 7	1:00 p.m.	CSDA Workshop - R. Apel	Campus Center 375
Wed May 6	3:00 p.m.	Hindelang Lecture	Richardson 002
Wed May 6	7:00 p.m.	GSA Spring Dinner	Malozzi’s, Schenectady
Fri May 8	12:15 p.m.	GSA Brown Bag - A. Davies	Draper 217
Sat May 16	9:00 a.m.	Graduate Commencement Ceremony	SEFCU Arena
Sat May 16	4:00 p.m.	SCJ Graduate Recognition Ceremony	Milne 200
Sun May 17	10:00 a.m.	Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony	Collins Circle Entry Plaza
Sun May 17	12:30 p.m.	SCJ Undergraduate Recognition Ceremony	PAC Main Theater