Richard Lyle “Dick” Johnston
1947 – 2012

IN MEMORY

It is with great sadness that NW3C brings you the news of the recent death of Dick Johnston, former Director of NW3C. Dick was hired and became NW3C Director in August 1992, continuing in this role until November of 2003. Subsequently, he held other positions with the Center until 2006. It was Dick’s leadership and vision which set NW3C on its current path.

Dick believed that academic research is an integral part of NW3C. In the mid ‘90s, the Training and Research Institute (TRI) was created under Dick’s leadership. The TRI represented the forerunner to all of NW3C’s current training and research activities. Dick also convened an academic workshop on white collar crime in June of 1996 to discuss the definitional difficulties surrounding white collar crime. Many of you — including Jay Albanese, Kip Schlegel, Gil Geis, David Friedrichs, and Dick Ball — participated and submitted papers. It was from this beginning that our organization, the White Collar Crime Research Consortium, sprang into being.

So thank you, Dick Johnston, for your vision and foresight. We mourn your absence from our community.

Mark Gage
Deputy Director
NW3C
Member News & Announcements

David Weisburd, Walter E. Meyer Professor of Law and Criminal Justice and Director of the Institute of Criminology, Faculty of Law at Hebrew University of Jerusalem, received an award from the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University in part for his work on white collar crime. The award is called the Klachky Price for the Advancement of the Frontiers of Science.


Position Opening
The Department of Economic Crime, Justice Studies, and Cybersecurity at Utica College in Utica, New York seeks an Assistant/Associate Professor of Criminal Justice for a tenure-track position beginning August 2012. Preferred qualifications include a criminal justice or related Ph.D., or similar terminal degree (completed by December 2012), and significant agency or industry experience in financial investigation, fraud prevention, or compliance. Areas of specialization that complement the suite of justice studies programs are preferred. Candidates will be expected to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in economic crime and white-collar crime both online and on campus. Leadership and promotion of the program, a commitment to teaching and advising, an ongoing professional agenda, and service to the college and department are also essential. Salary and rank depend on credentials.

Send a letter of interest, statement on teaching and subject expertise, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three professional references online to http://uc.peopleadmin.com/postings/. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Direct any questions about this position to Dr. R. Bruce McBride, search chair, at rmcbride@utica.edu. Utica College is AA/EOE.

Jeremy Wilson and Justin Heinonen of Michigan State University’s Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection Program, affectionately known as A-CAPPP, have just released a research paper that deals with product counterfeit in the state of
Michigan. The paper is called “Product Counterfeiting: Evidence-Based Lessons for the State of Michigan.” From the abstract: “This paper introduces the topic of product counterfeiting and develops lessons based on a systematic examination of Michigan-based product counterfeit incidents as evident in open sources. This evidence-based assessment is meant to generate discussion about this crime in Michigan and potential steps for addressing it.” The paper can be found at http://a-cappp.msu.edu/content/scholarly-reports.

Call for Encyclopedia Entries
Heith Copes and Craig Forsyth are editing the Encyclopedia of Social Deviance for Sage. The encyclopedia will contain a number of entries on white-collar and corporate crime, including “White Collar Crime,” “Embezzlement,” “Ponzi Schemes,” “Extortion,” “Check Forgery,” and “Counterfeiting,” among others. If you are interested in contributing an entry under any of these headings or would like to see a complete list of topics to be covered (or both), please contact Heith Copes at jhcopes@uab.edu.

New Members
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Works


Calendar

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences  American Society of Criminology
Annual Meeting           Annual Meeting
New York, NY                  Chicago, IL
Marriot Marquis Times Square Palmer House Hilton Hotel
March 13-17, 2012            November 14-17, 2012

NW3C Research Section

The NW3C Research team is searching for a Research Director to take the place of former Research Manager John Kane. Kane left NW3C in March 2011 to do consultation work for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If you are interested in learning more about the position of NW3C Research Director, please contact NW3C Deputy Director Mark Gage at mgage@nw3c.org.

NW3C is preparing for the upcoming WCCRC meeting to be held in conjunction with the 2012 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting in New York, NY. The meeting will be held Thursday March 15th from 2:00 pm – 3:15pm, at the Marriott Marquis Hotel, in the Barrymore Room. Hope to see you there!

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Editor’s Note
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Awards

During the last WCCRC meeting, held on November 18, 2011 in Washington, D.C., three individuals were recognized for their scholarly achievements in the area of white collar crime. Laureen Snider was awarded the 2011 Gilbert Geis Lifetime Achievement Award. Although Snider was unable to attend the meeting, she graciously accepted the award via a letter read aloud by WCCRC Vice President Michael Levi, who stood and delivered a rousing performance, at one time delighting the audience with his best (and decidedly unrehearsed) imitation of Snider’s voice.

Levi also handed out two other awards. The 2011 Young Scholar Award went to Carole Gibbs (pictured below left with Levi), and David Friedrichs (also pictured with Levi below) received the 2011 Outstanding Publication Award for his Trusted Criminals.

WCCRC members, please begin thinking of nominees for the 2012 WCCRC awards! Details will be given soon in an email. Also, please take note: The next WCCRC meeting will be held in conjunction with the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting in New York, NY. It is scheduled for Thursday, March 15th from 2:00 pm to 3:15pm, in the Barrymore Room at the Marriott Marquis Hotel.

Carole Gibbs receives the WCCRC Young Scholar Award from WCCRC Vice President Michael Levi.

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Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection Program

The A-CAPPP focuses upon the complex global issues of anti-counterfeiting and product protection of all products, across all industries, in all markets to effectively detect, deter, and respond to the crime. Linking industry, government, academic, and other stakeholders through interdisciplinary and translational research, education, and outreach, the A-CAPPP serves an international hub for evidence-based anti-counterfeit strategy. The A-CAPPP, led by the School of Criminal Justice, draws upon the vast intellectual resources of a world-renowned research university.

Examples of Our Current White Collar Crime Research

- Severity and Comprehensiveness of State Intellectual Property Laws
- Nature and Risk of Pharmaceutical Counterfeiting in the U.S
- Correlates and Reporting of On-Line Product Counterfeiting Victimization
- Toward a Counterfeiting Criminology—Examining the Viability of Product Counterfeiting as White-Collar Crime
- Content Analysis of “Accredited” versus “Non-Recommended” Pharmaceutical Websites: Implications for Consumers Purchasing Medicine Online

Significant Opportunities for Students

- Competitive, multiple-year graduate assistantships to pursue a Ph.D.
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- Research and publishing opportunities
- Professional development seminars
- Creating/enhancing a personal area of expertise
- Leading courses and seminars
- Networking with experts in industry, government, and academia

For additional information or to discuss possible partnership opportunities, contact Dr. Jeremy Wilson, Director of the A-CAPPP, at 517-432-2204 or visit www.a-cappp@msu.edu

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