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A Message from the Director

Prior to joining the Criminal Justice Institute in 2004, I worked for several years as the Director of the Arkansas State Crime Lab. During this time, I often heard of the Institute but never fully understood the scope of its programs and services. Now, after serving as Director of the Institute for two years and spending a considerable amount of time getting acquainted with all aspects of its operation, I fully appreciate the uniqueness of this organization.

The Institute serves as a wonderful resource for law enforcement agencies in this State. In a time when public funding is increasingly scarce, the Institute is one of the only places where your officers and personnel can receive advanced education and training, technical support, and research assistance **at no cost to your agency**.

Another thing that has really impressed me during my time here is the staff of the Institute. They genuinely care about law enforcement in the State, which is evident in the way they professionally perform their duties and thoughtfully customize programs and conferences to address critical issues in law enforcement as they arise. I know that many of you have formed special friendships with the staff here and know firsthand how supportive they are of your efforts.

All of us at the Institute strive to be strong advocates for Arkansas law enforcement. We want to work with you and other criminal justice organizations to strengthen the law enforcement profession and to ensure a continued focus on the positive impact law enforcement is having in communities across the State.

I am proud to be affiliated with this organization and would like to encourage you to take advantage of the unique programs and services that are available to your agency. Please feel free to call me anytime if you have any questions or comments regarding the Institute or if your agency needs special assistance. Your feedback is important to us and, as always, we appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,

James T. Clark
Director

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CJI Offers New Certificate Program for Narcotics Officers

Drug-related crimes predominate the type of cases that law enforcement agencies must deal with on a daily basis. In the past, smaller agencies have traditionally been able to rely on drug task force programs for assistance in conducting narcotics investigations. Unfortunately, shifts in federal and state funding have affected the services these programs can provide.

A continued decrease in drug task force funding will shift even more responsibility to local law enforcement agencies in the abatement of drug-related crimes within their communities. CJI's new **Narcotics Officer Certificate Program** was created to assist law enforcement in the State in meeting this challenge.

The program, which is the only one of its kind in the State, was shaped by Arkansas law enforcement professionals who know firsthand the skills needed to be an effective narcotics investigator. **Sgt. Dan Chandler** and **Sgt. J.B. Stephens** of the Little Rock Police Department, **Cpl. Karl Byrd** of the Arkansas State Police, and **Detective Richard Norris** of the 18th East Drug Task Force all played a large role in its development and implementation.

The objective of the program is to provide law enforcement officers with the knowledge and skills they need to conduct a basic narcotics investigation. The current program consists of eight 2-day sessions that are delivered over the course of four months. This allows officers to fully participate in the program without spending an excessive amount of time away from their agencies.

To participate in the program, an application letter must be submitted to Dr. Cheryl May from the participant's Chief of Police, Sheriff, Department Head or Director. Participants are required to attend and successfully pass all components of the program to receive a certificate of completion.



Course material is most appropriate for officers with limited narcotics experience. However, even a seasoned investigator will be updated on current techniques and skills. Following a comprehensive introduction to Arkansas Narcotics Enforcement and State Drug Laws, program content includes:

- Drug Identification and Classification**
- Investigative Techniques**
- Managing Informants and Cooperative Witnesses**
- Money Management**
- Methamphetamine**
- Search and Seizure**
- Evidence Collection**
- Interview and Interrogation**
- Surveillance and Resources**
- Intelligence**
- Report Writing**
- Criminal Defenses and Courtroom Testimony**
- Pharmaceutical Diversion Cases**

FSCEC Offers Exciting New Courses this Spring

Availability of the program is contingent on funding and may only be delivered for a limited time. The first session of the program is currently underway at the Criminal Justice Institute with 27 participants. The session began in February and will conclude in June. It is our hope to offer two off-campus sessions during the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

For more information about this program, contact Dr. Cheryl May at (501) 570-8000.

CJI's Meth Program Receives Additional Federal Funding

The Criminal Justice Institute expects to receive a \$250,000 federal appropriation to continue delivering education and training through the FSCEC's Methamphetamine Program. Renewed funding will allow the Institute to continue emphasizing important components of methamphetamine abatement, including identification of labs and hazards, officer and community safety, and investigative effectiveness.

The Institute would like to give special recognition to **Senator Blanche Lincoln** who has shown tremendous support for the Methamphetamine Program and has played an integral role in ensuring it continues to be available to law enforcement, thus benefiting communities throughout the State.

Mexican Drug Trafficking Organizations

April 24–25, 2006

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

This course is designed to provide insight into the ever-expanding drug distribution network controlled by Mexican Drug Cartels. Participants will learn the history of these organizations and the major cartels and recognize how they use violence and corruption to further their drug distribution. Participants will also learn about specific investigative techniques that can be successfully used to identify, investigate, and dismantle Mexican drug cells within the United States.

Ecstasy, Raves & Club Drugs

May 12, 2006

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

This course will assist officers in identifying Ecstasy and a variety of other club drugs, including GHB, Foxy, Ketamine, and Rohypnol. Officers will learn how to locate and respond to Raves and how to identify clothing and other paraphernalia associated with Ecstasy users. Non-stranger sexual assault will also be discussed.

Financial Crime Investigations

June 22–23, 2006

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

This course will take a detailed look at current trends in money laundering and show how criminal organizations conceal the proceeds of their crime. State and Federal statutes will be discussed and case management of large investigations explained in simple language. Participants will learn how to identify, locate, and seize through proper documentation (i.e., subpoenas, search warrants, bank records, phone analysis). The course will also cover trial preparation, prosecutor relations, and testimony.

**Each course is being presented at the
Criminal Justice Institute free of charge.**

Seating is limited.

For more information, contact Steve Varady at (501) 570-8096 or Sheila McDade at (501) 570-8097.

LEMC Restructures Supervision Courses

The Law Enforcement Management Center's Supervision courses have been restructured for the 2006-2007 year.

Principles of Supervision and *Advanced Principles of Supervision* are being expanded to three new courses that are each three days in duration: *Foundations of Supervision*, *Principles of Supervision*, and *Advanced Supervision*. To ensure consistency, these courses must be taken in chronological sequence.

Restructuring these courses will enable officers to obtain more information regarding supervision principles and will better assist them in the day-to-day performance of their job. The goals of these courses remain consistent: (1) improve one's ability to better supervise and manage an agency; (2) interact more effectively with citizens and fellow workers; and (3) develop additional education or skills that benefit the law enforcement profession.

For questions regarding the expansion of this program, contact Mike Mashburn at (501) 570-8042.

Is something *exciting* going on at your agency?

A new program?

A new employee?

A special event?



If so, we want to know about it!

If you have news, article ideas, or pictures you would like to share with the Arkansas law enforcement community, please contact **Beth Green** at the Criminal Justice Institute: **(501) 570-8045** or **bagreen@cji.edu**

Crisis Negotiation Seminar Coming in June



The Arkansas Crisis Negotiators' Association will be holding its 17th annual **Crisis Negotiation Seminar** at the Airport Holiday Inn, June 7-8, 2006.

The conference will feature presentations from a number of law enforcement agencies throughout the country including the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; the Federal Bureau of Investigation; the Delaware State Police; and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. An exhibit hall catering to vendors of police service equipment will also be set up.

This conference is a great opportunity for law enforcement personnel from all over the State to network with other negotiation and SWAT teams. CLEST credit will be awarded for attendance at this seminar. The cost of this conference is \$140 and includes some meals.

For registration information, please contact Karen Vorhes at (501) 228-8521.



Mobilization

May 22 – June 4, 2006

Impaired Driving Crackdown

August 18 – September 4, 2006

The Arkansas Highway Safety Office (AHSO) shares your department's concern for Arkansas drivers' safety and joins you in the **Click It or Ticket (CIOT) Mobilization** and the **Impaired Driving Crackdown (IDC)**. CIOT and IDC remind Arkansas drivers how important it is to buckle up and refrain from drinking and driving. We encourage your department to be part of the mobilization in an effort to save lives, and also possibly **reward your department with a \$2,000 participation incentive.**

2005 INCENTIVE WINNERS

Click it or Ticket

Cabot Police Department
Caddo Valley Police Department
Oppelo Police Department
Jacksonville Police Department
Menifee Police Department
Plumerville Police Department
Morrilton Police Department
Murfreesboro Police Department
Cherokee Village Police Department

Impaired Driving Crackdown

Jacksonville Police Department
Dell Police Department
Cherokee Village Police Department
Sharp County Sheriff's Office
Kibler Police Department
Waldo Police Department
Redfield Police Department
Plumerville Police Department
Gould Police Department

FACT: High-visibility enforcement saves lives.

Promoting high-visibility enforcement is important to the success of these national and state events. Studies show that using your safety belt will considerably reduce your chances of being killed or injured in a crash. Strong enforcement is key to saving lives, and CIOT and IDC rely on your department's leadership and participation.

FACT: Your department may receive one of several \$2,000 incentive awards just by participating.

To be eligible for a \$2,000 incentive, you must complete and submit a *Bounce Back* card by **May 22, 2006** AND fax a completed activity report by **June 30, 2006** for the Click It Or Ticket Mobilization and by **September 30, 2006** for the Impaired Driving Crackdown.

YOU MUST COMPLETE BOTH THE BOUNCE BACK CARD AND THE ACTIVITY REPORT TO BE ENTERED!

Incentives for CIOT will be presented in July 2006 and incentives for IDC will be presented in October 2006. Items must be traffic enforcement related items, such as: radars, consoles, light bars, barricades, and portable breath tasting devices, etc. *All items must be approved by the Highway Safety Office before purchase.*

For more information, contact Van E. Dyer at (501) 570-8019 or vedyer@cji.edu



Chief Jonathan Parks and Lieutenant Todd Gray of the Madison Police Department pose with CJI personnel Harold Stuart and Allison Hoffman as they receive donated computer equipment for their agency. Since 2004, CJI has delivered 189 donated computers to law enforcement agencies throughout the State.

Secretary of State Offers Notary Training Free of Charge



The Arkansas Secretary of State's Business and Commercial Services division is offering free training to all Arkansas notaries public. The 90-minute session, held in their Little Rock offices in the Victory Building, or on location for groups of 10 or more, will provide to notaries such vital information as the effect of new laws on notarizations, the requirements of notarizing a document, and legal liability issues.

Classes are held at the Business and Commercial Services division on the second Wednesday of every month, or on location by appointment. If you wish to hold an on-site session and your agency does not have 10 notaries, you may invite notaries from a neighboring or associated agency or office to join the seminar.

To register for a class or to schedule a session at your agency, call 501-682-5282 or 501-682-5165.

Join Us for the 1st Annual, 3-Person ASSA Golf Scramble

Monday, June 19th, 8:30 a.m.

Country Club of Arkansas, Maumelle, AR

Hosted by the **Arkansas Safe Schools Association**

\$55 per golfer or \$165 per team of three
(Amount includes lunch and all fees)

Entry Deadline: June 12, 2006

For more information, contact:
Officer Eric King
kinge@conway.afsc.k12.ar.us



Paul Curtis Joins the Criminal Justice Institute



The Criminal Justice Institute is pleased to welcome **Paul Curtis** as a Law Enforcement Management Specialist/Instructor for the Law Enforcement Management Center.

Paul joins the Criminal Justice Institute with an impressive background in law enforcement and education. After receiving his Bachelor's Degree in Education

from Henderson State University, Paul joined the U.S. Army Reserve, where he served for 28 years. He retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel when he reached his mandatory retirement date in September 1999.

In addition to serving with the Army Reserve, he joined the Arkadelphia Police Department in 1971 and also served in the Military Police while on Active Duty with the Army in 1972 through 1973. In 1974, he joined the Arkansas State Police, where he was afforded a variety of opportunities throughout his law enforcement career. He served in the Highway Patrol Division, the Educational Services Section, the Governor's Protection Detail, and the Criminal Investigation Division. He was also the Assistant Company Commander of Company A, which encompasses twelve counties. When he retired from the Arkansas State Police in April 2005, he was serving as a Sergeant in the Criminal Investigation Division.

When Paul isn't working, he enjoys many hobbies, including golf, scuba diving, hunting, fishing, and woodworking. He currently lives in Mayflower with his wife Susan. He has three children and five grandchildren.

"It is with great pride that I continue my association with some of the unsung heroes of our society, the Law Enforcement Officer," says Paul. "I hope my knowledge and experience of over 33 years of combined service in a small way contributes to the knowledge base of the men and women who serve the citizens of Arkansas."

Paul will be teaching supervision courses at CJI and hopes to make a "Talking Hands" course available next year.

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The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) recently honored the Criminal Justice Institute with the *Director's Award for Distinguished Service* in recognition for continued dedication and leadership in combating methamphetamine in Arkansas. Pictured with the award above are **Dr. Cheryl May**, CJI Assistant Director, and **Mr. Jim Clark**, CJI Director.

ACJA Summer Conference to be held in Hot Springs

The Arkansas Criminal Justice Association (ACJA) is holding the **2006 ACJA Summer Conference** from May 30th-June 2nd at the Clarion Hotel in Hot Springs.

Tentative topics for the conference include:

Dealing with Difficult Employees

Ethics in Law Enforcement

Stress Management

Time Management

Work Place Diversity

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