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2005-2007 DIC Executive Board Members Elected

Chair: Cindy J. Smith, Fulbright Sr. Researcher in Turkey, (cjsmith@ubalt.edu)

Secretary: Barbara Stolz, (Barbstolz@aol.com)

Treasurer: Mitchel Roth, Sam Houston State U, (ICC_MPR@exchange.shsu.edu)

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Richard Bennett, American University (bennett@american.edu)

Paul Friday, University of North Carolina-Charlotte (pfriday@email.uncc.edu)

Bonnie Fischer, University of Cincinnati (fisherbs@email.uc.edu)

William McDonald, Georgetown University (wfm3@georgetown.edu)

Rosemary Barberet, John Jay, *Past Chair* (rbarberet@jjay.cuny.edu)

Chair Cindy Smith has set up a number of committees. Please contact her to serve on one, or offer ideas and suggestions for 2006 activities, including sessions for the ASC in Los Angeles. We are anxious to serve our international membership!

Chair's Report

I am truly honored that you have entrusted to me the direction of your Division. With great sadness, we lose Rosemary Barberet as our Chair and leader. She was truly a dynamic and charismatic leader. It will be a great challenge for me to follow in her footsteps and continue her successes. I count on your support and volunteer hours. It is with great joy that we have her on the Board as Past Chair sending her famous inclusive emails nudging me with reminders that it is time to get this or that completed. Before I get to her most recent list, I want to remind you of the following:

- 2005-2007 objectives
 - Advance international / comparative research through linkages between researchers in various countries using technology for virtual meetings.
 - Advance dissemination of the research results to public policy leaders through publication and venues available through ECOSOC status.
 - Advocate for building knowledge in the area of comparative/international research methods to assist in quality research.
 - Encourage an international perspective in all relevant coursework.
 - Continue to liaise with the ASC Board and other ASC Divisions to achieve internationalization of the ASC.

I would like to form working groups to advance these objectives. The first order of business would be to make them measurable and then get to work. If anyone would like to chair any one of these, please send me an email.

Now is the time to begin thinking about panels for the LA Conference. Gary LaFree has encouraged us to make an international presence and develop many complete panels to make them more meaningful. Please contact your international partners and develop panels for the November conference.

To make an international presence in ASC, we need to actively nominate our members for awards and for positions on the board. Please consider nominating someone for each of the awards this year!

The UN Crime Commission meeting is April 24-28 in Vienna. Consider attending this year and see what is going on at the UN level of criminology and criminal justice.

This list could go on forever. There are so many opportunities to get involved in international research. My main goal is to help those who want to be involved in international research to reach that goal. If I can help in any way, or if you can be involved in any way, please let us hear from you!

Sincerely,
Cindy

2005 DIC Award Winners

Distinguished Scholar Award: Leslie Sebba, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Distinguished Book Award: *Cyber Criminals on Trial*, by Russell G. Smith, Peter Grabosky and Gregor Urbas, Distinguished Book Award (Honorable Mention : *The Contours of Police Integrity*, edited by Carl B. Klockars, Sanja Kutnjak Ivkovic, and M.R. Haberfeld); Student Paper Competition: First place:

Maria João Lobo Antunes, University of Maryland, "Routine Activities and Television Viewing: An Exploration of the Causes of Fear of Crime" Second place: Sarah Wappett, Georgetown University, "Networks and Counter-Networks. An Adaptive Framework for Organized Crime Study"

Leslie Sebba, Distinguished Scholar Award: Biography

Professor Leslie Sebba studied law at Oxford for his first degree, and subsequently received an LLM at the London School of Economics. In the early 1960s he was one of the first graduates of the Institute of Criminology established in the Hebrew University's Law Faculty by Israel Drapkin. He worked as a researcher in this Institute and in Britain's Home Office Research Unit, and later (1975) received a Dr.Juris in Law and Criminology from the Hebrew University. He has spent his entire academic career at this University (Israel's most prestigious school of higher learning), and is now the Lawrence D. Biele Professor of Law and Professor of Criminology. Professor Sebba has served as a visiting fellow at Oxford University, Harvard University, the University of Pennsylvania and the National Institute of Justice.

Professor Sebba's academic work has centered on sentencing and corrections, and in the 1970s he was actively involved in some of the pioneering studies on seriousness scaling generated by Marvin Wolfgang. During this period he also became involved with the newly-developing study of victimology. Indeed, Professor Sebba is one of the world's leading experts in this area, and has played a pioneering role in bringing international attention to the problem of victims and the relevance of the study of victims to criminology. Professor Sebba is a founding editor of the *International Review of Victimology*, the main publication for scholars interested in this area of work. His work *Third Parties* is the most comprehensive book examining victims in the criminal justice system available.

Professor Sebba has had a continuing interest in children's rights and juvenile justice. Further, his concern for human rights issues has recently led to a focus on international human rights abuses – and to consider their implications for criminology (and victimology). The selection committee agreed that the quality of Professor Sebba's work is at the highest level of scholarship and that he tends to break new ground through his conceptualization of problems and issues and in how he interprets outcomes.

Professor Sebba has a record of extensive service to the international community. He has served on a number of international committees including the Scientific Commission of the International Society of Criminology and the Research Committee on Deviance and Social Control of the International Sociological Association. He has been active not only in American Society of Criminology meetings, but also in international forums around the globe. He has been active in publishing on criminological problems in Hebrew and English and has often teamed with scholars from outside Israel. His work on victims in particular has had strong influence on the ways that American criminologists understand crime problems. But importantly, his pioneering work on human rights in the justice system has also influenced European criminologists.

A most thoughtful and informed criminologist, Professor Sebba has been fully committed to a community of criminologists that is invested in improving crime and justice theory and policy, and in advancing human rights around the world. His illustrious career and varied contributions to the international criminological community has led the committee to select him as the 2005 Distinguished International Scholar.

Call for Nominations for 2006 DIC Awards

Distinguished Int'l Scholar:

Chair: Paul Friday (University of North Carolina-Charlotte) (pfriday@email.uncc.edu)

Jianhong Liu (Rhode Island College) (afs101@etal.uri.edu)

Jackie Schneider (American University) (hrhjackie@gmail.com)

Choosing an individual whose work has impacted the international field is a difficult task. Please forward your recommendations!

Student Paper Competition:

Chair: Joanne Savage (American University) (savagejo@comcast.net)

Melissa Schaefer Morabito (American University) (melis076@yahoo.com)

Sharon Chamard (University of Alaska Anchorage) (afsec@uaa.alaska.edu)

Janet Stamatel (University at Albany, SUNY) (jstamatel@albany.edu)

Paper topics must be related to international or comparative criminology or criminal justice. Any student currently enrolled in an academic university/college program is invited to participate!

Distinguished Book:

Chair: Chris Birkbeck (University of Salford) (birkbeck@ula.ac.uk)

Marcelo Aebi (University of Lausanne; University of Barcelona) (Marcelo.Aebi@unil.ch)

Nancy Grosselfinger (grosselfinger@hotmail.com)

Following last year's bilingual book award and in honor of the conference location adjacent to our southern neighbors, this year the DIC will accept nominations of books written in Spanish & English.

Nominations for ASC Awards

There are many DIC members that have outstanding careers. It is time to actively pursue getting them recognized within the ASC. Please note that the following awards have rapidly approaching deadlines. The DIC would like to nominate one person (at least) for each category. Please feel free to forward names directly to the ASC representatives on the webpage. However, if you send the name to the DIC, we will be happy to assist in the letter writing process (cjsmith@ubalt.edu).

[Edwin H. Sutherland Award](#)

[August Vollmer Award](#)

[Sellin-Glueck Award](#)

[Herbert Bloch Award](#)

[Ruth Shonle Cavan Young Scholar Award](#)

[Michael J. Hindelang Award](#)

Nominations for Other Awards

Stockholm Award

There is a new nomination period for The Stockholm Prize in Criminology.

Between February 1st and April 15th 2006 the Prize Office accepts new nominations for the 2007 award. Nominations made in 2005 for the 2006th award will be considered for the 2007th award as well. To study the revised nomination form and to eventually make a nomination:

Please visit www.criminologyprize.com

Lina Nilsson, CAO of the Prize Office, E-mail: Lina.Nilsson@bra.se or prizeoffice@bra.se

Member News and Announcements

ASC member elected to the United Nations' ISPAC Board

The NEW DIC Chair, Cindy J. Smith (currently on a Fulbright in Turkey researching human trafficking) was elected to the International Scientific and Professional Advisory Council to the UN (ISPAC) Board at the annual meeting and conference in Courmayeur, Italy. The goal of ISPAC fits within the goals of the ASC and DIC membership! ISPAC was tasked with providing professional and research information to the UN to be used for technical assistance, training, education, research, and other services provided throughout the UN organization. Additionally, the UN draws on the expertise of the constituent organizations to deliver these activities. (See <http://www.ispac-italy.org/index.php>). The Board consists of 5 seats for non-governmental organizations, such as the ASC, and other professionals and 6 designated seats from the UN (1), Italian Government (4), and Institutes (1). ISPAC is looking for ideas that it can turn into working groups and forward results to the Crime Commission in Vienna. They will add their name and assist in any way possible, but there are no funds or personnel support.

Thank you to DIC Volunteers

Special thanks to our dedicated workers:

Thank you, Sharon Chamard, for your never ending work on the DIC website.

Thank you, Edith Linn, for your active involvement at the Alliance meetings in New York. Edith was recently voted into office as the Secretary of the Alliance in NY. The ASC Board approved her position as the representative to the Alliance for three years. Her term on the Board runs for two years. This is a wonderful opportunity for ASC members to have an impact on what information moves forward to the UN. Edith comes to the DIC with a great deal of experience. She has worked for over twenty-five years in New York's criminal justice system. She began at Offender Aid and Restoration, finding treatment programs for jailed youthful offenders. She served as a correction officer at Green Haven, a maximum-security male prison, and at Bedford Hills, a facility for women. She then became a paralegal in Bronx Family Court, handling juvenile delinquency cases. Finally, she joined the New York City Police Department, working in diverse assignments until her retirement as a lieutenant in 2002. Dr. Linn holds a B.A. from the State University of New York at Binghamton, an M.A. in Criminal Justice from John Jay College, and a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice from the Graduate Center, City University of New York. She has published articles dealing with the New York State judiciary, women police officers, arrest, truancy, and police residency requirements. She also taught a John Jay College before joining the Kean faculty in 2004, where she now teaches courses in the American Criminal Justice System, Comparative Criminal Justice Systems, Policing, and Juvenile Justice. Please contact Edith to congratulate her and offer your input for the agenda (Edie188@aol.com).

Minutes of the 2005 DIC Business Meeting

Thursday, November 18, 11:00-12:30 Upper Canada Room

York Hotel, Toronto Canada

Rosemary Barberet, Chair, called the meeting to order. Bonnie Fisher, Treasurer was also present. (Bill McDonald, Secretary was unable to attend.)

The meeting was guided by a previously posted 10-point agenda, accompanied by a one page summary financial report submitted by Bonnie S. Fisher, Treasurer.

I. The minutes of the 2004 meeting, which were previously circulated, were moved to be accepted without correction.

II. Rosemary Barberet presented the Chair's report.

Rosemary announced the results of DIC's 2005 election. Cindy Smith was elected Chair; Mitch Roth was elected Treasurer; and Barbara Stolz was elected Secretary. The newly elected board members are Richard Bennett, Paul Friday, Bonnie Fisher, and Bill McDonald.

She reported that at the Toronto meeting, DIC was sponsoring the following activities:

- An information table;
- The DIC luncheon;
- Four sessions on training and teaching international criminal justice, offered under the auspices of UNODC, organized by Slawomir Redo, based on the Bangkok meeting, and to be published by Heuni as a book;
- A session led by Everette Penn, DPPC, discussing the experience of former Fulbrighters;
- An Author meet Critics session, led by Nancy Grosselfinger;
- A roundtable with Leslie Sebba, DIC's 2005 distinguished scholar award winner; and
- 40-50 sponsored sessions.

The suggestion was made that for next year's ASC meeting, a panel be established to develop a variety of types of panels under DIC's sponsorship.

Rosemary also reported that DIC membership was over 300, but it fluctuated. DIC dues had been increased because of the adoption of the journal; the extra \$10 for dues includes a subscription to the journal (two issues a year).

She also announced that Jay Albanese, in Bill McDonald's absence, would be chairing the publications committee meeting, specifically on the journal.

III. Sharon Chamard provided information on DIC's web page. She said that it was undergoing maintenance. She also said it would help if information on conferences, books, and journal articles were provided.

IV. The DIC Awards' Committees presented their results.

The Book Award Committee's report was presented by Jo-Anne Wemmers.

The 2005 DIC Distinguished Book Award Committee consisted of Mathieu Deflem, Ph.D., (University of South Carolina), Dr. Josine Junger-Tas (Université de Lausanne and University of Utrecht) and was chaired by Jo-Anne Wemmers, Ph.D. (Université de Montréal).

The committee reported receiving a total of 26 nominations. This year, for the first time in the history of the ASC, books written in English and in French were eligible for the Award. Most of the books were nominated by the publisher of the book; two books were self-nominations; and one book was nominated by someone else. The nominated books included edited collections, monographs and research reports. The submissions testified to a growing and thriving field of comparative and international criminology.

Selected for the award was:

Cyber Criminals on Trial

By Russell G. Smith, Peter Grabosky and Gregor Urbas
Cambridge University Press

Honorable mention was given to:

The Contours of Police Integrity

Edited by Carl B. Klockars, Sanja Kutnjak Ivkovic, and M.R. Haberfeld

Sage Publications

For the ASC meeting in Los Angeles in 2006, it was agreed that books written in English and in Spanish would be eligible for next year's award.

Edna Erez presented the results of the distinguished international scholar award's committee. The committee was chaired by Bill McDonald and included Edna Erez, Paul Friday, and Obi Ebbe. The award was given to Leslie Sebba, currently, the Lawrence D. Biele Professor of Law and Professor of Criminology, Hebrew University.

Wayne Pitts reported the results of the DIC student award paper competition. The committee also included Mahesh Nalla and was chaired by Dr. Wojciech Cebulak, Ninot State University.

First Place Winner: Maria Joao Lobo Antunes, University of Maryland, "Routine Activities and Television Viewing: An Exploration of the Causes of Fear of Crime"

Second Place Winner: Sarah Wappett, Georgetown University, "Networks and Counter-Networks: An Adaptive Framework for Organized Crime Study"

V. Bonnie Fisher presented the Treasurer's report. She said that there was a large surplus in the budget and it had grown. The total would be less \$4,000 for the expenses related to the journal and \$7,000 collected for the luncheon. The Treasurer's report was accepted as given. Her report is as follows:

DIC BUDGET REPORT INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR 2004 THROUGH 30 September 2005

<i>ITEM</i>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<i>BALANCE</i>
2004 YEAR INCOME		
Beginning balance		\$3,038.64
Total 2004 dues paid	\$3,695.00	6,733.64
Luncheon paid in Nashville	497.79	7,231.43
Donation	500.00	7,731.43
Expenses	- 520.42	
Printing	-381.93	
Awards	-114.36	
Postage	-24.13	
Balance as of 31 December 03		\$7,211.01

2004 YEAR INCOME to 31 October 05¹		\$7,211.01
Total 2005 dues paid	\$4,510.00	11,721.01
Luncheon paid to date	605.00	12,326.01
Expenses thru 31 October 05 ²	-293.04	
Printing	-87.54	
Postage	- 205.50	
Balance as of 31 October 04		\$12,032.97

Submitted by Bonnie S. Fisher, DIC Treasurer, Thursday, 18 November 05

Previous DIC budget balances:

2001 – 31 October 02	\$2,519.86
2002 – 30 September 03	\$4,496.41
2003 – 31 October 04	\$7,369.73
2004 – 31 October 05	\$3,038.64

VI. Report on DIC UN Activities

Nancy Grosselfinger reported on the Crime Conference in Bangkok.

She said that this was the very first Crime Congress ASC had attended, having been admitted to Non-Governmental Status with the UN Economic and Social Council in 2001, in an application which originated during the ASC Presidency of Ron Huff, fueled by wording provided by Paul Friday, and submitted by Chris Eskridge. At the 11th Crime Congress in Bangkok ASC was the most numerously represented NGO at the Congress providing more, scholars giving presentations than ever before in the 50 year history of Congresses.

Fifteen presentations were given under the ASC flag and approximately another 15 ASC members provided presentations in affiliation with of other groups. Some of the other groups provided financial support whereas ASC provided institutional support with the ASC-affiliated persons finding their own financing, supported as necessary by ASC's Chris Eskridge and Nancy Grosselfinger. She reported that the ASC affiliated sessions were well attended by people from all over the world; participants at the sessions ranged from 20 to over 150 people. A few of the sessions enjoyed simultaneous interpretation, the responsibility of the International Scientific and Professional Council (ISPAC).

Nancy further stated that ASC has been recognized for placing the past 50 years of Crime Congress documents (in English only thus far) on its web, and for its contribution in making the documents available on a CD that was distributed to attendees at the Congress. Finally, she noted the contribution of ASC to a CD on the UN Standards and Norms (also available on the ASC webpage) for their 50th Anniversary celebration by the UN, recognizing our own GOW Mueller's tremendous contribution to this cornerstone of the UN's work in crime prevention and criminal justice. A full report, including addenda, has been filed by Nancy Grosselfinger (as part

¹ These are the first 3 quarters figures for 2005 (30 September 05). There will be no expenses until after the ASC meeting in Toronto.

² The awards cost of \$378.40 is not included as an expense. The reimbursement was submitted to the accountant on 16 November 05.

of the annual report of the DIC to the board) and is available from the ASC executive secretary if they are interested. This will contribute to a sense of open-ness and afford anyone wanting to know a good amount of detail sufficient information to proceed.

Cindy Smith discussed the preparation for the Bangkok Conference, including 5 days preparation in Vienna. She noted that key issues for ASC's UN representation were: 1) continuity in representation and 2) the availability of subject expertise at the time of discussions in meetings. She gave the example of ASC's position on the death penalty, stating that while ultimately ASC did not present a statement, background information was provided to the member states and resources were immediately available to do so. Cindy announced that the 50 years of UN crime conferences were available on CD and ASC web page with a link from UNODC. She noted that ASC had received recognition for this work from the UN. French and English versions were posted; 4 languages did not go back 50 years but would be posted.

VII. Report on two-year objectives of Chair, Rosemary Barberet

Rosemary Barberet presented a wrap up of the results of her 2-year objectives for DIC.

1. Encourage excellency in comparative/international scholarship
 - a. Implemented with journal, but journal still needs work to raise its level.
2. Play a leading role in our role as a recognized NGO at the UN
 - a. DIC has done an excellent job, as indicated by ASC's taking on representation role (See discussion below.)
3. Increase student membership and membership from developing nations
 - a. When individual from a developing country joins ASC, s/he is to be given a free DIC membership; however, whether this actually occurs is difficult to track as there is no notification process.
4. Liaise more closely with the ASC Board and with other ASC division and committees in achieving internationalization of the ASC
 - a. DIC is providing reports on UN.
 - b. The last 2 years, division chairs have been meeting.
 - c. There is discussion of another division plenary session at the 2006 ASC meeting.
 - d. The DWC has a strong international journal and the CC calls its journal international.
5. Monitor funding resources (or lack thereof) for international/comparative criminology
 - a. Not much has been done with regard to funding beyond looking for RFPs.
6. Encourage transparency of crime and criminal justice data worldwide and facilitate research access to such data by criminologists.
 - a. Stressing at the UN, but more work needs to be done.

VIII. New Business and Introduction of New Chair

Rosemary Barberet turned over the chair to Cindy Smith. Nancy Grosselfinger said she would be circulating a petition to nominate Rosemary to the ASC Board. On the arrival of ASC President, Gary LaFree, the discussion on Cindy's objective was held in abeyance and discussion turned to the issue of the representation of ASC at the UN.

IX. ASC President Gary LaFree Chair and discussion of ASC, DIC, and the UN

Gary La Free presented the ASC's board's decision that it would appoint ASC's representative for UN activities. The representative will keep the board up to date on these activities. Ineke Marshall is to hold the position of ASC's first representative. At the Saturday ASC board meeting, language amending the DIC role with respect to the UN representative will be considered, based on the recommendation of the DIC in collaboration with the board.

Discussion followed. Issues raised and comments made include:

1. The characterization of DIC as the State Department of ASC. Accordingly, it was argued that DIC should be part of the selection process for the ASC representative to UN activities. The request was made that the ASC board take official action to take steps to ensure continuity by DIC of UN representation and DIC have a consultative role in selection of representative.
2. Chris Eskridge indicated that provisions would be included in the ASC policy manual and ASC meetings would include 2 sessions on the UN to ensure training of those attending the meetings. He said that Ineke would chair or designate someone; a time and good location for these sessions would be allotted and any number of sessions that DIC wanted could be accommodated. He further said that efforts would be made to coordinate with DIC.

Because DIC's by-laws are in conflict with this approach to UN representation, a change in DIC's by-laws is necessary. To address the problem, Dick Bennett offered the following motion.

Motion I:

Resolved: In that the by-laws of the DIC are currently in conflict with the policies of the ASC and that DIC's constitution states in Section II that our constitution and by-laws must be in compliance with ASC's constitution, by-laws and policy, we much change our by-laws. Specifically, Section 1#10 of our by -laws must be addressed.

Motion:

That the current Section 1#10 of the DIC by-laws be deleted and replaced with:
The Executive Board of the DIC shall advise the ASC Executive Board on the selection of the ASC's United Nations Coordinator.

Dick Ward called the question and a majority of those present agreed to the motion.

To expedite the voting on the change in the by-laws, a second motion was offered and seconded.

Motion II

Resolved:

In order to streamline the voting process of the DIC as well as recognize the advances in communication technology, the DIC should amend its constitution to include the possibility of electronic balloting.

Motion:

That section VI of the DIC constitution be amend to include the work "/electronic" in lines 5 and 6 between the words mail and –ballot.

The motion was passed by a majority of those present.

X. 2005-2007 DIC objectives

Cindy Smith laid out her objectives for DIC, as the new chair. She said that she would make her objectives measurable. The objectives included:

1. Advance international/comparative research through linkages between researchers in various countries using technology for virtual meetings.
2. Advance dissemination of the research results to public policy leaders through publication and venues available through ECOSOC status.
3. Advocate for building knowledge in the area of comparative/international research methods to assist in quality research.
4. Encourage an international perspective in all relevant coursework.

5. Continue to liaise with the ASC Board and other ASC Divisions to achieve internationalization of the ASC.

To support these efforts, Cindy circulated a list of committees and asked DIC members to sign up for the committees.

1. Student papers
2. Distinguished Book award—Spanish/English language skills need for 2006 award
3. Distinguished Scholar Award
4. DIC newsletter—to be coordinated by Barbara Stolz, but submissions needed, e.g., grant announcements, conferences, call for papers, and student essay for each issue. ISPAC newsletter articles are also needed in policy-making language
5. Membership
 - a. Membership committee will actively nominate people to ASC boards and for ASC awards
6. Journal promotion—articles for submission are needed
7. UN—latest and greatest research
8. Comparative research methods
9. Internationalization of coursework; hold publishers accountable
10. Liaisons to other divisions
 - a. Reports of activities of other divisions are needed
11. Coordination of international work
12. Improving conference papers
13. Request plenary session from other divisions

XI. Budgetary Discussion, especially regarding travel funding for future DCI award winners and UN travel

Dick Ward commitment of resources for travel of DIC distinguished scholar awardee:

Again raised was the issue of DIC paying the way of its awardee, if the individual could not afford to attend the ASC meeting to receive the award. A number of suggestions were made including 1) providing only supplemental funding to make possible; funding of travel of student awardees; and 3) funding the travel of the distinguished scholar awardee.

Dick Ward, Dean of Sam Houston State University, said that SHSU will put up \$1000 for travel to bring to the ASC meeting the DIC distinguished scholar, if DIC will put up \$500. He gave a two-year commitment.

Motion to support UN activity travel:

The issue of whether DIC would provide assistance to members attending UN meetings and activities was raised.

The following motion was made and agreed to:

DIC will establish a pot of money for its UN work. These funds provided to DIC members to attend these activities will not surpass 50 percent of each person's costs. The total funding amount will not exceed \$2,000 per year, contingent on the DIC having the funds in its treasury.

Nancy Grossinger then noted that previously ASC has provided DIC with \$4000 to be distributed by a formula to DIC members engaged in these activities. She said that it was now the understanding that these funds would not be distributed, but all would be used to pay the expenses of Ineke Marshall, as the ASC representative for UN activities. She asked Ineke why this was no longer the case. When Ineke Marshall, the ASC Board's liaison to the Divisions for

UN activities, was questioned by DIC member Nancy Grosselfinger, Ineke replied that in her view this was not her responsibility to handle and that the questioner herself should take this up with the Board.

XI. Committees for 2006 DIC Awards Committees

The following membership of the 2006 DIC Award Committees was announced:

Distinguished Scholar

Paul Friday, Chair
Jianhong Liu
Jackie Schneider

Student Paper Award

Melissa Schaefer Morabito

XIII. Other business:

Bennett Motion recognizing work of Rosemary Barberet, outgoing DIC chair

Dick Bennett presented the following motion.

The DIC membership recognizes Rosemary Barberet for her accomplishments during her tenure as DIC's chair and her dedication to the DIC.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Outgoing board members Nancy Grosselfinger, Alexander Vazsonyi, and Liqun Cao were also thanked for their service.

Move to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and approved.

Report of DIC Publications Committee

November 18, 2005

Submitted by Jay Albanese

Present:

Alexander Vazsonyi
Rosemary Barberet
Liqun Cao
Mahesh Nalla
Nancy Grosselfinger
Peter Grabosky
Elmer John
Cindy Smith
Jay Albanese (for W. McDonald)

1. Rosemary Barberet explained the **background of the MOU** with the *International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice*, together with the make-up of the journal advisory board (one-half DIC members). She expects the MOU to be signed within a week.

2. Mahesh Nalla explained the **background and history of the journal**, emphasizing the Michigan State University owns and publishes the journal. The biggest challenge has been adequate submissions. Many low quality submissions have also been received. Many

international contributions do not meet western academic standards. He has also experienced problems with non-responsiveness and very late reviewers. Currently, the journal has 325 subscribers, plus the new DIC membership base.

3. Manuscript review process:

Reviewers are e-mailed first to determine their availability. There is a high non-response rates (reviewers not responding to the e-mail). When a reviewer agrees, there is often a wait of 3 or 4 months, even with reminders sent during that time. Grabosky indicates that when he is asked to review and cannot do it, he recommends potential reviewers to do it. He is very successful in getting folks to review, so that he is not overburdened and new reviewers are groomed. Alexander V. suggested that as the reputation of the journal improves, it will become easier to obtain both submissions and reviews. He said it was important to increase the number of databases that cite/include the journal in their databases. Apparently, protocols exist regarding review process, and so on, to be eligible for database inclusion. Authors are less likely to submit to journals whose articles are not included in major databases.

4. Journal website

It was generally agreed that the journal website must be improved. It is currently too simple. Should it include abstracts of recent articles? It was also recommended that an agreement with a commercial publisher be explored to handle marketing issues. Nalla indicated that this cannot be done under the current agreement with the founding editor.

5. Current management procedures.

Nalla has 2 Ph.D. students do a preliminary review of all incoming manuscripts. He also limits manuscript reviews to no more than two per year (per reviewer). Editing English is not a job of reviewers. It was agreed that a communications link to the DIC Publications board could help in finding reviewers and ensuring timely manuscript reviews.

It was recommended that various conference programs be scanned to seek invitees. Nalla indicated that this is done now, but could be expanded.

6. Old issues.

Nalla has many boxes of old issues in storage. What should be done with them? Distribute to libraries in developing countries? Put them on CD? Shipping issues/costs were discussed. It was agreed that a notice should be placed in the DIC newsletter seeking those interested in back issues and willing to pay for shipping to their location.

7. Research ethics.

Nancy Grosselfinger raised issue of insuring that research published in the journal protected human subjects under existing professional standards. A discussion ensued regarding the role of reviewers in this process, the issue of non-U.S. research that does not require IRB approvals, and whether a small committee could develop a procedure for the journal. It was decided that a statement regarding the ethical treatment of subjects to be used for author sign-off. A copy of this existing international agreement will be obtained.

8. Elmer Johnson.

Johnson submitted a copy of a letter sent to McDonald (which then I gave to DIC chair Cindy Smith) regarding what he saw as the important issues. He did not seem happy with the way the meeting went. He did not believe foundational issues were addressed. He may be willing to be involved in the future. His letter details his concerns.

Recommendations

1. Determine what actions are necessary to include the journal in social science indexes and databases. This inclusion should then be publicized to attract potential authors.
2. More regularly and proactively solicit manuscripts from those presenting at relevant conferences on relevant topics.
3. Insert a letter into the next issue of the journal seeking journal reviewers and manuscripts.
4. Solicit DIC membership for their areas of expertise---also announcing the new affiliation with the journal (both in a brief e-mail).
5. Seek contributions from high-profile DIC members and others on the assumption that a few "big names" might attract more manuscript submissions. Also, special invited issues should be sought.
6. Peter Grabosky has access to an Australian list-serve of 300+ and Hans in Germany has access to a larger list. There may also be a UK list. Access to these lists could be used to expand the pool of both reviewers and submitters.
7. In each issue there should be added a statement of the types of the different types of articles published in the journal and its mission.
8. The journal website needs improvement. Nalla will begin this and solicit the DIC board for input.
9. Nalla will e-mail the DIC advisory board soliciting ideas for themes, authors, and so on.
10. DIC newsletter will solicit those interested in old issues of the journal and also willing to pay for shipment to their location.
11. Copy of international agreement regarding ethical treatment of subjects to be adapted for manuscript submissions to the journal.

Summary of Report Of The Fourteenth Session Of The U.N. Crime Commission On Crime Prevention And Crminal Justice

Vienna, 23-27 May 2005

The eight page report prepared by Cindy J. Smith, DIC Executive Councillor, can be found on the DIC web site at

http://www.asc41.com/dir1/documents/united_nations.htm

Student Article

THE HALF TOMATO IN THE FRIDGE

The excitement of studying abroad and the career opportunities it would provide soon vanished when reality set in. After I came into the US as a graduate student, I found myself quite alone. It was such a loneliness that made me count the city lights of the Baltimore City over the nights from my window of the 14th floor. It made me struggle to identify the face of life within the face of the Baltimore City because the face I was seeing was not the same as I used to see. I don't know how many times I walked down to the inner harbor and watched the bay; just incase the harbor water could reach my soul through my eyes; just incase I could share life with the deepness of the harbor water. However, many times I only found myself lost in the boats that were sailing away from the harbor.

Yes, one of the biggest obstacles for an international student is loneliness –as the beginning of the list- along with the cultural differences. You are thousands of miles away from your home and the life that you were familiar with. Simply, you are in an unfamiliar territory and unknown zone of life; which is surrounded by at least a five variable equation where each of the variables are to be identified, to be interpreted, and to feel accustomed. I can tell you from my own experience that I felt as if I was on a different edge of life that was colored by different values than mine. Basically, red is not the red anymore that it used to be, blue tends to be greenish and green stays indifferent to this shift!

Along with loneliness, homesickness, language barriers, cultural differences, and financial hardships are among the candidates to knock your mood off every day.

Imagine, you have been lectured at the first day of your statistics class by an example of a baseball pitch, which you do not know anything about the game; imagine you have been given an illustration by a specific -a US specific (known-by-everybody in here) program that you hear for the first time; imagine a key concept of the lecture was expressed by the professor with a slang term that you even can not find in your digital pocket dictionary, on which you spent half of your monthly budget! I personally had to list the words and points that I did not know in the class and tried to identify them after the class using the internet until sleep overwhelms me while my native classmates spend their time on something else! I have many new things to figure out as if I already do not have a lot of points to question regarding life itself. In addition, I hate being full of thoughts and points to raise but prefer not to just because I think I would be stuck with the language. And most importantly, imagine (I do not recommend that you really do imagine though!) that while walking around the school, right around the corner, your heart was pulled from its edge and touched by a meaningful expression on a beautiful face. Everyday at school you go to the same point hoping to see her once more and to see the way she looks that pierces through your heart, but cannot catch her again. When you do, after weeks, you are suppressed by the reality of not being able to convey your feelings into words in its original format as they come from the depth of your heart because you have to translate them into another language, which limits and terminates the magic as the foreign words might not bear the meaning that you want them bear.

Thus, you feel isolated from life and sense life is distant from you. I felt like life was just passing by in front of me and I was not able to hold on to it. And most importantly, for the first time in my life I noticed that even my own life is up there and sneaking away from me as well. It is as if I am the only audience sitting at the center of the scene and paradoxically looking at the play out on the stage, instead of acting the primary role of my own movie. I felt like I was just watching a 24 hours in a day and seven days in a week movie.

As happened to everyone of us (not quite sure though!), it did get me to thinking about whether everything coming across my life path is a reflection of what I want from life or was it just what life wants from me? Considering that life definitely does not consist of what I see from my own window and considering that every one of us might have an exclusively different world! I began to wonder how high my window was and where my own world was stuck circumnavigating? I also questioned whether I take life seriously enough or simply it does not concern me? I have gone through these questions' axis back and forth so many times trying to come up with a real answer. However, each time attempting to do this, I found myself lost in the superficiality as I was considering solely the things on the surface.

Thus, I put myself on the agenda as the only thing to deal with, which is the hardest thing in the world to do: To be enough brave to judge yourself in a realistic way. After this experience, almost everything in my soul began to be displaced and my priorities were radically changed. In other words, I have managed to turn the table using my loneliness and I questioned myself deeply and judged realistically. I came to understand how I only fed my body, but not my soul; how I was unsuccessful to add my soul into the things in my life; how I was in a silly hurry to make my life "so-called" easier in a nonsensical manner. I decided right at that moment to dive into my soul, slow down my body, and catch my breath so that my soul can reach me to digest every minute of my life appropriately. I wish I had sufficiently strong English to share the treasure I have found down there deep in my soul. Then, "almost" everything began to be relatively in perspective. Believe me, if you fix your priorities in the right places, then "almost everything" in your life will be settled smoothly and appropriately.

After the things began to get better in almost every aspect, I was once again convinced of the power of thoughts, which guided me towards the outlets of whatsoever impasses. I came to understand that every solution for any problem is conceptually within me and the only thing I need to do is to spend a little time and share something within myself. In fact, once when I was at the elementary school we had been asked by our teacher what we wished to be in the future and everybody had come up with different ideas and occupational expectations, such as becoming a doctor, engineer, pilot, prime minister, president or whatever, whereas I just had said that I only want to be happy and peaceful! Today, I remember that moment with a grieved smile on my face, because it reminds me of how long I have not been with myself.

By considering the delicate balance between staying by myself and becoming involved in life, I participated in almost all the activities around the school. As an international student, I try very hard to get rid of my loneliness by attending those events. In the beginning, it helps the physical loneliness but not the psychological one. Then, the time passes, and my loneliness -both- is intercepted by deeper friendships and with real sharing to a certain degree. I also understood that life can be felt on a very real level, as long as I share it with my loved ones, my friends, and my love of love (still do not know where she is, or if she exists!).

Despite the increased individualism in the US, I happened to have great friends over here in the University of Baltimore. Dr. Cindy Smith and Rick Smith come in first place. They exhibited a sincere and a parent like warmth to me, which touched me down to the bottom of my heart. I will never be able to forget their valuable friendship and caring. One of my classmates, Thomas Akras demonstrated a warm and brother like hospitality to me, and also gained a special space in my heart. He even took me over to dinner with his family, which meant a lot to me. I also must acknowledge the help of my instructors; in particular the Distinguished Professor Dr. Lenneal Henderson, who is a total golden heart humanist and the Director of the MPA Program Dr. Daniel W. Martin, who is caring and responsive to the students' needs. Additionally, I must mention the

kindness of all athletic club staff, especially Matt Nelson (the director) and Colleen Sperry (the assistant director).

So, the great obstacle –loneliness- of an international student might be transmitted into a piece of light that enlightens the darkness inside and I achieved that realization to some degree. You may reset the order of your priorities, which basically gives you enhanced vision and a relatively peaceful mind. After going through those issues, I decided to furnish my soul with a real love (- assuming that the love does not have nationality☺-), concrete knowledge and a thought-based wisdom for the rest of my life. It has been one and a half years since I came here for graduate studies and I managed to acquire my master's degree from the University of Baltimore, UB - School of Public Affairs, Division of Government and Public Administration, Yale Gordon College of Liberal Arts- and have started my Ph.D. at University of Maryland, Baltimore County, UMBC -Department of Public Policy, Policy Science Doctoral Program and I am longing to be involved in the research world and become a part of the group that strive for discovering answers to the questions that are hung in the sky

Aside from these points and despite the obstacles, I would have to mention that knowledge is easy to reach -not free though!- for the one who wants to get it. There are numerous ways to get educated as long as you want it. Academic life is much more serious than everywhere else I have seen so far. Doing research is perceived as an invaluable and vital issue in the US, which I admire. Along with this, the regularly collected and stored data in almost every field encourages you to conduct research to find answers to questions in your academic studies.

You must be wondering what the heading of “**The half tomato in the fridge**” might stand for. Well, it is the symbol of my loneliness here, as I have never been able to consume more than a half tomato by myself at a time and keep the remaining half in the fridge. After more than one year here in the US as a graduate student, I don't see it much anymore, thanks to the friends from the university community. However, I will never forget how the half tomato in the fridge did let me to see the hardly visible and buried crucial halves of my meaningless life that needed to be filled with the deepness of my soul!

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Fellowships/Fellows

VISITING FELLOWS - CENTRE FOR CRIMINOLOGY

The Centre for Criminology invites applications for visiting fellowships from active research scholars who wish to participate in the intellectual life of the Centre. Applications are welcome from scholars in any field of criminology, although preference may be given to applicants whose research is related to the research programmes of the Centre (www.crim.ox.ac.uk). Visiting Fellows are given a workspace and related facilities in the Centre, but there is no financial support associated with this position. Visiting Fellows are required to present at least one seminar on their research. Application is by letter, curriculum vitae, and statement of proposed research, sent to Ms Jo Armitage, Administrator, Centre for Criminology, University of Oxford, Manor Road Building, Manor Road, Oxford, OX1 3UQ (email: jo.armitage@crim.ox.ac.uk). Informal enquiries are also welcome and can be made to the Director, Professor Ian Loader (email: ian.loader@crim.ox.ac.uk). The deadline for applications is Friday 10 March 2006 for the

period October 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007. Applicants must specify whether they propose to visit during one or more of Michaelmas, Hilary and Trinity terms. Applicants should be aware that some Oxford colleges advertise fellowships which could be held in conjunction with the Centre's visiting fellowship and offer additional benefits. Details can typically be found on college websites - www.ox.ac.uk/colleges.

Solicitations for Contributions to Publications

Dr.K.Jaishankar Managing Editor – IJCJS The International Journal of Criminal Justice Sciences reported that the journal has been launched online. She invites DIC members to visit <http://www.ijcjs.co.nr> and send valuable comments. The International Journal of Criminal Justice Sciences (IJCJS) is a peer-reviewed online journal focusing on the contemporary issues in Criminology, Criminal Justice, and Victimology, and it tries to give a new impetus to the field of criminology by the way of high quality articles and book reviews. This journal would provide a forum for International academics, practitioners and activists who share critical perspectives on criminology, criminal justice and Victimology. The main purpose of the journal would be to counter mainstream and authoritarian discourses, policies, and practices relating to crime, Criminal justice and Victimology. Please see details for submissions at <http://www.ijcjs.co.nr/>.

Harry Dammer and Phil Reichel are preparing a second edition of "Teaching About Comparative/International Criminal Justice: Resource Manual" and are soliciting syllabi, assignment ideas, and class projects for the manual. If you would like to have your syllabus or pedagogical aids considered for inclusion, please forward them to Harry Dammer at dammerh2@scranton.edu by late 2005.

From Venessa Garcia, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Kean University, Department of Criminal Justice, 305-I Willis Union, NJ 07083: I have just accepted a position as Editor-in-Chief for a new journal, Crime, Punishment, and the Law/, to be released by Serials Publication in 2006. I am looking for highly qualified individuals to serve as Editorial Board Members. As it is an international journal I have looked to the DIC for qualified people. If you are interested please respond as soon as possible and include your vitas.

Conferences

Blueprints Conference To Disseminate Science-based Information

On March 13-15, 2006, in Denver, CO, the Blueprints for Violence Prevention Initiative at the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence will hold the 2006 Blueprints Conference. The goal of the conference is to disseminate science-based information on youth violence, delinquency, and drug prevention programs. Speakers will include J. Robert Flores, Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; Delbert S. Elliott, Executive Director, Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence; and J. David Hawkins, Founding Director, Social Development Research Group. To obtain further information about the conference and to register online, please visit the conference Web site at <http://www.blueprintsconference.com>.

Fourth Conference of the European Forum for Restorative Justice will take place in Barcelona on 15-17 June 2006. You can find the conference brochure, the registration form, the waiver application form and the call for presentations on our website via <http://www.euforumrj.org/conferences.htm>.

First Annual Stockholm Criminology Symposium: registration is now available on-line at <<http://www.worldcriminology.org/>>. The Symposium will be held June 15-17 at the University of Stockholm. Registered participants in the Symposium will be invited to the Nobel Prize Banquet Room at Stockholm City Hall to witness the presentation of the First Stockholm Criminology Prize and the Prize-Winner's Address at 5 pm on June 15. The Symposium welcomes panels and individual papers submitted on the theme of RECOGNIZING KNOWLEDGE TO REDUCE CRIME AND INJUSTICE. The registration fee is \$50.

Race-Ethnicity-Criminology

The Wilberforce Institute for the Study of Slavery and Emancipation is organising a two day conference on aspects of contemporary slavery November 23-24. The first call for papers and presentations is now available from Gary Craig <G.Craig@HULL.AC.UK> Early registration is advised.

Sixth Biennial International Conference "Policing In Central And Eastern Europe: Past, Present and Futures".

For more information, please check the following site: <http://www.fpvv.uni-b.si/conf2006/>

Thirteenth Annual Meeting: International Police

May 26-30, 2006 in the tourist resort of Sarimsakli (Ayvalik, Balikesir), Turkey.

For more information, please check the following site: <http://www.ipes.info>

Books

World View of Criminal Justice

Richard Vogler, University of Sussex, UK

International and Comparative Criminal Justice

November 2005 * 338 pages

Hardback * ISBN 0 7546 2467 6 * \$99.95 / £55.00

'...a fresh three-pronged theoretical analysis of the dominant legal systems in the world today...' - Stephen Thaman, Saint Louis University School of Law, Saint Louis, USA In an era of unprecedented change in criminal justice around the world, our failure to take procedure seriously has a terrible cost, allowing reform to be driven by purely pragmatic considerations, cost-cutting or foreign influence. This book proposes a new theory of procedure derived from the three great international trial modes of 'inquisitorial justice', 'adversarial justice' and 'popular justice'. For more information, list of contents, PDF sample pages or to order a copy of A World View of Criminal Justice click

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Tough on Criminal Wealth

http://www.springer.com/alert/article?a=1_1flbrq_4chgyr_b73_6

Exploring the Practice of Proceeds from Crime Confiscation in the EU Vettori.

Based on the expertise of thirty leading experts on confiscation in the EU, this is the first book to analyse the practice of proceeds from crime confiscation in the original fifteen EU Member States. It examines the implementation of confiscation provisions in all three (investigative, judicial and disposal) phases of confiscation proceedings. It quantifies the enforcement of confiscation provisions in the EU, using an innovative and unique methodology and thereby furnishes understanding of

obstacles and best practices.

http://www.springer.com/alert/article?a=1_1flbrq_4chgyr_b73_6

Current Issues in International Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

Jay Albanese, editor. Papers from the Ancillary Meetings held within the framework of the United Nations Eleventh Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, Bangkok, 18-25 April 2005. ISPAC, 2004.

For further information, contact: The International Scientific and Professional Advisory Council ISPAC, c/o Centro Nazionale di Prevenzione e Difesa Sociale 3, Piazza Castell-20121 Milan, Italy

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Other Resources

WHO

Approximately once a month we send a list of publications, websites and upcoming meetings which may be of interest to those working on issues of sexual violence. If you would like to suggest resources to be included on >upcoming lists or on the SVRI website, please email svrimail@who.int. Please note that the SVRI web site is updated regularly. It provides information about the SVRI and contains links to documents and other resources on sexual violence and sexual violence research. It is also possible to join and contact the SVRI through the site at: <http://www.who.int/svri/en/> If you have not already done so, please complete the online 'join' form so that we have your complete information.

International Victimology Website (IVW)

Your Gateway to Victimology on the Web

Hosted by the WODC, Ministry of Justice, The Netherlands <http://www.victimology.nl> date: November 14, 2005

In this IVW news round-up:

- * Festschrift for Irene Melup: Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power
- * Human Security Report 2005: War and peace in the 21st century
- * 11th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice: Synergies and responses: Strategic alliances in crime prevention and criminal justice
- * Council of Europe Group of Specialists on Assistance to Victims and Prevention of Victimization (PC-S-AV)
- * Legislative Guides for the implementation of the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its Protocols
- * Human Security Gateway
- * World Society of Victimology 12th International Victimology Symposium , Orlando, Florida, USA, August 20-25, 2006
- * Social Care Online (formerly electronic Library for Social Care (eLSC) and CareData
- * The Code of Practice for Victims of Crime (Home Office)
- * Victim Assistance Online expanded services
- * Journal of Experimental Criminology

Festschrift for Irene Melup: Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power

Irene Melup played a central role in the formulation and adoption of the UN Declaration of Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power (1985) and in follow-up implementation initiatives. This volume honors this UN staff member for her life-long commitment

to victim protection in the framework of crime prevention and criminal justice. The contributions, many of them by leading authors in the field, provide a broad overview of developments linked to the pre- and post-history of the UN Declaration. To see/download the contents, see <http://www.victimology.nl/onlpub/declar/contentsmelupfestschrift.doc> or <http://www.victimology.nl/onlpub/declar/contentsmelupfestschrift.pdf> * * * Human Security Report 2005: War and peace in the 21st century First annual survey of trends in warfare, genocide, and human rights abuses. Produced by the Human Security Centre at the University of British Columbia, the Report will be published by Oxford University Press in November 2005. It provides a comprehensive annual assessment of the incidence, severity, and consequences of political violence around the world. Information is provided about terrorism, genocide, human rights abuse, violent crime (homicide, rape), and much more. The Report can be downloaded from <http://www.humansecurityreport.info>

Position Candidates

The *School of Criminal Justice and the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife* at Michigan State University invite applications for a 9-month, tenure-track position at the assistant professor level.

We seek a scholar whose research and teaching interests relate to environmental crime, environmental crime enforcement, and environmental policy in the context of criminal and regulatory enforcement. The successful candidate will be expected to conduct externally-funded research. Candidates willing to contribute to a joint online certificate program related to environmental crime and enforcement are encouraged to apply. International experience or demonstrated interest in international issues is an advantage. Candidates must have completed a Ph.D. prior to the position starting date and must have demonstrated potential for excellence in teaching, research, and published scholarship.

Review of applications begin January 6, 2006 and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates should send a letter of application including a detailed curriculum vitae to **Professor Christina DeJong, Chair, Search Committee, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1118**. The School of Criminal Justice is the oldest continuous degree-granting program in criminal justice with excellent Ph.D., masters, and undergraduate programs and considerable support for faculty.

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Electronic submission of materials to: dejongc@msu.edu is encouraged (fax letters of recommendation to 517-432-1787). Hard copies of application materials can be sent to **Christina DeJong, Search Committee Chair, School of Criminal Justice, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1118**.