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A Message from the Director

Technology has dramatically impacted the professionalism of law enforcement agencies across the Nation. From improving communication systems to advancing investigative capabilities, technology is redefining the nature of police work.

Even basic computer programs, such as Internet Explorer and the Microsoft Office suite, have greatly enhanced the administrative effectiveness of police agencies. With these programs, officers are able to spend less time confined to the office and more time in their community.

Unfortunately, due to time constraints and lack of funding, it is often difficult for chiefs and sheriffs in rural areas to obtain even the basic computer training they need to streamline the functions of their agency. To assist with this problem, the Criminal Justice Institute is offering executive computer courses exclusively to Arkansas chiefs and sheriffs for a limited time in locations throughout the State. The courses are being provided free of charge and include: **Word 2002 for Law Enforcement Executives**, **Internet Research and E-mail for Law Enforcement Executives**, and **Excel 2002 for Law Enforcement Executives**. More information about these courses can be found on page 8 of this issue of the *CJI Bulletin*.

For your personnel who would like to improve their computer skills, the Institute offers a variety of similar computer courses at our facility in Little Rock. Like the executive courses, these programs are provided at no cost to your agency and are customized for law enforcement personnel. You can see the *CJI Course Schedule* online at www.cji.net for a full listing of our computer courses.

Sincerely,

James T. Clark

Drug Endangered Children Programs are Being Developed Across the Country.

To Find Out How Arkansas is Getting Involved, See Page Four...

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Please Join Us at the First Annual **Safe Schools Conference**

July 11th-12th
Wyndham Riverfront Hotel
North Little Rock

Who Should Attend?

- School Resource Officers
- Parents
- School Administrators
- Counselors
- Community Providers
- D.A.R.E. Officers
- Teachers
- Juvenile Officers
- SRO Supervisors
- Mental Health Professionals

The Registration Fee is \$75 and includes:

- Welcome Reception
- Lunch on Both Conference Days
- One-year Membership to the Arkansas Safe School Association (\$25.00)
- Conference Materials
- Door Prize Tickets

This event is being co-sponsored by the **Arkansas Safe Schools Association** and the **Criminal Justice Institute's School Violence Resource Center**

Workshop Training Topics Will Include:

- Crisis Prevention
- Gang Prevention and Identification
- Legal Updates
- Responding to the Active Shooter
- Drug Recognition
- Bullying
- Adolescent Mental Illness

**The Deadline to Register is
June 24, 2005.**

Cancellation notice must be received in writing by June 30, 2005, to receive a refund. The \$25.00 membership fee included in the registration fee is non-refundable.

For additional information, contact:

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Drug Recognition Expert Conference

June 2nd, 2005

Wyndham Riverfront Hotel
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Dr. Jack Richman will speak about the new updates for pupil ranges, explain what "average" means regarding pupil sizes, and discuss other HGN related issues. Dr. Richman conducted the research that facilitated changes in the DRE curriculum. Arkansas will be one of the first states to receive this information first-hand and have the opportunity to ask Dr. Richman questions in person.

NHTSA will discuss the new DRE tracking system, how to submit evaluations, and this system's importance to the DRE Program.

IACP will present the new DRE curriculum updates in relation to the new pupil ranges and Lack of Convergence.

Bruce Chalk and Terry McCarthy will talk about preparing a case where a DRE evaluation was not conducted and how a DRE can be an expert witness and give an opinion without an evaluation or with a partial.

Michelle Spirk is a forensic toxicologist who specializes in the relationship between drug use and driving impairment. She has performed thousands of forensic alcohol and drug analyses and provided expert testimony in over 600 DUI-related trials. She will talk about over-the-counter and diversion drugs.

Only currently certified DREs and candidate DREs who are in their certification period will be eligible to attend.

This conference, which can serve as the 8-hour continued education requirement set by IACP in the DRE Standards, will be offered at no charge, and lunch will be provided. Hotel rooms will be available for those traveling 50 or more miles from the North Little Rock area. Reimbursement for meals that are not provided and POV mileage will also be available. **You must register by June 1, 2005.**

**For more information, contact John Howell or Pam Mays at
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CJI Receives Funding for FSCEC

Arkansas Senator Mary Anne Salmon secured \$65,000 in General Improvement Funding for the Criminal Justice Institute's Forensic Science and Computer Education Center (FSCEC). The funding will be used to purchase equipment to expand the hands-on capabilities of the FSCEC Forensic Laboratory and will provide a means to conduct more crime scene exercises on-site.

The primary mission of the FSCEC's Forensic Program is to provide education and training programs in crime scene and death investigations. By ensuring the FSCEC Forensic Laboratory contains state-of-the-art equipment, the Institute is able to offer a wider variety of investigation courses that emphasize the ability of this program to assist law enforcement agencies in solving more crime in their communities.

"The Criminal Justice Institute is extremely grateful to Senator Salmon for her support in the 2005 legislative session," says CJI Director Jim Clark.



Senator Mary Anne Salmon (pictured left) recently served as the keynote speaker for graduation ceremonies held for CJI's School of Law Enforcement Supervision. She is pictured here with **Sgt. Mike Foster** of the Arkansas State Police and **CJI Director Jim Clark**.

Protecting Our State's

Drug Endangered Children

January 9, 2005. A five-year old boy is admitted to Arkansas Children's Hospital after drinking "liquid fire"— a sulfuric acid that is used to manufacture Methamphetamine. While the boy languishes in critical condition, his parents are arrested, charged with criminal attempt to manufacture Methamphetamine, a Class A felony, and possession with intent to use drug paraphernalia to manufacture Meth, a Class B felony. Charges of endangering the welfare of minors are pending, since the boy and his three-year-old brother were allegedly present when drugs were being manufactured and drug equipment was being stored in the home.

On the backside of the boy's home—a dilapidated trailer in Hopper, Arkansas—investigators find a large pile of burned items and ashes, along with several containers and other equipment commonly used in the manufacturing of Meth. A blood-filled hypodermic syringe lies beside the burn pile. Inside the residence, a large number of suspected drug paraphernalia and equipment is seized and sent to the Arkansas Crime Lab. The trailer has no plumbing, no electricity, no water source and no front door.



The conference began with a panel discussion, which featured a number of prominent Arkansans who are leading the fight against Meth in our State, including **Arkansas Senator Percy Malone, Attorney General Mike Beebe, and State Drug Director Keith Rutledge.**

Unfortunately, this incident is not isolated. Children across the United States are facing immense dangers by living in drug endangered environments. According to the Office of National Drug Control Policy, children who live at or visit drug production sites or are present during drug production face a variety of health and safety risks, including:

- **Inhalation, absorption, or ingestion of toxic chemicals, drugs, or contaminated foods that may result in nausea, chest pain, eye and tissue irritation, chemical burns, and death**
- **Fires and explosions**
- **Hazardous lifestyle (presence of booby traps, firearms, code violations, poor ventilation)**

These children also face many psychosocial risks, including:

- **Increased violent behavior towards children**
- **Severe neglect**
- **Increased sexual and emotional abuse**
- **Lack of regard for safety**

Number of Children Involved in Meth Lab-Related Incidents, United States

	2000	2001	2002	2003
Number of incidents	8,971	13,270	15,353	14,260
Incidents with children present	1,803	2,191	2,077	1,442
Children residing in labs	216	976	2,023	1,447
Children affected**	1,803	2,191	3,167	3,419
Children exposed to toxic chemicals	345	788	1,373	1,291
Children taken into protective custody	353	778	1,026	724
Children injured	12	14	26	44
Children killed	3	0	2	3
*The 2003 figure for the number of incidents is calendar year, while the remaining data in the column are for fiscal year				
**Data for 2000 and 2001 may not show all children affected				

In response, Drug Endangered Children (DEC) programs are being developed across the country to coordinate the efforts of law enforcement, medical services, child welfare workers, and prosecutors to ensure that children found in these environments receive appropriate attention and care.

Based on 2003 statistics (the most recent available), **Arkansas ranks 5th nationally in the number of children affected at clandestine laboratory incidents.** To assist in addressing this issue, the Criminal Justice Institute and the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children recently hosted the **Arkansas Drug Endangered Children Conference**, a two-day event that was held at the C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center in Little Rock.

The conference began with a panel discussion, which featured a number of prominent Arkansans who are leading the fight against Meth in our State, including Arkansas Senator Percy Malone, Attorney General Mike Beebe, and State Drug Director Keith Rutledge. Conference participants—which included representatives from law enforcement, human services, prosecution, substance abuse treatment, and the medical community—were then able to ask questions of the panel and voice their concerns regarding the Meth problem in Arkansas.

The goals of the conference were threefold: (1) to increase awareness and knowledge of the rapidly growing problem of children endangered by drugs, (2) to promote inter-departmental and inter-agency cooperation, and (3) to promote adoption of standards of care for Drug Endangered Children. Conference topics included *Clan Lab Safety and Awareness*, *Child Abuse Investigations*, *Medical Protocols*, *Child Protective Services*, *Prosecution*, and *Psychosocial*. The potential formation of an Arkansas Alliance for Drug Endangered Children was also discussed.

The Criminal Justice Institute intends to continue working with the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children to foster a statewide coalition of health and service providers to effectively manage and provide care for drug affected children.

**To learn more about this program,
contact Dr. Cheryl May or Chris Stafford:**

501-570-8000

Law Enforcement Organizational Risk Management



Presented by
Graham Research Associates

June 1st, 2005
Criminal Justice Institute
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Topics of Discussion:

- ✓ **Why Things Go Right, Why Things Go Wrong:** Five Pillars of Successful Organizations
- ✓ **Ethical Decision Making:** The Ten-Step Process to Making Better Ethical Decisions
- ✓ **Five Concurrent Themes to Success:** A Systematic Approach to Doing Things Right
- ✓ **Customer Service:** The Five W's and the Two H's

Why Gordon Graham?

- ✓ **30-year veteran** of California law enforcement
- ✓ Experienced as a **practicing attorney**
- ✓ Recognized as a **leading professional speaker** in both the private and public sector
- ✓ **1990 recipient of Governor's Award** for Excellence in Law Enforcement Training

Gordon Graham has made more than 3,000 presentations to various groups, including law enforcement, corrections personnel, fraud investigators, fire professionals, and other first responders. Utilizing a combination of legal instruction and risk management techniques, Graham's presentations are "chuck full" of information and, coupled with Graham's insight and humor, are a must see for law enforcement personnel who wish to avoid disasters. Each presentation includes appropriate "rules" for the topic covered, which allow the informed listener to make immediate, progressive changes to better protect themselves and their agency.

The seminar is free of charge, but **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**. Seating is limited.

To register, contact Kimberly Hendricks at (501) 570-8041.

2005 Annual DWI Conference

Presented by the
Criminal Justice Institute
 and the
Prosecutor Coordinator's Office

May 19th-20th, 2005
Wyndham Riverfront Hotel
North Little Rock, Arkansas

The 5th Annual DWI and Occupant Protection Enforcement Awards Ceremony will be held May 19th, 2005.

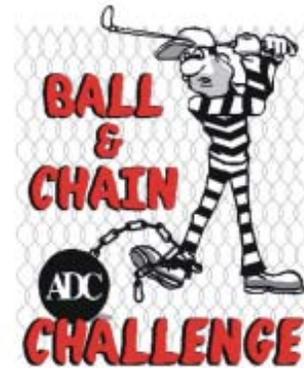
Hosted by the Criminal Justice Institute and the Arkansas State Police Highway Safety Office, this program assembles law enforcement officers, from around the State, to recognize their dedication and commitment to highway safety. The officers being recognized have been selected by their own agencies to receive these awards. Their efforts have made a significant impact regarding highway safety and saving lives.

The PCO Conference will be held on Friday, May 20, 2005.

- **Mr. Stephen Talpins**, Director of the National Traffic Law Center, will be speaking on meeting DWI Defenses.
- **Trooper Jeff Hust** of the Arkansas State Police will discuss DRE for the non-DRE, SFST's, and low manpower checkpoints.
- **Kenneth Casady**, Chief of Staff, Saline County Prosecutor's Office, will be speaking on legal and legislative updates concerning DWI and SFST's.
- **Rep. Marvin Childers**, Arkansas House of Representatives, will be speaking about DWI law enforcement.

This conference is offered at no charge to attendees, and lunch will be provided. Hotel rooms will be available to those traveling 50 or more miles from the North Little Rock area. Reimbursement for meals that are not provided and POV mileage will also be available.

For more information, contact **John Howell** or **Leland Jones** at
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Sign up for a Four-Person Scramble (Shotgun Start) benefiting the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation and the UALR Criminal Justice Department Scholarship Fund.

Harbor Oaks Golf Course
Pine Bluff, AR
May 23rd, 2005

A.M. Flight: 7:00 (sign-in); 8:00 tee-off
P.M. Flight: 12:00 (sign-in); 1:00 tee-off

Tournament limited to first 60
registered and paid teams.

For more information, call:
870-267-6725

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!

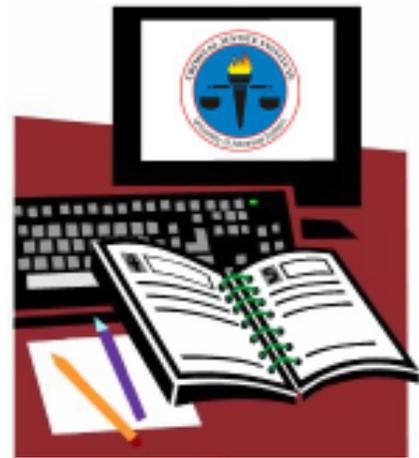
If you have news, article ideas, or pictures you would like to share with the Arkansas law enforcement community, please contact **Beth Green** at the Criminal Justice Institute: (501) 570-8045 or bagreen@cji.net.

CJI Offers Executive Computer Courses for Arkansas Chiefs and Sheriffs

The Criminal Justice Institute's Forensic Science and Computer Education Center is currently offering three executive computer courses exclusively for Arkansas chiefs and sheriffs:

- Excel 2002 for Law Enforcement Executives
- Word 2002 for Law Enforcement Executives
- Internet Research and E-mail for Law Enforcement Executives

Through partnerships with twenty (20) two-year and four-year Arkansas colleges, the Institute will be able to provide these unique courses in locations across the State. In addition, each course will be conducted for 3 hours, ensuring that you spend minimal time away from your agency. **All courses will be conducted prior to June 30th, 2005.**



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