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Orlando 2015 General Meeting for the Section on Security and Crime Prevention

Features a Discussion Panel on Progress Towards Academic Security Standards

The panel will be the featured presentation at the General Meeting of the Section on Security and Crime Prevention and is entitled:
"Professionalization and Accreditation of Programs in the Security Field."

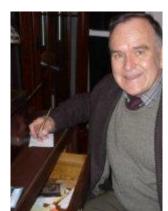
The event includes members of the current Security Education Committee headed by Franklyn Taylor. Frank Taylor currently teaches part-time for the University of Maine's online system and is the **Acting Executive Director** for the Institute for Professional Certification and Accreditation. He was a full-time professor of sociology and criminology for 35 years.

Panelist Loftin Woodiel serves on the ASIS Technical Committee and recently began his term of office as the chair of

the ACJS Section on Security and Crime Prevention. Dr. Woodiel is the CEO, Threat Management Partners and assistant professor of Criminal Justice & Corporate Security Leadership at Missouri Baptist University.

Panelist David R.
Champion is the,
coordinator of the
graduate Criminology
Program at Slippery
Rock University and
the author of
Narcissism and
Entitlement: Sexual
Aggression and the
College Male (LFB
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This event (#429) will take place Friday, March 6th, 5:00-6:15 pm in Curacao 8.



Dr. Franklyn Taylor

FEATURE ROUNDTABLE EVENT #402A:

SECURITY
PROFESSIONAL
MEETS SECURITY
ACADEMIC

Fri., March 6, 9:30-10:45 AM, Boca VI

This roundtable will be moderated by Jeffrey P. Rush, Troy University. Discussants include: Loftin C. Woodiel, Missouri Baptist University; Rickey Ricks, Disney's Hollywood Studios; Arnold Chace, Securitas USA; and Chris Friedmann, First Baptist Church Orlando



PROFESSOR MAHESH K. NALLA TO ATTEND 13TH UNITED NATIONS CONGRESS ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Dr. Mahesh K. Nalla. Associate Director and Graduate Program Chair at the School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University will be participating in the ACJS workshop at the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice in Doha, Qatar. He will be presenting a paper on "State Legitimacy, State Security Provisions and Growth in Private Security: A Comparison of the Determinants of Citizen Trust and Confidence in Private Security Guards in Developed and Emerging Democracies."

The Thirteenth United Nations
Congress will take place from April
12th to the 19th in 2015. The overall
theme, agenda items and the topics
for the workshops of the Thirteenth
Congress were determined by the
United Nations General Assembly.
The theme of the Congress is:

"Integrating crime prevention and criminal justice into the wider United Nations agenda to address social and economic challenges and to promote the rule of law at the national and international levels, and public participation."

Dr. Nalla has published extensively in such journals as: the Journal of Applied Security Research, the European Journal of Criminology, and the Security Journal. He recently co-authored an article with Alison Wakefield entitled "Security Officer" for The Handbook of Security (NY: Palgrave Macmillan, 2014), edited by Martin Gill.

Professor Nalla is also a member of the editorial board of the official journal of the Section on Security and Crime Prevention.

New School Safety Idea: Throw Canned Goods at Intruders

An Alabama middle school principal wants to stockpile cans of food such as corn and peas in classrooms so that students could hurl them as weapons in a last-resort confrontation with a school intruder, reports the Associated Press. W.F. Burns Middle School Principal Priscella Holley asked parents to have each student bring an 8-ounce canned item. "We realize at first this may seem odd; however, it is a practice that would catch an intruder off guard," she wrote in the letter to parents, published by TV station WHNT in Huntsville.

"The canned food item could stun the intruder or even knock him out until the police arrive," Holley wrote. "The canned food item will give the students a sense of empowerment to protect themselves and will make them feel secure in case an intruder enters their classroom." The food cans would be stored in classrooms and students wouldn't be carrying them around school. Using cans or other items as weapons would be a last resort for students unable to evacuate, Schools Superintendent Kelli Hodge told the AP.



INTRODUCING LOFTIN C. WOODIEL NEW SECTION LEADER

In 2014, **Dr. Loftin Woodiel** became the new chair of the Section on Security and Crime Prevention, succeeding Dr. Jeffrey Rush. Woodiel earned a Post Graduate Certificate in International Terrorism from the University of St. Andrews. He received the PhD from Saint Louis University, an MA from University of Central Oklahoma, BA from Western Illinois University, and AAS from the Community College of the U.S. Air Force. He is a professor at Missouri Baptist University where he recently developed a new MS Degree Program in Corporate Security Leadership, offered exclusively online. The new thirty-six (36) semester hour

program is designed for career oriented students who wish to advance their expertise in security leadership, prepare for corporate promotion, or transition into a security leadership position from related career field such as criminal justice, national defense, etc.

In August and November 2014, Dr. Loftin developed and presented on behalf of the U.S. State Department's Bureau of International Narcotics & Law Enforcement three leadership training programs in the Republic of Georgia. In addition, in 2014 he developed and delivered the following training at the International Conference of the National Probation Agency held in Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia: "The Challenge of Transparent, Transformational Leadership is Yours." Fifteen countries, mostly from the European Union, were represented.

Woodiel has also earned his Certified Protection Professional (CPP) credentials from ASIS International. In 2012, Dr. Woodiel was awarded the 2012 Allan J. Cross Award from ASIS International. He is the past president of both the Saint Louis FBI Sponsored Infragard Alliance and the Saint Louis "Top Secret" Security Users Group. An U.S. Air Force veteran, he excelled in three leadership tiers: airman, NCO and commissioned officer. He recently received the Order of Merit, U.S. State Department, Tbilisi Embassy.

Thurs., March 5, 5-6:15 pm
Event PANEL #331: EXPLORING
THE NEED FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIPS
TO IMPROVE SECURITY AND
CRIME CONTROL - Grand Sierra
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A CORPORATE SECURITY PRACTITIONER AND AN ACADEMIC RESEARCHER GO INTO A LAB... Loftin C. Woodiel, Missouri Baptist University;

THE IMPACT OF CRIME ON INNOVATION IN FIRMS OPERATING IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, Sandra Sookram, The University of the West Indies; Anne-Marie Mohammed, The University of the West Indies; George Saridakis, Kingston Business School; CAN "IMPOSED USE" GIVE US AN EVIDENCE-BASED SOCIETY? EVIDENCE-BASED CRIME PREVENTION IN A LAW AND POLICY CONTEXT, Steven Zane, Northeastern University; Brandon Welsh, Northeastern University.

Wednesday, March 4, 2015 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM EVENT #169 Bonaire 3 AUTHOR MEETS CRITICS: BORDER SECURITY

This event is moderated by Magdalena Denham, Sam Houston State University. The authors are James R. Phelps, Jeffrey Dailey, and Monica Koenigsberg, all from Angelo State University. The discussants include: Nathan Jones, Sam Houston State University and Brian Withrow, Texas State University.



This card is a "Wanted for Murder" card from the 1890s. It was mailed by the police department in Worcester, MA probably in the 1890s. Such cards were mailed to all the surrounding towns, this got the word out fast for just one cent.

Orlando 2015 Conference Open Seminar: Getting the

Most Out of the New Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)

This seminar highlights how the largely untapped resources of the VIPS website and other resources can be vital instruments for involving students in a host or worthwhile activities (e.g., assisting school resource officers, serving as auxiliary/reserve officers, etc.) while they are still in college.

The VIPS website provides support and resources for agencies interested in developing or enhancing a volunteer program and for citizens who wish to volunteer their

time and skills with a community law enforcement agency.

It contains over 2,250 domestic and international agency contact names and addresses as well as numerous resources including downloadable program descriptions, application forms, waiver and confidentiality statements, volunteer guides and manuals, and other training materials.

The online materials can be used to not only enhance the capacity of state, local,

campus, tribal, and territorial law enforcement to utilize volunteers, but can serve as an essential tool for both undergraduate and graduate CJ and security related academic programs.

The VIPS website is located at http://www.iacp.org/VIPS

This event will take place Wed., March 4th, 3:30-4:30 pm in Bonaire 2. It will be facilitated by Martin Greenberg, JD, PhD, CPP.

Philip P. Purpura, CPP, has New Textbook

Philip P. Purpura, recently selected by *Security Magazine* as one of the "Top 25 Most Influential People in the Security Industry," has more than 30-plus years of professional experience in the industry. His most recent book is the Sixth Edition of *Security and Loss Prevention: An Introduction* (Elsevier Pub., 2013, 705 pages). Phil Purpura is the Director of the Criminal Justice Program, Security & Justice Institute, at the Florence-Darlington (SC) Technical College. He is the chairperson of the ASIS Council on Academic and Training Programs and the author of more than a half a dozen security related textbooks.

FEATURE PANEL: WED., MARCH 4, 2:00-315 PM (EVENT #140): PROPERTY CRIME I: ART, AGRICULTURE AND ANIMALS

This panel will be held in Bonaire 5 and is chaired by **Dr. Loftin Woodiel** and features the following presentations: ART THEFT AND MUSEUM GUARDIANSHIP by **Kathy Salomon**, University of Louisville; POLICING & SECURITY IN THE FIELD OF ART RELATED CRIMES by **Colleen Clarke** and **Eli Szydio**, Minnesota State University, Mankato; EXPLORING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COUNTY-LEVEL STRUCTURAL VARIABLES AND INCIDENCE OF AGRICULTURAL THEFT by **Dustin Osborne**, University of Louisville; and THE STATUS OF POACHING RESEARCH by **Stephen L. Eliason**, Montana State University Billings.

To counter terror, Europe's police reconsider their arms

On the morning of January 7, 2015 two masked gunmen armed with assault rifles and other weapons forced their way into the offices of the French satirical weekly newspaper Charlie Hebdo in Paris. In addition to the civilians killed during and after the attack, three French officers (including a young unarmed female officer) were slain. In response, European law enforcement agencies are rethinking how - and how many - police should be armed.

In Belgium, where officials say a terror network was plotting to attack police, officers are again permitted to take their service weapons home. French law enforcement officials are seeking heavier weapons, protective gear and a bolstered intelligence apparatus. An official with the French Interior Ministry, speaking on condition of anonymity to discuss ongoing talks, said automatic weapons and heavier bulletproof vests were being

considered.

Among the most horrific images from the Paris attacks was the death of police officer Ahmed Merabet, who can be seen on eyewitness video lying wounded on the pavement as a gunman approaches and fires a final bullet into his head. Merabet, who is seen alone on the street, had a service gun and a bullet proof vest, said Michel Thooris, of the France Police labor union. "But he did not come with the backup he needed, and the psychology to face a paramilitary assault," Thooris said. "We were not prepared in terms of equipment or mind-set for this kind of operation."

"We don't want necessarily the arms that American police have. We need weapons that can respond," said Philippe Capon of French police union UNSA. Among those weapons, he added, are modernized criminal databases, because the current databases are out of

date, and firewalled between different law enforcement branches. "The databases are not interactive. They are not accessible to all. They are not up to date," he said. Unlike their British counterparts, French national police are armed although their municipal counterparts tend to be weaponless. But Thooris said they are not permitted to have their service weapons while off duty, raising the possibility that they could be targeted when vulnerable or unable to help if they stumble across crime afterhours.

Because of increasing unease and last week's antiterror raids, police in Belgium are again allowed to carry weapons home rather than leaving their handguns and bullets in specialized lockers.

The London Metropolitan Police is bolstering the deployment of specialist firearms officers who are authorized to carry weapons. (Adapted from the Associated Press report by Lori Hinnant, *The Daily Gazette*, January 20, 2015, p. A3.)

ROUNDTABLE:

Thurs., March 5, 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM EVENT #278 Curacao 8

TEACHING CRIMINAL JUSTICE ONLINE: WHAT WORKS AND WHAT DOESN'T

Moderated by Robert Gregory Costello, SUNY Nassau Community College. Discussants include: James Blair, South Texas College; Lisa Storm, Hartnell College; Karen Miner-Romanoff, Franklin University; Jeffrey P. Rush, Troy University; MaryAnn Eastep, University of Central Florida; and Michael A. Verro, Excelsior College.

New Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship Section General Meeting: All Welcome to Attend

Boca VIII (Event #257) Thurs., March 4, 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

The purpose of the Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship Section is to bring together Academy members to serve as a multifaceted resource to assist faculty, practitioners, students, administrators, and concerned citizens in their integration of innovative and effective teaching and learning techniques, and the scholarship of teaching within the field of criminal justice education and training.

ROUNDTABLE:

Thurs., March 5, 3:30 PM – 4:45 PM EVENT #322 Curacao 3 HOW MEMBERSHIP IN THE NEW ACJS SECTION ON TEACHING, LEARNING, AND SCHOLARSHIP (TLS) CAN ADVANCE MY ACADEMIC CAREER

Moderated by Colby Valentine, Dominican College. The discussants include: Ronda Marlene Blevins, Roane State Community College; Jeffrey P. Rush, Troy University; Jonathan W. McCombs, Franklin University; Richard C. Helfers, The University of Texas at Tyler; Martin Greenberg, NYSAAP, Inc.



The Journal of Applied Security Research: Prevention and Response in Asset Protection, Terrorism and Violence

Beginning is 2008, *The Journal* was re-titled from the Journal of Security Education to reflect a more comprehensive focus. It is a one-stop resource on security research, education, and training programs that will help scholars, educators, practitioners, and students meet the increasing need for security in the United States. *The Journal* is the official journal of the Security and Crime Prevention Section of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. All members of the Section receive four annual issues. *The Journal* presents the latest developments in theory, practice, research, and assessment with an emphasis on up-to-date methods, techniques, and technology. All research articles in this journal have received rigorous peer review, based on initial editor screening and at least two anonymous referees.

Submission guidelines include providing: a title page with author(s) identifying information (name, degree, title, departmental affiliation, and institution); typewritten and double spaced with one inch margins and page numbers; an abstract page of no more than 100 words; and APA 6th edition publication style.

Each manuscript must be accompanied by a statement that it has not been published elsewhere and that it has not been submitted simultaneously for publication elsewhere.

Brian R. Johnson, Professor, School of Criminal Justice, Grand Valley State University and former Section chair is the Journal's deputy editor.

Manuscripts should be submitted to the Editor, *John Kostanoski*, via email at: john.kostanoski@farmingdale.edu

For full submission details go to:

http://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?journalCode=wasr20&page=instructions

Selected Paper Abstracts

As you review these paper and presentation events, please keep in mind that these are only a sample of the work being presented at the annual meeting concerned with security and crime prevention. In addition, other papers related to the topics abstracted below are usually featured in the same event.

An assessment of School Shooters and Preventive Measures in the U.S. Sabina Leigh Burton, University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Wed. March 4: 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM EVENT #63 Boca VIII

In recent years school shootings have generated great public concern and fueled the belief that our schools are not safe for many students. The author of this paper examined cases of school violence of the past twenty years for commonalities and differences, risk factors, and prior warning signs that were ignored. By comparing and studying common features of school shooters such as family life, personalities, behaviors, and past abuse three subtypes could be identified: the traumatized, the psychotic, and the anti-social school-shooter. The paper concludes with an assessment of school strategies such as threat assessment, zero-tolerance and student profiling.

Merchants Under Siege: A Qualitative Study on the Perceptions of Business Owners in a High-Crime Urban Area Vaughn Crichlow, Florida Atlantic University; Edmund McGarrell, Michigan State University

Wed. March 4: 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM EVENT #84 Curacao 2

There is a paucity of research on the perceptions of business owners in high-crime environments. To address this gap, this study explores small business owners? attitudes toward police, city authorities and the local community. Qualitative data were collected from in-depth interviews with 39 business owners from some of Detroit's most violent and disorderly areas. The findings indicate that there are differences across type of business. Furthermore, business owners are concerned about unfair regulations, the poor performance of city officials, the threat of violent crime, theft, vandalism, and declining residential communities. The implications for police practice and community-based partnerships are discussed.

Homeland Security in the Arab World Ahmad Falah Alomosh, University of Sharjah Wed. March 4: 12:30 PM – 1:45 PM EVENT #120 Curacao 4

This study aims to discuss the potential threat to homeland security in the Arab world especially terrorism, both domestic and international. The study focuses on the impact of those threats on the socioeconomic and political structures in the Arab world. It also examines the role of public and private sectors in protecting national interests.

Open Seminar: "I just wish they would participate!" Facilitators: Rhonda Marlene Blevins, Roane State Community College; Elizabeth Butin, Holyoke Community College

Wed. March 4: 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM EVENT #135 Antigua 3

How many times have you been teaching class and had that thought? We like to think it is easy to get students to participate in fun classes with fun material. That normally applies to elementary education classes, but some of our criminal justice classes are very participatory by nature. Join me for an open seminar on ways to get students to participate when the material we are dealing with is not fun and happy. Learn my strategies for engaging students in the classes like Intro to Corrections, Criminal Law, Understanding Terrorism, and many more.

Selected Paper Abstracts cont'd.

Unifying Erie with Data Driven Approaches to Crime Reduction and Growing Neighborhoods Moderator: Amy Eisert, Mercyhurst University Civic Institute

Thurs. March 5: 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM *EVENT #207A* Antigua 3

A roundtable discussion about the three prong approach being utilized in Erie, Pennsylvania to reduce violence and crime. Panelists will discuss this comprehensive effort involving collaborative strategies to simultaneously address prevention, enforcement, and reentry. A wide variety of organizations, individuals, law enforcement, and community leaders have joined together to move this project forward. The project relies on data-driven approaches to assessing and implementing evidence-based and evidence-informed strategies. The overall objective of the initiative is healthier neighborhoods, stronger families, and a safer community.

A Fresh Set of Eyes: Making the Case for Private Investigators in Cold Cases Sarah Stein, Western New England University

Thurs. March 5: 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM EVENT #207 Antigua 2

Since 1980, the United States has accumulated over 180,000 unsolved homicides. The rate of unresolved crimes, including homicides, sexual assaults, and missing persons is increasing exponentially due to forensic laboratory backlogs as well as a lack of investigatory resources such as funding, manpower, and expertise. The issue of forensic backlogs is partially addressed by NIJ grants for DNA testing. However, as to investigatory resources, little is being done. This presentation proposes a methodology to facilitate the resolution of cold cases: allowing private investigators access to the case files after a period of inactivity in a case or police incompetence has been demonstrated.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER & BOOK SIGNING: LT. GENERAL RUSSEL L. HONORE (RET.) Thurs. March 5: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM EVENT #304 Grand Sierra B

LT. General Russel L. Honoré, US Army (Ret), was widely hailed by the media as the "Category 5 General" who led Task Force Katrina in the aftermath of the devastating hurricanes that struck the Gulf Coast in the summer of 2005. General Honoré is currently a Senior Scientist with The Gallup Organization. "During this post-9/11 and Hurricane Katrina era, there has been more emphasis placed on government/FEMA preparedness, but the vast majority of Americans have not grabbed onto the need to be prepared at home and at work for potential disasters. One of the harshest lessons learned from recent disasters, especially Katrina, is that you are your own first responder."

This book, authored by retired Lt. Gen. Honore and Jennifer Robison, is a short course on how to be an effective leader in the 21st century. It was published by Acadian House in 2012. It describes modern leadership principles and techniques and illustrates them with stories from the author s vast life experiences. **Leadership in the New Normal** is intended for leaders and aspiring leaders in the fields of business, management, government, military, education, and other worthwhile forms of human endeavor.

Selected Paper Abstracts cont'd.

Stakeholder Perceptions of a Crime Prevention Program Rudy Prine, Valdosta State University Thurs. March 5: 3:30 PM – 4:45 PM EVENT #310 Grand Sierra H

This study examines selected stakeholder groups leader's perceptions (75 stakeholder were interviewed) of an office of Crime Prevention in a mid-sized Southern city. Responses indicate consensus on some indicators but significant differences by group and race.

Understanding and Effectively Combating Human Trafficking as a Preventative Means to Hindering Terrorist Operational Status John Catalanotto, Iona College; Cathryn F. Lavery, Iona College

Thurs. March 5: 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM EVENT #311 Grand Sierra I

The general response to terrorism in the past 13 years has been almost entirely reactionary. This tactic of placing a bandage on a broken leg has been of limited value, even fruitless. To fight terrorism effectively, the international community must consider pivoting from the defensive to the offensive and implement tangible preventative policies to prevent further acts of global terrorism. By effectively rethinking policy, changing our current mindset and operationally changing the existing paradigm, governments may begin to find a long-term solution to combat extremist operations and assure a more secure world. This paper presentation will examine the need for governments and criminal justice practitioners to confront and understand that human trafficking is being used by terrorist networks to globally fund their operations. This paper proposes a theoretical framework to move counterterrorism in that direction.

Security Guards Perceptions of Police Legitimacy in Slovenia Mahesh Nalla, Michigan State University; Sotlar Andrej, University of Maribor; Jerneja Sifrer, University of Maribor; Gorazd Mesko, University of Maribor

Thurs. March 5: 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM EVENT #341 Curacao 2

There have been studies about citizens' perceptions of police legitimacy in both developed and developed economies relative to security guards whose job responsibilities and duties sometimes resemble some functions of the public police. In this paper we examine security guards attitudes regarding their trust and confidence in police officers, state procurators, judges, and other CJ professionals in Slovenia. The data for the study comes from a sample of security officers who are required by law to undergo professional development course on a periodic basis as delineated by the Private Security Act of Slovenia. Findings and implications are discussed.

Global Perspectives on Crime Prevention and Community Resilience

Diana Bruns, Southeast Missouri State University; Dilip K. Das, International Police Executive Symposium Fri. March 6: 8:00 AM – 9:15 AM EVENT #355 Grand Sierra H

The International Police Executive Symposium held its 25th meeting in Sofia, Bulgaria on July 27-31, 2014. The conference, co-hosted by the Bulgarian Ministry of Interior, was entitled Crime Prevention & Community Resilience: Police Role with Victims, Youth, Ethnic Minorities and Other Partners. Practitioners and academics representing 30 countries and every continent across the world presented papers for this participative dialogue on global crime prevention initiatives and best practices. International strategies and cooperative efforts were explored to develop working relationships between law enforcement personnel and academic researchers, engage and build resilient communities, and mold effective global and local partnerships.

Selected Paper Abstracts cont'd.

ACJS Research and Pictorial Showcase

discussed.

Routine Activity Theory and Terrorism against Airports and Airlines Molly Block, University of Louisville

Fri. March 6: 5:00 PM - 6:15 PM *EVENT #433* Bonaire 4

This study is a first step towards applying routine activity theory to incidents of terrorism. It is argued that routine activity theory is uniquely suited as a theory for explaining and preventing terrorism attacks. An example of how routine activity theory can be applied to terrorism is demonstrated through—the application of the theory to terrorism against airports and airlines. Structural Equation Modeling is used to test the ability of routine activity theory to explain terrorist incidents using the Global Terrorism Database. From this application of the theory, possible prevention methods are discussed.

No. 88 Preventing Sexual Assault: Correlates of Bystander Intentions to Intervene Lindsay
Ashworth, Sam Houston State University; Alicia Jurek, Sam Houston State University; Cortney Franklin, Sam
Houston State University; Patrick Brady, Sam Houston State University
Fri. March 6: 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM EVENT #444 Grand Sierra E/F/G/H/I

Prevention efforts for college sexual assault have spanned nearly half a century. Recently, legislative and White House efforts re-focused attention on creating safe environments for students through the passage of the Campus Save Act (2014) and development of the White House Task Force on Sexual Assault. Scholarship has also drawn attention to the efficacy of bystander intervention programs for discouraging and preventing sexual assault. This study uses data from college students enrolled at a public university without a system-wide bystander intervention program to assess correlates of

No. 56 Community Oriented Criminal Justice at Coppin State University an Urban Historically Black College and University Michael M. Berlin, Coppin State University; Ralph Hughes, Coppin State University

subjects' willingness to intervene in high-risk situations. Implications for policy and research are

Fri. March 6: 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM *EVENT #444* Grand Sierra E/F/G/H/I ACJS Research and Pictorial Showcase

Coppin State University is an Historically Black College and University (HBCU) in Baltimore, Maryland. Coppin State faculty and students are engaged in a wide variety of partnership, advocacy and research projects involving law enforcement, the legislature, courts, corrections, juvenile justice and other criminal justice agencies. This research showcase highlights key projects. Coppin Students for Justice led by retired State Senator and faculty member Ralph M. Hughes worked to reduce wrongful convictions through passage of SB 860 Chapter 201 in April 2014 which required police departments and sheriffs' offices in Maryland to adopt best practices in eyewitness identification. Multiple Coppin State faculty and students participated in this and other projects including but not limited to an on-line survey of Minority Youth Attitudes Toward Police and Community Policing at an HBCU conducted in conjunction with the University Police Department.