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In Memoriam



(Photo from LAPD Historical Society)
Retired LAPD Chief Daryl F. Gates passed away on Friday, 16 April 2010 at the age of 83. Chief Gates, while often controversial, inspired rank and file officers around the country and was a symbol of professionalism in law enforcement. During my tenure with the University of Central Oklahoma my students contacted the LAPD and asked for statistics on the number of citizen complaints filed against its officers and information on their disposition. The

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LAPD, then commanded by Chief Gates, responded by providing detailed statistics additional information monetary settlements due to pending lawsuits. During this time other major city police departments around the United States were asked for similar information, but only the LAPD provided it without hesitation. As a result, I sent a letter to the LA Times commending the LAPD under Chief Gates for its openeness and the quality of their cooperation when asking for information that was not provided by other large agencies around the country. As a courtesy I sent a copy of this letter to Chief Gates.

On 17 March 1992, shortly after the LA Riots triggered by the Rodney King incident, Chief Gates sent me a personal letter thanking me for the letter I sent to the LA Times.

About four years later another student mailed a brief questionnaire to then retired Chief Gates in care of the LAPD. The questionnaire was forwarded to Chief Gates who in his own hand writing completed the questionnaire and wished the student well.

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LAPD Chief Daryl Gates...

Chief Gates published his memoirs in "Chief: My Life in the LAPD." I can highly recommend the book, though it is out of print, for a behind the scenes look at how politics can interfere with the proper operation of a police department. Charlie Beck, the current LAPD Chief, stated that

"Daryl Francis Gates was a one-in-a-million human being. He inspired others to succeed and, in doing so, changed the landscape of law enforcement around the world." I whole heartedly concur. (Quote from the LAPD homepage at:

http://www.lapdonline.org/home/news vie w/44671)

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

DARYL F. GATES Chief of Police



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March 17, 1992

Harald Otto Schweizer, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice University of Central Oklahoma 100 North University Drive Edmond, Oklahoma 73034-0182

Dear Prof. Schweizer:

Forgive me for not responding to your exceptional letter sooner. At this particular moment in L.A.P.D. history, it was most uplifting.

Your thanks has been expressed to those who responded to your students. I can think of no more important way to spend our time than giving knowledge and understanding to young people in search of information. It helps us all and builds important relationships as well.

Also, let me thank you for the kind letter sent to the Times. It probably will not be printed, but it is deeply appreciated.

DARYL F. GATES Chief of Police

CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Criminology Law Enforcement Option sponsored a talk by Fin JOHNSON about the THE AFGHAN NATIONAL POLICE on 17 April 2010. Mr. JOHNSON is a former aide to the top Afghan general in charge of criminal investigations.

Attendees came from as far as Bakersfield and Fin JOHNSON captivated his audience with his description of the realities encountered when conducting criminal investigations in Afghanistan, and the complexities caused by multiple international organizations providing uncoordinated or poorly coordinated services in a country that is marked by corruption and violence.



Fin JOHNSON making a point during the presentation at Fresno State.

Below members of the European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan representing various EU countries.





Fin JOHNSON took particular issue with the recent decision to have the U.S. military assume responsibility for training civilian police, something that is of questionable value considering the differences in duties and functions between the military and civilian law enforcement.



AFGHAN NATIONAL POLICE... Reporting for Duty



Fin JOHNSON (Center) with Ghurka body guards

Though Mr. JOHNSON is retired from active police work he puts his background and experience to good use as the current Manager for Security and Emergency Preparedness for the Turlock Irrigation District in California.

CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT OFF CAMPUS DEGREE PROGRAM

Saturday, 1 May 2010 in Science II
Information Session (B.S. & M.S.)
1100-1200 Rm. 108
Reception with food and refreshments
In Crim. Dept. Office 1200 until.....

The third annual reception for all current and former "downtown program" students and faculty will be held this spring. reception will be preceeded by a presentation and information session regarding the program itself, an introduction of program and criminology department faculty, and information regarding the downtown B.S. and M.S. criminology degree programs for government employees. Free parking is available nearby, as indicated on the aerial photo on the last page of this newsletter.

OFF CAMPUS (DOWNTOWN FRESNO) DEGREE PROGRAM CHANGES

In addition to current government employees, the following personr are now also eligible to join the downtown degree program on a "space available" basis.

- 1. Persons laid off from area government agencies for budgetary reasons
- Spouses of current government employees.

This change was discussed with Fresno City Personnel, the Division of Continuing and Global Education at CSU Fresno, and current students in the downtown B.S. and M.S. degree programs.

With CSU Fresno reducing student enrollment due to state-wide budget cuts, the number of new students admitted to any program will be reduced. This, however, does not impact the off campus degree program in downtown Fresno. There are no admissions restrictions for this program except that applicants must meet the program eligibility requirements and the requirements for admission to the university.

CHANGE IN DOWNTOWN PROGRAM CLASSROOM

Due to the relocation of some Fresno Police Department units/functions, classes that have been held at the FPD Annex training room will likely be moved to another location either elsewhere in the FPD Annex or nearby at other government facilities beginning in August 2010. Any permanent change will be announced in this newsletter and also during downtown classes.

CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT GRADUATE PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Dr. Barbara OWEN is stepping down as the coordinator of the department graduate program at the end of May 2010. The new incoming coordinator will be Dr. Toni Dupont-Morales.

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Dr. Dupont-Morales

RETIREMENT

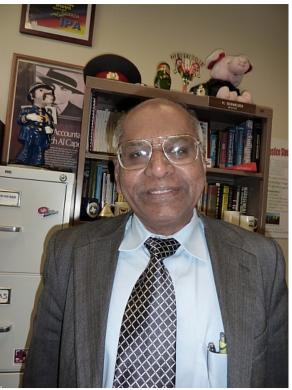
After nearly thirty years of service, Dr. R. Thomas Dull is retiring from full time teaching.



Dr. Dull served many years as graduate program coordinator, and also founded and served as director of the criminology department honors program. Dr. Dull is a true Criminologist, with a love of theory and a knack for telling stories that make everyone laugh, including himself. Dr. Dull was honored at a recent retirement dinner and everyone wished him well for a life without furloughs.



VICTIMOLOGY & POLICE IN INDIA



Dr. Kumarevelu Chockalingam, past president of the Indian Society of Victimology and former vice president of the World Society of Victimology, recently visited the criminology department and gave a lecture on "Victimology in India: Challenges for a Major Developing Country." Dr. Chockalingam is also the deputy director of the center for victimology at Tokiwa University in Japan.

http://www01.tokiwa.ac.jp/intlco/English version/resarch%20centers.htm#TIVI

During his visit and subsequent conversation with Dr. Schweizer, Dr. Chockalingam discussed the problems concerning dowry deaths and also the corruption within the Indian police and the hiring process for

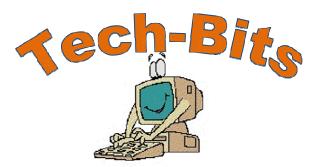
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executive level police officials in that country. The boom in economic activity, the accellerated increase in the use and development of technology, and greater involvement in business world wide, has resulted in greater economic wealth in most sectors of Indian society, which in turn has enabled government to provide for more adequate pay and benefits for its police services. This in turn has resulted in a reduction of corruption within the police. Top Management level police personnel furthermore undergo a hiring process that is different from rank and file applicants. Candidates are selected among college/university graduates on a national basis and after undergoing rigorous management level training, become part of the "India Police Service" and are posted or assigned to executive positions with state police agencies across the country.

Interestingly, the incidence of dowry deaths has also decreased and it can be surmised that with the decrease in general poverty, families are better able to actually pay or give the dowry agree upon, which in turn reduces the number of cases where women are killed by the husband or the husband's family for not bringing in the promised dowry.



Dr. Schweizer with police in Mumbay, India



Prior newsletters have mentioned the convenience of SKYPE in making video and/or audio calls between computers on the WWW. While many computer users are familiar with SKYPE and its capabilities for communicating between computers, there are, perhaps, other methods for using and accessing SKYPE that are less well known.

With the continuing evolution of cell phone technology, cell phones have become computers in their own right. A remaining problem for some people, however, is that long distance calls using cell phones, particularly calls to foreign countries, are still very expensive when using the cell phone company's communication system. This problem can be circumvented by newer cell phones with Wi-Fi Capability and also through the use of "data plans" offered by cell phone companies.



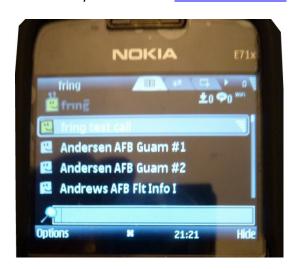
There are several ways to access and make SKYPE calls using some of these newer WiFi

Cell phones and SKYPE...

capable cell phones. Before doing so, however, it is important to review the phone's software. One cell phone, such as the NOKIA E71x for example, has WiFi capabilities and also the web browser necessary for accessing the WWW. The internet can be accessed at WiFi hotspots as long as it is an open link and with the password, if it is not. Accessing the WWW at the hotspot does not involve the cell phone company's communication system and is therefore free.

A second method for accessing the WWW is through the cell phone company's dataplan. This plan typically involves a flat fee for unlimited internet access through the cellular connection. With SKYPE, this internet connection can be used to make actual voice and video calls to anyone on the WWW for no additional charge since the phone company does not recognize the transmission as a phone call but as internet traffic.

For this reason, cell phones do not come with SKYPE software and the software can in many instances not simply be downloaded and used. Not to worry....here comes www.fring.com



Fring software can be downloaded and transferred to your cell phone for free and FRING will become your gateway to SKYPE.



When turning on the cell phone in a wide area having WiFi, such as a university campus, it is possible to not only receive regular phone calls but also SKYPE calls with existing WiFi signals. This capability also works when signing in to the WWW using the dataplan.

Another interesting twist is that for about \$12 per month, SKYPE customers can make unlimited internet based calls to "landline" telephones in over 30 countries including any landline (not cell phone) number in the US and Canada.

Calls to cell phones, however, are costly at more than 20 cents per minute. This is avoided if you make a SKYPE call from your internet connected computer or your own cell phone with a SKYPE connection using a dataplan or active WiFi connection, and the other party is also using a cell phone with similar connectivity. Since the basic computer to computer SKYPE calls are free, using an Internet capable cell phone with FRING on both ends in essence makes calls between cell phones free, even if the call goes around the world. It should be noted, however, for video calls to cell phones connected to the WWW through the phone company connection, it is necessary to have 3G service due to the transfer speed required for video.

THE CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT OFF CAMPUS DEGREE PROGRAM INVITES

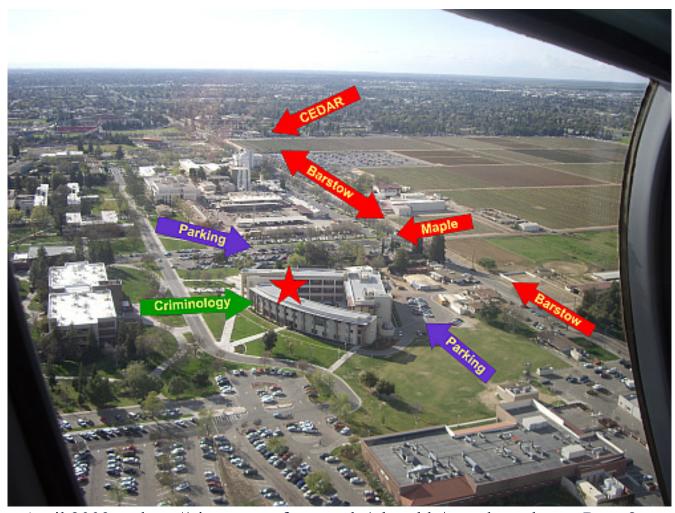
PAST AND PRESENT DOWNTOWN PROGRAM STUDENTS AND FACULTY AND ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR OFF CAMPUS PROGRAMS TO ATTEND THE UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE INFORMATION SESSION AND RECEPTION

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News about second graduate cohort beginning January 2011

Reception with food and refreshments

In Crim. Dept. Office 1200 until.....contact Dr. Schweizer for more details



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