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Roger Williams University President Donald J. Farish, Ph.D., J.D., thanks Chief Robert Campbell, President of the New England Association of Chiefs of Police, Inc., for their monetary gift to fund the New England Association of Chiefs of Police Forum Series at the Justice System Training & Research Institute.

NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE FORUM SERIES

In a continuing effort to contribute to the enhancement of policing leadership in the region, the New England Association of Chiefs of Police has initiated the *Forum Series on Contemporary & Leading Edge Issues in Policing* in collaboration with the Institute at Roger Williams University during the course of the next year. Consisting of four forums, each session will feature a speaker who is a prominent practitioner or researcher who has had an effect in the development or implementation of best or promising practices in the profession.

The inaugural forum took place at Roger Williams University's Bristol Campus in December 2011 and featured Dr. Ellen Scrivner, National HIDTA Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President. Dr. Scrivner spoke about the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) program in the New England Region focusing on "facilitating cooperation among federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies to share information and implement coordinated enforcement activities; enhancing law enforcement intelligence sharing among federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies; providing reliable law enforcement intelligence to law enforcement agencies to facilitate the design of effective enforcement strategies and operations; and supporting coordinated law enforcement strategies that make the most of available resources to reduce the supply of illegal drugs in designated areas of the United States and in the Nation as a whole."

Along with Jay Fallon, Executive Director, and David Kelley, Deputy Director, of the New England HIDTA, Dr. Scrivner engaged in a facilitated discussion with the police executives in attendance about their experiences in the community. The free flowing, frank discussion encouraged the police leaders to share with their colleagues and the HIDTA officials descriptions of programs that are working in their communities throughout the region.



Dr. Ellen Scrivner, National HIDTA Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, discussing a model for police executive's thinking during the first session of the New England Association of Chiefs of Police Forum Series. (Photo – Peter King)

Message from the Director

Times continue to be exciting in the Institute at Roger Williams University as efforts continue to engage with professionals and educators to push the thinking in the criminal justice system.

Through our partnership with the New England Association of Chiefs of Police we have collaborated to develop the *Forum Series on Contemporary & Leading Edge Issues in Policing* that will be of benefit to police chiefs in the region. This contribution to the life-long learning of police leaders is a natural complement to the Command Training Series career development courses that have been the stalwart of the partnership since 2004. Over 1,900 police practitioners have completed that coursework and become informed leaders in police departments throughout New England.

Work within the Institute alongside colleagues from the Providence Police Department, and supported by the New England Association of Chiefs of Police, has continued on the COPS Office funded “Teaching Police Department Initiative”. Core team members have been persistent in developing a model for police leadership training that is guided from research in the education and medical fields. Another effort at influencing thinking in the field will be buttressed when the Institute and the Providence Police Department host the *23rd Annual Problem-Oriented Policing Conference* in October. These initiatives help to broaden discernment of best and promising practices.

We continue to serve as a venue for visiting international criminal justice and government officials who seek information on the American criminal justice system. The recent visit by Czech Republic officials is yet another example of how the Institute exemplifies Roger Williams University core values of appreciation of global perspectives and promotion of civil discourse.

I encourage you to take advantage of Institute initiatives and programs and become part of the ‘leading edge’ in advancing criminal justice practices.

Robert W. McKenna

Assistant Dean and Director

Justice System Training & Research Institute

Organization Officials from the Czech Republic Visit Rhode Island



The Justice System Training & Research Institute coordinated a visit to Rhode Island by a contingent of government and non-governmental organization officials from the Czech Republic as part of a three-week trip to various cities in the United States under the auspices of the Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program that was arranged by Meridian International Center, Washington, D.C. The purpose of the trip was to study U.S. anti-corruption and transparency methods and strategies during which the visitors had the opportunity to “meet with

their professional counterparts to explore effective mechanisms for maintaining accountability and openness amongst the three branches of government at the local, state and federal levels.” Pictured with American colleagues during a session on Police Professional Standards Investigations accommodated by the Providence Police Department at headquarters are Ms. Iveta Jordanova, the Board Chair, Pink Panther (watchdog NGO), Mr. Jan Korytar, Member of the City

Assembly in Liberec, Mr. Tomas Martinec, Director, Combating Corruption and Financial Crimes Unit, Police Force of the Czech Republic, Mr. Petr Sereda, Public Prosecutor and Section Head, Supreme Prosecutor's Office in Olomouc, and Ms. Daniela Zemanova, Judge of the Supreme Administrative Court. In addition to the meeting at police headquarters, the Czech officials received briefings from the IRS Criminal Investigation Section, the Rhode Island State Police Financial Crime Unit, and the Rhode Island Board of Elections.

(Photo – Ron Pino)

Center for Problem-Oriented Policing Conference: October 22 – 24, 2012

The **23rd Annual Problem-Oriented Policing Conference** will be hosted by the Providence Police Department and Roger Williams University's School of Justice Studies at the **Westin Providence Hotel** between **October 22 and 24, 2012**. The conference, sponsored by the Center for Problem-Oriented Policing, is supported by the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) in the U.S. Department of Justice. According to the Center for Problem-Oriented Policing, "each year, police officers and police leaders, and all the ranks in between, as well as crime consultants and crime researchers, come together to discuss what they've learned about trying to reduce different crime and safety problems. Attendees choose the workshops they'll attend from an agenda that will feature more than 20 different crime and safety problems."

Additional information can be found at events@popcenter.org or by phone at 980-621-9337.

Responding to questions posed by attendees at a recent *Command Training Series: Mid-Management Course* during the New England Police Chiefs' Roundtable were (l-r) Chief Frank Frederickson, Yarmouth Police Department (MA), Chief Sid Wordell, Little Compton Police Department (RI), and Chief David 'Lou' Ferland, Portsmouth Police Department (NH). The roundtable has traditionally served as the culminating educational module of the two-week course that has delivered career development schooling to over 300 mid-level police managers throughout New England in the past seven years.



Chief Michael Wynn, Pittsfield Police Department (MA) facilitates a discussion with a class at the *Command Training Series: First Line Supervisor Course* on the topic of situational leadership. Participants in the class included police officers from Sanford (ME), Portland (ME), Amherst (NH), Berlin (NH), Concord (NH), Nashua (NH), Colchester (VT), Dedham (MA), Gardner (MA), Harvard University (MA), Harwich (MA), Hingham (MA), Hopkinton (MA), Marion (MA), Needham (MA), Raynham (MA), University of Massachusetts – Amherst, Clinton (CT), Darien (CT), University of Connecticut, and Coventry (RI). The graduates became part of the nearly 900 member Command Training Series: First Line Supervisor alumni who have completed the two-week course at the Institute.

Command Training Series – Alumni Notes...

Mark Knott (*First Line Supervisor – April 19 – 30, 2004*) a Captain in the Coventry, RI police department has assumed command of the Detective Division.

Douglas F. Wyman Jr. (*First Line Supervisor – September 12 – 23, 2005, Mid-Management – March 13 – April 11, 2008, and Executive Development – October – November 2009*) serves as the Chief of the Sandwich, NH police department, a department that was a finalist for the 2011 IACP Community Policing Award in Chicago, Illinois.

Terry W. Hazel (*Mid-Management February 28 – March 11, 2005*) Deputy Chief of the Middletown, RI police department along with Lieutenants **Robert Nutt** (*Mid-Management – October 23 – November 6, 2006; Executive Development – September – October 2011*) and **Patrick Sweeney** (*First Line Supervisor – April 17 – 28, 2006; Mid-Management – March 31 – April 11, 2008*), accepted a Unit Citation Medal for the successful investigation and apprehension of a murder suspect within a short time after the crime occurred in their town.

Frank J. Levesque (*Mid-Management January 22 – February 2, 2007*) has been promoted to Captain in the Johnston, RI police department and is assigned as the Night Patrol Commander.

Kevin Furlong (*Mid-Management April 16 – 27, 2007*) a Sergeant with the Milford, NH police department was selected as the September 2011 Officer of the Month by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, Washington, DC.

Daniel Dvorak (*Mid-Management October 22 – November 2, 2007*) who has been a Lieutenant in the Patrol Division of the Newport, RI police department has been recently transferred to an assignment as the Administrative Services Lieutenant.

Mark Buckley (*Mid-Management October 20 – 31, 2008*) was promoted to Deputy Chief of the New Milford, CT police department in September 2011 and recently graduated from the FBI National Academy Session 247.

Troy Cline (*Mid-Management March 1 – 12, 2010*) has moved on from the Hooksett, NH police department to assume command of the Wiscasset, ME police department as the Chief of Police.

Michael Sauschuck (*Executive Development October – November 2010*) has been promoted to Chief of Police in the Portland, ME police department.

Upcoming Seminars, Courses, and Conferences

Pre-employment Background Investigation Seminar (April 23 – 24, 2012) – The seminar will address contemporary concepts, issues, and practices to include: practical implications for background investigation, definitions and terminology, steps in the pre-employment screening process, laws of the hiring process, medical standards, psychiatric standards and the screening process, polygraph VSA examinations (where applicable), the background investigation process itself, sources of information, and the background investigation report. The course will increase the knowledge, skills, and confidence of participants who conduct background investigations of law enforcement line employees. Students should bring relevant background investigation policies and materials of their individual departments for class review and exercises.

Rhode Island State Victim Assistance Academy – Advanced Topic: Child Victimization (April 27, 2012) – A ½ day session developed for practitioners focusing on children as victims of violence. Presenters include Amy Goldberg, M.D., an Attending Physician in the Child Protection Program at Hasbro Children's Hospital, Providence, RI who holds an appointment as an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at the Alpert Medical School of Brown University, and Vincent McAteer, Chief – Child Protective Services, R.I. Department of Children, Youth & Families.

Northeast Association of Criminal Justice Sciences 2012 Annual Meeting (June 6 – 9, 2012) – The conference, “*Intellectuals or Entrepreneurs? Criminal Justice Education and Practice in the 21st Century*”, offers an interesting program with several presentations and workshops examining entrepreneurial approaches to academics and the practice of criminal justice. During the NEACJS Town Hall meeting attendees will have an opportunity to raise issues drawn from the conference theme as well as other issues important to the field for discussion in an open forum.

Field Training & Evaluation Program – FTO Course (June 11 – 15, 2012) – The course is designed to provide formal training and practical information for personnel who will become Field Training Officers in their police department. The course, through reference to the “San Jose Model”, will consider specific teaching methods applicable to adult learners, performance evaluations using standardized rating procedures, remedial training techniques, and legal issues in recruit training, as well as ethics, leadership, communication, evaluation, retention and dismissal.

Additional courses and registration information can be found on the Institute's web site at <http://sjs.rwu.edu/jstri>

COMMAND TRAINING SERIES FALL 2012 SCHEDULE

FIRST LINE SUPERVISOR COURSE

2 – Week Course

September 17 – September 28, 2012

November 26 – December 7, 2012

MID-MANAGEMENT COURSE

2 – Week Course

October 22 – November 2, 2012

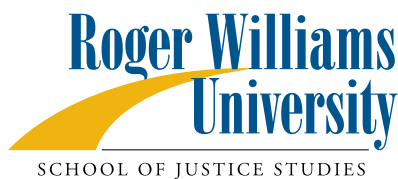
EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT COURSE

9 – Week Course

Classroom segments: October 10 – 12, 2012 and November 14 - 16, 2012

Web – based segments: October 1 – 9, 2012 and October 13 – November 13, 2012

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