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#### "Criminal Justice Education and the Moral Order"

SWACJ conference in Bryan, Texas from 09/29 & 30 -10/1/2011 at the Hilton College Station & Conference Center.



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#### Dear SWACJ Members and Friends:

It is my pleasure to report that planning for the 2011 Annual Meeting is progressing and progressing well. The host hotel is the College Station Hilton and Conference Center and, as advertised, it is a premier facility. The guest rooms are quite nice and the rate they gave us is outstanding for a facility of this type. The meeting rooms are large and comfortable. There is a very nice pool area, a good restaurant and bar, and overall, the surroundings are very comfortable and pleasant.

Across the street from the host hotel and well within easy walking distance is a large strip mall with an impressive and diverse selection of restaurants; diverse in terms of both price and cuisine. The Past Presidents' Reception will be held at the Messina Hoff Winery a few miles distant from the hotel. If you are not familiar with Messina Hoff, please go to their website and see just what a beautiful place it is. The Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), one of the world's premier trainers of police, fire, and emergency services personnel will provide tours of their huge, state of the art training facility. They will also be working with us in sponsoring an undergraduate Crime Scene Interpretation competition. As in past years we will be holding our undergraduate Quiz Bowl and our student paper competitions.

The theme for this year's meeting is "Criminal Justice and the Moral Order." In effect, I am asking us to reflect on and assess our role as criminal justice educators and students in maintaining a just social order based on a shared sense of values and decency. I am particularly desirous of having a few panels and roundtables to specifically share research and theories on this important topic. Our keynote speaker will concentrate on the theme at the luncheon and I will speak to it, as well, during my brief address at the Friday afternoon business meeting.

In other news, Roger Enriquez, our Journal Editor will be completing his term of office the end of this year. I have asked Will Oliver to form a search committee for a new editor which he has very graciously agreed too. I would also like to thank Will, Christine, and Claudia for so ably representing the Association at the ACJS meeting in Toronto.

Take care, *George* 



1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Lorie Rubenser

#### Greetings -

Spring has finally rolled around to Alpine and things are not looking so dead. It feels odd this spring as I wasn't able to attend the ACJS conference in Toronto. That's the first time I have missed since 1992. Budget cuts are making me crazy but I'm sure you are all in the same boat.

I want to thank Will and Christine for representing us all at ACJS. It's important the region continue to have a strong presence at the national level.

Since I missed ACJS, I am doubly excited to attend our SWACJ meeting this fall in College Station. George and the team are doing a fabulous job getting things set up. We will have many new things this year including the CSI competition and the participation of TEEX. This will bring a new and exciting flavor to this conference. As usual we will also have our annual Undergraduate Quiz Bowl, and the Student Paper Competition.

I'm also excited to see the Conference Edition of the journal is now available on our web site (v7 n3). For everyone who turned in articles and who helped me review, thank you so much. This is destined to be an important part of our organization in the future, and as the edition shows, there are many presentations at our conference that are worth attending.

I look forward to seeing you all in College Station!

#### Lorie



2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Claudia San Miguel

#### Dear SWACJ Membership,

We are looking forward to seeing all of you in College Station. For this year's conference, we will invite the law enforcement community to join us. This will help increase the role of field practitioners in SWACJ and build our membership. Along the same lines, we are also trying to increase student participation. Please encourage your students to enter the **Student Paper Competition**. Also, in the next few months, we will add a **Student Corner** to the webpage to feature the accomplishments of undergraduate and graduate students both scholastically, in research, and/or in service to the organization. I believe that this additional component to the site can help further build the organization.

#### Claudia



Treasurer's Greeting W. Tom Jordan

#### Treasurer's Report for Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice

SWACJ had a starting balance on March 1 of \$8705.07 and a Balance on March 31 of \$8705.07. We had no deposits or disbursements in March. We have \$60.00 encumbered for the new SWACJ Banner that has been received and used at the ACJS Annual Meeting.

Lots of stuff going on in the SWACJ Executive Board. I am continuing to work on a new application for not-for-profit (501-C-3) status with the IRS. We now have a PayPal account. As soon as that account site is completed, we will be able to accept credit cards for annual dues and conference fees. If you have not paid your annual dues for 2011, you don't have to wait for PayPal, we still accept checks. Please go to the SWACJ website, download the membership form, and mail your dues. Many thanks to those members and new members who have submitted their dues recently.

We created a new SWACJ receipt format. If you have had problems in the past with a SWACJ receipt being accepted by your institution for reimbursement, please contact me with the details at <a href="mailto:tom.jordan@tamut.edu">tom.jordan@tamut.edu</a>. We are tweaking this new receipt format and want to insure that we have fixed any concerns.

Many Thanks to Christine for working on a new Vendor/Advertiser form. We should have that ready soon (hopefully before you read this).

Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will read details of the upcoming Annual Meeting in Bryan. It will be here before we know it and the plans are looking great. Be sure to put it on your calendar and send an email to at least one colleague that is not currently in SWACJ. Encourage them to join and attend the meeting. Put our website URL in your email. If you have any questions that I can help with please contact me.

Respectfully Submitted, W. T. "Tom" Jordan



Secretary's Report
Christine A. Nix

#### Greetings Everyone!

The 2011 conference in Toronto was great! It was a pleasure to visit with everyone who stopped by the SWACJ table during the conference. I hope you will join us in College Station later this year.

As George and others mentioned, preparations for the 2011 conference are in full swing. We are very fortunate that Katy Eichenberg has taken on the job of representing the organization as our site coordinator. We owe Katy a great deal of thanks for all the time, work, and efforts in behalf of SWACJ and the 2011 conference. Because of Katy's efforts – we are on the receiving end of many unexpected benefits.

Please encourage your colleagues and students to join you in attending and presenting at this year's SWACJ conference.

Below are the minutes from the general business meeting held in Toronto.

Take care and be safe in your travels, *Christine* 

#### **SWACJ General Business Meeting**

#### 2 March 2011

#### I. Attendance:

#### A. Members:

Will Oliver

Claudia San Miguel

Phil Rhoades

Jim Golden

Chip Burns

Christine Nix

#### **B.** Guests:

James Phelps

#### II. Call to order

- A. Will Oliver called the meeting to order.
- B. Will explained he represented George Eichenberg (President), Lori Rubenser (1<sup>st</sup> VP), Claudia San Miguel (2d VP), Tom Jordan (Treasurer), Bill Stone (Webmaster), and Roger Enriquez (Journal editor) who were unable to attend ACJS.

#### III. Announcements:

- A. Josie del Carmen, wife of Dr. Rolando del Carmen (SHSU) died Sunday night, 27 Feb 2011, after a lengthy illness.
- B. The memorial service will be at 11a.m. on Mon 7 March at the First United Method Church in Huntsville.
- C. Donations will be made to the school that gave Dr. del Carmen the grant to come to the U.S. to study.

#### IV. Executive Board reports

- A. President, George Eichenberg:
  - 1. The website has been updated with the 2011 SWACJ conference information to include: Hotel, Past Presidents' reception, and nearby restaurant availability.
  - 2. Additionally, the search continues for:
    - a. Conference sponsors
    - b. Call for Student Papers competition
    - c. Buzzers for the Student Quiz Bowl (as of the newsletter has been resolved)
  - 3. Preparations are in the planning stage for a student crime scene competition.
    - a. Teams will consist of five members.
    - b. More information regarding the crime scene competition will be available soon. (now available on the website)

#### B. 1st Vice-President, Lorie Rubenser

1. Not much to report.

2. It is anticipated the 2012 SWACJ conference will be held in the Austin area.

#### C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice- President Claudia San Miguel:

- 1. Plans are being finalized regarding the student representative to SWACJ.
  - a. Policies regarding the student representative are still being worked out, i.e. roles duties, student academic status.
  - b. The Student Corner will be available on the website.
    - 1. Volunteers are needed to serve on the board and select the Who's Who of undergraduate and graduate students.
    - 2. Faculty members are being solicited to serve.
  - c. Advocate for students to submit papers for the SWACJ student paper competition.

#### D. Treasurer, Tom Jordan:

- 1. Began 1 Jan 2011 with \$9564.00
  - a. Dispersed funds from SWACJ 2010 conference of \$859.00
  - b. Remaining balance of \$8705.00
- 2. Tom continues to work on the IRS application to reinstate SWACJ's non-profit status.
  - a. There is currently no financial relationship between the individual regions and ACJS and that is a good thing.
- 3. Establishment of a PayPal account for SWACJ is ongoing.
  - a. Future conference registrations, memberships, and other items will be payable through this account.
  - b. Tom is working on an interface between PayPal and the SWACJ website.

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#### E. Editor, Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice, Roger Enriquez:

- 1. The first annual conference edition is a done deal.
- 2. The first issued has experienced a slight delay and should be online shortly. (now available on line)
- F. Trustee's report, Will Oliver
  - 1. Mittie Southerland is successfully recovering from a brain aneurism and is now speaking and walking.
  - 2. ACJS 2011 conference
    - a. Cathy Barth and the Experian representative were the points of contact for any problems with conference hotel.
- 3. Contracts for future ACJS conference hotels have not been signed.

#### **Dates and locations**

2012	New York City	Time Square – Hilton
2013	Dallas	
2014	Philadelphia	
2015	Orlando	Carribean Royale (every room is a suite)(not at Disney) (1 <sup>st</sup> week of Mar)
2016	Denver	Sheraton (end of Mar; first of April)
2017	Kansas City	End of March
2018	Baltimore	

- a. ACJS locations are limited due to the need for multiple breakout session locations.
- b. The Board has discussed collaborating with Experian and sending a list of locations for vote by the Membership.
- 4. Online voting worked! Membership participation went up.
- 5. ACJS/SWACJ memberships
  - a. We still need to identify the number of ACJS members who are not members of SWACJ and encourage them to join, attend, and participate in the regional conference.
  - b. As of Dec 2010, the SWACJ email list contains approximately 185 names.
  - c. ACJS reports approximately 217 members who are in the Region IV (SWACJ) area.
  - d. We need to cross check and obtain an accurate listing.
- 6. Low attendance at the 2011 ACJS conference.
  - a. Problems cited by members for not attending:
    - 1. The need to obtain a passport
    - 2. Budget funding
    - 3. No international traveled allowed
    - 4. Canadian dollar is worth more than the U.S. dollar
- 7. Again, emphasis is to encourage members to stay at the conference hotel
  - a. It becomes a financial hardship for ACJS (as well as SWACJ) when booked rooms are not filled.
- 8. Congratulations to Rob Worley!
  - a. He is the next editor of ACJS Today.
  - b. He was the editor of ACJS Now.
  - c. ACJS Now has been rolled into ACJS Today for one online publication.
  - d. Rob took the ball and ran with it.

#### V. Meeting adjourned

- A. Will asked for questions or comments.
  - 1. None
- B. Motion to adjourn
  - 1. Phil Rhoades made the motion
  - 2. Motion seconded
  - 3. All in favor; none opposed
  - 4. Meeting was adjourned

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Regional Trustee's Report
Will Oliver

Trustee's Report

By Willard M. Oliver

It was good seeing many of you up in Toronto, braving the cold for what turned out to be a really nice conference. For those unable to attend, you missed a good one. Despite being out of country and in the cold environs, we still came close to having 1200 attend and ACJS made their room block, so there was no financial hit on National. That is a good thing. Future conferences are already scheduled for New York in 2012, Dallas in 2013, and Philadelphia in 2014. It looks like pretty soon you will be able to add Orlando in 2015, Denver in 2016, and Kansas City in 2017 to the list. Contracts are in the works for all three locations/years. I should note, as fair warning to the SWACJ membership that the dates will move around some due to scheduling conflicts with the various properties. Orlando will probably be the first week in March, Denver the last week in March, and Kansas City may also be the last week in March. The upside to the move in dates is that it may be warmer and the conferences being in late March may prove less likely to conflict with our institutional Spring Breaks.

On-line voting for this past fall went well, as there were no complaints. Additionally, our numbers for voting went up slightly and that is a good thing. It also saved ACJS money because the validation occurred on-line, rather than having to fly a half-dozen members on the committee to Greenbelt for certification.

Speaking of membership, ACJS reports that there are 411 members of ACJS located in our Region – Region IV. The breakdown is 217 members, 127 student members, 45 life members, and 22 institutional members. I think the SWACJ membership is much lower than these numbers, so let's encourage everyone to not only be a member of ACJS, but to also support our Region as well. I am working on my colleagues at Sam Houston State, please do the same at your respective institutions.

I would like to offer my congratulations to Rob Worley who was selected as the next editor of *ACJS Today*. Rob is currently the editor of *ACJS Now*, which has moved on line and will go defunct in another year. Rob will then step in as the editor of *ACJS Today* publishing one extra issue each year – September, November, January, March, and May. If the last issue of *AJCS Now* is any indicator of the future of *ACJS Today* – we can rest assured it is in good hands. Congratulations, Rob!

There has been much discussion in ACJS and on the board about the relationship between ACJS and the Regional organizations. By and large the regional organizations are independent of ACJS and operate as such. There is a new ad hoc committee for ACJS on the Regional Affiliations and we are discussing the possibility of having the leadership of each region meet in New York with

some of the leadership of ACJS to discuss the relationship between National and the Regions. So, just a heads up on that – more information to come as it develops.

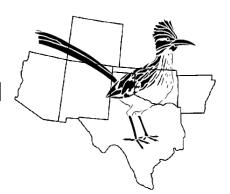
Finally, I want to enthusiastically support George for all he is doing for this year's annual meeting of the Southwest Association of Criminal Justice. It is shaping up to be a great conference. It will be located in College Station with the past presidents' reception to be held at the Messina Hoff Winery – a very classy place to visit. So, I encourage you to attend this year, renew those memberships and register for what will assuredly be a very successful conference.



### CALL FOR CONFERENCE PAPERS

### **Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice**

Annual Meeting
September 29 – October 1
2011
In College Station, Texas



# Conference Theme for 2011: "Criminal Justice Education and the Moral Order"

Abstracts should be submitted electronically to\*:

M. George Eichenberg, Ph.D. eichenberg@tarleton.edu

See the Winter 2010-11 SWACJ newsletter for details or visit www.swacj.org

**DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS: September 10, 2011** 

\*No person's name may appear more than twice on the program.

## **2011 SWACJ ANNUAL MEETING Abstract & Panel Participation Form**

Affiliation:  Mailing Address:  Telephone:  FAX:  E-mail:  I wish to (check all that apply):  Present a Paper  Chair a panel  Organize a workshop or roundtable  Organize a Panel  Present a student paper  Serve as a discussant  Attend, but not present  PLEASE SUBMIT ABSTRACTS BY SEPTEMBER 10, 2011  Return form to:  M. George Eichenberg, Ph.D.  eichenberg@tarleton.edu  Paper Title:  Page Title:	Name:	<del></del>
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#### **2011 SWACJ ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION**

Please complete this form even if you choose not to actively participate in the proceedings. Information from this form is used to estimate attendance at the President's Reception and the luncheon!!!

Abstracts and other participation applications should be sent on the Abstract and Panel Participation Form to M. George Eichenberg, Ph.D.

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- -Regular Member Participant = \$50 -Regular Participant = \$60
- -Regular Non-Member Participant = \$60 -Regular Non-Member = \$70
- -Student Participant = \$40 -Student Participant = \$40

Please note: The name(s) of the person(s) the payment is intended for, must be clearly marked on the payment to ensure accurate records. Please make sure that your check or money order has this information in order to avoid processing errors.

I will be staying at the	meeting hotel	YES	NO
I will be bringing	students/at	tendees	

Please return this form with payment in Check or Money Order for registration to:

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> Please contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns. See you in College Station, Texas!

## 2011-2012 Membership Form Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice

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Please return membership form with check or money order to our Treasurer:

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If you have any questions about membership please contact Dr. Jordan at either (903) 223.3168 or <a href="mailto:tom.jordan@tamut.edu">tom.jordan@tamut.edu</a>

#### 2011 SWACJ STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE?** Graduate and undergraduate students currently enrolled (and those who will be enrolled for the fall 2011 semester) in a university, college, junior college or community college within the Southwest Region.

#### Awards:

	<u>Graduate Student</u>	<u>Undergraduate Student</u>
First Prize	\$250	\$100
Second Prize	<b>\$150</b>	\$75
Third Prize	<b>\$100</b>	\$50

<sup>\*\*</sup> Winner of the graduate student paper competition will be invited to have their work included in the Special Conference Edition of *The Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice*.

**JUDGES:** Judges must be active within SWACJ and will be selected from the updated membership list. Judges may or may not elect to award all of the prizes available depending on the number of entrants and quality of the papers.

#### ENTRY RULES AND REGULATIONS:

- 1. The paper must be authored by student(s) only. No faculty/student joint papers will be considered.
- 2. The paper must be an original work. It may be especially prepared for the 2011 SWACJ annual meeting or it may be a revision of a paper prepared for coursework at the student's home university or college.
- 3. The paper must be submitted electronically to:

#### christine.nix@umhb.edu

To be considered for competition, entries must be received by midnight, September 9, 2011

#### Papers received after the deadline will not receive consideration.

- 4. The paper must meet standard publication formats as established at the student's home university or college.
- 5. The title page of the paper should include the student's full name and address, school affiliation and status as either graduate or undergraduate. The author's name and affiliation *should not appear* on any other page of the submitted paper.

**PRESENTATION OF SUBMITTED PAPERS:** Students <u>are not required</u> to attend the annual meeting or to present their papers to be eligible for the awards. However, we do encourage students to present their papers in the supportive atmosphere of the annual meeting.

Students who submit papers for presentation **are not obligated** to enter the paper contest. The paper competition is strictly voluntary.

RECOGNITION OF THE WINNERS AND PRESENTATION OF THE AWARDS WILL BE MADE AT THE LUNCHEON

-- All Students Are Encouraged To Participate --

## Call for Teams

The Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice is pleased to announce its first Collegiate Undergraduate Team Crime Scene Interpretation Competition



# Friday September 30, 2011 Beginning at 2pm At the College Station Hilton

The competition will be held as part of the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice (SWACJ) and is sponsored by the Association and the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), one the world's premier law enforcement training organizations. Teams will photograph, sketch, and document a processed crime scene.

Teams may consist of up to five members. Teams must be sponsored by a faculty member of their home institution who is a member of SWACJ. All team members must be registered as meeting attendees. We ask that teams not include professional, reserve, or former peace officers or crime scene technicians regardless of status as students.

Teams will be judged on professionalism, accuracy of processing and interpretation, and compliance with recognized standards and protocols. For further information or registration, team sponsors should send an email to George Eichenberg at: eichenberg@tarleton.edu

#### Annual Undergraduate Student Criminal Justice Quiz Bowl

**Last year's Quiz Bowl** was so successful we will follow that model again this year. Teams will face off for top honors. Team captains will have buzzers to 'buzz-in' when their team is ready with a correct answer.

We will run two relays of four teams each and the top team from each heat will compete for the championship. Each college or university participating in the SWACJ Annual Meeting may enter *one* team. A team will consist of one to three members. Team members must be registered for the Annual Meeting as students. A maximum of 8 teams will be allowed to participate, on a first to register, first to qualify basis. If fewer than eight teams compete they will be divided to keep the relays as equal in numbers as possible.

**Teams must pre-register** by midnight 9-9-11 by contacting Dr. Lorie Rubenser – rubenser@sulross.edu Teams do not have to list exact members to pre-register for the Quiz Bowl – simply indicate that a team from a particular program will participate. Exact members must be indicated at conference check in where registration for the conference will be verified.

**Prize money** for first and second place will be given to the faculty advisor for the winning teams to be used as they determine. This year, Law Tech Publishing has generously donated \$250.00 for the first place team. A \$150.00 prize will be given for the second place team.

**Teams in both heats** will be quizzed from the categories of:

- 1. Introduction to Criminal Justice Five questions commonly found in intro CJ textbooks.
- 2. Important Supreme Court Cases Five questions. Check you criminal procedure textbooks.
- 3. Women and Minorities Five questions relating to the impact of the CJ system on Women and Minorities
- 4. Criminological Theory Five questions about theories of criminality.

**In the event of a tie**, the category will be *potpourri* for best of two out of three questions. The top team from each relay will compete for first place. They will be quizzed from:

- 1. Homeland Security Five questions.
- 2. Famous American Crimes and Criminals Five questions. Just what it says.

In the event of a tie, the category will be *potpourri* for the best of two out of three questions. The Team that buzzes in first will be given the first opportunity to answer. Should that team give an incorrect response; the next team to buzz in will be given opportunity to answer, and so on down the line.

Good sportsmanship will be observed at all times by all participants and spectators. Individual participants who engage in rude, disrespectful, or unsportsmanlike behavior may be disqualified. Participants must keep cell phones out of sight during the Bowl. Spectators who engage in rude, disrespectful, or unsportsmanlike behavior may be asked to leave the event. This includes attempting to convey answers to any person in any manner.

# **Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators Tory J. Caeti Student Presentation Scholarship**

#### Who is Eligible?

Undergraduate students currently enrolled (and those who will be enrolled September 2011) in a university, college, junior college or community college within the Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice.

#### Presentation of submitted papers:

Students are required to attend the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice annual conference and present their papers to be eligible for the scholarships.

#### Awards:

Registration fee for the top two winners for the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice annual conference.

#### Criteria:

- 1. The paper must be authored by student(s) only. No Faculty/student joint papers will be considered.
- 2. The paper must be an original work.
- 3. Undergraduate students currently enrolled (and those who will be enrolled September 2011) in a university, college, junior college or community college within the Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice.
- 4. The paper must not be a winner in the SWACJ Student Paper Competition.
- 5. Three copies of each paper must be submitted before **September 10, 2011** to the current president of the Texas Section:

Dr. George R. Franks, Jr., Ph.D.
Director - Master of Public Administration Program
Assistant Professor of Government
Department of Government
Stephen F. Austin State University



#### Papers received after the deadline will not receive consideration.

- 6. The paper must meet standard publication formats as established at the student's home university or college.
- 7. The paper will be judged at the conference after the luncheon by a panel of 3. The panel will be appointed by the current president of the Texas Association of Criminal Justice Educators.
- 8. The title page of the paper should include the student's full name and address, school affiliation and status as either graduate or undergraduate.

## SWJCJ Editor Position Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice

The Southwest Association of Criminal Justice is seeking applications for the position of **Editor** of the *Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice*: An official publication of the Southwest Association of Criminal Justice. The journal is currently published three times a year (Fall, Winter, & Spring) with the option for a fourth annual issue desired. The Editor will set editorial policy, select deputy and associate editors, maintain a peer review system, and manage the journal for the SWACJ membership. Applications must meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrated record of scholarly activity as measured by such indicators as publications in refereed journals, book publication, and research.
- Prior editorial experience as measured by such indicators as editorial responsibilities for other scholarly
  publications and past experience as a referee or associate/deputy editor of an academic journal, or other
  editorial experience demonstrating the applicant's ability to implement and maintain the integrity of blind
  review, to improve or maintain the quality of the publication, to communicate effectively, and to behave in
  a professional manner that is supportive of the mission and goals of the SCJA.
- Earned Ph.D. or terminal degree in area of specialization.
- Formal declaration of support from host institution, including release time, space, managing editor support, copy editor support, and other service support the institution will commit to editorship.
- SWJCJ membership in good standing at the time of application.

Those interested in being considered should provide a formal proposal to the *SWJCJ* Editor Search Committee Chair, Willard M. Oliver, at woliver@shsu.edu, no later than September 1, 2011. The proposal should include:

- Statement of editorial philosophy for the Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice;
- Statement of applicant's qualifications, including vita;
- Formal declaration of institutional support;
- A budget including a breakdown of the expenses that will be provided by the host institution and those expected for the Association.

The Executive Board of the SWACJ will appoint the Editor for a three-year term. The Editor's first issue will be the transition issue - March, 2012, Volume 8, No. 3. Editorship will then run until the next transitional issue in March of 2015. Proposals for co-editorship will be considered.



## **Additional Conference Information**

## Conference dates, hotel information, and activities

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