

Criminal Justice and Forensic Science Students visit Washington D.C.

After a semester and a half of hard work and fundraising, the members of the Criminal Justice and Forensic Science Association, were able to take a trip to Washington D.C. April 16th through the 19th. On Friday April 17th, the association members went to the National Museum of Crime and Punishment. The mission of the Crime Museum is "To provide guests of all ages with memorable insight into our nation's history of crime and its consequences, law enforcement, forensic science, and crime scene investigation through a captivating, interactive, entertaining, and educational experience." The best part of the Crime Museum is that everything within the museum linked back to classes that students have taken throughout their time spent at Hilbert College.

Following the museum visit, students were allotted free time for the rest of the day and evening. Most chose to walk through the city to the National Mall to observe all of the monuments. There was an Earth Day concert being sound checked next to the Washington Monument, where students soaked up some sun and listened to some popular artists such as Mary J. Blige, Fall Out Boy, and Usher. Next on their list of monuments was the Lincoln Memorial and on the way students met up with a Hilbert Alumni who is now working in D.C. They took some group photos and then went to see the Jefferson Memorial as well as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

After lunch, the group split up and some went to the Holocaust Museum, Pentagon City Mall and



rested by the pool back at the hotel while the others went to see the White House and Georgetown. In Georgetown, they did some shopping and went on a walking ghost tour of the town. The ghost tour was packed with many stories about prestigious families that many grew up learning about and their past within Georgetown. The tour ended at the steps from the movie *The Exorcist*. By the time the students got back to their hotel they were exhausted from walking a total of 20 miles in one day, but they did not let this hold them back from doing it all over again on Saturday!

Saturday, one of the groups went to the Smithsonian to visit the Natural History Museum and the American History Museum, while the

others went to visit the Pentagon to observe the memorial and Arlington National Cemetery to see John F. Kennedy's Gravesite, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Changing of the Guard at the tomb, the Memorial Amphitheater and the 9/11 Exhibit.

Later Saturday evening, the group met up for dinner at a restaurant in Falls Church, Virginia. After dinner the group split again, a few went out on the town to experience the D.C. nightlife, others went to observe the monuments in National Mall at night, and the other half went on the Georgetown ghost tour.

Faculty News

Ray Ernst, Asst. Professor in FS, is leaving Hilbert at the end of the spring 2015 semester.

James Mirusso is a new FS Adjunct teaching Introduction to Forensic Photography.

Christopher Puckett, FS Adjunct Instructor, is the Manager of the Accident Reconstruction Unit at Digits.

Richard Qualey, CJ Adjunct Instructor, was promoted in February to Senior Investigator with the New York State Police. He is stationed at the Batavia Headquarters.

John Reinholz has been hired as a new full time faculty in the Forensic Science Program.

Presentation by FBI Agents and Forensic Investigators

Nine forensic science students visited the WNY Regional Computer Forensic Lab on Friday April 10, 2015. The tour was arranged by adjunct instructor Debby Mogavero and the students participated in an informative presentation by FBI Agents and Digital Forensic Investigators

Student Internships

The Hilbert College Criminal Justice Studies Division is pleased to announce its internships for Spring 2015. These students gain valuable experience and work contacts by participating in the program. We are also able to demonstrate to a variety of agencies the capability of our students.

Criminal Justice Internships

Ryan Brewster Erie County Sheriff's Department
 Michael Conti Town of Evans Police Department
 Sean Hogan..... Baker- Victory Services
 Davonna Howard..... Erie County Sheriff's Department
 Haley Hymers..... US Marshal's Service
 Kayla Lewis Erie County Child Protective Services
 Marquan Lowe Town of Cheektowaga Police Department
 Andrew MacKay Erie County Sheriff's Department
 Megan Murphy Erie County Child Protective Services
 Thomas Ruper .. US Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Department
 William Rogers..... NYS Environmental Conservation Police
 Sean Sticek US Probation Service
 Avery Sigle Town of Hamburg Police Department
 Michal Sokolowski Town of Cheektowaga Police Department
 Kelsey Stefaniak..... Erie County Probation Department
 Josh Zielen-Ersing Erie County Sheriff's Department

Forensic Science Internships

Emily Cole Erie County Medical Examiner's Office
 Samantha Gerstner Town of Cheektowaga Police Dept.
 Shauna Giambrone Niagara County Sheriff's Dept.
 Tara Jones Town of Cheektowaga Police Dept.
 Leo KullTown of Orchard Park Police Dept.
 Samantha Robinson Buffalo Halfway House
 Colleen Siuta Niagara County Sheriff's Dept.
 Dana StarrTown of Orchard Park Police Dept.
 Kayla VollmerTown of Orchard Park Police Dept.
 Dominique Washington NYS Dept. of Corrections-Gowanda

Career Fair & Expo

The Fall 2014 Career Fair & Expo was held on October 8, 2014 and 160 students attended and received career information from 17 different agencies. Save the date for our next Career Fair & Expo---October 7, 2015.



Institute for Law and Justice News

The US Attorney's Office, Western District of New York, the Erie County Law Enforcement Foundation, Inc., NY/NY HIDTA, MAGLOCLLEN, National Counterterrorism Center, FBI, Hilbert's Criminal Justice Studies Division and the Institute for Law and Justice sponsored several conferences during the past few months.

January 15, 2015 Tactical Emergency Casualty Care

Sponsors: US Attorney's Office Western District of NY, Erie County Law Enforcement Foundation, Inc., NY/NY HIDTA, MAGLOCLLEN, Hilbert College ILJ and CJ

Attendance: 65

January 16, 2015 US Based Violent Extremism & Radicalization

Sponsors: US Attorney's Office Western District of NY, Erie County Law Enforcement Foundation, Inc., National Counterterrorism Center, FBI, MAGLOCLLEN, Hilbert College ILJ and CJ

Attendance: 120

February 13, 2015 Drug Recognition: Understanding & Manufacture

Sponsors: US Attorney's Office Western District of NY, Erie County Law Enforcement Foundation, Inc., MAGLOCLLEN, Hilbert College ILJ and CJ

Attendance: 207

March 12, 2015 Anti-Terrorism Workshop for Campus Law Enforcement

Sponsors: US Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance, US Attorney's Office Western District of NY, FBI, Erie County Law Enforcement Foundation, Inc., MAGLOCLLEN, Hilbert College ILJ and CJ

Attendance: 93

Adopt a Highway

Our spring Adopt-a-Highway was held Saturday, April 25, 2015 and 16 students and faculty volunteers worked to spruce up the highway and campus.

While cleaning near the campus, we met Hilbert Alumni, Lieut. Nicholas Budney of the Hamburg Police Dept. who recalled that he also was a Hilbert student participant in the Adopt-a-Highway 16 years ago. This is our 23rd year. Thanks to all.



Acknowledgements

Derek Accurso (FS' 14) is an Associate with M & T Bank in the Risk Assessment Group.

Amber Bailey (FS '14) was recently sworn in as a Police Officer with the Oneonta Police Department.

Robbi Bailey (FS '14) has been hired as a Police Officer for the Lake Placid Police Dept.

Kamil Cislak, (CJ '13) has accepted a job with Homeland Security and began training to be a Customs and Border Protection Officer.

Jacqueline Downey, (FS '12) was promoted to Property & Procurement Administrator for the Federal Public Defender's Office on August 25th.

Rebecca Elensky (FS '13) is an Examiner/analyst for Forfeiture Support Associates, LLC in Virginia.

Vincent Giamberdino (CJ '14) is in the New York State Trooper Academy.

Erica Laduca (FS '13) is a Crime Scene Specialist for the Homicide Division of the Marion County Police Dept. in Indianapolis, IN.

Kori Loder (FS '15) has been accepted into the Master's Program in Criminal Justice at Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Lisa Luster (FS '12) was accepted into George Washington University's Graduate Program in Paralegal Studies.

Steven Papponetti (FS '14) was recently hired as a Police Officer for the Village of Holley Police Department, Holley, NY.

Matthew Rhinehart (CJ '14) recently completed the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Academy and received the Top Academic Award at graduation.

Sarah Trombetta (FS '10) was hired as a Social Welfare Examiner in the Community Medicaid Unit for the Chautauqua County Department of Health and Human Services.

Adam Weaver (CJ '14) is a detention officer at Portage-Geauga County Juvenile Detention Center.

Patrick Werely (CJ '14) is a New York State Trooper.

Natalie Whitman (FS '14) is a Chemical Dependency Counselor at the Beacon Center in Lockport, NY.

Club News

Congratulations to **Carraugh Reilly-Nowak** who was named Club Advisor of the Year and the Criminal Justice and Forensic Science Association was named Club of the Year at the Student Government Awards Banquet. The club plans to visit a shooting range on May 1st. **Dr. Mark Paoni** spoke to club members on background investigations and he will be speaking about police use of force. **Randy Zimpfer** also spoke to club members about gangs in prison. Detective John Payne from the Orchard Park Police Department was on campus to speak to students about death investigations.

Weddings

Carrie (Sisson), CJ '10 and Brandon Lumadue were married on August 16th at Kloc's Grove.

Births

Kristen (Sturm) Beuchat, (CJ '09) and her husband Charlie welcomed their son Camden Joseph on August 19th.

Renae Fraser (CJ '13) welcomed her daughter Amelia Mae on August 19th.

Amber (Zapel) Hunt, (FS '07) and her husband Jeffrey welcomed son Aiydan on August 27th.

Shannon (Geary) Kowalski, (CJ '10) and her husband Mike welcomed their daughter Olivia Grace on September 3rd.

Nicole (Kogut) Bonczar (CJ '03) and her husband Joe welcomed their son Trevor Joseph on October 24th.