SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE CLUB NEWSLETTER

April, 2009

Club Update

The Criminal Justice Club recently visited Washington D.C. over part of Easter Break, from April 8th-11th. Members in the club fundraised over half of the funds in order to go on the trip. Dr. Josh Klein of the Criminal Justice Department chaperoned the trip. You can be read about the club's trip below.

Throughout the month of April the club will be collecting Box Tops to help raise money for a local school in Bridgeport, CT. The club is asking the entire Sacred Heart Community to help them with this project. Box Tops can be collected from hundreds of products such a Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Juicy Juice, Ziploc, Kleenex, Hefty, and many more. There are two drop off box locations: one is in the Criminal Justice Department, Room 219-I and the other is inside of Hawley Lounge, next to the CCO mailboxes. All proceeds will go to Columbus School in Bridgeport Connecticut. The club will also be having the Milford Police Department on campus to do a K9 Demonstration towards the end of the month, time and location TBA. If you are interested in finding out more about either of these, you should contact the club's Vice President, Matt Napolitano, at napolitanom@sacredheart.edu.

It is never too late to join the Criminal Justice Club. You can join by showing up to one of its meetings or by contacting the club's vice president. The club has two remaining meetings this semester, on April 21st and April 28th. Both meetings are at 10:10pm, location TBA.

Washington D.C. Trip

Members in the club visited several popular sites in Washington D.C., including the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Capitol, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the White House, the Lincoln Memorial, and the World War II Memorial. The club also visited Arlington National Cemetery and the Vietnam Memorial Wall to honor the soldiers who have served in combat. Members stated that their favorite place to visit on the trip was the National Museum of Crime and Punishment. The museum depicts notable serial killers and mass murderers. It also had different punishment techniques that have been used over the years. The museum is the current studio site of America's Most Wanted, a popular crime stoppers show.

Criminal Justice Club Elections

With just a few weeks left in the semester, the club is beginning to prepare for next school year. The club will hold its annual elections on Wednesday, April 15th, at 2pm, in UC 107. The winners will be announced following the election speeches. The club will also have a new advisor next school year. Dr James McCabe of the Criminal Justice Department will be taking over the club, after Professor Matt Semel has been the club's advisor for the last four years. There will be more information about the new executive board in the club's final newsletter in May.

Important Health and Safety Contacts

Campus Ministry: 203-371-7840, Campus Operations: 203-371-7870

Counseling Center: 203-371-7955, Health Services: 203-371-7838

Mentor Office: 203-396-8354, Public Safety: 203-371-9995 (or 203-371-7911 for an emergency), Residential Life: 203-416-3417

Members of the Criminal Justice Club in front of the U.S. Capitol Building.

Health & Safety Tips

- Exercise regularly- with the warmer weather approaching it is a good time to go for a walk or jog
- Quit smoking- it is bad for your health and can lead to cancer. Look for ways to avoid cigarettes
- Floss your teeth- recent studies have shown that there is a direct correlation between longevity and flossing your teeth
- Be positive- your attitude can make the difference between having a good day versus having a bad one

**All Health and Safety Tips are suggestions made by the Criminal Justice Club. They are objective and subjected to disagreement*

Member of the Month

Jasmineanne Vega

This is Jasmineannes' first year in the Criminal Justice Club. She is a sophomore here at Sacred Heart, having transferred from Empire State College in New York last semester. She attended and graduated from Herbert H. Lehman High School in the Bronx. She comes from a family of police officers, which has inspired her to go into law enforcement. Jasmineanne has had an opportunity to sit in and witness a criminal court case with the help of the National Law Forum Program in Washington D.C. Upon graduating, Jasmineanne would like to go to law school and become a lawyer. She would like to specialize in international relations.