

**American Criminal Justice Association  
Region IV Annual Conference  
October 21 – 23, 2010**



**Hosted by Alpha Tau Delta Chapter  
West Virginia State University  
Institute, West Virginia**

## Recognition

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The numerous professional presenters and their agencies who enthusiastically responded to our requests for assistance in communicating their real world experiences in the delivery of our Conference theme, “Homeland Security and the Criminal Justice Professional”, also are gratefully recognized; the West Virginia Department of Public Safety (State Police), the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Homeland Security, and the West Virginia Intelligence/Fusion Center.

We also wish to recognize the hard work, much of it behind the scenes, of the staff at the Wilson Student Union and the AVI Food Service employees, particularly Cristy Newman, who looked after all of our needs quickly, efficiently, and without any asking or prompting on our part. Thanks also must go to the hard working and creative artists who were never seen by those at the Conference except through their work products, the WVSU employees who crafted our welcome banners, signage, and beautifully printed schedule of events.

Finally, we at Alpha Tau Delta wish to offer our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to each and every student, faculty advisor, and ACJA member who made the effort to travel to West Virginia State University in Institute, West Virginia on the chance that they might have a useful, educational, and perhaps enjoyable, experience. We hope that they all did, because we sure did!

Respectfully submitted,

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## Conference Report

The annual American Criminal Justice Association Region IV Conference was held on October (21) 22 – 23, 2010, in Institute, West Virginia, hosted by Alpha Tau Delta Chapter, on the beautiful campus of West Virginia State University. Celebrating its 120<sup>th</sup> academic year, the University is an HBUC 1890 Land Grant research facility located on the Kanawha River, eight miles from the state capital of Charleston. One hundred thirty-four attendees, representing 12 chapters, took part in the event. The chapters were:

Alpha Omega	Marshall University	Huntington, West Virginia
Alpha Psi Omega	University of Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Alpha Tau Delta	West Virginia State University	Institute, West Virginia
Beta Phi Sigma	ITT Technical Institute	Richmond, Virginia
Beta Psi Delta	State University of N. Y. at Canton	Canton, New York
Chi Nu	Radford University	Radford, Virginia
Chi Omega Pi Sigma	(Professional)	Boothwyn, Pennsylvania
Lambda Omega	Delaware Technical C. C.	Newark, Delaware
Omega Alpha Omicron	Danville C. C.	Danville, Virginia
Psi Omega	University of New Haven	West Haven, Connecticut
Sigma Alpha Omega	Mountain State University	Beckley, West Virginia
Sigma Tau Omicron	West Chester State College	West Chester, Pennsylvania

The host chapter actually arranged a bonus third day, rather than the traditional two day Conference for those whose schedules would allow for an earlier arrival on Thursday, October 21. This first day was referenced as a time of “Pre-Conference” or “Early Bird” activities. The *official* conference was October 22 – 23, 2010. The theme of the conference was “Homeland Security and the Criminal Justice Professional”. An effort was made to shorten and vary the individual professional presentations and mix them in the schedule with the traditional conference competitions so as to keep interest and participation as high as possible. Unless otherwise indicated, all activities were held at the WV State University Student Union.

## October 21 – Thursday

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Criminal Justice Career Fair



1:00 pm – 8:00 pm Registration



1:00 pm – 10:00 pm Open Internet Computers and Exercise and Game Rooms

2:00 pm – 8:00 pm Written Criminal Justice Exam Competition



3:00 pm – 4:00 pm Session A – “Fusion Center”



4:00 pm – 5:00 pm K-9 Demonstration



6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Informal Pizza & Pop



## October 22 – Friday

8:00 am – 10:00 am Registration

8:00 am – 10:00 pm Open Internet Computers and Exercise and Game Rooms

8:00 am – 9:00 am Safety Orientation & Waivers



8:00 am – 10:00 am Continental Breakfast

8:00 am – 10:30 am Pearson Education Publishers “Tech & Texts”



9:00 am – 2:00 pm Written Criminal Justice Exam Competition



9:30 am – 12:30 pm Firearms Competition – WV State Police Academy



12:00 noon – 1:30 pm Lunch

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Session B – “Homeland Security”



3:00 pm – 4:00 pm      Session C – “Accident Reconstruction”



4:00 pm – 5:30 pm      Region IV Business Meeting & Elections



5:00 pm – 6:00 pm      Mobile Crime Lab Van Demonstration



6:00 pm – 8:00 pm      Dinner

## October 23 – Saturday

8:00 am – 10:00 am Continental Breakfast

8:00 am – 10:00 pm Open Internet Computers and Exercise and Game Rooms

8:00 am – 1:30 pm Crime Scene Competition



9:00 am – 12:00 noon Physical Agility Competition – University Tennis Courts



12:30 pm – 2:00 pm Lunch

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Session D – “FBI Issues”



3:00 pm – 4:30 pm Session E – “ATF – Bomb Cases”



7:00 pm – 9:30 pm Awards Dinner





## **Election Results**

Elections were held at the Friday evening Business Meeting. The Region IV officers elected were:

President	Steve Atchley, Lambda Omega
Vice President	Nicole Koban, Chi Omega Pi Sigma
Secretary	Nicole Brittingham, Lambda Omega
Treasurer	Joe Walsh, Chi Omega Pi Sigma
Sgt. at Arms	Mycola Duffy, Lambda Omega

## **ACJA-LAE Region IV Competition Registrants**

### **Written Tests**

Criminal Law – 84

Police Management – 77

Juvenile Justice – 83

Corrections – 84

ACJA-LAE Knowledge – 76

### **Practical Knowledge**

Crime Scene Competition – 34 three person teams

### **Performance Tests**

Physical Agility – 38

Firearms Competition – 46

## **ACJA-LAE Region IV Competition Results**

### **a. Criminal Law**

#### i. Lower Division

1. Michele Wharton, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
2. Ryan Irons, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
3. Mykola Duffy, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech

#### ii. Upper Division

1. Aaron Speicher, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
2. Kenneth Farrell, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton
3. Cory McCraw, Chi Nu, Radford University

#### iii. Professional Division

1. Daniel Maxwell, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
2. John Wilt, Omega Alpha Omicron, Danville C. C.
3. Dawn Bonavita, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech

### **b. Police Management**

#### i. Lower Division

1. Michael Ellis, Alpha Omega, Marshall University
2. Tim Farmer, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
3. Daniel Weigle, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester

#### ii. Upper Division

1. Brad Owens, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
2. Thomas Stafford, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton
3. Elizabeth Ayers, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton

#### iii. Professional Division

1. Chris Sulick, Beta Phi Sigma, ITT-Tech
2. Joe Walsh, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
3. Todd Istenes, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)

**c. Juvenile Justice**

i. Lower Division

1. Sarah Kamahela, Lambda Omega, Delaware tech
2. Kiersten Keenan, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
3. Michael Ellis, Alpha Omega, Marshall University

ii. Upper Division

1. Elizabeth Ayers, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton
2. Andrew Walker, Alpha Omega, Marshall University
3. Thomas Stafford, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton

iii. Professional Division

1. Sam Dameron, Alpha Omega, Marshall University
2. Nelson Staples, Sigma Alpha Omega, Mountain State
3. Steve Atchley, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech

**d. Corrections**

i. Lower Division

1. Samantha Miller, Alpha Omega, Marshall University
2. Katherine Busch, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton
3. William Francis, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton

ii. Upper Division

1. Thomas Stafford, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton
2. Elizabeth Ayers, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton
3. Kenneth Farrell, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton

iii. Professional Division

1. Steve Atchley, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
2. Dawn Bonavita, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
3. Sam Dameron, Alpha Omega, Marshall University

**e. LAE Knowledge**

i. Lower Division

1. Sara Dufort, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
2. Tim Farmer, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
3. Stephanie Pajak, Psi Omega, University of New Haven

ii. Upper Division

1. Angela Martello, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
2. Devin McCabe, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
3. Kyle Turpin, Psi Omega, University of New Haven

iii. Professional Division

1. John Wilt, Omega Alpha Omicron, Danville C. C.
2. Nicci Koban, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
3. Michael Snow, Member-At-Large, (Professional)

**f. Crime Scene**

i. Lower Division

1. Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
  - a. Tylor Moore
  - b. Bianca Nalaschi
  - c. Jena Andrews
2. Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
  - a. Matthew Donovan
  - b. Elizabeth Gustafson
  - c. Jeremy Cox
3. Psi Omega
  - a. Tim Farmer
  - b. Stephanie Pajak
  - c. Liliana Queiroga

ii. Upper Division

1. Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
  - a. Derek Englese
  - b. Daniel Abt
  - c. Aaron Speicher
2. Chi Nu, Radford University
  - a. Kate Holcombe
  - b. Cory McCraw
  - c. Danielle Fenimore

3. Alpha Tau Delta, West Virginia State University
  - a. Tonya Adkins
  - b. James Davis
  - c. Stephen Thompson

iii. Professional Division

1. Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
  - a. Joe Walsh
  - b. Jennifer Frey
  - c. Nicci Koban
2. Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
  - a. Amanda Hayes
  - b. Todd Istenes
  - c. Kevin Crouse
3. Alpha Omega, Marshall University
  - a. Danielle Ocheltree
  - b. Matt Johnson
  - c. Samantha Miller

**g. Physical Agility**

- i. Male – 25 & Under
  1. Galen Detweiler, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
  2. Michel Fink, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
  3. Daniel Abt, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
- ii. Female – 25 & Under
  1. Kinshay Barbour, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
  2. Kristen Delcampo, Lambda Omega, Delaware tech
  3. Katherine Busch, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton
- iii. Male – 26-35
  1. Chris Kisicki, Beta Phi Sigma, ITT-Tech
  2. Jerry Morgan, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
  3. Sylvester Beard, Omega Alpha Omicron, Danville C. C.
- iv. Female – 26-35
  1. Brandi Spencer-Sinclair, Alpha Psi Omega, Pitt
  2. Erin Goldner, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
  3. Nicci Koban, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)

- v. Male – 36 & Over
  - 1. Nelson Staples, Sigma Alpha Omega, Mt. State U.
  - 2. John Wilt, Omega Alpha Omicron, Danville C. C.
  - 3. George Fayiah, Sigma Alpha Omega, Mt. State U.
  
- vi. Female – 36 & Over
  - 1. Taressa McNeal, Omega Alpha Omicron, Danville C. C.
  - 2. Tonya Adkins, Alpha Tau Delta, West Virginia State U.
  - 3. Dawn Bonavita &  
Nicole Brittingham, Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech

#### **h. Firearms (Individual)**

##### **i. Lower Division**

- 1. Thomas Kline, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
- 2. Roman Gray, Psi Omega, University of New Haven
- 3. Ryan Irons, Psi Omega, University of New Haven

##### **ii. Upper Division**

- 1. Jason Oates, Chi Nu, Radford University
- 2. Stephen Gregory, Chi Nu, Radford University
- 3. Edward Kebbekus, Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester

##### **iii. Professional**

- 1. Jerry Morgan, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
- 2. Nicci Koban, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
- 3. Joe Walsh, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)

#### **i. Firearms (Team)**

##### **i. Lower Division**

- 1. Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech
  - a. Nick White
  - b. Mykola Duffy
  - c. Rob Stellfox

2. Psi Omega, University of New Haven
  - a. Ryan Irons
  - b. Tim Farmer
  - c. Ken Devore, Beta Phi Sigma
3. N/A

ii. Upper Division

1. Psi Omega, University of New Haven
  - a. Devin McCabe
  - b. Kyle Turpin
  - c. Roman Gray
2. Chi Nu, Radford University
  - a. Jason Oates
  - b. Stephen Gregory
  - c. Nick Malatesta
3. Sigma Tau Omicron, West Chester
  - a. Brad Owens
  - b. Tom Kline
  - c. Andrew Travis

iii. Professional

1. Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
  - a. Nicci Koban
  - b. Joe Walsh
  - c. Todd Istenes
2. Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)
  - a. Amanda Hayes
  - b. Jennifer Frey
  - c. Chris Rickards
3. Sigma Alpha Omega, Mt. State University
  - a. John Mays
  - b. James Quesenberry
  - c. James Elder

**j. Top Academic Award**

- i. Elizabeth Ayers, Beta Psi Delta, SUNY-Canton

**k. Top Gun Award**

- i. Jerry Morgan, Chi Omega Pi Sigma, (Professional)

**l. Sweepstakes Award**

- i. Lambda Omega, Delaware Tech

**m. Spirit Award**

- i. Psi Omega, University of New Haven