Looking for a career in the criminal justice or legal system? Meet with representatives from several different agencies about career opportunities and entry requirements for paid and volunteer positions. Representatives from law enforcement, the court system and corrections will be on hand to answer your questions.

When?
May 7, 2009 (Thursday) from 9am to 2pm at Mission College on the quad area.

Firearms manufacturer donates equipment to the AJ program

Recently, Tom Deeb from Hi-Point Firearms in Ohio made a generous donation to our program. For the past year we have been searching for firearms instructional equipment without having to deal with real operating firearms or their explosive components. Several of our classes discuss firearms evidence at crime scenes. Our friends at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives recommended Tom Deeb as a person who might be able to help us. After speaking with Mr. Deeb, his company sent us several oversized shell casings, bullets and cut-away gun barrels for instructional purposes. All of the materials are harmless and provide a great instructional resource for our students.

Many thanks to Tom Deeb and Hi-Point firearms for supporting our program.
School Police Department hiring for Safety Officers

The Los Angeles School Police Department is now hiring for the position of School Safety Officer. School Safety Officers guard District schools, buildings, grounds and other district property. School Safety Officers also patrol school grounds and investigate unusual conditions. There are currently several positions available throughout the Los Angeles school district area with both full-time and part-time positions. Approximate salary is $26,100 to $32,400. Paid vacation leave, medical and dental insurance coverage and retirement.

Minimum requirements for appointments are a high school diploma and preferably experience working as a security guard and/or courses taken in criminal justice at the college level. Applicants also need a valid driver’s license at the time of appointment. The selection process involves a written test, interview, medical examination and thorough background investigation.

For any interested students, especially administration of justice majors, go to their website at lausdjobs.org and apply directly online.

AJ program participates in Forensic Science fair

The administration of justice program recently finished working with elementary school children who were participating in a science fair at Newhall Elementary school in Santa Clarita. The science fair coordinator, Ethel Carlton, proposed the idea of having a forensic or CSI component to the event.

Our program then spent the next several weeks working with 5th and 6th graders, educating them about the basics of forensic science and practicing lifting fingerprints, shoeprint impressions and blood spatter interpretation.

Students were given real fingerprint kits, shoe cast impression material and a recipe to make their own blood. Students then went out and conducted various experiments. On the day of the judging, Professor Enos along with our friends at the F.B.I. (X and Elizabeth Villegas) and Cal State L.A. department of Forensic Anthropology (Dr. Beth Miller) ranked the participants and their exhibits.

The event was a terrific success for all involved.

The C.S.I. experience at the California Science Center

You’ve seen the award-winning television drama. Now it’s your turn to put your investigative skills to the test as a crime scene investigator. Created in cooperation with the hit CBS franchise, CSI: The Experience invites you to step into the world of cutting-edge forensic science and investigative techniques.

Guided by investigators from the television show and their real-life forensic science counterparts, you’ll formulate a hypothesis, validate your findings based on evidence, and solve the crime!

There are several different crime scenes where visitors learn how to look for clues and solve the crime.

The California Science Center is located in Exposition Park not far from USC. The exhibit is open from January 31, 2009 to April 26, 2009. For more information visit their website at: californiasciencecenter.org