President's Corner

by Dr. Gerald W. Lynch

In memory of the 66 members of the John Jay family who lost their lives on September 11, many heroically as they saved others, the College is more committed than ever to fulfilling its mission to educate and train members of the law enforcement community and those interested in other public service careers.

Our plans for a new Doctoral Program in Forensic Psychology are in high gear and we are optimistic that we will be able to implement them in the near future. As you know, it is a long, arduous process, but the faculty, the Graduate Center, and the administration of The City University of New York have given us their full support.

Even closer to fruition is the Master of Science Program in Forensic Computing that will meet the pressing need for highly trained cyber-investigators who can combine advanced training in computing with investigative and organizational acumen. Ours will be the first in the country to provide a graduate degree in this growing field.

Our New York City Police Studies Certificate Program, a special free-tuition program for police officers that began last year with courses in policing and leadership in a multicultural society, was expanded last semester to include classes in counter-terrorism.

On the international front, in London, we are co-sponsoring our sixth biennial conference: International Perspectives on Crime, Justice and Public Order with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and New Scotland Yard from June 16 – June 20.

This year, after success teaching our Human Dignity and the Police course in the Caribbean, Eastern Europe and Southeast Asia, we began training police forces in sub-Saharan Africa, at an International Law Enforcement Academy in Gabarone, Botswana.

Since September 11, our recruiters have been besieged at high school college fairs; our admissions office has been swamped with inquiries about the many public service majors, like policing and fire science, available at John Jay. Our enrollment, which was up 7.5% last fall, is expected to grow next semester.

If the purpose of the terrorist attack on America was to dampen the spirit and resolve of our future law enforcement leaders, it has failed miserably. In fact, the actions of these young people suggest that the spirit of a “Domestic Peace Corps” is in the air.
Charles Mills was in his office early on September 11, the day the world changed. A 1976 magna cum laude graduate of John Jay, Mills was a conscientious, hard-working supervisor for the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance after prior law enforcement service as a New York City Transit cop and Chief of Police of Schenectady, New York. He was seated at his desk on the 87th floor at 2 World Trade Center when planes crashed into the Tower.

Jacquelyn Sanchez, 23, was on the 104th floor at 1 World Trade Center, where she worked as a compliance assistant for Cantor Fitzgerald, a bond trading firm that lost 700 employees that day. Sanchez had earned 90 credits toward a baccalaureate degree in criminal justice and was taking six credits last fall. Her son celebrated his first birthday six days after the attack.

Also on the 104th floor at her desk was Fanny Espinoza, a licensing officer at Cantor. Espinoza, 29, had graduated from John Jay in 1999 with a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Legal Studies, had done well on her LSAT's earlier in the year and was looking ahead to becoming a lawyer. "The building got hit by planes. There's a lot of smoke," she told her husband Luis in a last frantic phone call.

No one knows exactly where Andrew Fredericks was when the Tower came crashing down. Fredericks, 40, is one of 343 New York City firefighters who died in their efforts to rescue Mills, Sanchez, Espinoza and thousands of others that day. Fredericks, who earned the affectionate nickname, Andy Nozzles, because of a fervent belief that fire hoses that send solid streams of water on fires were more effective and safer than fog nozzles with wider sprays, was one of the members of Squad 18 who perished that day. A true expert, he had earned a Master's Degree in Fire Science from John Jay and had served as an adjunct professor at the College in recent years. Fredericks left a wife, Michelle, son Andy, 9, and daughter Hayley, 5.

Almost 3000 workers and rescuers died in less than two hours on Sept. 11, a loss of life matched in its enormity only by its cruel and relentless speed.

In this memorial issue of The Informer, we remember and grieve for all who lost their lives that fateful day. And our collective hearts go out to their family members and friends.

There is a special sadness for the 66 current and former John Jay College students who died in the terrorist attack on America. We have tried to include every member of the John Jay family who died on September 11, 2001. If you know of someone we missed, please inform us, and we will note it in our next issue.

Some, like Mills, Sanchez and Espinoza, were dedicated employees who were among an estimated 25,000 workers already at the Twin Towers when the first plane crashed into Tower 1 at 8:47 AM. Marilyn del Carmen Garcia, 21, a Government major at John Jay, was at her desk at Marsh & McLellan on the 101st floor. Ignatius Adanga, 62, who earned a Master's in Public Administration, was on the 81st floor where he worked for the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council. Most were like Fredericks, who lost their lives during a rescue operation in which some 22,000 escaped with their lives.

Police Officer John Perry was one of 23 New York City police officers who died in the rescue operation. Perry, 38, a former John Jay student, went on to earn a law degree at New York University. He was at One Police Plaza that
Tuesday morning, filing his retirement papers and looking forward to eventually starting his own law practice. When he learned of the attacks, he retrieved his badge and rushed off to help evacuate people from the Twin Towers. Perry was a true renaissance man. He spoke five languages, served in the National Guard, volunteered as an investigator for the Kings County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and worked as an extra in movies and TV shows such as "NYPD Blue." Perry was last seen helping a woman out of the Trade Center Tower when it collapsed.

Mario Santoro, one of eight Emergency Medical Service workers who died at the World Trade Center, was also a former John Jay College student, having earned 49 credits. Santoro, 28, and his partner got there at 8:51 AM, the first EMS team to arrive. He leaves a wife, Leonore Ramos-Santoro, and a young son.

Fire Captain Thomas Farino graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Police Science in 1993 and followed his brother and father into the Police Department. After two years as a cop, he joined the Fire Department and was one of three firefighters from Engine Co. 26 who died in the attack. He leaves a wife, Mary, and two children, Jane, 10, and Jimmy, 6.

Within days of the horrific attack, members of John Jay's Counseling Department and Psychology Department began conducting seminars on trauma and related problems facing rescue workers and others affected by the tragedy. In the days and months that followed, they treated scores of students, faculty members and other New Yorkers. John Jay provided emergency quarters for the U.S. Secret Service, whose New York office was destroyed.

Arsen Kolpakov, a John Jay student and Legal Studies major from Uzbekistan, wants to be a lawyer. Now 20, he was in Brooklyn working as a Primary Day elections inspector when the plane crashed into the South Tower where his mother Irina, a lawyer’s assistant, worked on the 85th floor. "I know she was there. And that she was evacuating,” said Arsen, who fulfilled his poll watching duty two weeks after losing his mother.

John Jay Alumni Association Funds Graduate Scholarship in Terrorist Studies

The John Jay College Alumni Association has established a special graduate scholarship in terrorist studies in honor of the many John Jay College alumni who died in the September 11 attacks. The scholarship will not only memorialize the victims of 9/11, but support advanced academic studies that promote better understanding of terrorism, strategies for countering it, and policies for preventing it.

The scholarship will pay $1,000 per semester to defray the costs of two courses, until graduation. One student will be selected each academic year.

As part of their curricula, students who receive this scholarship must take at least two graduate courses specifically dealing with terrorism. They will also perform research for the John Jay College Center on Terrorism and Public Safety.

To be eligible, students must have a 3.5 graduate grade point average (GPA) and have completed between 12 and 18 John Jay College graduate credits by the end of the Spring 2002 semester. As part of the application process, students must submit an essay of 300 words discussing their thoughts about the ways graduate study can contribute to the understanding and prevention of terrorism.

The John Jay Alumni Association believes this scholarship honors our September 11th heroes as it provides help to future heroes and hope for the future. Please assist the continuous funding of the Terrorism Studies Graduate Scholarship by sending a tax deductible donation to the Alumni Relations Office, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, 889 Tenth Avenue, Rm. 532T, New York, New York 10019. For further information call 212-237-8548.
Luis Carpio Bautista might be attending classes with Arsen today if he hadn’t gotten a call the night of September 10—a few hours after hearing he was close to being accepted by John Jay—and agreed to cover a morning shift of a co-worker at the Windows on the World. It was Bautista’s 24th birthday and his normal day off but he was helping to support family members in Queens and in Peru and “worked all the overtime he could,” said a cousin, Rita Palacio. “He was so excited, so happy” that John Jay had agreed to accept two and a half years of credits Bautista had earned at a law school in Peru, she said. “I remember him saying how he was so lucky, that everything was going to be good from now on.”

In October, President Gerald W. Lynch and John Jay faculty members conducted five 30-minute roundtable discussions about trauma, terrorism, policing and security that were broadcast as a public service on CUNY TV. Through a new terrorism initiative, faculty members are now conducting interdisciplinary research into various aspects of this growing global concern, including the psychological makeup and other characteristics of terrorists, as well as the tactics and patterns of actions their groups employ.

As part of the New York Times Special 9/11 Fund, the John Jay College Foundation collected $2.4 million for the families of law enforcement officers who died in the attack. John Jay’s Fire Safety Foundation collected $2.8 million for the families of 343 New York City firefighters who perished. Nearly all of the funds have been distributed. The balance—held in reserve for possible late applicants—will soon be disbursed as well.

In the weeks following the World Trade Center attack, students and faculty members from various departments and disciplines at John Jay interviewed dozens of law enforcement officials, rescue personnel, bystanders, workers at the Twin Towers, and family members of victims of the terrorist attack.

Based on tape recorded oral histories, The John Jay Theatrical Players put on a limited three-day run of an original play in April 2002 that was dedicated to the memory of all who died, to those in and outside the John Jay community who lost loved ones, and to the courage and future well being of all the survivors.

Held at the John Jay Theatre, “WHAT HAPPENED: The September 11th Testimony Project” was based on “the premise that telling one’s painful story, first to a single interviewer with a tape recorder, then to a larger public audience, can be part of the healing process,” said Playwright/Director Amy S. Green, a John Jay professor.

“These performances cannot begin to address the larger wounds that we will be nursing for a long time to come, but we hope that our process and our presentation offer some insight and some comfort,” said Dr. Green.

So too, this memorial issue.

In response to the terrible events of September 11, 2001, John Jay College has established an institute for the study of terrorism in an effort to make significant contributions to the design and development of new policies to enhance public safety and security.

The Center on Terrorism & Public Safety is housed at John Jay and staffed primarily by John Jay faculty members. It also makes use of experts from other colleges that are part of The City University of New York.

The initiative has seven major components: social science research; public policy development; scientific and technological research and application; comprehensive training for practitioners; public information; curriculum development; legal analysis.

Dr. Charles B. Strozier, Professor of History at John Jay College and the Graduate Center of CUNY, is the Director of the Center. On May 3, the Center co-sponsored an all day conference that featured experts on religion, government and criminal justice.

John Jay Professors John Kleinig, Jon-Christian Suggs and Avram Bornstein were joined by academics from Baruch, Wesleyan and Georgetown Universities. The program was made possible by a grant from the May and Samuel Rudin Family Foundation.
John Jay College Hosts

Hundreds of scientists, law enforcement officials, engineers, authors, academic, and other experts gathered at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in late January to discuss and analyze the dangers that New York City and other urban areas face from the growing threats of terrorism and other catastrophic disasters.

Co-sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region II, the Urban Hazards Forum brought internationally recognized experts to John Jay in conjunction with FEMA's efforts to establish effective training and educational partnerships with leading institutions in the field of emergency management.

The three-day conference, which was planned a year ago and scheduled last summer, took on increased importance and significance following the September 11 terror attack on America that took 3000 lives and destroyed the World Trade Center. Held at the John Jay College Theatre, it was packed with plenary sessions and freewheeling panel discussions among response professionals, researchers and policymakers. They were followed by frank, lively question and answer periods that created a contagious level of excitement in the 600-seat theater.

More than 350 persons attended the conference, which was dedicated to the victims of the World Trade Center attack. Three experts selected at a September 10, 2001 planning committee meeting to take part in a panel discussion about the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center—Ray Downey of the New York City Fire Department, Doug Karploff of the Port Authority, and John O'Neill, a retired FBI Agent and then-Chief of Security for the WTC—died in the terror attack the following day.

On the first day of the conference, after greetings by College President Gerald W. Lynch, New York City Deputy Fire Chief Charles Blaich mesmerized attendees with a riveting account of the attack on the Twin Towers and the response and rescue effort in which 343 firefighters, 37 Port Authority police officers and 23 New York City cops perished. Blaich, a John Jay graduate who was a Fire Department commander at Ground Zero, used his personal recollections along with diagrams, CNN videotape and still photos projected onto a huge screen to recreate the chaos and heroism of the day.

All told, an estimated 22,000 workers and others who were at the Trade Center when the first plane hit at 8:47 AM survived the attack. They ran, walked or were carried out of the complex by rescue workers before the second tower collapsed 100 minutes later. Nearly 6000 were treated at 73 city hospitals, with about 500 admitted with serious injuries. About 1850 persons were treated in hospital emergency rooms in New Jersey and New York suburbs.

Blaich, whose descriptive narrative was amplified by Port Authority Police Chief Joseph Morris and Richard Rotanz of New York City's Office of Emergency Management, stressed a need for better communications between agencies that respond to all catastrophic emergences. "We lost control of who was going into
Urban Hazards Forum

the buildings,” Blaich said, noting that rescuers inside the Towers failed to receive information from a police helicopter flying above that might have saved lives. Rotanz is also a John Jay graduate.

"Here we have their airborne antenna flying around without the capacity of transmitting to people on the upper floors to get out. The officers at the incident command center were unaware of the severity of the condition of the buildings outside. It was all well-intentioned, and I am proud of the people who went in. But there has to be a big revisiting of the whole event. It all goes back to communications," said Blaich. "In a way," added Chief Morris, "thank God the buildings went down when they did because you had 500 more people ready to go into the buildings."

Conference co-chair Charles Jennings, director of John Jay’s Protection Management Program and a fire service policy expert, said many suggested improvements in response strategies to terrorism were also applicable to natural and man-made disasters, including earthquakes, floods, explosions and train wrecks. “This is probably the first dialogue in which terrorism and emergency management people got together in the wake of the September 11 tragedy,” said Jennings. “There are no solutions yet. We still have a lot of work to do, but the things we do to improve buildings, for example, will not only aid our response efforts to terrorism but to accidents and natural disasters like high-rise fires and earthquakes.”

Distinguished faculty members from John Jay and other CUNY colleges played important roles in the three-day conference, serving as plenary session speakers, panelists and moderators of panels in three tracks: Catastrophic Events, Mitigation and Terrorism.

Victor Goldsmith of Hunter College and Glenn Corbett of John Jay moderated a joint Catastrophic Events-Mitigation panel that included Nicholas K. Coch of Queens College and Jin Jong Choi, a John Jay alumnus who is Chief of Search and Rescue in South Korea. Goldsmith, a Professor of Geography, and Corbett, an Assistant Professor of Fire Science, led panel discussions on: Water Emergencies, Urban Rail Emergencies, Engineering and Infrastructure, and Man-Made Disasters in the Built Environment.

Professors Robert J. Louden, George Andreopoulos and Charles Strozier of John Jay and Michael Flynn of York College talked about the psychology of suicide bombers, the disturbing abundance of plutonium—1130 tons—in the former Soviet Union, the dangers of anthrax and other deadly poisons and much more during panel discussions that included: Nuclear Terror in Urban Areas, Mind of a Terrorist, Hostage Taking, and Chemical and Biological Terrorism.

Strozier, a Professor of History, served as a featured speaker on terrorism at the opening and closing plenary sessions. In his closing remarks, he noted that terror threats to world safety were great, but said that practitioners and academics, through research, education and continued interaction, might find solutions by working together. “Hopefully,” said Strozier, “in dark times, the eyes begin to see.”
A Quiet New Year’s Eve at Ground Zero

Reflections of John Jay graduate James Ellson, who had responded to a terrorist bombing of the World Trade Center in 1993 and another at the Oklahoma City Federal Building in 1995, about his visit to Ground Zero on New Year’s Eve.

By James Ellson

As the city was preparing for a gala New Year’s Eve celebration, a small group of firefighters were ready for a long cold winter night. Chilled to the bone from the cold wind blowing across Ground Zero from the Hudson River, they were focused on recovering victims of the September 11 attack.

Ground Zero is illuminated by portable lights as construction workers and firefighters seek clues for missing victims. A firefighter’s boot is found; then a mask. The heavy equipment stops to allow the firefighters to get on to the pile and dig with their hands to search for a victim. Time goes on. It gets colder and colder. Where is the coffee, or anything to keep warm? As midnight approaches, the crowd in Times Square grows louder and louder as happiness consumes the midnight revelers.

With small tools and bare hands the firefighters dig deeper into the twisted steel and concrete. A yellow stripe is seen; bunker pants; an outline of a body is found. The firefighters prepare to remove the remains of their comrade. They gently lift the lifeless body as you would a small and helpless child. They place it on a stretcher and cover it. The work stops; it’s midnight. As the ball in Times Square falls, there is a tumultuous roar from the crowd as

New York City welcomes the year 2002. At that same time, the silence is deafening five miles south at Ground Zero. The American flag is draped over the stretcher, the firefighters are very quiet, unaware of the extreme cold, with tears in their eyes. A prayer is said. A moment of silence. The firefighters stand at attention and salute one of their brothers. They don’t know his name, but they have recovered and brought home a man, a husband, a father, a son, a brother, an uncle, a friend.

Back to the pile and into the night. The sun rises, and during the day, they recover another eleven firefighters. No civilians, how sad. As the day grows into night, tired and weary firefighters give high fives and hugs to one another. While others were nursing hangovers, this small group of firefighters has a deep sense of accomplishment. I am so proud to have been part of this experience.
James J. Fyfe (B.S. ’71)

After joining the John Jay College faculty last fall and teaching Criminal Justice as a member of the Law and Police Science Department, Dr. Fyfe was tapped by Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly to be the Director of Training for the NYPD. Awarded an honorary LL.D. from John Jay in 1999, Dr. Fyfe has built a long and lustrous career in the fields of criminal justice and criminal justice research.

Recognized and honored by institutions and law enforcement associations around the country, Dr. Fyfe has published numerous journal articles and textbooks, and serves as a reviewer for some of the top criminal justice journals in the country. He has earned many honorary degrees and received a Distinguished Alumni award from John Jay in 1990. He often consults about policing with government officials and municipalities throughout the country.

Dr. Fyfe came to John Jay from Temple University, where for several years he served as Senior Public Policy Research Fellow.

Larry Seabrook (B.A. ’74)

Elected as a member of the New York City Council, District 12 (Bronx), Larry B. Seabrook took office in January 2002. Larry was the first African American ever elected to the New York State legislature from the 83rd Assembly District. Elected to the State Assembly in 1984, Larry’s legislative agenda focused on senior citizens’ benefits; crime prevention; education; job development and small business enterprises.

Kevin Donovan (M.A. ’76)

After a brief stint as head of the Newark, New Jersey field office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Kevin Donovan was designated Assistant Director in Charge of the FBI’s flagship office in New York City in February. He oversees about 1,100 agents and 800 support employees in the New York office, which also covers Long Island and Westchester, Rockland, Dutchess, Orange, Putnam and Sullivan Counties.

Starting in 1996, Donovan spent five years in top positions in the New York field office, covering administrative tasks, organized crime and all criminal investigations. A 24-year veteran of the FBI, Donovan also served in supervisory posts in Philadelphia, Washington, D.C. and New Jersey before taking over the Newark office last year.

On May 7, on behalf of the Alumni Association, President Gerald W. Lynch presented Donovan an Achievement Award at a well-attended reception in the President’s office.

Robert J. Robson (B.S. ’78, M.A. ’80)

Robert Robson, who now resides in Arizona, has recently become Vice Chairman of the Rules Committee for the State of Arizona House of Representatives. In addition to his public service as a representative in the assembly, he owns several businesses, including an insurance company and an orange grove. On a recent trip to New York, he visited John Jay with several members of the Arizona State Assembly.

Allan Jennings, Jr. (B.A. ’90)

Elected as a member of the New York City Council, District 28 (Queens), Allan Jennings took office in January 2002. Jennings also served as Assembly District Leader for the 31st Assembly District in Queens. Along with Seabrook and Martinez, Jennings was honored at a reception in the office of President Gerald W. Lynch on January 29.

Berrette Acilton Peets (B.S. ’94)

Berrette Peets, an active member of the Black Law Students Association while attending Ohio Northern University’s Pettit College of Law, has just graduated with a degree of Juris Doctor from ONU.

Miguel Martinez (B.S. ’95)

Elected as a member of the New York City Council, District 10 (Manhattan), Miguel Martinez took office in January 2002. Miguel, a Student Council President at John Jay, decided that the best way to have a lasting impact on his community’s future was to serve its children. For 10 years, he has served the children and families of Northern Manhattan where he lives. As a Bilingual Teacher for six years, he actively opposed the budget cuts that devastated the services for school children and Bilingual Education. He served as Program Director for Victim Services in the Washington Heights and Harlem Child Care/Domestic Violence Network. In recognition of his devotion to his community, Miguel was previously appointed to serve on Community Board 12 by the Borough President, and appointed to the Crime Victim Advisory Board by the Attorney General.

David Deyo (M.A. ’98)

Former NYPD Lieutenant David Deyo now resides in Clearwater, Florida where he is in charge of the Graduate Equivalency Degree (GED) program the state runs for inmates at two facilities in Lee County, Florida.

Sara Russell (M.P.A. ’99)

Sara Russell, formerly Director of Communications and Development for Covenant House was recently named Assistant Director for Special Gifts at St. Michael’s College. An avid runner, Sara has participated in the New York marathon and the Brooklyn half-marathon.
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Dear fellow alumni,

The hearts and prayers of the Alumni Association Executive Board are with the friends and families who have suffered the loss of a loved one in the September 11 attack. We are very proud of the heroism of the firefighters, police officers and emergency medical service personnel and many other New Yorkers who put their own lives at risk to save others.

Here at John Jay College, we mourn our fallen heroes. We have lost many fellow alumni, faculty and students. On May 2, we honored all alumni who died at the World Trade Center at this year’s Distinguished Alumni reception.

I am proud to be a member of this Alumni Association, because I know that many of you are out there serving this great nation of ours. I love to see how united we have all become. So many alumni were there that day, or have worked at Ground Zero in the months that followed.

If you wish to share your experiences, thoughts and questions with us about this tragic event, please visit our website at www.jjay.cuny.edu/alumni and do so. We would like to share your grief as well as any upbeat stories about your colleagues.

Also, feel free to contact us if you are still suffering traumatic effects from the horrific events of September 11. Members of John Jay’s Counseling Department are only a phone call away.

I am very pleased that so many of you have chosen to join the Alumni Association since our last newsletter. Thank you for supporting the Association because by doing so you help foster and promote the growth, development and welfare of John Jay College.

If you still have not joined the Association, please take a moment to return the attached insert or register on-line at www.jjay.cuny.edu/alumni.

God bless you all, and God Bless America!

George Abraham
President, Alumni Association