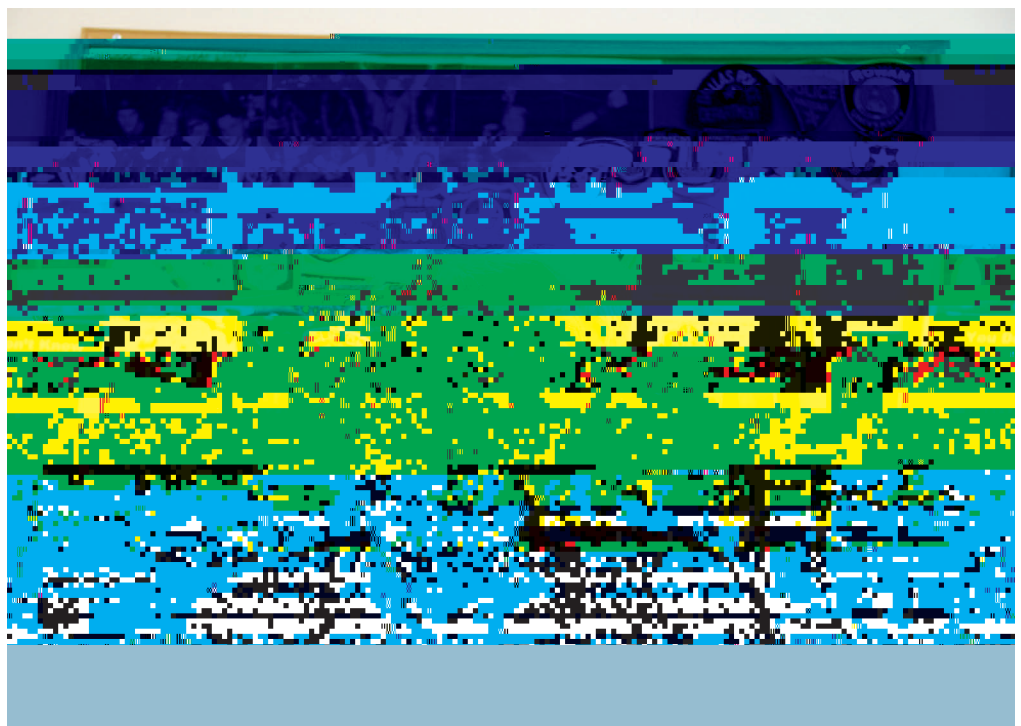


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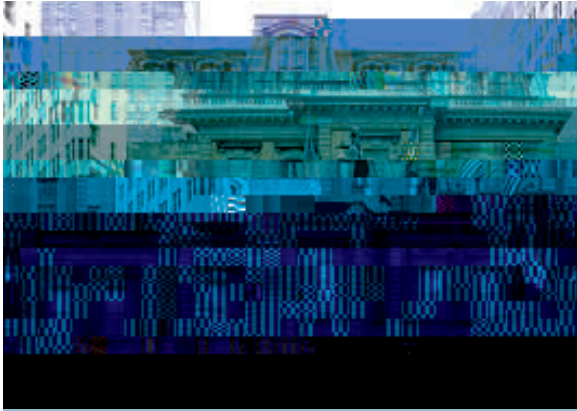


The society isn't quite secret. It does, after all, have its own website and solves high profile crimes—including previously unsolved “cold case” murders. The Vidocq Society is, however, exclusive and quite mysterious. And its newest member is one of Stockton's own.

Dr. John White, Associate Professor of Psychology, was recently inducted into this fellowship of top-level law enforcement professionals and others seeking resolution to “cold case” investigations. The Vidocq Society is named for Eugene Francois Vidocq, an 18th century French detective considered to be the grandfather of modern police investigation and the inspiration for Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes character.

The Vidocq Society was founded 21 years ago by a top-ranking U.S. Customs Service Special Agent, a well-known forensic sculptor and a prison psychologist from Michigan. The group's original by-laws called for 82 members, one for each year in Vidocq's life. Today, there are 150 full and special members worldwide. They meet monthly at Philadelphia's equally exclusive Union League, lending their collective talent to “cuisine and crime-solving,” according to the website.

Over a fine meal, the group is presented with a “cold case” and then goes to work to solve it. Sometimes the case is cracked right there in the dining room of the Union League's venerable building on South Broad Street. Other times the Vidocq members visit the actual



Members of the Vidocq society meet monthly at Philadelphia's Union League (pictured above) to lend their talents to "cuisine and crime-solving."

crime scene. Whatever the setting, this group of crime fighters investigates, re-focuses and oft-times solves cases previously thought to be un-solvable.

The group is the focus of *The Vidocq Society*, a book by Michael Capuzzo, which currently has lots of Hollywood buzz about a film adaptation.

"I certainly feel honored to be inducted," said White, a member of the Stockton faculty since 1992. "You have to be sponsored and invited into the group before they accept you. I was sponsored by James Fitzgerald, a former FBI profiler and an adjunct here at Stockton."

A former 12-year member of the police force in his native Dallas, White worked in the psychological services end of investigations, sex crimes and internal affairs before changing his career path to higher education. Although he began as a music major at The University of Texas at Austin, White earned his bachelor's degree in sociology, then changed his major and earned his master's and doctoral degrees in counseling from the Psychology department at The University of North Texas.

At Stockton, White created the Forensic Psychology tracks for both the Psychology and Criminal Justice programs, and his classes are among the most popular on campus.

"John White's class was one I honestly looked forward to more than any other during my years at Stockton," said Chris Rossi, a 2007 graduate. "It was the type of class in which you not only learned a great deal but things stuck with you that you would think about later."

In addition to his work as a professor, John is an accomplished psychological profiler who works with local, statewide and national law-enforcement agencies. He has testified on many high-profile criminal cases and, as a licensed psychologist, operates his own forensic psychology practice. In addition, he has been consulted on numerous child custody cases and investigations related to Megan's Law. "For the past three weeks I have been consulting with the Division of Youth and Family Services on a kidnapping case in which a 12-year-old girl was abducted and held as a sex slave for 10 years," he stated.

White, a resident of Absecon, is known by the media to be accessible and quotable on numerous subjects related to criminal ac-



Groundbreaking Ceremony of the Unified Science Center



Members of the Stockton Community are cordially invited to attend the formal groundbreaking ceremony of the Unified Science Center building next week.

“One of Stockton’s distinctions is that we graduate more science and math majors than any other New Jersey state college or university. Hence, it is extremely important that we have a first-class Unified Science Center,” Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr, said. “We hope everyone will come out to celebrate the start of construction on this important project.”

The building will be three stories high and approximately 66,000 square feet. It will include wet and dry laboratories, classrooms and support facilities. The building is expected to be complete within the first quarter of 2013.

President Saatkamp, members of the Board of Trustees and representatives of the faculty and student body will be on hand for the event. The ground breaking will take place at 12 noon on Wednesday, July 6, 2011. It will be held in Parking Lot 4 in the shadow of the new Campus Center. Parking will be available for attendees in Lot 4.

“The day marking the start of construction on the Unified Science Center is remarkably significant for our students and faculty and for the future of the College,” President Saatkamp remarked.

Please come show your support for the College’s science and mathematics programs by attending this important and exciting ceremony.

