

Fighting cyber crime

By Stephanie Mostaccio

Rider has vowed to battle the increase in crimes committed with computers and similar communication technologies, including the Internet.

The University has recently joined two other schools in establishing a Cyber Crime and Forensics Institute.

"Rider University's Center for Business Forensics is proud to join East Stroudsburg University and Drexel University to create the new Cyber Crime and Forensics Institute," President Mordechai Rozanski said. "Building on our expertise in data mining, computer security, e-commerce, forensic accounting, fraud investigation and business valuation, we will collaborate to expand knowledge, develop standards and educate the next generation of computer forensics professionals to combat fraud and abuse."

The Institute is a joint program in which the three universities will develop educational programs and research related to detection, prosecution and prevention of fraud and computer crimes.

Dr. William Amadio, director of the Rider Center for Business Forensics and associate professor of computer

information systems, called the Institute a "virtual organization" in which its members stay connected through technology.

The Cyber Crime and Forensics Institute has three objectives: To educate and develop future computer practitioners for U.S. law enforcement, to assist law-enforcement agencies in personnel training and expert resources for consultation and analysis, and to create cross-disciplinary state-of-the-art research in computer forensics.

According to Amadio, each university brings unique resources to this partnership. Rider is contributing its business expertise while East Stroudsburg and Drexel are contributing their technical and engineering expertise.

"Not one of us could do this alone," Amadio said. "But together, we make a very powerful organization."

Amadio added that Rider's Law and Justice Department, as well as its Chemistry and Biology Departments, have shown an interest in forensic science.

"We have a large number of resources to devote to this program," he said.

The participating universities have proposed a joint undergraduate and graduate degree program for computer forensics, computer security and forensic accounting. Bachelor's and master's degrees will be offered in these fields beginning in the Fall 2006 semester if the proposal is approved.

Amadio said the need for

a Cyber Crime and Forensics Institute is very high.

"The cost of corporate fraud and computer crime is approaching \$1 trillion a year," he said. "I really think the problem is severe. We need to put our best people working on a solution."

Rider, East Stroudsburg and Drexel will share \$1 million in federal funding, which was approved by Congress in the Fiscal Year 2006 Science, Commerce, Justice and State Appropriations Bill.

"The funding will support the development of concentrated programs in accounting and computer information systems, along with enrichment of other business management curricula," Amadio said.

The joint program will benefit students, according to Amadio.

"The Cyber Crime and Forensics Institute will prepare our students to implement the policies, organizational structures, practices and systems necessary to address the threats of fraud and cyber crime in the 21st century," he said.

Amadio added that the program will allow students to take advantage of job opportunities in the field of cyber crime and forensics.

Amadio also said the Institute will benefit society by saving some of the money lost to fraud.

"If just a small fraction of that money were put back to use, some of our society's other problems could be solved," he said.

American society."

Lee was born in South Korea and immigrated to the United States with his family at the age of three.

"We arrived the way most emigrant families did," Lee said in a recent telephone interview. "My father came first, and the rest of us — my mother, my sister and me — followed a year later."

After his graduation from Philips Exeter Academy and Yale University, Lee worked as a Wall Street analyst for one year. But he decided to quit and devote all his energies to writing.

"I didn't leave Wall Street because the work was not my nature," he said. "I left because I had this love for writing."

Lee currently lives with his wife and daughter in Bergen County, N.J., and teaches writing at Princeton University.

In his writings, Lee explores the themes of identity, belonging and assimilation. His novels are focused on the meshing of cultures, portraying Asian characters that more or less successfully immerse into American society.

Chang-rae Lee lecture postponed

By Milena Insam

The lecture by Asian-American writer Chang-rae Lee, author of *Native Speaker*, *A Gesture Life* and *Aloft*, which was supposed to take place tonight in the Bart Luedeke Center Theater (BLC), will be postponed until Friday, Feb. 3, because of the expected snow.

"We're unfortunately forced to cancel [the event]," said Dr. John Hulsman of the English Department. "There were three acts involved in this, so we cancelled because we thought it would be a big mess."

However, the lecture is rescheduled to take place in either the BLC theater or the Fireside Lounge.

Lee is the seventh guest in the Rider Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) Distinguished Writers Series.

Hulsman said Lee is an important writer who offers the reader a "useful kind of novel."

"He is achieving a great reputation," Hulsman said. "He is interested in the intricacies of Asian culture and the adjustment to the complexities of

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The Sanda program recruits up to 60 business students in groups known as cohorts to participate in a global business program. Sanda students can either take Rider's business courses at Sanda or choose to complete a year or two of study at here during their junior year, she said.

"[Sanda is] the first private school in Shanghai," she said. "We thought it to be a good match."

In addition, 21 out of 23 students from Sanda, who arrived last January, will continue their studies for another year, according to President Mordechai Rozanski. They will return to China in 2006 with either an MBA or Masters in accounting.

"[These students] will then have the credentials to get interviews for jobs in American-based companies in Shanghai," he said.

YiFeng Sun, who arrived last January for a two-year program, said one year in "this interesting place" has already changed him.

"Since I came [in] January 2005, I [see] the different culture between two large countries [and I] know many friends," he said.

Rozanski said the program creates diversity, not only by introducing foreign students to an American university, but also by showing these foreign students some of the basic principles of American culture.

"We want to foster, among our community, a greater understanding of the interconnectedness of the world,"

he said.

For students like Emma Lu, a year in America was devoted mostly to academics.

Regrettably, most of the students from the first cohort did not have the chance to learn the complexities of the English language, she said.

"My suggestion for the next group is [to] do things individually and try not to work always with Chinese students," Lu said. "They should try to make American friends to learn the culture here and also get a big improvement on their English."

The success of the program has encouraged more students at Sanda to study as graduate students, Wang said.

"The expansion of the program has promoted the pursuit of MBA and Master [degrees]," she said.

Rozanski hopes the program will not only foster "a more diverse student body," but also create a greater demand for studying abroad. The University is looking to send a small group of its students as English-language tutors to a middle school in China for four weeks in the summer.

He added that the University is also expanding the Sanda program to the Communication Department. Rider will send some its Communication staff to teach at Sanda in 2007, while Sanda students will arrive to pursue Communication degrees by 2008.

In the meantime, the first cohort of students is continuing to enjoy studying in America, Rozanski said.

"They're doing well, learning a lot, and applying what they learn," he said.

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did so much," he said. "Those are big shoes to fill."

Wise, born in Los Angeles, was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Eleanor Bowman Wise, and his son, Andrew Lee Wise.

He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Helen; his children, Katharine of Frostburg, Md., Ryan of Boston; Jenny of Freehold, N.J.; Mary Helen at

home and Matthew of Pitzer College, Claremont, Calif; three grandsons, Andrew, Colin and Timothy Wise Pinches of Frostburg, Md.; one brother, Roy Wise and his wife Maggie Bruck of Baltimore; and one niece, Lindsay Wise of Boston.

Calling hours took place on Tuesday, Dec. 6 and Wednesday, Dec. 7, at the family home. A memorial service will be held for Wise on Saturday, Dec. 17 at Nassau Presbyterian Church, 61 Nassau St., Princeton, N.J. at 11 a.m.

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