

**The New Jersey Association of Criminal Justice Educators will be holding their October meeting at Mercer County Community College (West Windsor Campus) on Friday, October 11, 2013 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in CM 110 (Communications Building).**

**This meeting is open to the public and will include Alan Maimom from Centurion Ministries as guest speaker.**

#### **Oveview of Presentation:**

**It is difficult to imagine the horror of being arrested, convicted, and sentenced to life or death for a crime you had nothing to do with. But the unfortunate reality of the justice system is that mistakes happen and the truth doesn't always prevail. Since its founding in 1983, Princeton-based Centurion Ministries has helped free 52 factually innocent people in the United States and Canada, a group that, collectively, served more than a millennium in prison for the crimes of others. In contrast to other organizations with similar missions, the bulk of CM's case work is non-DNA-related and requires extensive in-the-field reinvestigation. Alan Maimon, CM's staff investigator, will detail some of the organization's successes, as well as the challenges of unearthing newly discovered evidence in decades-old cases.**

#### **Biography:**

**Alan Maimon worked for 12 years as an investigative journalist before joining Centurion Ministries in January 2012. While with the Louisville Courier-Journal, he wrote a series of stories about Kentucky's criminal justice system that was a finalist for the 2004 Pulitzer Prize in Public Service. As an investigative reporter for the Las Vegas Review-Journal, he was the recipient of a Silver Gavel Award from the American Bar Association. He is a Philadelphia native and the author of four sports books.**

