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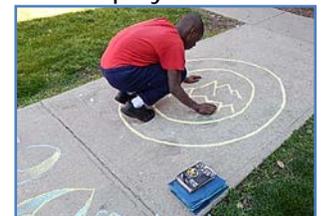
SMILES AND LAUGHTER FILL THE AIR AT IREF'S FAMILY DAY: The rain did not deter Indianapolis Re-Entry Educational Facility (IREF) staff and their family members from taking a well-deserved pause from the rigors that come with working in corrections. On June 8, staff and family members gathered at IREF to enjoy a fun-filled day of food, games, entertainment, and merriment. IREF's Employee Appreciation Committee planned the Family Day event with a dual purpose in mind: to allow staff and their families a day of enjoyment, and to raise funds for the Indiana Law Enforcement & Firefighters Memorial."

LOGANSVILLE JUVENILE RAMP UP THEIR CONSTRUCTION SKILLS! The Logansport Juvenile Correctional Facility recently constructed a handicap ramp in the neighboring community as part of the facilities community service program. They assisted in prefabricating and site building a handicap ramp for a family in need in Howard County. The Prefabrication took about 3 days and the site build took another 2 day to complete. The family that the Ramp was built for was very appreciative of the efforts of the staff and students. The project that was funded by the SAWS, Servants at Work, it is the first project of the partnership between SAWS and the facility. The students learned some basic construction skills in the process. They did something for a complete stranger for the common good.



PUNTAMVILLE CORRECTIONAL GRADUATES 3 OFFENDERS FROM THE THOROUGHDRED PROGRAM: Putnamville Correctional Facility had 3 offenders graduate from Thoroughbred Horse Barn Groom Elite Program. They are the first to complete the new program successfully. After completion of this program (that takes between 6 to 9 months) the offenders receive a Groom Elite Certificate that enhances and enables the possibility for the offender to obtain employment as

beginner grooms at Race Tracks and Show Barns Nationwide upon release and are eligible for a six (6) month time cut. Skills mastered included anatomy and confirmation, height, weight and fitness, behavior, feed and digestive system, legs and bandaging and test barn procedures.



CAMP SUMMIT ACHIEVES EXCELLENANCE IN PbS CERTIFICATION! Camp Summit Boot Camp has been awarded Level 4 by the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators for PbS (Performance Based Standards). Level 4 is the highest level possible in PbS and represents that the facility staff has a high degree of commitment to improving the lives of the youth we serve. The facility has maintained level 4 since October 2011, which is absolutely phenomenal stated superintendent Davis. "This level of achievement is accomplished by few facilities nationwide and reflects the outstanding work being done at Camp Summit as it works to improve the conditions of confinement for the youth we serve," stated Executive Director for the Division of Youth Services Chris Blessinger. Camp Summit is one of only eleven facilities out of 146 nationwide to be awarded a level 4 designation.

ROCKVILLE STAFFER WALKS AWAY WITH PROFESSIONALISM AWARD: Rockville Correctional Facility Maintenance Foreman Ryan Kimbler was the recipient of the Professionalism Award presented at the Pre-Service Academy Graduation Ceremony held at Putnamville Correctional Facility on June 1, 2015. Mr. Kimbler thanked his classmates and the instructors whom he said were instrumental in his selection.



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