



INDIANA WOMEN'S PRISON'S JANET O'NEAL RETIRES  
AFTER 32 YEAR OF SERVICE



## Sandra Beecher Honored

Correctional Counselor Sandra Beecher was honored as a foster parent of the year with the Faith, Hope and Love Award, during an award appreciation luncheon hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Indianapolis.



## Alisa Ashigbi Named Employee of the Month

Officer Ashigby motivates her peers and other staff. She always has a positive attitude and displays professionalism. She personifies the DOC Ethos.



## SART Team's New Members

Indiana Women's Prison and Plainfield Correctional staff received their certification for completion of two days of Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) training. Training was a collective effort by instructors from both facilities.

# This Week's Events



## Wabash Valley Hosts Tour for College Students

Wabash Valley Correctional Facility hosted a tour for a class of ISU students and visiting scholars from the University of Zagreb in Croatia.

The class is part of an exchange program between ISU Criminology and the University of Zagreb Faculty of Education & Rehabilitation. The program allows students to go to Croatia one year and the United States the following year. It's an excellent opportunity for the students to gain insight into the different aspects of Corrections both at home and abroad.

The students toured the Purposeful Living Unit Served (PLUS), the South Side Offender Services Building (OSB) and the Special Confinement Unit (SCU). There were 36 participants in all!



## ISP Divine Hope Graduation

Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary held a Graduation Ceremony at the Indiana State Prison. Six offenders received certificates for completing programs. Vaughn Reeves and Thad Stewart were recipients of the Certificate in Christian Studies. James Hinkle, C.R. "Hank" Stephenson and Corey Tyner were awarded an Associate Diploma in Christian Studies and Kelly Holland was the recipient of a Bachelor Diploma in Christian Studies.

Terry Harman, Chaplain at the Indiana State Prison spoke to the men and their family members. He stated, "The program has come a long way. It is the same program an individual would need to complete outside a prison setting without the distractions caused by prison life". He expressed a thank you to the Divine Hope Professors for coming to facility and giving an outstanding program.

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## American Legion Post #608 Donates \$10K to Charity

Pendleton Correctional Facility's Community Involvement Coordinator, Jeff King reported that the American Legion Post #608, located inside the facility, donated in excess of \$10,000.00 to various charities and organizations during a recent Memorial Day event.

Typically held after the Memorial Day holiday, American Legion Post #608 honors our nation's heroes, past and present, during an event attended by friends, family and guests. Honoring those who have served, those who gave the ultimate sacrifice and those missing in action were highlighted in a dedication to our American Heroes.

To conclude the event, guests from fourteen (14) organizations were recognized for their contributions to our communities and were presented with check donations from American Legion Post #608.

"American Legion Post #608 conducts multiple fundraisers throughout the year to raise money to help support those who are underserved in our communities. It is our commitment to give back as part of the offender's rehabilitation and in the end, the offender's sense of pride and fulfillment are restored.

The support we have received from the community, friends and family has been overwhelming and we appreciate all of the encouragement we have received," stated Jeff King.



## South Bend Re-Entry's Annual Fishing Trip

Partnering with Granger Community Church, the residents were able to celebrate fatherhood and their children by spending quality time with their kids. On May 19, 2018 the Potato Creek State Park opened its doors to the men and children. They were able to spend time with their children fishing, playing games, and enjoying a cookout. Most importantly they were able to build on the reconnecting with their children.

Warden Charles Bowen says "These men have shown interest in spending time with their children, and they took the opportunity to spend quality outdoors time with them.

There is an indescribable sort of joy in seeing a child catch his first fish. As a re-entry team, we are honored to be a part of making that experience happen."

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## Edinburgh Launches Prison Fellowship Academy

The Edinburgh Correctional Facility's first Prison Fellowship Academy class successfully commenced on May 24, 2018 with a total of 22 offender participants. The Academy focuses on preparing offenders for a successful re-entry by guiding participants through curriculum aimed at addressing life skills, coping skills, and relationship building all taught with a Christian perspective. The Edinburgh Correctional Facility is the first Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC) facility in Indiana to offer this program. The Prison Fellowship Academy mission and values align with current IDOC goals of reducing recidivism rates in Indiana and preparing offenders for a successful transition into our local communities.

This one-year course is currently led by Mrs. Connie Tooley and Mr. Jason Green, who are both registered Prison Fellowship volunteers with the IDOC. As this course progresses, specially-trained guest volunteers will assist with teaching curriculum topics such as budgeting, which will provide well rounded re-entry education for participants. Classes are currently held twice weekly inside the Edinburgh Correctional Facility.



## IR Donates to Community Garden

Pendleton Correctional Facility generously donated picnic tables to a local community garden near James A. Garfield IPS School 31.

Warden Dushan Zatecky and Physical Plant Director Stanley of the Pendleton Correctional Facility arrived to personally deliver the tables and were enthusiastically greeted by Principal Smith and Social Worker, Ms. Whaley of Garfield School. Also celebrating the donation were Director Rosales, Allie Kast, Great Indy Cleanup Community Coordinator for KIB and local Bates-Hendricks resident, Sam Sluis who organized the Great Indy cleanup event that made this collaboration possible.

While on-site, Director Vincent Stanley noticed the raised garden beds were also in need of an update. He quickly offered six new raised garden beds to be delivered the following week, in addition to a donation of birdhouses and butterfly houses.



# Classifieds

## Donations Needed: Professional Clothing

Spring Cleaning is in the air and HOPE Mentoring is hosting a clothing drive for our students! See Rick Rosales or e-mail [DOCOutreach@idoc.in.gov](mailto:DOCOutreach@idoc.in.gov) on donating your old suits and professional clothes for our students returning to the community.

## Need Money for College?

Visit: <http://cpafi.org/scholarships/>

### WHAT SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE?

- Commissioner's Scholarship, \$7500 (one available)
- Public Safety Scholarship, \$4000 (one available)
- Rose Vaisvilas Scholarship, \$3000 (one available)
- Supplies Scholarship, \$2000 (approx. 8 available)
- Part-time Student Scholarship, \$1000 (approx. 4 available)



## IDOC Opportunities!

Pendleton Correctional Facility  
Job Title: Correctional Lieutenant  
Job ID: 616050  
Apply before: 06/12/18

Central Office  
Job Title: Application Systems Analyst Programmer  
Intermediate  
Job ID: 615593  
Apply before: 06/19/2018

Logansport Juvenile  
Job Title: Internal Affairs Officer  
Job ID: 615491  
Apply before: 06/19/18

Logansport Juvenile  
Job Title: Institutional Teacher  
Job ID: 615938  
Apply before: 06/19/18

Pendleton Correctional  
Job Title: Correctional Case Manager  
Job ID: 616227  
Apply before: 06/19/18

Indiana Women's Prison  
Job Title: Correctional Sergeant  
Job ID: 615635  
Apply before: 06/19/18

Miami Correctional  
Job Title: Correctional Sergeant  
Job ID: 616241  
Apply before: 06/19/18