Weekly Views

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THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION NEWSLETTER

Pendleton Correctional Hosted 5th Annual Cruise-In Car Show

Estep Promoted!

Jennifer has been promoted to serve as the secretary to both Duane Alsip and Dennis Reagle at Pendelton Correctional. Congrats!

ISP's CSBs

Congrats on your CSB's Ofc. Tevin Reid, Ofc. Buddy Reczek, Sgt. Brandon Schmeltz, Ofc. Haley McPhearson, Ofc. Amanda Bridegroom, and Ofc. Tashia Bailey!

Lt. Lyday Pinned

Warden Brown stated, "Lt. Lyday brings a great deal of professionalism, skill and ability to the job. He is a dedicated employee that takes the initiative to get the job done."

This Week's Events

CIF Graduated Two from Leadership Academy

Two staff members of the Correctional Industrial Facility (CIF) recently graduated from the Indiana Department of Correction's Leadership Academy at the Correctional Training Institute. Investigator John Poer and Administrative Assistant Laura Rasmussen were CIF's most recent graduates.

The Leadership Academy is designed to develop staff members into potential future leaders with a focus on self-assessment. Trainers give the participants the tools to improve and innovate their personal leadership styles. The expectations are high for individuals attending this academy; being able to recognized areas to improve on and having that type of self-realization is one of the most important aspects of the academy.

Warden Wendy Knight commented, "I congratulate both John and Laura on their graduation, Leadership Academy is a challenging course to complete. I now look forward to seeing them both use the new skills they have acquired."

Meet Sergeant Carpenter

Dustin Carpenter assumed the position of Correctional Sergeant at Wabash Valley Correctional Facility (WVCF). Dustin started his career with the IDOC in April 2016 as a Correctional Officer. Since that time Dustin has worked in several areas within the facility to include K Housing Unit (KHU) & the Custody Control Unit (CCU).

"Sgt. Carpenter has excelled in the position of Correctional Officer and he will be an asset to the facility in the supervisory role. He has great qualities that make a good Sgt. which include professionalism and teamwork."

This Week's Events

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

Indiana State Prison (ISP) held it's Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. Michael Ferrantella was awarded Volunteer of the Year. Mr. Ferantella teaches men the OSHA 30 Hour safety class to the men at ISO and the newly Basic construction skills class. Kairos was awarded the Volunteer Group of the Year. Kairos is holds weekend retreats twice a year for the men at ISP. They also have prayer and share for the men in general population and on X-row. Men from the Native American Circle and the Choir and Band provided the entertainment for the volunteers.

ICJA Awards Luncheon

Mr. Charles Williams (Miami Correctional Facility) and Ms. Lori Smales (Indiana State Prison) were both recognized at the Indiana Criminal Justice Association today at their Annual Fall Conference Luncheon.

Mr. Charles Williams, Training Coordinator at the Miami Correctional Facility, was recognized by his colleagues and ICJA as the "Education / Trainer of the Year."

Ms. Lori Smales, Training Secretary at the Indiana State Prison, was recognized as the "Support Employee of the Year" by the Indiana Department of Correction and Commissioner Rob Carter.

This Week's Events

RDC's Employee of the Month

The Reception Diagnostic Center (RDC) is pleased to announce the selection of Officer Angelie Assee as Employee of the Month for October.

Officer Assee's nominator says, "Officer Assee's uniform and appearance is always maintained to the highest level, and any staff or visitor can see that she is the embodiment of firmness, fairness, consistency and professionalism, especially while working the difficult post of Security Checkpoint at the facility entrance. Officer Assee maintains excellent attendance, is always smiling, and can be called on at any time for any task with the full confidence of her supervisor to complete it to the highest caliber with little or no supervision."

Officer Assee says, "It has been a great pleasure working at IYC, which I call home, and RDC. Staff at RDC are incredible, it is like a family bonding. I have been blessed to have the job and work in the Department of Correction. I have a lot of experience and I have learned a lot. I enjoy every post. I have been blessed with a wonderful husband, five children and a five-year old grandson. Thank you to whoever made this happen, it truly is an honor."

Westville's Quarterly Awards

Westville Correctional Facility honored several staff at its Quarterly Assembly. These staff members were selected for their contributions above and beyond the recognized levels of excellence at the facility. Each category focuses upon exemplary attitude and dedication toward improving the service provided daily to the offenders, staff and the public alike.

Photo (from left to right) Jason English: Contract Employee of the Quarter, Elizabeth Johnson: Officer of the Quarter, Tiesha Nash: Special Recognition Award, Jason Smiley: Custody Supervisor of the Quarter, Donalea Wireman: Non Custody Employee of the Quarter, Philip Sonnenberg: Non Custody Supervisor of the Quarter

UPCOMING EVENTS

Putnamville's Prison Greyhounds Dog Wash

October Jump Start to Training

XRY Tablet Cert. Oct. 9-11
EEL Oct. 10-11
Carey Group Oct. 11
GEO Addiction Recovery Train. Oct. 11-12
NETP Phase 3 Oct. 15-19
Parole Firearms Oct. 15-19
DOC Supervisory Program Oct. 15-19
GEO Addiction Recovering Train. Oct. 15-18
IDOC Sentence Comp/Release Unit Oct. 16-19
Agency Leadership Symposium Oct. 17-18
Women in Leadership Ph2 Oct. 22
Making a Change Academy Oct. 22-26
NETP Phase 3 Oct. 22-Nov.2
Restrictive Housing (Instr. Cert.)Oct. 23
BSS for Custody Suprv. Train. Oct. 24
Suicide Prevention (Instr. Cert.) Oct. 30
Trauma Informed Care (Instr. Cert.) Oct. 25

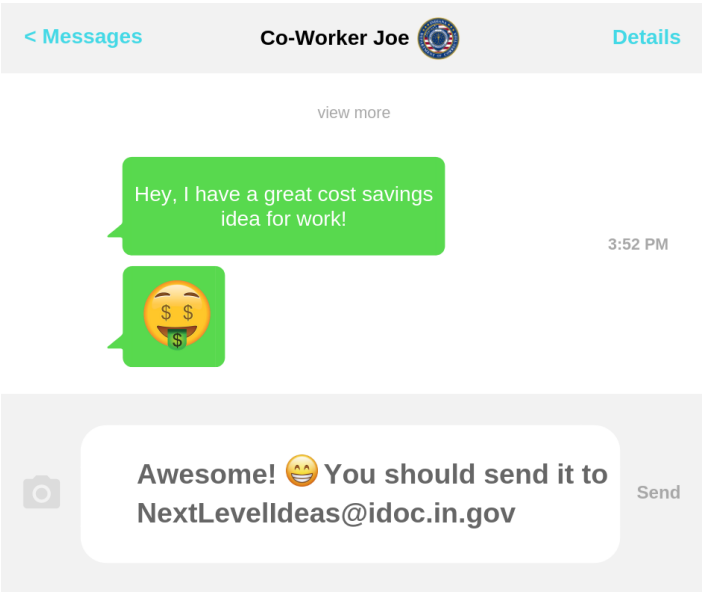
Classifieds

Donations Needed

Putnamville is starting a new art class! We would greatly appreciate donations of any of the following items:

- Sketchbooks (9x12)
- Pink erasers
- Colored Pencils (Bulk)
- #2 Pencils
- Stumps & Tortillion Art Blenders
- Painters Tape or Masking Tape
- Clear Acrylic Sealer
- Acrylic Paints (Assorted Colors)
- Water Color Paints
- Paint Brushes (Flat and round)
- 4" Wide Paint Brushes
- Mini Paint Brushes
- Primed Canvas Panel Boards 8x10
- Cotton Canvas 12" Wide Roll (if we want a large mural done)

Donations can be dropped off at any IDOC facility or Parole District. Simply email us to make arrangements at DOCoutreach@idoc.IN.gov.



IDOC Opportunities!

Logansport Juvenile
Job Title: Internal Affairs Officer 3
Job ID: 615491

Plainfield Correctional
Job Title: Correctional Sergeant
Job ID: 618700

Pendleton Correctional
Job Title: Correctional Lieutenant
Job ID: 618588

South Bend Community Re-Entry Center
Job Title: Maintenance Foreman 1
Job ID: 615320

Madison Correctional
Job Title: Deputy Warden
Job ID: 618918

Miami Correctional
Job Title: Unit Team Manager 2
Job ID: 618894

Logansport Juvenile
Job Title: Psychiatric Services Specialist 3
Job ID: 617712