



# Weekly Views

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**CENTRAL OFFICE STARTS 'PRISON TRANSPORT' CHALLENGE!** Growing bored with the usual FitBit Workweek Hustle step challenge, a few hardcore steppers put their heads together to create a virtual cross-country race for COA, *corrections-style*. Forming teams of four participants will vie to be the first to transport their prisoner from the Indiana State Prison to San Quentin Prison in California. Each person will have their steps logged by Humana Vitality with the team's progress measured by combining steps. To make it more interesting there will be the possibility of an individual's progress being temporarily impeded by a special 'delay' game card thrown by an opposing team member. Although the game doesn't start until March 1<sup>st</sup> the trash talking is well underway. For more info on starting a creative step challenge at your facility please contact Amanda Royston at [ARoyston@idoc.in.gov](mailto:ARoyston@idoc.in.gov)

**CIF HONORS FOUR CHAPLAINS DAY** The Correctional Industrial Facility's American Legion Post recently held a ceremony in honor of "Four Chaplains Day". The Four Chaplains, sometimes referred to as the "Immortal Chaplains" or "Dorchester Chaplains" were four United States Army Chaplains who gave their lives to save other civilian and military personnel as the troop ship SS Dorchester sank on February 3, 1943 during World War II. They helped other soldiers board lifeboats and gave up their own life jackets when the supply ran out. The chaplains joined arms, said prayers, and sang hymns as they went down with the ship. To honor these men, CIF's Color Guard posted the colors at precisely 8:00 AM on February 3rd. The flags were raised to their full extension, then lowered to half staff where they remained until the 5:00 PM hour.



**DID YOU EVER WANT TO BE PART OF THE "COOL KIDS" IN SCHOOL? NOW IS YOUR CHANCE!** Join your facility's [Special Olympics' 2016 Polar Plunge](#) team! Sign up using the link above today and get yourself ready to wow your classmates at your next high school reunion! You will bask in glory knowing that as you pose in waist-high water no one will ever be able to deny your coolness anymore!



**ISR PROMOTES 2 OUTSTANDING STAFFERS!** Pendleton Correctional Facility Superintendent, Dushan Zatecky would like to congratulate Jodi Plackard and Betty McMullen on their recent promotions. Jodi, who began her career at the facility as a temporary/contract employee, was hired as an Accountant 6 in Business Office. Betty McMullen, who first arrived at the facility working in Food Service for Aramark before hiring on with the facility as a secretary, was recently promoted to the position of Accountant 6 in the Payroll Department. Both Ms. Plackard and Mrs. McMullen's positions provide accounting and payroll services to the 3 correctional facilities that encompass the Pendleton Complex.



**CONGRATS BCF TO PFEIFER AND ROGIER!** Branchville Correctional Facility Superintendent Kathy Alvey is pleased to announce the recent promotions of Mrs. Diane Pfeiffer to the position of Administrative Assistant II effective January 3, 2016, and Ms. Vicki Rogier to the position of Administrative Secretary II effective February 21, 2016. Mrs. Pfeiffer began her career with Branchville Correctional Facility in 1990 as a Clerk Typist V. Since joining Branchville, she has been promoted to the positions of Secretary IV, Secretary III, Administrative Secretary II, and now to the position of Administrative Assistant II. In her new role Mrs. Pfeiffer will be the facility's accreditation coordinator, policy manager, offender grievance specialist, and she will maintain the facility's metrics. Superintendent Alvey stated, "Diane's longevity with the department made her the right fit for the position. It is my belief she will take her new role with the facility to a higher level. She is a valued employee and well respected among her peers." In addition, she stated, "Vicki has been with the department for a long time and is the foundation of the facility in many ways. Her outgoing personality and people skills will make her an asset to the Superintendent's office. Vicki is a class act all the way around."



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