



WeeklyViews

Indiana Department of Correction

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CIF GRADUATES 69 OFFENDERS FROM DOL PROGRAM Correctional Industrial Facility (CIF) conducted a graduation ceremony to recognize the most recent graduates of the facility's Department of Labor apprenticeship programs. Sixty-nine offenders were honored during the ceremony for completing various apprenticeship programs offered in conjunction with a partnership established between the United States Department of Labor (DOL) and the Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC). Superintendent Wendy Knight commented, "These programs provide offenders with the tools for a more successful re-entry and demonstrate to potential employers that they have the skills that they are seeking."



AWARDS ABOUND AT MCF! Miami Correctional Facility rewarded several staff members recently with awards. Those receiving Employee of the Quarter awards include: Gene Cooper, Supervisor of the Quarter; Jennifer Stool, Employee of the Quarter; Officer Robert Lever, Officer of the Quarter; and Kim Mettler, Contract Employee of the Quarter. Those receiving Leadership Awards include: Sgt. Aisha Brandy, Challenge the Process; Joseph Stetz, Inspire a Shared Vision; Joyce Holland, Enable Others to Act; Robert Twining, Model the Way; and Sgt. Kipp Long, Encourages the Heart. The awards were given out at the quarterly Staff Recall meeting.



ISP HAS TWO NEW SGTS AND ONE NEW LT! The Indiana State Prison (ISP) Superintendent Ron Neal proudly announces the promotions of Myra Gray and Joshua Bahu to the position of Correctional Sergeant and Chester Maclin to Correctional Lieutenant effective February 14, 2016. Superintendent Ron Neal states, "These fine individuals have demonstrated their ability to lead and are well deserving of their positions. I encourage them to continue to excel at the job they have been doing".

BCF AND CEO HONOR CONDUCT-FREE OFFENDERS! This week Branchville Correctional Facility held its quarterly rewards event for those offenders who have been conduct-free for at least 12 months. Branchville was honored to partner this quarter with Catholic Evangelization Outreach Ministry (CEO), a ministry working out of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Huntingburg, Indiana. For the rewards day, offenders enjoyed a meal, were shown the movie, "Do You Believe", and they were given popcorn and the opportunity to have their pictures taken in a coat and tie. Branchville Superintendent Kathy Alvey stated, "What a blessing it is to have people who are willing to give their time and attention to those who are incarcerated. It was pure joy to see this group interact with the offenders."



IWP STAFF ARE ON A 'FAST BREAK' CROSS-COUNTRY TO FINAL FOUR THEME: Indiana Women's Prison (IWP) staff led by Supt. McCauley will be leading the way from their facility on February 8th and head to all of last year's NCAA Final 4's campuses (Michigan State, Wisconsin, University of Kentucky and Duke! Staff will also enroll in the challenge on Humana Vitality to gain points there as well! Congrats to IWP for an imaginative way to stay healthy and build esprit-de-corp!

WVCF GRADUATES ANOTHER STELLAR CLASS FROM IN2WORK! Order up! Eight graduates of the Wabash Valley Correctional Facility (WVCF) In2Work class hope to hear those words in their futures. This is the third class to complete the over 2,000 hours needed in the ARAMARK In2Work program. Now these graduates have all the skills and certifications necessary to secure good jobs in the food service industry upon release. This particular industry is the number one source for offender employment, post incarceration. The grads showed off their skills by preparing and sharing Mexican cuisine with WVCF and ARAMARK staff after the graduation ceremony.



RCF COLLECTS FOOD FOR NATIONAL CANNED FOOD MONTH The Rockville Correctional Facility is building momentum in its month-long commitment to assist the Parke County Food Pantry in this year's Food Drive. February is National Canned Food Month and allows for an annual, friendly competition amongst facility departments. The goal of the food drive is to meet the needs of those less fortunate in the surrounding communities.