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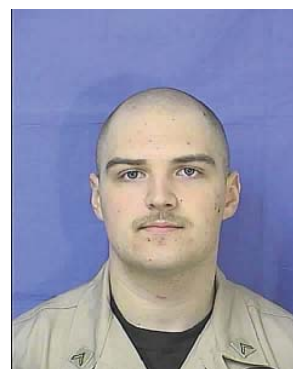
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Warden Letter



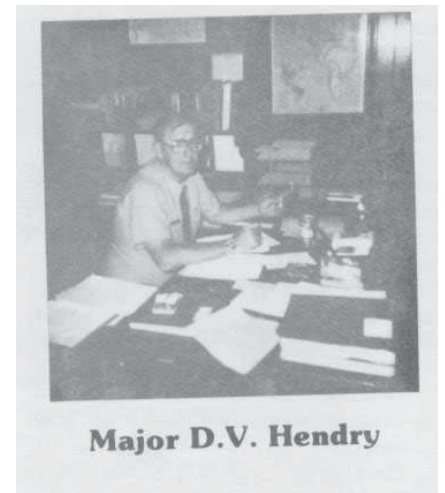
Recently Major Reeves put together a lunch date with former Major DV Hendry and myself. Major Hendry is now in his early eighties and lives quietly here in Hutchinson. Major Hendry worked here for 35 years beginning in the late 1950's. Many of us with a few years in this place can recall his quaint use of the term 'laddy'. DV was a World War II veteran, he routinely shared jokes or stories about his war experiences in the Army. A favorite joke went like this: "I told the sergeant that I wanted to surrender, He

ordered me to wait until I get overseas." The war took him to many exotic places as a young man. During our lunch Major Hendry shared memories and thoughts about the Reformatory, he recalled employees and inmates now long gone. He also talked about the changes he had seen for the better, one of those was when they relaxed the rules prohibiting inmates from talking to each other. The rule of silence applied throughout the evening and night, anyone in violation was sent to 'the hole' with no release in sight until the officer that put him in got him out. There was no paperwork and no appeal for the unfortunate talker. The arrival of hot water in the cells was another noteworthy improvement. Hygiene and Housekeeping both improved. Superintendent Krause was credited for many improvements.

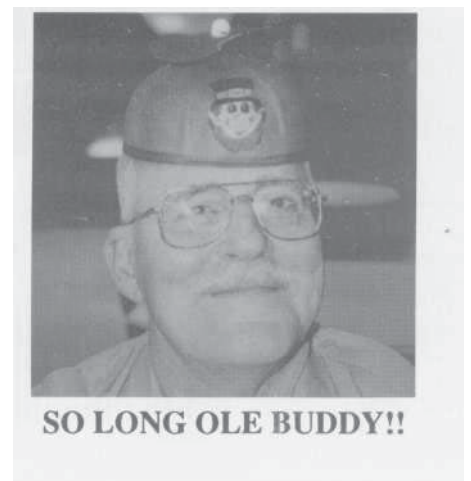
Major Hendry shared a phrase that he learned years ago about being a Corrections Officer. "Be as Hard as you have to be and as

Kind as you can be." Coming from a man who had seen the worst and best in people for 35 years in this place it made a lot of sense.

May the road rise up to meet you.



Major D.V. Hendry



SO LONG OLE BUDDY!!

Featured Employee



Uniformed: Kyle Long, CO II

Q: What is your favorite part of working here? A: I really like the friends I have made here. All my co-workers are great. Q: What are you most thankful for in life? A: My good health. Q: What are some of your goals in life? A: To spend at least a couple months traveling around Europe. Q: What is your favorite phrase/quote? A: An eye for an eye will make us all blind. – Ghandi. Q: If you could take a joy ride in any vehicle in the world, what would you choose? A: A Mercedes-Benz SLS. And I would put the pedal to the Metal. Q: What do you miss most about being a kid? A: Summer Vacations... How nice it would be to take three months off every year again. Q: What is your favorite color? A: Blue. Q: What are some of your hobbies/outside interests? A: Golf, poker, video games, and traveling. Q: Do you have any pets? A: One miniature dachshund – Madeline, One Pomeranian – Buffy, and One mutt - Rufus. Q: In one word, describe yourself. A: Smooth. Q: What's your favorite holiday and why? A: Thanksgiving. The food and company are always great! Q: What's your favorite type of music? A: I like just about everything. I have really been enjoying The Beatles lately. Q: How many siblings do you have, and which one were you? A: One Sister, I am the youngest. Q: What is your favorite restaurant? A: In N Out Burger. Q: If you had the chance to vacation anywhere in the world, where would you go and why? A: London, England because I've always wanted to visit Europe.



**Non Uniformed: Kathy Garcia,
Post Office Admin Asst.**

Q: What is your favorite part of working here? A: All the people I meet daily. Q: What are you most thankful for in life? A: My family and their health. Q: What are some of your goals in life? A: To retire. Q: What is your favorite phrase/quote? A: You have achieved all when you love yourself, God, and others. Q: If you could take a joy ride in any vehicle in the world, what would you choose? A: Moon Shuttle. Q: What do you miss most about being a kid? A: Playing / Exploring on the railroad tracks. Q: What is your favorite color? A: Blue. Q: What are some of your hobbies/outside interests? A: Reading, cryptograms, and spending time with my family. Q: Do you have any pets? A: One cat, Prince Hamelet (Hammie). Q: In one word, describe yourself. A: Friendly. Q: What's your favorite holiday and why? A: Christmas. It's a time of giving and being with family. Q: What's your favorite type of music? A: Contemporary Jazz. Q: How many siblings do you have, and which one were you? A: One older and one younger sister. Q: What is your favorite restaurant? A: Connie's, in Wichita. Q: If you had the chance to vacation anywhere in the world, where would you go and why? A: New York City to see the Phantom of the Opera.

**Thank you both for everything you do here at HCF!
Keep smiling; it makes folks wonder what you're up
too, plus it's contagious!**

KUDO'S

Jacque McVey would like to send Kudo's to Wayne Phelps and Dexter Hedrick for some Roadside assistance during the cold weather. Her battery died on her at lunch and Wayne Came to the rescue with jumper cables, got her started and followed her to a parts store so she could purchase a new battery. She stopped at the Mustang project to pick up some paperwork and Dexter installed the battery for her. Chivalry is not dead!!

Kudo's were sent to Liz Mascorro, Keith Anderson and other Unit Team Counselors for delivering meals to the cellhouse officers during the Christmas Tours. Thanks, Shook

The South Unit staff sends best wishes to Pat Egbert for his promotion and they thank him for his dedication and devotion while being assigned to the South Unit. Staff will miss his smile and his cooking.

Betty Garcia sends thanks to Erin McClendon, Kim Anderson, and Justin Winters for Stepping up in our shop. All your efforts are appreciated.

Also thanks to Justin for taking on something totally different than he is used to doing.

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY – thank you to the staff at CU, EU, & SU that helped us get the food out. The great Spiritual Life Center Team that passed out food – Robert Vieyra, Major Reeves, Glen Lee, Mrs. Lee, Chaplain Gomez, Mr. Larson, UTM Kroeker, UTM Williams, UTM Blackmon, UTM Mascorro, UTM McConaghy, and UTM Beier-Wear. The ladies behind the scenes who made this happen – Heather Ferneau, Carolyn Price, and Laurieta Alexander. Captain Perry paved the way for us that day! The event even made the National News! Thanks All, Berry

Thank You to Derek Fairbank for going above the norm helping Staff Development with its paper dilemma.

Thank you to Daryl Robbins for jumping in and teaching CPR/FA after working your 11-7 shift. We truly appreciated it!!

Thank you to Barney Hinck for helping out Staff Development with supplies needed in a hurry and always with a great teamwork attitude!

Thank you to HCF Transportation and Captain's Office for communicating in a timely manner changes for and rescheduling of your staff's training needs.

Thank you again to all HCF Staff who have left pop can tabs in the donation cans located In the classrooms and EU employee lounge aiding in helping those who have medical needs.

Carolyn Beier-Wear would like to send Kudo's to the Captains, Lieutenants, Officers, and Volunteers that helped pass out pizza for the Super Bowl. Mary Nelson would like to extend a Big Thank You to Kathy Cannon, Kris Wilson, and Karon Morse for their willingness and wonderful attitude in assisting the Post Office when mail got way behind. It was and still is greatly appreciated.

VOICES

There is a song playing on country radio stations performed by an artist named Chris Young titled “I Hear Voices”. In the song he talks about the voices he hears; specifically from his father, mother, grandmother, and grandfather. The voices he’s hearing are from his past and giving him guidance in his life.

I know there is a lot of clichés when it comes to the phrase “I hear voices”, and most of them are not so nice references regarding those who are suffering from a mental health condition. That is part of the human condition either trying to make light of something we don’t understand or making fun of something that we are uncomfortable with.

The amount of music lyrics or lines from television or movies I hear people use in regular conversation tells me that we’re listening to something, somewhere.

There is not one of us who’s been in a conversation with another person that didn’t say something like: *“My momma always said.....”*, *“Daddy always told me.....”*, *“Well, like coach told me.....”*, *“You know that little voice in your head...”* We will even reference written material the same way: *“The Good Book says.....”*, *“IMPP says.....”*, *“The rule book says.....”*

The reality is that there are those who do hear voices in their head. They are telling right from wrong, giving advice and guidance, or leading toward something. They come from any number of people who we have shared time in our lives with. There are some of us that probably listened to the wrong voice a time or two and had to suffer

the consequences for doing so.

The question I have is when you come to work everyday what voice or voices are you listening to?

The voice of your family and loved ones wishing you a good day and praying for your safe return home? What about the voices of people who have trained you? Maybe your fellow staff and/or supervisors who have invested in you so you can be successful in your time here?

The voice that says it’s acceptable to treat fellow staff and inmates negatively and with bitterness? The one that says it’s all right not to make that round, not to do that pat down right, not to do the job you were trained and are being paid to do-the right way? The voice that says laziness, complacency, and gossip or rumor spreading are the things that you should do while you’re here? The one that says it’s ok not to be prepared when you come to work to perform your job to the fullest extent, mentally and physically?

We have the opportunity to use that voice in our head to help guide our actions and provide people an example. That example can be law enforcement professionals; who are honorable, have integrity, have the capability to learn and grow, and show empathy. Corrections professionals who make this state and our communities safer; that can do a job few people in our state can do, or want to do.

FROM JERRY MACDONALD

HCF FEBRUARY GRADUATION



HCF South Unit visiting room was the site of a graduation ceremony on February 4th, 2011.



There was staff from CCS, Aramark, and Security that had completed their training, listed as follows:

CCS-
 Aramark-
 Security-

J. McCauley and J. Johnson
 B. Inghram and J. Beer
 Robertson, Fenwick, Stone, McKinney.



Unfortunately not all those graduating were able to attend and aren't pictured. Our congratulations to all those listed and good luck as you begin your careers here.



Congratulations to Corrections Officers M. Fenwick and J. W. Peppiatt for their efforts and use of the Cognitive Reflective Communications (CRC) technique with members of the inmate population.

On February 4th, 2011 Warden Cline presented Officer Fenwick with her CRC pin, as pictured above. Officer Peppiatt was unable to attend the presentation.

Great job to these two, keep up the good work.



**Congratulations to
Jim Reeves, Dana Hickey & Jerry Stone!**

**Elliott Stone born 2/21
Weighing in at 7lbs14oz. Congrats Grandma Dana and Daddy Jerry.**

**Eliana Higginbotham
Arrived 2/22 weighing
In at 8 lbs. 11 oz. Congratulations Grandpa Jim.**

PROMOTIONS!

Pat Egbert moving from CCI to Procurement Officer

Patrick Gardner moving to Sergeant
Danny Ewing moving to Sergeant
Matthew Wagner moving to Sergeant

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

March Birthday 's

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E 73	CO IA	TILLMAN, NANCY L	3	1
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C 126	CO IA	MILBURN, CARL L	3	3
C HR	ADM SPEC	ROYSE, HEIDI S	3	3
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C MAINT	FACILITIES SPEC	WERNER, HAROLD E	3	4
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C 94	EQUIP MECH SR	PITTS, THOMAS E	3	15
E KCI	CIM	MCCLENDON, ERIN J	3	16
C 181	CO IB	SCHMIDT, DOUGLAS J	3	16
C 28	CO IA	SEAQUIST, BRIAN T	3	16
C CHANDY	CS I	WYLIE, CHANDRA A	3	17
C 46	CO II	PEPPIATT, ERIN M	3	17
C ARAMARK	FD SERVICE	OLSON, PETER A	3	18
C 292	CO IA	BODER, BRYAN P	3	18
C 68	CO IA	BATES, MICHAEL R	3	18
C UT D3	CC I	JENSEN III, LLOYD	3	20
C CCS	ADM SEC	HURST, JULENE L	3	20
C CCS	LPN	VARGAS, FAYE R	3	21

C 145	CO IB	SCHNEIDER, MARCUS A	3	21
C GREENBUSH	INSTRUCTOR	FULLER, KEITH O	3	22
C CCS	RN	PISANO, JOSEPH W	3	22
E 45	CS I	BROWN, NATHANIEL C	3	23
C CCS	ARNP	GOFF, DENNIS W	3	24
C CCS	ARNP	RUNDELL, DEE A	3	24
E STAFF	CO IA	WILLIAMS, JOEL L	3	24
C 229	CO II	FORAN, AARON M	3	25
C ARAMARK	ARAMARK	CHINN, MYNDI Y	3	25
E STAFF	CO IA	MCFARLANE, SCOTT A	3	25
C CCS	THERAPIST	HANSON, HELEN M	3	26
C SEAT KING	SEAT KING	REGIER, DENNIS S	3	26
C 278	CO IA	MAYER, CHRISTOPHER A	3	26
C COMP SUPP	IT INTERN	HOBBS, TAYLOR D	3	26
C 194	CO II	REED, ALVIN E	3	27
C 55	CO II	HOOK, GARY D	3	28
C 139	CO II	HURT, ROBERT J	3	28
C CLASS	ADM SPEC	SUHLER, CONNIE L	3	28
C SEAT KING	SEAT KING	PHILLIPS, SHERRY K	3	30
C 110	CO IB	MURPHY, GLENN A	3	31
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**Happy
Birthday**

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- 1. Actress Tyler
- 4. Animal adoption org.
- 8. Patton's rank (abbr.)
- 11. Wallach or Whitney
- 12. Fellow, in Falmouth
- 13. Coin of Italy
- 14. Venerable
- 15. At rest
- 16. Romanov sovereign
- 17. Shoemaker's helper
- 19. Heredity inits.
- 21. Showing audience disapproval
- 24. Heights (abbr.)
- 27. Snacks
- 28. Military group

- 30. Tachometer letters
- 32. "Go away!"
- 33. It follows Mon.
- 34. Hawaiian island
- 35. Dip in liquid
- 36. Dagwood's napping spot
- 37. Betting term
- 38. Close to
- 40. Highway signals
- 42. Schmooze
- 44. Diamond, e.g.
- 45. Very top
- 48. Mideastern country
- 51. Build an extension
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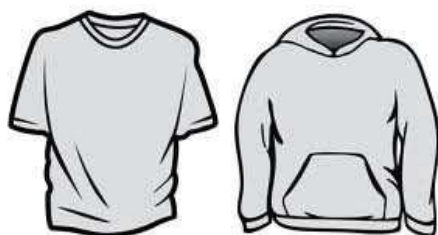
- 1. DiCaprio's nickname
- 2. Sick
- 3. It goes in a VCR
- 4. Asimov's realm (hyph.)
- 5. Advanced degree (abbr.)
- 6. Ripken of Cooperstown
- 7. Was imitative
- 8. Kahn or Grissom
- 9. Historic period
- 10. Also not
- 13. List shortener (2 wds.)
- 18. Failed
- 20. Thumbs-down vote
- 21. Breakfast treat
- 22. Western alliance (abbr.)
- 23. Surly
- 25. Logo
- 26. Potatoes, slangily
- 27. Double curve
- 29. Ground grain
- 31. Behave or print preceder
- 34. Greater amount
- 36. Spanish lady (abbr.)
- 39. Eons
- 41. Politician Spiro
- 43. Mr. Crosby
- 45. CBS rival
- 46. Talk lovingly
- 47. Enraged
- 49. ___ Tin Tin
- 50. Wanted poster inits.
- 52. Narc's org.
- 53. Pitcher Drysdale

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HCF C.A.R.E.S APPAREL NOW AVAILABLE



The C.A.R.E.S program is now selling T-Shirts, Sweatshirts and Hoodies. There are four different designs and multiple colors to pick from. You can see samples of the designs in the display case across from the Accounting office .

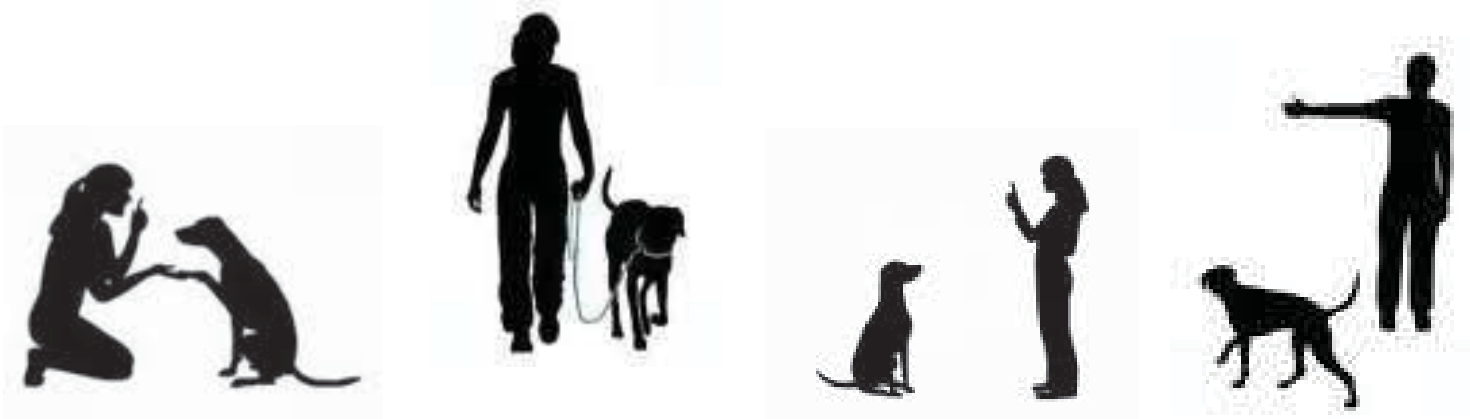


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CORRECTIONS CLIPS

DEPARTMENT NEWS

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CENTRAL OFFICE: KDOC staff hosted a retirement luncheon Thursday, February 17th, for **Marilyn Scafe** whose corrections career spans more than 35 years. Although Marilyn retires in April as the executive director of the Re-entry Policy Council, her final day in KDOC Central Office will be March 4.

Since 2007, Marilyn has successfully guided the Reentry Policy Council, which oversees the statewide implementation of re-entry policies and practices. Previously, Marilyn served 12 years as a member of the Kansas Parole Board and was chair of the parole board for 11 of those years.

She began her professional career as an English teacher at the secondary level upon graduation from Kansas State University with a degree in education. She later entered the corrections field as a parole and probation officer with the State of Missouri. Marilyn also has served on the Kansas Sentencing Commission and as chair of the Kansas Council for the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision. She is a past recipient of the President's Award from the Kansas Correctional Association for her contributions to the criminal justice field in Kansas, the Vincent O'Leary Award for her contributions to the work of the Association of Paroling Authorities International and the Kansas Public Service Award from the National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependency.



Brian Pond, IT Architecture Analyst II (Enterprise Architect) for KDOC IT, who supervises IT tech staff throughout the Department, left KDOC employment on February 21, 2011.

Brian started his career with KDOC on 07/18/1994 as a CO I at EDCF. He then promoted to CO II in 1996. He shifted his career with KDOC to IT in 2000 when he promoted to the position of Microm Sys Tech III in the Wichita Parole Office. He then transferred back to EDCF in 2001 and was promoted to Information Resources Spec I in 2004 and TSC III in 2005. He has served as IT Arch Analyst II since 10/07/2007, and although he was a KDOC central office employee, his office was located at EDCF. Brian will be leaving KDOC to pursue a career in IT in the private sector.

Brian is a hard-working man of integrity who is deeply respected and liked. He will be greatly missed by KDOC staff who had the pleasure of knowing and working with him.

Jan Lunsford is KDOC's new public information officer (PIO). Jan will oversee PIO duties for the KDOC and the Kansas Juvenile Justice Authority (JJA). Jan replaces **Bill Miskell** who has been named the PIO for SRS.

Prior to joining the KDOC, Jan Lunsford was most recently the news director for 580 WIBW and 94.5 Country radio and the Kansas Information Network which includes approximately 35 stations across Kansas. Many may also recognize Jan as the sideline reporter for Washburn University football games.

Jan's career with the State of Kansas includes serving as PIO in the Kansas Attorney General's office for three years.

PAROLE SERVICES - NPR: **Secretary Ray Roberts** presented Special Agents **Harry Hammer** and **Joseph Cox**, both of the Topeka Parole Office, with certificates on Wednesday, February 23rd, on behalf of the U.S. Marshals Service and KDOC. The pair aided in the apprehension of a former Topeka



Secretary Roberts, Officers Hammer and Cox, and John Lamb, Director of EAI

man wanted in connection with a Florida hit-and-run fatality. Secretary Roberts thanked both special agents for "providing outstanding assistance" in the Florida case. Adam Lloyd Shepard was the subject of a two-week nationwide manhunt following a fatality accident in Jacksonville, Fla., on January 22. The vehicle believed to have been driven by Shepard in the fatality accident was found a week later north of Topeka. Shepard was apprehended at a Chicago-area hotel on February 4.

Secretary Roberts also noted that the KDOC's Enforcement, Apprehension and Investigations unit has aided law enforcement agencies in numerous investigations. "In these joint ventures with other law enforcement agencies, everyone is safer because of the knowledge and expertise shared by the team members," Secretary Roberts said.



EL DORADO: **Gloria McLean** announced her retirement after 34 years of service to the State of Kansas. Her retirement date is April 1, 2011. Gloria grew up in Piedmont, Kansas, and graduated from Eureka High School. After attending two years at Butler Community College, she moved to Topeka and began working as a Clerk I at the Department of Revenue. She was later promoted to Clerk II. She then transferred

to the SRS office in Topeka where she was a Clerk III. She worked there until 1981 when she transferred to the KDOC Central Office as a Clerk III-Office Specialist, from 1981 to 1988. In 1988 she became the Human Resource Manager III at HCF. In November of 1990, Gloria along with HCF employees, Beth Posey, Walt and Jeanie Ferguson, Don Thomas, and Earl Smucker, were hired at EDCF. Gloria, as Human Resource Manager III, held job fairs, accepted applications and hired staff in anticipation of the completion of EDCF. In August 1988, a construction trailer was moved to the entrance to the facility on Highway 54 and that became the new Personnel office. Finally in November, around Thanksgiving 1991, a final move to the present location was completed. She is presently a Human Resource Professional II. Gloria was at EDCF when there was nothing, and literally got to see the facility evolve from the ground up. Of her job, she said she particularly enjoyed working with staff--and she has certainly worked with a lot of staff during her tenure. She was named EDCF's 1991 Non-Uniformed Employee of the Year.

Gloria lives in El Dorado, and in her spare time she enjoys spending time with her parents, 3 brothers, 3 sisters and their families. She also enjoys sewing, cross stitching, reading and working outside. As for her plans for retirement, she said she is undecided at this time. We wish Gloria well in her retirement and thank her for her dedicated service.



LARNED: LCMHF Staff and Offenders Bid Farewell to CCI **Rick Perez**. On Thursday, February 3, 2011, LCMHF received word that their longtime co-worker and dear friend, Rick Perez, was killed in a two-car collision on his way home from work, just two miles northeast of the facility. The next Monday, February 7, a huge crowd gathered to attend the funeral services; staff from LCMHF, LSH, and LJCF joined countless community

members and Rick's family to mourn this tragic loss. LCMHF **Captain Ballhagen** led a contingent of 30 SORT officers from LCMHF, ECF, and TCF in paying tribute to their fallen comrade and conducting a "Last Call" ceremony at the cemetery.

Rick grew up and lived in this area all of his 47 years, making a positive and lasting impact on those who were fortunate enough to know him. He began his career with the State of Kansas in March of 1984 as a Psychiatric Aide at the Larned State Hospital. He worked at LSH in various positions until November of 1991, when he was hired at LCMHF as one of the first graduating class of Corrections Officers. A few months later, in February of 1992, he promoted to a Corrections Officer II position; by November of that same year, he earned a Corrections Specialist I promotion. During his time in the Corrections Officer ranks, he served as a member of the Special Operations and Response Team (SORT). With that experience, he was able to attain a position as a Corrections Counselor I in January of 2005. From that time until his death on February 3, 2011, he worked at the LCMHF West Unit, counseling and providing case management for minimum-custody inmates.

On Monday, February 14, the West Unit inmates were given the opportunity to acknowledge their appreciation for their former counselor. **Chaplain McKiearnan** led the ceremony and gave those in attendance the chance to remember and to

honor Mr. Perez. It was obvious that he had made a positive and lasting impact on many of their lives.

All of us at LCMHF and within the Larned community will sorely miss Rick, but we will always be grateful for having had the opportunity to have known him. Thank you to everyone in the KDOC for expressing your condolences and heartfelt wishes to us during this difficult time.

LANSING: Just because LCF is the oldest and largest of the State prisons in Kansas does not mean they slowed down the pace. Although this is February and for the moment – all is quiet on the prison front – each department within LCF is teeming with activity, including, but certainly not limited to, the following:



The Records and Classification Department has been redesigned for efficiency – an ongoing project that will be nearly complete this month. The Maintenance Department has overcome several large obstacles recently and has still managed to finish up several small indoor projects throughout the facility. The Disciplinary Office has struggled with staff illnesses of unbelievable magnitude, but remains diligent in its efforts to maintain their workload. The Grievance Office, Legal Department, Human Resources, and certainly the Business Office and Inmate Banking are all working at a fast pace. For the uniformed staff, this particular time of year can be a struggle, especially since Mother Nature has not been very cooperative! Sixty Worker's Compensation claims have been filed since the first of the year due to one staff injury or another.

Even the facility Wellness Committee has been busy planning the year's special events and fund raisers. "Wellness" has many responsibilities, including memorials for deceased staff and families, refreshments for retirements, raffle prizes for special staff events, as well as all of the costs associated with LCF's All Staff Picnic and Holiday Dinner. This is all in addition to maintaining and updating the equipment in the Staff Fitness Center. Yes – all things considered it's business as usual at LCF!



March is **Irish-American Heritage Month**. Although there are merely 3.8 million people in Ireland, 33.7 million Americans proudly share their Irish ancestry, especially in celebrating St. Patrick's Day, which is held annually on March 17th. Although not an official holiday in the United States, St. Patrick's Day has a long history of being celebrated with parades, corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, Irish soda bread and general goodwill toward all things Irish, or at least Irish-American. ***Eireann go Brach! (Ireland Forever!)***

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Greenbush Vocational Vibes

With the advent of Greenbush adopting the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) curriculum and becoming an accredited training sponsor, all of the vocational programs at the KDOC facilities are eligible for college credit with many Community Colleges across the state of Kansas. In some of our grant-funded classes that are partnered with Hutchinson Community College (HCC), college credit is issued immediately after completion of the program. Because of an articulation agreement and the use of the NCCER curriculum, there are no additional costs to the taxpayer for tuition.

As for an example, recently we had a student complete the Vocational Home/Cabin building state-funded program at ECF who was released to the Hutchinson area and is now enrolled at HCC completing his Associate of Arts degree. This individual was transcribed with 17 hours credit from his Greenbush classes, they are as follows:

Intro. Craft Skills (3 credits)
Carpentry Basics (4 credits)
Roof Framing (3 credits)
Floors, Walls and Ceiling Framing (4 credits)
Windows, Doors and Stairs (3 credits)

Certainly many graduates will not have the finances to continue their education this aggressively but it's encouraging to know that our program completers have these career education opportunities when finances do become available.

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