



**Our Mission**

*The Department of Correction shall protect the public, protect staff, and provide safe, secure and humane supervision of offenders with opportunities that support successful community reintegration.*

**Commissioner Announces New Warden for York C. I.**

When secretary Marilda Quiros was told to report to Commissioner Lantz' office recently, she was understandably a bit nervous. Little did she know that she was going to be introduced to the newly appointed Warden of the Janet York Correctional Institution, her husband, Angel Quiros.



Newly Appointed Warden Angel Quiros with Commissioner Lantz

“It is events like these, that reinforce my belief that our agency is truly one large extended family,” said Commissioner Theresa C. Lantz, shortly after she announced her appointment of Warden Quiros.

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Dr. Laurie Etter

**Religious Services Receives Second Major Award**

First, Religious Services Director, the Reverend Anthony Bruno was chosen for the American Correctional Associations E. R. Cass Award and now another member of his unit is receiving a national award of major significance. The Reverend Dr. Laurie W. Etter has been selected by the United Church of Christ to receive the prestigious 2008 Julius Varwig Award. The Award has been presented nationally since 1989 to a chaplain or counselor who demonstrates dedication and commitment to serve persons in the spirit exemplified by the first full time Protestant chaplain in the United States. In the late 1800's Reverend Varwig began to serve people regardless of religious affiliation and devoted himself to serving those under care in public health care institutions, giving rise to the modern chaplaincy movement.

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## New Supervisors Class 24 Graduates

New Supervisors Orientation Class 24 commenced on 1/18/08. There were 23 students in attendance, which consisted of 16 Lieutenants, 1 Counselor Supervisor, 3 Maintenance Supervisors, 2 fiscal Administrative Officers and 1 Plant Facility Engineer. The class received extensive training in Leadership, Professionalism, Supervision, Use of Force, Administrative Protocol and Teamwork. The **Motto** for this class was Attitude. Counselor Supervisor Heidi Palliardi was chosen as Distinguished Graduate. Graduation was held on 2/28/08.

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## New Appointments cont. from page 1

In 1989, Warden Quiros started his correctional career at Hartford Correctional Institution. From there he was promoted to Lieutenant at the MacDougall/Walker Correctional Institution in 1993. He continued to serve at MacDougall/Walker C.I. for ten years, in various capacities such as SRG Investigator, Correctional Captain, and Unit Manager.

Promoted to Correctional Major in 2003, Warden Quiros, was assigned to the Cheshire Correctional Institution for the following three years. In 2006 he was assigned to Osborn Correctional Institution. His rise through the ranks continued when in 2007 he was promoted to Deputy Warden at Osborn Correctional C. I.

“York is a unique facility,” Lantz added. “I have no doubt, that with his breath and depth of experience, Warden Quiros will be up to the challenge.”

Warden Quiros will be filling the void created by the retirement of Daniel Martin whose last day at York was Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Aside from the selection of the new warden at York C. I., several other managerial transfers were also recently made.

### *Deputy Warden Moves*

Based on their continuing, strong contributions to the Connecticut Department of Correction, Deputy Commissioner Brian K. Murphy is pleased announce the following Deputy Warden transfers: Deputy Wardens Joseph Dillon and Karl Lewis will be assigned to the Manson Youth Institution. Deputy Warden Anthony Coletti will be assigned to the Corrigan-Radgowski Correctional Center. Deputy Warden Lora Castronova will be assigned to the New Haven Correctional Center. Deputy Warden Anne Cournoyer will be assigned to the Willard-Cybulski Correctional Institution. Deputy Warden Joseph Dillon will be assigned to the Manson Youth Institution. Deputy Warden Raquel Torres will be assigned to the Brooklyn Correctional Institution.

# Are You Brave Enough to Take the challenge?

Dear Co-Workers,

We work together, meet together, have lunch together, and ensure safety and security together. How about we do something fun and also important together, like help end breast cancer? I am putting together a team to represent the Connecticut Department of Correction at the **BREAST CANCER 3-DAY** and I'm hoping you'll join us. The 2008 Breast Cancer 3-Day is scheduled to take place on August 15-17 in Boston, MA.

We'll be walking 60 scenic miles over three uplifting days to help fund breast cancer research and community outreach programs through Susan G. Komen for the Cure and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund. So far several staff from Carl Robinson CI are on board and each participant have pledged to raise at least \$2,200. With your help, there's no limit on how much we can raise.

You may be thinking, "Why should I?" The more important question is, why shouldn't you? The facts are, without a cure, 1 in 8 women will continue to be diagnosed with breast cancer every 3 minutes and 1 woman will die of breast cancer every 13 minutes in the United States. An estimated 40,460 women and 450 men will die from breast cancer in 2008. Only 5 to 10 percent of breast cancers are due to heredity. African Americans have the highest death rate from breast cancer of any racial/ethnic group in the United States. It is estimated that, over the next 25 years, 5 million Americans will be diagnosed with breast cancer and more than 1-million could die.

This is our opportunity to do something about it. Together, we can. I promise to do all I can to help you train, fundraise and prepare for this amazing journey. And we'll have a lot of fun along the way!

**RELAX!! YOU DON'T HAVE TO WALK 60 MILES TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE!!! You can prove your bravery by simply making a tax-deductible donation to a walker or to the team.**

Let's get started today. To register as a walker or to make a donation, go to <http://www.the3day.org/> or call 800.996.3DAY.

Or, for information on joining our team, please contact Captain Gemini Murray at Carl Robinson CI at 860-763-6204 or via email.

Sincerely,  
Captain Gemini Murray  
Breast Cancer 3-Day Team Captain

## Around The Cell Block



**Washington-** A new study by the Pew Foundation finds the United States now incarcerates one in every 100 citizens, more than any other country.

**Kentucky-** A law on the books gives immediate family members of an escapee a defense if they aid the offender in avoiding arrest.

**Illinois-** The state's prison system has run out of money to maintain its vehicle fleet and can only afford emergency repairs.

**England-** Prison officials are trying to explain how a one day release inmate was in a private plane that crashed while others were making keys at a nearby store.

**Total  
Supervised  
Population  
on  
April 1, 2008  
23,862  
On April 1, 2003  
the population was  
19,338**

# Black History Month Observed

## Their Eyes Are... Reading Books at Radgowski

As part of the several events planned for Black History month at Radgowski C. I., Ms. Kathleen Archambault selected *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston as the selection for the February Book Club at Radgowski. At the request of Warden John Sieminski, Ms. Archambault arranged for the speaker, Ms. Lucy Anne Hurston of Manchester Community College, to participate in these events as a guest speaker for the institution's recognition of African American



Guest speaker Lucy Anne Hurston (left) with volunteer Kathleen Archambault

contributions to the American culture on February 20<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Archambault began the book club program at the beginning of her volunteering experience while at York Correctional in Niantic. After finding a replacement for her programs there, she moved over to Radgowski and developed this and other programming for the institution through the Recreation Dept. Over the years the program has expanded to institutions throughout the state – Carl Robinson, Corrigan, Enfield, MacDougall, Osborn and the Hartford Correctional Center. Under the stewardship of York librarian, Joe Lea, the York book clubs have continued to flourish and evolve, including a book club for youthful offenders and a self run one on the Charlene Perkins Center.

Other facilities will be reading a wide range of critically acclaimed literature that are representative of the full range of the black experience including, *The Rivalry* by John Taylor, *What is The What* by Dave Eggers, *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison, *The Adventures of Huck Finn* by Mark Twain and more. The program is supported and sustained by the Dept. of Correction, private donations of friends of Ms. Archambault and the continued support of The Darien Book Aid Project.

## Chancellor Visits Brooklyn C. I.

On Thursday, February 21, 2008, Warden Robin H. Sutherland welcomed Chancellor of the CT State University System, Dr. David Carter, to Brooklyn CI. Dr. Carter delivered his message to approximately fifty offenders.



Dr. David Carter

Dr. Carter visits yearly and it is his desire to assist offenders with positive decision-making through reading and education. Dr. Carter began a "Read to Exceed" program eight years ago at the correctional institution with the collaboration of State School Teacher Jean Hansen. In the past year, offenders read more than 780 books as part of Dr. Carter's reading challenge.

Several other facilities organized events to commemorate Black History Month, the following are just a few examples: Bergin C.I hosted an impressive line-up of guest speakers that included State Representative, from the 1st District, Kenneth Green, Glen Cassis from the African American Affairs Commission, and James Tillman. While at Hartford C.C., Warden Lori Ricks welcomed the honorable Mayor of Hartford, Eddie Perez and James E. Willingham, Sr., President and CEO of the Urban League of Greater Hartford.



State Rep., 1st. Dist. Kenneth Green



Warden Ricks introduces Mayor Perez

## 2008 Susan M. Hunter Correctional Scholarship Application - Now Available

ASCA's 2008 Susan M. Hunter Correctional Scholarship application is now available. Click [here](#) to go to the online application. A scholarship review committee will review applications from the children of corrections employees. Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000 for undergraduate studies and \$1,500 for graduate studies. The total number of scholarships awarded in 2008 will depend upon contributions received.

### Scholarship Eligibility

- Student must be the son or daughter of a corrections employee (current full-time, retired, or deceased) within an ASCA-member department of corrections. Corrections employees, siblings, spouses, and grandchildren are not eligible. Stepchildren are eligible.
- Student must be enrolled full-time in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university; or an accredited graduate program. The scholarships are: \$1,000 for undergraduate students or \$1,500 for graduate students.
- Incoming first-time freshmen must have a minimum high school GPA of 3.0; Enrolled full-time students must have a minimum college GPA of 3.0.; Graduate students' field of study must be Corrections/Criminal Justice.

Scholarship applications (and all required documentation) are due to the ASCA office on **April 11, 2008** (postmarked no later than April 11, 2008). The Scholarship Review Committee will make its decisions in July 2008.

## Announcements

Bev's Bombers, an Agawam Mass. Women's softball team is looking for women who would like to play organized softball in the Agawam League beginning in April. The games are played on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in playing please call Jerri Kelly at CRCI 860-763-6240. Bev's Bombers was named in memory of Capt. Beverly Pace Smith.

**April 9, 2008** - New Haven CC will be hosting Tip-a-Cop to support the Special Olympics at the Texas Roadhouse in West Haven from 5:30 - 9:00 pm. Please come out and show your support.

## DoC Ski Team Brings Home the Hardware



Left to Right: Charlie Reutt, Vocational Instructor, Osborn CI; Larry Bradley, CO, Osborn CI; Student Competitor Andrew DeChristopher; Eric Hoschouer, GMO, Osborn CI; Evan Carrara, Corr. Ind. Sup., Osborn CI and Robert Carrara, AFAO, Central Office.

Congratulations to "Tip & Rip" for bringing home four trophies in Springfield Ski Club's night race league at Blandford, MA. This was their first year running as a DOC team, racing on a giant slalom race course with about 130 other racers.

At the championship banquet on March 5th, the team took first place in their division. In addition, Evan Carrara and Sara Reutt took 1st place individually in their age categories, based on overall season finishes. Sara Reutt also captured the trophy for fastest female on the mountain.

Each skier takes two runs, times are combined, and points are awarded to the team based on racer's place in their age category.

## Etter Awarded cont. from page 1

Reverend Etter has served the Connecticut Department of Correction since 1993 and volunteered for nearly a decade prior to that. Among her many accomplishments that she was recognized for is her development of the Chrysalis program at the York Correctional Institution, which has yielded an extremely low recidivism rate among its participants. Reverend Etter received her award on March 9<sup>th</sup> during a ceremony in Pittsburgh. Reverend Bruno will be presented with the E. R. Cass award this summer in New Orleans.

# MASCA in Maryland

Summer is right around the corner and that means two things: beach weather and the Middle Atlantic States Correctional Association (MASCA) Annual Conference and Training Institute. In 2008 you can combine both in Ocean City Maryland from **June 8** through **June 11**, 2008.

Register now for the 2008 MASCA conference! As usual there will be something informative and educational for everyone involved in the criminal justice system. There are also plenty of opportunities to network and socialize with our peers from across the region. Expect a few surprises too. Your registration also includes the automatic membership in MASCA for FY 2009.

### Keynote Speakers:

- Devon Brown – Director, DC Department of Corrections
- Dr. Jasper Ormond – Director of Criminal Justice Programs, DC Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency
- Terry Odum - Director of D.C. Superior Court Juvenile Probation.

**Special Guests:** ACA President Gary D. Maynard  
 APPA President Gary Hinzman

More details and a conference schedule will be posted soon! Check the website at [masca.corrections.com](http://masca.corrections.com) often for the latest updates.

## Linda Rubin is Retiring

Join us in celebrating her 32 years of state service.

### Place:

Carmen Anthony's Restaurant  
 1770 Berlin Turnpike  
 Wethersfield, CT

**April 29, 2008 @ Noon**

**Price:** \$36.00 (Includes gift)

Please make checks payable to Darlene Faryniarz

**RSVP by April 15, 2008**

- Betsy Torre (860) 692-7761
- Gerry Wagner (860) 692-7785
- Pam Chernovetz (203) 271-5117
- Darlene Faryniarz (203) 271-5150
- Cathy Faulkner (860) 263-2623
- Debra Muirhead (860) 263-2697
- Cheryl Malerba (860) 594-3600

## MVP'S

Ames, Sidney, CO	CRCC	Hodges, Nicholas Lt.	CRCC	Schneider, Jimmie, CO	BCC
Behney, Helen, Rec. Sup	CRCC	Hoover, Jeffrey CO	CRCC	Schneider, Jimmie, CO	BCC
Boozer, Eric, CO	CRCC	Hudyma, David, CO	CRCC	Sebastian, Craig, CO	BCC
Brown, Michael, CO	CRCC	Jacaruso, Matthew, CO	CRCC	Sebastian, Craig, CO	BCC
Chagnon, Amy SST,	MWCI	Judd, Robert, Lt.	CRCC	Sherman, Michael CO	CRCC
Cook, Kenneth, CO	CRCC	Lee, Robert, CO	CRCC	Shoemaker, John, Lt.	CRCC
Credit, Gary CC	CRCC	Littell, Charles, CO	CRCC	Tardif, Vaughn, CO	BCC
Cronin, Timothy, CO	CRCC	Maynard, Gary, CO	CRCC	Tardif, Vaughn, CO	BCC
Cruickshank, Murray, CO	CRCC	McNair, Steven, Lt.	CRCC	Toms, Yvonne, LPN	NHCC
Davis, Gregory, CO	CRCC	Pessoni, David, CO	CRCC	Vurno, Thomas, CO	BCC
Dinguis, William, Lt.	CRCC	Ramsey, Jerry, Lt.	CRCC	White, Enrica, CHNS	WCCI
Dougherty, Daniel CO	CRCC	Reuitt, Stacey, Sec.I	WCCI	Whiteley, Scott, CO	BCC
Faucher, Steve Capt.	CRCC	Rivera, Edwin, CO	BCC	Whiteley, Scott, CO	BCC
Field, Todd CO	CRCC	Robinson, Kenyatta, CO	CRCI	Williams, Deborah, CO	BCC
Field, William, CO	CRCC	Roman, David, CO	BCC	Williams, Deborah, CO	BCC
Fulcher, Brett, CO	CRCC	Roman, David, CO	BCC	Winters, Roderick, CO	CRCC
Golas, Steve, CO	CRCC	Ryan, Chris, CO	OCI	Woods-Ebron, Kim, CO	NHCC
Graser, Leonard, CO	CRCC	Ryan, Chris, CO	OCI	Woznicki, Gail, SST	WCCI
Greeno, Kathy, Lt.	CRCC	Saladini, Marcos Capt.	CRCC	Young, Ronnel, Sec.I	CO
Greg Guillot, Greg, CO	CRCC	Savoie, Gary, CO	BCC	Zebrowski, Eugene, CFSSII	YCI
Haskell, Charles CO	CRCC	Savoie, Gary, CO	BCC	Zawieruszynski, Amanda, Sec 1	NDO
		Schmidt, Wm. Rec. Spvr.	CRCI		

## 20 Years State Service as of March 2008

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Boucher, Laura	Secretary1	Carl Robinson
Marques, Jeannie	Corr Rec Supv	Enfield C.I
Archer, Mary	Corr Iden & Rcrd Spec1	Gates C.I
Taylor, Laveda	Correction Officer	Northern C.I.
Niderno, Bethann	Secretary 2	Northern C.I.
Johnson, John	Correction Officer	Osborn C.I
Michael, Gaughran	Corr Dist Food Svc Mgr	York C.I.



**Above:** Bill Barber in 1991 as Director of Pupil Services

**Below:** Bill Barber in 2008 as the Superintendent of Unified School District #. Still Smiling After 30 years

## 25 Years State Service as of March 2008

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Luna, Norberto	Correctional Captain	MacDougall/ WRSMU

## 30 Years State Service as of March 2008

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Barber, William	Superintendent Of Schools	Central Office



## 1st Annual Captain Patrick Reeves Memorial Golf Tournament

The tournament will be held at the Manchester Country Club, in Manchester, CT on Wednesday, May 28, 2008. The cost is \$150 per player, which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch, and dinner. Tickets for dinner are also being sold separately for \$50 per person. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m., with lunch following at 11:30 a.m. At 1:00 p.m. the shotgun start begins. The format is a four person scramble, low gross, and net. In addition, putting and chipping contests will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Dinner, raffle, and awards ceremony will start immediately after golf. Various other prizes will also be awarded.

Please register by May 17, 2008. Proceeds will support the Coventry Scholarship Foundation Trust, Patrick Reeves Memorial Scholarship fund and the Manchester Police Athletic League. For information and registration forms contact Kristine Sanzo at Fiscal Services, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor; phone 692-7704, or e-mail: kristine.sanzo@po.state.ct.us.

## Condolences



Sandra "Sandy" Morton Receives her retirement badge from Commissionner Theresa Lantz in 2006

Sandra Marie Morton 53, of Lisbon died on March 19, 2008, at her home, after a valiant battle with cancer. She was employed by the Department of Correction for 18 years and retired in 2006, as a Correctional Captain.

Sandy was married to William F. Morton for nearly 30 years. She loved to travel, taking many cruises with her sister Deborah, and also enjoyed taking motorcycle rides with her husband.

Donations in Sandra's name may be made to the ECHO Foundation, 330 Washington St., Suite 220, Norwich, CT 06360.



Warden Higgins is saddened to announce the passing of Anthony Piscetello, father of Sue Calkins, Addiction Services Counselor at Bergin CI.



Warden David Strange and the staff of Osborn C.I. are saddened to inform of the passing of the death of Paul Brunetti's mother on 2/19/08.



Director of Parole and Community Services Randy Braren, along with Bridgeport Parole and Community Services Parole Manger Gregory Everett and Parole Manager William Griffin, are saddened to announce the passing of Joseph L. Carignan, father of Parole Officer II Danielle Carignan-Mancini .



Director Robert Foltz and Director Cheryl Cepelak are saddened to announce the passing of Charlene (Boucher) Henry on 3/15/08, wife of Commissary Operator Robert Henry and sister of Jaye Boucher, FAO in the Organizational Development Unit .



The staff of Garner CI, as well as, the MIS/Research staff, are saddened to announce the passing of Susan Connors, mother of Correctional Substance Abuse Counselor Cathy Copas and the grandmother of Shannon Copas, Secretary for the MIS/Research unit. The Copas family has asked in lieu of flowers, gifts in her memory may be sent to the American Diabetes Association, 306 Industrial Park Rd., Middletown, CT 06457 or to MidState VNA and Hospice, 1 Research Parkway, Meriden, CT 06492. [www.wallingfordfh.com](http://www.wallingfordfh.com)



Linda Saunders and the Payroll Unit are saddened to announce the passing of Kenneth Husmer, on March 26, 2008, father of Kim Duchesneau (Workers' Comp Unit) and former DOC employee Kristen Beecher (Fiscal).

## 12th Annual Melanie Ilene Rieger Memorial Conference Against Violence

April 23-24, 2008 at Maloney CTSD

The theme for the conference is "Angry Youth: School and Community Tragedies".

As in past years, DOC staff may register (go to link at [www.ct.gov.doc](http://www.ct.gov.doc)) with supervisors approval. For approved DOC staff, registration fee will be paid by agency and need not be included in registration.

Featured speakers include: Peter Yarrow, member of Peter, Paul & Mary founder of Operation Respect; Victims and survivors of the Columbine & Virginia Tech tragedies - A panel entitled "Preventing School Violence" will be presented comprised of distinguished professionals on this topic.

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