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Correctional Officer **Donnie Ratliff** was one of the volunteers at the ACA Congress in Charlotte. Here, he's helping people find their way to the tour bus to Lanesboro Correctional Institution.

DOC officials, volunteers ensure ACA event success

CHARLOTTE | The American Correctional Association's 136th Congress of Correction rolled into Charlotte Aug. 12-17, with many NC Department of Correction officials on hand to ensure its success.

ACA President Gwen Chunn, a retiree from the former NC Division of Youth Services, welcomed all participants to the congress, which had the theme "Reach Out: Overcoming Barriers to Successful Criminal Justice Programs." She said the congress was designed to tackle a large variety of professional topics through a selection of enlightening and educational workshops and sessions.

The congress was attended by some 3,000 officials in various correctional capacities from throughout the United States. To ensure the event's success, an NC Host Committee was

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Davidson officer tries twice to save girls from fire

THOMASVILLE | Police may see an Aug. 22 fire that killed two young children as "a tragic accident." Correctional Officer **James Mock** also sees an enemy he could not beat.

A grease fire led to the deaths of the two girls, ages 3 years and 7 months, whose home is near Mock's. The girls were momentarily alone while their father had sought help with the grease fire.

Meanwhile, Mock, who works at Davidson Correctional Center, was in his backyard playing with his grandson, when he saw the smoke and dashed over to the house. Mock was told that two kids were in the house, he said, "and that's when I decided to go in and find them."

Mock, using Navy firefighter training, went in twice. He could hear the children, but the smoke and heat prevented him from being able to locate them. By the time he was ready to go in a third time, firemen had arrived and stopped Mock.

Firemen were able to find the children, but they could not be resuscitated. Neighbors described the girls' family as "real good people."

The mood of the neighborhood was som-



A sad **James Mock** speaks with a reporter after the fire.

ber in the aftermath of the fire.

"My heart goes out to the mother and the father of those kids," Mock said. "I just wish I could have gotten them out."

Mock suffered burns on his hands during the rescue attempts.

Members of the DOC steering committee kickoff the next Combined Campaign for Wake County.

DOC kicks off Combined Campaign drive

Since 1984, the State Employees Combined Campaign [SECC] has existed to provide employees a meaningful opportunity to support charitable causes that they consider important and valuable.

As the SECC begins its 21st year as the official workplace giving campaign for employees throughout state government and the university system, employees have even greater opportunity to strengthen North Carolina communities with our gifts.

Employee contributions to their favorite charities through the SECC are significant. The dollars are vital to:

- Organizations that provide essential services to those with special needs.
- Critical research in the ongoing quest to eliminate disease and chronic illness.
- Protect rivers and wetlands.
- Provide shelter for abandoned animals.
- Fund educational scholarships and assure access to the performing and dramatic arts.

"Your participation in the State Employees Combined Campaign is ample proof of the compassion and generosity that characterizes state employees and

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Spotlight Lincoln Correctional Center

Lincoln Correctional Center is a medium security prison in Lincolnton.

John Crow is the superintendent. **Donald Morrison** is assistant superintendent.

The total staff size is 85, and the inmate population is 202 adult males.

Also, five Department of Transportation road squads have Lincoln CC inmates working in Catawba, Lincoln, Gaston, Cleveland and Mecklenburg counties.

Since May 2006, Lincoln CC has housed 38 inmates assigned to Central Engineering, helping to build a chapel and multipurpose facility at Catawba Correctional Center. The inmates are transported dialy to and from the Catawba work site.

Lincoln was one of 61 field unit prisons renovated or built during the late 1930s to house inmates who worked building roads. In 1951, the prison became a medium security highway work unit. Thirteen years later, it was made into a facility for minimum and medium custody inmates. In 1972, Lincoln was converted to a minimum security work release facility, and then changed to its present medium security status in 1987.



Correctional Officer Jeff Jones.



Superintendent **John Crow**, 3rd from left, with Assistant Superintendent **Donald Morrison**; **Elizabeth Hil**l, administrative services assistant V; and **Fran Perkins**, accounting technician IV.

The prison's original dormitory is still in use today. An additional dormitory and a multipurpose building, recreation building and a Correction Enterprise shirt plant were completed in 1987.

Staff and officers who were not available for the photos were:

Sergeants Jerald W. Chivalier, Richard Hamilton, Johnny M. Mull Jr. and Carl M. Wilson.

Food Service Officer Tony Heafner.

Correctional officers Kevin M. Bailey, Richard A. Bailey, Neil L. Barnette, Randall Beasley Jr., Edgar D. Brock, Johnnie M. Bynum, Mark Casey, Marshall B. Clary, Gregory W. Cooke, Wayne C. Craft Jr., Michael T. Daniels, Brian M. Dishman, Donnie L. Downs, Scottie F. Franklin, John N. Gaus, Michael B. Goodman, Michael J. Greer, Joshua Hamilton, T. Pyth Harkey, John F. Hartman, Michael D. Hatten, Garv R. Helms, Randv D. Hicks, Paul J. King, Bryant A. Lankford, L. James Ledford, Harold A. Lee, Richard D. Light, Randy L. Mace, Eddie R. Mellon, Ronnie F. Mellon, Kevin H. Monday, Frank A. Neas, Nicholas F. Powell, Scott D. Rabon, Craig R. Rogers, Danny L. Schrum, David P. Setzer, David W.



Lillian Turner, Western Region liaison nurse, and Maeka Scronce, nurse.



Case Managers Scott Carpenter, left rear, and Joda Hamilton, Sherry Howell and Tim Scronce.

Right, **Mitch Johnson**,
District 13 disciplinary hearing
officer, based at
Lincoln CC.



Left, Correctional Officer **Barbara House**r.





Sigmon, Timothy L. Smith, Barry L. Stephens, Terrill T. Strickland, D. Cole Tugwell, Stephen G. Waits and Mendy D. White.

Spotlight

Right: Back row, Correctional officers David Tuno, John Isaacks and Billy Ellis. Front row, Sgt. Donald Caudle and Correctional Officer Crystal Grigg.





Scott Mitchell, lead correctional officer; Correctional Officer Larry Mills (road squad); and Lead Correctional Officers
Floyde Calaway and Jimmy Ikard.



Chaplain William "Bud" Painter.



Officer Richard Brewer, clothes-house/ equipment.



Correctional officers James Huss and Jimmy Ives supervising inmate labor at Catawba Correctional Center.



Correctional Officers Linda Ledford and Juan D. Williams.



In the kitchen, Michael Holmes, food service officer, and Ray Davis, food service manager.







Correctional officers Ricky Lvda and Michael Stiles.



William "Les" Spruill, lead officer; Correctional Officer Bobbie Williams (road squad); and Alton Arthur, lead officer.

JACKSON – **Neal** Vaughan, a 26year corrections veteran, has been named the new superintendent of Odom Correctional Institution.

Beginning his Neal Vaughan career at Odom CI as a correctional

officer in 1980, Vaughan rose in the program ranks to program director in 1986-90, and in 1990-94 he was named program

director at the former Caledonia-Odom complex. Vaughan then was assistant superintendent at Halifax Correctional Center until it closed in 1996, at which time Vaughan was named program director at Nash Correctional Institution.

New superintendent named at Odom facility

Vaughan has an associate degree from Chowan College and a bachelor of science degree in physical education and political science from Atlantic Christian College (now named Barton College) in Wilson.

He and his wife have a child, and he enjoys weight lifting and yard work.

Vaughan succeeds Lawrence Solomon, who was named superintendent at Caledonia Correctional Institution.

Administration

Michael Easley Governor

Theodis Beck Secretary of Correction Keith Acree Director of Public Affairs

Mike Evers gets appointment as special assistant to secretary

RALEIGH | **Mike Evers**, who has served as curriculum manager at the DOC Office of Staff Development and Training since 1992, has been appointed senior special assistant to the secretary.

In his new position, Evers' responsibilities will include grants management, the Continuity Of Operations (COOP) phase of the emergency management program, and the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA).

"I am appreciative to co-workers and fellow employees for the experiences I have had so far with the Department of Correction, and I look forward to new adventures and broadening my horizons in working with old and new friends at DOC," Evers said.

He succeeds Sherry Pilkington, who retired. Evers, originally from Marshall, Texas, moved to North Carolina after serving with the U.S. Army as executive officer for the Senior Army Advisory Group stationed in Raleigh. He earned his doctorate in higher education administration from NC State, his master's in curriculum and instruction at Chapman University, Orange, Calif., and he received his bachelor's in education from Southern Arkansas University. He and his wife, Yoshiko, reside in Mebane. They have four grown children, two dogs and a cat.

When he's not working, Evers enjoys yard work, spending time with his pets, attending NC State Wolfpack athletics and Hurricanes hockey games.

Jean Walker appointed DCC District 5 manager

WILMINGTON | **Jean Walker** has been named to succeed **Terry Gootee** as the manager of Judicial District 5 in the Division of Community Corrections (DCC). The district covers New Hanover and Pender counties.

With the DCC for 17 years,
Walker began her career in 1989
in Pender County as a level I probation and parole officer and advanced through the ranks. She had been chief probation and parole officer since 2003. Walker chairs the 5th District Strategic Team.

Prior to corrections, Walker was a social worker and community college instructor and worked in accounting. She has a bachelors degree in business administration from UNC-Wilmington and a masters in adult education and economics from NC State University.

Walker and her husband have a grown son and daughter and reside in Burgaw. She enjoys family time and fresh water fishing and volunteers as a Master Gardener with the Cooperative Extension Service.



Prisons division names auxiliary services chief

RALEIGH | **Mary Lu Rogers** is the new Division of Prisons chief of auxiliary services, effective June 1. She succeeds Danny Thompson, who retired.

Previously, Rogers was manager of classification and technical support. That section – along with diagnostics, population management, and inmate disciplinary – are Rogers' responsibility in her new position.

Mary Lu Rogers

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Rogers began her corrections career in 1977 as a probation/parole officer in Hoke County. In 1981, she transferred to the now closed Polk Youth Center in Raleigh as case analyst in the diagnostic center. From there, Rogers was named a diagnostic specialist in 1986 in Prisons Administration, inmate population manager in 1987, manager of population and contract housing in 1994 and classification and technical support manager in 1998.

The Lucama native has a bachelors degree in corrections from East Carolina University, where she and her husband, Frank, enjoy attending Pirate football games. They have a teenage daughter and reside in Raleigh. Rogers enjoys reading novels, especially mysteries, in her spare time.

Dallas McMillan named manager of seven-county DCC District

MURPHY | **Dallas McMillan** has been named manager of Judicial District 30 in the Division of Community Corrections. The district covers Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain counties.

An 18-year community corrections veteran, McMillan began his career as a probation/parole officer I in 1988 in Mecklenburg County,



Dallas McMillar

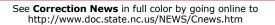
where he advanced to electronic house arrest officer and intensive case officer. In 1995, he was named an intensive case officer in Gaston County, and he had been a chief probation/parole officer in Cleveland County, in District 27B, since 2001.

McMillan is a correctional instructor, a member of the division's emergency management team, and 2006 chair of the 4th Division of the NC Probation and Parole Association. He is active in the American Cancer Society/Relay for Life, and enjoys outdoors activities, especially kayaking/canoeing, hiking, hunting and fishing.

McMillan and his wife, Jennifer, have a 5-month old son, Connor.

He succeeds **Debra Debruhl**, who was recently promoted to assistant chief for the 4th Judicial Division.

"I am thrilled with this new opportunity," McMillan said. "I look forward to working with the officers and personnel in District 30, creating new and maintaining current positive relationships with my staff and the correctional, law enforcement and human service professionals of Western North Carolina."



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retirees, and I am genuinely proud of our tradition of giving," Secretary **Theodis Beck** wrote in a letter to employees.

Beck urges employees to consider a pledge to one of the more than 800 non-profit organizations have met the campaign's stringent requirements for admission.

"They, like you, are fully committed to serving others, and our combined efforts reflect our mutual interest in making North Carolina the best that it can be," the secretary said.

Department executives for the SECC are: Gwen Norville and Gay McMichaels, Division of Prisons; Allison Jourdan, Division of Community Corrections; Janice King, Administration; and Wendy Carter, Correction Enterprises.

Fun fund-raising

Pie face: Correction Enterprises (CE) will host employee appreciation luncheons, where CE employees can buy water balloons and Cool Whip pies to toss at Director Karen Brown and members of her staff. Proceeds will be go to the SECC.

Recipes: Eastern Correctional Institution is developing a cookbook that will be sold to support the Combined Campaign. More than 140 recipes are in the cookbook, and more are being added.

The price will be \$5 each. It is expected to be available by Nov. 1, and orders are being taken now. Contact Teresa Hill at 252-747-8101 extension 2132; or Janice Stallings at 252-747-8101, extension 2133.



Softball tournament champions

Event raises funds for Special Olympics of North Carolina

The Davidson County Community Corrections staff won a double elimination softball tournament held Aug. 20. The tournament was sponsored by the Lexington Police Department to raise money for Special Olympics of North Carolina. Also fielding teams for the tournament were the Lexington and Thomasville police and fire departments, the Davidson County Sheriff's Department, Davidson County EMS and South Lexington Volunteer Fire Department. From left are Zack Price and Gary Beck, both intensive surveillance officers (ISO); Brad Biesecker, intensive case officer (ICO); Shannon Koontz, probation/parole officer II; Donald Hamilton, former ICO; John Anderson, ICO; Anna Kiser, probation/parole officer (PPO); Bart Leonard, ISO; Greg Briggs, chief probation/parole officer; and Marlin Holmes, husband of PPO Kisha Holmes.

DOC has key roles in new sex offender law

RALEIGH | Department of Correction officials were on hand when Gov. Mike Easley recently signed into law an act that strengthens public safety agencies' abilities to protect people from sex offenders.

The new law allows law enforcement to better track child predators and expands sex offender registration and verification. Among its provisions is a requirement that the worst offenders be fitted with lifetime location tracking devices to monitor their whereabouts.

The Division of Community Corrections (DCC) is the agency designated to operate the tracking system.

Additionally, the law directs DOC to study and report on ways to reduce repeat offenses through mental health treatment plans for sex offenders. A preliminary report must be made to the General Assembly by January 15, 2007, and a final report by October 1, 2007.

Chief Deputy Secretary Dan Stieneke represented the department at the bill signing. DCC Director Robert Lee Guy assisted legislators draft the legislation, and also attended the

New food services director named

Project helps school open A vacant, old cotton mill building in Roxboro was recently renovated

munity school, thanks in part to a Community Work Program project headed up by Officer Corey Clay, above left, and Durham Correctional Center Assistant Superintendent William Tillman, right.

inmate labor.

Principal Sam Kennington, center, said "there was no way" the school would have been ready to open as scheduled on Aug. 25 without the

into a new com-

RALEIGH | Jackie Parker is the Division of Prisons' new director of food services. She succeeds Nancy Porter, who retired.

Parker has worked for the Division of Prisons for 14 years, serving as the dietician in the west, east and central regions.

She is a registered and licensed dietician, with a bachelor's degree in dietetics from NC A&T State University and a master's degree in food and nutrition from NC Central



Jackie Parker

Parker resides in Wake Forest with her husband, son and daughter.

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formed, led by a five-person executive team that included Secretary Theodis Beck; Fay Lassiter, Division of Prisons assistant chief of program services; and Barbara Pierce, Scotland Correctional Institution Administrative Services Manager.

Pierce, who chaired the congress' Program Planning Committee, said the congress' theme was "particularly relevant in today's environment of inadequate funding, limited space and depleted resources. Correctional professionals must constantly find new or alternative avenues to provide outstanding service to all our customers. As a result of our commitment, tenacity, professionalism and vision for efficient and effective correctional operations, the citizens we serve will reap the tremendous benefits."

Correction officials from other states lauded the event as very successful, saying it was well-organized and operated and beneficial to those attending. Officials from Florida, the site of ACA's next winter conference, said the NC Host Committee had given them a good blue print for planning the event in their state.

The congress depended heavily on volunteers to staff various activities, including registration booths, facility tours and security. Approximatetly 180 NC DOC employees served on that volunteer force. Additionally, employees staffed signin stations for volunteers and DOC employee attendees and participants.

Several of the workshops were led or staffed by DOC officials:

* Prison Industries and Department of Labor Partnering to Provide Inmate Apprenticeship Certifications - Speakers: Randy Green, Correction Enterprises project manager; and Phil Rowe, Correction Enterprises printing plant manager, Nash Correctional Institution. * Using Correction Data to Our Advantage - Moderator and speaker: Robert Brinson, chief information officer. Other speakers: Cindy Cousins, application development manager, and Carol Morin, project manager, both in Information Resources.



* Hepatitis C-A Greater Corrections Risk than HIV- Moderator: Dr. Paula Smith, DOP chief of health services. Prison Research: Wisdom from the

Trenches - Speakers: Warden Annie Harvey, NC Correctional Institution for Women; and Dr.

Stephan Kiefer, assistant manager, Research and Planning. * Hiring



and Selecting the Most Appropriate Qualified Applicant-Speakers: Mary Beth Carroll, DOP regional operations manager; and Sgt. Sylvia R. West, Warren Correctional Institution. Evaluator: James Moore, training instructor II, Office of Staff Development and Training. * Are You at Risk for Tubercu-



Dr. Smith. Also speaking: Faye **Duffin**, nurse supervisor III, DOP Health Services Infection Control.

* Comprehensive Strategies

for Treatment and Community Supervision of Sex Offenders - Moderator: Cynthia Mitchell, assistant judicial district manager, Charlotte. Speakers: Bob

Carbo, director-SOAR, Harnett Correctional Institution;

Maggie Norris, chief probation/parole officer for special operations,



DCC. Evaluator: Mildred Spearman, policy analyst. A Correctional Response to

Gang Activity: A Systemic Approach - Moderator: Kevin Wallace, DCC chief of field services. Speakers: Johnny



Hawkins, DOP security specialist; and Felicia McLean, DCC field services manager. Evaluator: Shanticia Hawkins, DOP training

specialist II, Polk Correctional Institution.



* Using Defensive Techniques for Employee Protection - Moderator and speaker: Ricky Byrd (retired), Office of Staff Development and Training, in-service training manager; Robby Millard, OSDT training instructor (also Evaluator); and Gwen **Norville**, DOP executive officer. * A Systems Approach to Offender Re-entry - Moderator: Stephanie Rose, chief probation/parole officer, Goldsboro. Speakers: Carlton Joyner, DOP case management director; Mary T. Mueller, DOP diagnostic services program manager; Laura Yates, DOP social work program director. Evaluator: Richard E. Fields, chief probation/parole officer, Charlotte. * Helping Inmates Obtain Federal Disability Benefits - Evaluator: **George Currie**, DOP Central Region director.

* Promising Practices: Reentry and Risk Reduction Success in Kansas - Evaluator: Fay

Lassiter.

Tours of various nearby correctional facilities and programs were also offered. From DOC were Lanesboro Correctional Institu-



tion, Gaston Correctional Center and the Structured Day Program in Charlotte.

Others serving on the NC Host Committee

Other DOC employees assisting the NC Host Committee were David Osborne, DOP assistant director; Keith Acree, director of public affairs; George Dudley, public affairs officer; and **Cindy** Davis, administrative officer, Federal Grants.

Deadline

Items for the September edition of Correction News should be submitted by September 29. Send items to George Dudley at dghO2@doc.state.nc.us.

Scenes from the

American Correctional Association 136th Congress



Attendees sign in upon arrival at the Charlotte Convention Center for the ACA Congress.





Former US Sen. Bob Dole, center, was keynote speaker. Here, DOC volunteers surround him for security as he leaves his speaking engagement.



Above, left, Laura Yates, social work program director, moderates a panel on offender re-entry. Right, Gwen Norville explains the implementation process for an employee defensive training program.



Right, from left, welcoming visitors the NC Host Committee booth in the vendor hall are chief probation/parole officers Susan Walker, Division 1; and Randy Hussey and Rodney Trogdon, both in Division 3.



Left, Monica Keller, program director, explains gang management at Foothills CI.



DOP's
Mary
Beth
Carroll
speaks
during a
workshop
on making good
hires.

Movin' on up Promotions in August 2006

- **Stephen Anderson,** food service officer, Brown Creek Cl
- Russell C. Atkins, chief probation/parole officer, District 10
- **Michael L. Baerlin,** food service officer trainee, Scotland Cl
- Merita A. Bailey, probation/parole officer II, District 10
- Edward F. Basden, lieutenant, Pender Cl
- George G. Best, sergeant, Polk Cl
- Angela W. Blackmon, personnel technician I, NC CIW
- **Sharon B. Blount,** programs supervisor, Tyrrell Work Farm
- Candra L. Breece-Mullins, programs supervsior, Albemarle Cl
- James R. Brock, Correction Enterprises supervisor II, New Hanover Laundry
- **David L. Brown,** maintenance mechanic V, Enterprise Administration
- **Geraldine W. Brown,** office assistant IV, District 10
- **Anna M. Cable,** programs, supervisor, Marion Cl
- Tatisha S. Campbell, food service officer, Scotland Cl
- **Monique M. Carter,** accounting clerk IV, Central Warehouse
- Melvin C. Chapman, lieutenant
- Cadle W. Cooper Jr., chief probation/parole officer, District 15A
- Kennth R. Cross, captain, Scotland Cl Timerly C. Dalton, social worker II, Avery/ Mitchell Cl
- Tonya J. Dawson, case manager, Craven Cl Steve R. Delisle, plumber II, Eastern Region Maintenance Yard
- **Kristy N. Dobbins,** probation/parole officer trainee, District 22
- **Stephanie E. Dummett,** probation/parole officer II, District 19C
- Juanita Ellis, surveillance officer, District 26
 Kathy W. Fox, accounting clerk IV, Foothills Cl
- Myron E. Godley, food service officer trainee, Bertie Cl
- **Nicole L. Grissom,** personnel technicial III, Personnel
- **Glenda C. Hamilton,** accounting technician III, Piedmont Region Maintenance Yard
- James D. Harris, lieutenant, Fountain CCW Lavonne D. Harvey, probation/parole officer I, District 10
- Beckylee S. Hatchett, sergeant, Polk Cl Landon W. Hicks, sergeant, Alexander Cl
- Linda V. Hilliard, case analyst, Neuse Cl Georgia A. Hill-Martin, programs
- supervisor, Southern Cl
- James M. Hocutt, long distance truck driver, Central Warehouse
- **Daryl T. Holland,** accounting technician I, Polk Cl
- William M Horne, Correction Enterprises supervisor IV, Metal Products Plant-Brown Creek
- **Cherry P. Huskins,** programs supervisor, Mountain View Cl

- **Territa S. Ingram,** probation/parole officer I trainee, District 26
- Gordon G. Ipock, HVAC supervisor I, Marion Cl
- Gail M. Jackson, administrative services assistant V, Gaston CC
- Mark A. Kovell, food service officer, Craggy CC Ellis H. Langdon, captain, Harnett Cl
- Misty S. Laws, office assistant IV, DACDP Western Region
- Alvin L. Laws II, programs supervisor, Eastern Cl
- James t. Lewis, sergeant, Pamlico Cl Sabrina H. Liverman, food service officer, Tyrrell Work Farm
- Nichole E. Lloyd, health assistant, Central Prison
- Timothy D. Maulin, lieutenant, Craven Cl
- Timothy D. Maynor, sergeant, Alexander Cl Lee F. McCoy, programs supervisor, Lanesboro Cl
- **Barbara Y. Meeks,** administrative secretary II, Greene Cl
- Bernesteen Mills, personnel technician I, Personnel
- **Hughes W. Oxendine,** lieutenant, Lumberton Cl
- Yolando C. Oxendine, programs supervisor, NC CIW
- Rose-Marie Partenheimer, personnel technician I. Alexander Cl
- **Jennifer R. Pettiford,** administrative technician, Polk Cl
- Stacy L. Phipps, sergeant, Tillery CCl Carolyn Pierce Reyes, lead nurse, Bertie Cl
- Marshall R. Pike, manager-classification/ technical support, Prisons Administration
- Sandra H. Pitman, nurse supervisor II, Avery/Mitchell Cl
- Katy E. Poole, superintendent, Robeson CC Judy A. Rebold, administrative assistant I, Enterprise Administration
- **Shirley A. Rentas,** food service officer, Craggy CC
- **John W. Robbow,** substance abuse program supervisor, DACDP-Tyrrell
- **Luann B. Roberts,** administrative officer I, Prisons Administration
- Garrett R. Robinson, training specialist II, Foothills CI
- Twan R. Rodney, probation/parole officer II, District 26
- **Noel D. Rose,** chief probation/parole officer, District 8B
- Yolanda A. Sinclair, administrative services manager, NC CIW
- **Brenda F. Smith,** business officer II, Prisons Administration
- Amy L. Smothers, secretary II, Neuse Cl Allen D. Spence, maintenance mechanic V, Caledonia Cannery
- Herbert Stevens Jr., surveillance officer, District 18
- Kenneth M. Stoner, lieutenant, Piedmont Cl

- Luther C. Sumner, surveillance officer, District 18
- **Linwood E. Sutton,** assistant superintendent, Duplin CC
- Tyrome D. Turman, food service officer, Nash Cl
- Marilyn P. Turner, intensive case officer, District 6A
- Lucas D. Vrbsky, substance abuse counselor Il-certified, DACDP-Piedmont
- Larry G. Walker, surveillance officer, District 18
- Tarquintus G. Walser, assistant superintendent-custody/operations II, Polk Cl
- Virginia D. Wiggins, food service officer, Fountain CCW
- **Shenita s. Wilder,** medical record manager I, Central Prison
- Ellen H. Wiley, nurse supervisor II, Mountain View CI
- Wendy G. Williams, community service district coordinator. District 29

Retirements

- Calvin C. Cooper, correctional officer, Odom Cl, 28.1 years.
- Virginia A. Farmer, processing assistant III, Neuse Cl, 6.25 years.
- James R. Langley, assistant superintendentcustody/operations I, New Hanover CC, 28 years.
- **William R. Lassiter,** lead officer, Pender Cl, 16.25 years.

Death

Billy Ray Royal, correctional officer, Johnston Cl, 27 years.



Officers recently graduating with honors from Basic Correctional Officer training were: **Erin Hickey**, Neuse CI; **Kenneth Knecht**, Piedmont Correctional Institution; and **Laura McClure**, Western Youth Institution.

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