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Buffalo Soldiers' story more than a history lesson

Willie Edley, like many other people, reveres American military heritage. But Willie's specialty extends beyond recognition of feats of historic bravery, for he is a Buffalo Soldier - a member of an organization that reminds us that patriotism and caring are color blind.

Willie is assistant superintendent of programs at Piedmont Correctional Institution. He is also the immediate past president of the Greater North Carolina Chapter of the 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association of The Buffalo Soldiers. The asso-

ciation has 24 chapters nationwide; Willie is also national first vice president.

"We are a patriotic military service organization that is non-profit and has educational objectives," Willie explained. "We share the legacy of Buffalo Soldiers through community service, telling their story in schools, churches, community centers, private corporations, and wherever people are interested in hearing this forgotten chapter of American history."

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Hobby, heart help make computers available to underprivileged kids

With increasing frequency, teachers are giving secondary students assignments that require the use of a computer and internet access. Many parents still cannot afford a home computer, and their work schedules often conflict with the after-hours availability of the schools' computers.

Enter people like **Bob Jones**, a paint crew supervisor at Craven Correctional Institution. This past Christmas, he and Santa Claus helped several students get technology their school work often required.

Bob, skilled in computer repair, saw discarded computers as the answer to an education need of disadvantaged families. Starting with his church, and later adding a couple of charities, Bob began obtaining "old" computers, which he "reconditions" and makes available for free to needy kids.

"Six computers that I refurbished were given as Santa Claus presents this year," he said. "I have also given some to Katrina families."



Bob Jones tackles another computer -- with a heartfelt smile.

After asking his fellow church members to donate used computers they no longer needed, Bob soon had 12 units, and other charities began sending them, too.

"Some businesses and people upgrade their computers frequently, so the supply of discarded computers is pretty constant," he said.

Bob will put in about six hours of his time on each computer, checking it for problems, cleaning out data, restoring software, installing safety programs, and even replacing broken parts, such as a malfunctioning CD drive.

He will even personally help the student learn to use and care for the computer.

"Bob's heart turned his hobby into a gift for a lot of people," said his wife, Dawn.



Mapping out needed changes for handling new Interstate Compact (ISC) procedures are, from left, **Mary Stevens**, ISC manager; **Betty Payton**, coordinator of the ISC Adult Compact Information System; and **Anne Precythe**, **Anne L. Precythe**, deputy compact commissioner/administrator for the ISC Office.

New strategies coming for Interstate Compact

Probation Officers will soon see simplified procedures governing the movement of offenders across state lines. This new directive is in response to the need for interstate compact to comply with the rules and guidelines as established by the National Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision (ICAOS).

All states and US territories are now members of ICAOS. The national rules of the Interstate Compact supersede state law. Noncompliance with the Compact rules could result in financial penalties to the state. The benefits

of the Compact are to provide uniform rules for all states to regulate the movement of offenders between states which enhances public safety.

"Our top priority is public safety, and this new set of rules will be especially useful for keeping up with sex offenders," said **Mary Stevens**, ISC manager.

An automated web application known as NACIS is being developed to interface with OPUS and give all states immediate access to offender information.

"When offenders move from one state's jurisdiction

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Spotlight

Piedmont Correctional Institution

Piedmont Correctional Institution opened in 1980 just outside Salisbury in Rowan County as a medium security prison for adult males, but was converted to close security because of the state's need for additional high security space. In 1995, Piedmont reverted to housing medium custody adult male inmates. The 11-story prison is on a 52-acre site and houses approximately 760 inmates.

The offices of Administrator **Todd Pinion** and other administrative staff members are in a building situated at the base of the six-story residential tower where inmates are housed. The facility has approximately 385 staff members.

Each floor of the tower has two levels and is divided into two wings. In each wing, are three cellblocks, each designed to hold 16 inmates, while 96 are cells used for administrative and disciplinary segregation.

A dormitory was added in 1995.

Pinion's assistant superintendent for custody and operations is **Wendell T. Hargrave**.

Point of entry

Piedmont CI is a point of entry into the prison system for male felons ages 22 and older from western North Carolina who are sentenced to less than 10 years in prison.

Upon arrival, inmates undergo a series of diagnostic evaluations that will determine future prison assignments. Many inmates have short stays at Piedmont CI, because they are there to be processed into the prison system or to receive



Piedmont CI administrative leadership, from left, **Wendell T. Hargrave**, assistant superintendent/custody & operations; **Annette B. Foutz**, administrative services manager; **Todd W. Pinion**, administrator; and **Willie N. Edley**, assistant superintendent/programs.

medical or dental services.

The prison has a 14-bed infirmary and outpatient medical facility with capabilities for X-ray, EKG, lab, I.V. therapy and minor surgical operations. A three-chair dental clinic is staffed on a full time basis.

Programs

Willie N. Edley is the assistant superintendent

for programs.

Beginning March 1, Piedmont will pilot a program that bans the use of tobacco products by anyone anywhere on prison grounds.

Inmates may participate in the Drug/Alcohol Recovery Treatment (DART) program. DART provides intensive inpatient treatment in a fast moving, 28-day treatment cycle with lectures, films, educational and therapy groups, as well as individual counseling. Inmates work with professional staff and peer counselors. DART relies heavily on the principles of Alcoholics and Narcotics Anonymous, with group meetings available in the evenings.

Correction Enterprises operates a reupholstering plant at Piedmont. Three Enterprises employees supervise inmates who work in the plant. Other inmates may work as maintenance or kitchen help.

The institution provides vocational classes in woodworking, auto mechanics and auto body repair. A literacy computer lab, adult education classes and a course to prepare for the GED are available.



At left, the administrative office staff, from left: Front row, **Sandy Sawyer**, administrative secretary; **Debbie Kimball**, accounting clerk IV; and **Karen Johnson**, office assistant IV (Personnel). Back row, **LaGene McJunkin**, correctional officer (mail room); **Keith Park**, accounting technician IV; **Gary Hartenstine**, correctional officer (mail room). and **Annette Foutz**, administrative services manager.



Above, transportation staff members **Scott Hart**, left, lead correctional officer; and **Steve Foutz**, captain.

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Left, some of the programs staff members, from left: Front, **Theresa Ward**, processing assistant III; and **Laqreshia Bates**, case manager. Back, **Gary Deal**, institutional classification coordinator; **Antoine Ingram**, transfer coordinator I; and **Shannon Strickland**, case manager.



Right, on the psychology staff are, from left: Front, **Karen Smith**, psychology intern; **Martie McDowell**, processing assistant III; and **Jacqueline Loupis**, staff psychologist II. Back, **John Haigwood**, psychological services coordinator.



Among the diagnostic staff members are, from left: 1st row, **Barbara Watts**, processing assistant III; **Thomas Yoe**, case analyst; **Nevina Christy**, behavior specialist I. 2nd row, **Harry Greene**, case manager; **Terry Watts**, case manager; **Cathy Jones**, admissions technician; **Deborah Painter**, admissions technician; **Eddie Boger**, senior case analyst; and **Leon Hamilton**, correctional officer.

Shown right, food service staff members are, from left: **Stephen Smith**, food service manager III; **Michael Allman**, food service officer; **Ernest Shue**, correctional officer; and **Richard Basinger**, correctional officer; **Tony Cook**, food service manager I.



Below, diagnostic staff members include, from left: Front row, **Toya Moore**, case analyst; **Cindy Penegar**, diagnostic center director; and **Gwen Faggart**, admissions technician. Back row, **Betty Hartsell**, processing assistant III; **Tonya Alexander**, case analyst; **Katie Inman**, admissions technician; **Rusty Hooks**, admissions technician; and **Doris Washington**, case analyst.



Above, from left, **Carl Honbarger**, correctional officer, and **Ron Sherrill**, plant manager IV, are on the staff of Correction Enterprises' reupholstering plant.



Other programs staff members, from left: Front row, **Susan Trexler**, programs supervisor; **Janice Spearman**, case manager; and **Mercedes Trammell**, case manager. back row, **Cindy Tarlton**, office assistant III; **Joe Davis**, correctional officer (gym staff); **Crystal Bailey**, case manager; **Shelia Flowers**, programs director I. and **Larry Warren**, programs manager.



Among the medical staff are, from left: **Jeanmarie Burton**, registered nurse; **Carole Morrison**, lead nurse; **Joan Hartsell**, medical records assistant III; **Jon Merlau**, licensed practical nurse; and **Teresa Kelly**, medical records assistant IV.



Some of the medical staff are, from left: **Bettie Caine**, registered nurse; **Tamra Misenheimer**, licensed practical nurse; **Dr. Larry Jones**, physician; **Shelia Basinger**, medical records clerk; **Janet Parker**, licensed practical nurse; and **Michelle Hammill**, licensed practical nurse.



Other medical staff members, from left: **Mary Lambert**, registered nurse; **Vickie Reavis**, health assistant II; **Pam Richard**, health assistant II; **Layne Coleman**, licensed practical nurse; **Angie Agner**, health assistant II; **Susan Carter**, licensed practical nurse.

Spotlight



Left, the DART-Piedmont staff includes, from left: Front row, **Cynthia Johnson**, office assistant IV; **Kathryn Mast**, substance abuse counselor II; and **Elisabeth Waters**, substance abuse worker. Back row, **Lucas Vrbsky**, substance abuse counselor I; **Judith McCall**, substance abuse program supervisor; **Beverly Hawkins**, substance abuse program director; and **Oliver Carswell**, substance abuse counselor II.



The maintenance staff, from left: **John Lingle**, facility maintenance supervisor IV; **Gary Blalock**, plumber II; **Holland Bost**, maintenance mechanic III; **Don Branch**, maintenance mechanic IV; **Houston Jordan**, electrician II; and **John Moose**, HVAC mechanic.



Members of the custody supervisory staff are, from left: Seated, **Nancy Buchanan**, correctional officer. Standing, Capt. **James Lomax**, Lt. **Charles Mullins** and Capt. **Kenneth Beaver**.

High 5s

Two Division of Community Service leaders have been re-appointed to the NC Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission. **Kevin G. Wallace**, Division of Community Corrections executive officer, was appointed to a second two-year term. Also, **Vernon J. Bryant**, manager of the Division of Community Corrections' District 6A, has been reappointed by NC House Speaker Jim Black to the 2006-07 term. The commission promotes new rules and regulations, establishes educational standards and certified employees within the criminal justice system. The commission also establishes standards for training schools and instructors, certifies instructors and investigates agencies, schools and individuals. The commission has 33 members.

Carl Apperwhite, correctional officer, Albemarle Correctional Institution, was named an honor student in the basic training class that concluded Dec. 2, 2005.



Food Drive collections delivered

In December, representatives from the Department of Correction delivered 2,750 pounds of food plus \$220 to the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina, the fruits of an annual holiday food drive. At the check presentation were, from left, **Wendy Carter**, Correction Enterprises administrative secretary III; **Nancy Novell**, Food Drive coordinator for the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina.; and **Susan Rogers**, Correction Enterprises office assistant IV.

Cooker places 2nd in national competition

Joseph Hall, Harnett Correctional Institution administrator, recently met with staff and faculty at Central Carolina Community College (CCCC) to help recognize the achievements of an inmate at the prison.

At the meeting, from CCCC, were Dr. Matt Garrett, president; Daniel Thomas, director of Correctional Education; and Charles Bell, welding instructor at Harnett CI.

They met with and congratulated an inmate welding student whose project finished second in a national welding competition. The student had used "shapeless pieces of steel" to weld "The Six Little Pigs Cooker," which was entered in a national contest among career welding students age 19 and up.

Named for the six decorative pigs featured on the cooker, the unit was



This pig cooker, constructed at Harnett CI, won 2nd place in a national welding competition. Harnett CI Administrator Joseph Hall recently met with Central Carolina Community College officials to discuss the prison's welding program.

sold to benefit a scholarship fund for CCCC students. Further, the second place award included \$1,000 worth of computer programs which the welding class will use for designing and calculating future projects.

The deadline for the February '06
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is March 1.

Community Corrections names senior administrator

RALEIGH - Glenn Mills, a 29-year corrections veteran, has been named senior administrator in the Division of Community Corrections.

Mills oversees the division's field, program and support sections, said **Robert Lee Guy**, division director, who announced the appointment. Mills will be responsible for such programs as post-release and electronic supervision, field services, victim services, criminal justice partnerships and information technology support.

Guy noted that Mills' qualifications include a history of rising through the Community Corrections ranks, beginning as a probation/parole officer in Carteret County in 1977. He also was an intensive probation/parole officer in Carteret and Craven counties, and was later transferred to Pitt County, where he was in charge of the pilot house

arrest program 1989.

Mills was named assistant manager in 1990 for an 18-county region of the division, and then manager of the region in 1993. He became chief of Division I -- a 32-county region based in Greenville -- when Community Corrections was reorganized in 1996.

"Glenn's experience reflects the leadership skills that he brings to his new job," Guy said. "He is very good at listening to issues and concerns and helping people through the processes that result in solutions. Glenn also gives excellent support to his staff members, including help with their day-in, day-out job functions."

Mills said his love for the profession drives his vision for the new assignment.

"Because our real mission is public safety, I want to do all we can to

help people redirect their lives," he said. "That will include supporting the staff by providing the skills training they need to do their jobs.

"Additionally, I want to ensure all functions are well-coordinated, allowing our people to work more efficiently."

The Pitt County native graduated with a bachelor's degree in psychology from East Carolina University in 1977. He has also completed the North Carolina certified public manager course for employees.

Mills is a charter member of the N.C. Probation/Parole Association. He enjoys golf, skiing and surfing in his spare time.



Glenn Mills

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to another, it is critical to public safety that all necessary information transfers with the offender, according to NACIS Manager **Betty Payton**, coordinator of the ISC Adult Compact Information System. "Not only do the new rules ensure that transfer of information happens, but they also provide for the information format to be consistent from state to state."

Redefining teamwork is one of the new strategies of the ISC office.

"In the next few months we plan to transition into pairing a probation officer and correspondent with each of the four Judicial Divisions in the state," said **Anne L. Precythe**, deputy compact commissioner/administrator for the ISC Office. "We anticipate this change will only enhance the quality of service being provided by our staff. We believe that probation officers and court officials can benefit from a more streamlined process and ultimately a better understanding of compact rules and how they relate to offender supervision in our state."

Challenges

Precythe is optimistic about the future of North Carolina's Interstate Compact Office. Her management team met with the national office staff in Lexington, Ky., where they were assisted in the development new strategies for North Carolina. **Robert Lee Guy**, DCC's director and ISC commissioner for North Carolina, has charged the ISC management team with the task of developing a plan for

implementation of the new strategies in 2006. Realignment of staff, caseload management and training are three critical pieces of the plan.

Another challenge for the state is the misdemeanor offender population, who, under national rules, do not qualify for Compact services. ISC managers will be discussing this issue with the National Office during their visit.

"North Carolina is one of the few states that still supervises misdemeanor offenders," Stevens said. "I believe what we do is good government policy. It's good for public safety; it's the right thing to do."

"Training will be an incredible piece of the plan," Precythe said. "It's not only Community Corrections people who will need to be trained; it's also judges, district attorneys, defense attorneys, and so on."

'Costs'

North Carolina has nearly 5,000 offenders under ISC supervision, of which 3,500 are categorized as "We-for-Them" cases and 1,500 are "They-for-Us" cases.

States pay an annual fee to be part of ICAOS based on state populations and number of ICAOS offender transactions. North Carolina currently pays \$36,000 in annual membership fees. "When you consider the benefits of being a member of the Compact, and its ability to enhance public safety, this fee is well worth the cost," Precythe said.



Willie Edley stands ready at a re-enactment display to help visitors learn about Buffalo Soldiers.

Buffalo Soldiers, from page 1

The association honors and represents a segment of black Americans who have served in the US military. However, it is non-partisan and non-political.

"Buffalo Soldiers not only teach history, they help all of us to remember the great pride they took in their service, even during the difficult times that they endured," Willie said.

Evolution of the association

The association was begun 1966 in Kansas City, Mo., when group of former cavalymen got together to talk about their military heritage and unique military experience. One hundred years before, Congress had created four regiments for black men, designated the 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry and the 24th and 25th Infantry.

"These regiments were part of a bold experiment to accept 'colored troops' into the regular army establishment during peace time," Willie said.

Sent into the western frontier, the regiments were assigned such duties as escorting and protecting settlers from attacks by Native Americans and Mexican bandits, finding water sources and stringing telegraph wires. They were enlisted for five years, and earned \$13 a month, plus room, board, and clothing. The motto of the 9th is "We Can, We Will!"

"The name 'Buffalo Soldiers' goes back to the very early history of the cavalries," Willie said. "Native-Americans



In his Buffalo Soldier uniform and surrounded by numerous displays, Willie makes a presentation to a civic group.

they engaged in combat noted that the black soldiers fought as fiercely as a cornered buffalo and their hair reminded them of a buffalo mane."

Initially, association membership was limited to persons who had served in the 9th & 10th Cavalry Regiments. After a decade, membership was extended to anyone who had rendered outstanding service to the association or to the United States through service either in the Armed Forces or their community.

Willie was serving in the 82nd Airborne in Fayetteville when he and some fellow soldiers began calling themselves "Buffalo Soldiers" without really knowing much about their namesakes. Willie began researching "Buffalo Soldiers," and his growing interest helped lead to the formation of the North Carolina chapter in 1995, when Willie was serving the NC National Guard.

Not just history

Buffalo Soldiers are often seen in post-Civil War cavalry uniforms with period equipment as they speak to groups and present historical exhibits. Willie even has three horses which he incorporates into his presentations.

But the Buffalo Soldiers' message is not simply about illuminating history, Willie said.

"We also provide college scholarships to high school students," he said.

The Soldiers' horses even play an important role in another civic-minded activity of the association.

"Each year, we bring at-risk middle school children to a special camp, where we assign them to be responsible for the care and maintenance of our horses," Willie said. "Focusing on that responsibility helps them take their focus off their own problems. Also, that sense of responsibility becomes a personal responsibility for things like good hygiene, handling peer pressure and good study habits."



Willie helps a youngster start learning about caring for one of his horses as part of a lesson in responsibility.

Reunions

The 9th & 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association holds annual reunions at different locations in the U.S. Among guests has been Colin Powell, former chair of Joint Chiefs of Staff and former U.S. secretary of state.

The Greater North Carolina Chapter will host of the 140th Anniversary Reunion in Greensboro this year. With the reunion having a theme of "Honoring Living History," Willie said the association is striving to attract its most senior members, and an effort can begin to create an archive of oral history about Buffalo Soldiers.

More information about the association can be found at ncbuffalosoldiers.org.

DCC District 27A has new manager

GASTONIA - Sandy Holland has been named the new manager for the Division of Community Corrections' District 27A. The district, which covers Gaston County, has 50 employees, including 45 officers who are responsible for the supervision of approximately 2,500 offenders.

Holland succeeds the retired Jeanne Cochrane.

Holland began her career as a community service officer at Gaston Correctional Center in Dallas, NC, in 1983. Three years later, she was promoted to probation/parole officer in the Gaston Unit of the Division of Adult Probation and Parole. Holland rose to chief probation/parole officer in Lincolnton in 1994 and transferred to the same position in Gastonia in 2002.

Holder of a bachelor of arts degree in social work from Sacred Heart College in Belmont, NC, Holland also has a master's degree in pastoral studies from Loyola University of New Orleans, La. She is actively involved in St. Michael Catholic Church in Gastonia.

Holland and her husband, Hugh, have two children, Ashli, 17, and Parker, 15. The family resides in Gastonia.



Sandy Holland

Cornell McGill named chief of Community Corrections Div.

GREENVILLE - Cornell McGill, a 25-year corrections veteran, has been named chief of Community Corrections' Division 1, an area encompassing 32 eastern North Carolina counties.

McGill, previously assistant chief of the division, succeeds Glenn Mills. As Division 1 chief, McGill is responsible for 556 probation/parole officers and staff members. Approximately 26,500 offenders are assigned by the courts for supervision in Division 1.

In announcing the appointment, Robert Lee Guy, director of Community Corrections, cited experience and leadership skills as key reasons for selecting McGill for the job. Guy also noted that McGill was in the first class of the NC Department of Correction's Leadership Development Program.

McGill said maintaining quality personnel to ensure public safety is a top priority in the new job.

"I plan to make sure we enhance public safety, and that our focus is always on public safety," he said.

Prior to beginning his career in corrections, McGill was a child support enforcement agent in Craven County. In 1982, he was named a probation officer in Beaufort County, and was promoted in 1988 to unit supervisor in Martin and Washington counties. McGill was named judicial district manager of

Community Corrections District 2 in 1993, and assistant division chief in 1996.

McGill has a bachelor of science degree in history and government from St. Augustine College. The Beaufort County resident has been on that county's community college board of trustees for 27 years, and he is active in his church, St. Paul Episcopal.

He and his wife, Evette, have two sons, ages 27 and 14. McGill is also an avid golf player.



Cornell McGill

News Briefs

Tony Watts, a correctional officer at Columbus Correctional Institution, helped restore some joy for a single mother and her son whose rental mobile home in Tabor City caught fire early Christmas morning. Watts was on the way to visit his mother, the landlord who lived next door to the fire victim. The family had escaped by the time Watts arrived, but he saw the boy's new bicycle was near the back door and quickly moved it to safety. He helped other firefighters retrieve Christmas packages. Firemen and law enforcement officers collected and donated clothing and \$175 for the mother and son.

Shekeya Davis and **Nelson Dixon**, both probation/parole officers II, are domestic violence officers in Mecklenburg County participating in Operation Youth Awareness. The program is designed provide youths with early prevention, education and intervention and to reduce future violence by promoting awareness on the effects and behaviors of domestic violence. In addition to the Division of Community Corrections, the interdisciplinary team consists of Charlotte Mecklenburg Police, Women's Commission, Sheriff's Department,, Mental Health and Social Services. The team visits middle schools weekly to present their program.

Got 'game'? Jerome Hall wants to know

You play hoops? If so, Officer Jerome Hall at Central Prison hopes you will contact him.

Jerome loves basketball so much that he directed his passion to a good cause, founding a tournament to help inner city youths in Baltimore, Md. The event, call "The Battle of the Badges," has raised more than \$5,000 so far.

"Playing basketball with fellow officers from all over the country gives me a great joy," Jerome said.

This year's "Battle of the Badges will will be played May 4-6 at Dundalk Community College of Baltimore, MD, and Jerome wants to boost interest and participation. For more information, you can contact him at blkcopbball@yahoo.com or battleofthebadges@yahoo.com.

Jerome, who works in the Central Prison Recreation Department, said he has been playing law enforcement basketball since 1999. He has played in tournaments on various law enforcement teams in Texas, Virginia and Maryland, and in the 2000 International Police Games in 2000 and Shoot for a Cure.

Most recently, Jerome was on the Wake County Enforcers that placed second in a Christmas tournament in South Carolina. The Enforcers included officers from the Wake County Sheriff's Department, the SBI and the Duke University Police Department.

Morrison CI gets new administrator



Ron Jones

HUFFMAN - Ron Jones, a 32-year NC Department of Correction veteran, has been named the new administrator for Morrison Correctional Institution, a medium security prison that confines approximately 800 male inmates and has a 370-person staff.

Jones has been acting superintendent at McCain Correctional Hospital since October, and was previously operations manager in the Division of Prisons' South Central Region Office.

He began his career in corrections in 1974 as a case manager at the now closed Sandhills Correctional Center. He rose through the ranks, as program supervisor at Sandhills, program director at Morrison, and assistant superintendent and administrator at Piedmont Correctional Institution. He was superintendent at Lincoln Correctional Institution prior to being named operations manager at the South Central office in 1999.

Jones succeeds Emilio Pagan, who retired.

A graduate of Barton College with a bachelor of science degree in physical education and recreation, Jones has studied for a master's degree in administration at UNC-Pembroke.

Jones and his wife, Brenda, reside in Pinehurst, and they have two adult sons, Chad and Cory. Jones is a past governor of the NC West District of Optimist International, a youth service organization. He enjoys working out and playing golf in his spare time.



Joseph Hall

Joseph Hall leading Harnett CI

LILLINGTON - Joseph Hall, a 27-year corrections veteran, has been named administrator

at Harnett Correctional Institution, a medium security prison, confining approximately 850 adult males. He was previously the prison's assistant superintendent for programs.

Hall, who succeeds the retired Sherwood McCabe, began his career in corrections in Virginia in 1979, after three years in the Navy and earning his degree in government administration and sociology from Elizabeth City State University. He moved to North Carolina, his home state, in 1983 and began working as correctional officer at Gaston Correctional Center. He rose through the ranks in program positions at Gaston, Goldsboro Youth Center (now closed) and Johnston Correctional Institution, being named assistant superintendent for programs at Harnett in 1995.

The South Hills native has undertaken graduate studies at Norfolk State University and has completed a course in corrections management at Wayne Community College.

The avid weight lifter is also active working with youths through his fraternity and church. He enjoys history and staying informed of political news.

Hall and his wife, Rene, have two sons. They reside in Goldsboro.



J.C. Huggins

New leader at McCain CH

RAEFORD - J.C. Huggins, a 20-year corrections veteran, has been named administrator at McCain Correctional Hospital, a minimum

security, 411-bed medical center that has approximately 250 staff members.

He succeeds David Hubbard, who retired.

Huggins was a member of the Pembroke/Lumberton Police Department for seven years before being named a correctional officer at Hoke Correctional Institution in 1986. He rose steadily through the ranks at the Hoke, Robeson and Lumberton facilities. In 2003, he was promoted to assistant superintendent at Morrison Correctional Institution, where he had been acting superintendent since Oct. 1, 2005.

Huggins has an associate degree from Robeson Community College, and has been studying for a bachelor's degree at UNC-Pembroke.

The father of three daughters and one son has three grandchildren. His spare time is spent with his wife, Donna, and family, being active in his church and reading Stephen King novels.

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In November, Daniel A. Henris was promoted to chief probation parole officer, Dist. 3B, Carteret and Pamlico counties.

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- Henry M. Beacham..... maint. mech. IV..... Eastern CI22.9 years
- Bobby D. Fuller..... Corr. Ent. supv. III..... Printing Plant..... 19 years
- Richard E. Griffin..... Corr. Ent. mgr. V..... Woodworking Plant.... 28 years
- Willard R. Pendergrass.....intensive case off. Dist. 30, Macon.....22.3 years
- Anthony A. Weaver.....correct off. trainee... Polk CI 20 years

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Fred Aikens and his wife, Lucy, take time to relax and enjoy his retirement luncheon on Jan. 31.

Public servant, soldier: Fred Aikens retires

Deputy Secretary Fred Aikens retired from state service at the end of January, after nine years with the Department of Correction. Aikens had served most recently as deputy secretary of Correction with oversight of Correction Enterprises, alcohol and chemical dependency programs, management information systems and extradition.

To many in uniform, he is known as Col. Fred Aikens. He also recently retired from the North Carolina Army National Guard after 35 years of service. He was called to active duty twice in the wake of the 2001 terrorist attacks. During his first activation, he served at Fort Bragg, supporting the 18th Airborne Corps during its mission in Afghanistan. He was called to active duty a second time, in February 2003, when his unit was deployed to Kuwait where he was assigned as deputy commander of camps for the US Army Central Command - overseeing all army base camps in Northern Kuwait.

Before he joined the Department of Correction, Aikens was chief deputy secretary for the Department of Transportation. While deputy secretary at DOT, he also served for several months as acting commissioner of the Division of Motor Vehicles. Prior to that, he worked on the fiscal research staff at the North Carolina General Assembly for nearly 15 years.

"I've had a long, great, and rewarding dual career with state government and the military," said Aikens, in a farewell letter to fellow employees. "I want to

"I am honored to have been in your presence, and trust that I have added value to this organization."

express my sincere and profound appreciation to all of you in the Department of Correction with whom I've had the pleasure to serve. You are to be commended for the work you do under extraordinary circumstances. I am honored to have been in your presence and trust that I have added value to this organization."

Aikens says he plans to do some consulting work in his retirement, as well as develop a network marketing business with his wife. Most importantly, he says he plans to take a lot of time to enjoy life.

Glenn York ready to relax

Glenn York recently retired to some relaxation after 30 years in the Department of Correction. At retirement, he was District II manager for the Division of Alcohol and Chemical Dependency Programs (DACDP).

York began his career in 1976 as a health assistant in the Division of Prisons, was promoted to health supervisor I in 1978 and to programs supervisor in 1980. Six years later, York was named assistant superintendent at Pender Correctional Center, and then in 1989 became programs assistant II in the Eastern Region Office of the Division of Prisons. He moved into the DACDP as a counselor in 1993, and rose through the ranks, being named District II manager in 2005.

After "a full 30 years" in his career, York said he plans to relax by playing golf and travelling both in the U.S. and worldwide.

At a retirement reception, he was honored by a framed copy of "The Order of the Long Leaf Pine," a high civilian distinction from by the governor's office for meritorious service to the people of North Carolina. The order was presented to York by DOC Secretary Theodis Beck.



Glenn York at his retirement reception, holding his Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

Sherwood McCabe completes DOC career

More than 100 friends, colleagues and family gathered at Harnett Correctional Institution on Nov. 30 to show their appreciation to retiring Correctional Administrator Sherwood McCabe.

Employees from Harnett Correctional Institution were joined by a large delegation of staff from Central Prison to celebrate his more than 30 years of service and dedication to the state of North Carolina.

Begun in 1975, most of McCabe's Corrections career was spent at Central Prison, where he started as a correctional officer and worked his way through the ranks to captain. In 1990, he was named support services manager and was promoted to associate warden of operations in 1994. He was promoted to Harnett CI administrator in September 2001.

"I could not have a better way to end up my career than coming to Harnett for the last four years," McCabe said.

Former Central Prison Warden James French entertained the crowd with stories of when he worked with McCabe.

"Central Prison and Harnett are better places because of what Sherwood did for them," French said.



Tracy Little, right, assistant deputy secretary, presents the Order of the Long Leaf Pine to Sherwood McCabe at his retirement.



Horticulture program's yield benefits School for Deaf

The North Carolina School for the Deaf was a beneficiary of a horticultural class taught to inmates by Selby Hawk, middle, instructor at Western Piedmont Community College, at Foothills Correctional Institute. Flowers grown in the class were donated to the school. The program, under the guidance of education programs Supervisor **Jean Lail Taylor**, right, helps provide inmates employable skills for their return to society. Also shown with Hawk and Taylor is **Scott Baker**, assistant superintendent/programs.



Pamlico CI adopts 2 families

Staff and inmates at Pamlico Correctional Institution in Bayboro helped needy children enjoy Christmas 2005. Pamlico CI staff, under the leadership of Superintendent **Mike Lamm**, accepted the request of Pamlico County Partnership for Children to "adopt" two families (compared to one in each of the past previous five years.) This year, staff came up with mounds of presents, a bike and lots of food. Additionally, under the supervision of **Lakeshia Jones**, programs supervisor, the inmates' Men's Fellowship Club and the carpentry class donated bicycles, bike helmets, a wooden train and a rocking horse to Toys for Tots.



Holiday feast at Marion Minimum Security Unit

The Marion Minimum Security Unit Community Resource Council and local churches held their annual holiday feast for the inmates on Dec. 3. The event is supported by unit management and program staff.



Hoke coats for kids

Samuel Shaw, programs supervisor for Hoke Correctional Institution, presents new coats, toys and food products to the family of Queen Kirksey for Christmas. The gifts were a donation from Hoke CI's Men's Service Club, which is supervised by Shaw. Hoke County Social Services helped with the selection of Mrs. Kirksey and her grandchildren for the presents.

Prisons provide work crews for school weatherization

Several squads of correctional officers involved with inmate work crews spent part of the Christmas holiday season helping make schools more energy efficient.

At the direction of Gov. Mike Easley, inmate work crews completed energy conservation projects at North Carolina's public schools over the school recess, when schools were closed to students.

The work, supported by a \$100,000 contribution from Lowe's, was needed because unusually high

fuel prices have many school systems struggling to make ends meet. About 66 schools in 12 school systems across the state received weatherization assistance through this program.

Inmates completed such projects as caulking; weather stripping; sealing leaks in ductworks and plumbing; replacing broken windows; changing air filters in heating and cooling systems; and installing storm doors and windows. The schools were not charged for the labor provided by the inmate work crews.

Retirements / January 2006

Name	Job Title	Location	Service Years
Caley E. Alberti	correctional off.	New Hanover CC	25.4
Ann G. Browder	office asst. III	Dist. 7, Edgecombe	16.1
Cecile Chapman	correctional off.	Neuse CC	7.5
Jerry D. Godfrey	correctional off.	Harnett CI	15.3
Percy G. Hartley	bldg. const. supt.	Engineering	17.25
Otis D. Johnson	sergeant	Caswell CC	28.5

Name	Job Title	Location	Service Years
Weldon F. Lewis	correctional off.	Harnett CI	15.9
Bobby D. Savage	correctional off.	Wayne CC	27.75
James H. Simmons	correctional off.	Odom CI	24.4
Horace D. Smith	correctional off.	Southern CI	29
Benny S. White	correctional off.	Rowan CC	38.5

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Employee	News Position	Location
Nancy B. Allison	acctg. clerk IV	Craggy CC
Angela U. Armston	chief probation/parole off.	Dist. 14, Durham
Ashley L. Avery Jr.	HVAC mech.	Piedmont Reg. Maint. Yard
Brandy E. Ballard	personnel asst. IV	Raleigh Regional Office
Debra S. Barber	acctg. clerk V	Odum CI
Melissa G. Bartlett	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 28, Buncombe
John D. Beasley	sergeant	Pasquotank CI
Harold J. Bell	info. process. tech.	Prisons Admin.
Gordon T. Beverly	lieutenant	Craven CI
Stacy L. Biddix	correctional off. trainee	Marion CI
Melody C. Bordeaux	acctg. tech. II	Columbus CC
Alton T. Brown	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 6B, Bertie
Ernest L. Brown	lieutenant	Alexander CI
Stanley M. Byrum	sergeant	Eastern CI
Iantha L. Chaplin	case analyst	Craven CI
Linda M. Clark	process. asst. IV	Personnel
Harold Clayburn	lieutenant	Central Prison
Karen F. Cooper	processing assist. IV	Caledonia Cannery
Christian A. Crawford	asst. supt./programs II	Avery-Mitchell CI
Anthony W. Crumpler	correctional off. trainee	Maury CI
Pamela E. Darity	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 28, Buncombe
Jessica L. Desrosiers	psych. svcs. coord.	Fountain CCW
Linda S. Dodson	acctg. tech III	Dan River PWF
Gary T. Dudley	dispatcher	Central Warehouse
Robin M. Dunbar	acctg. clerk IV	Tyrrell PWF
Stacey L. Duprey	sergeant	Piedmont CI
Juanita Edwards	admin. asst. I	Central Prison
Perry L. Faulk	captain	Harnett CI
Yvonne J. Gilbert	subst. abuse cnslr. II	DART-Haywood
Randall J. Green	facility eng. spec.	Alexander Woodworking Plant
Angie M. Grimes	acctg. clerk V	NC CIW
Brenda B. Hamilton	sergeant	Eastern CI
Takesha R. Hammond	programs supv.	Lanesboro CI
Merle G. Hanna Jr.	sergeant	Marion CI
James E. Harding III	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 5, New Hanover
Karen R. Hare	programs director I	Southern CI
Judy T. Helms	processing asst. IV	Albemarle CI
Wanda B. Hicks	personnel tech. I	DCC Division 2
Paul Horton	sergeant	Eastern CI
Fontella M. Humphrey	programs supv.	Wake CC
James A. Hunsucker Jr.	asst. supt.	Cabarrus CC
Cathy D. Hunt	correctional off. trainee	Warren CI
Charlene J. Hunter	medical records asst. IV	Nash CI
Sinatra D. Jackson	admin. sec. III	Office of Citizen Services

Employee	News Position	Location
Barbara J. Jelinek	acctg. tech. II	Harnett CI
Teresa J. Jernigan	asst. unit manager	NC CIW
Kimberly M. Johnson	lieutenant	Craven CI
Dennis E. Jones	sergeant	Greene CC
Timothy L. Kimble	asst. supt./cust. & ops. III	Southern CI
James R. Lomax	captain	Piedmont CI
Christopher T. Lynch	sergeant	Fountain CCW
Sharon Y. Mangum	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 18, Guilford
Nora K. Mast	subst. abuse cnslr. II	DART-Piedmont
Bobby D. Mauldin	maint. mech. IV	Albemarle CI
Harold H. McElroy	food service manager I	Gates CC
Kelli J. McKinnon	correctional off. trainee	Lumberton CI
Glinda L. McKoy	lead nurse	Harnett CI
Roger D. McLain	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 5, New Hanover
Betty L. Moore	lieutenant	Hyde CI
Stephen W. Nelson	lead correctional off.	Avery-Mitchell CI
Spencer L. Noble	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 9b, Granville
Allison H. Potter	info. process. tech.	Prisons Admin.
Dorolyn Price	admin. asst. II	NC CIW
Kenneth L. Privette	Corr. Ent. supervisor III	Sign Plant
Errol D. Reddick	asst. supt./programs II	Craven CI
Caroline O. Riddick	inst. classific. coord.	Bertie CI
Delores A. Ruffin	programs director I	Bertie CI
Hubert Scott Jr.	lead correctional off.	Lumberton CI
Anita L. Selby	lieutenant	Hyde CI
Cynthia C. Smith	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 5, Pender
Oscar Smith	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 21, Forsyth
Bobby R. Smith Jr.	sergeant	Piedmont CI
Joe J. Solano III	captain	Craven CI
Kern K. Spence	unit manager	Pasquotank CI
Willie J. Steele	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 26, Mecklenburg
Malcolm E. Stocks	sergeant	Eastern CI
Christopher S. Surratt	sergeant	Marion CI
Charles R. Teal	lieutenant	Columbus CC
Laketisha R. Tennione	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 26, Mecklenburg
Andrew P. Terrell Jr.	training instructor II	Training
Christopher A. Thomas	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 8A, Greene
James W. Thompson	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 28, Buncombe
Carrie J. Tucker	psych. services coord.	Craven CI
Keith I. Turner	unit manager	Marion CI
Robert W. Walls	sergeant	Tillery CC
Bobby J. Wheeler Jr.	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 14, Durham
Sarah C. Williams	sergeant	Craven CI
Timothy A. Willing	sergeant	Craven CI

Administration

Michael F. Easley
Governor

Theodis Beck
Secretary of Correction

Keith Acree
Acting Public Affairs Director

McCabe, from page 9

Prisons division Director Boyd Bennett said McCabe has "the qualities you want to see in a good prison manager."

Harnett staff members said McCabe was a dedicated leader who sin-

cerely cared about his staff's well being and who was always willing to listen.

Tracy Little, deputy secretary, presented McCabe with the state's highest award, The Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

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<i>Employee</i>	<i>New Position</i>	<i>Location</i>
Gwendolyn D. Allen	sergeant	Bertie CI
Shirley B. Andrews	health asst. II	Central Prison
Steven G. Averette Jr.	sergeant	Polk CI
Madeline J. Barbee	lead nurse	Polk CI
John W. Bayless	sergeant	Maury CI
Daylon B. Beasley	food service manager I	Johnston CI
Darren S. Beck	lead correctional officer	Craggy CC
William J. Becker	asst. unit manager	Bertie CI
Vincent B. Berry	sergeant	Hyde CI
Charles L. Biggs	mason supv.	Eastern Reg. Maint. Yard
Isaac L. Bonner	sergeant	Bertie CI
Vivian L. Brake	asst. supt./programs I	Fountain CCW
Marvin B. Brickhouse	sergeant	Tyrrell PWF
Levi Brothers Jr.	lieutenant	Pasquotank CI
April D. Brown	sergeant	Bertie CI
James F. Bunch	sergeant	Bertie CI
Audrey B. Burns	processing asst. V	Training
O'Brien H. Campbell	asst. district manager	Dist. 5, New Hanover
Dowd E. Caraway	sergeant	Alexander CI
James O. Chappell	sergeant	Dan River PWF
Virginia C. Clark	admin. sec. II	Odom CI
Jamie B. Cobb	lieutenant	Greene CI
Doris J. Colson	nurse supervisor II	Bertie CI
Donna J. Combs	office asst. IV	Central Prison
Edward C. Conn II	captain	Nash CI
Ronald P. Covington	asst. unit manager	Lanesboro CI
Holly M. Coward	case manager	Maury CI
Joseph T. Cutrone	food service manager II	Albemarle CI
Kenneth L. Darnell	training spec. II	Dan River PWF
Carnell Deloatch	sergeant	Bertie CI
Terence H. Eason	chief probation/parole off.	Dist. 14, Durham
Terry M. Edwards	correctional off. trainee	Western YI
Jason M. Evans	sergeant	Bertie CI
Evan K. Everette	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 3A, Pitt
Elvin L. Exum	programs supv.	Eastern CI
Ronald B. Freeman	lead correctional officer	Brown Creek CI
Eric D. Frye	sergeant	Alexander CI
Annette Fullen	admin. service manager	Maury CI
Edith I. Fultz	admin. sec. I	Lanesboro CI
Gary D. Garner	lieutenant	Pamlico CI
Kimberly A. Gettys	probation/parole off. trainee	Dist. 27B, Cleveland
Catherine L. Gibson	lieutenant	Pasquotank CI
Shatavia L. Giles	health asst. II	Central Prison
August J. Gross	purchasing agent II	Purchasing
Stephanie A. Hall	sergeant	Alexander CI
Loyd A. Hames Jr.	sergeant	Alexander CI
Louis A. Hassell Sr.	sergeant	Bertie CI
Cassandra Herring	asst. unit manager	Pasquotank CI
Patricia L. Holland	acctg. tech. III	Piedmont Reg. Maint. Yard
Barry L. Hudson	sergeant	Bertie CI
William L. Hyatt	lead correctional officer	Haywood CC
Keltys M. Jimmerson	asst. unit manager	Morrison YI
Helen L. Jones	sergeant	Pamlico CI

<i>Employee</i>	<i>New Position</i>	<i>Location</i>
Cathy F. Judge	programs supv.	Central Prison
Paula L. King	case manager	Wake CC
John C. Lawrence Jr.	sergeant	Bertie CI
David Lawson III	chief probation/parole off.	Dist. 1A, Rockingham
Carl B. Lee	sergeant	Bertie CI
Vee T. Lewis	sergeant	Hoke CI
Victor Locklear	sergeant	Bertie CI
Crystal M. Lupton	computer syst. admin. II	Prisons Administration
Ricky L. Matthews	asst. supt./cust. & ops. II	Hyde CI
Garry W. McCluskey	chief probation/parole off.	Dist. 18, Guilford
Amanda L. McCollum	lead nurse	Neuse CI
George W. Midgette III	sergeant	Bertie CI
David A. Millis	asst. unit manager	Pamlico CI
Gurnie E. Needham	sergeant	Pasquotank CI
Jamie N. Ninapoli	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 27A, Gaston
Travita R. O'Gwin	probation/parole off. I trainee	Dist. 26, Mecklenburg
Tosha M. Overton	sergeant	Bertie CI
Michael L. Parker	sergeant	Bertie CI
Charlie W. Paylin Jr.	lieutenant	Wake CC
Betty A. Payton	administrative off. II	DCC Administration
Dawn D. Peoples	case manager	Albemarle CI
Gordon P. Perreault	sergeant	Pender CC
John D. Pettigrew Jr.	sergeant	Dan River PWF
Melanie B. Potter	programs director I	Central Prison
Anne L. Precythe	chief of special operations	DCC Administration
Robert D. Richardson	lieutenant	Piedmont CI
Daniel A. Riggs	sergeant	Alexander CI
Terrence E. Roberson	sergeant	Pasquotank CI
Jacqueline Robinson	office asst. IV	Craven CI
Catherine N. Russell	probation/parole off. II	Dist. 19B, Randolph
Armenta L. Skinner	sergeant	Pasquotank CI
Sarah B. Slade	sergeant	Caswell CC
Wendy D. Sledge	unit manager	Bertie CI
Terry G. Smith	sergeant	Bertie CI
Matthew T. Solomito	maint. mech. IV	Pamlico CI
Marty P. Spear	lieutenant	Tyrrell PWF
Sarah E. Spencer	sergeant	Hyde CI
Anthony K. Spruill	sergeant	Bertie CI
Louann W. Sutton	transfer coord. I	Greene CI
Richard L. Terry	asst. superintendent	Buncombe CC
David W. Walters	behavioral spec. I	Craven CI
Melinda J. Ward	acctg. tech. I	Columbus CC
Veronica N. Watson	office asst.	Prisons Administration
Charles T. Weeks	sergeant	Alexander CI
Chad N. Weiss	surveillance off.	Dist. 18, Guilford
Sheri Y. Williams	sergeant	Bertie CI
Leonard Williams Jr.	ship/recv. supv. I	Warehouse, Wake County
Jonathan M. Wilson	chief probation/parole off.	Dist. 21, Forsyth
Eric J. Wilson Sr.	sergeant	Marion CI
William R. Womack Jr.	sergeant	Lanesboro CI
Charles D. Woods Jr.	sergeant	Pender CI
Roland Worrell	asst. supt./programs I	Greene CI
Lisa P. Wright	office asst. IV	RSAT-Morrison CI