

RIDOC Happenings

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Upcoming & Recent Events & News of Interest to the RIDOC Community

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"Truth is the only safe ground to stand on."

Elizabeth Cady Stanton

Women's Rights Activist

Next NEO: Tues./Wed., 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Volunteers, mentors and interns attend Tuesday from 8:30 - noon only.
Next Hep B Clinic: Monday, August 16th, noon - 1 p.m. Pinel, top floor.

Update on Justin Curran

Intake Service Center C.O. Justin Curran is in physical therapy for the injuries to his left arm and is still on active duty, reporting to Newport Naval base on a daily basis. He has a long road ahead and thoughts and prayers are appreciated.

Listings or photos for the e-calendar **RIDOC Happenings**, the quarterly newsletter **RIDOC Review**, or changes or updates to the Department's Intranet site or external website (www.doc.ri.gov) should be submitted to Tracey E. Zeckhausen, Chief of Information & Public Relations
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NEADS Clients Return for Visit to Moran



Dee Genetti and Mark

Christian Fleming and black Lab **Jonesy** returned to the John J. Moran Medium Security Facility on Thursday, August 19th, to visit **Jonesy's** inmate handler and express their gratitude for making the partnership

possible. Christian lost both legs in Afghanistan. Also visiting that day were Dee Genetti, a paraplegic, and her second service dog, **Mark**.



Christian Fleming and Jonesy

Team Gorman News

This year's **Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk** will be held on **Sunday, Sept. 12th**. **Team Gorman** walks in honor of Intake C.O. John Gorman, who is a cancer patient at Boston's Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. John was first diagnosed with brain cancer in May of '04. Since then, he has endured an amazing fight. His tumors, however, have since spread to other areas of the brain, and he was recently diagnosed with terminal stage four cancer. He has been given five to eight months to live. John is currently looking into treatment centers in other states, and will continue the fight to find a cure. So this year's walk (**Team Gorman's 5th**) is a special one. Please support us by either walking or making a donation to help all of us reach our fundraising goal (which is \$250 per participant). Follow this link for the **Team Gorman Boston Walk** page www.jimmyfundwalk.org/2010/teamgorman, choose a person from the team to donate to, or sign up to walk with us. Our website is www.teamgorman.org. The team's annual golf tournament recently raised approximately \$8K. Thanks to all who took part.

The Rhode Island Rally for Recovery - September 11th

September marks the 21st Annual **National Alcohol & Drug Addiction Recovery Month**. Check out The Rhode Island Rally for Recovery on **Saturday, September 11th**, at Roger Williams Memorial National Park in Providence. Spectrum will have a table at which a booklet of poetry, drawings, and reflections from inmates who have completed the program will be displayed. There will be live music, food, guest speakers, a recovery quilt, giveaways, face painting, a children's craft table, a reptile show, a rock wall, a Humvee display, the National Guard Band, and a Waterfire Procession & Dedication candle lighting. For information, please contact **RICARES at 521-5759**.

New Department of Administration Human Resources Website

D.O.A. is pleased to announce the creation of a new Division of Human Resources website. This site has replaced the Intranet-based Office of Personnel Administration site which is no longer accessible. This new site is found at www.hr.ri.gov.

RIDOC Programs Receive National Press Attention

The Rhode Island Department of Correction has been visited by national media outlets in recent weeks. There are two productions in the works related to the **NEADS/Dogs for Deaf and Disabled Americans Prison Pup Partnership** at the Moran Facility. Powderhouse Productions is pitching its pilot on the program to Animal Planet and Earth House Productions is hoping PBS will pick up its full feature documentary. **The Youthful Offenders Program** in Maximum Security has gotten the attention of the CBS **Early Morning Show**. Lara Spencer and a production crew were in Max on Saturday night filming a segment to air in the coming weeks in which the **Institute for the Study and Practice of Non-Violence's** Sal Monteiro and two inmate participants were interviewed about the innovative program. An article about the program by Counselor Michelle Alexandre has been submitted to national corrections press outlets. The air date of the CBS show will be shared once it is known.

Inmate Gadson Back

Thanks to the diligence of the Rhode Island State Police, the U.S. Marshal Service, and our own SIU Investigators, escaped inmate Nayquan Gadson was apprehended in the South Bronx and is now back in our custody. He was returned to Intake on Friday and moved to High Security on Saturday.

Vocational Education Task Force Holds Vendor Event

About 50 Adult Counselors and Discharge Planners gathered in the Admin-A Conference Room on August 18th for the first vendor fair. Representatives from eight area vendors shared information for staff to pass on to inmates to increase their likelihood of success upon release.



Ralph Orleck

PHOTO GALLERY

DEPUTY KASZYK HONORED AT RETIREMENT CELEBRATION



Deputy Warden Kirk Kaszyk was honored at a retirement dinner at Twin Oaks on August 11th. He is seen (top) with his wife, Janice, daughter, Jennifer, Director Wall, and Assistant Director Bailey. His cake read "Life Begins with Retirement." He is also seen (above) holding the clock presented to him as a parting gift.

TRAINING ACADEMY CLASS 78



The 20 members of Training Academy Class 78 march back from a search of the Medium Moran Facility.

I.R.I.S. SCANNING TECHNOLOGY COMING



Director Wall demonstrates the I.R.I.S. Scanning technology that will be used at men's and women's Intake. It should fully operational very soon.