

RIDOC Happenings

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

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*"The pessimist
borrows
trouble;
the optimist
lends
encouragement."*

William Arthur Ward

John Gorman

Please see the Director's Intranet Message for a tribute to John Gorman, C.O. at Intake, who lost his six-year battle with brain cancer on October 24th.

Former RIDOC Employee Dies

Sanford Cutler, a Counselor at Intake for 30 years before retiring five years ago, died unexpectedly on October 23rd. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 245 Waterman St., Providence, RI 02906.

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

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Halloween Night Coverage on Channel 10

A segment aired on Channel 10's Halloween night newscast highlighting the partnership between the Providence Police Department and the RIDOC Probation & Parole Unit. A link to it is available on the RIDOC's website under *Media and Community Relations/General Coverage*. Kudos to our Probation & Parole staff who did a great job representing the Department's public safety efforts on Halloween night.

New Digs for P&P

The Minimum Supervision Unit (MSU), Cranston Regional, Sex Offender Specific, Domestic Violence Specific and Administrative Offices of Probation & Parole are transitioning to new office space in the Dix Building over the next week or so. Please be patient as there may be some disruption in telecommunications during this time.

Policy Reminder - Public Presentations

Any RIDOC staff member who is either teaching a course or doing a onetime presentation is required per Policy 1.12-1 *DOC Public Presentations* to fill out a form and submit it to the Chief of Information and Public Relations. The *Request to Make a One-Time Presentation* and *Academic Course Notification* forms are available on the RIDOC's Intranet page under *DOC Forms/Public Relations and Information*



Flu Shot Clinics for RIDOC Employees Continue

Director Wall and Medical Program Director Dr. Michael Fine, shown here receiving their flu shots last week, encourage all employees to take advantage of the ongoing **Employee Flu Shot Clinics** to be held through **November 10th**. There is no cost if you bring your United Health Care ID. **Clinics**



remaining: Maximum Security, November 8th, 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.; 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.; High Security, November 9th, 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.; 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.; Training Academy, November 10th, 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



Peter Loss Addresses Managers

Among the presenters at last month's Managers' Meeting was Peter Loss, who spoke about the Sex Offender Treatment Program he runs in the Moran facility. Also on the agenda was a presentation on the new Women's Facility by Warden Carole Dwyer and Associate Director of Facilities & Maintenance Anthony Feole.

Fall 2010 Emergency Drill Held at Minimum Security

Many RIDOC employees participated in the full-scale emergency drill on Monday, October 18th, at Minimum Security. The photos below and right were taken during the drill.



Holidays Not Forgotten and GS Cookie Sales

The *Girl Scouts Beyond Bars* troop will begin its cookie sales in January, so watch for information. Cookies have gone up to \$4/box, but the troop will earn a bit more per box. The volunteer-run **Holidays not Forgotten** program will again take place this holiday season. Lists are collected from the children of incarcerated parents. Volunteers purchase the items on the lists. Inmate parents then wrap the gifts and present them to their children at a holiday party. The program has a website at www.holidaysnotforgotten.org with additional details.

Anchor Recovery Community Center Open House

A grand opening for the Anchor Recovery Community Center will be held on **Thursday, December 2nd, from 4 - 6 p.m.** The Center is located at 247 Main Street, Pawtucket. Snacks will be provided.

PHOTO GALLERY

URI NURSING INTERNS



This group of URI Nursing students can be found at Moran and/or Women's on Thursdays where they are doing an internship this semester. It is the first time the RIDOC has had a formal connection with URI's School of Nursing. They are seen with Diane Martins, R.N., Ph.D.; Mel White, R.N.; Gordon Bouchard, Director of General Nursing Services; Ginette Ferszt, Associate Professor of Nursing, and Paula Favino-Freeman, C.O. at Moran.

GEORGIAN DELEGATION



A delegation of criminal investigators from the Republic of Georgia visited the RIDOC on **Wednesday, November 3rd**. They are seen here with P&P's Greg Williams (who helped facilitate the visit) and Chief Anthony Silva of the R.I. Municipal Police Academy in Lincoln.