

# RIDOC Happenings

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

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*"The best way  
to cheer yourself  
up is to  
cheer somebody  
else up."*

Mark Twain

## Be Sure to Tune In!

Time in to WRNI - RI  
Public Radio on  
Halloween at 5:50  
and 7:50 a.m. when it  
will air its story on  
Miss Demeanor the  
Pumpkin

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## WADOC Looks to RI's EMR Team for Guidance

A group of five corrections professionals from Seattle, Wa., visited the RIDOC on Thursday to learn how we implemented and trained for the Electronic Medical Record (EMR). Joining the guests were Team Leader Pauline Marcussen, Michelle Branch, Lauranne Howard, Vin Jackvony, Bob Pelletier, Dr. Vohr, and Joe Marocco.



Director Wall with Parole Supervisor Lynne Gardiner (left) and Probation Supervisor Lynn Correy.

## Congrats to Letter of Commendation Recipients

Kudos to Probation and Parole Supervisors Lynne Gardiner and Lynn Correy who each received a Letter of Commendation from Director Wall for their swift and professional response when someone, who it turns out was not even eligible for parole, was erroneously released. Due to their efforts and quick response, the individual was swiftly returned to the ACI and a potentially disastrous situation was averted. In addition, the Records & ID Unit received a Letter of Commendation from Warden Boyd and Deputies DeSousarosa and Meunier for their professionalism and dedication during the brief period (September 28 - 30) when INFACTS was down and all commitments, discharges, bails, transfers and court case information had to be recorded manually.

## Hep B and Flu Shot Clinics for Employees - NEO for Staff, Volunteers & Interns

A Hep B vaccination clinic has been scheduled for DOC employees on **Monday, November 14, from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the Training Academy, 2nd Floor of the Pinel Building**, and on **Monday, December 12**, same time and location. **Flu shots** will be offered to staff each day next week from **6:30 - 8 a.m. and 2 - 3:30 p.m.** in various facilities. Call ext. **23792** for specifics. The next **New Employee Orientation** for permanent and contract employees will take place **Monday - Tuesday, November 7 - 8, from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.**, at the **Training Academy**. Mentors, Volunteers, and Interns need only attend from **8:30 a.m. - noon on November 7**. Call the Training Academy at ext. **22697** to register.

## Special Signal Fire Association Fund Raiser Raffle Tickets Available

\$10 raffle tickets are still available through Jerry Masso (20975), David Mellon (21399) or Billie-Jo Gallgher (21903) for the Special Signal Fire Association Fund Raiser. Money collected will support the operations of the Police and Fire Canteen Rehab Unit, which operates strictly through donations. The drawing will take place on **Wednesday, November 2**.

## Team Gorman Golf Tournament Raises Over \$10,000!

The annual Team Gorman golf tournament raised **\$10,110** for the Dana-Farber as well as the Gorman Family and the Fernandez family - Leah Fernandez was a 5-year-old brain cancer patient at Dana Farber whose father was a friend of the late C.O. John Gorman. Leah's tumor was removed on March 17 and she remained hospitalized for two months but tragically died June 26. *Marge Hlayter, mother of John Gorman; Grace, his daughter, and JoAnn, his widow, are pictured at right at the 2011 Golf Tournament held in his honor.*



## Claros and Meunier Promoted

A ceremony was recently held to honor newly promoted Deputy Richard Meunier, now assigned to the Anthony P. Travisono Intake Service Center, and C.O. Lt. Danilo Claros, also assigned to Intake. They are pictured at left with Assistant Director David McCauley, Director Wall, Deputy Warden Sergio DeSousarosa, and Warden Stephen Boyd.

## OpenDoors Opens Doors to Housing Units

A ribbon cutting ceremony for OpenDoors' newly completed housing units for ex offenders at its headquarters at 485 Plainfield St., Providence, took place on **October 24**. Assistant Director Roberta Richman was an invited speaker along with a number of dignitaries including Mayor Tavares, OpenDoors Executive Director Sol Rodriguez, and BHDDH Director Craig Stenning.



## SCORE at Moran on Friday, Nov. 4, Has Room for Guests

Called Tracey Z. at ext. 22609 if you are interested in attending next Friday's (Nov. 4) SCORE Program at Moran.

## PHOTO GALLERY

### CONSTRUCTION MESS



Work continues on steam pipes along Howard Ave., impacting parking outside of the Admin-A Building.

### DIALOGUE ON WOMEN IN PRISON



Warden Carole Dwyer and Dr. Jennifer Clarke are among those who have been invited to participate in a panel discussion titled A Population Ignored: Women in the U.S. Criminal Justice System at Brown University on **Tuesday, November 8, from 4:15 - 6 p.m. in Wilson Hall, Room 102**. The event is free and open to the public.

## OCTOBER DRILL



Director Wall and other Oct. 4 emergency exercise participants head into the Intake Service Center to debrief. The Director's Intranet message refers to the drill, overseen by Central Office Warden Jim Vierra, as the most successful to date.

## GARDEN THERAPY AT MAX



The garden therapy project at Maximum Security will be featured in a Providence Journal article slated to run on Monday. While things are winding down for the season, the harvest was plentiful enough for the summer and early fall to provide fresh fruit and vegetables for inmates at Max on several occasions. Chaplain Martha Paone has been instrumental in the project.

**HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY  
HALLOWEEN!**