

# RIDOC Happenings

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

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*"A journey  
of a thousand miles  
begins with  
a single step."*

Lao Tzu



## Remember Your Canned Goods

Don't forget to bring in donations for the RI Community Food Bank's Summer Food Drive, going on now through the end of August. Please be generous to the hungry in our state.

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## Condolences to the Family of Al Marcotte

On Tuesday, June 26th, the Department lost one of its longtime Correctional Officers, Al Marcotte, father of Planning & Research's Erin Boyar. He retired in 2010 after a 29-year career as a C.O., primarily at the Intake Service Center. Al was a highly regarded officer, respected and well liked for his professionalism, approachability and wry humor. Services were held on Saturday, June 30th. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to Hospice Care of RI, 1085 North Main St., Providence, RI 02904, or to the Miriam Hospital Pulmonary Health and Rehabilitation Program, Lifespan, 167 Point St., Providence, RI 02903.

## Community Reception Honors Roberta Richman and her 33-year Career

On Thursday, June 28th, a community celebration was held at the Roger Williams Casino in Providence to honor former Assistant Director of Rehabilitative Services Robert Richman. Speakers included Governor Lincoln Chafee (who signed and presented Roberta with a bill officially naming the street near the women's facilities "Richman Way"), U.S. Attorney Peter F. Neronha, Director Wall, former Senator Bud Cicillini, Lt. Governor Elizabeth Roberts, and ex offenders Jessica Gonzalez and Joanne Ash - both of whom credited Roberta with turning their lives around. Dale Klatzker, President and CEO of the Providence Center, emceed.



*Left:* ACI Chaplains Martha Paone, Joyce Penfield, and Maria Garumbo *Center:* Director Wall signs the guest book as Information Aide Mary-Louise Joseph and Deputy Cindy Drake look on and *Right:* Governor Lincoln Chafee congratulates Roberta on her retirement after signing the bill officially declaring the street in front of the Women's facilities Richman Way.

## Taco Salad Anyone?

Ralph Orleck's taco salad was such a hit at Roberta Richman's in-house retirement celebration I was asked to share the recipe: 1-1/4 lb. hamburger; 1 small chopped onion (raw); 1 lge. bottle Catalina Island dressing; 1 bag Nacho Doritos; 1-1/2-8oz. bags taco cheese; 1 small tomato (finely chopped); and 1/2 head of lettuce (chopped). Cook hamburger, drain, and put into large bowl lined with paper towels. Refrigerate for 1 hour or until cooled. Remove towels from under hamburger. Combine all other ingredients except Doritos and dressing. Mix well and put back in fridge. When ready to serve, rip a small hole into top of Doritos bag to let air out. Crush bag with hands until almost like crumbs and pour into bowl. Mix well. Last but not least, pour Catalina Dressing in. Mix well and serve.



## NECCD Conference Coming Up

The New England Council on Crime and Delinquency will hold its 73rd annual training institute **September 30th - October 3rd** at the Red Jacket Resort in North Conway, N.H. Conference cost is \$195 for NECCD members; \$225 for nonmembers. For information, contact Michele Naismith, NECCD President, at [proline22@comcast.net](mailto:proline22@comcast.net); (603) 893-0746 or visit <http://www.neccd.org>.

## Upcoming NEO

The next New Employee Orientation is scheduled for **Monday - Tuesday, July 16th - 17th**, at the Training Academy, 2nd floor of the Pinel Building, from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mentors, volunteers, and interns need only attend on **Monday from 8:30 - noon**. Supervisors should register attendees.

## COSAR Fundraiser

The annual Correctional Officer Search and Rescue (COSAR) fundraiser will take place on **Friday, July 27th, at 6:30 p.m.** at the F.O.P. at 95 Turner Ave. in Warwick. Tickets are \$20. Call Bille-Jo Gallagher at ext. 21266 or visit [www.mycosar.com](http://www.mycosar.com).



## Personnel Notes

Congratulations to Rui Diniz (left) on being appointed Acting Deputy Warden at the John J. Moran Medium Security Facility and to Manny Fonseca upon his recent retirement. Manny's career with the RIDOC spanned 24 years, culminating with his position as Assistant Chief Distribution Officer. In an email to all Department email users, he wrote, "...it has been my honor and pleasure to help all of you whenever I could."

## PHOTO GALLERY

### INTRODUCING ELIZABETH EARLS



*Some of you may have had the occasion to meet Elizabeth Earls, who has been here for various meetings recently. She will come on board as Assistant Director of Rehabilitative Services at the end of July.*

## GARDEN PROJECT AT WOMEN'S



*Check out the progress of the garden outside of the Women's Facilities and you will also see the labyrinth and animal statues placed there for the enjoyment of children visiting their female relatives. In addition to the frog above, there is a ladybug and a turtle. The statues were purchased by the R.I. Federation of Garden Clubs. Transitional Services Coordinator Ken Findlay has been heavily involved in the evolution of the project.*

## NEW INSPECTOR HIRED



*Director Wall has announced the appointment of Roy Wells of Warwick as Inspector in the Office of Inspections. A member of the Providence Police Department for the past 25 years and detective in the Internal Affairs Unit for the last eight, Wells will join the RIDOC on July 23rd.*