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President's Message

Dear Members:

It is hard for me to believe that I'm nearing the end of my leadership role with WCA. Accepting the position of President-Elect was a four year commitment, and that seemed like a large and long commitment. It has been fun, rewarding, and went by much quicker than I thought it would. I will be happy to turn over the organization to the very capable hands of President-Elect Richard LaRosa, but I will miss "driving the bus".

I said that I didn't think it would be possible to create a conference that could outdo last year's event in Spokane. I love to be proven wrong. This year's conference promises to be amazing. The four way partnership has brought in a wonderful blend of workshops that will appeal to people throughout the criminal justice system. There will be a panel discussion on re-entry made up of state corrections Secretaries and Directors as well as the past Jail Administrator for Thurston County. The state's Attorney General's Office will do a workshop on the complicated world of electronic discovery (turning over electronic files during the discovery phase of legal action). There will be opportunities for personal development, career development, and just plain fun. It is a chance to see old friends, and make new friends, and do some networking with people that work in the criminal justice field.

We hold our Annual General Membership meeting at the fall conference, in compliance with the By-laws. I'm going to try something new this year and hold the meeting during the same time as some of the workshops. If you are attending the conference this year, I hope you choose to attend the general membership meeting. We will be recognizing the annual award winners, and conducting the swearing in ceremony for the new officers. The members present will approve the WCA Annual Report. And, there will be a door prize given to one lucky WCA member. But, you must be present to win! Check your conference program for the meeting date, time, and location.

By the way, have you found your new member yet? There has to be a least one person you know that deserves a little professional boost. Put them on the right track by giving them a one-year membership to WCA. Consider it an investment in the WCA and a business we know and love – Corrections!

Scott Frakes
President

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2007 Criminal Justice Conference - "Partnering for Safer Communities"

Once again a joint effort (bringing to life the thrust of the Conference) on the part of Criminal Justice hosts has prepared an interesting and informative conference. To be held in Vancouver, Washington on September 26, 27, and 28, 2007 at the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay, it is sponsored by WCA, the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice (NABCJ), The Washington State Jail Association (WSJA), and the Women In Criminal Justice (WCJ). The program agenda is intended to increase your knowledge and skills, provide networking opportunities for you with peers from throughout the Criminal Justice System, provide career-building ideas and inspire you with a renewed attitude. Oh yes, it will also promise to entertain.

Conference Schedule

"Come Join the Fun" – play golf. Thus the Conference begins. A Four Person Scramble at the Lewis River Golf Course in Vancouver, Washington takes place the day before the Conference – Tuesday September 25th in this case. Traditionally, it has become the event which tips off the Conference. It is an event you golfers won't want to miss (See page 15 for further information and to register).

The day following the tournament, the serious work begins. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. for you early birds. At 8:30 a.m. Opening Ceremonies and Introduction of Dignitaries will begin the Conference proper. From there on you will have a choice of numerous workshops (See pages 12, 13, 14 for a Schedule of Events). While many are directed at career development and continuing education, there will be opportunities to attend sessions geared to personal health and wellness, as well.

Of course, there will also be food! And music! Expect the Naselle Marimba Band to entertain you during lunch and get you moving on the first day of the Conference. Then, you'll also have an opportunity to view the many exhibits on display which present state-of-the-art equipment and concepts. You'll also be able to view items which will be for sale at the Auction, giving you an opportunity to determine what you'll want to buy; keeping in mind, of course, that the proceeds from the auction will go to local charities. Then, it's on to the Vendor Networking Reception and Social (No-host bar).

As with the first day, the second will offer first-rate work shops, ending the day with a WCA Membership Board Meeting (be sure to attend!), a Social (No-host bar) and the Awards Banquet. Following the Banquet, attendees will have an opportunity to attend the annual auction – a fun event that will not only leave you laughing but leave you owning something wonderful – your choice.

The third day and the end of the Conference: a Continental Breakfast will help you break your fast and morning workshops will provide food for the mind. Then it's time to adjourn. But for those of you who don't have to hurry home, there's the opportunity to enjoy seeing the Vancouver area and/or downtown Portland. So, take a little more time and enjoy yourself.

Keynote Speakers

Keynote speakers will include the following:

Harold W. Clarke – Secretary of the Washington State Department of Corrections, Clarke is the former Director of the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. He is also President-elect of the American Correctional Association. He is an active participant of the Association of State Correctional Administrators and has consulted for the National Institute of Corrections and other branches of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Edward J. LaTessa – Professor and Head of the Division of Criminal Justice at the University of Cincinnati, Dr. LaTessa has published over 110 works in the area of criminal justice, corrections, and juvenile justice. He is co-author of seven books including *Corrections in the Community* and *Corrections in America* and has directed over 100 funded research projects, some of which included studies of day reporting centers, juvenile justice programs, and many others.

Mark H. Saunders – Saunders began his career in criminal justice with the United States Army Military Police Corps. Upon termination of his military career, he entered civil service as a probation officer. From there he worked for the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, progressing through the ranks to Warden, most recently of the Southeastern Correctional Institution in Lancaster, Ohio. In April 2004, Saunders traveled to Iraq as an American Corrections Advisor. There he helped establish the Iraqi Corrections Service and worked in the Iraqi prisons.

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Max Williams – The Director of the Oregon Department of Corrections, Williams led a distinguished career in the Oregon Legislative Assembly where he was chair of the House Judiciary Committee, and Legislative Counsel Committee before his appointment to the Corrections Directorship. Active in community organizations, he has also worked extensively as a community volunteer, earning Tigard’s “First Citizen” award for volunteerism.

Conference Hosts

The Joint Fall Conference is made particularly effective through the combined efforts of following host organizations.

The Washington Correctional Association (WCA)

- In existence since 1913 following the adoption of the Juvenile Court Code, WCA morphed into its current form in 1961 when its interests broadened to encompass all segments of corrections. A non-profit, WCA is a dual-member chapter of the American Correctional Association (ACA) and a chapter affiliate of the Western Correctional Association (WeCA).

The National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice, Washington State Chapter (NABCJ)

– A non-profit, non-partisan service organization, NABCJ serves the needs of people of color employed in the criminal justice system in both the public and private sectors. Among its chief concerns: the general welfare and increased influence of people of color as it relates to the administration of justice.

The Washington State Jail Association (WSJA)

– Established in 1973 by a group of jail officers, supervisors and managers, WSJA is a non-profit organization whose mission has been to pass on information from one jail to another, standardizing the movement of prisoners around the state. It also provides an opportunity for jail employees to network and share ideas with others within the state.

The Women in Criminal Justice (WCJ) – Formed by DOC Superintendent Belinda D. Stewart in 1996, its purpose was to create a conference focusing on

issues and training for women in the criminal justice field.

Silent Auction Charities

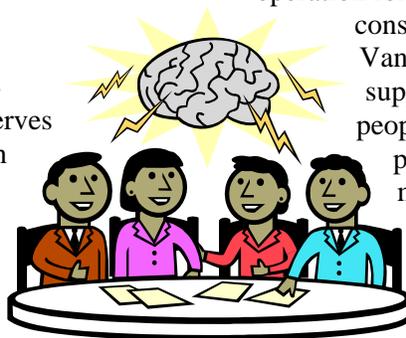
The silent auction has become an important part of WCA’s conferences, not only because it offers an excellent time for fun and personal interaction but because it allows corrections to give something back to the community. The local charities selected as recipients of this year’s auction proceeds are especially deserving of our support, so do plan to attend and participate.

Children’s Home Society of Washington (CHWS)

– A non-profit organization serving children and families in Washington since 1896 and in Southwest Washington for the last 60 years, CHSW has a proven track record of community collaboration, fiscal responsibility and family support. There are three Family Resource Centers in Southwest Washington; Vancouver, Battle Ground, and Camas-Washougal – all offering a variety of services to children and families.

Consumer Voices Are Born (CVAB)

– CVAB, in operation for over 12 years, is a mental health consumer-run and operated agency in Vancouver. It is dedicated to providing support and encouragement for recovery to people with mental illness. They also provide education to the public regarding mental health/illness. CVAB operates a mental health Recovery Center which averages over 600 visits a month. It provides peer-led social events and activities, support groups, employment programs, and training.



Vancouver – Host City

Vancouver is the fourth largest city in the state, and is situated just across the Columbia River from Portland, Oregon. It offers all the amenities of a large metropolitan city but has the charm and hospitality of a small urban town. You’ll find the downtown area bustling with quaint eateries, art galleries, and a wide variety of retail shopping. If you’re a history buff you’ll want to visit Fort Vancouver, no longer an active military base but an important historic part of U.S. military history. And, be sure and trace the Lewis and Clark footsteps through this area – nearly the terminus of their westward exploration!

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Vendors

Do visit the vendors. There will be plenty of opportunities between breaks and during their no-host social event. While many of the vendors will be offering exhibits related to correctional programs, electronics and other equipment and systems, you'll also find some catering to personal interests. They're an important part of the Conference so take advantage of their availability to find out what new is going on in the retail world of corrections.

WCA in Action

In addition to planning for the Fall Conference, WCA Co-chairs have been busy sponsoring workshops in their areas. Informative and entertaining, they are workshops your area may wish to present. If so, you may contact the sponsoring Co-chair/s concerning that possibility.

“The Art of Correctional Worker Survival” presented by Joop DeJong was one of the two workshops presented during the last quarter. The training was held in Lacey at the Department of Corrections Business Office. This two hour course focused on:

- Identifying why we are in the business of corrections
- Examining our priorities and our time management skills
- The importance of establishing short and long term goals
- Recognizing what we need and want out of life
- Developing a personalized “Balance Plan”

Two sessions were held. Approximately 35 correctional professional staff attended. An overview of WCA was also provided by Tracy Grunenfelder. Door prizes were awarded to participants. Feedback received on the evaluations indicated the program was a success. Special thanks to Joop DeJong.

If you're interested in sponsoring an “Art of Correctional Worker Survival” workshop, you can contact Tracy Grunenfelder by email at tjgrunenfelder@doc1.wa.gov or by telephone at (360) 753-7278.

Peria Duncan, Northeast Regional Co-chair, on behalf of WCA, sponsored a workshop on “Benefits of Laughter and Use of Humor in the Workplace” in Spokane on July 18th. Certified Laughter Leader JoAnne van Gorder of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, came over to present this workshop, which was filled to capacity! It appears a lot of people are looking for a laugh and to find how important laughter is in your life. In attendance were staff from the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration (JRA), the Department of Corrections (DOC), ITT-Tech Chairs and the Criminal Justice Program ACA/WCA student chapter ISACA as well as the Community Services Division. Everyone really seemed to enjoy this one hour presentation and handouts were provided.

Prior to introducing Guest Speaker, Peria spoke briefly on the WCA and provided WCA brochures. She discovered “Certified Laughter Leaders” (CLL) from a speaker she saw in Olympia and discovered that there are CLL's all over the world! For more information, and to bring a CLL to your area, here is their website:

<http://www.worldlaughtertour.com/sections/acout/faq.asp>.

For additional information about the workshop itself, you can contact Peria by email at duncapm@dshs.wa.gov or by telephone at (509) 599-4965.

Re-entry symposium scheduled for October

By Melissa R. Rowland, Administrative Assistant
DOC Re-entry Implementation Project

The Washington State Department of Corrections in conjunction with its community and criminal justice partners will be hosting the First Annual Re-entry Symposium on October 10-11, 2007 at the Doubletree Inn in Seattle. The Symposium objectives include educating community leaders on state and national re-entry strategies, the importance of utilizing evidence-based practices to address offender deficits, and working together to keep our communities safe.

We expect between 250-300 individuals to attend the two-day symposium. Invited guests include city and county leaders, legislators, prosecuting attorneys, judges, and some community stakeholders.

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Our partnering agencies, Community Trade and Economic Development, Employment Security Department, Department of Social and Health Services, and the Washington State Institute for Public Policy have been invited to participate as co-sponsors. Several state and national organizations will also be co-sponsoring this event, including the National Governor's Association.

Nationally, 650,000 offenders will be released from criminal justice facilities this year. This translates to 9,000 offenders returning to our communities in Washington State alone. You might ask, how does this information impact me and why should I be concerned? Since 1997, recidivism has grown from 31 to 37 percent and reached 42 percent last year. The Department of Corrections partnered with the Washington State Institute for Public Policy to conduct a longitudinal study on what works in reducing future prison construction, criminal justice costs, and crime rates. The study concluded that evidence-based programming is effective in reducing recidivism. It is our belief that people, plus partnerships, plus programs equal public safety and successful re-entry.

Misdemeanant Corrections developing probation standards

By Pam Clark, Director
Clark County Department of Corrections

In recent years the Washington State Supreme Court in a number of decisions has held that the government may be held liable for future acts of criminals where the government has a duty to supervise such persons post conviction or even on pre-trial release. In 1999 the Associations of Washington Cities and Counties advised local jurisdictions to eliminate misdemeanor probation due to liability concerns. Many municipal courts in the state simply eliminated misdemeanor probation departments and went to "bench probation" status. The Misdemeanant Corrections Association (MCA) was active in the passage of SHB 1669 this year which gave misdemeanor probation liability protection through a "gross negligent" standard similar to the protections given to DOC officers.

This was a landmark for misdemeanor probation; however, the one consistent concern addressed in these legislative hearings had been the lack of "probation standards" for misdemeanor probation. Since public safety is paramount, the proactive approach of providing a means of reducing or mitigating the tort liability risk associated with misdemeanor probation supervision, probation standards, was considered by the Misdemeanant Corrections Association and Probation Directors across the state to be the responsible course of action.

MCA formed a standards committee, Chaired by Pam Clark from Clark County Corrections, which has received funding through the Bureau of Justice for technical assistance to develop "core probation" standards for misdemeanor probation for multi-jurisdictions. Additionally, the committee's goal is to provide their work to our State legislative representatives for possible inclusion in upcoming standards legislation. According to Pam, "We are very excited and feel it is a uniquely challenging endeavor which speaks to the dedication and passion we have to see misdemeanor probation continue in our state."

American Correctional Association – What is it?

(Editor's Note: The following is an ACA WEB SITE, Stafford Creek Corrections Center Press Release of April 16, 2007. It is reprinted here to give you, its members, a better understanding of your Association – and in particular the benefits of ACA accreditation.)

The American Correctional Association (ACA) is the oldest and largest international correctional association in the world. ACA serves all disciplines within the corrections profession and is dedicated to excellence in every aspect of the field. From professional development and certification to standards and accreditation, from networking and consulting to research and publications, and from conferences and exhibits to technology and testing, ACA is a resource and the world-wide authority in corrections.

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Gangs – They’re back!

So you think your city, town or area doesn't have a gang problem. Think again. The average size of cities reporting gangs dropped from 182,000 or more in 1970 to 70,000 or more in 1995. It is believed this number continues to shrink. Newspaper headlines now shriek reports of gang violence. Law enforcement agencies from 2900 jurisdictions report 760,000 known gang members; it is believed the number to be much higher.

What constitutes a gang. A gang is defined as a group of three or more individuals who maintain a common group identity and are organized either formally or informally and who engage in criminal acts either collectively or individually. They identify themselves by hand signs, graffiti, tattoos, and clothing. Some join gangs for protection, others for the security of knowing fellow gang members would have his back, still others for respect. The following are just some of the gangs that are becoming evident in Washington State:

Hispanic Gangs

- **Surenos** – basically any Hispanic gang that identifies with the southern portion of California. They are associated with the color blue, number 13, and Sur. Hand sign is typically 13. The largest of unit of this gang is the 18th Street.
- **Mara Salvatrucha 13** – Membership in this gang is believed to be greater than 100,000 worldwide. Members typically wear blue and black, Nike clothing, and Nike Cortez shoes. Their hand sign = devil horns or turned upside down to form “M”.
- **18th Street Gang** – Considered one of the most violent gangs in the U. S., it is the biggest rival to MS13. Its colors are black and silver or brown and silver. There has been a sharp rise in the numbers moving north into Portland and beyond.
- **Nortenos** – Unlike the Sureno gangs, there are not many different sets of Nortenos. They formed in response to Southern Hispanic gangs.

Black Street Gangs

- **Crips** – 48 of the 50 states have reported Crips in their jurisdiction. Their primary color is blue. There is a historic rival with the Bloods who they describe as “Slobs”.

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New Laws go into effect

Expect to find that a number of new laws have gone into effect since July – the result of the 2007 Legislative Session. The following synthesizes a number of those bills which were signed into law by Governor Gregoire. For further information go to <http://www.leg.wa.gov/legislature>.

Unless otherwise noted, the following statutes became effective date on July 22, 2007.

- **E3SHB 1001** – Modifies a number of felony definitions to include motor vehicles.
- **ESHB 1008** – Makes protection orders for vulnerable adults more accessible and extends maximum duration from one to five years. This law became effective April 10, 2007.
- **HB 1220** – Changes the number of full-time Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (IRSB) members from two to four with Chair serving as fully participating member.
- **SHB 1319** – Expands protection from stalking (a class C felony) to include all correctional agency staff, contract staff persons, and volunteers. Also, includes definition of correctional agency as any state, county or municipally operated agency with correctional authorities.
- **E2SHB 1422** – Supports children and families when a parent is incarcerated. Establishes an advisory committee to monitor, guide and report recommendations relating to policies and programs for such children and families.
- **HB 1431** – Pertains to Certificates of Discharge by eliminating the requirement that the DOC maintain a database of all felons for the voter registration listing.
- **SHB 1507** – A uniform service shared leave pool is created to allow employees to donate leave to be used as shared leave for other employees.
- **HB 1520** – Prohibits law enforcement officers, etc. from asking or requiring victims of alleged sexual offense to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition proceeding with the investigation of an offense.

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What are the benefits?

Improved staff training and development.

ACA accreditation requires written policy and procedures to establish a training and staff development program for all categories of personnel. The training requirements address all pre-service and specialized training curricula with clear timelines, and considers the institution's mission, physical characteristics and inmate populations. The professional growth of employees is systematically developed through training plans that annually identify current job-related training needs in relation to position requirements, current correctional issues, new theories, techniques, and technologies.

Assessment of program strengths and weaknesses.

An ACA audit involves assessments that cover administration and management, the physical plant, institutional operations and services, and inmate programs. It also assesses issues and concerns that may affect the quality of life at a facility such as staff training, adequacy of medical services. Sanitation, use of segregation and detention, incidents of violence, crowding, offender activity levels, programs, and provisions of basic services that may impact the life, safety, and health of inmates, as well as staff.

Defense against lawsuits.

Accredited agencies have a stronger defense against litigation through documentation and the demonstration of a "good faith" effort to improve conditions of confinement.

Establishment of measurable criteria for upgrading operations.

Through the standards and accreditation process agencies continuously review agency policies and procedures and have the ability to make necessary improvements when deficiencies are recognized.

Improved staff morale and professionalism.

Accreditation is awarded to the "best of the best" in the corrections field. Staff have a better understanding of policies and procedures and this contributes to improved working conditions for staff.

Safer environment for staff and offenders.

Administrative and line staff, as well as offenders, benefit from increased accountability, attention to the physical plant issues and security procedures. Whether a facility or program, the

accreditation process ensures a clear assessment of strengths and weaknesses.

Reduced liability insurance costs.

As an incentive for agencies willing to participate in ACA's national accreditation program, insurance companies offer a reduction on liability insurance premiums to accredited facilities. Adherence to nationally recognized standards for fire, safety, health and training reduce claim expenses, allowing up to a 10 percent credit on liability of insurance premiums. In most cases, the resulting savings on insurance premiums more than offset the actual cost of accreditation.

Performance-based benefits.

Performance-based standards provide data that can be used in the day-to-day management of the facility, reducing the occurrence of significant events. Accredited agencies, such as health care facilities, will find it easier to recruit and retain health care professionals. Not only does compliance provide agencies with a cost-effective, pro-active approach to offender health care, but it can be used to justify requests for additional funding.

Where is the Washington Department of Corrections as it relates to ACA?

The state Department of Corrections' Secretary, Harold Clarke, has set a goal for all Washington state prison facilities, work releases and field offices to be accredited by ACA.

So far this year the following facilities have passed their ACA audits:

- Coyote Ridge Corrections Center
- Clallam Bay Corrections Center
- Airway Heights Corrections Center
- Stafford Creek Corrections Center
- Cedar Creek Corrections Center
- Olympic Corrections Center

Eventually all 15 DOC prison facilities will be audited. Currently all the Department of Corrections Work Release facilities have been accredited. Plans are currently in the works for obtaining accreditation in the field operations.

"Successful accreditation demonstrates our staff's commitment to operating safe, secure and orderly facilities. Achieving accreditation is a difficult goal," Clarke said. "It takes months to prepare for the accreditation audit, but is well worth the time and effort. Accreditation results in overall improvements in the facility as well as improved safety for the staff and offenders."

What's happening?

The Local Scene

Governor names Leadership Awards...

One of the most prestigious awards granted by the state is that of the Leadership in Management. Among those individuals granted the award this year by Governor Gregoire was Denise Doty of the Department of Corrections (DOC). Ms. Doty is the Comptroller for DOC and recently supervised the department's switch to the state's new payroll system. Laurie Jinkins of the Department of Health (DOH) also received an award in conjunction with her assistance in establishing investigation protocols for sexual misconduct cases.

DOC honors workers and volunteers...

The Department of Corrections honored 101 employees and volunteers across the state for their excellent performance and accomplishments over 2007. Those receiving special recognition were:

- Amy Booth, McNeil Island Corrections Center (MICC) and Tommy Brown; Washington Corrections Center for Women (WCCW), the Award of Valor.
- Angelic Bradford-Maddox, MICC, Health Services Staff of the year;
- Bernetta "Kay" Bennett and David Wilson, WCCW, Team of Excellence Award;
- Dee Crocker and Pamela Maddess, WCCW, Community Partnership Team Award;
- Hicham Lamsouguer, Stafford Creek Corrections Center (SCCC), the Diversity Award;
- Donnelle Brumley, Ahtanum View Correctional Complex (AVCC), the Petrine Marciniak Inspirational Award;
- Marge Littrell, East Region, Section 1, Secretary's Leadership award; and,
- Antonia Alvarado-Jackson, Washington State Penitentiary, Community Service Award.

Congratulations to these outstanding employees.

WASPC unveils missing persons

website...The Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) is about to unveil the Washington State Missing Persons Website. The site allows the general public to access and view information about missing persons and unidentified human remains directly from police reports submitted to the Washington State Patrol (WSP). The site

updates automatically when a missing persons report is filed or a missing person is located. To preview the site, click on <http://www.waspc.org/mp/mising.php>.

DOC tightens work-release rules while planning to double the number of programs...Responding to citizens concerns that inmates are not monitored closely enough while on work release, DOC will be auditing the six privately operated facilities more frequently, provide better employee training and stronger oversight. There are approximately 700 offenders on work release at this time but plans are in the works to substantially increase this number. According to a recent press release, the first expansion will provide approximately 120 new beds – size and location of the new facilities not yet determined. DOC currently operates 15 work release facilities in 10 counties with waiting lists for over 600 beds.

Correctional Industries partners with private corporation to produce next generation chairs... DOC's Correctional Industries has partnered with Herman Miller, Inc. a global leader in office furnishings and added the Mirra work chair to its line of products, according to Kimberly Isham. The Mirra chair's style is fresh and functional. It automatically shapes itself to each user, while a few simple adjustments fine-tune the fit and feel. The chair's next generation innovations, including the upholstered backrest, all work together in a fresh-looking chair that's easy to use. The Mirra's work chair's comfortable, flexible TriFlex™ back adjusts to the sitter and lets air flow through. The Customers can mix and match the colors for the look that fits their environment. You can check out the Mirra work chair by contacting your Account Executive for a chair demonstration at the showroom nearest you or call Industries' Customer Service at 1.800-628-4738 for more information.

Drunk driving deaths show slight

drop...The National Highway Traffic Safety Commission released data showing there 13,470 deaths in 2006 involving drivers and motor cycle operators with blood alcohol levels of 0.08 or higher. As high as these numbers are, they represent a slight drop – in Washington State from 238 in 2005 to 225 in 2006.

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- **HB 1592** – Changes minimum term of two years to five years when certain sex offenders have not been released at the first hearing. Among other things, also requires the ISRB to set a new minimum term of five years when a sex offender is not released after the end of sentence review process.
- **HB 1669** – Provides that limited jurisdiction courts that provide misdemeanor supervision services will not be liable for civil damages based on inadequate supervision unless the inadequate supervision constitutes gross negligence.
- **EHB 2070** – Modifies any case where an exceptional sentence (above the range) was imposed before April 15, 2005 and where a new trial or new sentencing is required provides that the jury will consider any alleged aggravating circumstances the court knew in its previous sentence. This law became effective upon signing on April 27, 2007.
- **SSB 5118** – This deals with Sexual Harassment within state agencies. Requires the Director of the Department of Personnel (DOP) to establish guidelines for policies, procedures and mandatory training.
- **SSB 5190** – Modifies provision relating to the collection of legal financial obligations (LFO), requiring that “lifers” without possibility of release or sentenced to death be subject to mandatory deductions for an inmate savings account.
- **SB 5332** – Law requires the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) to integrate a statewide automated victim information and notification system into its electronic central booking and reporting system.
- **SB 5429** – Deduction of child support is increased from 15 to 20 percent for funds received by an inmate from sources other than wages or legal awards or settlements.
- **SB 5634** – Requires that all corrections personnel engage in basic corrections training which complies with standards adopted by the commission within six months of employment. Also requires training for personnel transferred or promoted into a management positions.
- **E2SSB 5659** – Provides for increased paid leave for certain employees under prescribed circumstances.
- **SB 5711** – Amends the offender score for cases involving Homicide or Assault by Watercraft as a current offense or an offense in history, or felony traffic offense in history.
- **SSB 5718** – Although signed into law, this was partially vetoed by Governor Gregoire. It creates a new Class C felony for “Promoting Travel for Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor”.
- **E2SSB 5930** – Another bill which was partially vetoed, this bill is intended to reduce the number of prescriptions written for controlled substances for the same patient at the same time by different prescribers.
- **ESSSB 6157** – An extensive bill a number of provisions of which were recommended by the Joint Task Force on Offenders Programs, Sentencing and Supervision. Establishes a minimum of six Community Justice Centers by December 1, 2009 with an additional three by December 1, 2011. Two of the Centers to be located in Eastern Washington. Makes provision for re-entry planning and requires that offenders on Community Custody Placement be released to county of his/her first felony conviction. Also, requires establishment of a Legislative Task Force to be convened by August 1, 2007 to study laws related to Community Custody and supervision.



The National Scene

FBI statistics show violent crime rates are surging...According to an Associated Press Release, FBI officials report a nationwide increase in murders, robberies and other felonies during 2006. This will be the second year for such an increase. Preliminary numbers showed violent crimes rose by 3.7 percent nationwide during the first six months of 2006. A Justice Department study released in May of 18 cities and suburban regions indicated youth violence, gangs and gun crime are largely to blame. The FBI's focus on counter-terror investigations since the 2001 attacks have also resulted in few agents devoted to traditional crime fighting.

10 million full-time workers abuse drugs, alcohol...Nearly one in 12 of U.S. full time workers have drug or alcohol abuse problems serious enough to require treatment according to a recent government report. Construction workers, food service employees and people who work in mining and similar jobs lead the list. The problem extends to corporate CEOs as well – 7.9 percent are described as being alcohol dependent.

Study reveals what makes young people happy...So what does make young people between the ages of 13 and 24 happy? Surprisingly, it's not sex, drugs or a little rock n' roll. What makes them happy is spending time with family according to a survey conducted by The Associated Press and MTV. Using an open ended question, the survey involved 1,280 people ages 13 to 24. Of those surveyed, nearly three-quarters said their relationship with their parents makes them happy. Next to spending time with their family, they liked spending time with their friends. Some racial differences were revealed by the study. For instance, whites appeared to be happier across economic categories than blacks and Hispanics. Money, however, was not tied as closely to their happiness as having highly educated parents, a stronger predictor of happiness than income. Some other findings: being sexually active actually leads to less happiness amongst 13 to 17 year olds; close to half said religion and spirituality are very important; and, more than half said they believed there is a higher power that has an influence over things that make them happy. Finally, when asked to name their heroes, nearly half of the respondents named one or both of the parents with Mom being a winner by a nose.

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- **Bloods** – This gang originated in Los Angeles in the early 70's in response to the formation of the Crips. They are also referred to as Piru. Their traditional color is red and primary "industry" is sale of narcotics.
- **People Nation** – Included in this definition are the Bloods (East Coast); Vice Lords; Latin Kings; Black P-Stones. Colors vary among gangs. Their symbols include 5 point stars, 5 point crowns; half crescent moons and pyramids. They exhibit left-hand orientation.
- **Folk Nation** – The Folk Nation's major gangs include Gangster Disciples; and Black Gangster Disciples. Their symbols are 6 point stars, 6 point crowns and/or 3 pronged pitchfork. The largest population of black street gang members in the Northwest falls into this category. Colors here tend to be black and grey.

Asian Gang

- **Tiny Rascal Gangsters** – Comprised primarily of Asian members, their gang

colors are black and grey. Some members claim Crips affiliation.

Hybrid Gang

- **Insane Clown Posse (ICP)** – This gang began as an underground music fan base but has since progressed to hybrid gang activity. Although they have been together for over a decade, the ICP's gang-like activity started picking up in 2003. The hardcore fans of the band are called Juggalos (males) and Juggalettes (female). Biggest dilemma faced by law enforcement is "Who's a fan vs. who's a "hardcore" Juggalo/Juggalette.

What can the community do to counteract gang activity? First, acknowledge that there is a problem. Support law enforcement measures to curb their activity and report any suspicious activity. Graffiti is a major sign that a gang, or gangs are present – report it. Make note of groups wearing same colors and of high traffic addresses.

Schedule of Conference Events

September 26th – Day One

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Opening Ceremonies Introduction of Dignitaries Keynote Speaker Harold W. Clarke, Secretary Washington State Department of Corrections
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Break – Registration, Exhibitor and Auction Displays
10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Workshops: * What the #@!! Should I Know About Community Custody Board Offenders * Work-site Wellness Programs * Electronic Records Discovery
10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Break – Registration, Exhibitor and Auction Displays
11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch Naselle Marimba Band Keynote Speaker Edward LaTessa, Professor University of Chicago
1:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Break – Registration, Exhibitor and Auction Displays
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Workshops * Leadership and Self-Assessment * Supervising Domestic Violence Offenders * Washington State Jail Tracks
2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Break – Registration, Exhibitor and Auction Displays
3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Workshops * Integrating Motivational Interviewing * Cognitive Behavioral Programming Effectiveness w/Offender Re-entry
4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Adjourn – Registration, Exhibitor and Auction Displays
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Vendor Networking Reception and Social (No-Host Bar)

Schedule of Conference Events

September 27th – Day Two

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Registration, Exhibitor and Auction Displays
8:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Re-entry Panel: Harold W. Clarke, Secretary, Washington State Department of Corrections Mark Saunders, Warden, Ohio State
11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Break – Registration, Exhibitor and Auction Displays
11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch Keynote Speaker: Max Williams, Director Oregon State Department of Corrections
1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Break – Exhibitor and Auction Displays
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Workshops * Security Threat Groups * Overcoming Workplace Obstacles * The Importance of Mentoring * Washington State Jail Tracks
2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Break – Exhibitor and Auction Displays
3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Workshops * Security Threat Groups * Therapeutic Communities * Healthy Lifestyle Habits * Washington State Jail Tracks
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	WCA Membership Board Meeting
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Social (No-host Bar)
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Dinner – Awards Banquet

Schedule of Conference Events September 28th - Date Three

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast and Exhibitor Displays
8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Effective Leadership in an Ineffective System* Conflict Management Styles* Children of Incarcerated Parents* Crisis Intervention
9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Restorative Community Service* Best Practices of Great Leaders* Continuous Dads* Crisis Intervention

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WCA Board Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2007

Present: Scott Frakes, Sue Hubbard (for Brandon Rogel), Kevin Loesch, Mark Kucza, Rich LaRosa, Bill Frank, Jeneva Cotton, Michelle Watson, Dean Mason, Kelly Wichert, Dick Sande, Peria Duncan, Bill Brown, Judith Smith, Ned Newlin Keith James, Pamela Maddess, Tracy Grunenfelder, Kelly Kelly, Hisami Yoshida.

Absent: Frank Feeley, Brandon Rogel, Belinda Stewart, Lonnie Tortorelli, Wanda McRae.

Minutes: Minutes from the January 1, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Rich LaRosa noted that the meeting was held at Pierce College rather than at the Criminal Justice Training Commission. No other changes were made at this time.

Old Business:

2007 Budget: Passed at the January 12, 2007 meeting. Discussed allocation for *Connections* budget and for advertisements. No changes were made at this time.

Accounting Review: Bill Frank and Frank Feeley reviewed the accounts. It was discussed and decided that all receipts will be saved and turned into Bill Brown for reimbursement. In the event of a lost receipt or other exception, the reimbursement would have to be approved by the President.

Conference Accounts and Review: Discussion was held regarding conference profit distributions, and whether WCA was losing money by joining with other organizations for the yearly conference. It was noted that DOC cannot afford to support numerous conferences. A document was signed by all groups at the onset of planning for the 2007 conference indicating that the work would be shared among all groups and profits spread accordingly. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of adding a checkbox on the registration form to note which organization (if any) the attendee belonged to, for counting purposes. It was noted that the 2006 conference was the largest profit grossing conference to date. Included in the conversation was that the WCA Board remains to be mainly made up of DOC staff. We would like to have more variety on the Board and involved in activities and events. Judith Smith will contact leadership of difference agencies (such as Juvenile Rehabilitation Agency and Misdemeanant Corrections) and invite them to the July meeting.

2007 Conference: September 26-28 at the Vancouver Red Lion at the Quay. To date 41 of 45 vendor positions have been filled. The members of the planning committee noted that the hotel has been remodeled and is very nice. There have been a log of requests for presentations coming in, and the committee has worked to include RFPs from a variety of agencies. Meals were discussed. Dick Sande gave special thanks to Michelle and Rich for their hard work and dedication. Scott mentioned that DOC Secretary Harold Clarke had approved a minimum of 200 paid DOC slots for attendees, and the possibility of more for commuters. Kelly Wichert indicated that she knew of a Community Corrections Officer in the area that would be willing to set up a golf tournament the night before the conference kick off if interested. Overall, it sounds as though the 2007 conference planning is going extremely well and should be another successful venue.

New Business

Regional Co-Chairs: Scott indicated that he received poor feedback to the idea of eliminating some regional positions. Therefore, those in current positions have made commitments to ensure that events and training opportunities will be held in their areas.

The Northwest Co-chairs have been empty since Nancy Watts left the position, and Keith James offered to change from Central to Northwest Region since he is now working in Snohomish County. Scott Harris had indicated an interest in joining the Board and was appointed to fill the now-vacant Central position.

Training Coordinator Proposal: Judith brought forward her idea regarding hiring a part-time Training Coordinator for continuity and support to the regional co-chairs. The discussion led to talk about and Executive Director as well. It was determined that WCA does not have the funding to hire for any position at this time. However, the idea may be brought up again in the future if organization grows to the point where funding would not be an issue.

2008 Conference: Pamela presented location proposals for the 2008 conference. Would like to focus on holding conference in Western Washington and then return to Eastern Washington in 2009. Criteria noted would be to meet the mission of WCA, easy access from airport and freeway, auction and vendor space (to include being able to have gun vendors), reasonable meals, and food options. The two options presented were Double Tree at SeaTac and Quinalt Beach Casino and Ocean Shores. Pamela will bring more proposal information to the July meeting.

2009 Conference: Kevin and Mark will research locations in Eastern Washington to hold the 2009 conference and will bring their ideas to the July meeting.

2010 Conference: Bill Frank has been contacted by the Davenport Hotel in Spokane. They are willing to offer a great package deal. However, they are booked long in advance, and we would have to reserve space now. Bill will contact them to see if they have any openings in 2009 and report at the July meeting.

Newsletter Information: Judith set dates for submittals for publication in the *Connections*. For the January edition, information is to be submitted to later than December 31st. For the May edition, information is to be submitted no later than April 30th. For the September/October edition, information is to be submitted no later than August 31st. Please get her articles by May 15th for the upcoming issue.

Awards Candidates and Board Member Nominations (combined): Kelly Kelly indicated that it is time again to request nominations for the WCA Awards and for Board Member elections. It was discussed and decided to publish the information in the upcoming *Connections* newsletter to save mailing costs. Kelly will get information for publication to Judith by May 10th. The nominations will be able to be mailed directly to WCA or sent via email. Jeneva will forward all emails received to Kelly Kelly. At the July meeting, awards will be voted on, and Board Member election ballots will be created, based on feedback from membership. In August, the official ballot will be mailed to the membership and elected officers and award winners will be announced at the 2007 conference.

Committee Reports

By-Laws: Pamela requested that information be added to the By-Laws for Executive Leadership oversight of the Student Chapters. Discussion was held and it was decided that the President-Elect should have oversight. The By-Laws were reviewed and it was noted that the Board could approve the change. Mark moved to accept wording addition to By-Laws stating that Student Chapter oversight would fall under the duties of the President-Elect. Pamela seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Legislative: Frank was absent. Will report at the July meeting regarding new legislation.

Membership: Dean discussed membership brochure and ideas for updating. Also discussed was the ongoing payroll deduction issue. Bill Brown will contact ACA and look into this. Michelle offered to assist. Jeneva offered to contact ACA and get updated membership numbers.

Public Relations: See above (Newsletter information).

Nominations & Elections: See above (Awards Candidates and Board Member Nominations-combined).

Conference & Training: See above (2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 Conferences).

Finance & Budget: Michelle indicated that she is very excited and eager to be in this position. She has been working hard with vendors for the conference and will attempt to have them get more involved in advertising in the *Connections* as well.

NABCJ Representative: Absent

WCJ Representative: Absent

Western Correctional Association Representative: Hisami attended last WeCA meeting in Butte, Montana on March 17th. This year's conference will be held in Helena, Montana and 2008's conference may be held in Las Vegas or New Mexico.

Jail Industries Board Representative: Ned discussed the JIB and how busy they have been this year. Met in January for a two-day retreat in Vancouver and created a new mission statement. Met in March and approved their new strategic plan. The JIB website is being updated. Ned will work to promote WCA membership with members of the JIB. Their next meeting will be June 8th.

CJTC Representative: Sue Hubbard at meeting in Brandon's place. Sue spoke about updating the Correctional Officer's Memorial at CJTC. Was approached by Bob Kastama in regards to the Memorial. Have set up group to meet about this issue. First meeting will be held on May 7th at 10 a.m. at CJTC. Please contact Sue Hubbard (206-835-7306) or shubbard@cjtc.state.wa.us if interested in being part of this committee. Sue discussed reorganization of Correctional Division of CJTC.

Regional Co-Chairs:

Northwest: Keith James has moved to Northwest Region and will work on getting out meeting people in the area and setting up some events.

Southwest: Kelly Wichert spoke about planning in the works to get Representative Dave Reichert again to speak at event. Working on annual golf tournament in September. Tracy indicated that he is working with Joop DeJonge to do another workshop, possibly in June.

Central: No report. Scott Harris appointed this date to fill Central position.

Northeast: Peria has met with Lonnie and they are working on some ideas for events in the next year.

Southeast: Mark and Kevin reported meeting and speaking of doing some events in their area. Mark discussed a workshop on generational recruitment and membership (Baby Boomers, Generation X, and Generation Y). One such event will be sponsoring a BBQ in the Yakima area, and co-sponsoring a BBQ during Corrections Pride month at CRCC. Kevin mentioned working with local fire department to raise money during the Tri-Cities hydroplane races.

Closing

Scott asked for all WCA Board Members to reach out to others they knew to nominate for the WCA awards and Board positions. The next meeting will be held July 20th at 10 a.m. at the Red Lion at the Quay. More information will be forthcoming. Bill Brown moved to close the meeting. Michelle seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting closed at 2 p.m.

WCA Board Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2007

Present: Scott Frakes, Dick Sande, Kevin Loesch, Frank Feeley, Peria Duncan, Pamela Maddess, Jeneva Cotton, Bill Frank, Tracy Grunfelder, Bill Brown, Judith Smith, Sue Hubbard, Kelly Wichert, Mark Kucza, Michelle Watson (via telephone).

Absent: Belinda Stewart, Lonnie Tortorelli, Wanda McRae, Dean Mason, Ned Newlin, Kelly Kelly, and Hisami Yoshida.

Guests: Larry Barker, President of the Misdemeanant Corrections Association; Pam Clark, Director of Clark County Corrections, Jenn Smeller; Southwest Washington Convention and Visitor's Bureau; Holly VanNood, Southwest Convention and Visitor's Bureau; Tony Shaver, Conference Committee.

To start the meeting, Jenn Smeller and Holly VanNood from the SW WA Convention & Visitor's Bureau welcomed WCA and thanked us for holding the 2007 conference in Vancouver. They handed out visitor's packets, which will also be made available for the conference bags. Red Lion Inn at the Quay staff were also present to welcome WCA to the hotel and to conduct a tour during the lunch hour for interested Board members.

Scott conducted a check-in of all present, and welcomed all guests to the meeting and thanked them for their participation.

Minutes: Minutes from the April 20, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Bill Frank moved to accept the meeting minutes; Dick Sande seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Old Business

2007 Conference Update: Things are moving along rapidly. Loose ends are being tied up in regards to the catering. The food costs are high, so some meals have been eliminated to keep costs low for attendees. Vendors have donated \$3,000 to help with food costs and Costco is donating items for Tuesday evening's reception. All speakers have been confirmed. The hotel has been very accommodating. To date, 54 vendors have been confirmed, including firearm vendors. A local high school program with students interested in the corrections field may attend part of the conference as well as help where needed. The Washington State Patrol Honor Guard will be presenting the Colors at the Opening Session. Vancouver's Mayor and Chief of Police will be doing a welcome to the group. The golf tournament has been set up at the Lewis River Golf Course on Tuesday and will be a four person scramble tournament with a 12 p.m. noon shotgun start. Dick thanked Michelle, Rich and the rest of the Conference Committee for all of their hard work and dedication to make this year's conference a success.

Budget Update: Our investments have been doing well. We are down approximately \$1,300 this year to date but hope to make up the difference with conference revenue.

Payroll Deduction Update: Bill Brown reported about his findings in regard to the payroll deductions that have not been taking place. He has been having a hard time getting ACA feedback, and finally was able to get in contact with Helena Winsor who is assisting him. Sixteen new memberships have been completed. The form needs to be updated with the correct process and enrollment information.

Organizational Collaboration: Discussion was held regarding a broad collaboration of organizations to include misdemeanor corrections (district and municipal court probation). MCA is very active legislatively and has a very involved membership. About a quarter of the misdemeanor staff employed throughout the state are involved in MCA. They will have representatives presenting at the 2007 Conference. Larry Barker, President of MCA, invited a WCA representative to attend MCA quarterly meetings. He also invited WCA members to attend the Annual MCA Spring Conference.

2008 Conference Proposals: Pamela and Tracy both presented information regarding locations for the 2008 Conference. Pamela reported that the Hilton at SeaTac had been eliminated due to overwhelming prices and not being able to accommodate firearm vendors. She presented information about the newly renovated Ocean Shores Convention Center, which was very promising. We would be able to bring our own food and wouldn't have such outrageous food costs as we've been facing in recent years. Lodging would be arranged separately due to no specific facilities at the Convention Center. Tracy presented information from the Great Wolf Lodge, currently being built in the Grand Mound/Rochester area. This facility is a conference center that also has an indoor water park. Since the building is not yet completed, they were unable to respond to our requests about vendor space or firearms in the facility. They were also unsure about whether they could meet the state rate or not, and meals would be part of the contract. It appears to be geared toward family activities. Discussion was held regarding both facilities and how the idea would be presented to other organizations if they would like to join. Dick moved to hold the 2008 Criminal Justice Conference at the Ocean Shores Convention Center on September 17-19, 2008. Michelle seconded the motion. Motion passed.

2009 Conference Proposals: Mark presented information regarding the Marcus Whitman Hotel in Walla Walla. They can accommodate at least 40 vendors, and will allow for firearms. They are willing to match the state rate for rooms, regardless of what the rate will be for 2009. Bill Frank presented information about the Davenport Hotel in Spokane. Discussion was also held regarding holding the Conference in the Tri-Cities area. It appears that there is a group consensus to hold the Conference in Eastern Washington in 2009. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

DOC Re-Entry Conference Sponsorship: (Discussion handled via email response after the meeting.) WCA will donate \$400 to the DOC Re-Entry Conference to show our support for this cause.

New Business:

Brochures: Dean was absent. This issue was held over until next meeting.

Awards Candidates and Board Member Nominations (combined): Kelly Kelly was absent. Since the information was not available at the meeting, discussion and voting regarding awards was handled via email. Award winners will be announced at the 2007 Criminal Justice Conference at the Thursday Evening Banquet. Board Member nominations received at the WCA email address were forwarded to Kelly Kelly. Jeneva will mail out the election ballots once all names are received. 2008-2010 WCA Board Members will be announced at the Conference as well.

WCA Website: The website needs revising to include updating the graphics. Discussion was held regarding paying to have it modernized. Tony Shaver indicated he may be able to help with this. More discussion to be held at the next meeting.

Committee Reports

By-Laws: Discussion was held regarding representatives to and from other organizations on the WCA Board as the By-Laws currently state we have committees from other organizations and that is simply not the case. Some ideas were to make these positions non-voting members or non-member representatives. Discussion was also held regarding costs for these individuals, such as travel fees, and which organizations should be responsible for this. Bill Frank will put together an email and disperse to the Board for more discussion on how the By-Laws should be changed to reflect the true meaning on this representation.

Legislative: Frank presented a very detailed report about the new legislation affecting the corrections field, and updates to such. He provided a printout for Judith to include in the *Connections*. Discussion was held about WCA becoming more involved in legislative issues and the separation between WCA and DOC.

Membership: Dean was absent. Pamela reported that she is going to the ACA Conference and will attend the Membership Meeting there. She brought up the idea of purchasing items with the WCA logo to sell at future events. She will be creating a sign up booth for Board members to man the WCA booth at the 2007 Conference. Discussion

was held regarding new shirts and Michelle volunteered to research this and get information to the Board. Scott and Pamela will work with ACA on ideas on how to increase our membership and get people more involved.

Public Relations: Judith is working on getting the *Connections* newsletter out by mid-August so that members receive it prior to the conference. She will also be putting something in the newsletter to see if there is membership interest in getting the *Connections* electronically instead of through the postal system.

Nominations & Elections: See above (Awards Candidates and Board Member Nominations – combined).

Conference & Training: See above (2007, 2008, 2009 Conference Updates).

Finance & Budget: Michelle has secured 54 vendors so far for the 2007 Conference. She is working to get vendors more involved in advertising in the *Connections* as well. Michelle and Bill Brown will work on the Conference Auction and Michelle has space to hold the auction items until the Conference.

NABCJ Representative: Wanda was absent.

WCJ Representative: Belinda was absent.

Western Correctional Association Representative: Hisami was absent.

Jail Industries Board Representative: Ned was absent.

CJTC Representative: Sue reported that the CJTC is undertaking an assessment of all Correctional Officer Academy and Correctional Worker Core programs currently being held throughout the state. She and a panel of representatives will be going to 12 jails and 3 prisons as part of the study and will sit in on both academies. They will also be determining if the needs of staff are being met in the current practice.

Region Co-Chairs

Northwest: Keith is working with Bob Graham, Training Coordinator at CJTC to find out about training opportunities in the NW Region.

Southwest: Tracy reported on two workshops sponsored on June 5th with Joop DeJonge. It had 40 participants attend and received positive feedback.

Central: No report. Scott H. was absent.

Northeast: Lonnie was absent. Peria reported on Laughter in the Workplace workshop sponsored on July 18th that went very well. She sponsored a National Parole and Probation Week breakfast and is currently planning a Cultural Diversity Workshop.

Southeast: Mark attended the National Deputy Wardens Association Conference and had a great time. He promoted WCA there as well as our upcoming Conference. Kevin reported co-sponsoring a BBQ at Coyote Ridge Corrections Center with the CRCC Wellness Team, which was successful. He also reported that he won CRCC's Biggest Loser competition. Congratulations Kevin!

Closing

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 27th at 4 p.m. at the Red Lion Inn at the Quay. The meeting will be a combination of the quarterly Board meeting, and the Annual General Membership Meeting. Bill Frank moved to close the meeting. Michelle seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting closed at 3:20 p.m.

2007 Fall Conference

Participant Registration Form

YES! I want to attend the 2007 Criminal Justice Conference

- Conference Fee – After August 15th \$210
- One-day Fee – ✓ the day you plan to attend (lunch only) \$100
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