

Director Charles L. Ryan

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ADC participates in LETR



Clockwise from top left: CO III Barbara Lancaster/ASPC-Perryville and athlete Ronald celebrate the lighting ceremony. CO III Lancaster and Director Charles Ryan carry the torch on the final lap during the opening ceremony at Mesa Community College. In Yuma, CO II Eric Nunez; IPS Michael Sundwall; CO II Felipe Fraire and CO II Heriberto Padilla-Martinez lead Yuma staff on their leg of the LETR. In Safford, FST Sherrie Morrison on the left and CO III Shane Skinner on the right escort a group of athletes during their event. CO II Ted Lipps, CO II Michael Gonzales, CO II Ronnie Martinez, CO II Jun Abad and CO II Loredana Frazier, all from ASPC-Phoenix, carry the torch through the streets of Phoenix. CO III Eric Abt from ASPC-Tucson escorts two athletes holding the torch. Athlete Ely riding with DW Kevin Curran/Eyman, CO III Wendy Eccles/Eyman and Athlete Brooke Winkfield finish up the 14 mile event. Lt. Jesse Valles and Bullet/Eyman, Capt. Juan Villareal/Douglas, Warden William White/Eyman, Athlete Ely, Director Charles Ryan, Lt. Karla Huerena/Douglas, Warden Richard Brock/Douglas and Sgt. Donna Janssen/Douglas. Staff from Douglas rode their bicycles to Mesa to deliver the torch used in the Special Olympics at Mesa Community College.

ADC budget solutions



During ASPC-Perryville's Quarterly Awards presentation Director Ryan spoke to staff about the budget situation and answered questions about ADC's budget reduction proposals.

With the state coffers running low on cash, all state agencies, including the Arizona Department of Corrections, have been asked to come up with new ideas to trim the budget. ADC has been impacted, as have all other agencies, whether by transfers of fund balances or simply reductions to our appropriations.

The implications due to the magnitude of these cuts and their timing at this point in the year have been mitigated by the outstanding support of ADC staff during the first seven months of this fiscal year. Due to vacancy savings we have held from July and limiting expenses the ADC has been able to do our part to help reduce the budget deficit that the State faces.

The department has reduced our general fund appropriation by \$21.8 million and transferred \$543,700 in non-general fund sweeps. The general fund reduction had already been anticipated

and accrued in our budget bureau, and was entirely accrued in the provisional bed line item.

This was possible as a result of the delay of procurement on additional out of state beds and the management of additional temporary beds in our prison complexes. The transfer in fund sweeps will reduce special service funds in the area of Work Based Education (WBE) for inmates and the Correctional Officer Offender Liaison Program (COOL) program for inmates on community supervision. The reduction of Arizona Correctional Industries (ACI) funds which are needed to purchase materials for the production of products to sell will impact ACI's ability to generate revenue and provide inmate jobs.

In an email to ADC staff, Director Charles L. Ryan wrote "While we have done an outstanding job for FY 2009 without impacting staff (beyond the current

freeze), we must also keep in mind that there will likely be further reductions that must be made for the next fiscal year beginning July 1st."

The FY 2010 budget deficit is currently projected at over \$3 billion and the challenge has again been put to the ADC to find even more ways to reduce spending. The Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting has asked all state agencies to provide ideas to reduce our budget requirements in 5% increments from 5-10-15-20%.

ADC has provided DRAFTS of the proposed budget reduction ideas, with the detailed explanations and rationale for each item listed. Director Ryan wants to ensure that ADC staff understand that the decisions regarding the FY2010 Bud-

get are not finalized and the Executive Team and he will continue to fully explain and provide justification for the budget request as the budget process continues.

As a way of keeping the lines of communication open, Director Ryan has answered 89 questions about the budget put forth by staff with answers posted as the questions are answered on the ADC Intranet.

Ryan says "I empathize and understand your concerns, and certainly the concerns you have about your employment. Please do not forget that we are a public safety agency, and the prison system will continue to operate. Please continue to do your job and work together as a team. Security and public safety will continue to be the #1 priority."

"The general fund reduction had already been anticipated and reserved in our budget bureau, and was entirely accrued in the provisional bed line item."



This publication is to promote the work of ADC and the achievements of its staff. Your questions or comments are welcome.

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ADC staff from ASPC-Eyman and ASPC-Florence participated in their annual LETR event, a 14 run/walk from ASPC-Florence to the US-60 and US 179 Junction, where the torch was then passed off to the Pinal County Sheriff's office. For additional photographs of the statewide ADC's participation in the LETR, visit our website at www.azcorrections.gov.

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In the Spotlight

ADC victims advocates honored during National Victims' Rights Week



Director Charles L. Ryan, TCU Victim Services Manager Lydia Johnson, ADC Victim Services Administrator Dan Levey and Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard.

During the 25th annual Victims' Rights Week Celebration, victims' advocates with the Arizona Department of Corrections around the state were recognized for their service and commitment to crime victims.

On Wednesday, April 29 Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard presented ADC Victims' Services Administrator Dan Levey the 2009 Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award for Public Policy and TCU Victim Services Manager Lydia Johnson, received the Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award for Advocacy and

Direct Service. Johnson serves as the victim notification manager and keeps victims aware of news concerning inmates.

On Thursday, April 30, Pinal County Attorney Jim Walsh presented the Pinal County Agency Award to the Arizona Department of Corrections Restorative Justice Program. Also recognized for their service were CO IV Dale Mobley and CO IV John Hernandez, who were on the planning committee for victims' rights week and were awarded Certificates of Appreciation. CO IV Hernandez was also presented a Pinal County Service Award, recognizing his long-standing work with Restorative Justice.



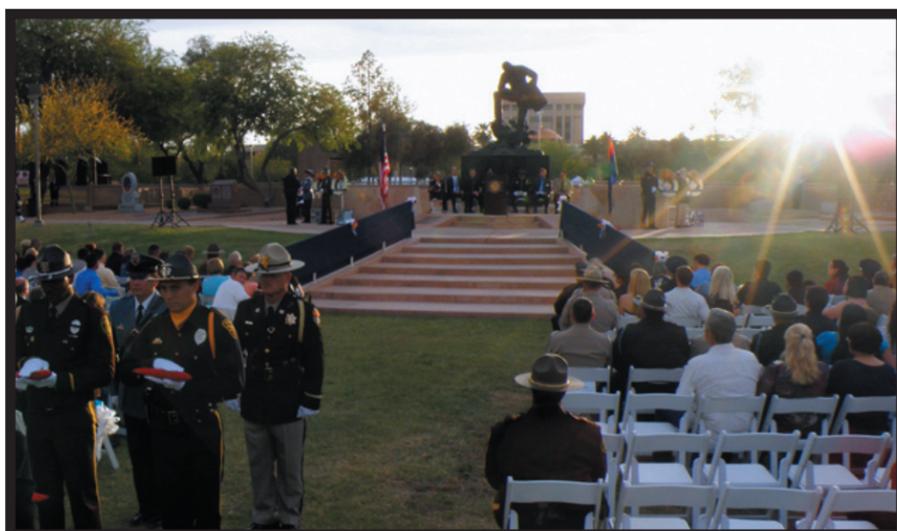
ASPC-Florence Warden Carson McWilliams, ASPC-Eyman Warden William White, CO III Wendy Eccles, CO IV John Hernandez and CO IV Dale Mobley were on hand to receive the Pinal County Agency Award from Pinal County Attorney Jim Walsh.

ADC Officer remembered during annual Peace Officer Memorial

CO II Douglas Eugene Falconer was one of four law enforcement officers honored May 4 during the 36th Annual Arizona Peace Officers Memorial Service at Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza. The other officers included Tucson Police Department officer Erik David Hite, Department of Public Safety Officer/Paramedic Bruce W. Harrolle and Phoenix Police Department Officer Shane Figueroa.

Doug joined the Arizona Department of Corrections in 2004 and three years later, became a Wildland Fire Fighter, fighting several fires side by side with staff and inmate crews. On October 1, 2008, while working with the Globe Wildland Fire Crew on the Sacrament wildfire near Lake Havasu, Doug experienced a massive heart attack and passed away. He was 46.

Officer Falconer is survived by his wife Jeannie Falconer, his mother, brother and sisters as well as his ADC family.





CENTRAL OFFICE
New General Counsel, Director of Communications and Legislative Liaison



General Counsel Karyn Klausner, Media Relations Director Barrett Marson and Legislative Liaison Jennifer Bowser.

There are some new faces at Central Office. Karyn Klausner has been appointed ADC General

Counsel. Karyn was admitted to the State Bar of Arizona in 1987. For approximately ten years, Ms. Klausner was a private practitioner in the field of criminal law. In 1996 she was appointed as a full time judge for the Phoenix Municipal Court. In 2007, Ms. Klausner returned to private practice.

Barrett Marson has been appointed ADC Director of Communications. Barrett most recently served four years at the House of Representatives as Communications Director. Prior to that, he spent about 12 years as a reporter, most recently with the Arizona Daily Star in Tucson.

Jennifer Bowser has been appointed ADC Legislative Liaison. Jennifer joins us from the Governor's office where she served with excellence for three years as Legislative Analyst. Jennifer graduated from Arizona State University with a Bachelor in Political Science in 2004 and plans to complete a Master of Administration in Public Management from NAU this year.

COTA

COTA Fundraiser

Story provided by Sgt. Shawn Sanders

Karrienne is the granddaughter of AA III Jenni Soop of COTA. While she looks like any other little girl, Karrienne was born with a condition known as Spina Bifida, the most common disabling birth defect in the United States, with 20 out of every 100,000 children affected each year. Spina Bifida occurs when the spinal cord fails to close completely during

the first weeks of development in the womb. Although the spinal opening can be surgically repaired shortly after birth, the nerve damage is permanent.

In celebration of AA III Soop's 50th birthday, COTA staff have spearheaded the challenge to raise awareness of this condition. COTA staff has registered to participate in the 1st annual Walk/Roll-A-Thon, to be held on May 9 at Gladden Farms Community Park in Marana. All money raised will go to the Southern Arizona Firefighters for Spina Bifida.



Karrienne will be the inspiration for COTA staff when they take part in the 1st Annual Walk/Roll-A-Thon fundraiser that takes place at Gladden Farms Community Park in Marana on May 9.

DOUGLAS

Snow Day in Douglas

Photos by AA III Kenneth Bradshaw

For the second time in three years, ASPC-Douglas experienced an unusual event... snow on the ground. On February 10, the temperatures dropped low enough for snow and it stayed cold enough throughout the day to keep the white stuff around until the early afternoon. Outside of the rare site of snow on cacti, staff reported no problems associated with the cold weather.



Clockwise from the top: Looking South along main access road; Eggers Unit Recreation Yard; View of Mohave Unit from Complex Administration; East side of Complex Administration; Looking North from Complex Administration

Eyman

Eyman Mini-walk

Story and photos provided by ESA Robin Smithson

ASPC-Eyman held the "Eyman Mini-Walk" on April 1 for LETR from Eyman Administration Building to the Inmate Outlet Store and back. Nearly 30 staff from both ASPC-Eyman and ASPC-Florence

participated in the six-mile trek, raising over \$200 for LETR Special Olympics. Everyone enjoyed themselves and it was a wonderful day for a walk.

Natalie Waardenburg, Katina Celaya and Robin Smithson with the Warden's Office staff were the sponsors for the walk and Warden White supported their efforts to ensure it was a success.



Clockwise from top left: Natalie Waardenburg (Sponsor of walk) and Amilia Duran; Ralph Cluff, Carlos Manriquez and DW Richard Bock handing out breakfast; Susan Zaborsky, Dallas Piacentini and dog, Robert Swanson, Teresa Swanson, Mary Espinosa and Sandra Timple

Eyman cont....

CLA II GRADUATION

Story by Training Officer II
Jesus G. Martinez; Northern Region
Photo provided by ESA Robin Smithson

Congratulations go out to the graduating members of the Regional Correctional Leadership Academy II.

CLA II is the level II supervisory course for ADC security supervisors. It discusses the core competencies needed by Sergeants to support ADC's mission statement and strategic plan. The graduating class included the following Staff members from both ASPC-Eyman and ASPC-Florence, as well as one member from ASPC Phoenix:

- Sgt. David Barnes
- Sgt. Fredrick Borgards,
- Sgt. Davona Buchanan,
- Sgt. David Clark,
- CO II Trenton Condrey,
- Sgt. Lourie Dolejsi,
- Sgt. Steven McCuistion,
- Sgt. Jasen Miller,
- Sgt. Ralph Navarrette,
- Sgt. Ronald Nelson,
- Sgt. Robert Quednau,
- Sgt. Robert Rodriguez,
- Sgt. Justin Schalek,
- Sgt. Matthew Sims,
- Sgt. Ruben Soliz,
- Sgt. Robert Starns,
- Sgt. Samuel Sterling,
- Sgt. Eric Stracco,
- CO II Michelle Taylor,
- Sgt. Douglas Trotti,
- Sgt. Richard Zambrano.



WINSLOW

10th annual Law Enforcement Poker Run for Special Olympics

Story provided by DW Heather Hadden

In May, ASPC-Winslow will host the 10th Annual Northern Arizona Poker Run to benefit the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.

Coronado Unit Deputy Warden Heather Hadden says registration and check-in begins at 9:00 a.m. on May 16, with the Poker Run starting at 10:00 a.m. The route will begin at Cruisers Restaurant in Williams, with participants going to Grand Canyon Harley Davidson, Mormon Lake Lodge, Flagstaff Hot Bike and Baskin Robbins before returning to Williams where they can walk to shops in Williams to finalize the route. Poker cards must be turned in by 5:00 p.m., when the awards, prizes and raffle will take place.

Hadden says anyone participating in the event will

automatically draw five cards and can pick up additional cards throughout the route. Prizes for the best hand and worst hand will be given.

While there is no charge for the poker cards, a limited number of pins and t-shirts will be available for purchase at prices ranging from \$7.00 for pins, \$16.00 for short sleeved t-shirts to \$22.00 for long sleeved t-shirts. XXL and XXXL t-shirts are \$3.00 extra.

Hadden says they will have a photographer on hand to take pictures during the run, with proceeds going to Special Olympics. Pictures will be printed at Cruisers so participants can take them when they leave. Participants can request to have their pictures taken while registering to ensure they get the desired picture. Prices will be listed day of the event.

This is ASPC-Winslow's 10th Annual run and Hadden says it is looking to be their best one so far.

For more information, contact Heather Hadden at 928-289-9551, x 2700 or email at hhadden@azcorrections.gov.



PERRYVILLE
Perryville donates over \$10,000 to charities and shelters



DW Meegan Muse and CO III Chris Martinez present a check to Cathryn Merring, Director of the Crisis Pregnancy Center, with the San Pedro Unit inmates



DW Meegan Muse and the San Pedro Unit inmates present a check to Cochise County Children's Center Director Nancy Panico and Program Director Kim Tellez.

On March 20 and 23, ASPC-Perryville/San Pedro unit donated several thousand dollars and dozens of baby booties to two different charities.

San Pedro Unit Programs CO III Cris Martinez says when he was first approached to help the Crisis Pregnancy Center

with baby booties, he knew they came to the right place. Martinez says San Pedro unit started a crocheting and knitting program to fill the specific needs of inmates who have medical limitations.

In about three weeks time, the inmates had not only knitted up 32 pairs of booties and other baby items, they had also raised over \$650, which was presented to Cathryn Merring, the Center Director of the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Phoenix on March 20.

On March 23, San Pedro Unit donated \$10,172.85 to the Cochise County Children's Center. The center's Executive Director Nancy Panico and Program Director Kim Tellez were very surprised to learn of the amount of the check being donated to them. Ms. Panico says the amount of money the inmates raised rivaled the results of even their sponsored fundraiser events.

CO III Martinez says donations like these would not have been possible without the help of Warden Therese Schroeder, EAP Coordinator James Gierke, CO III Barbara Lancaster and DW Meegan Muse.

ADC donates over \$50,000 to three elder abuse groups during National Crime Victims Week



Left to Right: Kay White, Director of Administration of Resources and Choices (Pima County/Southwestern Arizona), Mary Lynn Kasunic, the President and CEO of Area Agency on Aging, Region One in Maricopa County and Diane Umphress, Executive Director of Amberly's Place in Yuma receive a check from Governor Jan Brewer and ADC Director Charles L. Ryan during the National Crime Victim's Rights week kick-off event at the State Capitol Executive Tower lobby.

National Crime Victim's Rights Week was April 26 through May 2. This year, during the kick-off event at the State Capitol, Gov. Jan Brewer and ADC Director Charles L. Ryan presented a check for \$50,786.80 to three elder abuse groups. Dan Levey, with ADC's Office of Victim Services says the money was raised through inmate donations.

The Restorative Justice Program is part of Victim Services and provides offenders the opportunity to give back to the community.

Inmates give back in many ways such as putting

together the victims' rights week ribbons, building children's game tables for crisis shelters, crocheting baby layettes and blankets for women and their children at domestic violence shelters and building victim memorials around the state.

This is the fifth year that a special fundraising campaign that benefits a specific group of victims was conducted. Previous years have provided funds to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Survivors, Homicide Survivors, Mothers and Students Against Drunk Driving, and the Victim Compensation Program.



COTA CORNER

The Arizona Department of Corrections congratulates the recent graduates of the Correctional Officer Training Academy. COTA is located on 40 acres in the foothills west of Tucson, with additional classes held at ASPC-Perryville and other locations as necessary and twice a year COTA also hosts a K-9 Academy. COTA provides training for ADC cadets and tenured staff and for county jails and other detention centers around the state. The curriculum encompasses 360 contact hours and the graduating cadets receive 21 Community College credits, which they can then use towards higher-level education degrees. Cadets are trained and assessed in six different areas including academics, physical fitness, firearm qualification, self defense, professional behavior and ethical standards. Following nine weeks of training, graduates are sworn in as Correctional Officers.

COTA Class #837



Class Lt.: Lisa Oberle
Class Sgt.: Alfred Martinez

Advisor: CO II Albert Glen
Advisor: CO II Denise Ochoa

CLASS ROSTER

Victoria L. Boatner, Rokeya D. Bogan, Veronica M. Buchanan, Brett P. Burden, Matthew W. Calteux, Judy L. Contreras, Dennis E. Cruce, Laurence Galaz De La Vega, Carmen Gallardo, Debra A. Gentry, Ivan S. Gil Tornero, Nathaniel Harris, Cezar A. Hielo, Nicole C. Hommel, Jeremy A. Howard, Robert B. Hunter, Craig W. Kaiser, Michael J. Kellar, Jorge A. Lopez, Charles W. Lowther, Monica R. Marmolejo, Tracy L. Mcgee, Eddie Medina Jr., Anthony Nazario, Edna M. Noriega, Maria L. Nungaray De Vazquez, Rafael G. Peralta, Amos Perry, Sergio Quiroz Lopez, Julie V. Sanchez, Jonathan G. Sawyer, Eboni Smith, Brian A. Trapanotto, Jessica L. Valdez-Morales, Jason B. West, Kimberli M. Wilson, Amy M. Woods.

CLASS AWARDS

Professionalism: Rokeya D. Bogan; Nathaniel Harris. Academic Achievers: Robert B. Hunter - 96.49%; Matthew W. Calteux - 94.65%; Amos Perry - 93.91%. Firearms Expert: Charles W. Lowther - 249; Robert B. Hunter - 248; Eddie Medina, Jr. - 242, Rafael G. Peralta - 241

COTA Class 838

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Class Lt.: Lisa Oberle
Class Sgt.: Russell Simpson

Advisor: CO II Kimm Petrun
Advisor: CO II Tadeo Vasquez

CLASS ROSTER

Chad E. Allen, Lamont L. Barber, Veronica Bautista, David C. Behle, Frank C. Blurton, Clyde Brown, Noel Ondon, Michael J. Del Tour, Anthony C. Eeds, Ryan D. Eldridge, Paul M. Fields, Marco E. Garces, John M. Garcia, Alessandro J. Ippolito, Richard M. Johnson, Cynthia Juarez, Katherine E. Knabel, Andrew J. Levine, Heriberto Una, Jose R. Madrueno, Troy D. Millard, Monica Moncivaiz, Gilberto Morales Jr., Eric Navarro, Gerrick A. Orman, Cindy J. Nunn, Martin Palma Jr., Dean Randall, Daniel E. Romero, Janiera I. Scott, Pamela R. Smith, Linda L. Snook, Kenyata S. Umbles, Guadalupe D. Valencia Ruvalcaba, Michael A. Wilson, Jason L. Witt, Endy Zavala.

CLASS AWARDS

Academic Achievers: Linda L. Snook - 97.05%; Paul M. Fields - 96.86%; Michael J. Del Tour - 95.94%. Firearms Expert: Jose R. Madrueno - 244; Anthony C. Eeds - 240.

COTA Class 839



Class Lt.: Fernando Dicochea
Class Sgt.: Norma Rubio

Advisor: CO II Guillermo Manriquez
Advisor: CO II Johnathon D. Scott

CLASS ROSTER

Shawn A. Allen, Brandon M. Barnes, Rosalia T. Bernatene, Jose Bravo, Mario A. Buchanan, Luis F. Calderon, Dane C. Calma, Terry D. Cook, Eduardo Espinoza-Quintero, Mariana Garcia, Nicholas R. Garcia, Evan B. Hazelton, Laura L. Kalman, Manuel H. Molina, Yvonne D. Ortega, Gregory T. Price, Michael A. Rife, Ronald L. Simmons Jr., Crystal J. Staab, Thomas R. Vance.

CLASS AWARDS

Professionalism: Terry D. Cook; Gregory T. Price. Academic Achievers: Jose Bravo - 95.57%; Evan B. Hazelton - 95.02%; Shawn A. Allen - 94.46%. Firearms Expert: Brandon M. Barnes - 244; Luis F. Calderon - 241.

COTA Class 840



Class Lt.: Lisa Oberle
Class Sgt.: Tom Dimmick

Advisor: CO II Mary P. Capalby
Advisor: CO II David K. Merriman

CLASS ROSTER

Debra A Adams, Amanda K. Axtell, La Tonda P Carpenter, Michael L. Carter, Judy A. Hathaway, Kristin E. Heather, David T. Hoopes, Anthony J. Ingenito III, Elizabeth E. McFate, Patricia A. Mitchell, Louie Ramirez, Justin S. Reedholm, Edgar C. Sherman, Phillip K. Swoope.

CLASS AWARDS

Professionalism: La Tonda P. Carpenter. Academic Achievers: Patricia A. Mitchell - 95.39%; Kristin E. Heather - 93.54%; Edgar C. Sherman - 92.07%. Firearms Expert: Justin S. Reedholm - 247; Edgar C. Sherman - 244; Kristin E. Heather - 243.