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MDOC Region I Community Services Division Employees Receive Employee Recognition/Service Awards

Parchman – The employee recognition awards ceremony for the Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) Community Services Division Region I was held Tuesday at the Mississippi State Penitentiary (MSP) in Parchman, Miss. At the ceremony, three employees received employee recognition awards.

In addition, six community services employees were recognized for their years of service to MDOC. Community Services Region I employees that reached a milestone in service years during first quarter include:

Name	Hometown	Years of Service
Anthony Dunn	Carrollton	5
Tony Harris	Gunnison	5
Kathy Moore	Cleveland	5
Curtis Flowers	Greenwood	10
Barbara Harrell	Marks	15
Aubrey Evans	Rosedale	20

Shirley Weidman, Personnel Director for the Community Services Division, announced the names of the employees celebrating service anniversaries while Deputy Commissioner Lora Cole and Region I Field Officer IV Clay Baker presented each with certificates.

“I would like to congratulate all of the award recipients,” said Cole. “I hope you will cherish these awards – they represent that you have gone above and beyond what is normally expected in your job duties.” Baker announced the names of the employees receiving recognition awards while Cole presented each with certificates and lapel pins. The recognition award recipients were:

Barbara Anglin	Lee County Probation & Parole Office	Extra Effort Award
Beverly Corder	Pontotoc County Probation & Parole Office	Extra Effort Award
Kenneth Fox	DeSoto County Probation & Parole Office	Extra Effort Award

The MDOC Employee Service Award Program originated in July 2001 to nominate fellow MDOC employees for the following awards:

- Correctional Officer of the Month;
- Field Officer of the Month;
- Staff Employee of the Month; and
- Security Employee of the Month.

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In addition, MDOC established the Heroism Award and Extra Effort Award. The Heroism Award is given to employees who go above and beyond the call of duty in heroic efforts to either save the life on an individual or prevent other lives from dangerous situations. The Extra Effort Award is designed to recognize employees who go the extra mile or take on additional duties to assist in a project in order to get it done.

MDOC will hold ceremonies each month to officially recognize outstanding employees at all three state institutions (Mississippi State Penitentiary in Parchman, Miss; Central Mississippi Correctional Facility in Pearl, Miss; and South Mississippi Correctional Institution in Leakesville, Miss.) and at the MDOC central office in Jackson.

Community Services Division Service Award Recipients

Barbara Anglin, of Beldon, is a Correctional Services Aide at the Lee County Probation and Parole Office in Tupelo. Anglin was nominated for an Extra Effort Award because of her willingness to fill in once a week at another probation and parole office that does not have a correctional services aide. Anglin was nominated by her supervisor, Bill Brand.

“She is an employee that is dependable, honest, trustworthy and is always at work on time,” said Brand. “She stays after 5 p.m. if necessary, in order to get the job done.”

Beverly Corder, of Pontotoc, is a Program Coordinator at the Pontotoc County Probation and Parole Office in Pontotoc. Corder was nominated for an Extra Effort Award by Bill Brand, Field Officer IV. Corder was nominated because of her hard work and dedication to helping offenders. Corder has also been assisting in another office that does not have a program coordinator.

“She performs her duties as a Program Coordinator with the best interest of each offender in mind,” said Brand. “She makes a big effort to see that they all receive any type of treatment needed for rehabilitation and at time goes beyond those duties to assist offenders with other needs.”

Kenneth Fox, of Hernando, is a Field Officer III at the DeSoto County Probation and Parole Office in Hernando. Fox was nominated for an Extra Effort Award by his supervisor, Clay Baker. Fox was nominated because of his neat, correct and timely work habits, and because of the pride he takes in his work performance.

“He is my right hand,” said Baker. “He is a true asset to the Mississippi Department of Corrections.”

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MEDIA NOTE: MDOC has digital photos of award recipients. If you are interested in receiving a photo, please call Kent Crocker at (601) 359-5616 or e-mail him at kcrocker@mdoc.state.ms.us