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MDOC Prison Employees Recognized for Outstanding Service

Jackson – The Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) today announced the state prison system’s monthly service awards recipients for November 2002. Employees recognized from the state’s public institutions were presented recognition awards for outstanding service to the agency. The Mississippi Department of Corrections currently has over 3,600 people in its employ statewide.

“We are extremely proud of our agency’s correctional staff,” said MDOC Commissioner Christopher Epps. “Our employees are very professional and highly motivated. They display great pride in their profession, which is extremely stressful and frequently entails many long hours of hard work. Our employees are truly champions of public safety. They are to be saluted for their bravery and their public service.”

Central Mississippi Correctional Facility Recognition Award Recipients

Name	Job Title	Hometown	Award
Tony Compton	Deputy Warden	Brandon	Staff Employee of the Month
Aleasea Huff	Correctional Officer III	Jackson	Extra Effort Award
Belita May	Correctional Officer I	Carthage	Correctional Officer of the Month
Sharon Paige	Lieutenant	Jackson	Security Employee of the Month

South Mississippi Correctional Institution Recognition Award Recipient

Name	Job Title	Hometown	Award
Shelia Bradley	Warehouse Clerk III	Leakesville	Extra Effort Award
Vivian Hoeflich	Lieutenant	Leakesville	Security Employee of the Month
Opal Miller	Sergeant	Leakesville	Correctional Officer of the Month

Mississippi State Penitentiary Recognition Award Recipients

Name	Job Title	Hometown	Award
Danna Clemmons	Case Manager	Indianola	Staff Employee of the Month
Alma Holman	Lieutenant	Marks	Security Employee of the Month
Dawn Stingley	Sergeant	Cleveland	Correctional Officer of the Month

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Recipients received award certificates and lapel pins. The Security Officer of the Month, the Staff Employee of the Month and the Correctional Officer of the Month recipients also received plaques. MDOC began its monthly awards program in an effort to recognize the outstanding employees for their dedication to the agency's mission of providing public safety.

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MEDIA NOTE: If you would like more information on the award recipients, contact Ken Jones at: (601) 359-5608 or send an e-mail to kjones@mdoc.state.ms.us