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MDOC Employees Receive Employee Recognition Awards

Jackson – The Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) announced recently the October, November and December Central Mississippi Correctional Facility (CMCF) and Region II Community Corrections employee award recipients for the fourth quarter of 2009.

CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Award Recipient	Title	Hometown	Award
Anderson, Lela	Correctional Supervisor	Clinton, MS	Security Employee of the Month Award (December)
Anderson, Varsharske	Correctional Officer II	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Banks, Caprice	Correctional Case Manager	Jackson, MS	Five Year Tenure Award
Banks, Sean	Correctional Supervisor	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Bennett, Joel	Correctional Officer I	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (October)
Benson, Brenda	Voc. Ed. Instructor	Crystal Springs, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Benson, Mary	Correctional Case Manager	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Brooks, Latasha	Correctional Officer II	Brandon, MS	Correctional Officer of the Month Award (December)
Brown, Amy	Correctional Supervisor	Pearl, MS	Fifteen Year Tenure Award
Brown, Gillis	Correctional Supervisor	Edwards, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Bruce, Jamaal	Correctional Officer I	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Burkes, Peggy	Correctional Officer IV	Forest, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Causey, Carla	Academic Teacher I	Pearl, MS	Extra Effort Award (November); Extra Effort Award (Dec)
Cheatham, Jennifer	Correctional Case Manager	Jackson, MS	Five Year Tenure Award
Craig, Petrina	Correctional Case Manager	Crystal Springs, MS	Ten Year Tenure Award
Crain, Travis	Correctional Officer IV	Mendenhall, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Dillard, Janice	Correctional Officer IV	Florence, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Fillyaw, James	Correctional Commander	Flowood, MS	Ten Year Tenure Award
Funchess, Carlos	Correctional Supervisor	Crystal Springs, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Gaddis, Aeria	Correctional Case Manager	Bolton, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Green, Steven	Correctional Officer Trainee	Ridgeland, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Griffin, Cory	Correctional Officer I	Morton, MS	Extra Effort Award (October)
Haynes, Brian	Alcohol/Drug Counselor	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Henderson, Fredrick	Correctional Officer IV	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Hilliard, Soncia	Correctional Case Manager	Hazlehurst, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Hines, Brenda	Correctional Case Manager	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Hobson, Yakina	Correctional Officer III	Pearl, MS	Extra Effort Award (October)

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Hollins, Gloria	Correctional Officer IV	Richland, MS	Correctional Officer of the Month Award(October); Extra Effort Award (November)
Irby, Maud	Correctional Warden	Brandon, MS	Twenty-Five Year Tenure Award
Jackson, Valerie	Correctional Officer IV	Hazlehurst,MS	Ten Year Tenure Award
Jefferson, Wandra	Corr-Services Aide II	Raymond, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Jenkins, Gerald	Correctional Case Manager	Byram, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Johnson, Michael	Correctional Commander	Crystal Springs, MS	Twenty Year Tenure Award
Joiner, Louise	Correctional Officer IV	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Kelly, Jesse	Chaplain	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (October)
Kemp, Angela	Correctional Case Manager	Clinton, MS	Staff Employee of the Month Award (November)
Lawrence, Edna	Academic Teacher I	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Lovett, Beverly	Psycho Evaluator	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Mayes, Yoronda	Correctional Officer IV	Florence, MS	Ten Year Tenure Award
McClendon, Tisha	Correctional Officer II	Jackson, MS	Five Year Tenure Award
McKay, Anotonius	Correctional Officer II	Canton, MS	Five Year Tenure Award
McLaurin, Lykesia	Correctional Officer III	Florence, MS	Five Year Tenure Award; Extra Effort Award (November)
Miller, Sharon	Correctional Case Manager	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (October)
Minor, Linda	Voc. Ed. Instructor	Crystal Springs, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Paige, Sharon	Correctional Commander	Brandon, MS	Security Employee of the Month Award(October); Security Employee of the Month Award (November)
Palmer, Carey	Correctional Officer I	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (October)
Patton, Derrick	Correctional Officer IV	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Powell, Tawanna	Correctional Case Manager	Hazlehurst, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Riley, Victoria	Correctional Officer III	Florence, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Seal, Julie	Voc. Ed. Instructor	Clinton, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Seaton, Linda	Division Director II	Brandon, MS	Twenty-Five Year Tenure Award
Shepard, Idella	Correctional Officer I	Yazoo City, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Singleton, Shemeka	Correctional Officer Trainee	Benton, MS	Heroism Award (December)
Smith, Cedric	Correctional Supervisor	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Smith, Cynthia	Correctional Officer IV	Jackson, MS	Ten Year Tenure Award; Extra Effort Award (December)
Smith, Melvin	Correctional Officer IV	Carthage, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Spann, Justin	Correctional Officer Trainee	Brandon, MS	Extra Effort Award (October)
Stalling, Jessica	Correctional Officer Trainee	McComb, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Tate, Connie	Correctional Case Manage	Brandon, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Thornton, Purvie	Correctional Officer Trainee	Jackson, MS	Heroism Award (December)
Tillman, Michael	Correctional Officer IV	Byram, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Tyler, Sheena	Correctional Officer II	Jackson, MS	Correctional Officer of the Month Award (November)
Washington, Alvin	Correctional Supervisor	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Wilbert, Terry	A/D Counselor	Byram, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Wilder, Lashetta	Corr-Services Aide II	Flowood, MS	Extra Effort Award (November); Extra Effort Award (Dec)
Williams, Halbert	Correctional Supervisor	Hazlehurst, MS	Fifteen Year Tenure Award
Williams, Yvonne	Correctional Officer II	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (November)
Wilson, Danyelle	Correctional Officer Trainee	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Yorks, Phillip	Correctional Supervisor	Richland, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)
Young, Isis	Corr-Services Aide II	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award (December)

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REGION II – COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Award Recipient	Title	Hometown	Award
Sara Williams	Field Worker	Byram, MS	Tenure Award – 5 Years
John Hollingsworth	Field Officer III	Utica, MS	Tenure Award –10 Years
Laquainta Wright	Field Officer III	Vicksburg, MS	Tenure Award – 10 Years
Dawn Bell	Field Officer III	Jackson, MS	Tenure Award – 15 Years
Audrea Dupree	Corr. Officer IV	Jackson, MS	Tenure Award – 15 Years
Desseree Dixon	Corr. Officer IV	Vaughn, MS	Tenure Award – 25 Years
Kevin Jackson	Deputy Warden	Byram, MS	Staff Employee of the Month-October 2009
Andre Smith	FO II	Port Gibson, MS	Field Officer of the Month-October 2009
Grady McEntee	Commander	Clinton, MS	Extra Effort Award-October 2009
Rachel Allen	CSA II	Brookhaven, MS	Staff Employee of the Month- December 2009
Otis Bailey	Commander	Fayette, MS	Security Employee of the Month- December
Latoya Anderson	CO III	Ridgeland, MS	Extra Effort Award- December 2009
Felicia Beard	Case Manager	Lena, MS	Extra Effort Award- December 2009
Valerie Buie	Commander	Madison, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Katherine Burgess	Case Manager	Magee, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Andrea Dupree	CO IV	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Clarissa Gates	CO Trainee	Yazoo, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Jasmine Houseworth	CO I	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Angela Jones	CO Trainee	Brandon, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Trina Key	CO Supervisor	Richland, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Lisa Spinks	FO I	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Carrie Squires	Service Aide II	Florence, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Priscilla Tenner	FO II	Vicksburg, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Linda Wilson	CO IV	Jackson, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Greta Winters	Case Manager	Yazoo, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Bernard Davis	CO II	Woodville, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Pauline McDuffie	CSA I	Natchez, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Shanell Strickland	CO I	Natchez, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
David Conston	CO Trainee	Yazoo City, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Shauna Bailey	CSA	Tylertown, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
William Bailey	CO III	Tylertown, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Alex Boyd	CO IV	Tylertown, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Jacqueline Boyles	Case Manager	Brookhaven, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Arthur Carter	CO III	McComb, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
William Reagan	CO IV	Denham Springs, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Dwight Robertson	CO IV	Tylertown, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Alton Robinson	CO IV	Mc Comb, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Billy Smith	CO IV	Mc Comb, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Amy Wages	CO IV	Fernwood, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009
Juanita Wiley	CO IV	Crystal Springs, MS	Extra Effort Award December 2009

Recipients received award certificates and lapel pins. MDOC began the monthly awards program in September 2001 in an effort to recognize the outstanding employees and their dedication to the agency's mission of providing public safety.

MEDIA NOTE: If you would like photos of the award recipients, contact Kent Crocker at (601) 359.5689 or send an e-mail to kcrocker@mdoc.state.ms.us