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NINETEEN MDOC PRISON EMPLOYEES RECEIVE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARDS DURING MAY

Jackson – Nineteen Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) employees from the state’s three public institutions were presented recognition awards during May. The awards program was initiated by the agency in July 2001 to recognize exemplary employees within the MDOC. The state corrections agency currently has over 3,600 people in its employ statewide.

Mississippi State Penitentiary

<u>Name</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Award</u>
Dorothy Gooden	Correctional Officer IV	Shelby	Correctional Officer of the Month
Anderson Bradford	Correctional Commander	Charleston	Security Employee of the Month
Robbie Free	Correctional Service Aid II	Parchman	Staff Employee of the Month
Leon Weeks	Maintenance Superintendent	Cleveland	Extra Effort Award
Malcolm Arnold	Maintenance Manager	Charleston	Extra Effort Award
Ronald Burchfield	Maintenance Manager	Parchman	Extra Effort Award
Dwight Presley	Warden Unit 29	Parchman	Extra Effort Award
Joan Ross	Disciplinary Chairperson	Charleston	Extra Effort Award

Central Mississippi Correctional Facility

<u>Name</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Award</u>
Cynthia Booker	Correctional Officer IV	Jackson	Correctional Officer of the Month
Nelda Doucet	Lieutenant	Brandon	Security Employee of the Month

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Award</u>
I. A. Gilmore	Associate Warden	Jackson	Staff Employee of the Month
Naomi Ford	Correctional Officer Trainee	Jackson	Extra Effort Award
LaShondra Jenkins	Case Manager	Brandon	Extra Effort Award
Spurgeon Williams	Correctional Officer I	Florence	Extra Effort Award
Jacqueline Williams	Correctional Officer II	Jackson	Extra Effort Award
Susan Brown	Correctional Officer III	Jackson	Heroism Award

South Mississippi Correctional Facility

<u>Name</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Award</u>
Erik Ward	Disciplinary Investigator	Lucedale	Staff Employee of the Month
Lori Alicia Box	Correctional Records Technician	Lucedale	Extra Effort Award
Mark Davis	Correctional Officer II	Buckatunna	Award of Excellence

Recipients received award certificates and lapel pins. Additionally the recipients of the Correctional Officer of the Month, the Security Employee of the Month, the Staff Employee, and the Heroism Award received plaques in token of the agency's appreciation for their outstanding service to corrections in Mississippi.

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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