



# THE GDC EAGLE

*"Soaring to Greater Heights of Excellence"*

Special Awards Issue



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## GDC HONORS STAFF

**Charles D. Hudson**  
Board Chairman



Commissioner Donald's Opening Remarks

The 2nd annual GDC Awards Ceremony was held on Tuesday, September 19, 2006 at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center. The event was held to recognize and honor staff and members of the community for their contributions to completing our agency mission.

The Colors were presented by the Color Guard from Burruss Correctional Training Center followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Brooks Benton, Assistant Superintendent at Davis PDC, impressed the crowd with a inspiring rendition of the National Anthem. Commissioner Donald opened up the program introducing a trio of guests that included Senator Johnny Grant, GDC Board Member Robert Jones and the guest speaker, Representative Jim Cole. Assistant Commissioner Brian Owens served as the Master of Ceremonies.

The **Correctional Officer of the Year** honors went to **Carlos Moody** of Montgomery State Prison. Nominees included Carolyn Banks - Burruss CTC, Zepa Camacho - ASMP, Kenneth Dorsey - Augusta TC, Charles Fleming - LaGrange TC, Lillian Gibbs - Ware SP, Joseph Hixson - Rutledge SP, Bobby Ragin - Lee SP, James Sills - Rouse DC and Charles Van Burren - Emanuel PDC.



**Carlos Moody**  
CO of the Year



**Ronnie Fields**  
PO of the Year

The **Probation Officer of the Year** honors went to **Eddie (Ronnie) Fields** of McRae Probation Office. Nominees included Ayana Brown - Atlanta Judicial Circuit, Brenda Caviness - Macon PO, Cathy Davis - Dublin PO, Rosa Lewis - Atlanta South PO and Willie Watson - Lakeland PO.

The **Employee of the Year** honors went to **Kathryn Morris** of LaGrange Transitional Center. Nominees included Lisa Ashburn - Lakeland PO, Eddie Howard - GDGP, Dean Joyce - Construction Services, Teresa Selph - McRae PO, Cassie Terrell - Lee SP, John Terwilliger - Emanuel PDC, Care & Treatment Staff - Baldwin SP and Probation Team One - Deployed to Hurricane Katrina Relief.



**Kathryn Morris**  
Employee of the Year



**Sandra Butler**  
Investigator of the Year

The **Investigator of the Year** honors went to **Sandra E. Butler** of Inmate Affairs.

The **Bobby Franklin Award** winner was presented posthumously to **Phillip Dodson** of Burruss Correctional Training Center. Mr. Dodson's wife, Melissa and daughter, Allison accepted this award on his behalf.

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**Phillip Dodson (Posthumously)**  
Bobby Franklin Award

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**Patricia Dague-Creech  
Cynthia Floyd Award**

The **Cynthia Floyd Award** honors went to **Patricia Dague-Creech** of the Atlanta Judicial Circuit. Nominees included Rosa Lewis - Atlanta South PO.



**John C. Clanton  
James Henderson Award**

The **James Henderson Award** honors went to **John C. Clanton** of Walker State Prison. Nominees included James Herron - Rutledge SP and Rudolph Small - ASMP.



**John Paul Ford (Posthumously)  
Legacy Award**

The **Legacy Award** was presented posthumously to **John Paul Ford**. Mr. Ford's daughter, Mrs. Paula Dean accepted this award on his behalf.



**Melvin Womble  
Individual Fitness Award**

The **Individual Fitness Award** honors went to **Melvin Womble** of Augusta State Medical Prison. Nominees included Reagan Black - Hays SP, Christopher Cooper - Alcovy Probation Circuit and James Hutto - Ware SP.



**Rockdale Judicial Circuit  
Facility Fitness Award**

The **Facility Fitness Award** honors went to the **Rockdale Judicial Circuit**.



**Lee Arrendale State Prison  
Facility of the Year**

The **Facility of the Year** honors went to **Lee Arrendale State Prison**.



**Womens P.D.C.  
Center of the Year**

The **Center of the Year** honors went to **Women's Probation Detention Center**.



**Atlantic Judicial Circuit  
Probation Circuit of the Year**

The **Probation Circuit of the Year** honors went to the **Atlantic Judicial Circuit**.



**Muscogee County Prison  
Facility of the Year**

The **County Facility of the Year** honors went to **Muscogee County Prison**.



**Volunteer of the Year  
Award Recipients**

The **Volunteer of the Year Awards** were presented to **Sheila Canady** - Pulaski SP, **Judy D. Davis** - Emanuel PDC, **Char-leather Greene** - Pulaski SP, **Forrest Jones** - Hancock SP, **Patricia Robinson** - Metro SP and **Rosie Walling** - ASMP.

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**Faith Based Contributor of the Year  
Award Recipients**

The **Faith-Based Contributor of the Year Awards** were presented to **Deliverance Temple** - Hancock SP, **Heartbound Ministries** - Metro SP, **Miracle Prison Ministry** - Burruss CTC and **Victory Baptist Church** - Augusta DC.



**Partner Agency  
Award Recipients**

The **Partner Agency Awards** were presented to **Clayton Regional Career Center** - Georgia Department of Labor and **Macon Vocational Rehabilitation Center** - Georgia Department of Labor.



**Corporate Sponsor of the Year  
Award Recipients**

The **Corporate Sponsor of the Year Awards** were presented to **Bob's IGA** - Thomasville DC, **Cagles Inc** - LaGrange TC, **Evans Ace Hardware** - LaGrange TC, **Fuller E. Callaway Foundation** - LaGrange TC, **Jerome Personnel/Business Temps** - Augusta DC, **Kann Enterprises** - Albany TC, **Macuch Steel Products** - Augusta DC and **New Ventures Inc.** - LaGrange TC.



**Baldwin SP Care & Treatment Staff  
PERW Award Recipients**

The **Statewide Public Employee Recognition Awards** were presented to **Marcus Carter** of Metro SP - Community Service, **Randy Yarber** of Walker SP - Customer Service, **Kevin Trimiar** of Arrendale SP - Heroism, **Arthur Woodson** of Men's SP - Humanitarian, **Alexis Chase** of Men's SP - Leadership and the **Care & Treatment Staff** of Baldwin SP - Team.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to those who received awards and also to those who were nominated!

Commissioner Donald concluded the ceremony and all in attendance were invited to attend a picnic on the GPSTC grounds to honor the award recipients.

We also want to thank our distinguished guests, Mr. Robert Jones, Senator Grant and Representative Cole for their support.



**Assistant Commissioner Brian Owens  
Master of Ceremonies**



**Honorable Jim Cole  
State Representative**



**Mr. Robert Jones  
GDC Board Member**



**Senator Grant greeted by Commissioner Donald**

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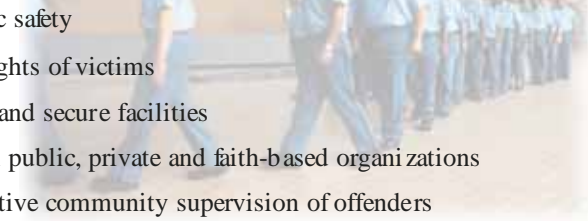
### MISSION, VISION, CORE VALUES

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**MISSION:** The Georgia Department of Corrections protects and serves the public as a professional organization by effectively managing offenders while helping to provide a safe and secure environment for the citizens of Georgia.

**VISION:** The Georgia Department of Corrections is the best correctional system in the nation at protecting the citizens from convicted offenders and at providing effective opportunities for offenders to achieve positive change. We are a leader and partner in making Georgia a safer, healthier, better educated, growing and best managed state. We do this by:

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- Ensuring public safety
  - Ensuring the rights of victims
  - Operating safe and secure facilities
  - Partnering with public, private and faith-based organizations
  - Providing effective community supervision of offenders
  - Sustaining core values of Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity and Personal Courage
  - Creating opportunities for restoration to offenders
  - Ensuring the well being of employees and their families.

### **CORE VALUES:**

- **Loyalty** - Bear true faith and allegiances to the Constitution of the United States and the State of Georgia, the GDC and other employees.
- **Duty** - Fulfill your obligations.
- **Respect** - Treat people as they should be treated.
- **Selfless Service** - Put the welfare of the Public, the GDC and other employees before your own.
- **Honor** - Live up to all the GDC values.
- **Integrity** - Do what's right - - legally and morally.
- **Personal Courage** - Face fear, danger or adversity (physical or moral).

