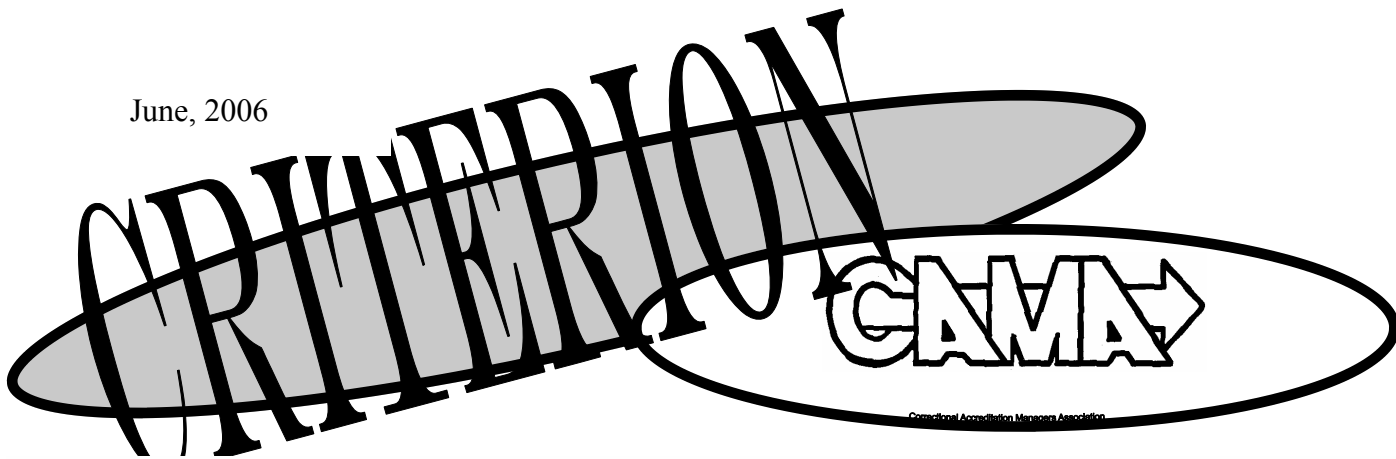


June, 2006



19TH ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE
Correctional Accreditation Managers' Association

CAMA strives to provide the best training available to Accreditation Managers during the annual conferences. Attendees confirmed that C.A.M.A. succeeded once again at the Indianapolis Conference. A special thanks goes to the Indiana Commissioner J. David Donahue and the planning committee led by Conference Chairs Tim J. Brown, Ron Allen, Randall Koester and Kerri Wolfe.



The Conference began with panel hearings during which time many facilities were granted Accreditation or Re-Accreditation. Certificates were awarded during an ACA sponsored luncheon on Sunday at which Commissioner Donahue was the keynote speaker. Training workshops were available for ACA Auditors, 4th Edition Adult Correctional Institutions, Jail Accreditation, Study and Preservation of Correctional History, Medical Standards, Trends in Accreditation, Accrediting Juvenile Facilities, Indiana CLIFF Units, Use of "Green" Products, Documenting Use of Force, Accrediting Parole Agencies, as well as many other areas of interest.

The Monday luncheon sponsored by C.A.M.A. featured Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections Secretary Richard Stalder as speaker. Secretary Stalder presented a slide show of the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina in Louisiana and especially how his Department handled evacuation and containment of the inmates. Indiana Commissioner Donahue presented him with a beautiful child's rocking chair for his Granddaughter. During this luncheon, award winners were announced and recognized. Information on these winners can be found on pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter.



Monday evening, we were treated with an evening on the Canal (sponsored by the GEO Group, Inc.). This event included a walk through the infamous Indianapolis tunnel, a buffet dinner, comedian and DJ. It was an evening of laughs.

Again this year, the Conference was a wonderful success and we appreciate the preparation work of Commissioner Donahue, Tim Brown and his committees. We certainly felt welcomed in Indianapolis, received excellent training and met many new friends in the Corrections profession.

THANK YOU, INDIANAPOLIS COMMITTEE!!



CAMA General Membership Meeting CAMA Conference May 16, 2006

The General Membership Meeting was opened at 10:20 am by President Dora Gorey.

Dora announced that the Executive Committee has accepted the resignation of the Executive Director, Clare Armstrong-Seward. Dora thanked her for her assistance and contributions to the organization.

Angela Arabie announced that the financial report is available for review by any member.

General announcements were made by Dora:

- Articles are needed for the Criterion. This is an opportunity for CCPs to publish to earn credits toward recertification.
- New CAMA officers will transition after August conference.
- There are still numerous welcome books that have not been picked up.
- Door prizes were drawn and distributed
- Presentations from this conference will be posted on the web site in about two weeks
- The next conference is in Northern Kentucky April 21 through 24, 2007.

The floor was opened up for comments from the membership:

- Conference was well organized
- There was something for everyone
- Phenomenal workshops
- Need more for Juvenile and Probation classes
- Example of folders would be helpful
- Accreditation 101 should be standard class for new Accreditation Managers.
- The Committee welcomes suggestion for speakers
- Have a board to exchange contact information (strictly volunteer)
- Commend host committee and speakers for a job well done.
- Dwight Harris potential speaker on evacuation of Juveniles in LA.
- Maybe add chat room to web site.
- What is the status of the proposed accreditation manual? – Amy – still in progress. Considering a class on helping agencies set up their own manual. Jo Glazier – I have submitted info and will continue to pursue this within Executive Board.
- Advertise drawing held in closing session
- Advertise next conference
- Consider one general session in morning of the last day of conference to get all the people together, then go right into closing session
- Consider new member reception
- Mothers day weekend is not a good time for conference

Julie Riley agreed to accept suggestions for the conference and evaluations of the conference and will compile results.

Elections: A member stated they did not receive Criterion until two days prior to due date of ballots. Bios of candidates need to be published in Criterion to make good decision. Dora reported that we struggled with finding people to run for office and apologized for the inconvenience.

Financial Report: I member stated they have not seen full financial report. Dora replied that a copy is available for review.

Dora informed the present membership that this is her last time to see them as a group during her term of Presidency. She thanked everyone for their support and indicated that it had been an honor to serve. Next year's conference will mark the 20th Anniversary of CAMA.

Joe Rion reported that the next conference will be in Northern Kentucky April 21 through 24, 2007. We will strive to diversify classes, (juvenile, local, parole). The membership is welcome to contact Board members with any questions.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Linda J. Allen Memorial Scholarship 2006 Award Recipient

The Linda J. Allen Memorial Scholarship was named in honor of the late Linda J. Allen of South Carolina, one of CAMA's earliest members and supporters. The scholarship, established in 1990 is used to help defray expenses for an accreditation manager to attend the annual CAMA Conference.



This year's recipient is Mike Wynne of the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections. Mike has been a long time member of CAMA, and has worked tirelessly to maintain accreditation for Louisiana's Adult Probation and Parole Field Services. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, Mike and other members of the department took on tasks that they never imagined they would perform. They provided essential security and relief services to a devastated area. In the months that have followed, probation and parole has had to adjust to changes in populations in various parts of the state. In spite of all they had to deal with, the Division of Probation and Parole not only maintained their standards of excellence, but underwent an audit in December, 2005 after a mere two month delay, and received a 100% score.

Congratulations Mike on a job well done!



Accreditation Manager of the Year



CAMA loves to celebrate excellence and success. Annually, one outstanding member is recognized as the Accreditation Manager of the Year. This award considers the candidates leadership and commitment along with achievements. This year the award was given to Lieutenant Joni G. York from the Chatham County Sheriff's Department in Chatham County, Georgia.

Joni was nominated by the Jail Administrator, Col. McArthur Holmes who wrote the following:

"Lt. York has been an exemplary employee working with Accreditation. She is a 'team player' and an excellent proponent of ACA Accreditation. She also has a total belief in the ACA Mission to provide a professional organization for all individuals and groups, both public and private, that share a common goal of improving the justice system."

We laud Lt. Joni G. York on her commitment to Accreditation. Congratulations!

A Friend is a present you give yourself.
Robert Lewis Stevenson

Fifth Annual Welcome Book Contest

Welcome Books were evaluated on the basis of the information's value, creativity and effort. The winning entry was given a free membership for one year to the submitter.

First Prize was awarded to Belmont Correctional Institution in Ohio. Dan Lipperman is the Accreditation Manager. Good Job, Dan! Congratulations!

Second Prize was awarded to Elayn Hunt Correctional Center in Louisiana where Angela Whittaker serves as Accreditation Manager. Congratulations, Angela!



Strategic Planning

Since CAMA's creation in 1987, it has experienced phenomenal growth in membership and influence. Changes in the field of corrections and justice have affected CAMA and the advent of the computer age has changed the way CAMA operates.

CAMA's leadership recognizes that we can no longer merely react to issues as they emerge. If CAMA is to continue as a leading organization, it must anticipate future change rather than react to change. To meet obligations to its members, CAMA must step back and take a good look at what drives the organization and its members. What is CAMA's mission? What are its goals? How well does it serve its members?

To accomplish this task, CAMA is about to embark upon a strategic planning process. Through this process we can create a clear road map for a balanced approach to insuring CAMA priorities are clearly defined to achieve the desired outcomes for the organization and its members. The first step of the strategic planning process is to seek and obtain feedback from you – the CAMA members. This involves a survey for you to complete either through the website or by completing the form provided in this Criterion issue on page 7 and mailing it to:

Jo Glazier, Agency Accreditation Manager
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After survey results are compiled, the CAMA Executive Board, former CAMA Presidents and founding fathers will use this information in a collaborative effort to craft CAMA's mission, goals and priorities and create a meaningful, forward-thinking document to guide the organization's growth for years to come. The Board anticipates beginning this effort at the 20th anniversary conference planned for 2007 in Kentucky and sharing the plan with members no later than the 2008 conference.

The Board is confident that the new strategic plan will enable CAMA to embrace the challenges ahead while continuing to be true to its core values serving the needs of its members.

CAMA Election Results

The newly elected slate of officers was announced during our annual luncheon at the Indianapolis conference. Those persons the membership chose to lead CAMA are:

President-Elect: David Haasenritter, Virginia
Secretary: Jo Glazier, New York
Treasurer: Angela Arabie, Louisiana (re-elected)

Regional Directors:

Central	Pam Ploughe, Colorado (re-elected)
North Atlantic	Byron Jasis, Kentucky
Northeast	Scott Renshaw, New York (re-elected)
North Central	David Taylor, Ohio
Southeast	Clay Williams, Louisiana
Western	Lynnwood Baade, New Mexico

At the conclusion of the General Business Meeting scheduled for the August ACA conference in Charlotte, North Carolina the new officers will take office and current President-Elect Joe Rion will step up into the role of CAMA President.

CAMA General Business Meeting and Changing of the Guard
Sunday, August 13, 2006
Hilton Center City
Charlotte Hall & Mecklenburg Hall
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF YOU ON YOUR
ELECTION!**

Congratulations and Best Wishes
Dora Gorey & Elaine Davis — on your Retirements
Joe Rion — on your promotion

2006 CAMA Conference Hi-Lights



Don't delay,
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CAMA needs your input!

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Please give the CAMA leadership team your thoughts on the following questions. Your responses will be compiled into a document to help guide the development of CAMA’s strategic plan. We appreciate you sharing your insights and look forward to making CAMA a better organization!

CAMA Region _____ State _____

How long have you been a CAMA member?

- less than 1 year
- 1 to 5 years
- 6 - 10 years
- 11 or more years

1. What do you see as CAMA’s primary mission? _____

2. Describe in general terms the activities that are presently conducted by CAMA that are directed at the achievement of CAMA’s mission.

3. What does CAMA do well? _____

4. What can CAMA do better? _____

5. What does CAMA need to do in order to be successful? _____

6. What should CAMA stop doing? _____

7. What do you see as impediments for growth and/or challenges for this organization? _____

8. What would you change about CAMA? _____

Thank you for making time to help guide the development of CAMA’s first strategic plan. Please send completed survey forms to:

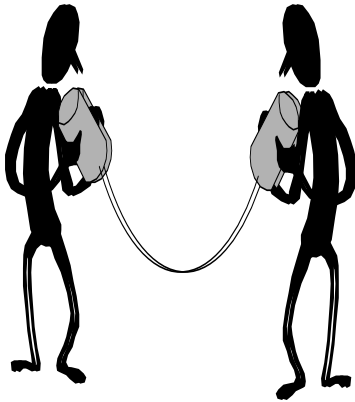
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