

The Academy Connection

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SOUTH CAROLINA
CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY



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Director's Message Hubert F. Harrell

This has been a very eventful year for our Academy and the hits just keep on coming. We finally got through the legislative and budget process and received the budget we asked for. It was touch and go for a while but thanks to the Training Council, the Sheriffs' Association and SCLEOA we were able to save our five dollar surcharge for one more year, and hopefully, we will get that proviso codified next session.

We are currently working on the older portion of our facility and the most prominent task will be to upgrade the air handling system. John Mincy, Vernon Counts and Bruce Clonts have been working hard to keep the building habitable and hopefully the upgrade in equipment will be complete within the year. We have patched and piecemealed our equipment for so long, we can no longer maintain an adequate level of service so most of it must be replaced. I appreciate the staff and students being patient with us while we make these necessary repairs.

The dining hall is open again and it is better than ever. We will continue to test drive it in order to work out any bugs we may have in the new equipment. Mrs. Manus and Mr. Shirer along with their staff are working hard for us and I greatly appreciate their effort and professionalism. The dining hall and kitchen look great and is something the law enforcement community can be proud of.

There have been so many tragedies in the public safety community lately. I hope you all join me in mourning the loss of the nineteen firefighters of the Hotshot Crew who died in Prescott, Arizona when their position was overrun by the blaze they were fighting. These young men were fighting to protect their community from harm. I know we all offer our prayers for their families and hope they know that all of us who serve recognize their sacrifice. Public safety, whether it be law enforcement, the fire service or the military, requires great sacrifice, not just for those who serve but their



families as well. It is for the greater good that we dedicate our service and in many cases, our lives. I sometimes ask myself where our nation would be if we hid from the dangers that threaten our nation. When others run away, we are compelled to advance, engage and overcome. That requires extreme dedication and a belief that someone must do the job, why not me.

I am privileged to see the transition of the young men and women who come here for training. They are inspired by our instructors and guided by the administrative staff. There have been many

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obstacles and hardships to overcome, but this staff has done it with limited resources, dedication and professionalism. That fact is reinforced every graduation when we see the faces of these resolute young men and women who we send from here prepared to give all for the community they serve. That is what we are all about.

We will continue to push forward and give the quality training our state mandates. I am convinced we are one of the finest training academies in the country and we will continue to be "Your Academy".

From the Registration Unit:

On July 1, 2013, the Academy implemented class fees for advanced training classes for the 13-14 Fiscal Year. July has been our month to "iron out the wrinkles" both for the Academy and agencies. We have been working diligently and things are starting to flow a little smoother. As of August 1, class fees must be made 30 days prior to the class date to avoid cancellation. Invoice/confirmations are emailed to the address listed in the "Contact email address" block on the submission page when registering candidates. There are no fees for either basic mandated classes or guest instructor firearms, guest instructor driving or basic instructor recertification. Class fees do include meal(s) and lodging. Fees can be made by check, purchase order or for state agencies, through SCEIS as an inter-departmental transfer. If you have any questions about class fees, please contact Missy Collins at (803)896-9912 or email mmcollins@sccja.sc.gov

Class Fees are as follows:

One Day Class	\$ 5.00
Two Day Class	\$20.00
Three Day Class	\$35.00
Four Day Class	\$50.00
One Week Class	\$70.00
Two Week Class	\$140.00

Prison Rape Elimination Act — PREA

By: Cliff Miller

In August 2013, correctional and local detention facilities will begin experiencing the first audits on their compliance with the new Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA). Standards for this legislation were released by the U.S. Attorney General in August 2012. The PREA criteria is intended to provide guidance to agencies for managing facilities that are safer and free from sexual coercion and harassment. Over the upcoming three years, each adult correctional facility and each residential facility for juvenile offenders can expect to undergo its first audit and then continue on a three year cycle.

In accordance with PREA, the SC Criminal Justice Academy is exposing new detention officer candidates to the importance and the standards of this legislation. In their first week of training each candidate will view a series of videos produced by the National Institute for Corrections. The information being conveyed in the videos is for information purposes only; however, it is recommended by the Criminal Justice Academy that once back at their respective agencies, PREA training should be a continued objective within their current training programs.

A Note From: The Traffic Safety Unit

DRE RECOGNITION SCHOOL

The Traffic Safety Unit will be offering three Drug Recognition Expert Pre-schools throughout 2014. The first class will be held in the Charleston area, the second in the York area and the third will be at the Criminal Justice Academy. These classes are two days long and the top 1/3 of the class will be offered a spot in the Drug Recognition Expert certification course in April 2014.

Interested students must be Class 1 certified officers and also must hold certification in Standardized Field Sobriety Testing. Once selected for the D.R.E. program, students will attend class at the Criminal Justice Academy before traveling to Phoenix, Arizona for field certification. All travel expenses to Arizona are paid for by the South Carolina D.R.E. program.

Interested officers should contact their training coordinators who can then register them for the classes in the ACADIS training system. Any questions or concerns can be forwarded to Michael Brantley with the Criminal Justice Academy. His office number is 803-896-7791 or he can be reached by email at jmbrantley@sccja.sc.gov

BASIC LAW SFST DRINKING LAB

With the addition of SFST and Datamaster DMT classes in the new 12 week basic training curriculum, it will be necessary to ask the field to assist us with volunteer drinkers. I believe this training will assist officers in not only DUI detection, but also help officers to recognize when subjects are impaired. This can make a huge difference in what approach an officer will take when handling various situations. We need approximately 250 volunteers per year. I know this sounds like a lot, but that is less than one percent of South Carolina's police population. If you can be of assistance or have any questions please contact Michael Brantley of the Traffic Safety Unit at (803)896-7791 jmbrantley@sccja.sc.gov or Dale Smith at (803) 896-5556 desmith@sccja.sc.gov.

Below you will find a list of dates we need volunteers. We can provide rooms to any volunteer who will need to travel and stay overnight. Alcohol and meals are provided for all volunteers; however, if they desire to bring their own alcohol that is permitted.

Dates for BLE Drinking Lab 2013-2014

July 31st & August 1st 2013
 Sept 11th & 12th 2013
 Oct. 2nd & 3rd 2013
 Oct. 23rd & 24th 2013
 Nov. 13th & 14th 2013
 Dec. 11th & 12th 2013
 Jan. 15th & 16th 2014
 Feb. 5th & 6th 2014
 Feb. 26th & 27th 2014
 March 19th & 20th 2014
 April 9th & 10th 2014
 April 30th & May 1st 2014
 May 21st & 22nd 2014
 June 11th & 12th 2014



**JP Strom Award Winners
April—June 2013**



BLE 598
Chase Stewart
SC Department of Natural Resources



BLE 599
Cory A. Cheshire
SC Highway Patrol



BLE 599
Hakam A. Salhuddin
Charleston Police Department



BLE 600
Melanie L. Coleman
Horry County Police Department



BLE 601
Aaron H. Vrooman
Lancaster County Police Department

**Bert Friday Award Winners
April—June 2013**



BJ 328
Joshua D. Boyd
Greenville County Detention Center

Basic Class Information

Basic Law Classes

B604	Cancelled
B605	June 24—September 20, 2013
B606	July 22—October 11, 2013
B607	August 12—November 1, 2013
B608	September 2—November 22, 2013
B609	September 23—December 20, 2013
B610	October 14, 2013—January 24, 2014

Limited Duty

August 19—29, 2013
October 21—31, 2013

Basic Jail Classes

BJ 329	July 8—26, 2013
BJ 330	August 5—23, 2013
BJ 331	September 2—20, 2013
BJ 332	September 30—October 18, 2013
BJ 333	October 28—November 15, 2013

Basic TCO (formerly E-911)

BTOT 177	July 8—19, 2013
BTOT 178	August 19—30, 2013
BTOT 179	September 30—October 11, 2013

**The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy
Traffic Safety Officer Conference
August 5-7, 2013**

**More information to come....Stay tuned to our website
www.sccja.sc.gov**

**If you have questions please contact Keely Zike at 803-896-7749 or
Mike Flitter at 803-896-7718.**



Employee Awards and Recognition



On May 7, 2013, the Academy recognized staff members for their years of state service and other awards and recognition. This awards ceremony was held in observance of State Employee Appreciation Week. (Pictured above Jeanne Crump receives Director's Award from Director Hubert Harrell.)

Outstanding Instructor (Basic) Award

Christopher Montjoy
Kevin Smith

Outstanding Instructor (Advanced) Award

Brian Bennett
Mike Brantley

Outstanding Employee Award

Kathy Danielsen
Tammy Hughes
Bill Kern
Hal Volin
Michael Wingard

Outstanding Manager/Supervisor Award

Brandy Duncan
Rita Yarborough

Director's Award

Jeanne Crump

15 Years of State Service

Jim Crosland
Jeff Finch
Theresa Clark

20 Years of State Service

David Bess
Hal Volin
Tammy Hughes

30 Years of State Service

Judy Thompson

Retirements



Fran Buraczynski
Producer/Director



Peggy Gerald
Registration

Welcome Our New Employees



David Walker
Mechanic



Minnie Davis
Food Services