

LOUISIANA STATE PENITENTIARY



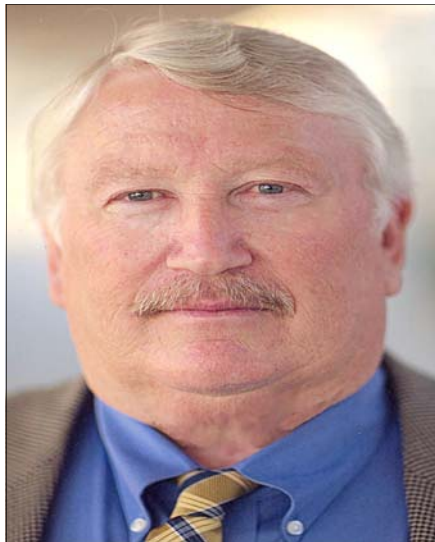
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MISSION AND PHILOSOPHY

The mission of Louisiana State Penitentiary is to provide services in a professional and efficient manner so as to protect the safety of the public, staff, and inmates. It is Louisiana State Penitentiary's responsibility to provide a positive environment that promotes goodness and humanity. The Warden formulates goals for the institution at least annually and translates these goals into measurable objectives.

It is the philosophy of Louisiana State Penitentiary to:

- ◆ Provide for the safety of the public, the staff, and the inmate population.
- ◆ Provide basic services relating to adequate food, clothing, health care and shelter.
- ◆ Provide moral rehabilitation through program participation in educational and rehabilitative programs for inmates who demonstrate motivation for change and the desire to participate in such programs.
- ◆ Provide a mechanism for inmates to compensate individuals and communities harmed by crime.

Our goals are to:

- ◆ Maintain accreditation through the American Correctional Association and the Commission on Accreditation which will further LSP's goals to evaluate overall operations against national standards, remedy deficiencies, and provide continual enhancement of programs and services.
- ◆ Utilize available resources to maximize the effectiveness of the LSP mission and programs; research, develop and implement plans to establish, expand, enhance and/or maintain appropriate programs and services.
- ◆ Improve the ability to recruit, hire and retain high quality, professional managers and staff; maintain a work climate characterized by professionalism, objectivity, good order and high morale; demonstrate to all staff, through a high standard of fundamental leadership, LSP's commitment to integrity.
- ◆ Develop process of transitioning an inmate back into the community from incarceration, probation or parole supervision.
- ◆ Maintain and continue to improve upon credibility with the general public and the local community.



Strategies to accomplish our goals:

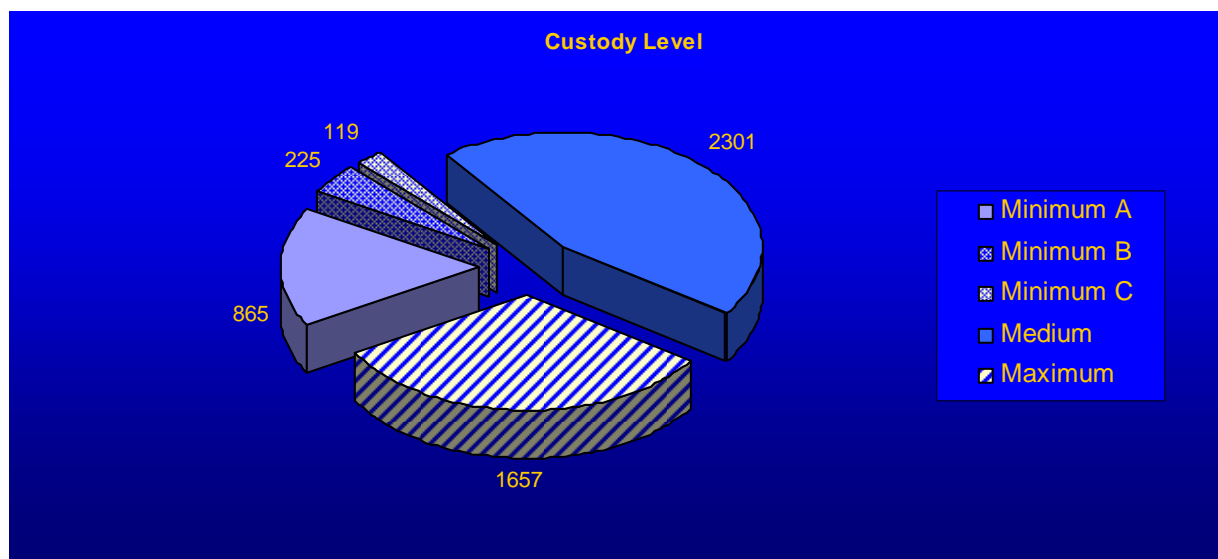
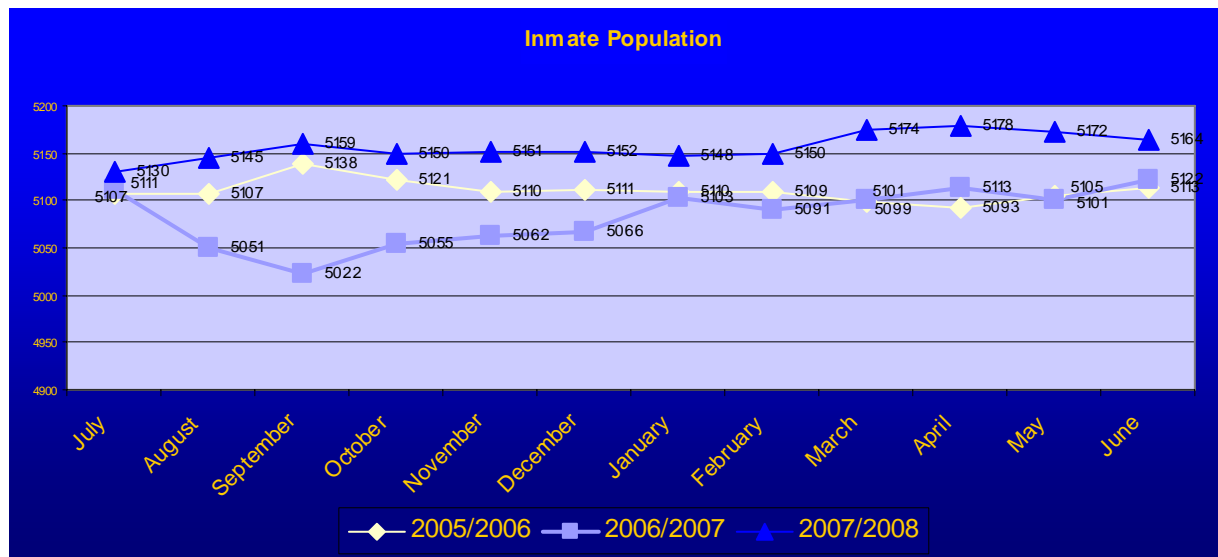
- ◆ Perform, on an annual basis, a total and systematic review of all programs, policies and procedures—updating and revising as needed.
- ◆ Develop and monitor performance indicators on a regular basis to insure maximum effectiveness and efficiency.
- ◆ Further develop inmate educational programming, with special emphasis on literacy.
- ◆ Perform a continuous review of security components of operations.
- ◆ Provide a wide array of faith-based services and programs to promote moral rehabilitation.
- ◆ Utilize risk assessment instruments as a classification tool to assess, identify and link inmates with rehabilitative services and programs specific to their reentry needs (i.e., education, job skills training, substance abuse intervention, housing, and medical/mental health treatment).
- ◆ Enhance staff development to meet the needs of LSP now and in the future through training opportunities.
- ◆ Evaluate and communicate employee job performance to promote productive dialogue between employees and supervisors.
- ◆ Through the use of available technology, provide a management information system designed to provide selected decision-oriented information needed by LSP administration to plan, control, and evaluate activities and programs.





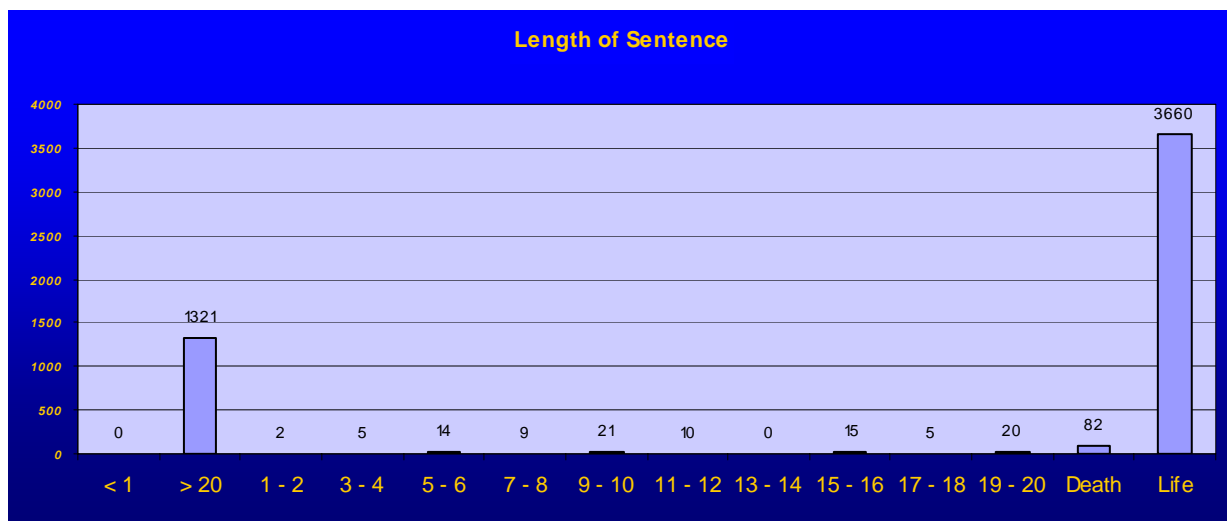
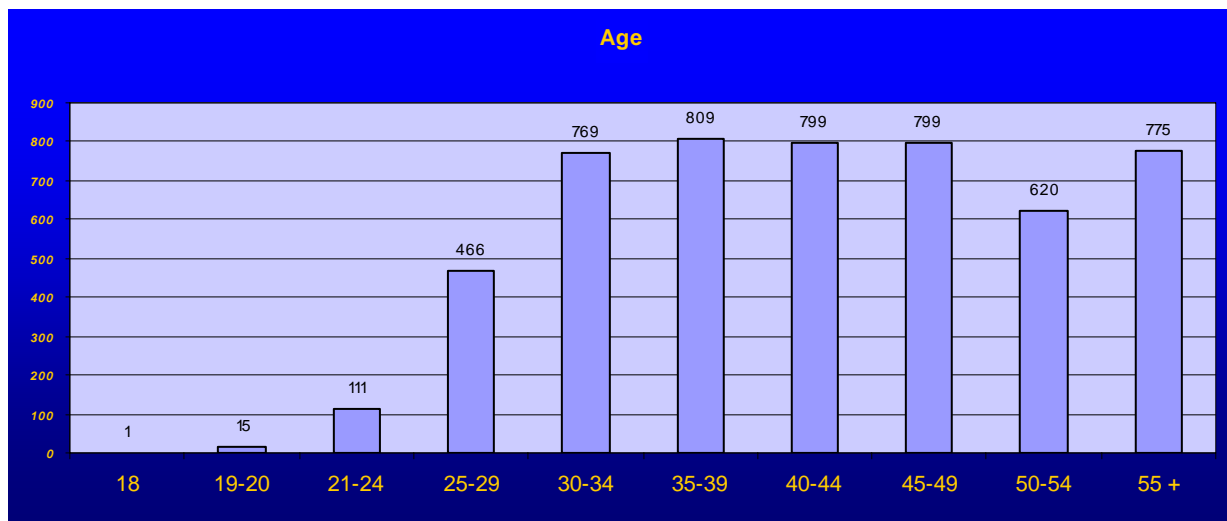
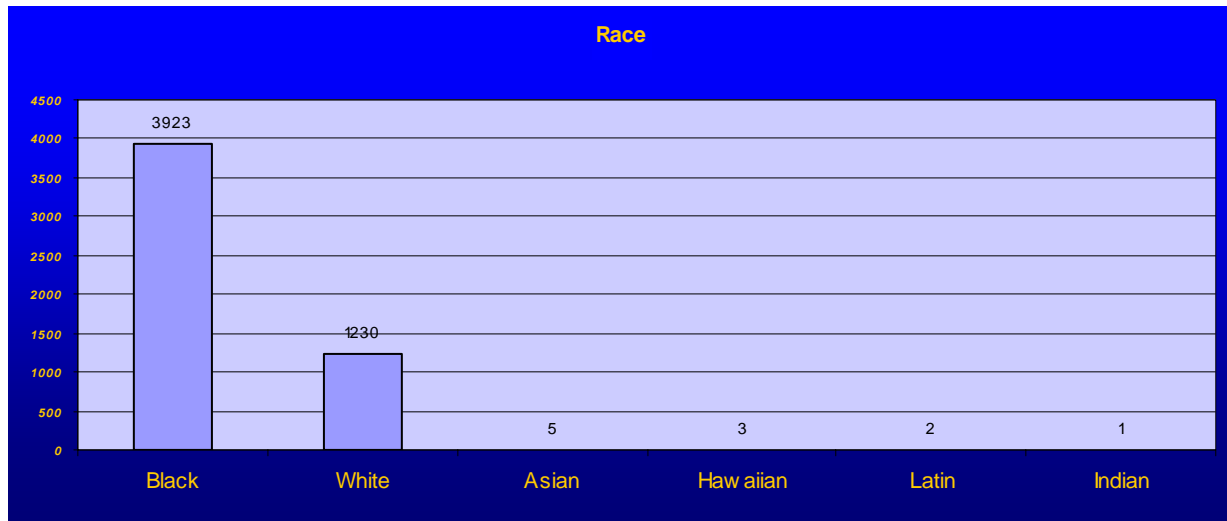
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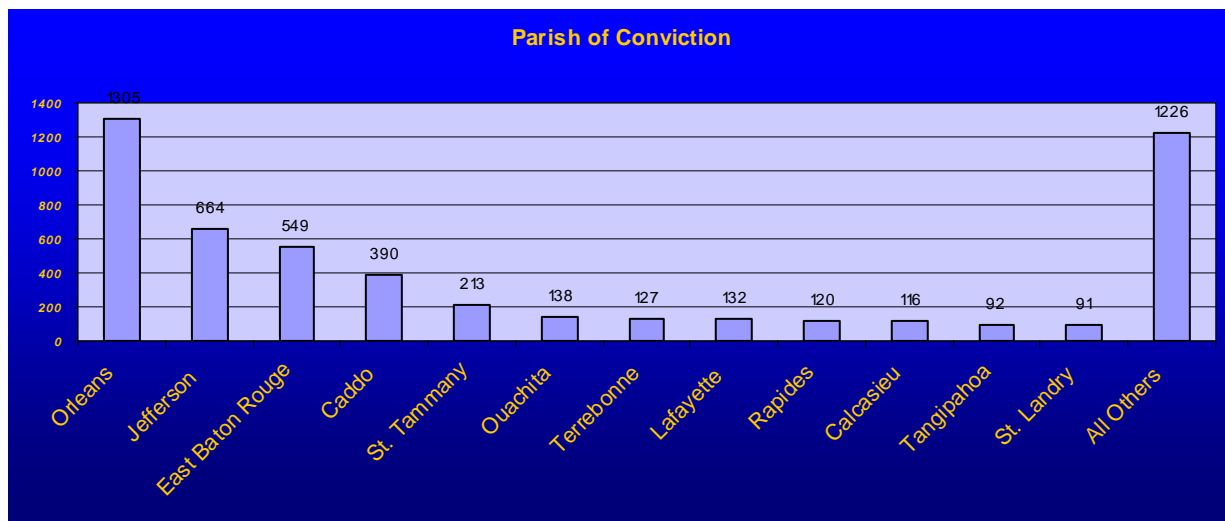
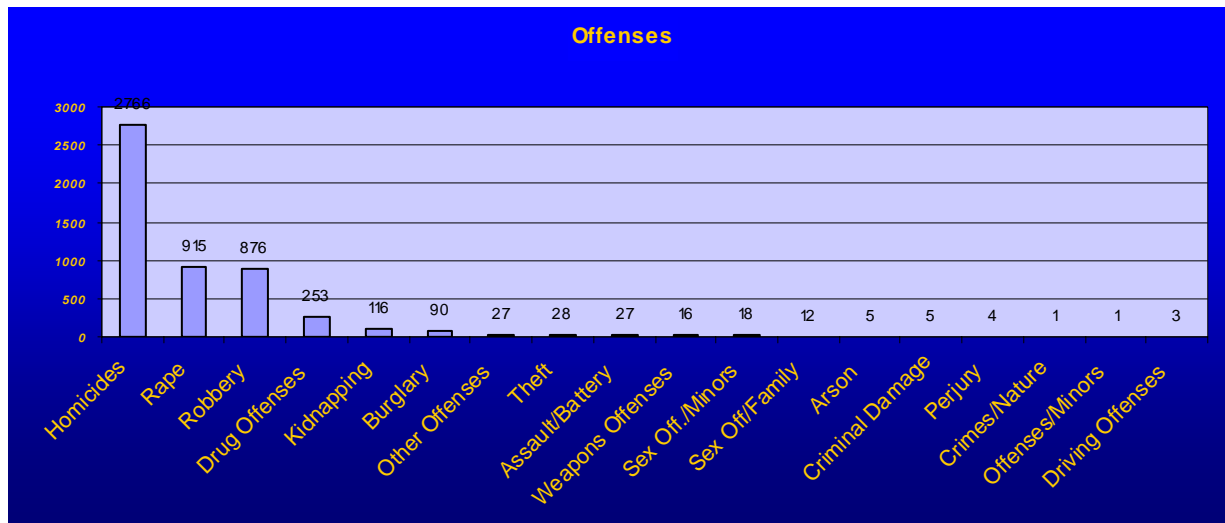
The following charts illustrate a demographic representation of the inmates in custody on June 30, 2008.



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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

On July 28, 2007, the Louisiana State Penitentiary Museum Foundation presented the Louisiana Justice Hall of Fame at the Bluffs Conference Center in St. Francisville. The prestigious list of inductees this year included: Margaret Richard Dixon (posthumously), Huntington B. "Hunt" Downer, Robert Downing, Cheney C. Joseph, Jr., The Knoll Family of Avoyelles Parish, Debra K. Mack, Randy Maxwell, Warren A. Perrin, Michael A. Ranatza, and Jerome M. Winsberg. Sergeant Major Manuel R. Curry was awarded the Louisiana Law Enforcement Officer of the Year and Janice Clark was awarded the Chief Justice Edward Douglas White Judicial





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Excellence Award. The Justice Hall of Fame was honored to have Governor and Mr. Blanco, Attorney General Foti, and Secretary Stalder in attendance.

Dr. Raman Singh attended the World Congress of Cardiology in Vancouver, British Columbia on July 25-30, where he was invited to present his research paper.

October 2007 marked the 43rd year of the Angola Prison Rodeo. The Angola Prison Rodeo is the longest running prison rodeo in the nation. What began as a handful of rodeo loving inmates and employees is now big business. Every Sunday during the month of October, the general public was invited to witness the "Wildest Show in the South" for a small fee. In addition to the rodeo performances, spectators were able purchase refreshments, meals, hobby craft items made by the inmates, and be entertained by the Angola Rodeo inmate band. The first spring Angola Prison Rodeo was held in April, 2001, and has now become an annual event.



Congressman John Conyers visited Louisiana State Penitentiary on March 21. Representative Conyers was investigating claims of wrongful convictions of the so-called Angola 3, who are fighting for a federal trial after decades in isolation.

As a result of the rising waters of the mighty Mississippi, during April, LSP staff began levee patrols of the Angola Levee System to ensure the levee remained stable and the perimeter of the prison remained secure. Twenty-four hour patrols were initiated to monitor the levee for weaknesses and sand boils. West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office assisted with this enormous task by providing their helicopter daily to inspect the levee system. An increase in overtime was experienced due to the reassignment of key staff to levee duty. LSP also experienced an increase in fuel usage during this critical time.

On April 5 the rising floodwaters of the Mississippi caused ferry operations to be suspended and crew boat operations were put into effect. Despite the high waters dedicated employees still reported to duty.





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On April 13, 2008, at approximately 6:07 p.m. the crew boat crossing Angola employees collided with a barge on the Mississippi River. A total of 20 persons were on board – 18 LSP employees on their return home after working their 12-hour day shifts and 2 employees of the ferry company. All 20 persons suffered injuries, two of which were airlifted to Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center in Baton Rouge. Twelve employees were transported by ambulance to local hospitals (4 to Lane Memorial in Zachary and 8 to Baton Rouge General Mid City). Four LSP employees and the two crewmembers were treated at the Robert E. Barrow, Jr. Treatment Center and released with minor injuries. The United States Coast Guard, Louisiana State Police, West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office, Acadian Ambulance, and the West Feliciana Parish Ambulance Service responded and assisted in the investigation and the treatment of staff.



Employees reporting to work on April 14, were redirected through Baton Rouge until a replacement crew boat was located and placed in operation. Crew boat operations resumed on the morning of April 15, 2008. All 18 employees injured applied for Worker's Compensation.

On the morning of May 7, inmate Claude Woods, #84289 was found lying on the floor of Nursing Unit 1. He was transported to the ATU for further evaluation. After arriving at the ATU it was discovered that inmate Woods had injected liquid soap into his IV. Inmate Woods later complained of feeling ill and had very low blood pressure. He was transported to Earl K. Long Medical Center. On May 8, at approximately 5:39 a.m. inmate Claude Woods expired at EKLMC due to DIC/sepsis/hypotention. This was reported in the monthly report as a suicide.

On June 17, Ms. Theresa Graves, mother of inmate Eric Graves, approached the Front Gate of LSP requesting to visit her son. Correctional Officers informed her that it was not a visiting day and instructed her to make a u-turn at the gate and wait in the visiting parking lot while they called someone to assist her. Instead of following the instructions, she proceeded to the Administration Building parking lot where she left her vehicle running and the windows down and entered the building. At that point she cursed several staff members who were attempting to assist her then returned to her vehicle. Attempts were made to get her to stop in the parking lot; however, she refused to stop and proceeded to the Front Gate. Perimeter Gate Officers and other staff responded to the incident and were able to block her vehicle. Attempts were made by staff, including the mental health director, to get Ms. Graves to exit her vehicle. All attempts failed. She also refused a West Feliciana Sheriff's deputy's orders to get out of the car, then put the car in reverse and backed into a LSP patrol that was blocking her vehicle. The responding deputy broke the car's side window and took the keys from the ignition, and the woman exited her vehicle without further resistance and was taken into custody by the WFPSO.



ACCREDITATION

The fifth re-accreditation audit of Louisiana State Penitentiary was conducted on September 10-12, 2007. Richard Bazzle, Chair, and members Ronald Hicks, Allan Westmoreland, and Donna Klein-Acosta reviewed standard files, evaluated facility operations, and toured the institution. The auditors were amazed at the size of LSP, the spirit of unity, and the scope of services and programs offered to the inmate population. LSP was found in 100% compliance with mandatory standards and 99.1% of non-mandatory standards. The four standards found in non-compliance were: 4-4052, 4-4132, 4-4133, and 4-4141. Mr. Bazzle and Mr. Hicks remained to conduct the second re-accreditation audit of the David C. Knapps Correctional Officer Training Academy on September 13-14. The academy was found in 100% compliance with both mandatory and non-mandatory standards.

Staff from LSP traveled to Grapevine, Texas to attend the 2008 ACA Winter Conference at the beautiful Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center. The theme of the conference was "Work Force: Heart of Corrections." Many of the workshops and sessions focused on this theme by addressing topics such as leadership, correctional safety, ethical training for managers, women in the work force, and recruitment and retention. Other topics addressed the future of correctional medicine, disaster management, the accreditation process, managing infectious diseases, and hostage negotiation. Congressman Danny K. Davis of Illinois was the keynote speaker at the opening session of the conference. Representative Davis co-sponsored the Second Chance Act of 2007. The act is designed to rehabilitate and to prepare ex-offenders for a healthy and positive reentry into normal society once they are released from correctional institutions in an effort to reduce recidivism.

On Sunday, January 13, Deputy Warden Darrel Vannoy, Accreditation Manager Susan Byargeon, and Major Donna Demoss appeared before a panel of ACA commissioners whose job it was to reach and render accreditation decisions. After giving an overview of the facility and answering questions posed by panel members, the commissioners voted to accept the plan of action to Standard #4-4052, the waivers to Standards #4-4132, #4-4133, and #4-4141, and to award accreditation to Louisiana State Penitentiary with a score of 99.1% and the David C. Knapps Correctional Officer Training Academy with 100%. Deputy Warden Vannoy and Ms. Byargeon attended the accreditation luncheon and awards ceremony on January 14, where the accreditation certificates were awarded.



C-05-003 audits continued during this FY with staff from LSP participating in reviews at DCI, DWCC, FWCC, and AVC. Approximately 25 of our peers from the Central Office and



EHCC arrived at LSP on June 10, led by Connie Geter to conduct a two-day C-05-003 Audit of the facility. Areas evaluated were security, medical, mental health, education, reentry, fiscal management, human resources, inmate records, information services, key standard file review, and walk through of the entire facility. The exit interview was conducted in the Warden's Office. Several of the auditors made constructive recommendations to improve the efficiency of operations. This on-site review of the institution provided the Warden with an objective, informative assessment of operational activities.

A total of 70 employees at LSP are certified by the American Correctional Association as corrections professionals.

SECURITY SERVICES

Louisiana State Penitentiary is located in a rural setting in West Feliciana Parish on 18,000 acres surrounded on three sides by the Mississippi River and the fourth by the rolling Tunica Hills. The facility consists of the Main Prison which houses approximately 2,500 inmates and 6 out camps (Camps C, D, F, J, RC, and Death Row) which house approximately 2,500 additional inmates.

Since 1995, LSP has operated each individual management unit under the Unit Management concept. Each housing area is equipped with its own Unit Warden, security, classification, programmatic and other support staff and each area operates as a "mini-prison" within the overall management structure of the LSP system.



Dormitory style, single bunk housing is available for general population inmates. Single cells are available to house inmates in administrative segregation, disciplinary detention/extended lockdown, protective custody, and those inmates assigned to Death Row.



During this fiscal year security worked hard to control overtime. This task was a tedious and difficult process. Measures were constantly being sought to continue to keep overtime hours to a minimum without compromising the safety, as well as, the morale of staff and inmates.

Numerous security supervisors were assigned to mandatory posts to assist in the decrease of overtime and the manning of these mandatory posts due to vacancies and employee leave usage.



Security vacancies coupled with employees on leave made covering mandatory posts a tedious task this fiscal year. During the month of November due to vacancies, employee leave usage and budget issues, and in order to reduce overtime and staff mandatory drops, Field Operations staff were redeployed to various security posts throughout the institution. At the end of the fiscal year this procedure was still in effect.



In November, night shift towers at Camp C were closed in order to redeploy staff to more crucial posts in an effort to decrease the cost of overtime due to employee leave or vacant positions. Hybrid wolves were placed between the fences at night to help deter the inmate population from attempting to escape. This area also utilized one officer as a roving patrol to monitor the outer perimeter fence at night. The night shift towers were reopened on February 12.

Lieutenant Colonels were re-assigned from an 8 hour shift to A or B Team in November and serve as shift supervisors. The 8 hour captain and major were assigned to work Thursday through Saturday or Sunday through Wednesday – which provides coverage during weekends for yards and visiting.

During FY 2007/2008 Louisiana State Penitentiary continued to house overflow arrestees from parish prisons. Inmates were and are still being housed in the Transitional Unit, Main Prison Cellblock and the Main Prison Gymnasium.



To better enhance and make officers aware of their surrounding, security training scenarios are utilized. During the past year a total of 1,460 security training scenarios were conducted at LSP.



In an effort to maximize cell utilization and reduce overtime, the Transitional Unit upper tiers were modified from 75 administrative segregation cells and one 15 cell extended lockdown tier, to 45 cells for parish prisoners, 15 cells for extended lockdown and 30 cells for administrative segregation to house inmates backlogged to the Camp J Management program or extended lockdown. This restructuring utilizes most of the ninety cells on the upper section of the Transitional Unit and opens up the gym (previously housing for parish prisoners) providing recreation to our inmates and eliminating two overtime positions per shift.

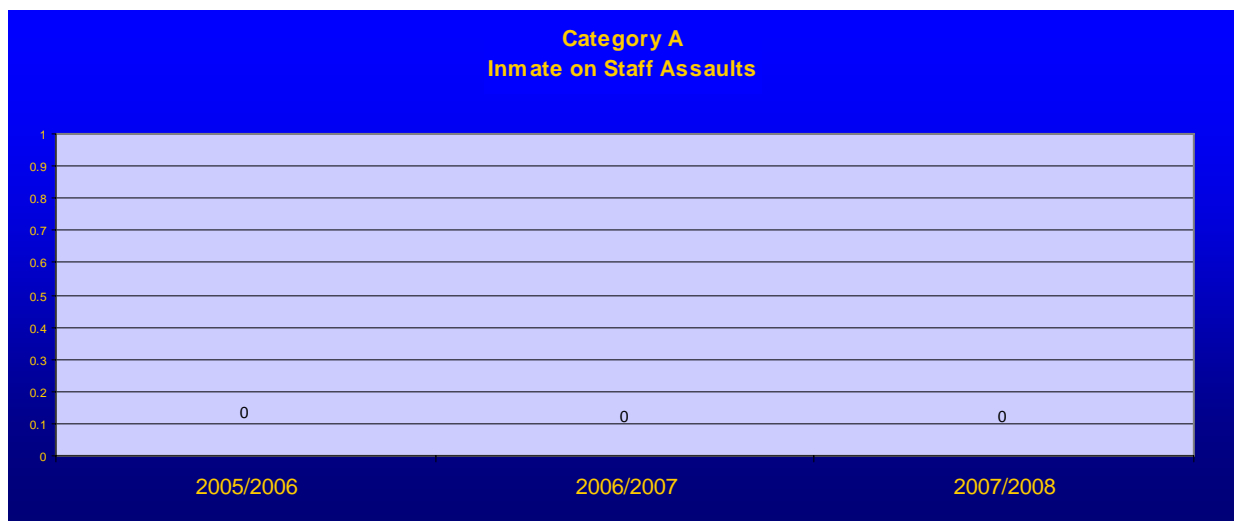


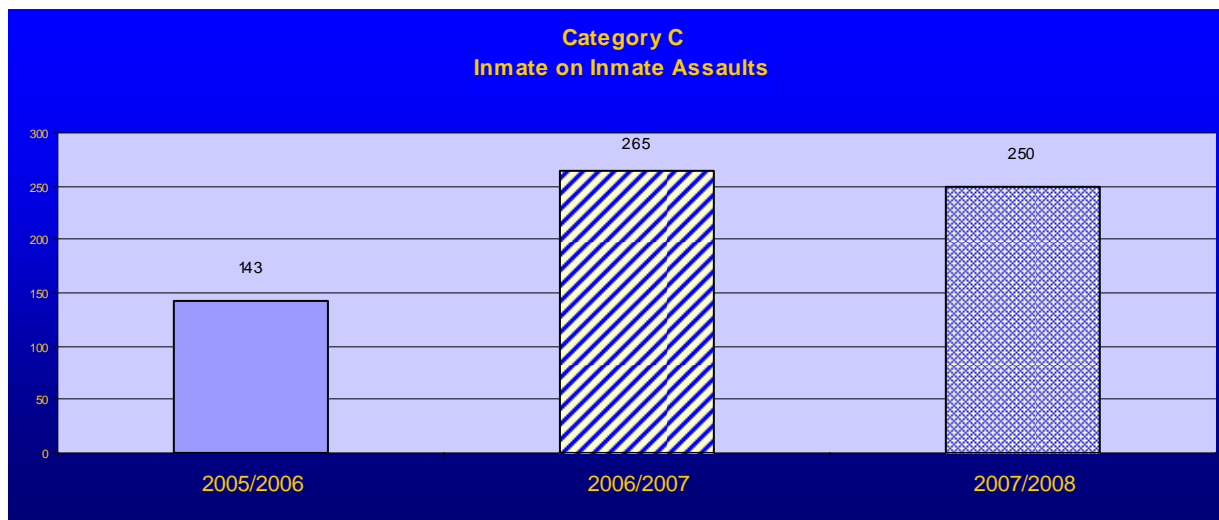
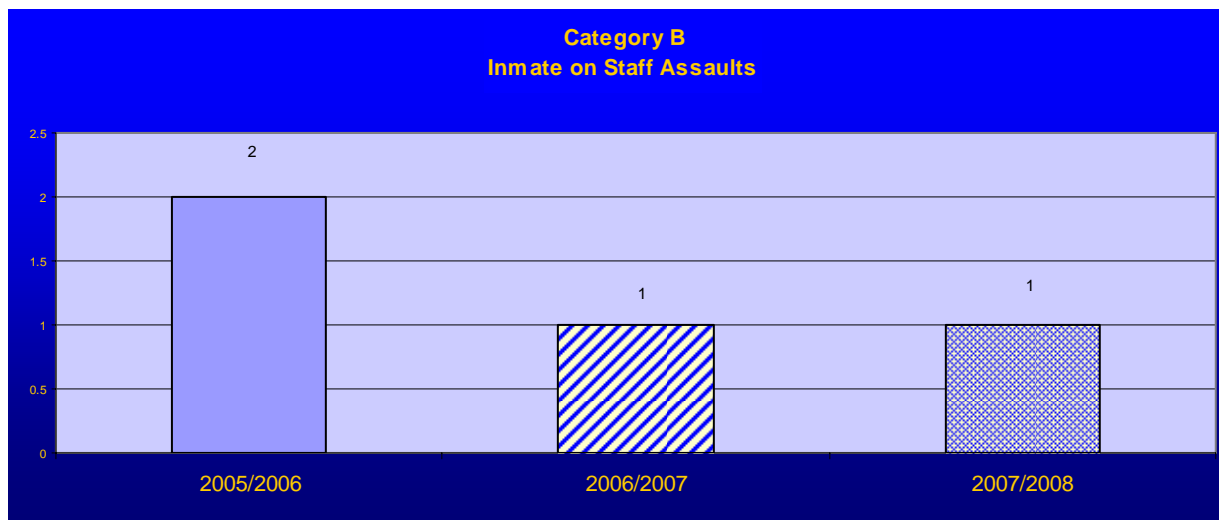
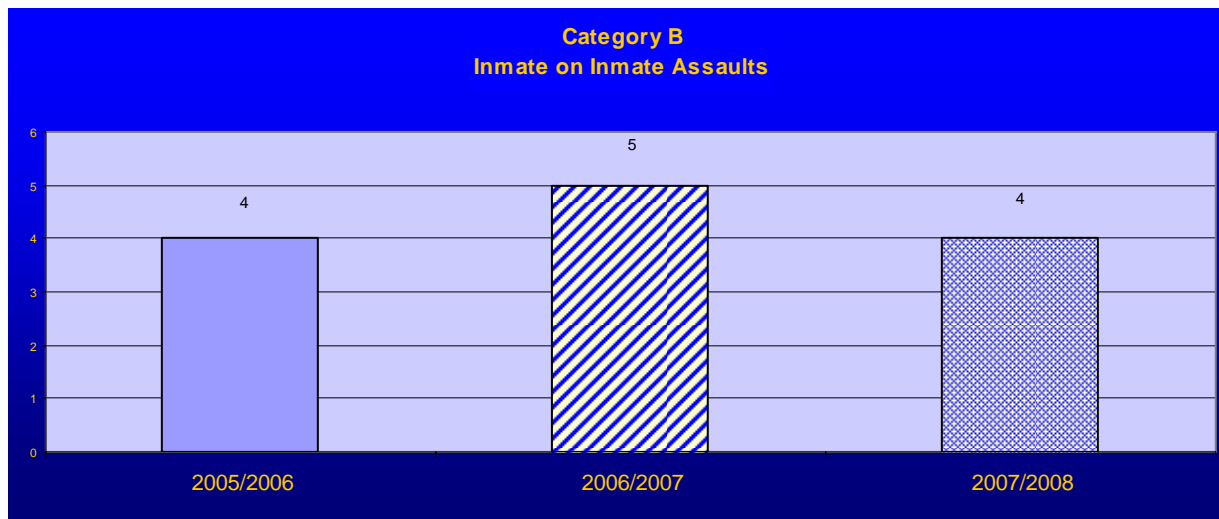
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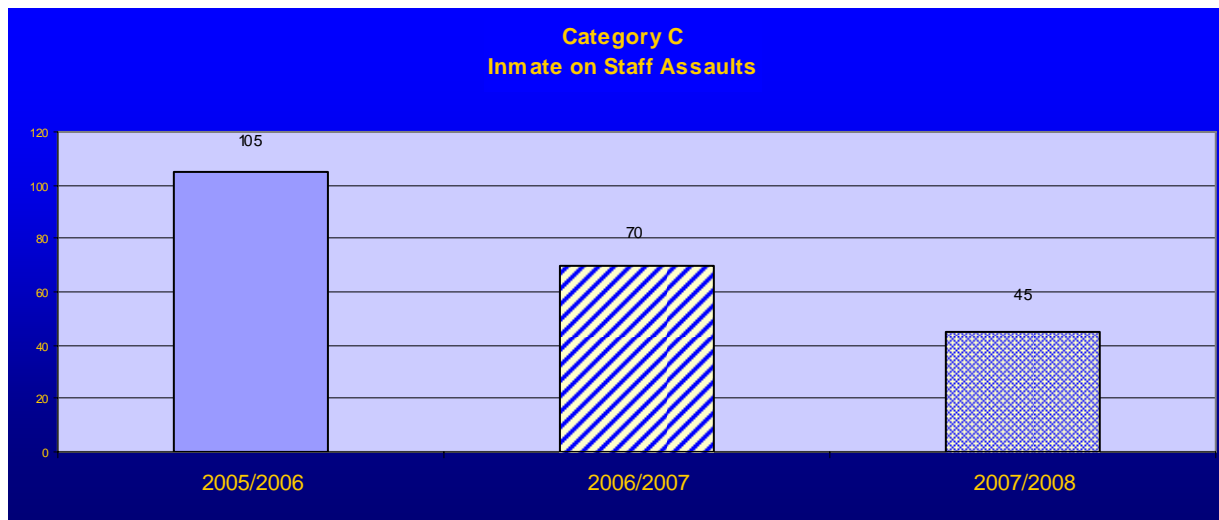
Camp C and Camp D established a trustee dorm. This allowed for the dorm officer to be re-deployed during the day shift; the walk officer makes checks on the dorm.

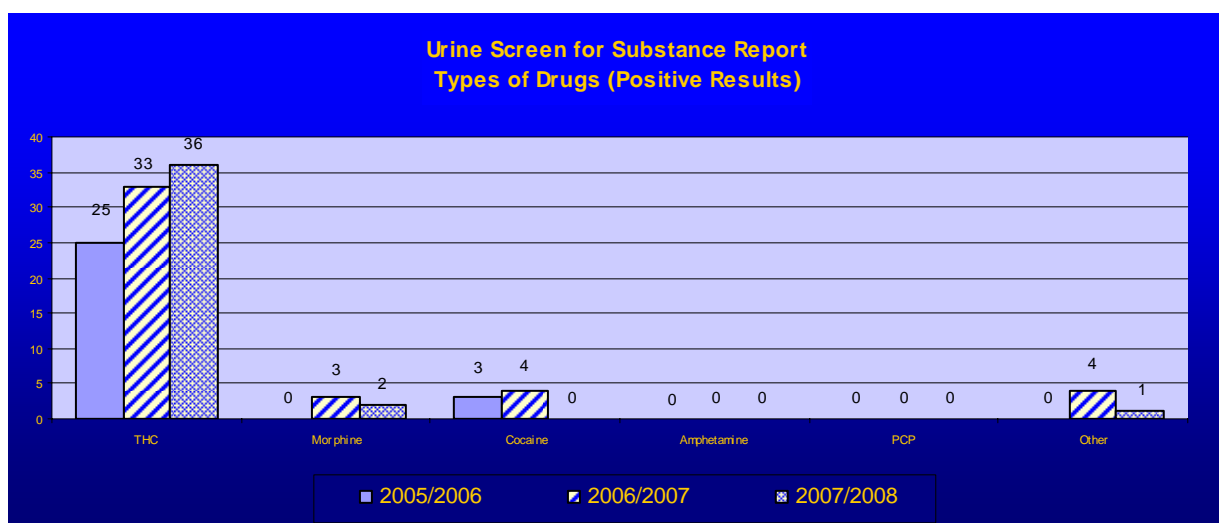
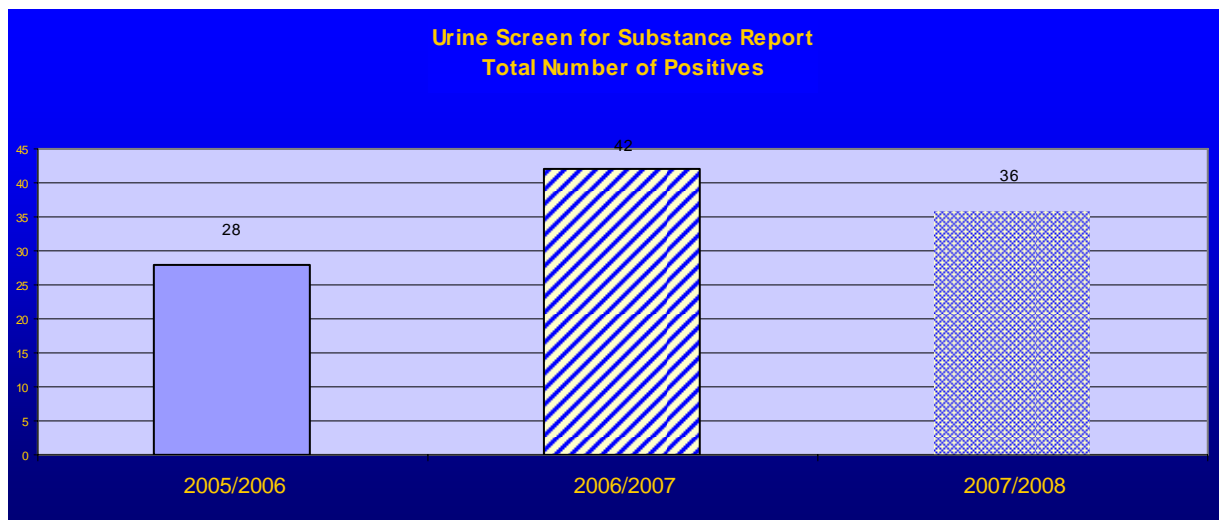
On March 26, a new maximum security dormitory was opened at Camp D to house long-term maximum custody extended lockdown inmates that were located at CCR. Inmate records for CCR inmates were reviewed and screened for transfer eligibility to this new maximum dormitory. Extra security precautions were taken to ensure adequate security supervision. Cameras were installed in the dormitory with monitors being located in Camp D Tower 1.

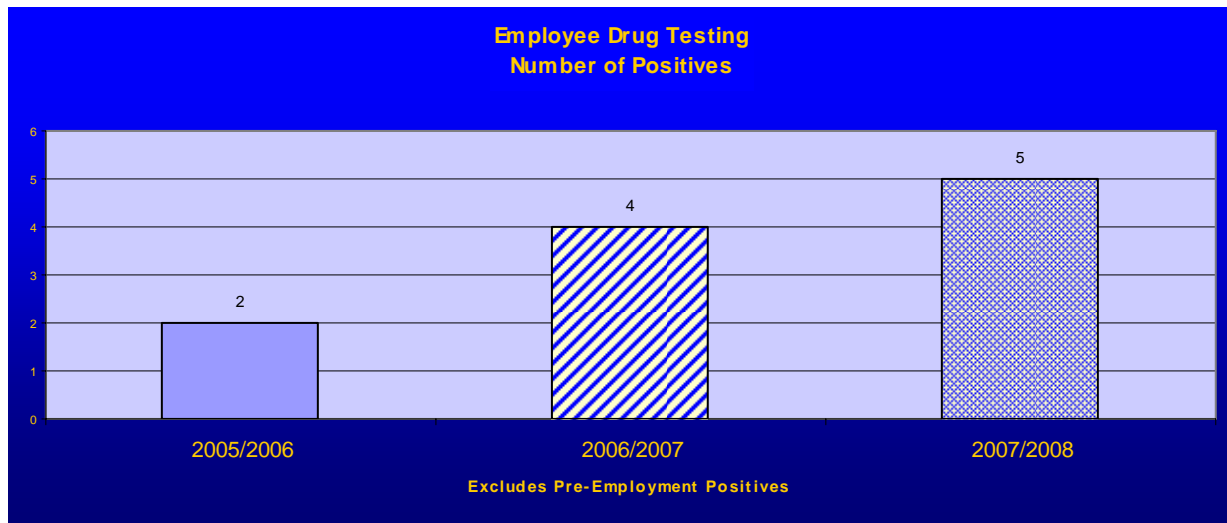
The number of outside court trips for inmates incarcerated at LSP totaled 676 for fiscal year 07/08.











PROGRAMMING

Classification

During FY 2007/2008, the Classification Department recorded 2,495,983 contacts with Louisiana State Penitentiary inmates. The purpose of these contacts was for inmates to receive assistance regarding the following: notary, legal aid, financial matters, indigent mail, transfers to other institutions, request for jobs, quarters, and custody changes, visiting matters, initial interviews, pre-release interviews, parole and pardon matters, protection concerns, and identification cards. The classification services also include referrals to other departments at LSP and various state and federal agencies.

Classification staff members also participate on initial boards, reclass boards, cellblock review boards, Camp J and RC Management Committee hearings, disciplinary boards, 7-Day boards, protection concern boards, and annual review boards.

In addition to the normal classification services provided to the Louisiana State Penitentiary inmate population, the Classification Department performed intake processing, set up files, and provided classification services to 454 overflow arrestees from Orleans and Jefferson Parish jails. As of June 30, 2008, Louisiana State Penitentiary housed 176 arrestees.

In addition to processing the arrestees, the Classification Department classified them with regard to charges, medical concerns, mental health concerns, and conduct for transfer to other state prisons and parish jails throughout the state.



Education

To the extent of program availability and classification or custody considerations, inmates are afforded participation in educational programs in the areas of literacy training, Adult Basic education (ABE/GED), special education, Job Life Skills (JLS), vocational education and college or correspondence courses.

Progress/Expansion of Programs:

- PATHWAYS grant was added to curriculum
- Hired 2 welding instructors and 1 automotive instructor
- Recording the Corrections Learning Network (CLN)
- Downloaded LPB videos to show in conjunction with CLN
- Purchased additional McGraw-Hill and Steck Vaughn textbooks to use with current curriculum
- Purchased Jeopardy games to help as a study tactic when preparing for GED

Successes/Improvements:

- 23 students completed Literacy
- 47 students received a GED
- 86 students received either a certificate or diploma in CVO

A graduation ceremony was held in the Main Prison Chapel on September 18. One hundred fifty-four inmates received their diplomas or certificates. Family members of the inmates attended the ceremony. State Senator Sharon Weston Broome was the guest speaker.



Faith-Based

On July 2, volunteers from AWANA ministry joined with 14 officials from the Kentucky Department of Corrections at Louisiana State Penitentiary to meet with the chaplains staff and various administrative personnel to discuss the process and procedures of how the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary was instituted. Representatives examined the positive effect the seminary has on the quality of life in a maximum security prison.



The Returning Hearts Celebration was held on September 8. Eight hundred fifty children, 335 dads, and 70 volunteers from twenty-one states attended this event. The purpose of the event was to connect incarcerated dads with their children in a holistic environment to evangelize and promote Christian discipleship.



The chapel at Main Prison was dedicated to Genevieve "Tudy" LaSyone on December 28, 2007. Congressman Peter Roskam, Illinois, was the guest speaker at the event.

On April 20, Louisiana State Penitentiary was honored to have Reverend Franklin Graham as the guest speaker at the dedication of the Ruth Graham Chapel (Camp F) named in honor of Mr. Graham's late mother.

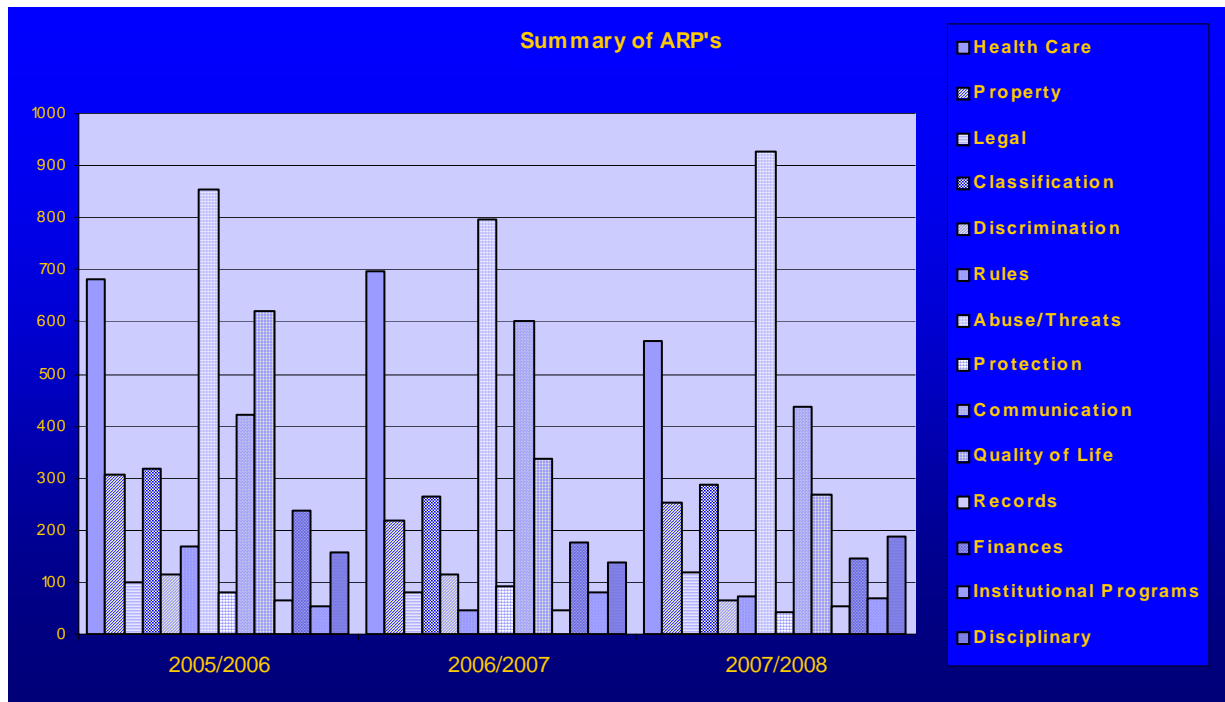


Legal Services

Legal Programs is responsible for the Administrative Remedy Procedure, supervision of the legal aid program, including inmate counsel substitutes and law libraries, and inmate lost property claims. Staff in this department also provides litigation support for suits filed against the institution and its employees, working closely with staff from the Attorney General's Office, the Office of Risk Management, and legal services staff at the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

Administrative Remedy Procedure

This fiscal year, inmates submitted 3,865 grievances through the ARP system. This is up 1% from the previous year. Of those submitted, 578 were rejected due to the exclusions referenced, and 1,116 were voluntarily withdrawn.



Property Claims

Of the 261 property claims submitted, 68 were forwarded to DPS&C Headquarters for review. Four property claims were settled with monetary and state issued reimbursements.

Civil Court Activities, Parole Board and Pardon Board

The Legal Programs Department provides management, coordination, scheduling, and security support for hearings held both on-site and via video conferencing for federal and state courts, the Louisiana Pardon and Parole Boards, and government and private attorneys. Facilities are provided at the Main Prison "A" Building for court hearings, depositions, and board sessions.

Legal Documents and Service of Process

The Legal Programs Department accepts service of legal documents from the West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office to be served on the inmate population. During FY 2007/2008, a total of 812 documents were accepted and served on the inmate population. Custodial duties in the provision of trial transcripts to the inmate in preparation of appeal and other court proceedings are assigned to this department as well. Eighty-six transcripts were delivered this FY to inmates for review and return to the court.

Litigation Support

The Legal Programs Department is the point-of-contact for the State Attorney General's Office, the Office of Risk Management, and attorneys regarding civil litigation involving the institution, its employees, and the inmates. This year, Legal Programs researched,

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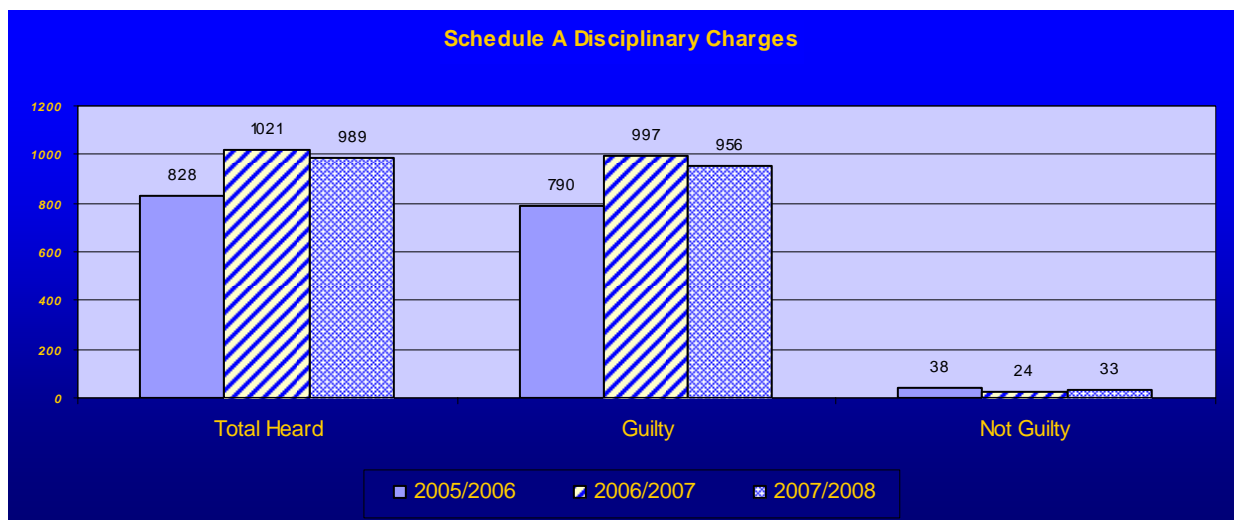
reviewed and compiled thousands of pages of documents and records in response to subpoenas, court orders, and discovery requests. The department also served as the institution resource for Assistant Attorney Generals preparing for trial. This support included the preparation of numerous affidavits, preparation of witnesses for trial, providing deposition facilities and scheduling and preparation of graphic exhibits for use at trial. To a lesser degree, the department assisted the Assistant District Attorneys with the compiling of documents necessary in criminal prosecutions and crimes committed by inmates at LSP.

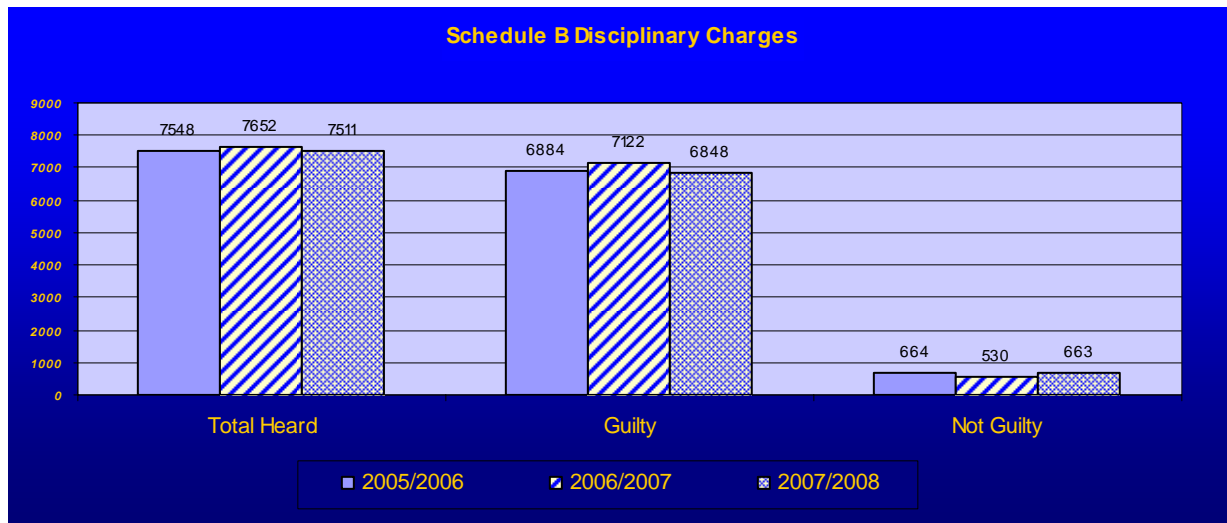
Legal Aid Program

Louisiana State Penitentiary provides a superior legal assistance program for the inmate population. Law libraries are maintained at each of LSP's housing units where access to the automated legal research database, Lexis-Nexis, is provided in addition to hard copy books. Sixty full-time inmate counsel substitute positions are assigned to various units and legal specialties to assist inmates with legal issues from post-conviction relief and criminal appeals to family issues and civil suits. Inmate counsel substitutes received on-going training conducted by senior counsels.

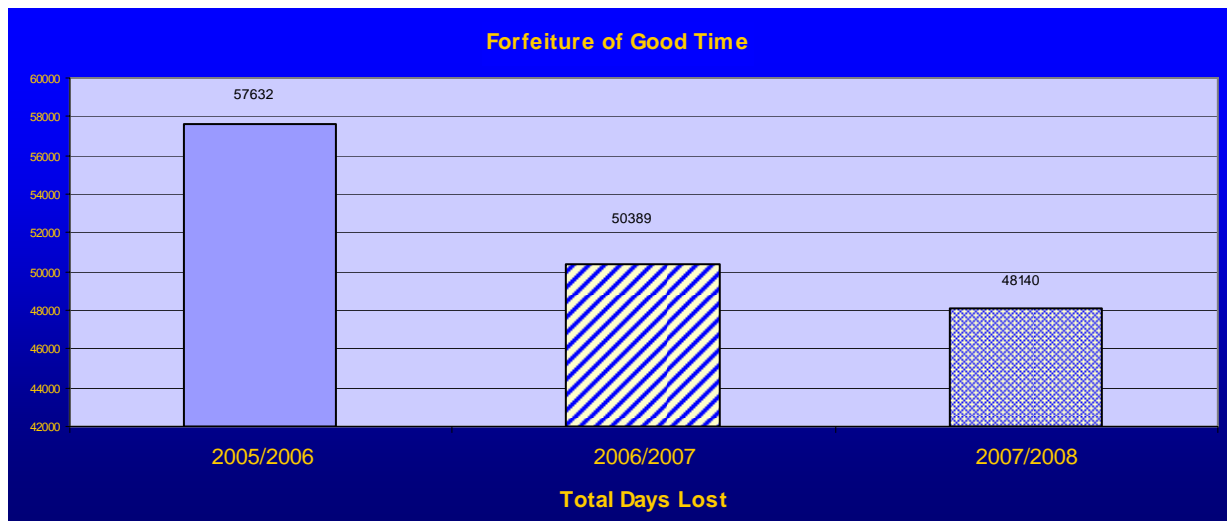
Disciplinary:

The Disciplinary Office scheduled a total of 8,500 hearings to be held by the Disciplinary Board during the FY. This includes 7,511 cases for Schedule B offenses and 989 cases for Schedule A offenses.





A total of 48,140 days forfeiture of good time was imposed by disciplinary boards for an average of 4.37 days lost per inmate eligible. No good time was forfeited through the enhanced loss of good time for escape.

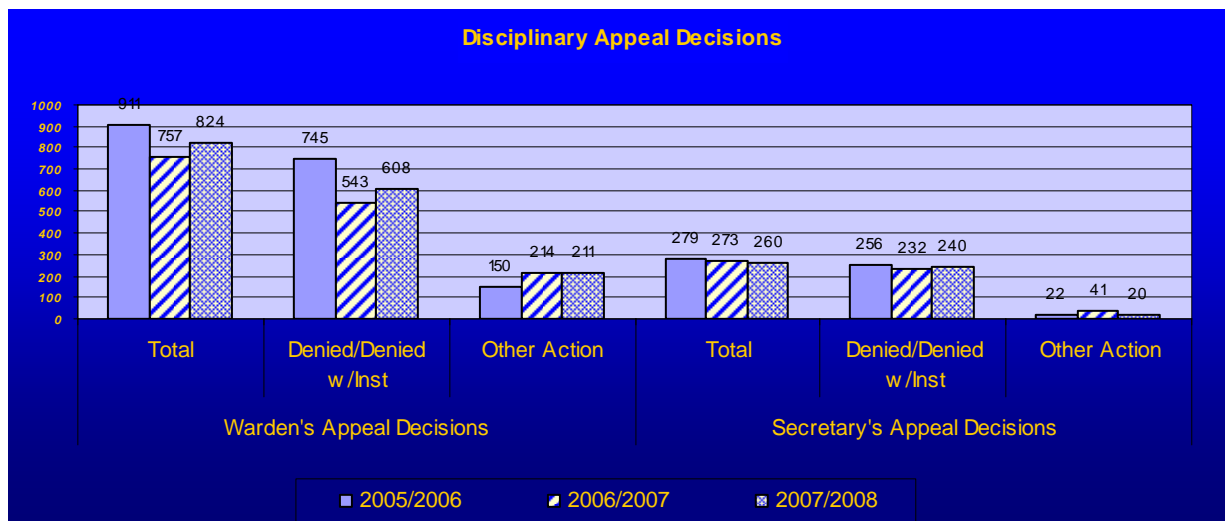


The average number of inmates earning incentive wages for this FY was 3,677. A total of 15,955 weeks loss of incentive wage sanctions was imposed.



Disciplinary Appeal Process

Inmates who are dissatisfied with the results of a Disciplinary Board hearing may appeal their case to the Warden. During this fiscal year, a total of 824 appeals were decided by the Warden with 608 being denied/denied with instructions. Two hundred sixty appeal decisions were rendered by the Secretary with 240 being denied/denied with instructions.



Library

The Louisiana State Penitentiary Library System provides resources for the inmates and staff to meet their informational, educational, cultural, and recreational needs. The Library enhances its resources by participating in an inter-library loan program with the State Library of Louisiana. The library services include:



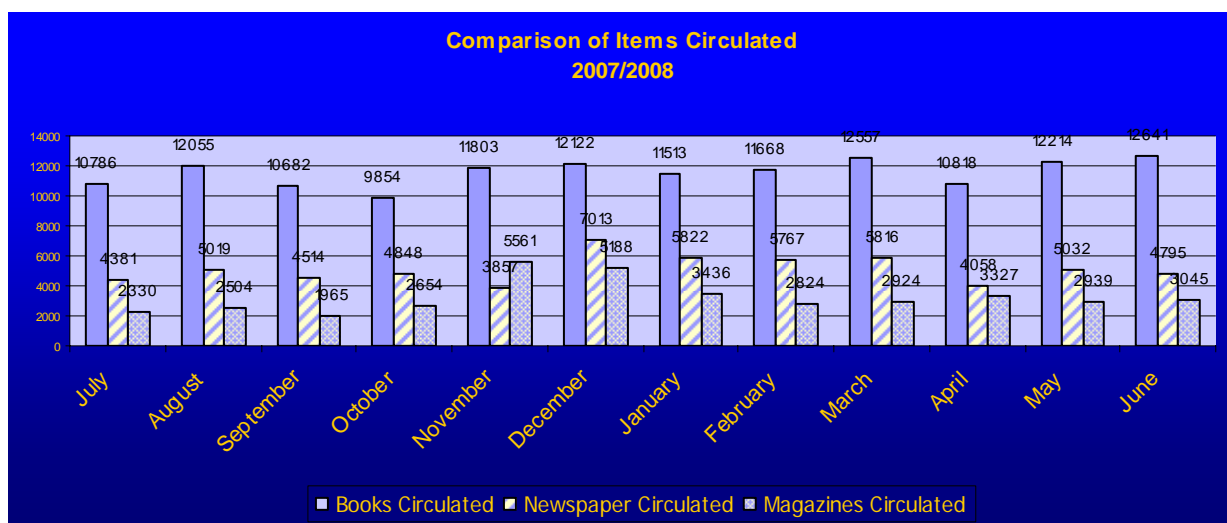
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- Reference and information services
- Reader's advisory services
- Specialized reference materials
- Audio visual materials
- Special library services to the blind and physically handicapped

Objectives of the library are to:

- Assist inmates to increase their literacy skills by providing materials in a variety of formats to reflect the users' information-processing needs
- Select materials that reflect the ethnic make-up, literacy level, cultural heritage, and special interest of the library user
- Offer materials to meet the specialized needs of inmates who are hearing and/or visually impaired
- Select materials to assist inmates with job skills that will assist them with successful transition into the community
- Offer inmates access to other library materials through the inter-library loan program

The Louisiana State Penitentiary Library System consists of the Main Prison Library, and Outcamp libraries at Camp C, Camp D, Camp F, and Camp J. The Main Prison Library also provides library services to the Main Prison Cellblocks, Transition Unit, Reception Center, and Death Row.





Mail/Package Department

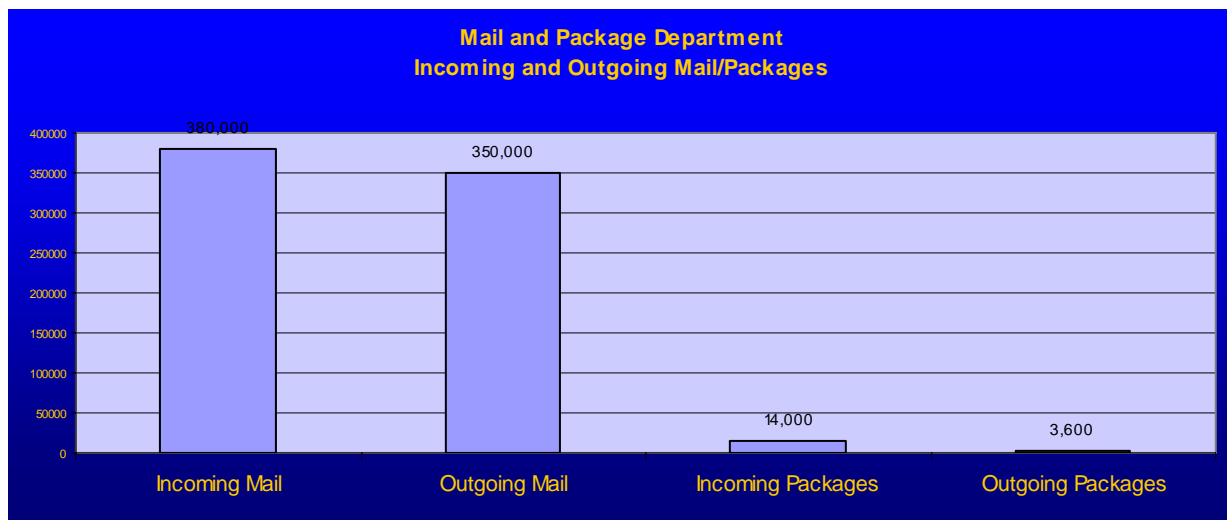
The Mail and Package Department is responsible for processing inmate incoming and outgoing correspondence and packages, with the primary goal of preventing contraband from entering institutional grounds. Toward that goal, staff of this department stopped contraband on several occasions this fiscal year ranging from postage stamps and non-permitted photographs to cash.

The Mail and Package Department processed almost 380,000 pieces of incoming inmate mail, over 14,000 packages, 350,000 outgoing inmate letters, and 3,600 outgoing packages during this reporting period.

Department Regulation No. C-02-009, Inmate Mail and Publications, which was revised in January 2007, has greatly restricted magazine receipt by the inmate population. Almost 3,100 magazines have been held for review pursuant to the regulation with over 1,700 magazines being rejected. This has caused an increase in the number of requests for administrative remedy filed by the inmate population.

Currently, there are 13 inmates who have yet to sign a Notification of Mail Handling form pursuant to Department Regulation No. C-02-009 giving staff authorization to open, inspect or read their correspondence.

The United States Postal Service raised rates on mail on May 12, 2008.





Recreation

Louisiana State Penitentiary provides a broad range of programs, activities and services to meet the recreational needs of the inmate population as an avenue to overcome boredom, inactivity, and to improve in the areas of physical and mental health.

Outdoor and Team Sports: football, softball, basketball, volleyball, horseshoes, tennis, rodeo and weightlifting (wellness/fitness).

Indoor Activities: racquetball, basketball, billiards, weightlifting (wellness/fitness only), board games (checkers, chess, card games, dominoes, scrabble, puzzles), music, television, and boxing.

Special Recreational Activities: are planned for holidays. Such special activities include track events, tug-of-war, and tournaments (tennis, racquetball, billiards, etc.).

Special Needs Inmates: (mentally/physically confined) are provided with a variety of recreational activities to meet their needs. These activities include board games, outdoor basketball/volleyball, television, and crochet.

Throughout the year, LSP was represented at L.I.B.A. boxing matches at Elayn Hunt Correctional Center, Rayburn Correctional Center, and Dixon Correctional Institute.

The inaugural “Super Crunch Bowl” was held in the All Purpose Arena on February 1. Louisiana State Penitentiary defeated Avoyelles Correctional Center, 6–0.

The Annual Sports Banquet was held on March 19, and was extremely successful. Skip Bertman, LSU Athletic Director, was the featured speaker.





David C. Knapps Correctional Officer Training Academy

The mission of the David C. Knapps Correctional Officer Training Academy is to promote and enhance the training of correctional officers, other direct contact staff, support staff, volunteers and contract personnel by providing a forum for programs of training and education designed to improve technical, supervisory, managerial, professional, and other skills and expertise. Training is delivered in professionally developed formats to ensure, through skill based competency testing, that employees will have the skills necessary to function competently and deliver quality services.

This fiscal year, the Training Academy:

- Implemented a redesigned Basic Academy Training, Orientation and Classroom Instruction curriculum in January to meet the needs of Louisiana State Penitentiary.
- Implemented new PREA requirements from the National Institute of Corrections.
- Integrated Corrections Cadets from Elayn Hunt Correctional Center and Louisiana Correctional Institute for Women into the Basic Academy Training.
- Coordinated National Incident Management System (NIMS 200 & 800) training for all entry-level first responders.
- Provided over 134,000 hours of training through Basic Academy Training, Orientation, Classroom Instruction, Correspondence, CPR/First Aid, Firearms, and specialized training.
- Certified one trainer in Pressure Point Control Tactics (PPCT) and two trainers were certified as CPR/First Aid Instructors.
- Hosted various groups in the dormitory and special functions/meetings including the Annual Employee Service Awards, Wheels for the World Conference, Louisiana Baptist Convention, etc.

Louisiana State Penitentiary staff attended many training conferences throughout the year including:

- Southern States Correctional Association Annual Training and Mid-Winter Conferences
- Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Annual Training Conference
- Safety Manager/Trainer Certification
- State EMS Conference
- ACA Summer and Winter Conferences
- Victim/Offender Dialogue Conference
- Rural Ambulance Alliance Strike Force Conference



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Lieutenant Colonel Harvey Slater and Lieutenant Lea Honeycutt attended the Mounting Law Enforcement Instructor Riding School in Lafayette. Both received instructor certification.

Colonel Charles Stewart and Major Sid Davis attended the Region 2 Hurricane Exercise on May 29, in Baton Rouge.

State-wide tactical teams gathered at LSP several times during the fiscal year to conduct joint training sessions. Teams from LSP, AVC, DCI, DWCC, EHCC, FWCC, JLDCC, PCC, RCC and SHRC participated. Officers practiced the variations of the column, line, wedge and echelon formations, cell extractions, building entry and clearing, less lethal munitions, shield and shotgun formations, spontaneous self defense and grappling (SSGT) techniques, weapons discipline, cover techniques, and reviewed the department use of force policy.

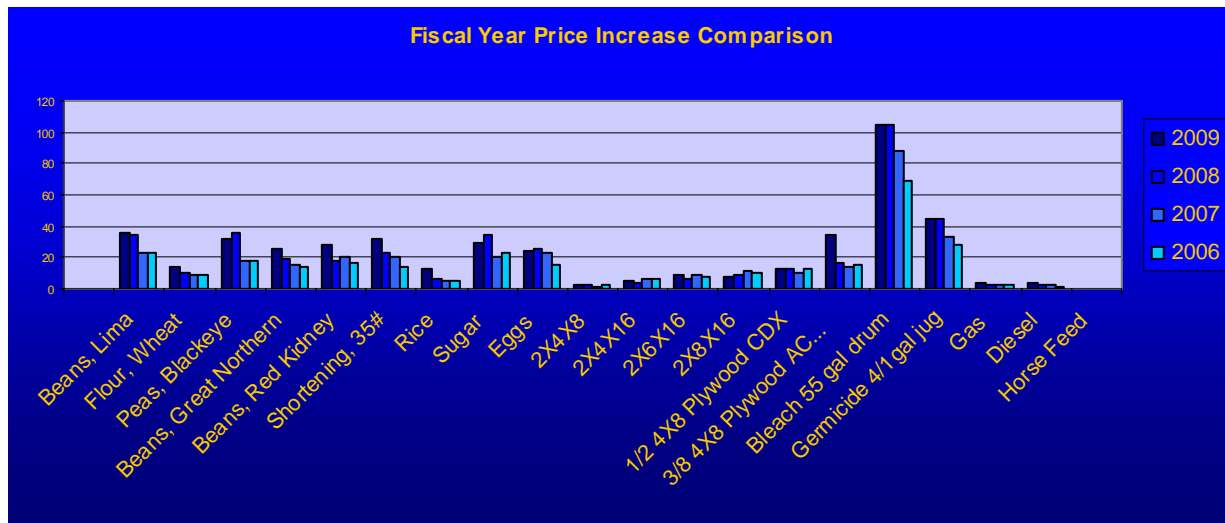


Human Resources staff conducted four Performance, Planning and Review training classes at the Training Academy in July with 84 supervisors in attendance.

OPERATIONS

Administrative Services

This fiscal year has been a difficult one for LSP. Besides being faced with the usual budget constraints, LSP, like all other agencies, had to deal with budget reductions. To worsen the situation, the cost of supplies increased on a weighted average of 23% from July 1, 2007, to February, 2008. LSP continued to see price increases and vendors cancel contracts forcing us to re-bid items that were necessary for the well-being of the inmate population. See chart illustrating price increases below.



Careful monitoring of the expenditures and the cooperation of all staff made this an attainable task.

A. S. & R.

Automotive services worked diligently this past year to keep all 200 vehicles operational that are necessary to the management of this institution. A.S.&R. processed 1,085 work orders for the fiscal year and 406 major repairs were made with 679 general service and maintenance repairs.

Canteen

Staff at the canteens have been striving daily to improve service to the inmates and continue to increase sales. Personal property availability issues have improved tremendously and deliveries are being made in a timely fashion. Over the last 3 months deliveries by vendors to each canteen has proven to be beneficial in saving an extreme amount of time and man hours.

Cashier's Office

The Cashier's Office processed \$9,153,098.31 in deposits during the year:

- \$4,291,892.13 from visiting and hobbycraft
- \$1,431,568.69 from the mail room
- \$70,704.51 from OPP deposits
- \$1,816,806.76 from inmate concessions
- \$56,561.95 from cigarette sales
- \$218,867.02 from general fund deposits
- \$2,036.96 from imprest deposits



- \$1,264,660.30 from rodeo deposits

Culinary

The Culinary Department is not only responsible for feeding the inmate population, but also for coordinating special projects held at the institution.

Monthly menus are methodically prepared and scrutinized for cost effectiveness. Every effort is made to keep food cost low even with the continual food cost rising as well as to meet nutritional guidelines by utilizing seasonal vegetables grown at the prison and commodities as they are available. Food cost increased this fiscal year to \$3.6 million from last years \$3.5 million.

Facility Maintenance

Facility maintenance consists of five major departments: Carpentry, Plumbing, Refrigeration, Electric and Telephone, as well as the Main Prison and five Outcamp maintenance offices. The Main Prison office alone averaged about 700 service calls per month this year, while outcamp offices averaged about 230 calls. In addition to their service calls, the other maintenance departments have completed projects such as museum expansion, rodeo grounds expansion, and installation of new heaters for the outcamps. A new hobbyshop was built on the West Yard and roofs were replaced on the Main Prison canteens.

Heavy Equipment

During the 2007/2008 fiscal year, Heavy Equipment made necessary repairs to equipment at the Road and Levee shop. They poured concrete at various places on the penitentiary including the Death Row Towers and the rodeo hobbycraft areas.

Ferry pontoons were repositioned according to the rising and lowering of the river stages. Heavy Equipment also performed numerous jobs throughout the year including: removing trees and branches, hauling trash and debris to the dump, and patching pot holes on the institution as needed.

Inmate Banking

Many of the funds that are handled by the Cashier's Office are also handled by Inmate Banking. The funds are deposited into Inmate Organizations accounts and individual inmate accounts. They averaged 3,272 club withdrawals, 1,098 individual account withdrawals and 6,668 deposits per month for the year. Inmate Banking is also responsible for the entering of incentive pay information.

Information Services

Information Services was successful in their set up and installation of the Telemed system at the Treatment Center and a wireless network at BOQ Clothing room which both will be beneficial to the penitentiary.



Purchasing

The department processed \$27.6 million in purchase orders and contract orders during the fiscal year. This included 5,417 RFP's and \$837,979 in Visa purchases.

The department also purchased all the materials needed for the New Death Row Towers and Sally Port, as well as for the remodeling of the BOQ 1, 2 and 3 buildings through funding provided by Facility Planning. The new Death Row Towers and Sally Port purchase orders are complete. Spent \$48,847 on the towers and \$9,080 on the Sally Port. The BOQ remodeling is still an ongoing project. In FY 08 \$138,946 was spent between the 3 buildings.

To prepare for the October 2007 and April 2008 Rodeos, this office processed 49 RFP's totaling \$111,180 for October and 61 RFP's totaling \$400,400 for April.

The 07/08 fiscal year end closeout went well. Most of May was spent on the phone with vendors clearing up problems and ensuring delivery of merchandise before June 30. In June, this office worked closely with all warehouses and the Maintenance Department, to ensure all orders were as promised. Everyone worked really well together.

Warehouses—909/915/Cold Storage

The warehouses worked attentively throughout the year to ensure that supplies for each area of the penitentiary were received and distributed accordingly, this being no small feat with a penitentiary of this magnitude. The combined inventories consist of over 3400 items with a purchasing value of well over \$6 million. They worked closely with the Purchasing Department to avoid errors that would delay the receiving of much needed supplies and materials.

Fire and Safety

Louisiana State Penitentiary is committed to providing a safe and humane environment for those who are committed to its custody, employees, and residents of the Angola community. Toward that end, the LSP Fire Department is an integral entity in that its members provide an invaluable service to the inmate population, staff, residents, citizens of West Feliciana Parish and the general public.

The LSP Fire Department apparatus includes one engine, one tanker, and one rescue truck. Within the confines of LSP, the fire department has responsibility for approximately 500 buildings, including inmate and employee housing areas. Having mutual aid agreements with both West Feliciana Parish and Wilkinson County, Mississippi, everyone in the surrounding area benefits from the training and experience of the LSP Fire Department.

Expert Fire Protection conducted the annual inspection of all fire extinguishers in September.



Facility Automated conducted the annual inspection of fire alarms in February.

All hood suppression systems were inspected in March.

Construction

Funding was allocated to make needed repairs to BOQ I, II, and III. Plumbing fixtures, heating and cooling units, duct work, ceiling insulation, sheetrock, ceramic tile, and windows were replaced. Vinyl siding will cover the exterior buildings.

Health Services

Medical

The provision of quality health care services to communities across the country is a challenging task. The task becomes especially difficult when the community exists within a correctional environment. LSP is faced with providing health care services to five-thousand inmates in a maximum security environment. Our population tends to have many pre-existing health conditions related to lifestyles, drug dependency issues, physical or mental health difficulties, along with confinement that impacts the health of the population.

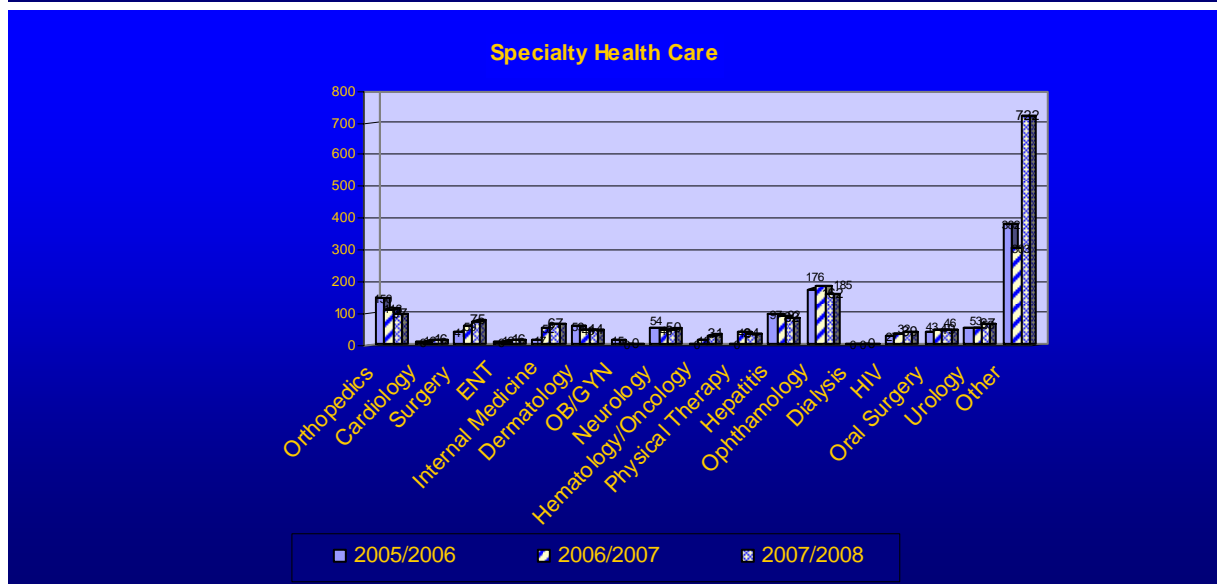
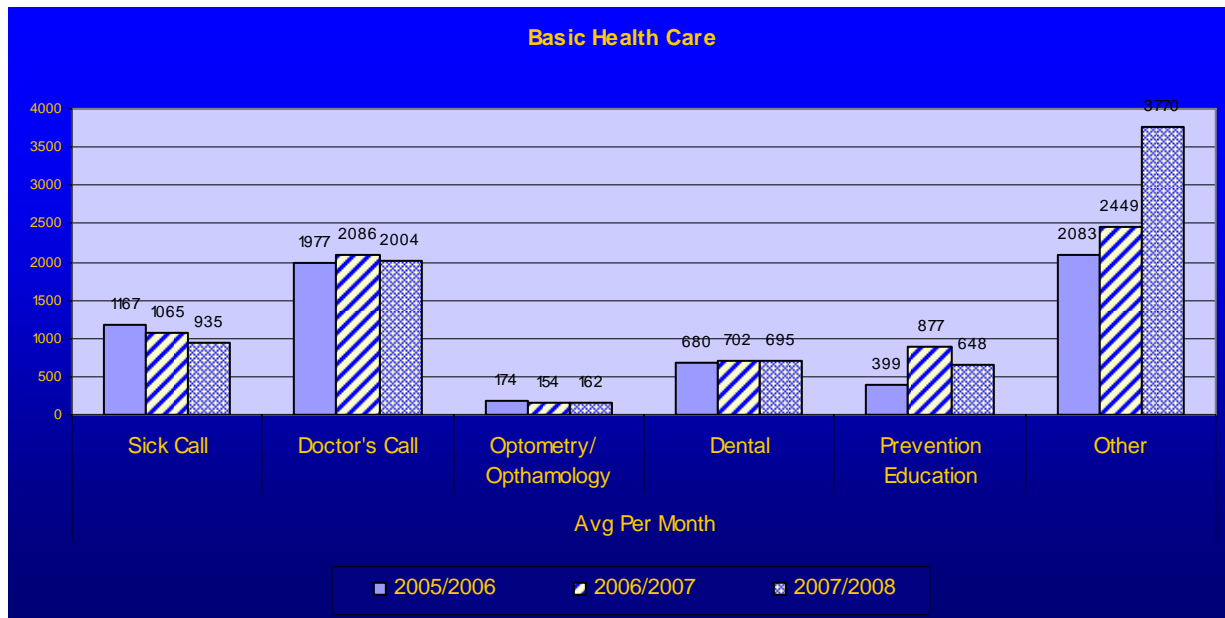
The Robert E. Barrow, Jr. Treatment Center located on site is a fully staffed medical facility employing a staff of fulltime physicians, with a full complement of nursing and other medical support personnel. Specialty Clinics on site have also proven cost effective and safer for the general public. Specialty Clinics provided on site include: Orthopedic, HIV, ENT, Neurology, Oral Surgery, Urology, General Medicine, Hepatitis, Gastroenterology, EKL Surgery, Podiatry, Minor Surgery, TB, Diabetic, Physical Therapy, Chiropractic, and Optometry.



New services/equipment include the chiropractic clinic, video gastroscopes, and dental clinic at Death Row.

All inmates are provided access to health care services through sick call five days a week, excluding holidays, for non-emergency illness or injury, or emergency triage 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Sick call is provided 7 days a week for inmates in segregation.

Louisiana State Penitentiary has one of the leading prison hospice programs in the nation. The LSP program is being used as a model for prison hospice programs throughout the nation. The extensive use of inmate volunteers and inmate visitors in place of and in conjunction with actual family visits plus the willing and active roll of security staff sets our program apart from other programs.



Mental Health

Mental Health staff provide for the detection, diagnosis, treatment, and appropriate referral of inmates with mental health impairment during all stages of their incarceration. Approved services are provided in a clinically appropriate fashion and include:

- Screening for mental health problems on intake
- Outpatient services for the detection, diagnosis, and treatment of mental illness



- Crisis intervention and management of acute psychiatric episodes
- Stabilization of the mentally ill and the prevention of psychiatric deterioration
- Elective therapy services and preventative treatment
- Referral and admission to Elayn Hunt Correctional Center's Special Unit (HSU) or a non-correctional facility when inmates whose psychiatric needs exceed the treatment capability of the Transitional Unit
- Procedures for obtaining and documenting informed consent

The Mental Health Department participates in ReEntry training by providing 16 hours of classroom instruction on substance abuse, anger management, and communication skills.

Three members of the mental health staff are certified in Basic Critical Incident Debriefing/Management and provide debriefing at LSP and other agencies. During this FY, LSP staff was called upon on 15 occasions to provide debriefing services.

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) received 25 contacts for the year. Contacts reflected a broad spectrum of societal issues including substance abuse, domestic violence, marital/family conflict, mental illness, financial concerns, gambling addiction, sexually transmitted diseases, and grief issues.

Louisiana State Penitentiary continues to participate with the LSU School of Social Work as a field placement for 1st and 2nd year graduate social work students. Supervisors attend training at LSU to prepare for the students as well as participate in an internship fair to promote LSP and recruit interns.

Human Resources

The Human Resources office offers a wide variety of services and benefits to the employees of Louisiana State Penitentiary. Staff strives to perfect customer service and meet the goals, needs and the mission of the institution and the Department.

Angola's remote location is an asset for public safety and security; however, with the continued rise of fuel costs and the low wages for correctional officers it proved to be a detriment to recruitment and retention.

LSP Staff was elated to receive the much needed pay raise that passed for state employees during the legislative session.

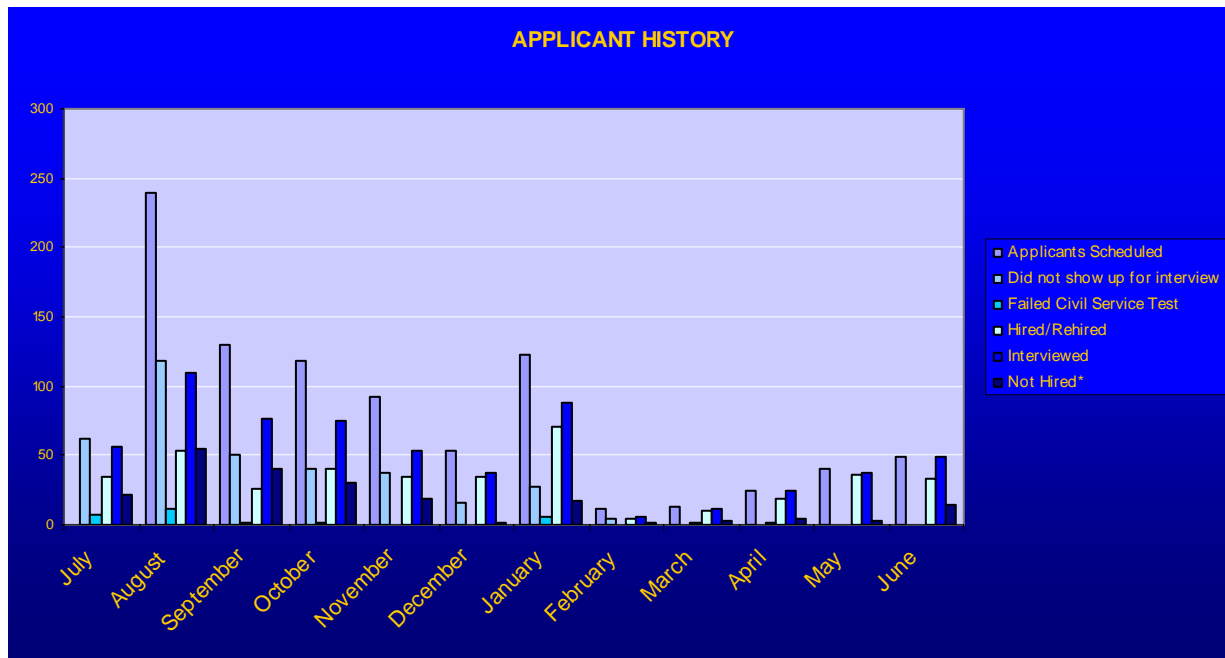
Louisiana State Penitentiary employs a workforce of 1,697 and is by far the largest employer in West Feliciana Parish, providing more jobs in the parish than the nuclear plant.



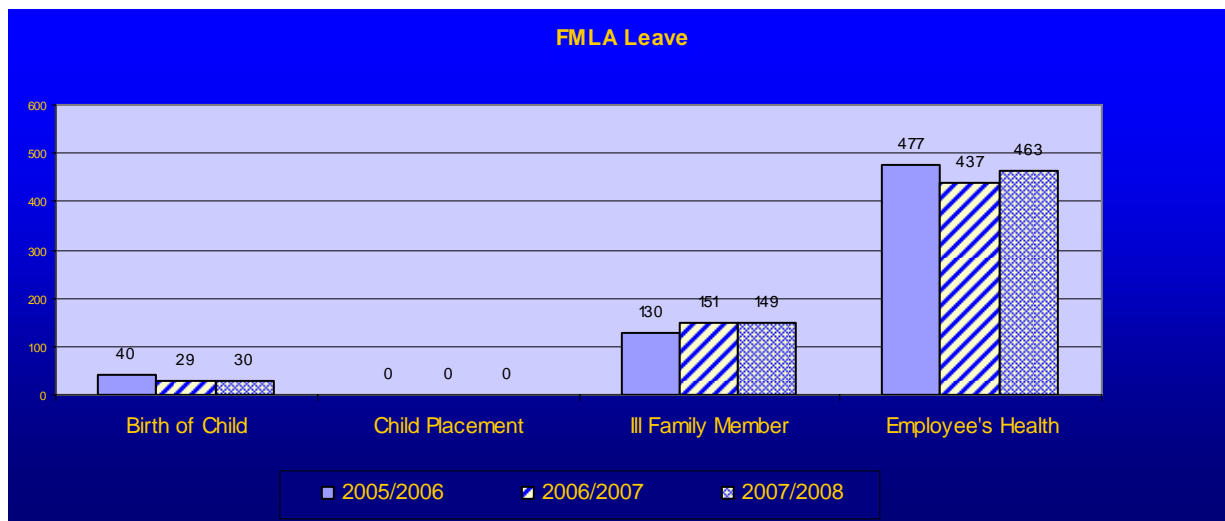
EMPLOYERS IN WEST FELICIANA PARISH			
<i>Company</i>	<i>No. of Employees</i>	<i>Product/Service</i>	<i>Location</i>
Louisiana State Penitentiary	1697	State Prison	Angola
Entergy	750	Electricity	St. Francisville
West Feliciana Public Schools	300	Public Elementary and High School	St. Francisville
West Feliciana Hospital	126	Emergency Medical services / Ambulance Services / Diagnostic Services and Out patient Rehabilitation Services	West Feliciana Parish
The Bluffs	125	Golf and Residential Community	West Feliciana Parish
Town of St. Francisville	37	City Government	St. Francisville
Bank of St. Francisville	30	Full-Service Bank	St. Francisville
Cecil Graves Chevrolet-Pontiac-GMC Trucks-Oldsmobile Dealership	25	New and Used Car Dealership	St. Francisville
Pat's Hardware	20	Hardware Store	St. Francisville
Hancock Bank	10	Full-Service Branch Bank	St. Francisville
Fordice Construction Co.	9	Ready-Mixed Concrete	St. Francisville
TransMontaigne	7	Docking Facility	West Feliciana Parish
<i>Source: Chamber of Commerce of St. Francisville 225-635-6719 DATE: 12/06/2007</i>			

During the fiscal year LSP Human Resources scheduled 894 applicants for security testing. Three hundred fifty-eight did not report for an interview, 30 failed the Civil Service test, 395 were hired/rehired, 624 were interviewed, 212 were not offered employment.





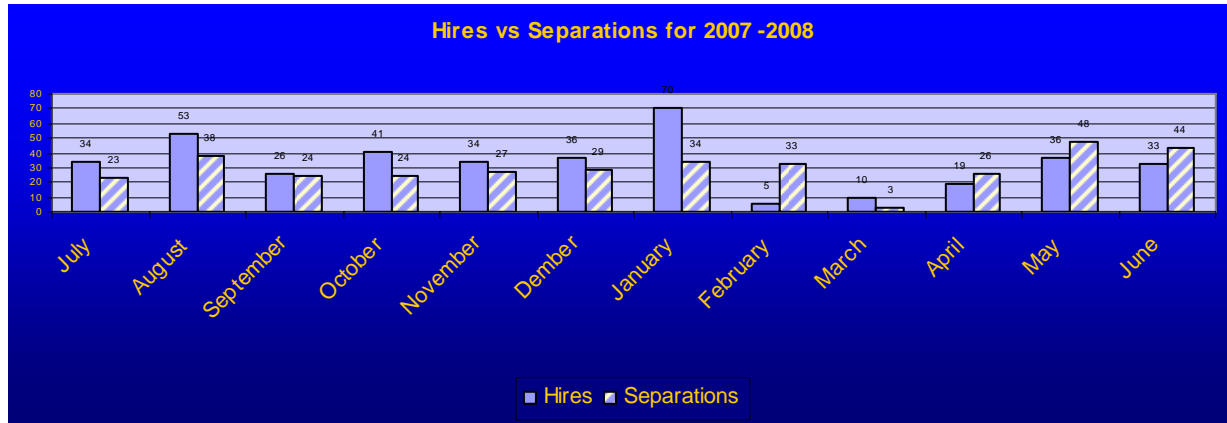
This past fiscal year FMLA utilization was a major concern for LSP.



Human Resources hosted LSP's Annual Benefits Fair on April 16th and 17th. Vendors on hand included the Office of Group Benefits, United Health Care, Humana, and approximately 24 various other miscellaneous supplemental insurances. Also at the Benefits Fair valuable information on breast cancer and heart disease was provided by Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center and the American Heart Association.

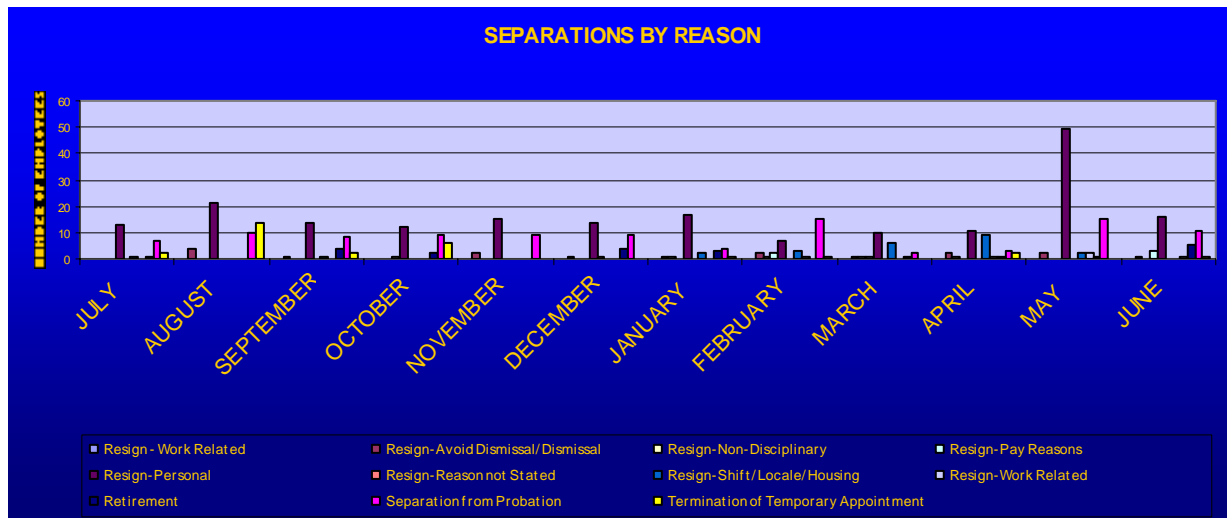


During fiscal year 07/08, LSP hired 397 personnel and lost 353.



A total of 410 personnel resigned from LSP during this fiscal year.

- 17 resigned to avoid dismissal/dismissal
- 4 resign – non disciplinary
- 7 resign – pay reasons
- 199 resign – personal
- 1 resign – reason not stated
- 24 resign – shift/locale/housing
- 5 resign – work related
- 22 retirement
- 102 separation from probation
- 29 termination of temporary appointment





Revisions were made to the timekeeper's manual and a massive timekeepers meeting was held to inform all timekeepers of the changes in timekeeping procedures.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Members of the Louisiana State Penitentiary Chase Team responded to numerous requests for assistance from various law enforcement agencies in the region. Requests ranged from pursuing murder and robbery suspects, to tracking missing persons, to demonstrations involving the handling of canines and their role in prison operations.

Among the agencies requesting assistance were:

- East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office
- Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
- Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff's Office
- St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office
- Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office
- West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office
- Wilkinson County (MS) Sheriff's Office
- Woodville (MS) Police Department
- Zachary Police Department



EMS staff taught an Advanced Cardiac Life Support Refresher course to the LCIW nursing staff in July.

The Tactical Unit was mobilized on September 20, to report to Jena to provide an additional law enforcement element in response to the Jena 6 protest march. Squads reported to the LaSalle Correctional Center. A line was formed at the perimeter when an alert came that protesters were in route to the facility. Information was later received that the protesters were not proceeding toward the prison and the Tact Team was ordered to stand down.

The Tact Team provided crowd control at the following events:

- Southern University Homecoming Parade
- Washington Parish Fair
- Mardi Gras Festivities in Melville, New Orleans, Livonia and New Roads



Employees eagerly contributed to the Angel Tree project which provided Christmas gifts to 101 needy children in West Feliciana Parish.

On May 23, Assistant Warden Joe Lamartiniere and sons Peyton and Wyatt, participated in the seven-mile Special Olympic Torch Run in Baton Rouge. This event raises funds to assist year round sports training programs of the Special Olympics.



LSP staff assisted in the construction of the Make-a-Smile project on March 14, in Bogalusa. Under the direction of the North American Association of Wardens and Superintendents, this project was devoted to rebuilding playgrounds for children in areas ravaged by Hurricane Katrina. LSP inmate organizations donated \$3,930.00 to this worthy cause.

Human Resources Staff participated in several community projects this year including, Job Shadowing Program for West Feliciana Parish High School, as well as attending job fair at various schools, businesses and churches.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

On October 14, 2007, Warden Burl Cain presented Ashley Dixon, daughter of Archie Dunbar, Correctional Food Manger III, with her 2007 Susan M. Hunter Correctional Scholarship. Miss Dixon was 1 of 10 recipients of this scholarship that was awarded by ASCA.

Warden Burl Cain presented LSP employees with commemorative pins and coins on October 17, 2007, in honor of their outstanding duty during the hurricane crisis of 2005. The pins will be worn as part of the employee's uniform.

On January 23-25, LSP K-9 unit members participated in a Narcotic Seminar at DCI. Forty-one canine teams participated in this event. Master Sergeant Summer Slater was presented with the Sportsmanship Award while Captain Robert Tycer took 5th place in the event.

Members of the LSP K-9 unit traveled to Little Rock, AR in March to compete in the Southern States Manhunt Field Trials. The team placed 4th in Man tracking. Captain Luke Rheams and Lieutenant Ben Oliveaux placed 3rd in the Pistol Match, and Lieutenant Colonel Johnny Dixon and K-9 Magnum placed 2nd in K-9 Narcotic Detection.



CORRECTIONAL OFFICER OF THE MONTH

Jamika Russell, July	John Sanders, January
Lawrence Martin, August	Jessie Davis, February
Alvin Fosselman, September	Greg Spears, March
Jarrell Wilson, October	Dempsey Betrand, April
Deandrj Jones, November	Ellis Ford, May
Zaccaro Blackmore, December	Cheryl Bell, June

SUPPORT EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Melissa Nix, July-September	Stephen Vidrine, January-March
Wiley Magee, October-December	Vernon Dawson, April-June

SECURITY SUPERVISOR OF THE QUARTER

James Dauzat, July-September	Carl Smith, January-March
Larry Simon, October-December	Kevin Jeansonne, April-June

NON SECURITY SUPERVISOR OF THE QUARTER

Kelley Hawkins, July-September	Sam McKay, January-March
Karen Durrett, October-December	Donald Cavalier, April-June

ANNUAL EMPLOYEE AWARDS CEREMONY

The annual Employee Recognition Luncheon was held on May 9, 2008, at the David C. Knapps Correctional Officer Training Academy. Employees were recognized for their exemplary work performance, personal commitment to the job, outstanding work on a special project, attendance, and years of service.

Correctional Officer of the Year

Lawrence Martin



Support Employee of the Year

Patti Varner

Security Supervisor of the Year

Antonio Whitaker



Non-Security Supervisor of the Year

Kelley Hawkins

Warden's Award of Excellence

Sanford Bernard	Patricia Foster	Otis Ratcliff
Steve Bordelon	Garry Frank	Tonia Ritchie
Steve Bougeois	Carol Gilcrease	Joseph Russell
Kathy Calvert	Glenn Hawkins	Raman Singh



Bonnie Coats
Joey Dauzat
Jennifer Davis
JoAnn Davis
Perry Dixon
Michael Ducote

Mary Labatut
Woodrow Lindsey
Hiram "Gus" May
Elizabeth Menser
John Rabalais
Quinton Ragsdale

Mary Strickland
Robert Underwood
Mike Vaughn
Earnest Williams
James Young

Distinguished Service Award

Todd Barrere
Tommy Carter

Alvin Fosselman, Jr.
Deandrdy Jones

Roland Sylvester
Roger Young

Perfect Attendance

Christopher Alexander
Ira Baker
Demetica Doherty
Clarence Dorsey
Bobby Earl
Larry Hills

Herman Holmes
Hulda McKey
Richard McKey
Tyna Pourciau
Franklin Robertson
Patricia Seymore

Joyce Stacey
Yolanda Tolliver
Charles Webb
Rose Wilson
Stacey Wilson

Service Awards—30 Years

Amos Augustine
Darrell Augustine
John Barton
Alvin Fosselman, Sr.
Ronald Gauthier
Brenda Hawkins

Henry Hawkins
Keith Juneau
Lee Irinton
Lydia London
Pearl McCray
William Mealey

Mack Shaw
Cathy Stroud
Bobby Thornton
Elizabeth Vannoy
Charles Wilson

Service Awards—25 Years

Tami Brannon
Steve Brengettsy
Louis Briggs
William Carter
Curtis Celestine
Huey Chapman
James Cruze
William Day
Herman Drummer
Gary James

Johnny Jordan
Matthew Maiden
David McKey
George Moore
Thomas Normand
Michael Rabalais
Joyce Reed
Burnetta Scott
Larry Simon

Mikell Smith
Gregory Spears
Vickie Stewart
Mary Strickland
Louis Stroud
Sherman Temple
Willie Thomas
Murray Warnock
Johnnie West

Service Awards—20 Years

Robert Arnouville
Patricia Coats
Joey Dauzat
Jesse Davis

Jerry Hamilton
Kenneth Harvey
Chad Hukins
Roscoe Jackson

James Morris
Pamela Perritt
Debra Robinson
Kenneth Temple



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JoAnn Davis
Newman Dupas
David Edwards

Reginald King
Orville Lamartiniere
Hulan Meredith

Carl Thomas
Doris Young

Service Awards—15 Years

Curley Alfred
Stevie Barnard
Tyson Bonnette
Jordan Bordelon
Russel Bordelon
Steven Bordelon
Wanda Bordelon
Mark Briggs
Eddie Dennis
Kimberly Dixon
Annette Dunbar
John Fall
Don Fountain

Kenneth Harris
William Holmes
John Hughes
Leon Jenkins
Johnnie Johnson
Albert Jones
Charles Jones
Joseph Lamartiniere
Richard McKey
Robin Mire
Keith Normand
Sherwood Poret
Sharon Porter

Karlton Prince
Terry Sharp
Irving Stammerich
Barbara Thompson
James Tillman
Stephen Turnage
Harold Walker
Rosie Washington
Terry Watkins
Rose Wilson
Anthony Woods
James Young

Service Awards—10 Years

Gurney Alford
Charles Anderson
Thomas Ashley
Clint Bond
Ashley Bradley
Darren Breidigan
Anthony Bryant
Vonda Cain
Billy Cannon
Michael Clark
Felicia Covington
Daniel Davis
Tammy Dooley
Kenneth Douresseaux
Charles Dugas
Thomas Edwards
Michael Evans
Alvin Fosselman
Jason Giroir
Efrem Green

Kelley Hawkins
Adam Hayes
George Hill
Bobby Hurst
Yashica Johnson
Jerry Jones
Mary Knight
Russell Lacombe
Stacy Maples
Steven Mars
Edward Mayhall
Melissa Menser
Mary Miles
Stephen Miller
Luther Montandon
Joseph Murray
Dwight Normand
Brandy Perry
Larry Phillips
Mark Purpera

Stacy Reed
Sheila Robertson
Saundra Rosso
Tanya Sanchez
Linda Shaw
Edgar Sherman
Carl Smith
Velma Stewart
Betty Taplin
Joseph Terrio
James Thomas
John Troquille
Sara Tygres
Zeria Waltermeyer
Melvin Warner
Christy Wheeler
Antonio Whitaker
Stacey Whitaker
Dorothy White
Contrease White



Service Awards Retirees—20 Years

Louis Coco
Mary Ellis
Mark Firmin
Mary Alice Jarreau

Service Award Retiree—15 Years

Sue A. Parker

PUBLIC RELATIONS

On March 29, Prison View Golf Course hosted the Southern States Correctional Association Golf Tournament for the Louisiana and Mississippi region of SSCA. Nineteen 4-man teams played in the tournament. It was such a success that it will become an annual event.



**Southern States
Correctional Association**



This year's museum symposium "Angola Art: Reflections from the Inside" was held on June 7th and featured inmate art as well as artwork collected from the people most affected by crime, criminals and corrections. Attendees to this symposium saw selected paintings, drawings, sculptures and photographs donated for display from crime victims and survivors, family members of inmates and prison employees and their families. The artwork was showcased at various historic locations on the prison including the Red Hat Cellblock, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Artists, including professionals Debra Luster and CD Wright of One Big Self - Inmates of Louisiana, inmates, and employees were on hand to discuss the inspiration behind their artwork. Over 200 participants from the general public as well as 3 guest speakers attended this year's event.

Movies: The Yellow Handkerchief I Love You Phillip Morris
 Tear Drop Diamond

Media: Southern Living MTV
 Sports Illustrated Billy Graham Magazine
 ESPN Tiger Weekly
 Christian Science Monitor Rolling Stone Magazine
 Gabriel Films



GENERAL INTEREST

Point Lookout Cemetery, the prison cemetery at LSP is nestled at the base of the Tunica Hills on the prison's north side, surrounded by a white rail fence. The original Point Lookout is full, its 331 grave markers are no testimony to the true number buried there. In the mid-nineties an annex opened just across the road, 100 yards to the East. With capacity for more than 700 graves, Point Lookout II has 167 prisoners buried there to date. The youngest prisoner interred was 31, the oldest 83.



Each spring a group of prisoner-volunteers who form the "Point Lookout Project" refurbish the cemetery, painting grave markers, repairing broken ones and making sure flowers are placed on each grave. The "Point Lookout Project" is sponsored by two inmate self-help clubs and, under the auspices of Warden Cain, provides dignified funerals for prisoners buried at Angola.

In 1976 the Louisiana State Penitentiary lifted the traditional lid of censorship giving The Angolite, its official prisoner publication, freedom to publish whatever it desired, subject to the same standards governing professional journalism.

It represented America's boldest experiment in journalism and freedom of expression in the world behind bars. The result was a provocative bi-monthly newsmagazine that went on to earn some of the nation's most coveted press awards. Individuals from all over the country subscribe to the magazine.



P.R.E.P. provided by LSP actually prepares an inmate for return to society by providing him with job skills, teaching him how to apply for and keep a job, instructing him in how to cope with daily stressors, developing communication skills, and causing him to be aware of his personal skills. This rehabilitative training program enables the inmate, once released, to compete in the employment market, to be immediately prepared for employment without further training and to have confidence in his abilities to re-enter society as a productive member.



Vocational Training is provided in the following skilled trade areas:

- Electrical
- Hospital Orderly
- Painting
- Plumbing
- Warehouse

KLSP is the only FCC licensed radio station to operate from within a prison by inmate disc jockeys. Although KLSP, known as the "Incarceration Station," operates at 100 watts, it reaches approximately 6,000 people (staff, inmates and visitors). KLSP, a non-commercial station, has been entertaining, and more importantly educating, its listeners since August 12, 1986.

Prison officials desired a way to communicate to all the inmate population at once, especially when emergency information had to be conveyed. A radio station appeared to be a solution to this problem. KLSP has been able to both inform the inmate population by allowing prison officials the ability to address them at once and entertain the masses with gospel, jazz, blues, rock-n-roll, country, and oldies but goodies. The format also includes educational and religious programs.

Most importantly, it is the enjoyment the men receive through music. In a place where they must always remain, music can make their time seem less hopeless. This contributes to their outlook and institutes a positive morale. As a result, there is less violence which enables the maintenance of public safety.

The prison administration is actively seeking avenues to enhance capabilities of KLSP-97.1 FM.





ANGOLA PRISON RODEO



EVERY SUNDAY IN OCTOBER