

**Cabinet Report
September 24, 2004**

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

DJJ Outstanding Employees and Groups of the Year

On September 22, DJJ employees held an annual awards ceremony to celebrate their work over the past year. Seven individuals and three groups of employees were chosen by their peers as outstanding employees for 2003-2004.

They were chosen because of demonstrated actions, ideas, initiatives, and/or consistent performance that contributed significantly to DJJ, the juveniles in its custodial care, and/or the field of juvenile justice.

Employees of the Year are Wanda Scott-Anderson, activity therapist; Loretta Bookard, Coastal Evaluation Center institutional administrator; James Dwyer, Jr., Dietary Program manager; Dawne Gannon, Interstate Compact administrator; Lt. Marvin Haygood, Juvenile Correctional Officer; Beverly Jackson, Communities in Schools associate teacher; and Anita Latham, Birchwood High School principal.

Groups of the Year are the Junior Reserve Offices' Training Corps Program, the Communities in Schools Multidisciplinary Treatment Team, and the Midlands Evaluation Center administrative staff.

DJJ Willow Lane Café

From Culinary Arts training for female offenders has emerged the Willow Lane Café on DJJ's Broad River Road Campus, where lunch is prepared and served by the girls once a month.

This exciting gender-specific program offers developmental life skills in preparation for re-entry into the community including reading recipes, managing expenditures, and balancing a budget. The females operate the café doing everything from preparing food, serving meals, to collecting lunch tabs.

Schedule

September 27	Budget Hearings Governor's Conference Room, Wade Hampton Office Building
September 28 - 29	Solicitors' Conference Kingston Plantation, North Myrtle Beach
September 30	SCANPO Legislation Luncheon (SC Association of Nonprofit Organizations) Adam's Mark Hotel
October 1	Governor's Juvenile Justice Advisory Council Solomon Blatt Building, Room 305
October 8	Clemson HEHD External Advisory Board (Health, Education, and Human Development) Clemson University