

## BASIC JAIL ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING

by  
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Third time is a charm! After being postponed due to Hurricane Ike, the third offering of the Basic Jail Administrator Training kicked off on February 15, 2009. The 36 participants were chosen from all over the state. They came from small jails with capacities fewer than ten inmates, and they came from larger facilities with room for over 3,000. Once again, their



career experience and longevity varied; their rank and stature changed according to their specific county. Their job duties were all different, however, the one consistent fact remained among the group - every attendee had the responsibility of running the jail.



**Wayne Dicky**, Certified Jail Manager and Administrator of the Brazos County Jail, led the team of trainers focused on jail operations

which included: **Kelly Rowe**, Chief, Lubbock County; **Gary Pinkerton**, Chief Deputy, Smith County; **Ramona Koch** from Montgomery County; **Carla Stone**, Jail Administrator,



Kaufman County; and **David Drosche**, Lieutenant, Brazos County. **Dr. Randy Garner** contributed his expertise on behalf of Sam Houston State University. **Shannon Herklotz** from the Texas Commission on Jail

Standards provided participants with crucial information on jail inspections. **Mark Warren**, **Robert Davis**, **James MacMillan**, **Steve Chalender**, and **Carmella Jones** donated their instructional expertise from Texas Association of Counties. The Correctional Management Institute of Texas would like to extend a special thanks to Carmella Jones for teaching the group about "Stress Management and Wellness" and for hosting daily wellness activities.



The following individuals graduated from the third class of the Basic Jail Administrator Training Program: **Chuck Bahr**, Montague County; **Larry Barrow**, Red River County; **John Bell**, Comal County; **Phillip Bosquez**, Atascosa County; **Richard Boykin**, Camp County; **David Brent**, Caldwell County; **Lori Compton**, Kaufman County;

**Carl Dahlquist**, Jasper County; **Gabriel Davila**, Chambers County; **Carl Davis**, Bastrop County; **Craig Davis**, Waller County; **Deal Folmar**, Smith County; **Veronica Garcia**, Calhoun County; **Richard Gauldin**, Burnet County; **Steven Gentry**, Dallas County; **Ameca Gipson**, Freestone County; **Kevin Hanes**, Henderson County; **Reynold Humber**, Rusk County; **Robert Ikeler**, Reeves County; **Allison Klein**,



Blanco County; **Lupe Lara**, Hale County; **Connie Lockridge**, Carson County; **Darren Long**, Travis County; **Gary Marquis**, Somervell County; **Shelly McCarn**, Gray County; **Nick Metz**, Seattle Police Department; **Steven Morton**, Limestone County; **Robin Parsons**, Cherokee County; **Daniel Perez**, Nueces County; **Peyton Reed**, Trinity County; **Gene Rodriguez**, Brooks County; **Billy Ruemke**, Washington County; **Karla Swanzy**, Nacogdoches County; **Diann Taylor**, Gonzales County; **Richard Veach**, Milam County; and **Tifani Witherspoon**, Robertson County.



When the final evaluations were received, it was determined once again that the classes were educational, and all the attendees learned invaluable information concerning jail administration.

The interaction between the various departments was beneficial, and the format allowed for participation at will.

If you are a new jail administrator, or know one in your surrounding area, look for the nomination form for the June and November 2009 classes at [www.cmitonline.org](http://www.cmitonline.org). Any questions about this class can be directed to **Jeana Wiggins** at the Correctional Management Institute of Texas, 936-294-1668.



## TJA TRAINING UPDATE

by  
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To All TJA Members,

The training opportunities the Texas Jail Association offers to its members across the state are valuable resources for every level of officer in your agency. I want to thank our membership for making all of our trainings a success. I would also like to thank agency administrators for allowing your officers to attend our trainings. Part of our mission is to advance professionalism through training, technical assistance, publications, peer interactions, and conferences. I believe the Texas Jail Association continues to fulfill this mission with the diverse training opportunities we offer throughout the year. Since our Annual Conference in May 2008, TJA has provided the membership with 12,569.5 training hours.

Our continued training partnership with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards provided 1,800 hours of training to 225 participants for "The Basics" at our Fall Regional trainings.

Our continued training partnership with the Texas Association of Counties provided the following training hours