

2016 Criminal Justice Training Conference

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The South Carolina Correctional Association (SCCA), the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers' Association (SCLEOA), and the South Carolina Probation and Parole Association (SCPPA) again partnered to present the 2016 Criminal Justice Training Conference November 13-16 at the Myrtle Beach Grande Dunes in Myrtle Beach, S.C. As always, the awards banquet, held on Tuesday, November 15th, was one of the highlights of the event. During this year's banquet SCDC Director Bryan Stirling was recognized for his accomplishments in corrections by receiving the William D. Leeke Award. This marked the first time a Department of Corrections Director had ever received this prestigious award and been recognized by the South Carolina Correctional Association.

Chief Mark Keel of SLED and Director Jerry Adger of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services were on hand for the training conference with over 400 attendees from numerous local, state and federal agencies. Over 20 different sessions were offered for participants to include "Resolving Conflict", "Criminal Profiling" and "Responding to the Mentally Ill" just to name a few. All speakers provide training at the conference for no charge so that the SC Criminal Justice Training Conference registration can remain affordable to participants. The registration fee was \$100 for three full days of training which included continental breakfasts and a lunch and a dinner.

"This is a wonderful and affordable training opportunity and a great way to network with other members of law enforcement", said SCCA President, John Barkley

Others recognized by the SCCA were Michael Toms from Evans Correctional Institution, Jessica Edmond, SCDC Mailroom Coordinator, James Moore, Manning Correctional Institution, and Keisha Grause, Probation Pardon and Parole Services.



Barkley presents Leeke award to Director Stirling



Jessica Edmond receives her award



James Moore receives his award



Michael Toms receives his award



Keisha Grause of PPP receives her award

Congratulations to all the winners and to SCCA on another successful year! If you haven't already, join Now!