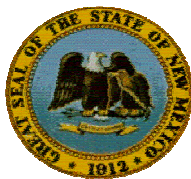


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### **SOUTHERN NM CORRECTIONAL FACILITY ANNOUNCES VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

**Las Cruces-** Las Cruces resident, Raymond Annear, has been selected by the Southern New Mexico Correctional Facility as the 2008 Volunteer of the Year. Annear was chosen based on his tireless volunteerism for over a decade. He volunteers three to four times each month as part of the Kairos International program, a program that offers in-house retreat weekends focused on Christian living. Kairos promotes spiritual community and productive lifestyles for inmates and ex-offenders. Annear's humility and constant care for inmate spiritual well-being has been noted by all.

The Southern New Mexico Correctional Facility has 730 adult male inmates. Southern New Mexico Correctional Facility Chaplain Jeff Mulac and 80 volunteers provide 30 different religious services, and other programs such as Alcoholics Anonymous and educational tutoring.

The New Mexico Corrections Department will host its annual Volunteer Appreciation Conference on Saturday, April 25, 2009 to honor all prison Volunteers of the Year for 2008. The conference will be held at Grace Church located in Albuquerque. The Corrections Department has approximately 1000 volunteers and 6500 inmates incarcerated in 11 facilities statewide. If you are interested in becoming a prison volunteer, please contact Chaplain Jeff Mulac at (575) 523-3200.

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