My First NAAWS Conference
By Mary Carr

Trying something for the first time can be stressful, costly, scary, hopeful, exciting, inspiring, memorable, and just about every other emotion imaginable. My first NAAWS conference was all of these.

It was stressful as I battled with my own self-doubts that I was capable of making a difference to anyone by attending. I had visions of taking up space that another more talented person could make better use of. Eventually, I decided that my being at the conference would make a difference to at least one person. It would make a difference to me.

It was costly in my eyes because I love to spend money on my family and friends, but agonize over spending money on myself. I finally decided to take the I-am-on-vacation approach to the cost of the trip and just not worry about it. Of course, I still packed snacks and peanut butter just in case.

The scary part came when I arrived at the hotel and suddenly felt very alone and out of place. I checked in and searched the badges still on the registration table hoping I would see a familiar name. I saw one. I wandered around the room wasting time hoping the one person I knew would arrive and help curb my sense of loneliness. I walked past the registration table again and the badge was gone. He had checked in already while I was right there in the room and we had missed each other. Of course, I missed him much more than he and his wife missed me.

I mentioned to one of the volunteers (R.B.) at the registration table that I had just missed the only person I already knew. She told me that she would make sure I would not feel alone during the conference. I left the registration area and returned to my room to decide what to do about dinner. The conference schedule said there would be food and drinks at the Exhibit Hall Reception in about an hour, but I needed a meal so I ordered dinner from room service. I sat in my room alone and ate. When I was done, I headed to the Exhibit Hall. When I got off the elevator and walked into the hallway, someone called my name. In that instant, I no longer felt invisible and alone.

Of course, it was the volunteer R.B. that was welcoming me. Later on, she introduced me to someone else from out-of-state (Sharon) and the next morning at breakfast I sat with Sharon. It was wonderful to be able to call her by name and ask if she had room at her table so I could join her for breakfast. I hoped that calling her by name would make her feel welcomed too.

The entire first day was very exciting. There were so many extraordinary products on display - voice recognition phone system software, fashionable yet durable clothing, pocket sized language translation device, toothpaste in clear tubes, cell phone detection devices, localized metal detectors, personal-
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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

By Todd Thomas

I am truly humbled by the opportunity to serve as the president of NAAWS. I want to thank our preceding President, Darrel Vannoy, for his past and continued service to NAAWS. I consider Darrel a friend and hope to continue to strengthen our relationship. Darrel committed to growing our membership and I want to continue down that path. I am thankful for Art Leonardo and his many years of service and friendship. I am also excited to work with our new director Gloria Hultz who has too served NAAWS for many years and much like Art is part of the fabric of NAAWS. Gloria’s hard work has made the transition seamless in my opinion. I have learned so much from my association with our members, their families, vendors and affiliates over the last 14 years. The experience and knowledge among our membership is amazing and I am still impressed to this day with so many that I consider mentors, friends and associates. Can you think of a better organization which allows you to work together with some of the best correctional professionals in the world from every local, state, and federal agency?

Our membership is the strength and backbone of the NAAWS family. We must continue to grow and need your support to do so. Gloria Hultz, Art Leonardo, Pat Keohane, Mel Williams, Gail Heller, Chuck Albino, the current Board of Directors and Officers all agree that we need to recruit and develop our future leaders with NAAWS. We need to persistently look for new ways to recruit youth into our organization. I can remember when I was one of the youngest members in the room; I can say that is no longer the case. During my term, I want to insure we are preparing ourselves to carry the NAAWS torch for many years to come while at the same time developing new leaders. They have a wealth of knowledge that will be valuable to our organization and profession as we face new technological challenges and the application into corrections.

I would like to thank my company for the support and commitment they give to NAAWS and our staff that serve. I work for a great organization that affords me this opportunity and I appreciate every one of my managers over the last 14 years. Lastly and most importantly, I want to take this opportunity to thank my wife and children for their unfailing support. Without their support, this would not be possible.

Congratulations to Patrick Keohane and General Mark Inch for being awarded the distinguished E.R. CASS award 2013. We are very proud of these two NAAWS members. The planning stages are under way for our annual Warden of the Year and Medal of Valor awards dinner. Please make arrangements to attend both ceremonies at the ACA Summer Congress in our nation’s capital.

We look forward to seeing you all again and thank you so much for your continued support of NAAWS.

Sincerely,

Todd Thomas

Publisher's Report by Art Leonardo

NAAWS continues to be the strongest subgroup under the ACA Umbrella. It is made up of men and women from all sections of corrections — local to national. GLORIA HULTZ continues to coordinate and direct our activities in an exemplary manner. MARK SAUNDERS and the OHIO WARDENS have just completed another outstanding Spring Training Conference. Our incoming President TODD THOMAS is hard at work planning the 2014 Conference in MEMPHIS, TN.

Public and Private practitioners will soon gather at THE GAYLORD HOTEL at the NATIONAL HARBOR for a historic ACA SUMMER CONGRESS. Veteran attendees will join “new jacks” to socialize and swap both stories and ideas. I have looked forward to this beautiful site every year as I saw it grow on the banks of the POTOMAC, heading south on INTERSTATE 95 at the WILSON BRIDGE. It will provide easy access to downtown WASHHINGTON, DC and our nation’s iconic monuments.

Our WARDEN OF THE YEAR BANQUET will be on Monday night (August 12th), as is our custom. It will be off site… a short 4 minute walk, at WOLFGANG PUCK’S SUNSET ROOM. The room only holds 200, so get your reservations ASAP.

A special thank you to CCAS’ DEB SCHULMAN for making all the arrangements.

This ACA convention will be especially meaningful for us as two of our members will receive the honor of the E.R. CASS AWARD on Tuesday night.

General Mark Inch will be honored for his service to ACA and Military Corrections. Pat Keohane will join the ranks of CASS winners from NAAWS. Pat is a pillar of this organization and is our best known symbol as an ACA auditor and subject matter expert.

Join us in our NATIONS CAPITAL for this important week in our organization’s history.
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NAAWS Banquet

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Hyatt Regency Convention Center
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Warden of the Year

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Ask for NAAWS at the Front Desk—Gloria Hultz

Saturday, August 10 — 6 PM
Sunday, August 11 — 7:30 PM
Monday, August 12 — (after WOY Banquet)

From the desk of …
The Executive Director
Gloria Hultz

First, I want to thank Ohio for a wonderful conference. Mark Saunders, Ernie Moore, Edward Banks, Kelly Riehle and so many others did an outstanding job!!! We are already planning for next year’s program, which will be in Memphis, TN. NAAWS has been very busy. We just completed another class with the Samuel Houston University and Pat Caruso, Harley Lappin and Doug Dretke did and outstanding job. Patrick Keohane and will be representing NAAWS at the U S Deputy Warden conference which will be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas on 7/28/13 thru 8/1/13. Then, starting August 9th, NAAWS will be busy, busy. August 12th will be our annual business meeting and then that evening we will be honoring Robert Lacy, Jr. as our first Warden of the Year from the private sector. We also will be giving out our Medal of Valor awards. The list is next to this article. This is going to be a great night and it will be off the Gaylord property which should be a nice change. Then, get ready to honor our very own Patrick Keohane and Brigadier General Mark Inch (who is also a NAAWS member) at the ER Cass Banquet. What a wonderful honor for our members. We are hoping to have a block of tables for this event and we will have more information for you as we know more.

Hope everyone is doing well and we will see you in Washington DC.
ized prescription medication cards with a one month supply of pills, and the list goes on. One company is working with solar energy to produce heat for hot water. A trial conducted resulted in a 43% savings in the cost of hot water for one dorm at a facility. When I got back home, I contacted someone in Facilities Planning to share the information. I am very hopeful that by passing along the information I might be able to help the state reduce its energy costs.

The sessions during the two-day conference featured several renowned speakers, a presentation on prisons being built in Afghanistan, a tour of a juvenile detention facility, an annual training on ethics in government, a three-part session regarding Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual and Transgender offenders, and a fascinating Security Threat Groups (STG) history of solving crimes with information sharing agreements currently in place in Ohio. The collaboration and teamwork exhibited during the STG session has inspired me to learn more about the STG programs in place in my state. I am also hopeful that I can pass along the contact information from the STG Unit in Ohio to the corresponding unit in my state.

The evening event on both nights added a highlight and a memorable end to a jam-packed day. The first night we had dinner at the local race track and casino where I won over $50 dollars. Unfortunately, the horses missed the excitement due to a water main break on the track and the fact that horses are not allowed in the casino. The following night we were privileged to meet Jack Hanna and Sheriff Matt Lutz who both gave us their insights into the heart-breaking release and death of a number of exotic animals in Zanesville, Ohio in 2011. This was followed by a stroll through the world famous Columbus Zoo for all who braved the on-again, off-again rain.

And then there was more. In the Hospitality Suite each night, we took advantage of the opportunity to learn more about each other and network. I was at the Hospitality Suite one night when I was asked to write this piece on my impressions from my first NAAWS conference. My general impression is unbelievably energizing and informative. I would not have wanted to miss even one minute of the experience. When I returned to work, my manager allowed me to speak to my entire unit for thirty minutes about the things I saw, and learned, and did. It got them talking about and considering how the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision works here in our state. It got them thinking about security issues incumbent within all penal systems in the world. It gave us all a glimpse beyond our day-to-day activities and allowed us a better understanding of how what we do contributes to everyone’s well-being.

Most of all, I came away with a desire to be more like the volunteer R.B. that greeted me. I want to work on designing and presenting a mentoring plan for attendees. Initially, I would like to work on the possibility of having volunteers sign up as a mentor and offer attendees (especially first-time attendees) the chance to be greeted at the door by a mentor. Not sure yet what kind of a time commitment would be appropriate. I do not want mentors and their attendees to feel pressured to spend every free minute with each other, but I would like to think that each team (mentor and attendee) would determine for themselves how deep and how long their friendship would last. Not sure yet how attendees would be offered the opportunity to participate, but I would like both the mentor and the attendee to have each others names before the conference so they will know who it is they will be meeting at the door. I believe that being able to call someone by their name when they arrive is a warm, welcoming moment that might result in deep friendships.

In closing, I would like to commend everyone who helped organize the conference and who volunteered their time. They all did an exceptional job. The speakers and session presenters were well-spoken, professional, and informative. The vendors were excellent at letting their passion for their products and services shine through. And all of the attendees were positive, upbeat, and gracious in sharing their experiences, their knowledge, and their friendship with others. This was indeed a time that will stay with me and warm my heart for many years to come.

Publisher’s Note:

MARY CARR is a information technology specialist who first became involved with NAAWS as a volunteer in NEW ORLEANS building a playground for the children in the 9th Ward. She is a fine example of a young professional who has benefited from an association with NAAWS. Many WARDENS should realize that the administrative staff who work in our central offices want to know more about facility operations in order to do a professional job of supplying tools to run facilities.

Golf Outing in Columbus

Director Gary Mohr, OHIO opens NAAWS GOLF OUTING IN COLUMBUS
Hello again from Silent Victims of Crime! Apologies for the long delay in getting news to you. We are still getting settled in Miami and growing everyday thanks to the help of The Service Network for Children of Inmates (COI), volunteers, and to all of you at NAAWS for giving us a platform to get our mission to a broader audience!

My name is Brittney Daniels, I am 26 years old and I started with this organization as a volunteer 8 months ago, after being released from prison for trafficking drugs during the summer of 2012. While incarcerated I got to know some of the inmates and hear a number of disturbing stories about what would happen to their kids upon arrest. I vowed to look into children of prisoners and the issues that plague them.

My research lead me to SVC and Paulette “Tinkerbell,” who took a chance on me when I walked into her office. I wasn’t mandated to do community service, but I had become aware of the problem and wanted to do something about it. My awareness that all youth are our future, regardless of upbringing, created a new mission in me to see this organization succeed in assisting these youth so they don’t continue to fall through the cracks. I enjoy advocating for these youth as I plan our latest events and programs as SVC’s National Programs Coordinator. It definitely feels good to know that Paulette and the rest of her staff trust my ideas and want to see them through to success!

We continue our work with COI’s Prison Visitation program to over 12 correctional facilities in South Florida, to allow our 450 children to maintain relationships with their parent. We are always seeking volunteers to assist us with the day-long bus trips, so please contact me if you’d like to participate and see our work in action.

Tinkerbell sends her love and is grateful for the support NAAWS has given us in the past especially with The Green MAZE Park, which through the physical labor and donations from NAAWS members from the start, we were able to transform a dilapidated lot into what is now our annual “Call Me MISTER Camp!” Eleven years running, this summer camp in Anderson, South Carolina allows us to provide stability, educational focus, and a sense of social responsibility for our kids year-round. Once again, we’ll have fantastic mentoring provided by members of the Call Me MISTER program at Clemson University. It’s sure to be another memorable year for our kids.

I’m also excited to announce our first event of the year, Clothes Off My Back, ‘A fashion benefit with a twist!’ at the DiLido Beach Club, The Ritz-Carlton South Beach, on April 28, 2013. It’s going to be a fun afternoon, Miami-style. Tickets or donations can be accessed through our website. All proceeds benefit the Teen Leadership Program, our first Miami initiative, which will work closely with a group of young adults to develop leadership and entrepreneurial skills.

Finally, SVC will assist in hosting the Second Annual COI Symposium in October 2013 to collaborate with different groups in order to serve children of inmates and expand our platform. Our First Annual COI Symposium in April 2012 brought together more than 275 experts, policy makers, program directors, researchers, field staff, and youth impacted by parental arrest and incarceration to share personal experiences, insights and innovative intervention methods and programs. Since then we have increased services by over 50% while absorbing cuts of almost 34%. We’d like to invite you to participate this year and share your insights and thoughts about how to continue our successful track record as we expand.

As always, we’d love to hear your ideas, too. We’re grateful for your support as we continue to raise awareness of the issues that plague these children - the Silent Victims of Crime.

Sincerely,

Brittney Daniels
National Programs Coordinator
Silent Victims of Crime
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