

# Correctional Education Association

CEA Region I Newsletter

Fall 2015



From the Director...

On behalf of the Region I Executive Board, greetings! As we start into the fall season, I think of how all the colors of the change make up the great pictures and scenes. Like the multiple colors of the fall season, we as educators in corrections make up many different parts of the success of our students. So take some time to reflect that we do make a difference in the lives of your students. After all Corrections Education is a key towards successful transition.

In addition, please look out for information regarding the upcoming CEA Region I Conference to be held at the Great Escape Lodge & Water Park in Queensbury, NY, on June 1-3, 2016. Plan on attending and hopefully we'll see you there.

Sincerely,

Ron Bargiel, Director,

CEA, Region I

## CEA NY 55<sup>th</sup> Annual CEA Region I Conference

New York State has been busy hosting the 2015 state conferences throughout the NY regions. Our first was held on March 27<sup>th</sup> in Geneva, NY at the Belhurst Castle, the second was held on May 1<sup>st</sup> in Lake Placid, NY at the Crowne Plaza, and the third is scheduled for Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup> in Kingston, NY at the Garden Plaza Hotel.

New York is hosting the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual CEA Region I Conference in beautiful Lake George, New York at the Great Escape Lodge on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016! Please note the "save the date" information. Here are some special evening events that are in the planning stages (in addition to the great speakers and vendors):

- June 1: President's Reception  
White Water Bay Indoor Water Park
- June 2: Lake George Dinner Cruise  
Ice Cream Social

The room rates are \$99.00 (maximum capacity of 4). Attendees will have access to The Great Escape Lodge's Spa and Health Fitness Center. Johnny Rockets Restaurant is also on site at the lodge. Lake George and Premiere Shopping Outlets are within a few miles of the lodge. As a popular resort area, Lake George hosts a magnitude of educational, historical, and FUN things to do in the area!

We hope you will join us for a few days of relaxing, rejuvenating, and reconnecting experiences!

If you have any questions please contact:

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Or: Valerie Franz (CEA NY Representative)

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## 2015 Mystic Conference Wrap Up



Kevin Kavanaugh receiving the Director's award from Ron Bargiel.

The CEA Region I Conference at the Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa May 27th, 28th, and 29th was an amazing success. Feedback from the conference was overwhelmingly positive. The Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Correction, Commissioner Scott Semple,

congratulated the CEA CT Conference Committee through a front page submission of PRIDE, the Department's monthly newsletter. Commissioner Semple commended, "Your efforts resulted in a well organized, well-attended event that had many of those in attendance singing your praises." What an amazing compliment from such a well respected leader.

The conference celebrated a convergence of educators, correctional educators, correctional professionals, wardens, deputy wardens, and support staff. Workshops, vendors, and activities were varied to ensure all attendees would derive value and meaning



Region 1 TOY, Connie Haskins with Superintendent Kim Holley and Commissioner Scott Semple.

from their experience. The conference also boasted diversity in its keynote speakers. Carleton Giles, Dr. Gina Barreca, and Jennifer Rizzotti delivered humorous, motivating, and powerful messages that resonated with conference participants. Perhaps one of the greatest conference highlights featured Connie Haskins, CEA

Region I Teacher of the Year, who was honored for her enduring dedication to her students and continued involvement in correctional education.

The conference was a resounding success thanks to the efforts of the CEA-CT Conference Committee. Each committee member was instrumental in the planning and execution of every conference detail. The conference was greatly supported by the Connecticut Department of Correction's Executive Team, lead by Commissioner Semple. Many members of the Executive Team were in attendance. Sincere gratitude must also be conveyed to the Superintendent of Unified School District #1, Kim Holley. Her unwavering support and guidance contributed to the many conference accomplishments. Thank you to all who attended.



Superintendent Holley receiving the CEA Region 1 Board Award with Director Bargiel and CEA Conference Chair Maria Pirro.

## Membership Rocks at Mystic

R.P. Smith, Membership Co-Chair

What a conference CT CEA put on in Mystic, CT this past May, the conference committee chaired by Maria Pirro and Bea Bailey were spot on. I am pleased to say that the Membership Committee was busy from Tuesday morning right through Friday. Bea Bailey and Judy Rugar did an outstanding job in making this a very enjoyable event.



Besides answering membership related questions and signing up new members at the Membership Table, we arranged for the water, seltzer, chips, and granola bars in the conference bags. The Ice Cream Social was a delicious time for young and old alike on Thursday afternoon. But the most numerous and positive comments that we received were concerning the Membership Game Raffle (weren't those state baskets just fabulous) and the "Bea Bailey Scavenger Hunt" that Bea and Judy worked tirelessly on.



The winners of the Membership Game Raffle were; a free CEA Membership Monica Lord, CT, CT gift basket Donna Traver NY, NJ gift basket Val Head NY, NY gift basket Leslie Ridgeway CT, PA gift basket Valerie Smith CT, RI gift basket Mel Christian CT, Mystic Boat House gift card Albert Alba RI, Inn at Mystic gift card Janet King MA, CT Sun's Autographed Basketball Bea Bailey CT, Mystic Gem gift card Andrea Paroza CT, Seltzer and Ice Cream Tamara Williams NY, Seltzer and Ice Cream Connie Haskins CT, Budweiser Bucket Ora Perkins NY, Budweiser Bucket Maria Pirro CT.

My personal thanks to the members who manned the Membership Table during the conference and my special thanks to Vince Rupos and Ken Roshkowski who assisted me out of the limelight. If you want to get involved in other membership activities please contact me or your chapter president.

We are looking forward to what Kim Leonard and the NY Conference Committee has in store at Lake George June 1 - 3, 2016.





The Rhode Island Department of Corrections and the Rhode Island Juvenile Correctional School (Rhode Island Training School) have not yet implemented the GED 2014 Test. Both facilities have been allowed to continue testing for the GED 2002 Series Examination until January 1st, 2016. A waiver was applied for and granted for both Departments to continue with the GED 2002 Exam through December 2016. Presently, both facilities are waiting for an updated computer network to be installed and implemented in both the adult and juvenile facilities. Based on a recent release from the Rhode Island Department of Education there has been a significant drop in the number of GED diplomas awarded in comparison to past years when the GED 2002 exam was administered. Although the passing rate for those taking the actual GED 2014 exam has been very good. In 2015, the National Passing Rate for the GED 2014 Exam is 71 percent.

Dr. Albert Alba has been attending the Governor's Work Force Board on Adult Education. The State of Rhode Island is considering alternative exams to the GED such as the High School Equivalency Test - HiSET or Test Assessing Secondary Completion - TASC. Test costs and ease of implementation are also factors being considered. An RFP is being considered with respect to a cost comparison. Information on a test comparison across the states can be found at the following Education Commission of the States web site: <http://www.ecs.org/>.

In May 2015, the Office of Multiple Pathways at the Rhode Island Department of Education endorsed the Northstar Digital Literacy Assessment (NORTHSTAR) [www.digitalliteracyassessment.org](http://www.digitalliteracyassessment.org) to assess digital literacy skills for students. Instructional modules that will improve one's skills required to pass the digital assessment modules are at the aforementioned Northstar site. Students can be tested for proficiency in Basic Computers, MS Word, E-mail, and the World Wide Web. Adult education centers will require its staff to have certified proctors to oversee the examination process when administering the tests to the students.

Dr. Albert Alba has also been working with cohorts from various state agencies from colleges and universities and adult professional leaders throughout the State of Rhode Island as part of a working group to improve adult education throughout Rhode Island. The program was funded by the United Way. The working groups focused on: Resources, Access, and Connections as related to High School Equivalency Instruction and Assessment. The team of educators, professors, and professional development experts worked on generating recommendations that will hopefully improve adult education throughout the State of Rhode Island. The information generated from the working groups has been forward to the Governor's Workforce Board, the Rhode Island Board of Education, the Rhode Island Department of Education, and the Director of Adult Education.

Rhode Island administrators and teachers who support the CEA or who are CEA members were presented with fleece jackets that have the CEA Apple Logo, the words Transforming Lives, and Rhode Island stitched into the top left front of the jacket. The jackets will also be given to teachers and administrators who become CEA members as long as the supply lasts. Assistant Director of Rehabilitation Services, Barry Weiner, Principal/Special Education Director, Ralph Orleck, Education Coordinator, Lee Allison, Principal, William Cauley, and teachers Sheila DiRaimo, Dr. Albert Alba, Kelly Tinaro, and Cheryl Dickerson were recipients of the CEA jackets.

In addition to GED instruction, students are provided with vocational and academic programming after completing their GED through the Community College of Rhode Island. Academic (College Credit Courses) and vocational programming (house construction, carpentry, OSHA Certification, Sheet Rock and Plastering, Safe Serve Certification, Culinary), a welding program (Medium Security), and a barbering program are also offered to students through the Rhode Island Department of Corrections.





**RELAX,  
REJUVENATE,  
RECONNECT**

**SAVE THE DATES!  
JUNE 1 – 3, 2016**

CEANY WILL BE HOSTING CEA's REGION I  
CONFERENCE IN 2016 AT THE GREAT ESCAPE LODGE,  
LAKE GEORGE, NY

CORRECTIONAL EDUCATORS FROM ACROSS REGION I  
WILL BE ATTENDING: CONNECTICUT, MAINE,  
MASSACHUSETTS, NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK, PENNSYLVANIA,  
RHODE ISLAND, AND VERMONT



Go to: [www.CEAREGION1.org](http://www.CEAREGION1.org)  
for additional Conference Information

**CORRECTIONAL  
EDUCATION  
ASSOCIATION'S**

**55<sup>TH</sup> REGION 1  
ANNUAL  
CONFERENCE**

**TO BE HELD  
JUNE 1-3, 2016  
IN LAKE GEORGE  
NEW YORK**

**AT  
THE GREAT  
ESCAPE LODGE**

[www.sixflagsgreatescapelodge.com](http://www.sixflagsgreatescapelodge.com)

**For further information about  
the conference, please  
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Correctional Education Association

**CEA**

# REGION I

## TEACHER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM



### QUALIFICATIONS FOR SELECTION AS TEACHER OF THE YEAR

#### Eligibility

1. The individual selected must spend at least 51% of his or her work time in classroom instruction
2. The individual selected must have taught in correctional facilities for a minimum of two years.
3. The individual selected must have been a CEA member for at least one year prior to nomination.
4. The individual selected must have demonstrated leadership qualities and be active in promoting improvements in correctional education.
5. The individual selected must have demonstrated devotion to the teaching profession as evidenced by a willingness to work beyond his or her job description.

#### Instructions

1. A nomination letter must accompany the application.
2. Nominations should be by your immediate supervisor, principal, or superintendent. Also, any current CEA member in good standing for at least 3 years can nominate a teacher. One recommendation **MUST** be by your immediate supervisor who can provide verification that the teacher selected will be granted time to attend.
3. No less than two (2), but no more than four (4), recommendations must be included with the application.
4. Verifying documentation in the form of reviews, news articles, etc. may be attached to the application, but the entire packet must be reproducible.
5. You may write your responses to the questions on a separate sheet of paper.

**Please return Application by February 12, 2016**



Dear Correctional Educator,

Enclosed is your application for the CEA Region I Teacher of the Year Award. Please complete the packet and return it to the address below by February 12, 2016.

The Region I Teacher of the year is featured at the 2016 CEA Region I Conference to be held at the Great Escape Lodge in Lake George, NY from June 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016 as well as the 2016 International CEA Conference to be held July 31<sup>st</sup> - August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016 in Long Beach, CA. Attendance at both events is expected. At both events, hotel registration during the conference dates, and conference registration, will be provided. A travel stipend to the International Conference is also awarded.

**Please return completed packets to:**

CEA Teacher of the Year  
c/o Manson Youth Institution  
42 Jarvis Street  
Cheshire, CT 06410

**Any Questions contact:**

Maria Pirro  
Tel.: (203) 806-2572  
E-Mail: Maria.Pirro@ct.gov

**CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**  
**Teacher of the Year Nomination Form**  
**REGION I**

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for Teacher of the Year for 2016.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name of Person Nominating)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed)

Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(State/Province)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Zip/Postal Code)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(State/Province)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Zip/Postal Code)

Number of Years as an Educator: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years as a Correctional Educator: \_\_\_\_\_

## PREVIOUS CORRECTIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dates	Institution and Location	Position
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## RELATED EXPERIENCE

Dates	Institution and Location	Position
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### PLEASE REVIEW INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THIS SECTION

#### I. Extraordinary Contributions to Correctional Education

(This section should include activities that improve the education program or enhance the well being of the students. They can be part of the regular school program or extracurricular, and they can occur during the regular school day or beyond normal working hours.)

A. Description of the Extraordinary Contribution(s):

B. Universality of Application

(Can it be applied to many correctional schools or is its application limited to one school? Explain):

C. Importance of the Contribution

(Describe the pragmatic needs fulfilled.):

#### II. Professional Growth

A. Professional Courses Beyond Certification Requirements:



### III. Background Information

A. Professional Duties:

B. Academic and/or Vocational Background and Experience:

C. Community Activities:

D. Hobbies and Interests:

### IV. Statement of Personal Philosophy (Completed by the nominee):

I, \_\_\_\_\_ membership # \_\_\_\_\_ accept the nomination and agree to complete the necessary forms and to participate fully in the Teacher of the Year process.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(City)

(State/Province)

(Zip/Postal Code)





# RELAX, REJUVENATE, & RECONNECT

55<sup>th</sup> Correctional Education Association Region I Conference

The Great Escape Lodge, Lake George, NY

June 1-3, 2016

## Exhibitor Information and Guidelines

**Exhibit Space:** Exhibit tables are 8' long by 30" deep. Two chairs will be provided for each table. Tables will be assigned on a first come first served basis.

**Exhibit Hours:** The exhibit area will be open to attendees from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>; and Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> until 11 AM. CEA staff will be available to provide you with any assistance you may need.

**Set-up & Tear-down:** Conference space will be available for set-up on Tuesday evening, May 31<sup>st</sup> or Wednesday morning, June 1<sup>st</sup>, between 7:30 and noon. Breakdown must be completed by noon on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Cancellation:** No refunds will be given to registrants after May 1, 2015.

**Liability and Security:** The Exhibitor Area cannot be secured by CEA or the conference center. Exhibitors are advised to use caution when leaving valuables unattended in the exhibit area. The conference organizers will not accept responsibility for the theft and/or damage of exhibitor property. Exhibitors are encouraged to insure themselves against any losses.

**Conference Center Information and Reservations:** Reservations will be accepted at any time prior to the conference. Reservations can be made BY CALLING 518-824-6060. For additional information about the lodge, please go to their website: [www.sixflagsgreatescapelodge.com](http://www.sixflagsgreatescapelodge.com).

The Great Escape Lodge is located at 89 Six Flags Drive, Queensbury, NY 12804. From Albany it is located conveniently off Exit 20 taking I-87 North, near beautiful Lake George.

**Shipping Your Materials:** Contact the conference center directly to make accommodations.

**Audio – Visual Services:** Please make direct contact with the conference center.

If you have any questions please contact:

Ron McDonagh      Phone: 518-439-7504      Email: [rmcdonagh@nycap.rr.com](mailto:rmcdonagh@nycap.rr.com)

The CEA Region I Annual Conference brings educators together from: Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, and New Jersey. Region I also includes the following Canadian provinces and territories: New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Quebec.

Please visit our website at [www.CEAREGION1.ORG](http://www.CEAREGION1.ORG)





**Correctional Education Association  
Region 1 – New York  
Vendor/Exhibitor Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CEA Member? \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

(Place check mark for tables) Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_; Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_; Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> AM \_\_\_\_\_

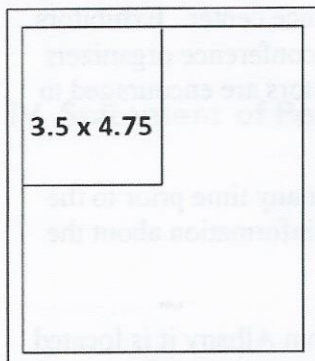
One Table all 3 days: \$450 \_\_\_\_\_ or \$400 Only Thursday \_\_\_\_\_; Additional Table \$200 ea. \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Meal Costs: Teacher of the Year Luncheon on Thursday included for one representative.

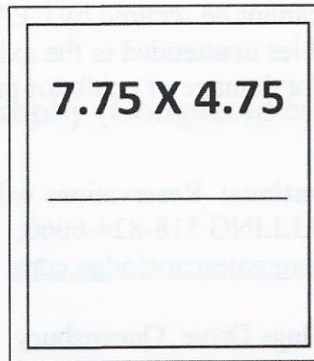
Lunch- Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> @ \$20.00; Breakfast- Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ \$20.00 Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Will you need an electrical outlet? \_\_\_\_\_

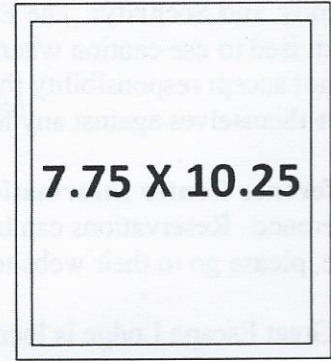
Fees for advertising space in the Conference Guide:



Quarter –page ad \$100. \_\_\_\_\_



Half-page ad \$150. \_\_\_\_\_



Full-page ad \$250. \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ad copy MUST be sent to: Ronald McDonagh at: [rmcdonagh@nycap.rr.com](mailto:rmcdonagh@nycap.rr.com) ; Questions: 518-439-7504

(Ad copy should be in .pdf, .jpeg, or .tiff formats -300 dpi) due by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

- Our company would like to make an additional commitment to this conference and become a recognized sponsor in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_; or sponsor a Coffee Break \$ \_\_\_\_\_; the Ice Cream Social \$ \_\_\_\_\_; the Reception \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or other event \_\_\_\_\_.
- Our company is interested in presenting a workshop. \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Presenter/Topic \_\_\_\_\_

- Please make Checks payable to **CEANY** and MUST be mailed by February 1, 2016 along with this form to:  
CEA 2016 Region I Conference Attn: **Kenneth Cranford** PO Box 444 Ovid, NY 14521-0444

**55<sup>th</sup> Correctional Education Association Region I Conference - June 1-3, 2016**

**At The Great Escape Lodge Lake George, New York**

Catch us on CEA's website: [www.CEAREGION1.org](http://www.CEAREGION1.org)



On May 8, 2015 the New Jersey Chapter hosted a staff development day at the Hilton Garden Inn in Hamilton, NJ. 130 educators representing: the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission, the New Jersey Department of Corrections, the Federal Bureau of Prisons, the county jails, and a few public schools attended this training.

The New Jersey Chapter selected two 2015 Teacher of the Years. Carolyn VanDevalde represented the Juvenile Justice Commission and Matthew Benedetti represented the Department of Corrections. Both of the NJTOYs received a free one-year membership and a plaque to acknowledge their outstanding service.

The staff development day workshop choices were as follows:

### **Strategies for HSE Success - Repeated in AM and PM**

Maxine McCormick is an Education Specialist/Sales Rep at McGraw-Hill/Contemporary.

### **Introducing ETS HiSET Assessment-High School Equivalency Assessment**

Jason Carter is the Director of the High School Equivalency Testing (HiSET™)

Program for Educational Testing Service.

### **Delivering High School Equivalency Prep Solutions to Incarcerated Learners - Repeated in AM and PM**

Joel Ray is an Inside Sales Representative Aztec Software who helps teachers navigate the many changes of the new High School Equivalency market.

### **Motivating the Unmotivated Learner**

Ana Piccininno has been an educator with the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission for the past 27 years.

Our staff development day was a huge success due to the overwhelming support of Tremaine Harrison, the Juvenile Justice Commission's Director of Education. Mr. Harrison appropriated the funds to pay for all of his staff to attend. Golf shirts with New Jersey Correctional Education Association embroidered on them were given to all members who were in attendance. This was our membership incentive for 2015 that was funded by \$500.00 seed money from the region. The chapter purchased windbreakers to sell to the members. Five members and their families attended a NJCEA night at the Trenton Thunder Baseball Game.



## News from Pennsylvania Juvenile Facilities

Clyde Caldwell Jr., PA Representative

The Juvenile facilities in Pennsylvania have been increasing vocational and employability training for residents. The PACTT Alliance (PA Career Technical Training) has been pushing Vocational training and competency checklists embedded in the curriculum for all Juvenile Institutions. The National Reports listed below indicate the importance of quality transition services and the need for vocational training in facility schools as key elements for quality programs. These reports may of interest to our members serving juveniles. Programs in PA are referring to information in these studies to guide decisions for school and institution improvement.

- The Justice Center has published a report, The School Discipline Consensus Report highlighting many school discipline issues including a section of the report dedicated to elements of high quality educational services in Juvenile Corrections facilities. (2014)
- The US Department of Education and the US Department of Justice put out a report in 2014 titled Guiding Principles for Providing High Quality Education in Juvenile Justice Secure Care Settings.
- <http://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/correctional-education/index.html>
- <http://csgjusticecenter.org/>

The Department of Human Services in Pennsylvania announced the closing of another Juvenile facility on August 18, 2015. Cresson Secure Treatment Center will be closing. Cresson served violent and assaultive juveniles and sits on the grounds of Cresson State Correctional Institution (SCI). Cresson SCI recently closed when PA opened a new facility. We will miss the staff and we will miss the options that Cresson offered as a placement for more aggressive youth.



## 2016 Region I Executive Board Election Call for Nominations and By-Law Change

As in any organization there's always a need to have new members involved; their energy, voices, and ideas are essential in guiding the organization forward. Your input and vigor is essential for CEA Region I.

Later this fall we will be sending out the Call for Nominations for the various elected positions on the Executive Board. You will be asked to nominate members in good standing for the positions of Director, Assistant Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and Representatives.

Along with the Call for Nominations there will be a formal vote called for a change in the By – Laws in regards to the number of members that each chapter needs to have an elected representative on the Executive Board for CEA Region I. The current format states in Article V Section 2 "There shall be one (1) Representative for every forty (40) CEA Region I members in good standing, up to a limit of three (3) representatives for each state/province. The proposed format would read; "The chapter president is automatically a member of the Executive Board and will serve as the chapter representative from one (1) to twenty-five (25) members, first (1<sup>st</sup>) elected representative from twenty-six (26) to fifty (50) members and the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) elected representative at fifty-one (51) members in good standing." This would allow a total of three (3) representatives for any chapter.

You must mail the Change in the By – Laws vote with the Call for Nominations Ballot.

The Region I Executive Board meets annually at the regional conference and usually two other times during the year.

Again for this organization to remain a vital and vibrant voice for correctional educators, we encourage every member to get involved not only in the upcoming election, but in your facility, chapter, regional and national activities.

By R.P. Smith and Bea Bailey Election Co-Chairs

### Region I Membership Co-Chair Bea Bailey



On November 1, of this year I will retire from the Connecticut State Department of Corrections. It is time! Many things have happen to assist me with making this ultimate decision. I will miss the extraordinary people I have been privileged to call colleagues for the past twenty-four years. But hopefully, this year as the first snowflakes hit the ground, I will be sitting in my nice warm home with a hot cut of tea in my hand watching. After taking care of necessities, I will try to enjoy more time with my four precious grandchildren and travel with my beloved spouse. I will never forget the career fulfillment I was blessed to experience with Unified School District #1 and the close ties I have established. I love each of you dearly and will remember you all in my prayers.



Rhode Island Staff and CEA Members mourn the death of a colleague, Angie Barboza (second from left with glasses) she will be missed.