

# THE JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER NEWSLETTER

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## JUDGE O'MALLEY ELECTED TO 4TH TERM AS ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

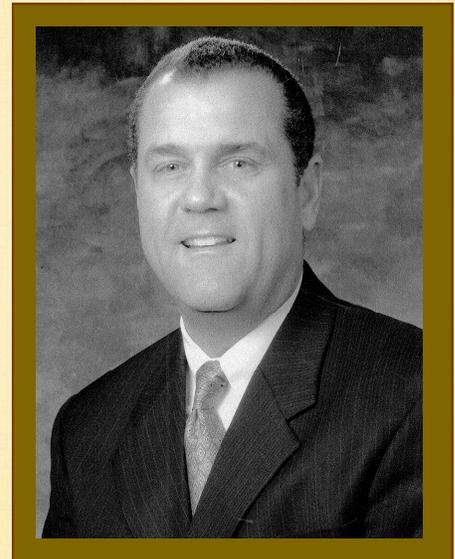
### A message from Administrative Judge Thomas F. O'Malley

I would like to thank my fellow Judges for having the confidence and trust in electing me as Administrative Judge for 2012. This past year has truly shown the dedication and commitment of all Juvenile Court employees. It seems like only yesterday we were packing up our boxes on 22nd street. The "move" required all Juvenile Court employees to go above and beyond, which I am proud to say, we did. We have all been part of something that Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court probably won't experience for another hundred years.

There are still challenges and hurdles ahead.

I am confident they will easily be overcome because Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court has the best employees, period.

On behalf of Judges Sikora, Corrigan, Russo, Floyd, Sweeney and myself we would like to say.....Thank you!



### LINDA D. BROOKS EARNS CERTIFICATION

Linda D. Brooks, Senior Supervisor, successfully completed the Ohio Court Management Program of 2011. The certification program, which is available through the National Center for State Courts Institute for Court Management and The Supreme Court of Ohio Judicial College, addresses specific topics pertaining to managing courts as organizations. Those accepted into the program must complete a 3 year program, consisting of six modules: *Purposes and Responsibilities of Courts, Court Performance Standards: CourtTools, Fundamental Issues of Caseflow Management, Managing Court Financial Resources, Managing Human Resources, and Managing Technology Projects and Technology Resources*. On, Friday, November 4, 2011, Linda received a diploma and nationally recognized certification as a Certified Court Manager.

**CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACHIEVEMENT!**

### COMMUNITY SERVICE YOUTH APPRECIATED

The Community Service Youth received a *Certificate of Appreciation* from the Greater Cleveland Council (Boy Scouts of America) for their partnership in a one day service project called YARD CHARGE. Every year the Scouts mobilize to rake the leaves of at least 800 senior homeowners in the City of Cleveland. Over 4,000 Scouts, Organizations, and Companies participated in the event.

*Job Well Done* is extended to all of the Community Service Youth and the following Community Service Coordinators: Richard Goudreau, Marcia Bennet, Erica James, Joseph Tuletta, Abdullah Mualen and Alysia Montanez. Taronda Montgomery, Special Services Manager, shared "so many times the coordinators work so hard in teaching the youth about restoring the community, but are never recognized for their tireless efforts." 51,265 hours of community service were performed in 2011!

### Our Mission:

To administer justice, rehabilitate juveniles,  
support and strengthen families  
and promote public safety.

**THE COUNCIL ON WORLD AFFAIRS  
SPONSORED INTERNATIONAL VISITORS  
TO THE CCJJC**

The Cleveland Council on World Affairs hosted a small delegation from Kyrgyzstan focused on working and engaging with under-served youth. The delegation consisted of five guests (and two State Department interpreters) who were invited to the United States through the State Department's International Visitors Leadership Program.

This 21-day program was designed to introduce participants to the status of vulnerable youth in the U. S. and the many different programs and mechanisms by which they are supported. The program focused on marginalized youth, particularly minority and immigrant populations. Through a broad range of meetings with public and private sector professionals and practitioners, the program examined child welfare in the U. S. and the initiatives that seek to address issues ranging from gang violence and juvenile delinquency to workforce training and extracurricular enrichment.

The delegation expressed a specific interest in visiting our Juvenile Justice Center. The group toured the Court Tower and Detention Center. Magistrate Gail Nanowsky graciously opened her Courtroom for observation. Heather Corcoran, Deputy Director of Intake, shared information and answered questions pertaining to Community Diversion Programs.

The delegates shared that they were "all very impressed with the state of the art facilities as well as the various diversion and rehabilitation programs."

**LOOKING FORWARD WITH HR:**  
February 8th College Advantage will be in the Café on the 2nd floor from 10 am to 3pm

Watch for information about upcoming training sessions led by Human Resources including:

- à Customer Service Training
- à Prohibition of Harassment in the Workplace
- à Performance Appraisal Training for Supervisors

**RX for STRESS:** Have you been operating in overdrive since well before our move?

If you answered yes, there is no time like the present to  
**EXHALE!**

Stop and do it right now... it really helps!

Repeat as needed.

*Great ideas need landing gear as well as wings ~ C.D. Jackson*

**PARENT ORIENTATION HELD WITHIN  
THE DETENTION CENTER SCHOOL AT THE CCJJC**

The Parent Orientation was designed to provide the parents/guardians with the opportunity to learn about the policies & procedures at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Justice Center, programs at the school, and volunteer opportunities.

The Speakers and their topics were as follows:

- à Oba Lloyd, Detention Center School Principal  
–School Programs & Policies
- à Sharon Henry-Smith, Cleveland Municipal School District (CMSD) Families & Community Engagement Coordinator  
–How parents can get involved with the school; community resources available for parents
- à Saundra Jordan –CMSD Ohio Parent Mentoring program  
–Guiding families through the special education process; understanding their rights and responsibilities
- à Gina McIntyre, Activities Assistant -After School programs for youth; activities during free time
- à Sandra Pryor, Social Worker –Policies & Procedures for visitation; phone calls, court hearings
- à Jacqueline Brackett-Volunteer Coordinator –Discussed volunteers/community partners providing services/life & social skills to the youth; volunteer process/positions available to parents/guardians within the school area.

The event was well attended and additional orientations are planned.

Volunteer Services provided a series of tours for youth involved with City Year in early January 2012. City Year is an education-focused, non-profit organization founded in 1988 that partners with public schools to provide full-time targeted intervention for students most at risk of dropping out. The program is based in more than 20 communities across the U.S. and abroad. Jacqueline Brackett, Volunteer Coordinator, conducted the tours.



**Our Jurists:**

*Judge Thomas F. O'Malley, Administrative Judge  
Judge Peter M. Sikora, Judge Patrick F. Corrigan,  
Judge Joseph F. Russo, Judge Alison L. Floyd,  
Judge Kristin W. Sweeney*