

# CACCB Newsletter



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## THE NEXT CACCB MEETING WILL BE HOSTED BY THE 16<sup>TH</sup> JD IN LA JUNTA.

### Meeting Highlights:

- ☆ Focus on 2009 Legislation
- ☆ ICCA
- ☆ Community Corrections in Rural Areas
- ☆ CDOC Pre-Release Program
- ☆ The Future of Restorative Justice in Colorado

**HOTEL RESERVATION & CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS  
OCTOBER 31, 2008!**

### Local Attractions:

**Bent's Old Fort National Historic Site** features a reconstruction of a trading post from the early 1800s, one of the few white outposts along the Santa Fe Trail. Visitors can take a guided tour of the fort, reconstructed from photos and diaries, or explore on their own. During summer months, "living history" performers recreate life at the old fort. Authentic livestock such as oxen, chickens, and Spanish Barb horses round out the historic atmosphere. La Junta also has many lakes and reservoirs, just north of the town.  
<http://www.go-colorado.com/Bents-Old-Fort-National-Historic-Site/>



Photo by: Jim Wark

### ONE OF OUR OWN!

Dianne Tramutola-Lawson has recently accepted nominations from the American Correctional Association (ACA) to serve on the following committees from 2008 - 2010:

- Community Corrections Committee, Member
- Probation and Parole Committee, Member
- Resolutions and Policy Development Committee, Member

Dianne Tramutola-Lawson is the Founder and Chair of the Colorado Chapter, Citizens United for the Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE). She is the immediate past president of CACCB and the Secretary for International-CURE. The mission of CURE is to advocate for humane treatment of incarcerated individuals and to educate legislators and society on the needs of prisoners and their families. Since statistically 90% of all prisoners will return to society, special emphasis is placed on rehabilitation: job training, drug and alcohol counseling, and eliminating employment discrimination, if the nature of the job does not relate to prior criminal record. In 2007, Tramutola-Lawson was appointed by Governor Ritter to the Colorado Governor's Advisory Council on Community Corrections. The Board will make recommendations on plans to have more prisoners reenter society via Community Corrections (Halfway Houses) in a cost-effective manner without sacrificing public safety. She is a Citizen Member (Mayor's appointee) of The Denver Community Corrections Board which recommends which individuals from the Correctional System will be referred to Halfway Houses. She is International-CURE's representative to the 20,000 member American Correctional Association's Biannual Convention, where she has been elected three times to the 200-member Delegate Assembly that approves Association policies. In March 2006, Tramutola-Lawson was awarded the Minoru Yasui Community Volunteer Award (named in honor of the late civil rights activist).

**CONGRATULATIONS DIANNE!**

THANK YOU  
to the 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial  
District for hosting  
the February  
CACCB meeting.

## Writing Contest

Resilience Multimedia, the New York-based publisher of the widely praised book, "Think Outside the Cell: An Entrepreneur's Guide for the Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated," is sponsoring a writing contest for people who are or were in prison, and their loved ones. The best submissions will be included in books in Resilience's "Think Outside the Cell Series."

The publisher is seeking original stories of up to 3,000 words on three story topics: Reentering society after incarceration, waiting for loved ones to return home from prison, and prison marriages and relationships. Contestants may submit stories on more than one topic, and all submissions must be about situations or events that actually happened. Three winners will be chosen for each topic, receiving \$300 for first place, \$150 for second place and \$75 for third place.

"Just as the book "Think Outside the Cell" has done, we see the series as a way to help the incarcerated and formerly incarcerated tackle the hard challenges they face and, ultimately, to have successful lives," said Sheila Rule, president of Resilience Multimedia. "And by featuring stories by and about people with prison in their pasts, the series will present a fairer, more balanced image of the incarcerated and begin to change minds and attitudes in the larger society."

Resilience is sponsoring the writing contest after the successful publication of "Think Outside the Cell: An Entrepreneur's Guide for the Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated," which has been encouraging men and women nationwide to use what for many are innate

*Contributed by Sheila Rule*

entrepreneurial gifts in order to build the lives they want and break the cycle of recidivism. The step-by-step guide—which was written by Joseph Robinson, who is incarcerated in a New York State prison—is packed with straightforward information on a range of topics, including how to get others to embrace your ideas and help launch your business, how to legally avoid taxes, how to establish good credit and the steps to take to remove occupational restrictions that many states place on convicted felons. The book has won high praise, including from John C. Whitehead, former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State and former co-chairman of Goldman Sachs, and Steve Mariotti, founder of the internationally acclaimed National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship.

Ms. Rule said that all writing contest entries must be postmarked by November 30. She said that although typewritten and double-spaced submissions are preferred, handwritten stories will be accepted as long as they are legible. Each page must include page number, name, contact information and story title. Resilience reserves the write to edit stories for clarity, punctuation, spelling and grammar.

### Here's how to enter:

Email your story, indicating the topic, to: [resiliencemultimedia@verizon.net](mailto:resiliencemultimedia@verizon.net)

or...

Mail to: Resilience Multimedia  
511 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 525  
New York, NY 10011  
Telephone no: 877-267-2303

## COALITION NEWS

*Paul M. Iserstadt of ComCor, Inc. in Colorado Springs was recently appointed as chair of the Coalition. Dr. Evan Crist of Time to Change in Adams County was appointed Vice-Chair.*



Got an [idea](#) or an [article](#) for the newsletter? Would you like to see more information on a particular topic?

Please submit to Janet Pasewark at [jpasewark@msn.com](mailto:jpasewark@msn.com)

## UPDATE: COLORADO PAROLE BOARD MEMBERS

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### NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

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