

Behind The BADGE



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

DALLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

FROM THE SHERIFF

March 2015 was a great month with several ribbon cutting ceremonies that will affect the future of the Sheriff's Department. The Dallas County Jail Medical Modification Project Facility will be opening soon and delivering and providing a professional atmosphere in which to provide inmate health care. Sunnyvale Deputies also moved in to the new Sunnyvale Sub-station and it looks beautiful. Let's not forget that these projects couldn't have been done without the hard working and diverse staff we have working here at the Sheriff's Department. You have much success to look forward to, so be ready for it!



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RIBBON CUTTING AND GRAND OPENING OF THE DALLAS COUNTY JAIL MEDICAL MODIFICATION PROJECT



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The Dallas County Sheriff's Department and Sheriff Lupe Valdez, in cooperation with the Dallas County Commissioner's Court and Parkland Health and Hospital System, celebrated the completion of the Dallas County Jail Medical Modification Project by hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony and tour of the new facility.

The Dallas County Jail Medical Modification Project, also known as the Med Mod, is located within the North Tower Jail. It is a one of a kind facility that renovated and modified 138,657 sq. feet of existing space in the lowest three floors -

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DALLAS COUNTY JAIL MEDICAL MODIFICATION PROJECT

of the Lew Sterrett North Tower Jail to create a stand-alone centralized medical-mental health services facility. The new facility includes separate medical and mental health clinics, a full service pharmacy, a dental office, a radiology unit and two intensive care units along with medical staff offices. The Med Mod facility will improve the delivery of medical and mental health services to Dallas County Jail inmates and offer services not usually found in the jail system. The Dallas County Jail books in an average of 100,000 inmates annually with about 55% of the inmates suffering from an acute or chronic illness that requires some degree of medical care. The Med Mod facility will assist in keeping down the number of inmate visits to Parkland’s Emergency Room. The medical care floor will house 137 inmates. The mental health care floor will house 145 inmates. Construction on the project started in November 2012 and was completed in February 2015.

“The Medical Modification Project facility promises to change the nature of medical treatment at the jail and it could not have been accomplished without the teamwork and consolidated efforts demonstrated by the Parkland Health & Hospital System, the Dallas County Commissioner’s Court and the Sheriff’s Department. We are extremely proud in being able to put forth such an innovative facility.” said Sheriff Valdez.

Sharon Phillips, the Parkland executive vice president who oversees jail health care, stated *“We’re setting the standard for jail health care and people are coming to us from jails around the country and the world to see what we’re doing.”*

DALLAS COUNTY JAIL MEDICAL MODIFICATION PROJECT STATS



MENTAL HEALTH INFIRMARY STATS

Males: 4 Dormitories total of 54 beds
 Each Dorm Connected To A Program Room and Consultation Room
 Females: 2 Dormitories Total of 28 Beds
 Male Single Cells: 42
 Female Single Cells: 23
 Male ADA Cells: 4
 Female ADA Cells: 2
 Gymnasiums and Additional Programming Rooms

MEDICAL INFIRMARY STATS

Male Acute Hospital Beds: 44
 Male Telemetry Patients with Air, Oxygen and Suction: 17
 Male Subacute Hospital Beds: 44
 Female Subacute Hospital Beds: 20
 Female Telemetry Patients with Air, Oxygen and Suction: 5
 Male Single Cells: 19
 Female Single Cells: 9
 Male ADA Single Cells: 6
 Female ADA Single Cells: 2
 Overhead Bed Numbering and Intercom System
 Cardiac Arrest Alarms and Duress Alarms

NORTH TOWER CLINIC

Exam Rooms: 7	Specialized Procedure Room
Exam Rooms with Air, Oxygen and Suction	Provider Work Area with Telemedicine Capability
Radiology Suite with Panorex X-Ray	Dedicated EMS Entrance
Mental Health Consult Room / Centralized Laboratory	Open Inmate Seating

MEDICAL MODIFICATION PROJECT FACILITY RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY



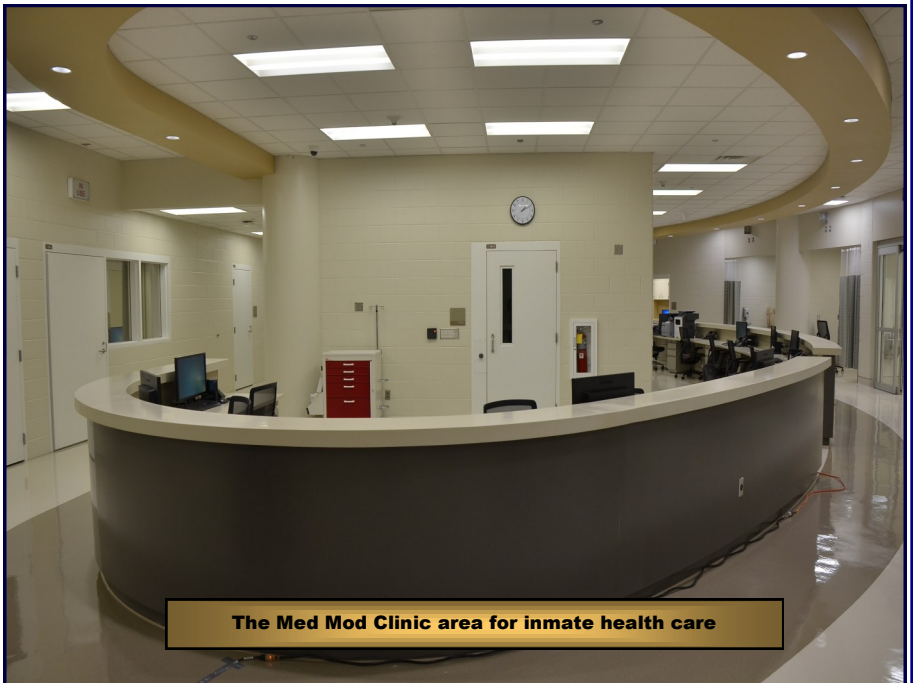
Sheriff Valdez addresses the crowd about the Med Mod Project



Commissioner's Court members, Parkland Health members and Sheriff Valdez cut the ribbon



Commissioner Price tells the story of the Med Mod Project beginnings.



The Med Mod Clinic area for inmate health care



Med Mod Examination Room



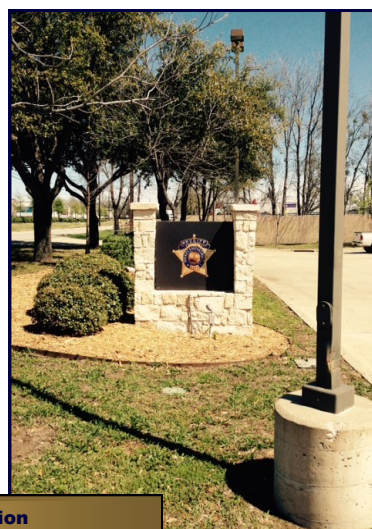
Med Mod Nurse's Station

DALLAS SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT NEW SUNNYVALE SUBSTATION HOLDS RIBBON CUTTING AND OPEN HOUSE

After an extensive and lengthy search in January 2015, the Town of Sunnyvale purchased a building on the south side of town to be used as the new Dallas Sheriff Department's James Allman Sub-station. After a fresh coat of paint, the Sheriff's Department Sunnyvale Deputies made the move the week of February 17th and had an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony on March 5th into what is being described by the troops and everyone else that comes by as an "Amazing Facility".

The Sub-station is a beautiful Austin stone building with a gated secure area around back for the troops to park their personal vehicles. It has a lobby, receptionist area, kitchenette, conference room, individual watch cubicles, and five offices which as of today, three are being utilized as the following; a work out room, locker room with personal bath and shower, and supervisors office.

Sheriff Valdez along with several deputies, as well as family members from James Allman's family were on hand to celebrate the grand opening. The new sub-station is named after Deputy James Allman who died in a car crash in the line of duty in 1995.



The Dallas County Sheriff's Department "James Allman" Sunnyvale Sub-Station



Deputy James Allman



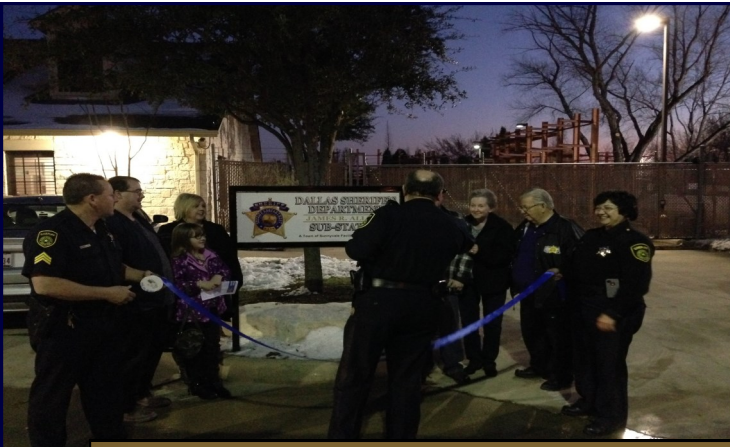
DALLAS SHERIFF'S JAMES ALLMAN SUNNYVALE SUB-STATION



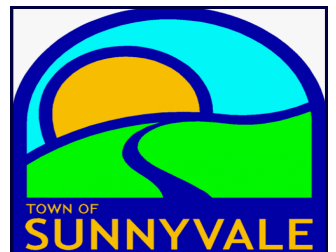
The inside of the beautiful Sunnyvale Sub-station



JAMES ALLMAN SUNNYVALE SUB-STATION RIBBON CUTTING



Sheriff Valdez, the Allman Family and several deputies from the Sunnyvale Sub-station were present for the ribbon cutting ceremony.



Voices Needed

National Correctional Officers and Employees Week



The Choir will perform during the Memorial Ceremony on May 4th to kick off National Correctional Officers Week. It will be held in the Central Jury Room of FCCB. Our first rehearsal will be Thursday, April 2, 2015 @ 3:00 p.m., in the North Tower Detail Room. Any member of the Sheriff's Department interested in participating or would like more information may contact one of the following Individuals:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>North Tower</u>	<u>Intake</u>	<i>Singers Wanted</i>
A. Robinson	S. Oatman	Captain S. Carter-Bass	
A. Kelly	Lt. F. Boyd	A. Johnson	
<u>West Tower</u>	<u>Court Desk</u>	<u>C. Dorhan</u>	<u>Operations</u>
Lt. S. Pallares	Sgt. T. Woods	<u>Infirmary</u>	J. White
<u>DMU</u>	<u>Kays Jail</u>	L. Taylor	Lt. A. Rounds
T. Smith	G. Stidham		

Easter Bunny shows up at the Inmate Programs Office



The Easter Bunny poses with Inmate Programs officers.

The Easter Bunny paid an unexpected visit to the Inmate Programs office and presented DSO R. Manny his birthday cake during the Section's Easter Luncheon held at the Inmate Programs conference room on March 31, 2015. The staff was delighted to see the Easter Bunny and posed for several photos. The group had just held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Inmate Programs Art Room featured on page 9 of this newsletter.

The staff at Inmate Programs wants to wish everyone a "Happy Easter"!

BLACK POLICE ASSOCIATION OFFICER DOWN FOUNDATION 4th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Come out for a day of fun, golf, food, prizes and fellowship .The Officer Down Foundation assist officers and their families who suffer catastrophic events. Help us support those who serve you.



Black Police Association
Officer Down Foundation
4th Annual Golf Tournament

Monday, April 6, 2015
 8:00 a.m.
 Thorntree Country Club



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RETIREMENTS: Cozella "Cozy" Hill



Sheriff Valdez addresses the Commissioners and thanks "Cozy" for her service to the Sheriff's Department.



"Cozy" and her friends gather outside Commissioner's Court for a photo

Cozella "Cozy" Hill, long-time senior secretary and administrative assistant to Sheriff Lupe Valdez, retired after 29 years of service to Dallas County and will be continuing her journey with the Desoto Police Department. "Cozy", as she is known by her friends, received a send off not just from friends but also from the Dallas County Commissioner's Court. "Cozy" received a resolution that was read by Commissioner John Wiley Price thanking her for the 29 years of service and dedication to the citizens of Dallas County.



Sheriff presents Cozy her retirement certificate



Cozy and Administration Staff



Cozy and her sister.

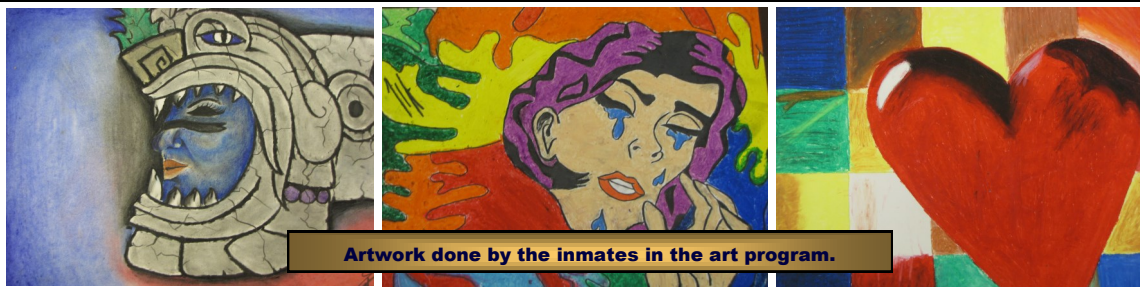


Cozy's friends wishing well in her new adventure.



INMATE PROGRAMS HOLDS RIBBON CUTTING FOR NEW ART ROOM THAT WILL FEATURE THE HIGHLY RECOGNIZED ART PROGRAM FOR INMATES IN THE DALLAS COUNTY JAIL

Inmate Programs held a ribbon cutting for the new Art Room at the North Tower on 2 East on March 31, 2015. DSO Sims and several trustees had worked on the room so it could be used for art instruction for inmates housed throughout the jail. The Art Program has been recognized and some of the art is featured throughout County Buildings.



Artwork done by the inmates in the art program.



Director Y. Reyna talks about the new art room as DSO D. Sims gets ready to cut the ribbon.



Inside the Art Room



Director Reyna with art instructors Sandra Lara, Michelle Love, Jennifer McNabb, coordinator Sherry Clark and Asst. Chief E. Sanders



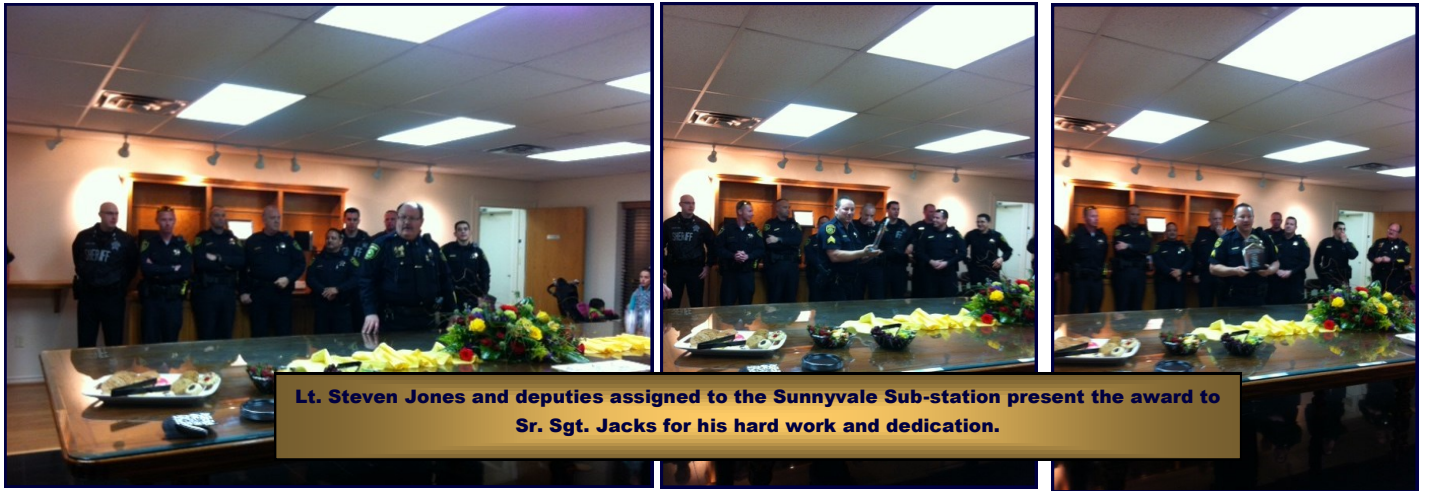
Director Y. Reyna and Classification Specialist Ann Robinson



Inmate Programs celebrate the new Art room



Sr. Sgt. Russell Jacks Honored by Sunnyvale Deputies / Presented Award



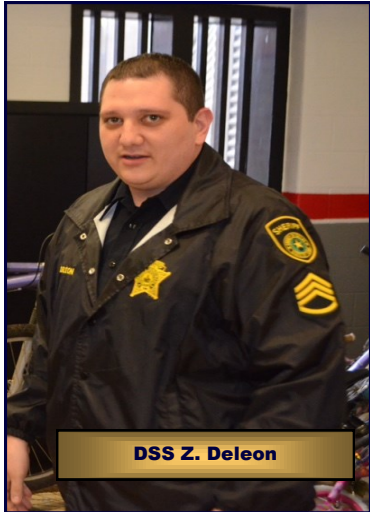
Lt. Steven Jones and deputies assigned to the Sunnyvale Sub-station present the award to Sr. Sgt. Jacks for his hard work and dedication.



Sr. Sgt. Russell Jacks was recently honored by his staff with a presentation and award for his years of hard work and dedication to the Sheriff's Department, and the Town of Sunnyvale. He is very much appreciated by his staff for not only how he treats the people that work with him but the care and respect that he shows his staff. Sgt. Jacks has been assigned to Sunnyvale for almost 20 years and continues to do a great job. The accolades and appreciation for his work ethic is well deserved.

INMATE PROGRAMS BICYCLE REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE CLASS TAUGHT BY DSS DELEON

In addition to working in the jail as a Detention Service Supervisor, Zachary Deleon also works as an adjunct instructor for El Centro in the Bicycle Repair and Maintenance Clinic which is one of the inmate programs available to inmates in the Dallas County Jail. The curriculum "Park Tool School®" is taught by DSS Deleon and he teaches the repair and maintenance of bicycles. The curriculum material acts as the outline for each session of the clinic, which is augmented by the hands-on demonstration of the instructor. Upon completion, students earn a Park Tool School certificate that certifies they have successfully completed the Bicycle Repair and Maintenance Clinic. DSS Deleon has done an outstanding job developing the program and recently had several graduates from the program.



DSS Z. Deleon

Announcements

DEATHS

March 3, 2015: Larry James Dawson, father of Sr. Sgt. Julie Martin.

March 5, 2015: Retired Sr. Sgt. Eusebio Trujillo passed away. Funeral was held on March 10, 2015 and he was buried at the National Cemetary on Mountain Creek Parkway.

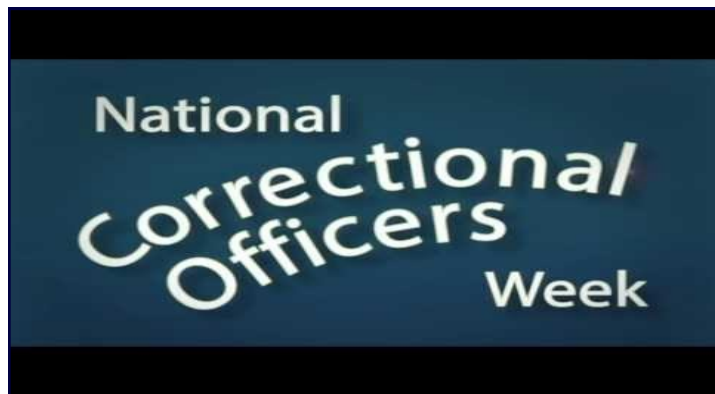
March 5, 2015: Retired Bailiff Tommy Chiles (1969-2005) passed away. Mr. Chiles had worked as a bailiff assigned to the Probate Court. Memorial Service was on March 8, 2015

March 7, 2015: Pool Bailiff Charlie Goodner passed away. Services were held Saturday, March 14, 2015 at the Central Baptist in Crandall, Texas.

Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers during their time of sorrow.



**Come Celebrate
National Correctional Officers Week.
The Ceremony is on May 4th, 2015 at 1:00PM in
the FCCB Central Jury Room**



NATIONAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK

MAY 4th thru May 10th, 2015

In 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation that recognized the contributions of correctional officers and personnel who work in the jails, prisons, and community corrections across the country. National Correctional Officers Week will be celebrated May 4 - 10, 2015.

On Monday, May 4, 2015 at 1:00PM, the Dallas Sheriff's Department will host their first National Correctional Officers ceremony in the Frank Crowley Courts Building Central Jury Room. The ceremony will honor all current and past employees of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department that worked in Detentions and the jails.

The Sheriff's Department Honor Guard will also be recognizing all past Detention Service Officers (DSO) who have passed away since the DSO program was implemented. They are asking for submission of photos of you and fellow officers in DSO informs working in the jails for display at the ceremony. Please contact the office of Assistant Chief Deputy Jesse Herrera if you have any information that might assist the committee members.

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Dallas Sheriff's Citizens Academy

Items for Sale



Coffee Cup
Large White, Three Badge
\$12.00



\$20.00 ea.
Stainless Steel Insulated Drink Mug
Holds Drinks Hot or Cold for Hours!
Spill Proof, Locking Pop-Away Head
with Handle. 500ml (17oz.) Capacity

Windshield Stickers
Size: 2-3/4"
Inside or Outside
Self Adhesive Application
Note: Inside or Outside May Not Always Be Available
\$6.00 Each

Pocket or Purse Key Holder with Sheriff Badge
Can also be used as a money clip.
Highly Collectible and Custom Made!
Show Your Pride with this One-of-a-Kind!
Size: 1-3/4" x 2-1/2" ~ Brass Ring Included.
\$25.00

Lanyard or Band
\$8.00
Blue Lanyards and Wrist Bands
Made of paracord nylon cord.
Show your support for Law enforcement
by wearing these symbols.
Wrist Bands sizes available:
6-1/2" to 8"

Sheriff Lanyard
\$5.00
Navy Blue
Yellow Lettering
'J' Clip with Break
Away Clasp

Water Tight Zip-Lock Holder ~ OR ~ **Slip-In Lock - Horizontal or Vertical**
ID Badge Holder
Your Choice **\$3.00**
with 3 ft retractable reel.

Personal Sanitizer Pen
6" Long, Refillable
Pump Sprayer, Place in pocket
or attach with clip eyelet.
\$2.00

Insulated Tumbler
Three Badge, 16oz, with straw,
twist lock cover No condensation,
for hot or cold drinks.
Do Not Microwave. **\$10.00**

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NOTE:
Coin and Case
Sold Together
Makes a Unique Gift or Award or
Purchase For Yourself!
Dallas County Sheriff's Challenge Coin!
1.75" Diameter with
Plastic Pouch and History
of the Challenge Coin.
Included is a Beautiful Cherry Wood
Presentation Case. 3-3/8" Square by
1-3/8" High Closed. Black Velvet Lined.
Magnetic Closure.
\$30.00 each

Older Silver or Gold Sheriff Badge
Mini-Sized, Wear as Ear Rings, on a Charm
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Highly Collectible and Custom Made!
Wear this One-of-a-Kind Nostalgia!
Size: 7/8" x 7/8" ~ Includes Ear
Ring Wire Holders When Bought in Pairs.
\$12.00 Each Silver
\$15.00 Each Gold
\$20.00 Pair of Silver
\$25.00 Pair of Gold

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Dallas Sheriff's Citizens Academy Items for Sale



**Black or Natural Canvas
Tote Bags ~ \$8.00**



**Black Canvas Tote Bag
Single Badge ~ \$8.00**



Lunch/6 Pack Nylon Cooler
Black, Three Badge
Roomy Cooler with Plastic
Water-Proof Removable Liner. **\$22.00**
Large Front Pockets and Two
Side Mesh Pockets. Adjustable
Shoulder Strap.



Zippered Nylon Tote Bag
Color Black, Single Badge with
Zippered Outside Pocket **\$20.00**



**Special Buy -
Special Price!
While Quantities Last**

Medium and Large Nylon Duffel Bags

Large Bag is 11"Hx23"Wx10"D with Two Outside Pockets (One to Store Activity Shoes)
Small Inside Zipper Pocket, Side Carrying Handles, Color is Black with Silver Trim.
Medium Bag is 11"Hx18"Wx12"D with Three Outside Pockets (One to Store Activity
Shoes). Color is All Black. Both have Shoulder Straps.

Large \$40.00 Medium \$30.00

Backpack

\$33.00



Black with
White Piping
Medium size,
Single main
compartment,
yoke style straps,
drop-in audio pocket with
headphones exit, dual side mesh
water bottle pockets, front panel
with organizer panel.

**Special Buy - Special Price!
While Quantities Last**

Extra Roomy with Lots
of Storage.
3 Outside Pockets
with Cell Phone Pocket.
Fully Padded
Accordion File Pockets
Shoulder Strap
Rugged 600 Denier
Poly Canvas



**Laptop Briefcase
\$25.00!**



\$11.00 3 Badge T-Shirts
Gildan Ultra Cotton
Pre-Shrunk
\$15.00 Colors: Navy Blue or Black
Sizes 2XL & 3XL Sizes: M - L - XL - 2XL - 3XL



Embroidered Blanket
50"x60" 100% Polyester
Colors: Navy Blue, Pink, Black,
Purple or Gray **\$32.00**



Knit Watch Cap
Black, Three Badge
One size Fits Most
Extra warm knit for
those cold days. **\$12.00**



Cap, Black, 3 Badge
Winter Style: Cotton
Leather Adjustable Strap.
Summer Style: Nylon Mesh
Velcro Adjustable Strap. **\$15.00**