

Employee Recognition Day Activities  
2008

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
Adjutant General	They have made each Program Manager aware of National Public Service Recognition Week for 2008, and have requested that they plan an event for their employees during this time. Each will plan events within their departments. Additionally, on Wednesday, May 7th, the agency will recognize state employees who have accomplished one year of service and also those employees who have reached 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years of service with the agency by awarding service ribbons.
Agriculture, S. C. Department of	We, along with our Senior Staff, will be hosting a hamburger luncheon on Tuesday, May 6th for all their employees. The Commissioner will be grilling up the burgers and Senior Staff provide the manpower for this event. This event will be held at the Ramage Center at the Columbia Farmers Market.
Commerce, SC Department of	
Consumer Affairs, SC Department of	The S. C. Dept. of Consumer Affairs has scheduled a fun-filled week of celebration. Monday, May 5th, agency hat/fashion contest. Tuesday, May 6th, 70's and 80's day contest. Wednesday, May 7th, Agency "Got Talent" contest, and Thursday, May 8th, Employee Recognition Day lunch along with door prizes.
Corrections, SC Department of	Governor Sanford's proclamation declaring May 9th as State Employee Recognition Day and May 7-11, 2007 is Correctional Officers' Week for the State of S.C were posted on SCDC's internet web site. Discounts for State Employees, listing of discounts available were announced to all employees via the statewide messaging system. Agency Recognition Activities, Director Ozmint's message in the April issue of SCDC's employee newsletter referenced State Employee Recognition Day and C. O. Week and included thank you's to our employees. Employee Awards Program was held on February 22, 2007. An article was included in the March issue of employee newsletter with a photo of the winners. Article was also posted on the internet web site. Activities are planned throughout the entire week at SCDC's 20 institutions statewide.

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Criminal Justice Academy	They hosted a cookout for all the Academy employees. They served hotdogs, hamburgers, ships, baked beans, chili, drinks and cake. They set up tables out front and held the cookout from 11:00 - 1:00 so everyone would have the opportunity to attend.
Education, SC Department of	The Department of Education Employee Activity Committee and the Office of Human Resources, coordinated an ice cream social and gave door prizes in recognition of SDE employees on State Employee Recognition Day. The ice cream was donated by local businesses. Superintendent Inez Tennenbaum sent an e-mail to all employees on May 3, 2006 thanking them for their service as state employees. The Governor's Proclamation was enlarged to 11 x 17 and posted in the building lobby, elevators and other prominent areas of the building.
Employment Security Commission	On May 3, 2008 the agency held its 4rd Annual Employee Appreciation Day picnic at Weston Lake for all employees. Hamburgers and hot dogs were grilled and desserts were available for all. We had a huge Tree House slide and a pony bounce and a rock climbing wall. We also had a Circus Train Crawl through a Boom Blaster Game and a Speed Pitch with Radar. There was also a clown that made balloon art along with face painting, sno cones, cotton candy, popcorn and door prizes.
Ethics Commission, SC State	Ethics Commission will be going to Copper River Grill for an employ luncheon during that week.
Forestry Commission, SC	The Forestry Commission is celebrating EAP with lunches for employees, service award recognitions and free access day at the State Forests. Also, on Saturday, May 10th, the Forestry Commission is hosting a State Employees Free Access Day and is inviting state employees along with their spouses and children to participate in horseback riding at Sand Hills State Forest, horseback riding, OHV riding, mountain biking at Manchester State Forest, hiking, picnicing and running trails at Harbison State Forest.
Housing Finance and Dev. Authority, SC State	Our EA Day will be held on Friday, May 2, 2008. We will be hosting a BBQ & fried chicken lunch for all staff. In addition, all Dept. Dirs. are bringing nice gift baskets that will be raffled during the luncheon. We will give out service awards and our employee committee is coordinating a fun activity centered around "Are You Smarter Then a Fifth Grader." Several of our Senior Staff will be the 5rh graders, employees will be the contestants. Our theme for the event related to spring.

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Labor, Licensing and Regulation, SC Dept. of	We will be hosting a picnic for our employees on May 30th. We will have a Wii competition using the Olympic theme.
Library, S. C. State	We are really excited about our Employee Appreciation Day! We have planned an exciting adventure at Riverbanks Zoo and Botanical Garden for the entire day! This is the first year that the Library has traveled to an offsite location to celebrate the contributions of our employees. Food will be provided along with a host of fun activities. We plan to have guest speakers from the botanical garden and animal area give brief demonstrations. There will also be plenty of time to tour the gardens and partake in the animal adventure!
Natural Resources, SC Department of	During the week of May 5th - 9th the Governor has declared May 5th - 9th as National Public Employ Recognition Week. DNR will be offering state employees a special 20% discount off of their merchandise.
Probation, Parole and Pardon, SC Dept. of	In light of the current budget situation we provided our managers and supervisors with some "no cost" activity suggestions for celebrating State Employee Recognition Day. Each office location did something a little different this year. There was not a uniform celebration as in past years. However, a thank you letter was e-mailed to all staff from our Agency Head and casual dress was allowed for a portion of that week. Attached is a listing of PPP's various recognition activities.
Public Safety, SC Department of	They are posting a banner at the front entrance thanking employees for their service. After an awards ceremony and luncheon, they will hold a "Public Safety Idol" contest. They also plan to have a putting green for their golfers with prizes for longest putt, etc. They will have Sumo wresting outfits and a cotton candy machine. Most of their prizes will be agency giveaways such as clocks, shirts,