

WVR3 Newsletter

Monthly Newsletter for WV Homeland Security Region 3

January 2011



In an announcement by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin last month, **Jimmy Gianato will serve as the state's Homeland Security Advisor**

***Jimmy Gianato, Homeland Security Advisor
and Director of the Division of Homeland Security
and Emergency Management***

In the announcement, the Governor states Mr. Gianato will be the governor's official counsel on homeland security matters. He also becomes West Virginia's liaison with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and coordinator of all homeland security activity within the state. His duties as director of the state's Homeland Security and Emergency Management office will continue in addition to his new role as Homeland Security Advisor, formerly held by Jim Spears.

"Mr. Gianato is a dedicated public servant and we are looking forward to his continued leadership and support in the Eastern Panhandle. Mr. Gianato is all about team work and working for a safer West Virginia. Together, we will help ensure West Virginia has one of the best programs in the nation", said Pamela Holstein-Wallace, WV Region 3 Homeland Security Coordinator".

General Tackett to Retire This Month

Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin today announced the retirement of Adjutant General Allen E. Tackett effective Jan. 31, 2011. General Tackett is the longest-serving adjutant general in the nation and in state history. He was appointed by Gov. Gaston Caperton to the state's top military post on September 11, 1995.

Tackett led the state Guard through one of the most tumultuous periods in history. He deployed nearly 11,000 Guard members overseas for federal missions and directed the Guard's response to more than 80 state emergencies.

In addition, the Guard enjoyed significant growth during Tackett's tenure as adjutant general. He brought more than \$2 billion in federal investment to West Virginia, using that money to build infrastructure and create jobs that allow state citizens to work on national-level initiatives while keeping their families in West Virginia.

Gov. Tomblin has selected Brig. Gen. James Hoyer as Tackett's replacement. Hoyer is a 30-year Army National Guard veteran who most recently served as the Guard's director of joint staff and Tackett's top assistant.

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Your news items are...



The following counties make up WV Homeland Security Region 3 (also listed is the County Emergency Manager):

Berkeley County, Stephen S. Allen

Grant County, Peggy Alt

Hampshire County, Mike Crouse

Hardy County, Paul Lewis

Jefferson County, Barbara Miller

Mineral County, Marsha Sergeant
(Interim)

Morgan County, Dave Michael

If you have news articles or training opportunities, please submit them before the first of the month via email to PamHWallace@aol.com.

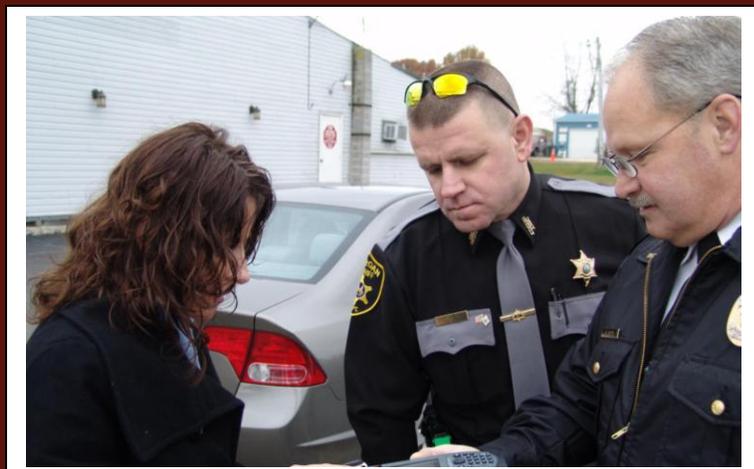
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WV Homeland Security Region 3 and Credentialing Efforts



The WV Homeland Security Region 3 credentialing initiative is in support of WV Strategic Goal 4 Facilitate Interoperability objective 4.3, —Implement a Credentialing Program (WV Homeland Security Strategic Goals www.wvdmaps.gov).

The 2010 West Virginia Homeland Security Summit Electronic Registration and Electronic Validation demonstration took place November 16-18 at The Greenbrier (300 W Main Street White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia 24986). This was the launch of a statewide credentialing initiative.

A demonstration was developed to familiarize appropriate agencies statewide with their roles and responsibilities in planning and execution, and the capabilities of local law enforcement to monitor and control traffic flow at pedestrian access and entry points, using mobile validation devices (handheld readers), Department of Defense Common Access Cards (CACs), Federal PIV credentials, non-Federal PIV-I credentials, and State-issued driver's licenses.

The stakeholder collaboration was a trusted framework that achieved interoperability across multiple jurisdictions and multiple stakeholder communities of interest responsible for the execution of national doctrine to include the National Response Framework (NRF), National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP), National Continuity Policy Implementation Plan (NCP/IP), or National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the West Virginia Homeland Security Strategy.

The trusted technology insertion included a demonstration of real credentialing interoperability for access management decisions, situational awareness, and post-event reconstruction and information shared through a geospatial display at the WV Intelligence Fusion Center, the state Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and participating local EOCs from across the state. The all hazards risk management enabled public safety and security officials to implement hazards risk mitigation best practice solutions and intelligence sharing to make informed decisions for access permissions in a communications-in or -out environment.

This month the region was awarded funding for validation toolsets.

ACAMS TRAINING TO BE HELD AT

STATE POLICE ACADEMY

Automated Critical Asset Management System (ACAMS) class is scheduled for February 14-17, 2011 at the WV State Police Academy (Personal Development Center). Class will begin at 8:00am and end around 4:30pm each day. Lunch will also be provided to the attending participants.

The instructors will be Capt. Raymond Stonestreet and Sgt. Mike Oglesby of the WVSP. There are strict federal requirements that apply to the ACAMS class requiring participants to meet all prerequisites by the set registration deadline. The prerequisites are the completion of the IS-860a course which can be located at <http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslst.asp>, and the completion of the PCII course located at <https://pciims.dhs.gov>

All prerequisites must be completed and the course completion certificates submitted to Christian Fernley (fax/email) by January 28, 2011 if you plan on attending the course

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DMAPS Training Database Update

As a result of the most recent updates to the DMAPS Training Database conducted by Trivantis and the Office of Technology, the site has changed web addresses. The new address (link) is: www.onlinelearning.wv.gov/dmapscm6

Please remove the old address from your favorites and disregard any information containing the old address. The 2011 DMAPS training scheduled has not changed. **In order to access the training database, you must use the new link.**

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SAA to Offer the First of the Regional Workshops

Mark your calendar for February 3, 2011.

The first of the six Regional Workshops will be held Thursday, February 3rd at the North Fork Mountain Inn, Smoke Hole-WV.

The main focus of the workshop will be Target Capabilities, the Universal Task List, and the WV HS Strategy as they relate to State Homeland Security Grant Funding.

This will also be a good opportunity to discuss other topics concerning Region 3. The workshop will be from 10am-2pm, lunch will be provided. Please RSVP no later than January 24th; this will help with lunch planning. I have attached the Target Capabilities and Universal Task lists, and the WV Homeland Security Strategy.

Preparing for Success: Preparedness and Grant Planning Using the Target Capabilities List (TCL) Region 3 Workshop February 3 at North Mountain Inn

The Department of Homeland Security Inspector General has encouraged the state to conduct education on the Target Capabilities and related DHS doctrine as a means to improve the impact of our grant funding. To meet this objective, workshops have been scheduled in each of the state's six Homeland Security Regions. Each workshop will start at 10:00am and be finished by 2:30 pm. Lunch will be provided. The dates and locations of the workshops are as follows:

February 3	North Fork Mountain Inn; Smoke Hole	February 8	Tri-State Fire Academy; Huntington
February 15	Hampton Inn; Buckhannon	February 22	Bridgeport Conference Center; Bridgeport
March 1	Parchment Valley Conference Center; Ripley	March 3	Dream Center; Beckley

To register for any of the workshops, go to the WV DMAPS training database at the following address:

www.onlinelearning.wv.gov/dmapscm6

