

PROBATION NEWS

PROBATION SERVICES WEEK



A Celebration for Camp Paige Deputies



Camp Afflerbaugh Deputies Celebrating



Camp Rockey Staff GSN Mead, GSN Nava, GSN Hooks and GSN Hom



BJNJH Jersey Day - DSO Rochelin and Director Martin

"It's awesome to be appreciated, especially in today's climate," expressed Detention Services Officer Sekenna Rochelin. "To see the joy on everyone's faces as we all come together as a team is refreshing to witness and be a part of."

The Los Angeles County Probation Department celebrated Probation Services Week July 18th - 24th. The spirit of gratitude, appreciation, and celebration permeated throughout the Department during this weeklong annual celebration that honors the great work done by community corrections professionals every day. This year's theme was "Recognizing Heroes, Restoring Trust, Creating Hope." California Governor Gavin Newsom recognized Probation and Parole Services week, acknowledging its invaluable contributions to communities and the state. *(continued on next page)*

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Several Department offices, facilities, and operations also recognized staff with certificates, service awards, complimentary meals, raffles, and giveaways. Fun and laughter filled the various probation locations as our probation heroes enjoyed delicious food and were appreciated.

While all locations took time to paid homage to the great work that our probation family facilitates, Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall had a weeklong fun-filled itinerary. They honored their staff in an exemplary fashion. "This is one of the most exciting parts of the year for me. I love showing our staff that we appreciate what they do every day. We don't have enough ways to show them. We want to show our gratitude and let them know they do amazing work," expressed Superintendent Scott Sanders.

BJNJH Management celebrated their dedicated staff for five consecutive days, with each day having a sub-theme. Monday's theme was "Muffin but You." Upon arrival, the AM shift was greeted with coffee, tea, and assorted baked goods. While the afternoon and evening shifts enjoyed fresh strawberry shortcakes. "Let's Taco About You. It's Taco Tuesday," was their second day's theme. All shifts indulged in a variety of delicious taco favorites. Chief Probation Officer Adolfo Gonzales even stopped by and joined in on the fun. While serving the staff, he thanked them for their service to our youth, co-workers, the Department, and the county of Los Angeles. On Wednesday, BJNJH Management fired up the grill and continued honoring staff with complimentary cooked-to-order hot dogs and hamburgers. The theme for the day was "Let's Keep it Frank. It's All About You." Supervising Detention Services Officer Ralph Holguin shared, "We are doing this because the staff works really hard. They have been in service throughout the pandemic, and we wanted to say thank you to our probation staff and all the staff here at Barry J."

Thursday's theme was a tribute to the 1950s, "Let's Rock and Roll." Staff enjoyed a sit-down catered lunch, featuring a scrumptious Mac and Cheese contest between Management. Superintendent Scott Sanders won the contest, becoming the BJNJH Mac & Cheese King 2021! Barry J. Nidorf wrapped up Probation Services Week on Friday with a Jersey Day cool-down Ice Cream Social-themed "You're the Scoop."

"Probation Services Week is important. It's always good to break things up a little and to do something fun. A lot of people talk about what we don't do, and that can hurt morale. Our staff show up, work hard, and care very much. So periodically, we must take time to say thank you, I see you, and I appreciate you. They deserve positive feedback, and I think this week's festivities helped boost morale, and it accomplished a lot," expressed Director Laurence Martin.



Staff at Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall

Because of our entire probation family's dedication, commitment, and hard work, the Department continues to thrive, positively impact communities, and change lives within Los Angeles County. On behalf of the Los Angeles County Probation Department, know that each of you is appreciated. We thank you, and we salute you for your service. We hope you enjoyed the festivities of Probation Services Week 2021, and the Department looks forward to celebrating you again next year. Check out the video that was made for Probation Services Week [here](#).