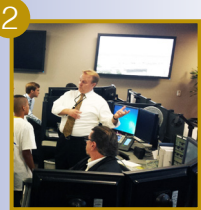


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MEDALS OF VALOR--Following receipt of the Governor's Public Safety Medal of Valor Award, six Los Angeles Airport Police Officers stand for a formal photograph with Governor **Jerry Brown** and Attorney General **Kamala Harris**. Pictured from left: Officers **Daniel Yu** and **Raymond Woods**; Attorney General **Harris**; Officers **Brian Lopez**, **David Lalicker** and **Robert Predegon**; Sergeant **Steve Zouzounis**; and Governor **Brown**.

Six Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) police officers were awarded Medals of Valor from Governor **Jerry Brown** "for extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty."

The awards were presented by the governor and Attorney General **Kamala Harris** during proceedings on September 15 at the State Capitol in Sacramento. The officers were also cited by the Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners during its Board meeting on September 18.

Honorees were Sergeant **Steve Zouzounis** and Officers **David Lalicker**, **Brian Lopez**, **Robert Pedregon**, **Raymond Woods**, and **Daniel Yu**. The awards were presented for their heroic actions during the November 1, 2013 shooting in Terminal 3 at LAX. The Medal of Valor Award is the State of California's highest honor awarded to a public safety officer.

The governor is authorized to award the Medal of Valor to one or more persons who

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Students Tour ARCC

Harold Johnson



CAREER INFORMATION--Students from area middle schools learn about aviation and aerospace careers while attending an annual week-long, LAVA-sponsored Aviation Careers Education (ACE) Academy program that involves both Los Angeles International and Van Nuys general aviation airports. Above, LAX's Airport Response Coordination Center (ARCC) Duty Manager **Brian Pecenka**, in white shirt, explains the purpose of the facility, which centralizes communications and streamlines management of the airport's many operations. The tours are offered to all LAVA staff the first Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Email arcc@lawa.org with preferred time.

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are cited by the attorney general for extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty. The state Department of Justice oversees this awards program.

Sgt. Zouzounis, an 11-year veteran of the Airport Police Division, is currently assigned as Detective Supervisor on the LAX Crime Task Force.

Officers Lalicker and Yu, with six and 10 years on the force, respectively, are assigned to Patrol Services Division.

Officer Lopez has served seven years with Airport Police and is currently assigned to the Vulnerability Analysis and Assessment Unit.

Officers Pedregon, a five-year veteran of Airport Police, and Woods, a 13-year veteran, are both assigned as motor officers.

Also attending the ceremony were Airport Police Chief **Patrick Gannon**; Assistant Chief **Michael Hyams**; Captains **Tyrone Stallings** and **Fernando Castro**; Lieutenant **Michael Scolaro**; Commanding Officer **Madeleine Flanagan**; and immediate family members and friends.

"This award not only is a tribute to each of these officers, it's also a tribute to all our Airport Police and our agency," Chief Gannon said. "I am incredibly proud of each and every one of the recipients of this prestigious award."

"Their actions on November 1 went above and beyond what they are charged with handling each day," Chief Gannon added. "Their bravery in the face of chaos was admirable and I am proud to serve with officers of their caliber."

NEW EMPLOYEES

Los Angeles World Airports welcomes the following new employees:

Robert Borden, Electrician, Facilities Maintenance
Joshua Garcia, Airport Police Officer I, Airport Police – Sworn
Scott Goldstein, Management Analyst II, Risk Management
Guillermo Gutierrez Hernandez, City Craft Assistant, Facilities Maintenance
Cassandra Heredia, Emergency Management Coordinator I, Emergency Management
Chayot Ing Aram, Financial Analyst II, Commercial Development
Sharelle Jones and **Cassandra Klueger**, Community Administrative Support Workers, Human Resources
Larna Jordan, Accounting Clerk I, Airports Development Group
Patty Kawada Charuway, Management Assistant, Airports Development Group
Jerrie Lopez and **Shavonda Stamps**, Clerk Typists, Human Resources
Noel Malate, Communications Electrician, IT-Infrastructure
Danny Melendez, Roofer, Maintenance Services – Building & Repair
Luis Menjivar, Carpenter, Facilities Maintenance
Carlos Nunez, Maintenance & Construction Helper, Maintenance Services – Concrete Construction
Matthew Quan, Clerk Typist, Human Resources
Mary Reuschel, Management Analyst II, Environmental Services
Shelley Rodriguez, Management Analyst II, Procurement Services
Don Santiago, ONT – Maintenance Services
Kaylee Smith, Clerk Typist, Maintenance Services
Laline Soliman, Clerk Typist, Airports Development Group
Nick Tolentino, Management Assistant, Airport Police – Civilians
Salvador Vasquez, Airport Police Officer II, Airport Police – Sworn

Ready, Set, Pull! ONT Hosts Annual Plane Pull



Penny Riccardi

Back by popular demand, the Friends of Ontario Airport and LA/Ontario International Airport (ONT) will host the 6th Annual “Pull for Our Heroes” plane pull competition on October 4 benefiting the USO Ontario. The fundraiser will also benefit other non-profit organizations including Travelers Aid of the Inland Empire, Baldy View Regional Occupation Program Foundation and ONT’s educational outreach programs.

The plane pull is described as a fun and competitive team-building and tug-of-war exercise pitting teams of men and women against a 120,000 pound, 727 aircraft. Each team of 20 will have two attempts to pull the 727 a distance of 25 feet. The winners will have a year’s bragging rights to Fastest Pull, Most Creative Team Name, Top Fundraising Team, and Slowest Pull.

“This is ONT’s biggest annual fundraising event and it’s exciting to see it become more popular each year,”

said Airport Manager **Jess Romo**. “We’ve had a long-standing partnership with the Friends of Ontario Airport and thank them for all their support over the past 20 years.”

For inquiries on becoming a sponsor, team entry, exhibitor or volunteer, please contact ONTAirportRep@LAWA.org or call (909) 544-5360. The event is free and open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free parking is available at Lot F, on the corner of Airport Dr. and Vineyard Ave (Due to construction on Vineyard Ave. please use Archibald Ave., head west on Airport Drive).

Past teams include United Parcel Service, USO Ontario, Frito Lay/ PepsiCo, Ontario International Airport, Niagara Bottling LLC, City of Ontario, Ontario Police Officers Association, Kaiser Permanente and Southern California City Clerks Association.

Pancakes to the Rescue!



Donna Lee

*HELPING HANDS—Van Nuys Airports (VNY) Team LAWA, in coordination with the Mid-Valley YMCA and Los Angeles Fire Station 114, recently served pancakes to more than 150 people to help raise funds for the YMCA. Attendees at the event, held in the fire station’s hangar, were treated to music, an airport video, a tour of the station, and photo opportunities with firefighters and fire apparatus. Team LAWA participants included, from left, front row: **Diana Sanchez**, director of public and community relations; **Christi Mettlen**, and **Lynne Oyco**, project coordinator. Back row, from left: **Norm Anderson**; **Tom Harris**; **Mario Sweet**; **Lynne Harris**; **Jasmine Salas**; **Hojana Salas**; **Dee Lewis**; **Nancy Anderson**; and **Bob Rebbe**.*

Employees Honored for Service



Joy Berkowitz

ACHIEVING MILESTONES Los Angeles World Airports employees with more than 30 years of service with the City of Los Angeles were honored during a recent department meeting by Executive Director **Gina Marie Lindsay** and representatives of many divisions. A recipient of the Wings of Achievement Award was also cited. Pictured from left, front row: **Robert Richardson**, Airport Police; **Roberta Beyard**, Human Resources; **William Flowers**, Maintenance

Services; **Elaine Andrews**, Airport Operations; **James Chin**, Airport Police; **Kathy DeGrandis-Grant**, Risk Management, and **Tami Young** and **Luis Acosta**, Airport Police. Back row from left: **Manny Portillo** and **Blair Lindsay**, Airport Police; **Carlyle Kidd**, Airport Operations; **Cipriano Montes**, Wings of Achievement Award honoree, Airport Police; **Robert Haines**, Facilities Engineering; **Elisha Mitchell**, Maintenance Services, and **George Jarvis**, Airport Police.

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My Best Shot



UNIQUE PARK--Employee Relations Manager **Olivia Riter** of Human Resources Division snapped this photo of one of the totem poles while hiking a trail in Zion National Park, Utah. Totems are but one of the features of this 229-square-mile park. The park's unique geography and variety of life zones also allow for unusual plant and animal diversity. Numerous plant species, as well as 289 species of birds, 75 mammals and 32 reptiles are known to inhabit the park that also features Zion Canyon, which is 15 miles long and up to a half-mile deep.