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## **DIRECTOR'S NEWS UPDATE**



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### **Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week July 18-24, 2010**

The week of July 18-24, 2010, will be observed nationally as Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week. Governor Brad Henry has signed a proclamation in recognition of their contributions to the State of Oklahoma. This is a time when we join together to recognize the work that probation, parole, and community supervision professionals do to enhance public safety.

Larry J. Bryant, Probation and Parole Officer III, Southeast District Community Corrections, is the 2009 Agency Probation and Parole Officer of the Year.

Officer Bryant began his career with the Department of Corrections in 1991 as a Correctional Security Officer at Howard McLeod Correctional Center. After graduating from college

in 2000 he was hired as a Probation and Parole Officer for Southeast District Community Corrections. His current work station is in Pushmataha County; however when necessary he also works in Choctaw and Atoka counties assisting with caseloads left vacant by recent officer retirements. Officer Bryant is a CLEET certified firearms instructor and armorer for the district. He is a dedicated family man and active in his local community. He serves as a deacon in his church and as a volunteer with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes where he works with young people in the community.

We asked that you take time to show your appreciation to our employees who ensure that our agency is one of the best in the nation in making our communities a safer place to live.