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FALL 2005 CARE AWARDEES

The Fall 2005 CARE Award recipients were honored Monday, January 23, 2006, at a ceremony in Green Center. President Daniel presented the awardees with a Certificate of Appreciation and a desk clock inscribed with their name. The CARE Awards are given twice a year to UTD staff who have performed above-and-beyond in their job or have in some way added to the persona of the University by the community and visitors. Nominations are held twice a year, in the fall and the spring. Deadlines for nominations are March 31 and October 31. Nominations are confidential. Forms to nominate a staff member are available on the Staff Council webpage at: www.utdallas.edu/staffcouncilcare.html.

The Awardees for Fall 2005 are: Matt Freeman, the supervisor in THE PUB; Kathy White from Environmental Health and Safety; Paul Schmehl in Security Administration; Judy Patterson in the Computer Science Graduate Program; Darlene Coppage in the Career Center; and Becky Gozzola from the Arts and Technology department.

Matt is known for his professionalism and dedication to perfection. He encourages his student employees to do a good job and he shows his appreciation all the time and is leader to the 44 student employees at the PUB. He encourages them to play a greater role in UTD's student life and is a positive role model. One of his student employees stated, "Matt is one of the most respectful, hardworking and sincerely coolest employers I have ever had."



Matt Freeman, Kathy White, Paul Schmehl, Judy Patterson, Darlene Coppage, Becky Gozzola

Kathy goes above and beyond the call of duty to assist wherever she is needed. She has the talent for making the best of a bad situation. Kathy spent a lot of time assisting the UTD Police Dept with their CERT program which provides training for handling disaster situations. She is friendly and outgoing and everyone enjoys being around her. She is truly a team player.

Paul is a hard worker and likes to help everyone even if it's not his job. He is always willing to do anything and treats people with respect. During the opening of the School of Management, Paul seemed to be on call 24 hours a day helping to set up the computer systems and dealing with network issues. Paul never complains and makes it his mission to ensure the security of UTD's information systems.

Judy is an academic coordinator in the Computer Science graduate program. Besides being knowledgeable of all university policies, she has a very good and big heart, the desire to help people, the desire to solve all kinds of tough problems, and the desire to serve people better. In addition to her busy work schedule, she is active in UTD Staff Council, Chinese Bible

Study Group, Women's Ministries and serves as President to the N. Texas Area Disciples of Women's Ministries. She is a very caring and unique individual.

Darlene is one of the mainstays of the UTD Career Center. She continually accepts additional responsibility in order to ensure that the needs of the students, staff and faculty are met. In addition, she plans team-building events for the Career Center staff by organizing events such as potluck luncheons. She has a willing attitude and is always approachable by anyone. Darlene has a warm, accepting personality that makes everyone who comes into contact with her comfortable and at ease.

Becky is the strength and foundation of the Arts and Technology department. No single person has contributed more to the success of this program. Becky is extremely accessible, with an office space that is part of a hallway, and is always patient and courteous to everyone. Visitors always remark about her helpfulness and kindness. Becky represents UTD and her program at the highest professional level.

BALLOONS! BALLOONS!

Don't forget to buy a red heart balloon for that special person this Valentine's Day!

The Staff Council will be selling long-lasting, red heart-shaped Mylar balloons for \$2.50 each on Tuesday, February 14. Tables will be up around campus with balloons for sale and Staff Council representatives will walk through the buildings with the balloons in case you can't get away from your desk. Proceeds go to the Staff Council Scholarships, which are funded by sales of the Valentine's Day balloons, the December Poinsettias and the UTD Staff Cookbook. The Cookbooks are \$10 each and contain favorite recipes of UTD staff. They also make nice Valentine's Day gifts for the person who loves to cook!! Please continue to support the Staff Council Scholarship Fund with your generous donations and purchases.....you could also be a recipient some day!





UPDATE ON CAMPUS PARKING

Joyce Crum, along with University Administration, the Parking & Security Committee and the City of Richardson, are working with an outside firm to plan for future parking and vehicular traffic. Some innovations being discussed are:

- Limiting vehicular traffic in the center of campus by use of access gates that require security cards
- Finishing Armstrong Parkway to connect with University Parkway
- A parking lot across from the School of Management on the northeast corner where Drives A & G cross
- A lot north of the Multi-Purpose/ Administration Building
- A main belt road around the campus incorporating existing and newly constructed roads
- A possible deal with the City of Richardson allowing them to lease space south of the existing soccer fields for development as athletic/ recreation fields in exchange for assistance in building main belt road around the campus

DID YOU KNOW...

That you can change your voice mail greeting at work from any phone? This is convenient if you are ill and need to change your greeting from home. Follow these steps to change your message:



- While logged into your mailbox, press 82.
- Then, press 1 for external greeting, press 2 for internal greeting, or press 3 for temporary greeting.
- Press 5 to record your greeting. Wait for the tone, then record your greeting.
- Press # to end your recording.
- Press 2 to play/review your greeting.
- For a Temporary Greeting: Press 9 to set expiring date and time. The system will prompt you as to the information needed.
- Press 4 to return to your messages or Press 83 to log off.

To learn more about your voice mail and the steps to change greetings from another location, go to www.utdallas.edu/ir/cats/telecom/guides.html and choose the user guide that applies to your phone. If all else fails, call the Telecommunications Help Line at 972-883-2000.

PROJECT QUEST "BANNER PROJECT" STATUS UPDATE

On January 18, 2006, President David Daniel authored a letter to UTD stating the project has been delayed by approximately 90 days while UT System evaluates potential cost savings and efficiencies that may accrue by coordinating our efforts with other UT System institutions, including UT Arlington and UT Tyler. This pause will necessitate a delay in the scheduled go-live date of September 2006 for the financial package by at least one year. Dr. Daniel has thanked the staff for their cooperation and promised to keep them informed as more is learned. For more information on Project Quest, including timelines and training, go to www.utdallas.edu/projectquest.

WELLNESS COMMITTEE

The UTD Wellness Committee is an ad-hoc committee, meaning that members are not required to also be Staff Council members. We do attempt to follow the same regulations and guidelines as the Staff Council. We meet monthly, are open to the public, produce, publish, and maintain meeting records, and take suggestions from UTD staff, faculty, and students. Our mission statement is to promote health through fitness, nutrition, education, and medical intervention to our fellow staff members. Last year we presented a free health fair, attended by nearly 300 people, and administered over 1,000 screenings. We have free brown bag educational seminars throughout the year. This coming year we want to develop walking routes on campus; perhaps 3 levels, and publish the routes on the Staff Council homepage. We welcome your attendance to our meetings held the 4th Thursday of each month, 2 p.m., SOM 4.418.



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NEW HIRES

OCTOBER

- Souzan Arashvand
- Laura Sue Beall
- Sun Han
- Larry Holman
- Lori Ann Jacobsen
- Michael Patrick Phalen

NOVEMBER

- Juliet Anderson
- Shelby Baker
- Anne Caldwell
- David Gaarder
- Lizbet Guevara
- Latasha Hales
- Jon Hooper
- Jay Jascott
- Clarissa Jones
- Resa Kalbasa
- Mitzie Keeling
- Phani Kotharu
- Kwang Lee
- Mark Maggard
- Jayashee Manikandan
- Patrick Naughton
- Marianne Rutledge
- Jim Shivers

DECEMBER

- Marcus Baker
- Nancy Bowles
- Stephen Duke
- Melinda Everson
- Megan Farris
- Sharon Foster
- Robert Harris
- David Kelley
- Nelda Magnuson
- Marta Menjivar
- Dorothy Thompson
- Minh Tran

JANUARY

- Bobby Bonnett
- Emily Bryant
- Darren Courtney
- Anahita Dutia
- Letitia Moore Fabyan
- Michelle Findley
- Syed Hassan
- Lisa Mrazik
- Michael Pohle
- Holly Worrell



Have you ever found yourself walking around Green Hall or Jonsson trying hopelessly to find a particular room? You can

search for your destination before starting the hike by looking on the IR webpage and clicking on 'Campus Locator Map'. It's so simple and helpful, you will want to call IR and say "Thanks"! Click on <http://utdallas.edu/ir/locator> to find your way around UTD.

STAFF COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

The deadline for Staff Council Scholarships for the Spring Semester is Wednesday, February 15. From the Staff Council Website: "The Staff Council Scholarship Fund has been developed to further the education of any and all The University of Texas at Dallas staff members in academic or vocational programs."

Visit the Staff Council Homepage at www.utdallas.edu/staffcouncil/ for more information.

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