WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Three individuals and one department were honored by the Classified Senate at the Staff Appreciation Luncheon held May 26. Put your hands together for our outstanding employees!

Juan Obregozo—Unsung Hero
Juan has worked for College of Marin for over twenty-one years, most of the time behind the scenes. He has an amazingly positive attitude and work ethic, and steps in wherever and whenever needed. With a small crew, that is tasked with keeping both of our campuses clean, he is often called upon to help out and many times it is at the last minute. We’ve all asked for something at the last minute and he always helps willingly and with a smile on his face. He takes great pride in his work and in the college; doing whatever it takes to get the job done.

Thank you Juan!

Nicole Cruz—Individual Staff Appreciation Award. If you look Nicole up in the staff directory and then look under philosophy you will see two words, It’s do-able. That really says it all. Nicole gets things done. In the words of one of her nominators “She always goes extra lengths when assigned a project. She demonstrates initiative and strong effort for every project/task.” In addition to doing her own job, Nicole was also a valuable member of the Accreditation Self-Study Production Team and was said to have worked many extra hours to compile, edit, and format our Accreditation Self-Study Report. Good job Nicole!

Grounds Department Award. We are so very fortunate to live in this beautiful area of Northern California, and thanks to our grounds department we are also fortunate to work on two very beautiful campuses. Our grounds department works diligently to keep our campuses beautiful. The Kentfield Campus, with views of Mount Tam, is greatly enhanced by an amazing showcase of unique and well cared for trees, plants, lawns, and flowers. The Indian Valley Campus is also uniquely beautiful. Surrounded by trees in a natural setting, keeping the lawns green, the weeds under control. All with attention to fire control is an enormous undertaking at this campus and the crew works hard to keep the campus safe.

Keep it Green Grounds Crew!

Yolanda Bellisimo — Exceptional Service
Yolanda has represented the Academic Senate on numerous governance committees, given presentations at State Academic Senate meetings, is largely responsible for the development of a Student Learning Outcome process, provided leadership in participatory governance, program review, policies and procedures and a myriad of other areas affecting COM’s accreditation. Way to go Yolanda!

MODELS CLASSIFIED SENATE

Each year a small number of model senates are recognized as part of the 4CS Classified Leadership Institute. This year, our senate was recognized as a model senate along with Crafton Hills College, Feather River College, Fresno City College and State Center Community College District, and Irvine Valley College. This award goes to classified senate organizations that exercise their role in shared governance with autonomy and professionalism. Model classified senates define the standard of staff participation within the learning environment for California community college students, encourage staff leaders to become stronger, and offer reference and experience for novice organizations and those seeking organizational revitalization. We should be quite proud of ourselves!

Check out the classified leader awards—I think you may recognize a few people! Classified Leader Awards

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Welcome New Staff Members

Welcome to our new classified professionals hired since Feb. 2011

Suzanne Hebel, Health Sciences/Nursing Program Lab Tech

Kay Marshall, Graphic Design Specialist

Daniel Quirk, Police Officer

Monica Rudolph, Administrative Assistant—Math and Sciences

Laura Cooper, Lab Tech Chemistry (no photo available)

Best Wishes to Our Friends

Best wishes to our co-workers and friends who have moved on to new adventures:

Janice Goucher  Graphics
Darryl Kesecker  Police
Pearvine Mitchell  Health Center
Jason Murphy  Math
Cesar Pomajulca  Health Services
(We didn’t really lose Cesar, he accepted a faculty position!)
Sarah Smith  Financial Aid
Yvette Vargas  Fiscal Services
Dan Widger  Police
Justin Zollars  Chemistry

Our Finances

The Classified Senate account is maintained by the College of Marin Foundation. The senate receives funds from individual staff donations and fund raising.

Spending since February 2011 is as follows:

Flowers/Trophies/Staff Awards $105.33

Fund balance is $1920.03 as of August 11, 2011.

You can help!

If you would like to help the senate by making monthly contributions, please complete the Classified Senate Payroll Deduction Form.

Single contributions to the Classified Senate may be made directly to the College of Marin Foundation.
Lovely weather, tropical attire, good food and friends were the theme of the day at the Classified Staff BBQ held June 8. Everyone gathered on the lawn to enjoy the fun. This event was sponsored by the Classified Senate, CSEA, and SEIU.

President Coon helped to make it happen by contributing funds and providing chefs for the day. Our thanks to President Coon, Al Harrison, Angelina Duarte, Chialin Hsieh, Linda Beam, Laura McCarty, and Peggy Isozaki for cooking and serving; and to Rose Jacques for those amazing ribs!

Raffle prizes added to the fun. I hear someone hurt their toe at the sack race. I think she may have been trampled by a competitor; need I name names? Let’s try to make this an annual event. It was great fun as you can see. Check out more photos from the barbecue here.

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ICS 100 Training is required of all staff members and available online at the following link. ICS 100 Online Training

Keenan & Associates also provides online training at the following link Safe Colleges Training. If you are interested in checking out the site, contact Kathy Joyner for log-in information.

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Take a few moments and check out our Campus Police web page on emergency preparedness. This site provides helpful information for work and at home. Disaster Preparedness

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The Faculty Handbook has a lot of very helpful information. While Alice Dieli is working on our own Classified Handbook, this link will help you out. Thanks to Alice for stepping up to work on this project. Faculty Handbook

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You can find more information about the college’s governance system including a description of each committee on the Participatory Governance Web Page.
Sixteen Screening Committees! Wow—that’s a lot of Screening Committees! Special thanks to everyone who stepped up to help. We know it is hard to find the time, but it is so important to be part of the process of hiring our new employees. When Alice Dieli sends out those notices, please take a moment to consider whether you can help, especially if you have knowledge about the position or the department with the vacancy. Great employees hire more great employees!

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