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- Central Mall View of the Broome Library.
- Burgess Courtyard, Dedicated Dec, 7th.
- Science Department Green House.

DAVE CHAKRABORTY'S CORNER

Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a wonderful 2012. CI is truly a "great place" to work. You make the campus beautiful, inviting and functional. You make OPC a friendly place to come to work as well. I feel excited every day to come to work and I hope you feel the same way.

This is also a good time to remind ourselves of the core values of OPC: *excellence in service, valuing our colleagues, continuous improvement & customer service and sustaina-*

ble performance. In this edition of the newsletter, we have highlighted the 2012 OPC Core Values Award winners – Ryan and Alisha. They have consistently exhibited one or more of our core values in their work. The monthly REAL Award winners have also been highlighted – kudos for jobs well done!

The year 2013 started out in a positive note. The Governor released his budget proposal and after several years, CSUs are not facing cuts to its

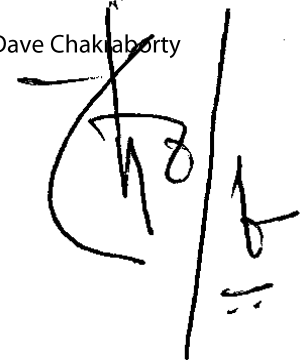
budget. Note that the budget must go through the legislative process. I am happy, because at a minimum, we won't have to suffer additional cuts!

We completed a customer service survey for OPC in December, reflecting our performances in 2012. The raw data indicates that the Campus is satisfied with the services we provide. We are analyzing the data, and we will share the results with you very soon. A number of projects identified in OPC's Strategic Plan are in

full swing and some of you are involved actively in this process. We will share progress with you within the next few weeks.

Wishing you a happy and successful 2013,

Dave Chakraborty



AWARDS FOR PROLOG

OPC has won two new awards for our capital project management system, ProLog. We were awarded the **Meridian 2012 Hall of Fame Award**, and the **Vision Award**. "The Meridian Systems Hall of Fame program recognizes project-based organizations who are best-in-class when it comes to managing infrastructure-intensive capital building programs and construction projects."-Meridian Systems. "The Constructech Vision Awards honor companies that have realized the advantages of applying innovative technologies to their everyday businesses."- Constructech.

Terrie Cilley and Jim Walsh developed and implemented the changes that made ProLog a more effective program for the university's specific needs. This began with changing and adding reports that correspond to the state mandated reports required by SUAM (The State University Administration Manual) in 2006. Campus Specific language was also added to the system to keep communication as effective as possible. This continues to be a work in progress with every project as our campus grows.



Meridian 2012 Hall of Fame Award

ProLog can show users various reports in real-time enabling contractors, architects, and other team members to stay informed about the major capital projects from minute to minute. In January a mobile version became available allowing users to update their projects directly from the project site using a tablet or smart device. The mobile version allows staff to view current project information by automatically synchronizing with the Prolog in the office. ProLog has given OPC an edge in managing projects more efficiently.



Vision Award

BREEZE CUSTODIAN SOFTWARE



Sergio Taffolla Jr. Vacuuming Office

The Night and Day Custodians have begun to use Breeze Software to help them better understand the campus and the work it requires. The Software utilizes our building information to help us allocate resources based on square footage and room needs. This info includes space types, such as: lobby, office, or classroom etc. The information also states the amount of walls and windows, furniture and other details about the rooms. With all this information, OPC can better divide the work load between the custodians. The software also allows for inspection reports which can tell the custodians what

needs more attention and what is done well. Overall, this system will help OPC clean the campus more effectively and efficiently.



Danny McDougald, Window Washing

PARKING LOT TRANSFORMATION COMPLETED

For the last couple months, OPC has been working on converting the A9 parking lot into a grassy courtyard, named Burgess Courtyard. The design concept was developed by OPC's very own John Fluharty. This space is designed to be a fragrant courtyard. When the plants mature, their various flowers will produce nice perfumes for passersby to enjoy. The Burgess Courtyard is named after its donor, Margaret Tiplady Burgess. This courtyard is for all students, staff, and faculty to enjoy.

All of OPC's departments worked together to complete this project. Jason Hughes noted how the different trades came together and performed as one big team. President Rush wrote, "[OPC] did a terrific job in the Burgess Courtyard. The Transformation is amazing".



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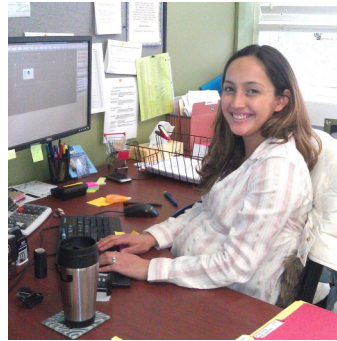
After

CORE VALUE AWARD WINNERS, RYAN AND ALISHA



Core Value Award Winner,
Ryan Freeman

Ryan Freeman has worked in OPC for about 2 years. Ryan was happy to be recognized for the Core Value Award but would like to thank everyone he works with. He stated that “[he] is only as good as everyone else on the team.” He enjoys being in the outdoors fishing and backpacking. He hopes to one day, hike and backpack through the John Muir Trail.



Core Value Award Winner,
Alisha Perez

Alisha Perez shared that she felt “**surprised, honored, and thankful**” for being awarded the Core Value Award. Alisha enjoys baking however; most other hobbies have been put on hold due to the new addition to her family, William Perez! Alisha delivered William January 3rd. Congrats to Alisha and Cesar Perez!!

THE CORE VALUE AWARD

OPC’s core values are: Excellence in Service, Valuing our Colleagues, Continuous Improvement & Customer Service, and Sustainable Performance. The Core Value Award are presented to individuals who exemplify these values.

BOBBY PEREZ, AUGUST REAL AWARD WINNER

Bobby Perez is going on his eleventh year at OPC. He first started as a Laborer and has moved on to being a Warehouse Assistant. He helps out in Shipping & Receiving and in Move Management. His proudest Move Management’s moment was the



August REAL Award winner,
Bobby Perez

move into the new North Hall buildings, Del Norte and Madera Hall. Bobby stated that he felt “**appreciative for being recognized**” and that “**an atta boy makes doing my all worthwhile**”.

During his time outside of work, Bobby enjoys watching his two sons’ (10 and 11 years old) sports practices

and events. Their favorite sports to play are baseball, basketball, and football.

JASON HUGHES, SEPTEMBER REAL AWARD WINNER



September REAL Award winner,

Jason Hughes was “**surprised to have been nominated**” and “**honored to have won the REAL Award**”. He is going on his 5th year here at OPC and has enjoyed all of it. He enjoys working in the Grounds Department with his colleagues out in the field.

Jason Hughes

Jason Hughes spends his time surfing when he has a free moment. Jason and his wife had a baby boy 6 months ago and doesn’t have time to surf anymore due to the new addition to the family; however, Jason can’t wait to teach his little boy, Spencer, to surf when the time comes.



STEVE SANDWALL, OCTOBER REAL AWARD WINNER



*October REAL Award winner,
Steve Sandwall*

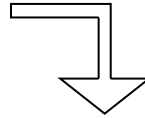
Steve Sandwall enjoys his job at CSUCI in the Mason Shop. He has worked in OPC for almost 6 years. Steve's main duties include pouring concrete for various projects around the campus as well as tile repairs. When asked what his favorite part of his job is, he replied, **"There are great people to work with here and there is always work to be done."** Steve stays

busy on the weekends by watching his three grandchildren (Matt, Mahala, and Jasmine) play in their soccer games with his wife Roxanne. He also enjoys surfing on the coast and skiing in the Sierras during his free time. Favorite family activities include camping and hiking in the Sierra Nevada's, specifically, Yosemite.

GARY CRAIG, NOVEMBER REAL AWARD WINNER

Gary Craig was surprised and grateful when he found out he had been chosen to win the REAL Award for October. Gary started here in OPC in the year 2008 as a Custodian and then began working in the Auto Shop with Mike Middleton. Together, they maintain the campus vehicles, both gas powered and electric powered. One of Gary Craig's favorite bands is The Eagles. He has enjoyed many of their concerts. Gary's favorite hobby is riding quads in the

sand dunes. He has been riding since 1982. Gary's first bike was a white Honda 200X.



*November REAL Award Winner,
Gary Craig*

TIFFANY SMITH & JOHN FLUHARTY, DECEMBER WINNERS

Tiffany has been with OPC since April and John Fluharty is going on his 3rd year. They have been working together on a Campus Management Plan for the Campus's trees. This project consists of creating a map of trees on campus which identify each tree's species, as well as the location of damaged trees.

This new Management Plan implements ANSI (American National Standards Institute) standards and will help the campus maintain a safe and beautiful environment. Trees are important to this campus not only because they provide beauty and shade, but because they remove toxins from the air and help prevent soil erosion.

Tiffany enjoys working with the native plants on Campus like the ones on the New Entry Road. She also enjoys gardening and working with edible plants such as the citrus trees on University Drive. She is excited to see the trees mature and produce fruits. While away from work, Tiffany is a Dance and Martial Arts Mom for her 2 daughters.

John Fluharty enjoys his time in OPC because he is able to utilize his knowledge from previous work experiences here at CSUCI. John enjoys spending time with his 3.5 year old daughter playing and gardening together. They currently have a Winter Annual garden at home.



*Tiffany Smith (Right) & John Fluharty (Left)
December REAL Award Winners*

WELCOME, JONATHAN

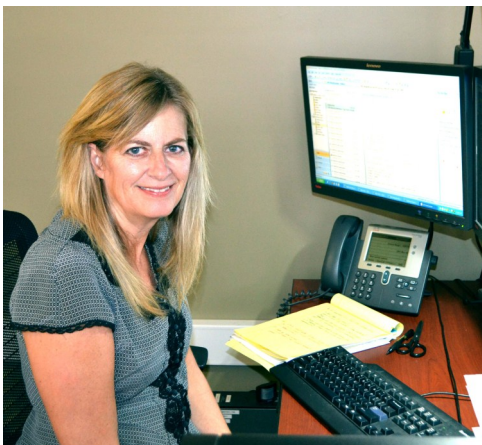
OPC is proud to welcome Jonathan Neff as its newest member! Jonathan is OPC's new Associate Director of Infrastructure and Energy. So far, he has enjoyed meeting and working with OPC's professional crew.

When Jonathan isn't at work he enjoys river rafting in the American River, as well as most other water sports. He also enjoys listening to a wide range of music. He likes listening to Classical in the car, Rock at home reading, and Jazz with his daughters.



Jonathan Neff

GET TO KNOW JEANNE



Jeanne Burgin

OPC would like to welcome Jeanne Burgin to the team! Jeanne came to us from the Pleasant Valley School District. She explained that she worked in the Facilities and Maintenance Department for the District, so she is familiar with the kind of work she will be doing at OPC. Jeanne enjoys working for a larger scale department because there are so many new people meet. **"There is a new face every day"**, Jeanne chuckled.

Jeanne lives by the beach and enjoys many beach activities such as bike riding and walking along the shore.

JEFF MILLOTT, PROMOTED

Jeff Millott has been working in OPC for 5.5 years. Jeff Millott discussed how he enjoys **"OPC's family atmosphere"**. He has been promoted to be OPC's Supervising Plumber, whose duties include overseeing the Plumbing Shop, Work Orders, and work flow.

Jeff Millott has two boys and two girls. Their family activities take up most of his free time but he enjoys going to their various swimming, dance, soccer, and baseball practices. The family also enjoys dirt bike riding in the desert during the winter and visiting the beach during the summer.



Jeff Millott

CONGRATS, GUY SPEVAK



Guy Spevak

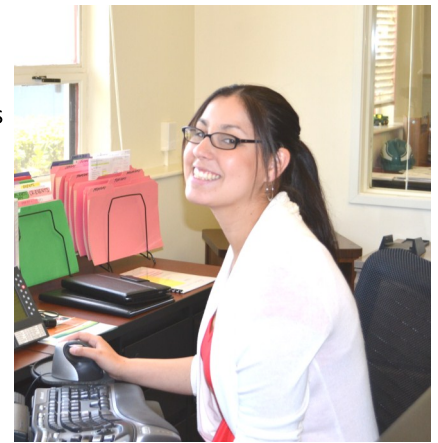
Congratulations to Guy Spevak! Guy will be OPC's new Infrastructure Project Supervisor of the MEP Departments. MEP Departments include the Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing shops.

In his spare time, Guy enjoys playing with his dog and doing yard work. He also enjoys riding his BMW Motorcycle daily and on long trips. In the past, Guy has taken a 3 week long motorcycle trips to various national parks like Yosemite and Yellow Stone, and hopes to do it again in the next year.

LIZZY AT IRONWOOD HALL

Elizabeth Silva is well known in OPC for her work done in the Work Center. Recently, she has moved to Ironwood Hall to work more closely with Wesley Cooper and the 330 side of OPC. So far, she has been enjoying the quieter atmosphere at Ironwood. Without the constant commotion of the work center, she feels more focused and is able to get more done.

Lizzy has worked in OPC for five years. She first started as a Sociology student working part time. Once she graduated, OPC hired her on as a full time employee.



Elizabeth Silva

CONGRATS TO JOSE!



Jose Guzman

Jose Guzman has recently began a permanent position in the Electric Shop. Congratulate Jose on his new position! Jose works on the lighting around campus, making sure it is safe for students, staff, and faculty. Recently, he and fellow electrician Marty Jones have been working on the Broome Library Automatic Door Openers. Jose had prior knowledge and experience as an electrician but has enjoyed learning much more at this new position.



Broome Library Automatic Doors

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