



## Golden Nugget Awards – July 2019

### Area 2

#### Michael Peddycord

Reason for nomination: Michael goes above and beyond in his day to day tasks. But as we have transitioned to a new building Michael continues to go above and beyond while he gets pulled in every direction. Michael arrives to work with a smile on his face. He doesn't complain when everyone is saying his name and asking him questions. This team is better because he is a part of it. Undergraduate Admissions is able to give the best service to our students because of Michael!

### Area 3

#### Ash Bowers

Reason for nomination: Ash is our IT Coordinator and he is very busy supporting the electronic Graduate Admissions and DegreeWorks applications for our office. I use an online application called eGFA (electronic Graduate Faculty Appointment) system. It is used in processing graduate faculty assessments and appointments. I needed help in customizing some reports and sorting features in the application so that I can work more efficiently. Ash always exceeds my expectations in turning requests around quicker than anticipated. He is always positive and pleasant to work with. He thinks things through and asks questions to ensure he understands the end result before taking on a project.

### Area 7

#### Marian Castle

Reason for nomination: Marian has been an invaluable resource for me during my 4 plus years here at UNC Charlotte. She has provided guidance in all my questions about managing sponsor awards. She stays late when needed to meet important deadlines. Her knowledge about University-wide policies and procedures is unmatched. Marian works hard, is humble, and helps others be successful in their work. Thank you so much Marian!

### Area 8

#### Mike Fresina

Reason for nomination: Since Mike Fresina came on board as the CCI Director of Communications, he has changed the face of our college tremendously. He works so hard to maintain the website and our marketing materials. Everything he does is done to perfection. When we need a brochure, he makes it look like a million bucks. His hard work should not go unrecognized. Last year he hosted our Convocation and all of the CCI students, faculty, and staff applauded his tenacity! He made all of us laugh and brought us all together with fun games. His sparkling personality is one in a million. I honestly cannot think of our college without him. He's a gem and deserves a ton of nuggets!

## **Area 9**

### **Annette Hamilton**

Reason for nomination: She has always been extremely helpful and patient with our entire department when it comes to help in Kronos. It is a frustrating program and she has taken on the responsibility of being our go to person with any questions, without any frustration. She does not have to help us but she is always there when we need her!

### **Chris Maynard**

Reason for nomination: We have been without staff for a couple weeks now, trying to finish paperwork for this fiscal year. A previous staff member left a Travel Requisition incomplete. Chris spent an extraordinary amount of time, and patience, helping me get the correct information, communicating with that staff person, checking our figures and pointing to corrections. When we finally thought it was done, there was a remaining problem checking whether claims were out of pocket. Chris contacted the P-Card office and checked out the charges in order to help us see if they were correct. Chris went above and beyond to help us and her patience, politeness, professionalism, and commitment to accuracy and timeliness (in meeting end of year budget deadlines) is commendable!

### **Tom Quinn**

Reason for nomination: Tom arranged for the Receiving & Stores warehouse to open a little earlier on 6/25/19 to allow Facilities Management to pick up a pallet of shelving materials to bring to the Student Health Center building to meet up with other FM employees who unloaded the pallet for us. Thanks, Tom! We appreciate your help!

## **Area 12**

### **Nkiru Obi**

Reason for nomination: Nkiru is a pleasant and helpful burst of energy who came to the rescue with Facilities Management's latest issue of Facilities Focus. The newsletter is a tedious and lengthy process with only a few staff members. Nkiru offered her help as we were trying to publish the newsletter in a timely manner and had already missed the deadline. Her help saved me, personally, time and energy. Thank you Nkiru, you are a valued member of our FM team.

## **Area 13**

### **Jacki-Lynn Baynks**

Reason for nomination: Jacki-Lynn transferred from the University Writing Program to the Division of Student Affairs back in February of this year. I am her replacement and I did not start until June 11. Jacki-Lynn has been doing her old job and her new job for all of that time. She has made herself available to me whenever I have a question or a problem that needs to be solved. Since I am new to the university, it is invaluable to have someone to turn to as I embark on this new career opportunity. She is a true team player, supporting both offices at the same time.

## **Area 15A**

### **Willie Alston**

Reason for nomination: I had an End of Year project in Robinson, installing new conduit runs. An outside contractor did the runs, and during inspection, two unexpected, preexisting holes were found in the above ceiling area in a 2-hour fire wall. The final inspection certificate would be held until they were repaired. This being the final week to bill for EOY, this was an issue. I called Michael Rogers in Renovations to see what he could do. Within 30 minutes, I met up with Michael Watt and Willie Alston on the site. They had all the materials they needed, and fixed it that day. I was so impressed with how quickly they moved, and their wonderful attitudes when they arrived. They went above and beyond what I anticipated. They showed true Niner spirit.

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**Area 15B****Dean Burris**

Reason for nomination: Dean helped out the Student Health Center one early morning by moving boxes of new pharmacy shelving material from a pallet outside the building to inside the building to prevent it being damaged or rained on. When the delivery of the shelving came in, we were not able to store the materials in our building and had to store it in the Receiving & Stores warehouse for several days and the only campus service available to us was moving the pallet to the outside of our building. It was important to have the extra help to move the boxes inside. Thank you so much, Dean! We appreciate it!

**Dan Eakle**

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**Joe Loder**

Reason for nomination: Joe recently came to the rescue to help the Student Health Center with providing FM employees to move boxes of shelving materials for our pharmacy from a wooden pallet outside the building, into a room inside the building early one morning. When the delivery came in, we were not able to store the materials in our building and had to store it in the Receiving & Stores warehouse and the only campus service available to us was moving the pallet from Receiving & Stores to the outside of our building. Joe organized the guys, on short notice, to move the boxes inside safely so they wouldn't have to sit outside and possibly get damaged or rained on. Thanks, Joe!

**Dan Reichert**

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**Arnold Vanhouy**

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**Sam Wyatt**

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**Area 17****Sophia Marshall**

Reason for nomination: Sophia Marshall is a great energy and motivation within our office. She has a contagious energy that spreads throughout the office. I want to recognize her for all her hard work she does in and outside our office. While not only balancing her job responsibilities she also works hard on committees such as Employee Health and Wellness. She is dedicated to making UNC Charlotte a healthy campus for all on campus. I truly appreciate all her help and advice that she has provided to me. She cares not just about my work performance but also about me as a person. She has inspired me to work harder and I value all the opportunities I have gotten with her. I look forward to continuing to work with her.