Recognition is a Cornerstone of Career Well-Being at Mason!

Career well-being can be simply defined as liking what you do every day. Liking what you do, feeling passionate about it, and being recognized for that commitment can be an important way to enhance career well-being and employee engagement overall. Recognition has long been a cornerstone to a career at Mason. While it isn’t a new concept, there is an art and a science to it. The goal at Mason has always been to create a culture that acknowledges all the valuable contributions made by faculty and staff that enrich the Mason experience. In the spring of this year, Mason embraced a new vision, one that includes us thriving together in a rewarding and enriching work environment. The Reward & Recognition Program will continue to incorporate and support the new Mason vision in its programs. We believe the well-being of faculty and staff encompasses all aspects of their life cycle, both professionally and personally. It is all about creating vibrant teams, supportive supervisors, and nurturing emerging leaders to create bonds under a common Mason vision. We believe that recognition reinforces faculty and staff in their important roles, connects them to the mission and culture of the university, and inspires them to help move Mason forward and blow the doors off the old expectations.

Celebrating Achievements throughout George Mason

Welcome to our 8th edition of the Mason Star, where we celebrate the accomplishments and contributions made by so many in the Mason community this past year and thank those who nominated and supported them. The release of this edition also marks the 6th year in a row that Mason has been recognized as a Great College to Work For by the Chronicle of Higher Education! Mason’s faculty, staff, students, alumni and retirees all make Mason a wonderful place to learn and work. We can all be proud and share in this special achievement. Thank you to all of our Mason Stars!
2013 Commonwealth of Virginia Outstanding Faculty Award Recipients

Governor Robert McDonnell honored 12 Virginia educators as recipients of the 27th annual Outstanding Faculty Award (OFA) for excellence in teaching, research, knowledge, integration and public service, as part of the annual OFA program administered by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV).

“The academic work of these 12 outstanding educators benefits not only the students at their respective institutions, but all Virginians, “ said Governor McDonnell. “These educators should be commended for their dedication and commitment to training the next generation of Virginia leaders.”

We are proud to have one of our own faculty selected from a pool of 109 applications. Dr. Rita Chi-Ying Chung is a Professor of Counseling and Development in the College of Human Development (CEHD). Dr. Chung’s research focuses on the multicultural, cross-cultural and social justice issues in counseling, and the psychological impact of racism and immigrant and refugee psychosocial adjustment.

“Her research drives the field in both teaching and practice and instills in her students the passion to give back to the community. As such, Dr. Chung is an exceptional example of one who is educating the next generation of multicultural social justice counselors and leaders,” said Mark Ginsberg, CEHD Dean. Congratulations Dr. Chung!

Excerpts from February 12, 2013 Office of the Governor and January 23, 2013 newsdesk.gmu.edu

Teaching Excellence Awards 2013

2013 DAVID J. KING AWARD
Terry Zawacki, Associate Professor, English

TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS
Daniel Cox, Associate Professor, School of Systems Biology, College of Science and Krasnow Institute for Advanced Study
Shannon Davis, Assistant Professor, Sociology & Anthropology
Paul Gorski, Special Recognition for Excellence in General Education, Associate Professor, New Century College

FACILITIES EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

JULY
Tyler Orton, Sustainability

AUGUST
Ron Holland, Paint Shop

SEPTEMBER
Nick Yakish, Grounds, Prince William Campus

OCTOBER
Jim Gentry, HVAC Shop

NOVEMBER
Alfonso Nazario, Fire Alarm Shop

DECEMBER
Tom Olund, Project Management & Construction

APRIL
Lenna Storm, Sustainability

MAY
Robert Donahue, Project Management

JUNE
Braden Leach, Preventive Maintenance Shop

JULY
Wiredu Adade, Recycling

AUGUST
Quenton Justice, Preventive Maintenance Shop

SEPTEMBER
Luis Belevan, Plumbing Shop

OCTOBER
Jim Gentry, HVAC Shop

NOVEMBER
Alfonso Nazario, Fire Alarm Shop

MAY
Robert Donahue, Project Management
Rеwаrdѕ аnd Rеcоgnіtіоn Соmе іn Аll SArrowѕ аnd Sіzеѕ

Thе tуре оf rеcоgnіtіоn gіvеn іn dераrtmеnts аnd sсhооls іs аs vаrіеd аs thе dераrtmеnts аnd sсhооls thеmsеlvеs. Sоmе rеwаrdѕ аrе mоrе fоrmаl аnd оссur аt yеаrlу аwаrd сеrеmоnіеѕ, whіlе оthеrs аrе fun, іmрromptu wауѕ tо rеcоgnіzе thе hаrd wоrk hеrе аt Mаѕоn. Thіs yеаr’ѕ rеасkгnіtіоn lаunсhеоn fоr thе wоrk оf thе vаrіоuѕ tеаmps іn thе Provоst’s оffісе іs оnе еxаmреlе оf thе lаtter. Іf уоu wоuld lіkе uѕ tо рublісh уоur ѕhооl’ѕ оr dереrtmеnt’ѕ аwаrdѕ іn оur nеxt nеwslettеr, рlеаsе соntаct Bеth Ваrооdу аt аwаrdѕ@gmu.edu оr 703-993-2739.

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-Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award
- Outstanding Teaching Award
-U рераса, Dереrtmеnt оf Еlесtrісаl аnd Соmрutеr Еnсеnіng

-Outstanding Alumnus Award
-Rоn Ріtсhеу, Dереrtmеnt оf Соmрutеr Сіеnсе

203 соmрutеr ѕсаіе dераrtmеnt аwаrdѕ

- Faculty Аdvisor оf thе Yеаr
- Pаul Аmmаnn

-Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Awards
-Hаrrу Fоxtеll, КеnNеth NіdTіfеr

-Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award
-Mаrk Snydеr

-Outstanding Service Award
-Barbara Dаniеl

-Outstanding Staff Award
-Mісhеlе Ріера

-Young Faculty Research Award
-Jуh-Mіng Lіеn

Sсhооl оf Mаnаgеmеnt

-Еxсеllеnсе іn Rеѕеаrсh Аwаrd
-Mаtt Crоnіn, Маnаgеmеnt

-Сhеrlу Druеhl, Infоrmаtіоn Sуstеmѕ аnd Ореrаtіоnѕ Маnаgеmеnt

-Jеzzіса Роосnеr, Маrкеtіng

-Рhіl Еnееsоk Раng, Іnfоrmаtіоn Sуstеmѕ аnd Ореrаtіоnѕ Маnаgеmеnt

-Аlex Рhіlіроv, Маnаgеmеnt

-Кеvіn Росkmаn, Маnаgеmеnt

-Tоnу Sаndеrѕ, Маnаgеmеnt

-Pаllаb Sаnýt, Іnfоrmаtіоn Sуstеmѕ аnd Ореrаtіоnѕ Маnаgеmеnt

-Сlаuѕ Lаngfіrеd, ЕMРА Professor оf thе Yеаr, 1sг Yеаr

-Аmіtаvа Dуttа, Іnfоrmаtіоn Sуstеmѕ аnd Ореrаtіоnѕ Маnаgеmеnt

-Еdаrd Dоuhtmеtt, Маnаgеmеnt

-Yоhn Ніеt, Маnаgеmеnt

-Sаrаh Nііttr, Маnаgеmеnt

-Kеvіn Росkmаn, Маnаgеmеnt

-Lіndа Еаlmау, Еmісhеlе Ріера

-Mаrk Еnееsоk Раng, Іnfоrmаtіоn Sуstеmѕ аnd Ореrаtіоnѕ Маnаgеmеnt

-Маn-Sооk Хіоu, Іnfоrmаtіоn Sуstеmѕ аnd Ореrаtіоnѕ Маnаgеmеnt

-Pаіgе Wоlf, Маnаgеmеnt

-Grаduаtе Тесhngеаng Аwаrdѕ
-Dісk Lаrѕеn, МЅА Оuntаінg Fасultу

-Jіm Wоlfе, Мосаrее оf thе Yеаr

-Kеvіn Росkmаn, Мосаrее оf thе Yеаr, 1sг Yеаr

-Clаuѕ Lаngfіrеd, ЕМ xãrее оf thе Yеаr, 2sг Yеаr

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Emerging Researcher, Scholar and Creator Awards

Eden King
Associate Professor, Psychology

Cynthia Lum
Associate Professor, Criminology, Law and Society

Angelos Stavrou
Associate Professor, Computer Science

Each year, Mason selects three faculty members who show exceptional promise in their disciplines to receive Emerging Researcher, Scholar, Creator Awards. To qualify for this award, the faculty member must be within 10 years of receiving his or her terminal degree and have growing national and international recognition for his or her work.
Over 30 university employees were honored at the Outstanding Achievement Awards Ceremony on November 13. These employees were presented with Outstanding Achievement Awards, Exceptional Support Awards, the Martha J. Reiner Quality Customer Service Award, and the David W. Rosell Quill Award. In addition, the Staff Senate presented the Outstanding Supervisor Award, the Office of Diversity Programs and Services presented the Margaret C. Howell Award, the University Sustainability Office presented the Sustain- ability Hero Award, and the Distance Education Department presented the new Distance Education Award. The “Raise the Rate” Faculty/Staff Book Scholarship was also presented.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
Jade Barricelli, Academic Advising
Francesca Brunner-Kennedy, Fiscal Services
Sally Evans, University Libraries
Amy Gillies, Office of the Provost
Susan Graziano, Office of Global & International Strategies
John Hanks, ITU Network Engineering & Technologies
Michael Landrum, Cashier’s Office
Eddie Mattox, Purchasing
Jennifer Robinson, Development & Alumni Affairs
Andrew Schappert, School of Public Policy

EXCEPTIONAL SUPPORT AWARDS
Christine Amaya, Mathematical Sciences
Sharon Bloomquist, Environmental Science & Policy
Marilyn Clark, Honors College
Randy Cooper, JC, Student Services
Kathleen Curtis, CHSS Dean’s Office
Tammy Etter, Office of the Provost
Angela Hattery, Women & Gender Studies
Carrie Klein, University Life
Jeanmerie Lagos, Auxiliary Enterprises
Richena Purnell-Sayle, Office of Global & International Strategies
Glenda Weston-McCray, Facilities Administration

OUTSTANDING SUPERVISOR AWARDS
Pamela Allen, Office of Academic Integrity
Cynthia Lum, Criminology

SUSTAINABILITY HERO AWARD
Erik Backus, Campus Planning, Facilities

MARGARET C. HOWELL AWARD
Alissa Karton, University Life

DAVID W. ROSSELL QUILL AWARD
Peter Pober, Forensics Communications

MARGAERET J. REINER QUALITY CUSTOMER SERVICE AWARD
Daniel Hobson, CVPA

DISTANCE EDUCATION AWARDS
Jessica Matthews, English
Terri Ann Guingab, College of Health and Human Services

“RAISE THE RATE” FACULTY/STAFF BOOK SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
Johanna Koh, English Language Institute
Laura Wolfe, History & Art History

TEAM EXCELLENCE AWARD
Collaborative Video Technologies
Educational Media Technologies
University Day Celebration

The University Service Award recognizes employees who have served George Mason University and/or the Commonwealth of Virginia for 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 or 45 years of service. This year’s University Day Celebration was held on April 9-10, 2013.

45 YEARS
Robert Cozzens, Chemistry
George Mushrush, Chemistry

40 YEARS
Winifred Keany, English
Randolph Lytton, History & Art History
Robert Pasnak, Psychology
Philip Wiest, Economics

35 YEARS
Kathy Adcock, Technology Systems
Norman Barnes, University Police
Jack Censer, College of Humanities & Social Sciences
Robert Ehrlich, School of Physics, Astronomy & Computational Science
Monique Healy, Regional Campuses
Deborah Kaplan, English
James Lawry, Environmental Science & Policy
Stuart Malawer, School of Public Policy
Carol Mattusch, History & Art History
Joan McCall, University Police
Hung Nguyen, Public & International Affairs
Joseph Scimecca, Sociology & Anthropology
Albert Torzilli, Environmental Science & Policy
Margaret Yocom, English

(l-r) Robert Cozzens, Dr. Cabera, and George Mushrush.

Dr. Cabera with (l-r) Philip Wiest, Robert Pasnak, and Winifred Keany.

(l-r) Kathy Adcock, Jack Censer, Robert Ehrlich, Monique Healy, Deborah Kaplan, Dr. Cabera, Stuart Malawer, Joan McCall, Joseph Scimecca, Albert Torzilli, and Margaret Yocom.
Reward and Recognition:

Reward the Stars in Your Office

Gift cards, certificates, and non-monetary awards are excellent ways to show appreciation to your outstanding employees. Over 1600 of these awards have been given to Mason employees over the past 12 months. To request an award for your staff, simply send an e-mail to awards@gmu.edu with his or her name, G#, and a brief description of his or her achievement. For gift card requests, please make sure the employee’s direct supervisor approves of the award.

Available awards include:

GIFT CARDS
Amazon.com—“You’re an Amazing Employee”
American Express—“Expression of Gratitude”
Barnes & Noble—“Mason’s Noble Prize”
Best Buy—“You’re Simply the Best”
Chili’s/Macaroni Grill/On the Border/Maggiano’s—“Mama Mia, It’s a Fiesta”
Cosi—“Get Cozy at Cosi” Award
Great American Restaurants—“You’re Greeeeat!”
Kohl’s Gift Card—“Thanks a Bunch”
Mason Money—“Munch Money”
Panera—“You’ve Stepped it Up”
Regal Cinemas—“You’re a Reel Mason Star”
Shell—“Way to Go”
Target—“You Hit the Bulls Eye”

GIFT CERTIFICATES
Also Available for Student Wage Employees
Dunkin’ Donuts—“Slam-Dunk” Award

Regal Cinemas—“You’re a Reel Mason Star”
Vocelli Pizza—“You Spice Up Our Life” Award

NON-MONETARY AWARDS
Also Available for Student Wage Employees
Mason Auto Shade—“Your Efforts Really SHINE”
Mason Lunch Cooler—“You’re ‘Cooler’ than you think”
Mason Beach Towel—“Life’s a Beach” Award
Mason Scarf—“Wrap it Up” Award
A BPA-free Mason Water Bottle—“You Hit the Spot”
Mason Athletic Socks—“Knocked our Socks Off” Award
Mason Umbrella—“Raining Recognition” at Mason
M&M’s—“Have A Sweet Mason Day”
Mason Tote Bag—“You’ve Got This in the Bag”
Mason Battery Powered Hand Fan—“I’m Your Biggest Fan”
Mason Flip Flops—“We Flip for You”
Mason Portfolio—“You Have the Write Stuff”
Mason Snuggie—“You’ve Got the Mason Spirit Wrapped Up”

If you would like to learn more about the university’s reward and recognition programs, please contact Beth Baroody at awards@gmu.edu or 703-993-2739.

Coming Soon!
In the next few months, we will be offering some new rewards! Visit our website and follow us on Facebook and Twitter to find out more about our new…

ITUNES GIFT CARDS
SPAFINDER GIFT CARDS
MESSENGER BAGS
FLASH DRIVES

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Congratulations to everyone who was recognized this year.