



# Classified Crier

Central Services Classified Senate Newsletter



March 28, 2008

## A Message from the President:

*Scottie Mc Daniel*

As we head through the final leg of the fiscal year and are about to begin Spring Quarter, we have many upcoming events; elections for Classified Senate, the annual Classified Senate Retreat; and at the end of summer, our annual Central Services Barbeque. We are looking for volunteers to help with all the above events but especially the Central Services Barbeque; it will be a Classified Senate's first in taking an active role in working with the Chancellor's Office and HR to bring about a most extraordinary event. We are all aware that our jobs have become more involved and we have had less time to even think about participating in any extracurricular activity, but this is when it is most important to be active in your Classified Senate. This is where you can make a difference in your day and make a difference to the people you work with. I encourage all classified staff to attend Classified Senate Meetings, play an active role on sub-committees, and bring questions and ideas from your section to the Classified Senate. Feel free to contact me any time at [mcdaniel@fhda.edu](mailto:mcdaniel@fhda.edu) or 650.949.6265.

## 2008 CSCS Officer Elections

*Martin Varela*

The Central Services Classified Senate will start its 4th annual elections process in the month of April and once again, we will need your participation in nominating and voting for our future representatives that will carry the success of our organization. Nominate the individuals you feel will best serve the CSCS community. These representatives will be your eyes, ears, and voice in the District's governance structure and much more.

This year we will be accepting nominations for the position of President-Elect. The President-Elect will serve as President in the absence of the President, and serve one year as President-Elect and President the following year.

Nominate your candidate (or yourself) by filling out our online nomination form at <http://hr.fhda.edu/personnel/CSCSnominations> or by sending the nomination form

that will be distributed through your senators at your location. We will be open for nominations until April 11th and the elections for the President-Elect position will take place on Tuesday, April 22nd from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. You will have the opportunity to cast your vote for your favorite candidate at the following locations:

District Office – Accounting - Martin Varela's Office  
Foothill Campus Police  
De Anza Campus Police  
ETS DA – Data Services  
ETS DA – Networks and Client Services  
Plant Services FH-Maintenance Office - Belen's Office  
Plant Services DA-Main Office – Sally Gore's Office

If you would like to participate with the election committee and/or the election process, please contact Dawn Allshouse at x6162 or email her at [AllshouseDawn@fhda.edu](mailto:AllshouseDawn@fhda.edu).

## An Update on CSEA

*Agnes Hamilton*

Happy 2008 to all! I would like to thank our immediate past CSEA President Brock Kreiss and his Executive Board for dedicating long hours of time in meetings and negotiations. Members came to Brock on issues regarding management or with co-workers. Brock was a listener and would care about their issues. So, thank you Brock and your Executive Board members.

Welcome back 2008 CSEA President, Leo Contreras and your new Executive Board. Thank you for recognizing me as a night-shift job steward. I will continue to represent and support my co-workers. We all have a voice, it is up to us to use it and be heard.

Your 2007/2008 officers are:

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| President – Scottie McDaniel     | x6265 |
| President Elect – Martin Varela  | x6266 |
| Past President – Andrew LaManque | x8777 |
| Secretary – Tom Roza             | x5730 |
| Treasurer – Debbie Haynes        | x6219 |

## Employee of the Month Recipients

*Bret Watson*

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| July 2007  | <b>Joe Lampo</b>          | Information Systems – Applications Programming Supervisor |
| Aug. 2007  | <b>Curtis White</b>       | Maintenance - Pool Maintenance                            |
| Sept. 2007 | <b>Linda Mahi</b>         | Purchasing Services – Executive Assistant                 |
| Oct. 2007  | <b>Joni Hayes-Lamprey</b> | Budget Operations - Budget Analyst                        |
| Nov. 2007  | <b>Bret Watson</b>        | Budget Operations - Grants Monitor                        |
| Dec. 2007  | <b>Rhoda Wang</b>         | Accounting - Assistant Controller Payroll                 |
| Jan. 2008  | <b>Annette Perez</b>      | Purchasing Services - Senior Buyer                        |

The Employee of the Month Program is one way that the District recognizes the dedication, creativity, and valuable contributions of the Central Services Classified Staff. Each month, the committee selects a person who has been nominated for Employee of the Month. Secretively, a group of people including some of the committee members, administrators, fellow staff, and friends gather together and surprise the candidate with a song, instruments, and lots of cheers, laughter, and applause. A large banner is presented for display in the candidates work area for all to see. Recipients who received their banners over the past several months are presented a framed certificate and a small gift during either the Central Services summer barbeque or at our winter pot luck.

If you are a supervisor, manager, faculty, student, classified or confidential employee, please take the time to fill out a nomination form for someone who you feel deserves to be the next Central Services Employee of the Month. Nomination forms are located at URL [http://hr.fhda.edu/personnel/EOM\\_nomination](http://hr.fhda.edu/personnel/EOM_nomination), and If you don't have access to a computer, please contact Bret Watson at x6272 and he will send you a hard copy of the nomination form.

## Get on Board and Keep on Track!!!!

*Janice Lee*

This year we will be partnering with Foothill College again for our ANNUAL CLASSIFIED SENATE RETREAT !!! We are going to **Roaring Camp** in Felton.

### RISE INTO THE PAST ON 19TH CENTURY STEAM TRAINS!

In the 1880s, narrow-gauge steam locomotives were used to haul giant redwood logs out of the mountains. Roaring Camp's steam engines date from 1890 and are among the oldest and most authentically preserved narrow-gauge steam engines providing regularly scheduled passenger service in America.

The retreat committee is working hard on the arrangements this year so hold the date of May 16th. We will be sending out flyers to promote the retreat and asking for you to respond with your reservation. Please watch for the information and respond soon!!!!

We are getting organized now, setting up speakers and arranging special raffle prizes. If there is anyone that would like to join the committee or if you have any great ideas, please let us know.

Your retreat committee: *Janice Lee, Dawn Allshouse, Annette Perez, Debbie Haynes, Agnes Hamilton, Darya Gilian, and Maureen Chenoweth.*



## Editor's Note

*Gina Bailey*

It's a busy time of year for everyone. Workloads are heavy, and that can lead to increases in body tension and elevated stress levels. I encourage everyone to take the time to properly care for your body, health, and mind. Get good sleep, find ways to relax, exercise your body, and eat well.

And don't forget to visit our web site at URL:  
<http://hr.fhda.edu/personnel/classified/senate>.