

December Golden Nugget Award Recipients

1. **David Williams – Academic Affairs (Area 1)**

“David is always very polite, approachable, and extra helpful to anyone making an inquiry. He is a gentleman who opens doors and assists with heavy objects. David does his best to assist someone whether what they need is part of his duties or not and he notices when someone needs a hand without them having to ask and jumps right in to help. Once I noticed David holding the door open for a student on the first floor of the Reese building, just because he saw her coming as he was exiting. David even voluntarily carried a cart down 5 flights of stairs for me when the elevators were out of order. We love David in our office and it is a pleasure to work with and be around him.”

2. **Kathy Hunter – Academic Affairs (Area 1)**

“In addition to her current role as EA for the Senior Associate Provost, Kathy agreed to pitch in and serve as Interim Executive Assistant to the Provost until a replacement was hired. In the interim role, Kathy was a great supervisor exhibiting the following qualities: Fair, Polite, Very Supportive, Promoted Teamwork, Evenly dispersed tasks, Practiced positive reinforcement, Offered encouragement and advice, Easy to work with and approachable, Shared information with subordinates, Considerately offered constructive criticism in a positive manner, Communicated well and shared tasks which lead to learning experiences.”

3. **Jim Kay – Student Union (Area 17)**

“His leadership as Staff Council president has been great asset to my membership and learning to become a leader. I appreciate his hard work with all things guiding us in the right direction.”

4. **Matt Rubright – ITS (Area 4)**

“Matt went out of his way to add additional disk space for our Exchange Servers on a Saturday so we could make it through the weekend after our patch cycle. I really appreciated his hard work after hours to help us get a job done successfully.”

5. **Tamara Hinton – Financial Aid (Area 2)**

“Tamara is always helpful with our students as she is the front face of the office. She takes time to refer to students on a first name basis and always provides a friendly smile and accurate information.”

6. **Lora Bassett – Financial Aid (Area 2)**

“Lora is a hardworking, thorough, always there, go to attitude and get it done person. She is always willing to give to many charities and has done so in the years that I've known her. She certainly deserves the "golden nugget" award.”

7. **Michael Kerr – Student Union (Area 17)**

“Michael Kerr is the Marketing Assistant and Electronic Media person for our area. He is devoted to his work and committed to serving the many who come to him for help and assistance. He is personable, friendly, kind, and professional.”

8. **Lee Allsbrook – Housekeeping (Area 12)**

“Lee Allsbrook is such a joy to see every day! You will never find him with a frown on his face. I always look forward to greeting him on the way in. He takes pride in his work and is diligent in his assigned duties. Co-workers like Lee are hard to find.”

9. Deon Ritchie – Belk College of Business (Area 18)

Deon Ritchie is a dedicated and loyal member of the Belk College of Business team. She always goes above and beyond her duties to make sure that everyone is taken care of. She takes interest in all team members and what is going on in their lives. I cannot think of a more deserving recipient of the Gold Nugget Award.

10. Nancy Clarke-Jones – College of Computing & Informatics (Area 8)

“Nancy goes above the call of duty during events that she sets up. For our departmental holiday gathering, she brought in items to make sure that the event was wanting for nothing which included decorations from home. It was very apparent that she put a lot of time and effort into this event!”

11. Bonnie McDaniel – Student Union Student Activities (Area 17)

“I have worked with Bonnie McDaniel for over 5 years. From my first day working in the Student Union to today, she has and continues to demonstrate dependability and willingness to help. She has a positive attitude towards change and respects her fellow co-workers. Bonnie is the perfect example of a ‘49er Niner.’”