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STAFF COUNCIL

"Spirit of BG" Award Classified Staff Nomination Form



Any member of the university community (faculty, staff, or student) may nominate a permanent full-time or part-time classified employee for "The Spirit of BG" Award. Following the established guidelines, nominations must be received by the last business day of each month.

Nominations may be submitted by completing this form, then carry, mail, email or fax to:

Deborah Carden (dcarden@bgsu.edu or fax: 419-433-9696)
Chair, "Spirit of BG" Award Committee Clasen Welcome Center
102 Foundation Hall
BGSU Firelands
One University Drive
Huron, OH 44839

Nominee: Robert (Bob) Gangwer

Office: Campus Ops

Campus Address: Main Campus - Campus Ops

Phone: 419-372-2251 Email: gangrob@bgsu.edu

In 1,000 words or less, describe why this person deserves recognition for the "Spirit of BG"

Award: See attachment

Nominator: Suzi Saunders Phone Number: 419-372-2126

Email: Smsaund@bgsu.edu Date: July 2nd, 2018

Revised July 2014

There are very few people who come to work, daily, with the grit, dedication and focused attitude, Robert (Bob) Gangwer has. Bob deserves to be recognized for the Spirit of BG award due to his dedication to his staff, team and department. Bob goes above and beyond during every shift to make sure his staff are supported, feeling encouraged and have the necessary training they need to excel in their positions. Bob is a problem solver and with the continuous positive changes happening in Campus Operations, Bob often takes on roles beyond his normal scope to help with smoother transitions in the department.

Many staff look up to Bob for his supervisory capabilities and he positions himself as not only a supervisor, but a mentor for his team of staff. His staff feel respected and supported by him, as he shows just how much he does truly care about their professional and personal lives and their overall success.

Bob is the definition of someone who contributes to the Falcon Family mentality. For these reasons, and many more, I feel Bob should be presented with the Spirit of BG award.



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Nominee: Karen Heinze
Office: Campus Operations
Campus Address: Main Campus Campus Ops
Phone: 2-16807 Email: Kheinze@bgsu.edu
In 1,000 words or less, describe why this person deserves recognition for the "Spirit of BG"
Award:

Nominator: Suzi Saunders Phone Number: 2-21216
Email: Smsaunda@bgsu.edu Date: July 2nd, 2018
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Karen Heinze has been a valued, remarkable and devoted employee of BGSU for many years. Her unfailing dedication to her staff and department is extraordinary. She arrives to work with a focus on bettering the lives of the students, staff and faculty across this university campus. She devotes hours upon hours, ensuring her staff is trained, well-adjusted and has all they need to be successful in the workplace.

Karen, throughout her career here at BGSU, routinely takes on new roles outside the scope of her job, when necessary, and does so successfully. One of my absolute favorite stories about Karen is the time she was asked to switch from her normal third shift, to cover for first and second shift while additional replacements were being trained. Karen adjusted her life, routine and schedule, to make the transition from third shift to a new shift smooth and without problems. Not only did she make the transition successful, she also brought about new energy to the Campus Operations department after the interim switch and continued to check in on her third shift team, ensuring they had all they would need.

Karen goes above and beyond, always. She is the definition of a superb leader and her staff feel truly supported by her, on all levels. She makes other campus constituents comfortable and welcome in the Campus Operations department. Karen is the definition of a Falcon who promotes the Falcon Family. For these reasons and so many more, Karen should be awarded the Spirit of BG award.



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Nominee: **Cheryl Kurfess**

Office: **Registration and Records**

Campus Address: **110 Administration Building**

Phone: **2-7972** Email: ckurfes@bgsu.edu

In 1,000 words or less, describe why this person deserves recognition for the "Spirit of BG"

The Office of Registration and Records, all 24 staff members, would like to nominate Cheryl for this honor. She encompasses the true meaning of the "Spirit of BG". Cheryl is a very passionate woman, whether it is cheering on her beloved BGSU Falcon Hockey team or making sure our office is running smoothly and efficiently. Cheryl is always bringing in special birthday treats for our student workers and even on her day off she will call into the office to warn us about terrible traffic on the highway so we all can get home safely from work. Ordering materials for an office this size is a thankless job, but Cheryl epitomizes professionalism as she patiently ensures everyone has the items they need to do their job. Finally in her 'free time', she assists with room scheduling and registration processing. She has the kindest heart and is always willing to go above and beyond. We appreciate Cheryl and all the hard work she does. She is truly one in a million.