

## Faculty Service Awards—Fall Convocation—August 22, 2006

### David Braxton                      10 years

- Computer Information Systems

### Ricardo Diaz                        20 years

- Counseling
- Coordinator for Project 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance
- Coordinator, Counseling Department
- Founding member of the Latino Faculty Association
- Coordinator for the Opening Doors Program working with students who are on academic probation/dismissal
- Guidance Instructor
- Generalist Counselor
- Excellent singer and member of a singing group: *Los Consentidos*

### Cheryl Neece                        20 years

- Reading
- Served on the Basic Skills Transformation Team
- Active in faculty evaluations and has served on hiring committees
- Worked on updating COR's and coursework within the Reading department and in the creation of a new literature course

### Maura O'Neill                      20 years

- Philosophy
- 1994 Faculty Lecturer of the Year—*On Being a Person of Passion in Academia*
- Faculty Senate President 1994-1996
- Director of Honors Program 2001-2002
- Vice President of CCFA since 2003
- Faculty Advisor to the Muslim Student Association since 2004
- 1998 directed Chaffey's participation in a two-year FIPSE dissemination grant Ethics Across the Curriculum program. Twenty faculty members were instructed on how to include the teaching of ethics in their disciplines.
- Numerous publications & presentations. Works in Progress: *Soul Sister or Step Sister: Conservative and Progressive Women in Dialogue to Promote Peace* (to be published 2007 by Orbis Books) and *Celibacy* an article to be published in the *Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender* by Macmillan Library Reference in 2007.

### Susan Starr                         20 years

- Counseling
- Guidance Instructor
- Honors Counselor
- High School outreach and High School Student Orientation Presenter
- Student Ambassador Coordinator
- Classroom presenter for major specific areas

- Committee member
- Always willing to go the extra mile for her students

**Orest Stetkevich                      20 years**

- PE/Athletics
- Orest Stetkevich, or “Coach” as he is fondly referred to by his students, has been an advocate for students with disabilities since the beginning. He has served DPS students for many, many years as the Specialist, Learning Disabilities, the Together PLUS faculty advisor and also as an Adapted Physical Education (APE) instructor. He has represented DPS on the campus Curriculum Committee and has also been a member and strong supporter of the California Association for Post-Secondary Education & Disability-a state wide organization of professionals in the field of secondary education for students with disabilities.

Orest believes strongly that students with disabilities can accomplish whatever they set their mind to and he is always present to support and encourage them to aim high and go after their goals with enthusiasm and vigor. He has nurtured and assisted many students in realizing their dreams.

Orest follows his own counsel of approaching his objectives with unbridled determination, especially as it relates to the students. It is not wise or ‘healthy’ to stand in his path when he is on a mission!!!

**Sharon Algozer                      30 years**

- Interior Design
- Long-time Curriculum Committee Representative
- Spring 2004: Her work was displayed in the Wignall Museum/Gallery exhibit entitled *Contemporary Fibers*. Sharon weaves natural fibers into baskets with intertwining appendages, reaching out toward the viewer, drawing them closer.
- Fall 2003: Was selected to participate in a juried exhibition entitled *Basket as Art at the Harmony Works Gallery* in Redondo Beach..
- Fall 2002: Sculpture from her Wavelength Series was accepted in the juried show, Indoor Sculpture Exhibit in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

**Joe Hernandez                      30 years**

- Counseling
- Coordinator/Director of Student Activities
- Vocational Education Counselor
- Career Counselor
- International Counselor for the J.O.I.N. program
- Guidance 3 Instructor
- All around nice guy

**Chuck Hollenbeck                      30 years**

- Physics
- Extremely student centered; rarely takes on a task that doesn’t directly affect his students

- Writes ALL his own homework problems (doesn't use those from a book)
- No one misses his exams, he gives make-ups if necessary, but they are straight from hell, I'm told
- Speaks fluent Spanish and so can tutor/explain material to native Spanish speakers
- Learned Portuguese just for the fun of it; went to Brazil to do Habitat for Humanity type project to help out, to practice the language, and to immerse himself in the culture (last summer, I think)
- ALWAYS wears shorts; his students flocked to an awards ceremony when rumor had it he would be wearing long pants
- Makes a mean salsa

**Mary Ellen Montgomery    30 years**

- Business & Office Technology
- Long-time Curriculum Committee Representative truly an expert–goddess of curriculum–spent endless hours working with faculty.
- Outstanding instructor verified time and time again by peer evaluations, deans evaluations, & student evaluations
- Cares about her students and spends extra time and energy to help them in class and during office hours. Gives lots of individual time to her students both in and outside the classroom.
- Her teaching skills are well known on campus. She's taught several classes/workshops for PD with rave reviews.
- Served as coordinator for years.
- Active department member of BUSOT and her curriculum expertise has helped not only the faculty in BUSOT but others in BAT as well.

**Juan Rodriguez                    30 years**

- English as a Second Language
- Poet: written numerous poems that have been published in various anthologies, etc.
- Taught both ESL and Spanish each semester for many years
- Creating a new book for teaching ESL grammar that he is currently trying out on students through workshops
- Whenever Cindy Walker sees Juan, he is always friendly and cheerful

**Rachel Silliman                    30 years**

- English as a Second Language
- Served on numerous faculty evaluation committees
- Department coordinator
- Worked with Service Learning/Title V
- One of the most friendly and kind people Cindy Walker has met at Chaffey