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## Civil Service November Spotlights

The Civil Service Council will feature a civil service employee at Illinois State University each month to highlight an exceptional colleague and the outstanding work being done on campus. This month get a chance to learn about and applaud Angell Howard from the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs.



### Angell Howard

**What is your position on campus and how long have you been with the University?**

Associate Director of Professional Development and Staff Recognition for the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs. I have been at ISU for 13 years as a student and 11 years as full-time staff.

**What do you find most rewarding about your work?**

On the professional development side of my job, I would have to say that I get to create fulfilling opportunities for people to participate in that will help them grow personally and professionally. I love collaborating and asking people what they want and then making it happen. One of my favorite things is to help those who have never presented before have their moment. On the recognition side of my job, I love making

people feel special. There is nothing like being “seen” for your work and effort, so I take every award very seriously and want to make each moment memorable.

**What are your hobbies or favorite past-time?**

Until I finish this final degree, I sadly do not have any real hobbies. My favorite pastime is lying on the couch with my family watching movies or trying to catch up on the 20 shows I have recorded on the DVR. I typically fall asleep before the end of every show, but my family continues to love me anyway!

**What else would you like others to know about you or your time at ISU?**

I run a business called Necessary Change Consulting LLC. My business undergirds organizations, businesses, and leaders to create cultural and structural shifts through the critical examination of policies, practices, and procedures. I have spent the last ten years creating and facilitating diversity, equity, and inclusion trainings, challenging professionals to influence change within their organization utilizing an antiracist lens. My passion for this was birthed from my experiences as a student here at ISU.

**More about Angell from Danielle Miller-Schuster, Assistant Vice President with the Division of Student Affairs:**

The importance of professional development and staff recognition is paramount to creating a culture of continuous learning and care. Angell is a strong contributor to the division's success in providing in-person and virtual programming throughout the year. She recognizes the importance of capturing the interests and involvement of participants and is skilled at creating a sense of belonging. Angell is a connector. She connects participants to content/knowledge, individuals to resources, individuals to individuals, and individuals to inspiration.



## Toys for Tots drive runs until December 13

Toys for Tots of McLean County is happy to partner with ISU and the Civil Service Council again this year for our 2021 campaign "Nothing stops the Claus." Last year we collected and gave away 16,952 toys to 4,642 children in the community. We are asking for your help again this year to have an impact on a child's life. We are accepting new unwrapped toys for children ages 0-12, from November 1 thru December 13 at nine drop-off locations around campus. All of us here at Toys for Tots thank you for being such loyal partners.

**Drop boxes will be placed around campus in the following locations:**

- The Alumni Center on North Main Street
- DeGarmo Hall, third floor
- Facilities Management, Carter Harris Physical Plant
- Hovey Hall, first floor
- Milner Library, break room
- The Nelson Smith Building
- The Office of the Registrar, Moulton Hall
- The Office of Residential Life
- Uptown Crossing

This is the 10th year of the successful partnership which helps provide toys to over 4,000 underprivileged children in Bloomington/Normal and throughout McLean County.

For questions about the toy drive, please contact ISU/Toys for Tots Liaison Troy Zeigler at 438-5516.

The McLean County Toys for Tots was affiliated with the drive based with the "Charlie Company" Marine Reserve Unit in Peoria, Illinois. However, in McLean County the drive was run by a group of dedicated volunteers made up of local businesses and retired Marines. Prior to Christmas 2000, it was decided that the McLean County drive would apply to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation to be an independent campaign or Local Community Organization. That designation was granted, and for over 15 years McLean County Toys for Tots has worked to make sure children in need in our community would have a brighter Christmas.

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# Tip of the Hat, October 2021

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## New Employees:

**Madhura Bannore**, Business Administrative Assoc, Career Services  
**Nathan Eaton**, Business Administrative Assoc, Financial Aid Office  
**Rebecca Flores**, Admissions Records Asst, Admissions  
**Raoul Gbabu**, Food Court/Snack Bar Attendant, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality  
**Bradley Gschwendtner**, Marketing Associate, Intercollegiate Athletics  
**Marissa Held**, Office Support Specialist, Thomas Metcalf School  
**Jessi Kennel**, Office Support Specialist, University Housing Services  
**Christy Moss**, Office Support Specialist, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality  
**Jade Nell**, Building Service Worker, Janitorial  
**Jen Orton**, Office Manager, Advancement & Foundation Opers  
**Even Tawzer**, Office Support Associate, Mathematics  
**Andrew Thomas**, Parking Serv Agent I, Parking and Transportation  
**John Twork**, Editorial Writer, Univ Mktg & Communications

## Promotions/Reclassifications:

**Sam Dockery**, IT Tech Assoc, Instructional tech-Col of Ed  
**Kaleb Gentes**, Building Service Worker, Janitorial  
**Aubrey Henson**, Marketing Associate, Graduate School  
**Sarah Laning**, Medical Office Specialist, Communication Sci & Disorders  
**Lynn Litwiller**, Accountant II, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality  
**Todd Long**, Benefits Service Supervisor, Human Resources  
**Tyler Mardis**, Office Support Specialist, Special Education  
**Tyler Mortensen**, IT Tech Assoc, Superintendence  
**Theresa Mudiandambo**, Culinary Worker III, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality  
**Tommy Navickas**, Marketing Associate, Educational Admin & Foundations  
**Sarah Ryburn**, Building Service Foreman, Janitorial  
**Howard Shoultz**, Building Service Foreman, Janitorial  
**Jazmyrn Thomas**, Program Stdt Advisor, Criminal Justice Sciences  
**Sky Wallace**, IT Tech Assoc, Dean of Education  
**Charlie Wiley**, Food Service Administrator I, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality

## Resignations:

**Niki Andrews**, Office Support Specialist, University Housing Services  
**Susan Conner**, Administrative Aid, Clinical Exp in Teacher Educ

**Melanie Fata**, Human Resource Manager, Human Resources  
**Ryan Friel**, Emergency Management Cd Intern, Emergency Management  
**Jennifer Fritcher**, Administrative Aide, Mennonite College of Nursing  
**Nathan Hoelscher**, Culinary Worker II, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality  
**Tony Ludwig**, Instrument Measurement Tech I, Chemistry  
**Mason McClary**, Food Court Snack Bar Suprvsr, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality  
**Patrick Murphy**, Horticulturist, School of Biological Sciences  
**Andres Rivera-Thompson**, Police Officer, University Police Department  
**Eike Schmedt**, Business Administrative Assoc, Graduate School  
**Trisha Wulf**, Dining Room Supervisor, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality

## Retirements:

**Annie Campbell**, Administrative Aide, Intercollegiate Athletics  
**Andrew Person**, Building Service Worker, Janitorial  
**Lisa Swan**, Digital Imaging Specialist I, Registrar

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# Years of Service, October 2021

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## 20 years

**Margarita Delgado**, Janitorial, 10/14/2001

## 15 years

**Gary Alcorn**, Janitorial, 10/2/2006  
**Sandra Almanza**, Janitorial, 10/2/2006  
**Bertha Arreola**, Janitorial, 10/1/2006  
**Roger Behrens**, Janitorial, 10/2/2006  
**Jose Luis Bucio-Gonzalez**, Janitorial, 10/2/2006  
**Peggy Dehaven**, School of Music, 10/16/2006  
**Laura Frey**, Health Services, 10/23/2006  
**Elizabeth Harness**, English, 10/16/2006  
**Ripaul Kinkela**, Janitorial, 10/2/2006  
**Mario Martinez**, Janitorial, 10/1/2006  
**Stacy Schmidgall**, Janitorial, 10/2/2006  
**Mary Waller**, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality, 10/30/2006  
**Cheri Williams**, Event Mgmt Dining Hospitality, 10/23/2006

## 10 years

**Karen Dossett**, Thomas Metcalf School, 10/24/2011  
**Chris Maaks**, Building Maintenance, 10/16/2011  
**Tommy Navickas**, Educational Admin & Foundations, 10/17/2011  
**Carrie Wieburg**, Dean of Arts and Sciences, 10/10/2011

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# Civil Service 2021 Scholarship Winners Announced

## Civil Service Scholarships

This scholarship was created in 1965 with the purpose of awarding financial assistance to dependents of Illinois State University Civil Service employees. Student achievements and needs are both taken into consideration. The scholarships are made possible through funds presented by the Illinois State University Foundation and the Civil Service Council's fundraising activities.

This year's Civil Service Scholarship winners are:

### ISU Students



**Abigail Rosenberger**  
double major  
Marketing Communications/  
Advertising  
**Parent**  
Tracy Rosenberger



**Connor Boolman**  
Accounting and Finance  
**Parent**  
Jennifer Boolman



**Maxine Sexton**  
English Studies  
Program specializing  
in Publishing Studies  
**Parent**  
Laurie Sexton

### Non-ISU Students



**Averie Kiesewetter**  
Attending Columbia  
College Chicago, Art  
**Parent**  
Michelle Kiesewetter