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Faculty and staff retirees and award recipients honored at Recognition Dinner

Summary: The event provided an opportunity to congratulate award recipients and thank faculty and staff retirees for their service.

(April 29, 2011)-The annual Faculty and Staff Recognition Dinner was held on Thursday, April 28, 2011. The event provides the campus an opportunity to congratulate 2011 award recipients and thank faculty and staff retirees for their service to the Morris campus. Chancellor Jacqueline Johnson hosts the event.

Nine retirees were honored: Joyce Amborn, executive office and administrative specialist, Campus Police, Jim Anderson, operating engineer, Plant Services, Paul Keitzman, building and grounds worker, Plant Services, Ron Kubik '00, office coordinator and senior communications technician, Instructional and Media Technologies, Margaret Larson '88, special events coordinator and LaFave House manager, Conferences and Special Events, Neil Leroux, professor of communication, media, and rhetoric, Jenny Nellis, professor of studio art, Judy Van Eps, office support assistant, Division of the Humanities, and Randy Wenz, delivery service driver, Plant Services.

Faculty award recipients honored were Michelle Page, associate professor of education, all-University Horace T. Morse-University of Minnesota Alumni Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Education recipient, Neil Leroux, professor of professor of communication, media, and rhetoric, University of Minnesota, Morris Faculty Research Award recipient, and Jennifer Rothchild, associate professor of sociology, University of Minnesota, Morris Alumni Association Teaching Award recipient.

The Mary Martelle Memorial Award is given each year to a staff member and a student who exemplify the late Office of Student Activities senior secretary's outstanding commitment and contribution to the campus. This year's recipients are Jane Harstad, senior building and grounds worker, Plant Services, and Remy Huerta '11, Aspen, Colorado.

Three members of the campus community received Outstanding Staff Awards: Pat Nelson, executive office and administrative specialist, Division of Education, AFSCME, Lou Logan, principal student personnel worker, Financial Aid, Civil Service, and Marge Kleinhans, food services worker, Dining Services, Teamsters.

From left:

retiree Ron Kubik '00, office coordinator and senior communications technician, Instructional and Media Technologies

retiree Randy Wenz, delivery service driver, Plant Services Lou Logan, principal student personnel worker, Financial Aid, Civil Service, Outstanding Staff Award

Peter Bremer, assistant librarian, Rodney A. Briggs Library, Morris Academic Staff Award

Jennifer Rothchild, associate professor of sociology, Division of the Social Sciences, UMM Alumni Association Teaching Award

Pat Nelson, executive office and administrative specialist, Division of Education, Outstanding Staff Award, AFSCME

retiree Judy Van Eps, office support assistant, Division of Humanities

Michelle Page, associate professor of education, Division of Education, Horace T. Morse-University of Minnesota Alumni Association Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Education

retiree Jenny Nellis, professor of studio art Jane Harstad, senior building and grounds worker, Plant Services, Mary Martelle Memorial Award

retiree Margaret Larson '88, special events coordinator and LaFave House manager, Conferences and Special Events and Special Events

Marge Kleinhans, food services worker, Dining Services, Outstanding Staff Award, Teamsters

retiree Joyce Amborn, executive office and administrative specialist, Campus Police Plant Services

retiree Neil Leroux, professor of communication, media, and rhetoric, and University of Minnesota, Morris Faculty Distinguished Research Award.

Not pictured: retirees Jim Anderson, operating engineer, Plant Services Paul Keitzman, building and grounds worker

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