

Happy October, MSU Staff. Hail State!

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

1. Homecoming sale

Staff Council will be hosting its annual Homecoming sale on Thursday, Oct. 18 and Thursday, Nov. 1. Pre-orders will be accepted until October 17. The sale will be at the Mize Pavilion/Humphrey Coliseum atrium from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. each day.

This year we are offering three new items. These include a fleece blanket for \$30, a tumbler mug with “MSU Staff” on it for \$10, and a clear tote bag for \$10. You can also get these three items together as a bundle for only \$45.

In addition, we are also selling items from previous sales on a first-come, first-served basis. These include the gray MSU Staff jackets from last year for \$15, T-shirts from 2018 Staff Appreciation Day for \$5 and other shirts from previous Staff Council events for just \$1.

See pre-order form for ordering details at or contact Kelly LaSalle (kelly.lasalle@msstate.edu) for questions. Get more information about the sale, access the pre-order form, and view the items at <http://staffcouncil.msstate.edu/events/>.

2. PCSW seeks name ideas for new TV program

The President’s Commission on the Status of Women is producing a new TV show and is accepting names for the program. Email your name ideas to pscw@pres.msstate.edu. The winner will receive two tickets to see Patti Labelle at Lee Hall Nov. 15.

3. Employee Assistance Programs

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) provides a way for MSU staff to get a wide variety of information and short-term counseling for issues including emotional and relationship issues, coping with illness and loss, weight control, sleeping difficulties, workplace concerns and quitting smoking. Counselors can assist with each of these issues three times per year.

For free and confidential assistance, call 1-866-219-1232 or visit Humana.com/eap. Both the user name and password are msu.

4. Dawgs Making Strides Walking Group

Join us to walk during your lunch break on Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. and Fridays before work. No sign-up necessary, just meet at the flagpole in the center of the Drill Field.

5. BullyWatch 2018: Looking for a quick and easy way to recognize a fellow staff member? Be on the lookout.

Thank you to those who have nominated a fellow colleague for BullyWatch. It's encouraging to hear how our staff is going above and beyond for each other. Keep those nominations coming!

We'd like to recognize **Joy McMinn** from Facilities Management, who is our BullyWatch winner for the month of September. Special thanks to Stephanie Childress for taking the time to nominate Joy for this recognition. Here's what she wrote:

"Ms. Joy is the Service Coordinator in Facilities Management. Ms. Joy is always willing to help and is quick to respond when issues arise. She always helps with a willing attitude. If there is an issue that she is not able to help with she always gets me to the right person before she lets me off of the phone. She is such a 'Joy' to work with!"— Stephanie Childress, Office of the Dean of Engineering

Thanks for all your hard work, Joy!

***Congratulations to ALL of the following staff members who were nominated during the month of August 2018!**

- Misty Goering, ITS (nominated by Cheryl Bowen, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs)
- Beyonka Hester, Human Sciences (nominated by Kelli Russell, Department of Sociology)

Want to nominate a fellow Bulldog staff member? It's easy and here's how:

- Visit <http://staffcouncil.msstate.edu>
- Click on the BullyWatch logo at the top of the page
- Complete the short form and be specific about the "Act of Awesomeness"

*All recognized staff members will be listed on the Staff Council Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/MSUStaffCouncil

6. Do you know your Staff Council representative?

If not, we would like to help you get to know them by doing a "Staff Council Spotlight" each month.

Staff Council Spotlight: Mrs. Yvett Roby, MSU Student Counseling Services



Yvett is a native of Brooksville. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi and her Master of Science degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of West Alabama. Yvett is currently pursuing her Ph.D. in Instructional Systems & Workforce Development at MSU. She has been with MSU for 5 years and currently serves as the Assistant Director/Victim Advocate Coordinator at MSU Student Counseling Services.

MEETINGS

Staff Council's next general meeting will be held on **Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.** in the **Sanderson Center Conference Room**. Staff Council meetings are open to all staff members. Each month the Staff Council meeting minutes are posted to the website at <http://staffcouncil.msstate.edu/meetingminutes/>

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council provides information about university news, staff events, staff issues, etc. that are important to MSU staff at the following sites:

<http://staffcouncil.msstate.edu/events/> <https://www.facebook.com/MSUStaffCouncil>

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS?

For answers to common questions about Staff Council, visit the Frequently Asked Questions page (<http://www.staffcouncil.msstate.edu/faq>). If you have any ideas, suggestions, issues or concerns, please feel free to contact your division Staff Council representative (listed below) or email Staff Council directly at staffcouncil@msstate.edu

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