A culture of meaningful recognition

by Dean Fernando R. Miralles-Wilhelm

A culture of meaningful recognition is one of the core characteristics of our successful team. A culture of meaningful recognition is a culture of care; it is a culture of positive recognition so critical to our organization during this time of tremendous and unprecedented change.

I've significantly expanded the awards this year, not just because this was an unusual year, but also because I believe meaningful employee recognition is a cornerstone of a healthy, growing culture. We've had an especially hard year because we've been working together remotely, and it's even more important that we have ways to recognize and appreciate one another. (Thank you to the Award Nominating Committee for sorting through the submissions as all efforts are worthy. Thank you also to the people who took time to nominate their peers for you are driving the culture of positive recognition so critical to our organization during this time of tremendous and unprecedented change.)

Tuesday's Celebration of Success, I feel I've gotten to know a good bit more about the excellent work being done by many across the college.

It's been almost 6 months since I've joined Mason's College of Science and it seems crazy to me that I

I'll note here that many members of the #MasonScience community have received recognition for their contributions

#FacultyFriday recognizes the hard work of the College of Science faculty. This week's #FacultyFriday recognizes the hard work and dedication to Mason and its students' safety and health of the College of Science.

Chase Bledsoe is one of the many Mason scientists who have received recognition this year for his contributions to the Mason Science community. Here's a little more about Chase.

Chase Bledsoe received a Provost's Early Career Development Award for his contributions to the Mason Science community. He is currently an Assistant Professor of Mathematics and a member of the College of Science. His research focuses on the development of mathematical models for the study of infectious diseases, with a particular emphasis on understanding the dynamics of viral infections. Chase is passionate about teaching and mentoring students, and he is committed to promoting diversity and inclusion in STEM fields.

Chase Bledsoe has received several awards for his research, including the National Science Foundation CAREER Award, the National Institute of Health Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award, and the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers. He is an active member of the Society for Mathematical Biology and the American Mathematical Society.

Chase Bledsoe's work has been featured in several scientific journals, including the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences and the Journal of Theoretical Biology. He is also an active participant in the scientific community, presenting his research at conferences and workshops across the United States and around the world.

The last issue of the 2020 College of Science newsletter will be published Thursday, December 3, 2020. In this issue, you will find updates on the latest research and discoveries being made by Mason scientists, highlights of recent awards and recognition, and information about upcoming events.

Message from the Dean

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IN THE NEWS

Inside NOVA features Mason's School of Systems Biology

A popular science television series is featuring a Mason professor and a student in its latest episode. The show, "Inside NOVA," recently featured Mason professor Jennifer St. Laurent and student Samantha Jones in an episode that explores the science behind COVID-19 testing.

Mason is scaling up its COVID-19 testing initiative through the fall semester, with the goal of offering 12,000 tests per week. The university has also implemented new safety measures, including face masks and social distancing, to ensure a safe and healthy campus environment.

More than 1,200 students and employees have been tested for COVID-19 in the first week of the semester, and more than 99% of the tests were negative. Mason Talent Match, the university's career placement service, is working with employers to identify students who are interested in pursuing careers in health care.

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Overcoming outdoor education challenges

Mason's innovative approach to outdoor education has been featured in the latest issue of the George Mason University magazine. The magazine highlights the challenges that outdoor education programs have faced during the pandemic and how Mason has adapted to continue providing educational opportunities.

Mason has developed a safety plan to ensure that students and faculty can participate in outdoor education activities while maintaining social distancing and other safety measures.

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