

## Classified Employees Association Election Ballot

The CEA Executive Board will elect three new positions for two consecutive years beginning July 1, 2009. The positions open for election are: Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

**Please mark the ballots and return them to Enid Kelley (UMC 5210) before May 28. Employees who have signed up for email contact will also be sent an electronic pdf file which they can fill in and send back by email instead of mailing the ballot. The pdf ballot will also be placed online at [www.usu.edu/cea](http://www.usu.edu/cea). Please follow the instructions on the electronic ballot when returning the ballot by email.**

The duties for each position and the nominees are listed below:

### Vice President

*The Vice President coordinates CEA Week. In the absence of the President all powers and prerogatives of the President shall be assumed by the Vice President who shall succeed to the President at the end of the President's term or if it becomes vacant. Serves as a representative of CEA to various University committees as appointed.*

### Nominees for Vice-President



**Niki Godfrey**

I have been employed by Utah State University for a total of 6 years. I worked with families that had children with disabilities, which helped me grow as a person to understand that you never know what someone else is going through until you actually start caring about other people, not just yourself. I am currently a Staff Assistant II for the Women's Resource Center and attend all the Advisory Board meetings. I see myself as a very motivated and passionate person in all that I do. I am also very organized and timely when it comes to coordinating activities. I have an appreciation for everyone that I meet. I try to present myself in a way that people know that they can come to me with problems that they may be having and know that I have a listening ear.

Now, I know that I may not have as much experience as someone else running who has been an active member of CEA (I sadly admit I have been to only 1 brown bag), but I know that whatever is put in front of me, will get done.



**Debra Megill**

Hi my name is Debra Megill and I have been nominated to run for the office of Vice-President for the Classified Employees Association.

I have worked for the University for 10 years, in the position of Equipment Management Specialist. Most people know me as the "Tag Lady". I am the one who tags, tracks and data bases all the equipment for the University that has a value of \$1000 or more, or is a computer.

Because of my special position within the University I have had the opportunity to talk and interact with many of the employees all across campus and across employee positions. I feel that this has given me a unique perspective for what employees are concerned about.

I have participated in the Classified Employees Association for the last 5 years by chairing the CEA Salary and Benefits Committee as part of the executive committee, and am currently serving on the Employee Relations committee.

If elected to serve I would do my best to represent the Classified Employees to the best of my ability.

## Secretary

*The Secretary shall prepare Board meeting agendas and record all resolutions and proceedings of the Board. Perform other secretarial duties on behalf of the Board and the Association; assist the President in conducting all correspondence relating to the Association. The Secretary is responsible for all CEA books, papers, records and historical documents.*



### Tracy Jones

I would greatly enjoy the opportunity to serve as secretary for the Classified Employees Association, and I believe I am perfectly suited for this position. I have been employed with Utah State University for 9+ years, and I am currently a Sr. Staff Assistant in the Department of Environment & Society in the College of Natural Resources. I have worked consistently in an office environment since 1989, gaining many useful and unique skills along the way. Prior to coming to USU, I worked for many years at Weber Human Services, a position that taught me to deal with a varied clientele in a tactful and discreet manner and one which also taught me to think outside the box. I believe these skills, both clerical and people, would be a great asset to this position. I am a very dedicated person who always gives 100-percent to everything I do, and I enjoy new challenges. I appreciate the role that the CEA serves here at USU, and I would love to be able to assist by being a voice for the University's wonderful classified employees.



### Brian Joy

I have been a staff assistant in the Biology Department's main office since July 2007. I graduated from USU in 1999 with a B.S. in English and a B.M. in Music. I enjoy the stimulating atmosphere of the university. I was in The Towne Singers, a local choral group, for four years (2004 – 2008), and served as the ensemble's president for the 2007/2008 concert season. Currently, I'm participating in the American Festival Chorus. I appreciate the opportunity to take part in the CEA.

## Treasurer

*The Treasurer manages all funds pertaining to CEA, and keeps detailed financial records of adopted budgets, annual budget proposals and year-end financial reports, which shall be submitted and reviewed by the Executive Board. Monies for travel and large purchases (over \$250.00) must first be approved by majority of the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall sign all disbursement of monies. In the absence of the Treasurer, the President or Vice President may make necessary disbursements of monies.*



### Jen Hoppie

I have been employed with Utah State University for 3 years, and currently work in the Center for Space Engineering as a Staff Assistant II. I have also had the pleasure of working as a staff assistant in Conference Services and Student Support Services. I enjoy working on campus and seeing all the wonderful things that the faculty, staff, and students are capable of achieving. I have lived in Logan for 5 years and my husband and I have made it our home. I like spending time with my dachshund Rally, going to car shows with my husband and our '67 and '82 Camaro's, as well as spending time outdoors jeeping around the mountains of Cache Valley. I also like to oil paint and shoot landscape photography in my spare time.

I have served as a Classified Employee Association board member on the Employee Enhancement Committee and the Media and Public Relations Committee. I loved the opportunity to plan coffee breaks, forums, ski night, and creating the quarterly newsletter. I would be excited to serve again on CEA's executive board as the treasurer.



### Maren Seamons

I have been employed at the USU Counseling Center since December of 1996 (12+ years). I have served on the CEA Employee Recognition Committee from 2002 – 2004 and served as co chair of that committee from 2005 -2008. I then moved to the Employee Enhancement Committee chair where I currently serve.

I have balanced the budget sheets for the USU Counseling Center since I began my position there. I have also served on auditing committees for the Idaho State United States Bowling Congress Youth for 10 years. I enjoy working with the youth bowlers in my spare time.