

Entrepreneurship and Dedication



Brad Nordone replenishing his stock of m&m's at the OESCO East Office.

The next time you're visiting OESCO's East Office, you'll be greeted by a gumball machine full of peanut m&m's at the sign-in desk. This venture is the brainchild of Brad Nordone, who started using his entrepreneurial spirit to start a business selling drinks and snacks on the Max platform at the Hillsboro Transit Center last Fall. When at the station, Nordone attaches a cooler to the back of his chair and places a sign on his arm rest, letting people know that he's open for business. He sells bottled water, soda, and various vending snacks. "Some days are really good and other days are slow, but I really enjoy meeting people," says Nordone. His new job allowed him to move in to his own apartment last year

and "Overall," he adds, "it has been a really positive experience. I love my job." When not pursuing his business ventures, Brad does office work at the Enclave on Mondays. He is also a

courier for OESCO, transporting documents and packages between the various OESCO offices. He has put his initial venture on hold for the Winter months, but come this Spring, you'll once again be able to find him on the Hillsboro Max platform.

Another OESCO client who you might run into in the community is Martine Allaert, who works inside the Lloyd Center Mall and is employed by Regal Cinemas. Starting in May 1998, Martine has been with the Lloyd Center Regal Theater for almost 12 years, usually working 8-10 hours per week. Her main responsibilities include maintaining the cleanliness of the theater's lobby and bathrooms, taking tickets from customers, directing customers to the correct theater, and assisting co-workers with other duties. "It's really hard work," explains Allaert, "but I love my job." Before working for Regal Cinemas, Martine worked as a housekeeper for Red Lion Inns, a job she feels helped her get her current placement, exclaiming, "Cleaning is okay. Taking tickets is my favorite job." When not working for Regal Cinemas, Martine enjoys an active life. She is a member of her church choir, and when possible, she states, "I like to spend time with my family and go on vacations like Disney and Hawaii."

EMPLOYMENT UPDATES Malcolm Wagner has been part of the team at the Kaiser Enclave since early December. Great work!

Closures 2010

Please be aware all OESCO offices will be closed on these dates:

Staff In-Service

April 9th

Memorial Day

May 31st

Independence Day

Mon. July 5th

Staff In-Service

August 13th

Labor Day

September 6th

Veterans Day

November 11th

Thanksgiving

November 25th

November 26th

Christmas

December 24th

December 25th

New Year's Day

December 31st



Martine Allaert takes tickets from a customer at the Regal Cinemas at the Lloyd Center Mall.



Keeping In Touch

To keep our community informed about current events and activities, the OESCo newsletter will now be published bi-monthly. Electronic versions can always be found on the OESCo website, as well as important dates and current news and information. Also, be sure to check out OESCo on

Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter, for up-to-date community information and interesting 'tweets'. **April 3rd – DJ Lamar's Dance Party – See us online for more information.**



A Bright Light Remembered

By Enola Smith

The world changed Friday Feb. 19th, when Sandra Williams passed away. The world was a brighter place while she was here. Her beautiful smile was great to see. We were privileged here at OESCo to work with Sandra, even if it was only for a short period of time. Sandra loved anything purple, diet root beer, shopping on the Internet, making friends and sending emails. Her sister Janice said that she enjoyed coming to OESCo and loved all the friends she made here. We are all better for having known Sandra. We will truly miss Sandra each and every day.



Sandra Williams wears her Special Olympics medal while working at the West Wing in Hillsboro.

NEW ADDITIONS TO OESCO'S TEAM Welcome to our new staff member, Jordan Anderson, who joined our team in February. A few staff also recently celebrated anniversaries with OESCo, including David Mattingly (1 year), Meagan Kennedy (3 years), and Gerald Pearce (20 years). Thank you for all of your hard work!

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