Homes that survived the Marshall Fire harbored another disaster inside[1]

Dressler honored as President's Employee of the Year[2]
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Tara Dressler, director for trademarks in the Office of University Counsel, recently was honored as the 2022 President's Employee of the Year.

Dressler and four other nominees for the award, which is presented by System Staff Council, were recognized during a Dec. 15 ceremony at 1800 Grant St. The event also celebrated system administration employees who reached milestone years of service during the 2022 fiscal year.

Dressler joined CU in 2007, serving as patent administrator and later as IP manager for the Technology Transfer Office. Before coming to the university, she worked as a paralegal in Washington, D.C. Her legal experience has been focused on Intellectual Property. She earned bachelor's degrees from Penn State University and the University of Maryland.

In comments from the nomination and letters of support for the award, Dressler's nominators said:
"Tara has built our trademark operation from the ground up. Handling close to 300 trademark matters across the system, Tara saves the university from engaging outside law firms to provide these services."
"In all my time working with Tara, I have found her to be a positive, proactive team player. She is always quick to respond to requests, has great insight to situations, open to listening to others and finding a middle ground when things are challenging. She represents CU well both internally and externally."
"Tara exemplifies the best of what CU employees have to offer. She is a tireless advocate, a trusted adviser and a genuinely warm and caring person. She is a pleasure to work with and is someone who always can be relied upon to get things done."
Last month's event also recognized other nominees for the President's Employee of the Year Award for going above and beyond in their dedication and service to CU:

Rusty Brunner, Employee Services. "Rusty is an extremely high performer. His expertise, tireless work and customer-focus have significantly elevated the compensation function for system."

Lindsay Cameron, CU System Gift Planning. "Her customer service for both our frontline fundraisers, and the donors we all support, is second-to-none as she carefully and methodically provides best-in-class technical expertise."

Ashley Eschler, Employee Services. "Ashley cares deeply about employees' well-being. She is supportive, understanding, positive, and makes everyone feel welcome and comfortable."

Mayank Mittal, University Information Systems (UIS). "Through this incredibly stressful time, he can still be heard laughing often. He always tries to stay upbeat, look for positive outcomes or compromises in difficult circumstances, and focus on the good."

System administration employees who reached milestone years of service in FY22 also were recognized. They are:

30 years

Linda Money

Carolyn Peet

Alan Vidmar

25 years

Jon Arnold

Jeff Gloyd

Rob Lucas

20 years

Jeremy Hueth

Jonathan Levenstein

Jennifer Mortensen

Mai Ngo

Patricia Paige

Wynn Pericak

Annalissa Philbin

Kirk Walker

15 years

Tiara Dookie

Scott Frey

Karen Ichiba

Angela Sanchez

Kimberly Sethre

Kathleen Sutherland

Jordan Wight

10 years

Natalie Barry

Paul Brodnik

Jose Celis

Karthik Chigururu

Marina Durbin

Patty Durbin

Kevin Emslie Sarsen

Joshua Hernandez

Siva Jaligama

Melanie Jones

Craig Leedholm

Lonnie Maynard

Teresa Meier

Cynthia Pasquale

Kathryn Princo

Paula Ramirez

Kaylee Rowe

Stephanie Sheldon

Laura Siedzick

Yuko Stossel

Sasi Sunkari

Soumya Suresh

Lili Xu

5 Years

Lara Ackerman

Adwoa Adu-Tutu

Siegfried Appelt

Jana Banchetti

Talisha Bell

Sharon Bishop

Allen Buchanan

James Carrington

Rian Cheley

Charles Cook

Matt Devlin

Crystal Dicino

Anne Duquennois

Erika Durbin

Stacy Eatinger

Richard Escamilla

Joyce Gamboa

Danielle Gauna

Jackie Hess

Laura Isacco

Rachel Kammen

Krystal Knutson

Juan Loa

Aaron Phillips

Anthony Salazar

Rita Samaddar

Kimberly Spiering

Bob Sudo

Jeff Tandberg

Miranda Wall

Diane Wiederspahn

Al Wirtes

Angela Young

Four newly elected members of Board of Regents to be sworn in today[4]

The four newly elected members of the University of Colorado Board of Regents will take their oaths of office today, Jan. 5, 2023.

The ceremony is set for 4 p.m. at CU Denver in the atrium of the Student Commons Building, 1201 Larimer St.

The board members who will be sworn in by Colorado Supreme Court Chief Justice Brian D. Boatright are:
Wanda L. James, 1st Congressional District **Frank McNulty,** 4th Congressional District **Kenneth Michael Montera,** 5th Congressional District **Mark VanDriel,** 8th Congressional District
All four were elected to the board for the first time during the November 2022 general election. Montera, vice chair, was appointed by Gov. Jared Polis to fill a vacancy in late 2021 and has served on the board since then.

Thursday's event also includes scheduled appearances by Regents Lesley Smith (chair), Callie Rennison, Ilana Spiegel, Sue Sharkey, Nolbert Chavez and Glen Gallegos, as well as CU President Todd Saliman.

The CU Board of Regents[5] consists of nine members serving staggered six-year terms, one elected from each of Colorado's eight congressional districts and one from the state at large. The board is charged constitutionally with the general supervision of the university and the exclusive control and direction of all funds of and appropriations to the university, unless otherwise provided by law.

Boettcher Early Career Investigator application deadline nears[6]
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Applications for the 2023 Boettcher Webb-Waring Biomedical Research Awards[8] program will be due to the campus grants offices in February, according to the following campus-specific instructions (dates vary by campus):
University of Colorado Boulder[9]University of Colorado Colorado Springs[10]University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus[11]
The Boettcher Foundation established the Webb-Waring Biomedical Research Awards program, which will provide up to six grants of $235,000 each covering up to three years of research activity, to provide independent research opportunities to promising and talented early career investigators. Awardees will carry the title of Boettcher Investigator in acknowledgement of the prestigious award.

Boettcher Webb-Waring Biomedical Research Awards[12] from Boettcher Foundation[13].

Since the first awards granted in July 2010, the Boettcher Foundation has awarded CU's 59 current Boettcher Investigators[14] more than $13.7 million.

Eligible faculty researchers from all four CU campuses are encouraged to apply. For purposes of this program, an eligible early career investigator (ECI):
Is within four years of appointment to their career-track academic position (i.e., whose career-track appointments began no earlier than Jan. 1, 2019); Has not previously received a major independent research award; Has received a terminal degree or completed their medical residency within the 10 years preceding the application (i.e., on or after Jan. 1, 2013); and Is either a U.S. citizen or permanent resident (at the time of application).
For more details, go to: http://www.cu.edu/bfww/eligibility[15]

Do not contact the Boettcher Foundation directly.

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