

Utah County Employee of the Month – May 2016

Judy Hamaker-Mann, Personnel Analyst III

Personnel Department

We would like to nominate Judy Hamaker-Mann as Employee of the Month for May, 2016. Judy began working for us on 12/9/2013. She was assigned to recruit for several different departments, and processing FMLA paperwork for the Sheriff's Office, which entails following Federal Guidelines. Because of certain needs in our office, she was recently given the task of processing and monitoring FMLA for all Departments, and making sure time sheets for FMLA are entered correctly. She has also stepped in to help as the Career Service Secretary. She has been given numerous special projects, assigned by the Personnel Director.

Judy's prior experience as a Utah State trooper, made her the ideal recruiter for the Sheriff's Office- it's a great fit! Her background with the Highway Patrol and Law Enforcement gives her the ability to effectively recruit for Public Safety positions as well as communicate in "Law Enforcement" language with our Sheriff Department Administration. Judy works diligently to meet the recruitment needs of all her departments. She had retired from the Utah Department of Public Safety, and was the Division Director at the Driver's License Division, at the time of her retirement. She started with Utah State as a Highway Patrol trooper, and has interesting stories from her experiences there. She was promoted to Sergeant while she was there, and was assigned to create job announcements, and recruiting for that department. She was also heavily involved in employee training, and excelled at her work.

Judy was recently promoted to a Personnel Analyst III, due to her excellent work ethic, professionalism, and knowledge of Personnel Department procedures. She has taken on many additional duties, and did so without complaint.

Here are some comments from her co-workers:

"We can always count on Judy to help; she is usually one of the first ones to offer to pitch in, wherever she is needed. She is always willing to listen, has great feedback, and great ideas."

"Judy is a remarkable addition to the Personnel Office. It's hard to imagine our office without her! She is always helping and offering her services. She enjoys getting to know County Employees better, and always has an open door policy. She rises to any task given her and has a wealth of varied experience with her previous work experience with over 20 years with the Highway Patrol and her time with the State Driver's License Division just to name a few. She received her BA and Masters as a single Mom working full time, and is a power-keg of energy!

When she is not handling a full load at work she enjoys adventures with her husband and family, and has been voted "The Best Grandma Ever!" She also does beautiful woodworking, in her spare time. We are so grateful to have Judy as part of the Personnel team; she is a joy to work with!"

"Judy is by far one of the best co-worker I have ever had. She is a true leader and is always willing to help out and take on additional tasks or responsibilities. I am impressed by the way Judy is able to interact with County employees. She has the ability to be extremely professional and at the same time, show true compassion and empathy for employees who are in difficult situations. I wish our office had 10 Judy's!"

"Judy has an excellent work ethic. Even though she is busy with her own work load and assigned duties, she is first to volunteer to help another. There is no duty that is beneath her. She isn't afraid of hard work!"

"I just wanted to say, that Judy is so good to always offer a helping hand in any project that is going on in the office. She is so willing to learn new tasks, and really helps our office to be successful. She always makes herself available when people drop in, and she is so good to find answers and help everyone she comes in contact with. She also takes a rubber band in the head like a champ!"

We are fortunate to have Judy as part of our Team. Because of her knowledge, abilities, work ethic, diligence and positive attitude, we nominate Judy for Employee of the Month.

From Her Personnel Fans!