

February, 2012

**Congratulations to B.E.S.T. for the Month of February**

**FACILITIES OPERATIONS CONNECTIONS**



**Sandy Ingram**  
**First shift**



**Linda Gant**  
**Second Shift**

**Happy Anniversary**

<b>Jerome Hayes</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Peter Ashe</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Michael Davis</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Teddy Hyatt</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Tom White</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>James Sutton</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Dereck Beasley</b>	<b>09</b>
<b>Lee Martin</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>Lloyd Norman</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>Elias Segoviano</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>LilWanda James</b>	<b>04</b>
<b>Charles Tatum</b>	<b>04</b>
<b>Mark Wilson</b>	<b>04</b>

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Mr. and Mrs. Koami Amaglo are proud parents of their baby girl Grace M. Amaglo. She weighed 7 pounds and 10 Oz. Grace was born on January 24th, 2012. This was their fifth child. Koami is employed in Facility Services on second shift. **Mary Carter-Facilities Operations**



**Baby Grace**

**Greg Poteat:**

Over the past four or five months I have noticed a distinct difference in how clean and shiny the first floor floors are in the McIver Building. Kimberly Mitchell has done a nice job maintaining our floors and restrooms. All of us located on the first floor appreciate Kim's efforts in maintaining a clean environment for the various staff and our students.

**John E. Foreman, Director-Student Success Center**

**Paul Dow:**

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you and your crew for the work they did renovating room 17 McIver. Room 17 has been transfigured into a working video production studio thanks to Alfred Hanes, Mark (Curly) Lasley, Randy Cappel, David Mains and David Alcon. Their work is absolutely flawless and displays pride in doing a job right. Please extend my gratitude to your crew.

**Dan Smith-University Teaching and Learning**

**Paul Dow:**

Michael Moser did a great job making a monitor support for me. It matches perfectly to the one he made. He was pleasant and friendly both times he came to my office. I truly enjoyed working with Mike when I need carpentry work done.

**Maryann Burditt-Facilities Design and Construction**

**"Time is too slow for those who Wait, too swift for those who Fear, too long for those who Grieve, too short for those who Rejoice, but for those who Love , time is not."**

**Henry Vandyke (1852-1933)**

**SAFETY UPDATE**

<u><b>JANUARY SAFETY STATISTICS</b></u>	
January Accidents/Injuries	2
Days Since Last Accident	19
Safe Days Record (since 1/1/10)	34
<b>Safe Days Goal</b>	60
For Year Ending 1/31/2012:	
Number of Accidents/Injuries	36
Accident/Injury Rate (#of Accident/# of Positions)	15.2%
Restricted Work Days	76
Lost Work Days	737
Lost Work Days – Equivalent # of Positions	2.83
Accident/Injury Rate by Sections	
OWRR	20%
Grounds	17%
Facility Services	18%
Utilities	15%
Administration	8%
Building & Trades	6%
Most Common Type of Injury	
Strains and Sprains (47% of all Injuries)	

**Safety Tips: MINOR CUTS AND SCRAPES**

Minor cuts and scrapes usually stop bleeding on their own. If not apply gentle pressure with a clean cloth or bandage. Hold the pressure continuously for 20 to 30 minutes and if possible elevate the wound. Rinse out the wound with clear water. Soap can irritate the wound, so try to keep it out of the actual wound. If dirt or debris remains in the wound after washing, use tweezers cleaned with alcohol to remove the particles. If debris still remains, see your doctor. After you clean the wound, apply a thin layer of an antibiotic cream or ointment to help keep the surface moist. The products don't make the wound heal faster, but they can discourage infection and help your body's natural healing process. Bandages can help keep the wound clean and keep harmful bacteria out. Change the dressing a least daily or whenever it becomes wet or dirty. If you're allergic to the adhesive used in most bandages, switch to adhesive-free dressings or sterile gauze held in place with paper tape. A wound that is more than 1/4- inch (6 millimeters) deep or is gaping or jagged edged and has fat or muscle protruding usually requires stitches. Adhesive strips or butterfly tape may hold a minor cut together, but if you can't easily close the wound, see your doctor as soon as possible. Proper closure within a few hours reduces the risk of infection. See your doctor if the wound isn't healing or you notice any redness, increasing pain, drainage, warmth or swelling. Doctors recommend you get a tetanus shot every 10 years. If your wound is deep or dirty and your shot was more than five years ago, your doctor may recommend a tetanus shot booster. Get the booster as soon as possible after the injury.



Flag of Togo



Togo paper Money



Spotlight Employee—Josee Messan



Map of Togo

### Sweet Surprises As Life Unfolds

Life always brings pleasant surprises! Growing up in Togo as a young girl attending Saint Joseph College, I never knew that I would one day become a proud American citizen. I completed high school in Lome. Afterward, I was very interested in Women 'Entrepreneurship so I enrolled in Sewing School in 1972. Upon graduation, I started a sewing business which graduated over a hundred women. I had always dreamed of providing economic opportunities for women in my community and I clearly remember how happy I was the day opened the door to Josee's Sewing Company. I owned for twenty years.

Throughout my career, I was a leader in an organization called "Conference Management". I also served in a leadership capacity in the Sewing Syndicated Association as well as in the community hospital for more than two decades. These experiences taught me about discipline, hard work, patience, and humility. These are characteristics I still carry with me today in my everyday endeavor. In 1990, Togo was ushered into a multiparty/democratic phase. I was excited about the changes that were going on in Togo and joined the "Togolese Union for Democracy". Soon after that, I was elected as one of the women leaders of the party. We worked on instituting democracy in Togo. At a point, it became impossible to pursue our mission given the government in place was opposed to the Multiparty. For fear of my life and my family's safety, we left the country and came to the United States in 2002.

Retrospectively, if not for my husband, Adika Messan, I don't know what may have become of us. He provided an enormous support for our family through the hard times that was simply amazing. My husband and I have been married since 1975. I couldn't have fallen in love with a better man. He is currently working at Proctor and Gamble. We have five children. Koffi works in Hartford, Ct with Cigna, as an informatics manager. Afi is still in Togo, working at the National Electric Company as an assistant director. Sena will soon complete his master of Public Administration from Appalachian State University, Nono and Yoyo are both in the Mathematics Graduate Program at NC A & T.

My family and I celebrate in Assembly of God, every Sunday at Praise Chapel International. We enjoy singing and glorify God each Sunday. We are located .at 3601 Canaan Forest Drive, Greensboro, NC 27405

As for me, I granted a political asylum in February 2003. In August 2003, I took a job at UNCG as a s a house-keeper. I was hired by John Pearce, second shift Supervisor. John is definitely a good manager. He pays attention to his employees and values them on a personal level. I can honestly say that he is like a brother to me. I became a permanent resident of the U.S. in February 2006. Five years later, I applied for US Citizenship and successfully passed the Naturalization exam on the 18th of January 2012. I was granted United States citizenship at the Naturalization Ceremony in Charlotte NC. In the meantime, I officially requested a name change from Josee M. Koughblenou to Josee Messan.

I'll like to thank the United States for giving opportunities of a new beginning to several people like myself from across the world. May God bless the United States of America.

[Josee Messan-Facility Services Department](#)

## RecycleMania Reports For North Carolina Competition Division Results

RecycleMania is a friendly competition and benchmarking tool for college and university recycling programs to promote waste reduction activities to their campus communities. Over an 8-week period each spring, colleges across the United States and Canada report the amount of recycling and trash collected each week. With each week's updated ranking, participating schools follow their performance against other colleges and use the results to rally their campus to reduce and recycle more.

National recognition is provided to the winning university in each category on the RecycleMania website and in a nation press release. Winning universities receive an award made out of recycle material and win the right to host that category's special traveling trophy for the coming year.

### Overall Goals for RecycleMania

Motivate students and staff to increase recycling efforts and reduce waste generation.

Generate attention and support for campus recycling programs.

Encourage colleges to measure and benchmark recycling activity in their effort to improve their programs over time.



Waste Minimization  
Trophy

### CUMULATIVE GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTIONS

#### Metric Tons of CO2 Equivalent, or cars off the road, or the energy consumption of households

<u>Barton College (C)</u>	26 metric tons, 14 cars, energy consumption of 07 households
<u>Catawba College (C)</u>	02 metric tons, 01 cars, energy consumption of 01 households
<u>Duke University (C)</u>	180 metric tons, 96 cars, energy consumption of 48 households
<u>East Carolina University (C)</u>	52 metric tons, 27 cars, energy consumption of 14 households
<u>Elon University (B)</u>	09 metric tons, 05 cars, energy consumption of 02 households
<u>Guilford College (C)</u>	29 metric tons, 15 cars, energy consumption of 08 households
<u>Haywood Community College (C)</u>	02 metric tons, 01 cars, energy consumption of 01 households
<u>High Point University (B)</u>	41 metric tons, 22 cars, energy consumption of 11 households
<u>North Carolina State University at Raleigh (C)</u>	88 metric tons, 47 cars, energy consumption of 23 households
<u>University of North Carolina at Asheville (C)</u>	08 metric tons, 04 cars, energy consumption of 02 households
<u>University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (C)</u>	175 metric tons, 93 cars, energy consumption of 46 households
<u>University of North Carolina at Greensboro (C)</u>	33 metric tons, 18 cars, energy consumption of 09 households
<u>Wake Forest University (C)</u>	12 metric tons, 06 cars, energy consumption of 03 households
<u>Wilson Community College (C)</u>	02 metric tons, 01 cars, energy consumption of 00 households