



KUDOS and Congratulations go to August's Classified Employee of the Month – **Claire Matese** in Adult Basic and Secondary Education.

Representatives of the Classified Professional Development Team joined staff of the ABSE to present Claire with the Employee of the Month award for August.

Left to right: Scott Bell, Claire Matese, Cathy Lindsley

Claire has been with LCC since June 2005 as an Instructional Coordinating Specialist in ABSE. Her colleagues gave

numerous examples to justify her receiving this award. To name just a few, Claire thinks ahead and is able to anticipate many questions that the department chair has regarding department performance data. She is then able to provide charts/graphs and information even before it is asked for. In her three years here she has created quarterly reports and year-end reports that assist ABSE faculty to ensure data accuracy and timely reporting for Federal grant reports. Claire exhibits outstanding customer service for internal and external partners of ABSE. In addition, she has developed phenomenal working relationships with staff in other departments, such as IRAP, IT, and ESL. Claire completes site visits to all locations that ABSE provides classes and uses her problem solving skills to ensure that department policies are followed. Claire is a person that devotes a lot of her time to volunteering and giving back to the community. Two of her most recent endeavors include forming her own team for the "Relay for Life" event raising money for the American Cancer Society. In addition, Claire has served as the department coordinator of the annual United Way campaign. Claire also volunteers as the treasurer for the Eugene-Springfield chapter of the North American Butterfly Association.

Outside of work Claire enjoys many hobbies such as running, soccer, yogilates, and taking care of her child. Claire's intelligence, humor, and enthusiasm are what all employees should strive for, and she's a great representative for Lane. When you see Claire, congratulate her for doing a terrific job and celebrate her nomination as August's Classified Employee of the Month.

And remember that, you too, can help us to recognize exemplary classified employees by nominating them for this award by the 15th of each month. Nomination forms are available: 1) on the CPDT website: <http://www.lanecc.edu/cpdt/eom.html> ; or 2) from Elaine Marsh, IRAP: marshel@lanecc.edu .