

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY™

Professional and Scientific Council

February Council Meeting

Thursday, February 7

2:10 - 4 p.m.

Pioneer Room, Memorial Union

All Professional and Scientific employees are welcome to attend council meetings.

Time is running out! Registration for Cultivate Your Adventure: Planting the Seeds of Success closes February 12!

Registration for the 2019 Professional and Scientific Council Professional Development Conference is available now through Tuesday, February 12!

This year's conference, Cultivate Your Adventure: Planting the Seeds of Success, will feature TWO keynote speakers and will be held February 26, 2019, at the Scheman Building from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. We hope that through this conference, you will experience growth, encouragement, and positive social interactions with your colleagues, as well as gaining skills and knowledge you can use as you continue your adventure at Iowa State University.

This conference aims to provide participants with a day focused on learning new skills and strengthening existing ones, discovering useful information that can be immediately applied in the workplace, and sharing techniques that may be utilized for increasing morale and motivation within our workplaces.

You do not want to miss this conference! The deadline to register is quickly approaching. [Register TODAY!](#)

Visit the conference website: <http://www.pscouncil.iastate.edu/activities/conference> for additional information on the conference agenda, speakers, and sessions. Make sure you have February 26 marked on your calendar as a day you intend to devote to your personal and professional development!

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FEBRUARY 26, 2019

Highlighting ISU Staff: Ranae Roberts, Thielen Student Health Services



This month we recognize **Ranae Roberts** for her outstanding work as a Mental Health Nurse Practitioner in the Thielen Student Health Center.

Sara Parris, associate director of the Thielen Health Center, nominated Roberts, and said: "Ranae is a dedicated mental health provider that consistently goes above and beyond for her patients. Her personality puts her patients at ease, instantly building trust. Every week we receive positive feedback from her patients and how she has helped them through a delicate situation or impacted their time here at Iowa State. Ranae has been instrumental in the growth and success of the mental health program at TSHC, which is an important service for our students and the health of the university."

Congratulations, Ranae, and thank you for all you do!

You can nominate a fellow Professional and Scientific employee (or team of employees) for Highlighting ISU Staff! Submit your nominations using this [link](#) to tell us about a P&S employee or team doing great work in your area. The form will ask you to tell us about who you are highlighting and why in 100 words or less, and to include a picture of the person, team, or output for which they are being highlighted. One submission will be regularly included in the newsletter as determined by the P&S Council Awards Committee. Other submissions will be featured on social media with the tag #highlightingISUstaff on the P&S Council web page Highlighting ISU Staff and/or included in future newsletters.

Affinity Groups: Be Active, Be Involved



The Professional and Scientific Council Peer Advocacy Committee is exploring the interest in rejuvenating affinity groups for employees at Iowa State University.

The goal of an affinity group is to provide employees with the opportunity to build relationships/connections/network with their peers at ISU.

An affinity group is a group of people formed around a shared interest such as a hobby or lifestyle. These groups would be informal and employee-run which includes volunteer leadership.

Examples of affinity groups are: running clubs, book clubs, parent support groups, and volunteerism.

Creating/joining an affinity group would be a great way to meet new people around the ISU campus and get more involved in the things you enjoy.

We invite you to take the survey through [Adventure2](#) or through [this link](#) so that we may gauge staff interest in the topic, and to help determine how we can move forward.

Stacy Renfro is the 2018-19 Professional and Scientific Council President.

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