



Retirement News



Procurement Director **Andrea Roitman** is retiring January 25, and the celebration is scheduled for January 23.

Details will be posted soon on EmployeeNet.

Employee Profile: Jon Clark

Title: Senior Manager, Airport Services Programs.

Residence: Manhattan and the Poconos.



Alan Hicks

Joined the Port Authority: "June 1968 or April 1979, depending on your perspective. I was a management trainee and management intern in '68, '70, '71, and '72. I joined full-time as a Personnel Representative in 1979. In between, I was a teacher at the Hackley School in Tarrytown, NY."

Duties: Overseeing the airport parking, ground transportation, forecasting, statistics, and industry analysis units in Aviation Customer, Cargo, Concessions & Airport Services.

Most challenging aspects: "Keeping various aspects of the airport access program consistent among the airports while also responding to the relevant differences between them."

Personal interests: "Theater – attending and directing; travel, especially cruises; cooking; gardening; and golf. I am on the Board of Trustees of the Mint Theater Company in Manhattan. Next month we will present the world premiere of 'The

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PA Cited for 'Excellence In Financial Reporting'

For the 23rd consecutive year, the Port Authority has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006.

"The certificate is presented by the Government Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada to government units and public employee retirement systems whose comprehensive annual financial reports achieve the highest standards in government accounting and financial reporting," said Deputy Chief Financial Officer/Comptroller **Michael Fabiano**, who accepted on behalf of the Port Authority.



Angie Serio

From left, Payroll Manager John Sebastiano, Financial Accounting & Reporting Manager Daniel McCarron, Revenue Manager Philip Caffrey, Assistant Comptroller Debbie Vrecenak, Lease Manager Thomas D'Alessio, Fixed Assets Manager William Pecherski, Michael Fabiano, and Assistant Comptroller Robert Sudman.

"To be recognized like this year in and year out for more than two decades is an exceptional honor, and I'm very proud of the Comptroller's Department."

Food Drive Runs Through January 18

Deputy Chief of Staff **Arthur Cifelli** helps remind fellow employees that food for the needy is being collected through January 18 as part of New York State's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Food Drive.

"Dr. King often said, 'Life's most urgent question is what are you doing for others?' I can't think of a more worthwhile cause, and it demonstrates once again how our PA family is coming together to help those less fortunate," Mr. Cifelli said.

Most needed are canned goods, pasta, rice, whole-grain cereals, and



Mike Dornbowski

long-shelf-life milk. The donations will be distributed by the Food Bank Association of New York State, which represents the eight regional food banks statewide.

Drop-off locations are the lobby of 225 Park Avenue South; the 7th floor security desk at One Madison Avenue; the Manager's Office at the PA Bus Terminal; the 2nd floor hallway at the Staten Island Bridges administration building; the lobby of JFK Building 14; LGA Hangar 7, 3rd floor, near the receptionist; and the PA offices in LGA's Central Terminal Building.

Santa Claus Arrives at LGA

Santa visited LaGuardia Airport last month, greeting passengers and flight crews, and dropping by the Police Command's holiday party, where he played host to 40 children of Public Safety staff members.



John Benedetto

From left, Melba Davis, Carol Downing, Judi House, and Frank Mirovsky.



Susan Devlin

With Santa in the back row are Inspector Kenn Honig and Police Officer Chris Devlin, who organized the party with Officer John Morrison.

Jon Clark

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Fifth Column,' the only play written by Ernest Hemingway."

Thoughts about the job: "I enjoy the ongoing opportunity as a long-term employee to make connections between people and activities of decades past and those who are new to the agency. As is the case with any flourishing organization, the PA has changed with the times. The difficult part is to retain the best of what made this agency great while developing new, creative responses to challenges. I'm optimistic that the agency's ability to plan far into the future and wait for returns on its investments beyond the next election – combined with its significant human and financial resources and exceptional new leadership – will ensure that these challenges are successfully met."

Achievements

PA Wins 'Golden Shovel'

The Port Authority received the Alliance for Balanced Growth Golden Shovel Award for its efforts to improve Stewart International Airport at the Orange County Partnership's annual event on November 27.

Aviation Director **Bill DeCota** and SWF General Manager **Diannae Ehler** accepted it on behalf of the agency.

The award recognizes "a company or individual that has developed a responsible growth vision to further a strong and diverse economy in Orange County."



From left, State Senator Bill Larkin, Bill DeCota, Diannae Ehler, and County Executive Edward Diana.

Partnership Award

LGA Central Terminal Building Manager **Chris Rhoads** received a Partnership Award from the U.S. Transportation Security Administration for his efforts in implementing passenger screening area improvements, and resolving passenger- and baggage-screening challenges.



Calendar

Bachelor's Degree Program

Classes begin January 7 in Fairleigh Dickinson University's bachelor of arts degree program in individualized studies. Port Authority employees receive a 50 percent discount off the standard tuition rate. For more information, contact Roger Kane at 201 692-2027 or rwkane@fdu.edu.

MPA Orientation

Fairleigh Dickinson University will hold an orientation session for PA employees interested in signing up for its spring master's degree program in public administration.

It will take place at Two Gateway Center, 14th floor, on Wednesday, January 16, at 5 p.m. Classes begin February 7.

For more information, contact Professor William Roberts at 201 692-7176 or roberts@fdu.edu.

Special Recognition

Robert Foreman, Principal Business Development Representative, Office of Business & Job Opportunity, received a Special Recognition Award from Professional Women in Construction for his outstanding service, ongoing support, and commitment to the mission and goals of the organization.



Mark Blackshear

At the Professional Women in Construction annual awards dinner December 7 are (from right) Robert Foreman, PWC President Lenore Janis, William Quinn of Phoenix Constructors, and OBJO Director Lash Green.

'Star Performers' Honored

Aviation's Customer, Cargo, Concessions, and Airport Services Division recognized nine staff members as 2007 Star Performers at a ceremony December 18 in Manhattan.

Aviation Assistant Director **Lysa Scully** said, "These employees demonstrated exceptional achievement in 2007 in advancing the agency's mission of caring for airport customers."



Stewart Cutler

Lysa Scully (back, center) honors star performers (from left) Robert Flannery, Charlene Whitney, Jerome Roberson, Tina Hansen, Jojo Quayson, Myrna Rivera, Waguih Ouess, and Earlyne Johnson. Not pictured: Alice Bola.

Trading Post

Want tickets for the January 20 Devils game? Visit Trading Post on EmployeeNet.