Staff Employee of the Week

Claudia Brodkin

JOB TITLE: Undergraduate Lab Supervisor

HOME DEPARTMENT: Chemistry

COLLEGE OR VP AREA: College of Science

NOMINATED FOR: Staff Leadership Award

NOMINATED BY: Thomas Wertalik

VIRGINIA TECH HIRE DATE: February 25, 2001

SUMMARY

As a long time advisor to the Chemistry Club, Claudia has built the Virginia Tech chapter into a vibrant and award winning group. Since the fall of 2003, she has served on the Hispanic Caucus Steering Committee and currently serves as treasurer. She is a Ease Central District Counselor of the Alpha Chi Sigma Professional Chemistry Fraternity. In this position, she oversees chapters throughout the Mid Atlantic region. Claudia is also a founding member of the Association for Women in Science at Virginia Tech.

In her position as undergraduate lab manager, she oversees many work study and graduate teaching assistants. They are responsible for preparing experiments and maintaining teaching labs for hundreds of undergraduate students. Claudia displays the leadership abilities to manage a diverse group of people and personalities under stressful conditions. In conclusion, the level of involvement and dedication which Claudia displays is extraordinary. She is a true leader.