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Crescent Cleaning Wins Major Award!

By Mike Navin



Picture: From Left to Right - Vice President Robert Collins, Operations Support Manager Teresa Peña, President Mike Navin and Director of Support Services Gordana Mihajilica



We won! Crescent Cleaning was proud to be recognized as Professional Service Company of the Year by the Illinois Real Estate Journal on June 1, 2023. We were nominated by several clients of our Company, which speaks to the partnership with our clients and service that we provide our customers with every day. This is a testament to the quality cleaning that our team members provide to all our properties and management's rapid response and customer service. This is a great team win, and every employee of Crescent should be very proud of this amazing accomplishment!



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Riverway is Crescent Cleaning's newest client partner!

By: Nyltza Morales

Crescent Cleaning Company is expanding and growing strong. We have a new member to the Crescent Cleaning Team, "Riverway." Riverway is a location in Rosemont, IL. This commercial building houses, a gym, restaurants, convenience store, etc. also neighbors a famous Italian Restaurant "Lucci's Italian Restaurant." Let's give the additional team a great welcome:

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Crescent Cleaning does Pride

By: Max Andrews

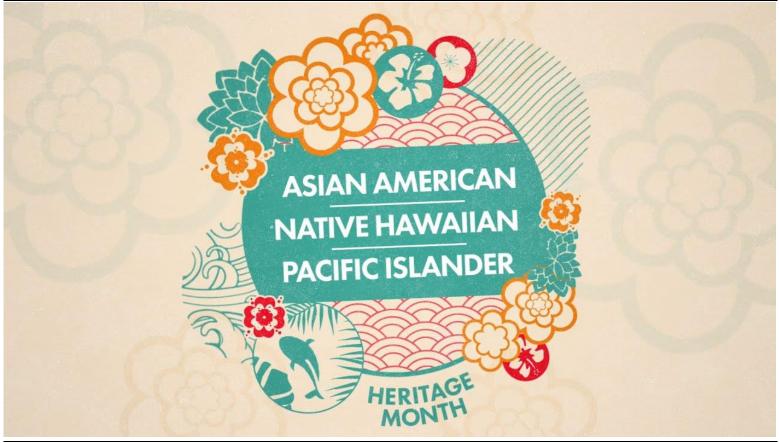


Center: Gisel Delgado on all smiles and showing her support to the LGBTQ+ community!



Center: Max Andrews who fronted Crescent Cleaning Participation is showing his support to the GBTQ+ community!

Crescent Cleaning Company this June once again participated in Pride Week as a major sponsor of the BOMA/Chicago Diversity's Chicago Pride Parade Float. The parade has increasingly become a family affair full of festive floats and tens of thousand spectators reflecting Chicago's rich diverse population along the route. It was a glorious summer day in Chicago. Even the rain deluge that started the day was a pleasant respite from the early morning sun and heat and prelude to the perfect day of celebration. Parade route walkers included Crescent's Max Andrews, and Gisel Delgato as well as Gisel's daughter Amanda. On the float to represent Crescent was Max's wife and daughter Nobuko and Mayuko Andrews. (Additional Pictures Page 6)



Celebrating AAPI Heritage History Month

By Vanesha McGee, M.Ed.

Every year in May, AAPI Heritage History Month is celebrated across the United States. The Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community joins together with allies and supporters to honor AAPI cultures and contributions to American history. About 1.1 million college students identify as AAPI. Celebrating AAPI Heritage History Month on college campuses uplifts the diverse cultures of the AAPI community.

In 1978, the U.S. Congress officially began to recognize the AAPI community with Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week. This week-long observance was celebrated for 12 years before becoming AAPI Heritage Month

The first Japanese person to immigrate to the United States arrived on May 7, 1843. The completion of the transcontinental railroad, worked on primarily by Chinese immigrants, occurred on May 10, 1869.

These two major events in Asian American history led to the selection of May as AAPI Heritage Month.

AAPI communities, allies, and supporters now celebrate AAPI Heritage Month every May. Honoring AAPI contributions to American society, celebrating cultural diversity, and teaching the histories of AAPI communities are integral components of the holiday.

Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders are descendants of people from over 50 countries. Asian Americans descend from the continent of Asia, comprising 48 countries and three territories. Pacific Islanders descend from 15 nations and thousands of islands. Some of the most common countries that Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders come from include China, India, the Philippines, Japan, Korea, Native Hawaii, and Vietnam.



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Saturday, August 5th, 2023 Crescent Cleaning Annual Family Picnic

A DAY TO ENJOY WITH COWORKERS AND FAMILY ALIKE

Come join us for our annual company picnic. We will be providing food, games, and crafts to bring the teams from all our locations together. Volleyball, Cornhole, Hillbilly Golf, Photo booth, Bouncy house, Piñatas, and a raffle starting at 2:00PM.

WE WILL START GRILLING AT NOON.

CRESCENT CLEANING COMPANY ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC FRIENDS AND FAMILY WELCOME SATURDAY AUGUST 5TH 2023 12PM – 4PM

SCHILLER WOODS WEST ENTRANCE GROVE #12 - THE ENTRANCE IS LOCATED ON IRVING PARK RD. EAST OF RIVER RD. AND WEST OF CUMBERLAND RD.R WOODS

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Wilfredo De Gracia, Lorenzo Trejo, Silvia Juarez, Marcela Simkova, Carlos Avila, Veronica Vazquez, Artemisa M. Angulo-Arce, Shalma N. Marin, Alma Gonzalez,

Elitania Cervantes, Safety Champion *** ***

By Jorge Rodriguez



As the employee arrived at her job site, she noticed that water was flowing from under the bathroom door. She went inside the restroom to check and saw that water was gushing heavily / nonstop from one of the urinals. She called me immediately to let me know about the emergency. At that moment, I was in downtown Chicago and drove towards the building as fast as I could.

On my way to the job site, I gave her instructions on what she could do in the meantime, to try to minimize the water that had already reached the hallway outside the bathroom. I was able to make a quick stop at the local hardware store to buy a tool to fix the problem. I arrived at the building, and we were able to close the valve and stop the water from flowing out. The problem was not finished. We had to get a hold of Jesus (project crew) to come to the building and help us extract all of the water from the carpet.

If it wasn't for Elitania Cervantes, that arrived at that precise moment and her quick thinking, the damage to the property would've been worse and because of Elitania Cervantes, we were able to keep that from happening.

ESL Classes - Free!!

By Chicago.Gov

Do you or someone you know wish to expand their English skills? What if it was free? We got'Choo!

City Colleges of Chicago offers free English classes to Illinois residents who are non-native English speakers. English as a Second Language (ESL) courses range from providing basic language and life skills for complete beginners to helping advanced students refine their English in preparation for higher education, vocational training, or a career. Reading, writing, listening, speaking, and grammar are included at all levels of instruction.

English as a Second Language (ESL) placement testing, and registration is done by appointment. The placement test for morning, afternoon, evening and Saturday classes are given on several dates during each sixteen-week semester (fourteen weeks in the summer semester). In addition to completing the college placement testing, appointments are made on a first-come, first-served basis.

To learn more about this program and other programs visit the CCC's website, (<u>Click Here</u>) or call your nearest campus or to apply for ESL Classes (<u>Click Here</u>).

- Richard J. Daley College, 7500 South Pulaski Rd., 773.838.7803
- Harry S. Truman College, 1145 West Wilson Ave., 773.907.4350
- Kennedy-King College, 6301 S. Halsted St., 773.602.5340
- Malcolm X College, 1900 West Van Buren St., 312.850.7300
- Olive-Harvey College, 10001 South Woodlawn Ave., 773.291.6690
- Wilbur Wright College, 4300 North Narragansett Ave., 773.481.8821/8823

For online English-learning opportunities, see:

The National Literacy Directory, <u>https://www.nld.org/</u> Illinois Adult Learning Hotline, <u>https://alrc.thecenterweb.org/other/illinois-adult-education-hotline/</u>

Activities for ESL Students - Quizzes, exercises, and puzzles for English language learners. <u>Click Here</u> Cambridge Learner's Dictionary - Find meanings of words and hear how to pronounce them. <u>Click Here</u> The classroom - Activities, quizzes and lessons. From Voice of America. <u>Click Here</u> U.S.A. Learns - Online English classes. <u>Click Here</u>

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Our CREW continues to shine!



Picture: From Left to Right - Aline Villegas, Martha A Villegas and Estela Villegas NeoCon Girls' Conquered

By Jorge Rodriguez

NeoCon 2023 is finally here, where 100s+ companies introduce innovative new products for the workplace, healthcare, education, retail, residential, government, etc. There's no one better to take care of this event than the Villegas sisters, who have been doing it for the past 5 years or so. They have shown up year after year with dedication, discipline, teamwork, flexibility, hard work, and attention to detail that no job is big enough for them to handle. Several of our clients have thanked us enough and congratulated our team on their performance. Thank you Aline, Martha and Estela!



Picture: From Left to Right - Gustavo Reyes, Margaret Gutierrez, Luis Gallegos Peggy Team Soars to the occasion

By Teresa Peña

Our team is the best! Crescent Cleaning has the best crew when the need is calling! Check out our team at Peggy Notebaert Museum covering the Butterfly ball event.

Since this Butterfly event is a great event for the family we needed to bring our crew to cover the event. They answered and they worked together to cover this event to make sure this was spotless and looking great! Thank you Gustavo Reyes, Margaret Gutierrez and Luis Gallegos!



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Picture: Max Andrews waving Pride Flag and firing up the crowds



Picture: Gisel Delgado staying out of the sun rays and showing love



Picture: From Left to Right - Max's wife and daughter Nobuko and Mayuko Andrews waving the flag

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Employees of the Month



Picture: From Left to Right – Carlos Avila & Teresa Peña

Edith Garcia

May 2023 Employee of the Month

By Marbella Hernandez

Edith Garcia was chosen for employee of the month because she is a great employee. She always covers other accounts. The supervisors and managers that know her, love her. Edith Garcia is a very outgoing person. She is always willing to learn anything new. Edith is always at work and reports every issue, never calls off work and maintains her building very clean. Edith Garcia cleans one of our buildings in Northbrook, Il. Her building manager is very happy to have her working in their building. She likes working with Crescent and likes our training because of the safety materials that they cover. The training helps her with her well-being.

Edith likes to spend time with her family in her free time. Edith is very grateful to have the opportunity to work with Crescent.

Carlos Avila

April 2023 Employee of the Month

By Teresa Peña

Congratulations to Carlos Avila for winning the nomination for Employee of the Month! We interviewed Carlos Avila and these are his responses. My job is to keep the building in good shape by maintaining the equipment and its systems to function properly, in order to make the building a better/comfortable place to work for all tenants.

On a day-to-day basis, I communicate with tenants, contractors, and vendors in a friendly conversational manner. I listen closely to understand their needs to communicate these to my immediate manager. What do you like about working with Crescent Cleaning? I like the friendly environment, the communication that now you have with the employees and the opportunities of success that the company offers to us. What does he do on his free time? I exercise 2-3 days a week after work. During the summer I like to spend my weekends doing in-line skating at the lake shore trail in the mornings and watch movies in the afternoon.





Alfredo Hernandez

June 2023 Employee of the Month

By: Marbella Hernandez

Alfredo Hernandez works at a school in Evanston, IL. Alfredo is very responsible and works hard every day to keep the school clean. Teachers are very pleased to have Alfredo working in their school because he is very polite and gladly assists the teachers when asked. He helps his coworkers get the job done on time. Alfredo Hernandez is always at work. He hasn't been late and has never called off. Alfredo reports to his manager any issues he has encountered. Alfredo Hernandez was chosen employee of the month because he goes beyond, then just cleaning. Alfredo likes to ride his bike and spend time with his family on his free time. Alfredo likes to work with Crescent because he likes the way management handles things and they're always there for them, if they need

management handles things and they're always there for them, if they need anything. He likes to see how Crescent cares about his employees and is always thankful to them. He likes that Crescent sends safety messages to the employees. Overall, he is happy with Crescent.

