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## Employee Excellence

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A company's success or failure can hinge on many factors, but what makes FBMC excel is the dedication of its employees. On February 9, 2007, FBMC once again took time to recognize the employees who went that extra mile and celebrate the accomplishments of those who strive to make FBMC the premier benefits company in the country.

Continuing the new tradition of a daytime ceremony, employees crowded into the downstairs conference area in a spirit of good humor and laughter. This time, however, it wasn't just FBMC home office employees who attended. The technical wizardry of the Systems Administration Team allowed for both the Ormond Beach and Cherry Hill offices, as well as remote employees, to watch and listen in to the proceedings via a live Web feed. With FBMC's continued growth, this is expected to become an important part of future company events.

As with the previous awards ceremonies, winners were selected by company management from a pool of names submitted by employees. Award winners hailed from across

the company, including several winners from Ormond Beach. In fact, several awards had multiple winners, a testament to the hard work put in by so many individuals.

The big winner of the afternoon was Kim Christie, who walked away with the FBMC Spirit, Management Employee of the Year and Employee of the Year awards. Her surprise was evident, but it didn't stifle her humor. Upon receiving the Spirit Award, Christie summarized her philosophy, saying, "A positive attitude makes for a positive day...but you should see me when I get home!"

However, the afternoon was summed up by FBMC president Lorraine Strickland who, when introducing the Employee of the Year award, stated that, "being a part of this company is very fulfilling, and there is a lot of pride in this room."

This sentiment was supported by Christie when she accepted the award. "You people are what makes this company worth working for."

FBMC congratulates the winners, the nominees and all the employees who give their best to help the company succeed. *(see more photos on page 6)*

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**Above:** Kim Christie laughs during her acceptance speech for the Management Employee of the Year award.



**Above Left:** Erin Fields, Customer Service Team Leader, accepts the Customer Care Award. **Above Right:** Jeremiah Sulewski, Application Development Remote Programmer, proudly displays his Systems Operations Employee of the Year Award.



**Above:** Glenda Atkinson and the Systems Administration Team enthusiastically accept the FBMC Team Award.