Welcome to the dog days of summer. Although campus activity slows down significantly during this time of year, there has been much on-going progress made on several division-wide projects and initiatives over the past several months. Construction for the new office space has begun at 30 N. Mills St. The office of the AVC, Campus Planning & Landscape Architecture, Capital Planning & Development, Space Management, as well as Human Resources, Payroll, and Budget staff have been purging and packing. The teams will be moving to their new location in Fall 2015.

We have re-opened our search for the FP&M HR Director position. The first round of screening has been very successful.

We look forward to having this position filled within the next several weeks.

Most recently, the FP&M FY15 Annual Report and 2015-2016 Annual Plan have been completed. Copies can be found on the FP&M Website. Both reports outline the many accomplishments and on-going and future programs, projects and initiatives within the FP&M division.

Lastly, I look forward to seeing many of the 2nd and 3rd shift staff at the Second Annual Night-time UW-Madison Employee Appreciation Ice Cream social Wednesday August 19th 11 PM at Varsity Hall.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

“Providing excellence in facilities and services for our university community” is FP&M’s mission statement. How can the organization support employees in achieving “excellence” daily and throughout the year?

The key is continuous learning and improvement. Employees who want to acquire knowledge and skills can request training and professional development to be paid by the employer. By the same token, employees who attend learning events that require travel must request travel approval. In 2014, we combined two forms into one. We redesigned the FP&M Request Form to include Travel Approval Request. Course information and forms are available through the FP&M Training website (www.training.fpm.wisc.edu).

There are three steps to follow:

1. Identify training/travel needs through course information via websites, email, brochures, or bulletin board postings.
2. Choose and complete FP&M Request Form.
3. Submit the form to your supervisor for approval.

If approved, the employee’s supervisor will send the signed FP&M Request Form to the FP&M Training Office. FP&M Training staff will register on employee’s behalf and pay any necessary registration fees. Employee will receive a registration confirmation via email or through his/her supervisor.

Please welcome the following New Employees to FP&M

John Anderson    Office Associate
Jason Behlke     Custodian
Kelly Benz       Custodian
Kyle Boldon     Health Tec Environ
Dechen Dolma     Custodian
Mama Fatty      Custodian
Stephen Gerber  Custodian Lead
Charles Hotchkiss  IS Bus Auto Sr.
Guillermo Nava Jimenez  Custodian
Fidel Miranda    Custodian
Rick Miyagawa    Life save Sta Oper.
Craig Misna     Fac Repair Worker
Michelle Shamsee  Custodian
Dennis Starrett  Architect/Engineer
Chee Yang        Custodian
Vitaly Vasylyuk  IS Bus Auto Analyst
David Watts      Custodian
Andy Winden     Groundskeeper

Please join us in wishing the following FP&M employees the best in their Retirements

David Anton    Custodian
Linda Bladl    Admin Policy Advisor
Mary Bradley    Custodian
Mike Dauck     Crafts Worker Sup
Randy Dryer    Eng Specialist
Eugene Grzekowiak  Auto/Equip Tech
John Herman    Carpenter
Gerald Welsh   Motor Veh Oper-Light
Mang Yang      Custodian
Retirement—Mike Dauck
By Nancy Helgesen Lyons, CARS. Photo: Karen Hauri, CARS

Mike Dauck began his career as an electrician in 1990 prior to working with the Electric Shop’s elevator crew in 1991.

He became a Craftworker Supervisor in 2008, supervising in-house staff and managing the University’s elevator and generator maintenance programs. He also worked with University Purchasing on the development of elevator and generator maintenance contracts, testing, operational permitting, and performance oversight of Physical Plant’s contractors.

Kurt Johnson, Electric Shop supervisor said “We will miss the institutional knowledge Mike acquired over his 24 years of service and his dedication to quality facility stewardship”

Additional FP&M Policies Approved

The Policy Advisory review group (PARG) continues to make progress on developing new policies.

Recent policies completed since the last newsletter include:

- Committee Participation
- Parking Assignment

FP&M policies and procedures are located online at http://facilities.fpm.wisc.edu/Policies.htm

Paint Shop Recognition

Aphra Mednick, Program Director Continuing Studies sent an email: “I’m writing to express my thanks to your staff, specifically Aaron I. Williams, who was at our department last week doing some paint repair work. Aaron did a wonderful job - not only do the walls look terrific with an attention to detail but he moved all the furniture back in the right place, vacuumed and cleaned up. It was a pleasure working with him!”

Daniel Einstein - Historic and Cultural Resources Manager had positive comments for FP&M Paint Shop Staff after a recent request to paint a cannon carriage at Camp Randall Memorial Park. A dedication ceremony was held in July as part of the Civil War Sesquicentennial.

“Mike Sailing and Clay Eckstein did an incredible job prepping and detailing the carriage! Although this is a replica carriage, they have really made it look authentic. We can all be proud of how the public will continue to enjoy this historic part of campus.— Well done and thanks!”

The FP&M Locksmith Shop received a note from Mike Gallardo from the School of Medicine and Public Health. “I just want to take a time-out from our busy schedules to say “Thank You” for the service you and your staff (Tim Croy and Artie Malm) provides to LAR-SMPH to keep all the animal research facilities secured 24/7. All your dedication and commitment is appreciated.”

Lynn Hummel—Walnut St. Greenhouse Manager, sent a letter of appreciation recognizing James Gibson from the UW-Madison Steamfitters for his work on renovating the steam heat system in the older section of the Walnut Street Greenhouse. “James is a highly skilled craftsman who did an utterly outstanding job in changing the steam system from troublesome relic into a modern, unified, and reliable system that no longer requires constant attention, James was very accommodating and easy to work with. We greatly appreciate his efforts.”

SAVE THE DATE!

2nd & 3rd Shift Employee Appreciation Ice Cream Social

In an effort to show our appreciation for all the hard work our 2nd and 3rd shift employees do for us, please join us,

**Wednesday, August 19, 2015**
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 am
Varsity Hall (Second Floor), Union South.

Members of the VCFA Leadership Team and other campus leaders will be scooping the ice cream as a gesture of thanks for all your hard work and dedication.

Employees are required to check with their supervisors before attending. Work units are encouraged to be flexible in allowing employees to attend.

We hope you will be able to join us for this summer celebration!

We look forward to seeing you there.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTORS WANTED

Help share news and events from around the division of FP&M.

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Thank you notes added to the newsletter, email them to fpmcomments@fpm.wisc.edu