# F. M. News

K. S. U., Division of Facilities



Unleashing your potential



Food for thought.....

When I was a kid, my mom liked to make breakfast food for dinner every now and then. And I remember one night in particular when she had made breakfast after a long, hard day at work. On that evening so long ago, my mom placed a plate of eggs, sausage, and extremely burned biscuits in front of my dad. I remember waiting to see if anyone noticed! Yet all my dad did was reach for his biscuit, smile at my mom and ask me how my day was at school.

I don't remember what I told him that night, but I do remember hearing my mom apologize to my dad for burning the biscuits. And I'll never forget what he said: "Honey, I love burned biscuits."

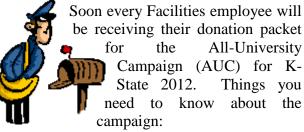
Later that night, I went to kiss Daddy good night and I asked him if he really liked his biscuits burned. He wrapped me in his arms and said, "Your momma put in a long hard day at work today and she's real tired. And besides...a burnt biscuit never hurt anyone!" You know, life is full of imperfect things... and imperfect people. I'm not the best at hardly anything, and I forget birthdays and anniversaries just like everyone else. What I've learned over the years is that learning to accept each others faults and choosing to

celebrate each others differences, is one of the most important keys to creating a healthy, growing, and lasting relationship."

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So...please pass me a biscuit. And yes, the burned one will do just fine!

Life is too short to wake up with regrets... Love the people who treat you right and forget about the ones who don't.



- Your gift to the AUC may be directed to the area of K-State that you care the most about
- Participation allows you to be eligible for weekly prize drawings
- Any contribution to the AUC will qualify for gift level societies and will be recognized by all established recognition programs relative to the gift
- Numerous ways to participate, i.e. outright cash gift, payroll deduction, multi-payment pledge, gift of personal expense

Remember that it is NOT the size of your gift that is important; it is YOUR participation. Of the 311 employees in the Division of Facilities, 45 participated in the 2011 campaign. Let's make 2012 a record-breaking year for the Division by doubling our number of participants!

Contact any of the Division's campaign volunteers if you have questions or need guidance in making your donation.

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### Who is New ...

September 4, 2012



Younwong Kwon was rehired as a temporary Custodial Specialist. He is still working for Steve Greinke on the Custodial night crew.

September 10, 2012

William Hirsch was promoted to a Program Consultant I. He is working for Casey Lauer in the Energy & Environmental Program.



September 17, 2012



Bill Stout was hired as a GMRT SR. He is working for Bill Bochte on the Salina campus.

September 21, 2012



Shuang Hao was hired as a Landscape Designer. She is working for Mark Taussig in Planning.

September 24, 2012

Amanda (Mandy)
Christensen was hired as a temporary Senior
Administrative Assistant.
She is working for Kerry
McDonald at the Support
Services front counter and Key Control.





#### October Birthdays

- 10-1 Lori Poeske, Christina White, Rick Renner
- 10-2 Anthony Stevens
- 10-3 Daniel Engelbert, Diana Hollingshead
- 10-5 Hulan Jack
- 10-6 Vincent Petre, Mark Taussig
- 10-8 Travis Quigley, Kerry McDonald
- 10-9 Todd Neipert
- 10-11 Greig Olney, Penny Funkhouser

10-12 Stephen Williams

10-13 Janice Whaley

10-14 Howard Clark

10-16 Peggy Grater

10-17 Ryan Holle

10-18 Amanda Christensen

10-19 Stacy Mahan

10-20 Roger Hinkle

10-24 Rodney Hodges

10-25 Gerald Spears, Lawrence Lee

10-26 Roger Hageman

10-27 Michael Reasoner

10-31 Lynn Salsbury, Joel Groninga, Janice Rood

## Caught in the Act of Doing Good!

#### **Kudos**

Bernard Brehmer Custodian Willard Hall

In mid-September, Shreepad Joglekar, assistant professor of art and photography,



wrote telling of an incident that could have been disastrous. He said a FedEx mailman leaned his boxed artwork against the mail truck and then forgot about it, and drove off. The box fell flat on mid-campus drive outside Willard Hall.

Luckily, Bernard happened to see it, hollered at the driver and made sure that he picked up the package. Many thanks, to Bernard for his quick thinking and thoughtful actions. He saved the day!!

We thank Bernard for his hard work, also thanks go to Shreepad for taking the time to submit this information.



Have you experience or noticed a Facilities employee who is doing their job above and beyond the call of duty?

If you see them doing random acts of kindness or going out of their way to help you or others in your area, building, or department, we want to know about it. So often the focus is on the negative aspects of a situation, however we would like to accent the "positive" and give recognition to our workers for a job well done. This is open to all Facilities employees, no matter what their role in our Division.

We also welcome any Facilities staff to fill out a form and tell us about: My Piece of the Picture...

Each employee is like a piece of a Jigsaw Puzzle. We are all a part of the big picture. We are all Facilities. Each piece is of value, no matter what part of the puzzle we fit into. All the pieces are needed in order for the whole picture to be seen clearly. FM News will be building a Jigsaw picture of Facilities; one piece at a time. Please feel free to send us your piece of the picture.

Both forms can be found on Facilities home page, under forms:

http://www.ksu.edu/facilities/forms/



#### K-State Benefits Expo

Exhibits open at 9:00 am in the Union Ballroom. Health Insurance meeting starts at 9:15 am and again at 2:00 am in Forum Hall. Open enrollment is the month of October for health insurance.

The Keys to Financial Security session is open for all employee and starts at 11:00 am. KPERS members can attend a KPERS Pre-Retirement Planning session at 12:30. Both are held in Forum Hall.