

Division of Facilities



Newsletter



The Faces of Facilities...

As another great school year gets underway, several students, staff, and faculty will find themselves needing the services provided by our team: K-State's Division of Facilities.

Whether you are picking up a key to a campus facility, need a light bulb changed, or simply need that bat occupying your breakroom to be "relocated", we are here to serve you! The following individuals are the voices that answer your calls for assistance and help to keep K-State up and running. Here are the 'Faces of Facilities' and what they enjoy most about their jobs.



CUSTOMER SERVICE:



Our **Customer Service** department is your first point of contact when a request for repair or maintenance is made. **Joy Knutson (left)** and **Janae Jones (right)** are your **Facilities Services Coordinators**. They field your phone calls as well as communicate your need to the appropriate supervisor so you receive the best (and fastest) service possible.



"I enjoy talking with and getting to know different people all over campus." -Joy

"I enjoy our work environment and getting to interact with people."
-Janae

ROOM SCHEDULING:



If you need to schedule a campus space for your event, you will work with our **Room Scheduling Specialist, [Chazs Jackson](#)**.

In addition to processing your space request, Chazs will also assist in providing you with information and resources to ensure your event is safe and as successful as possible.

"I enjoy working in a positive and loving environment with such kind individuals. -**Chazs**"

KEY ACCESS & LOCKS:

If you have ever requested (and picked up) a key to your office or classroom, you have had the pleasure of working with our **Facility Key Administrator, [Ruth Rowlands](#)**!

She will process your request and work to ensure the right keys are issued to the right places.

"I enjoy the diverse people that I talk to. There are contractors, faculty, staff, and students who come through this office for their keys. Every day is different but still busy!" - **Ruth**



For those who have ever locked themselves out of their office, you may recognize **[Taylor Pearson](#)** (left) and **[Marc Crosby](#)** (right). These gentlemen are your **Lock Specialists**. They make the keys and install the lock systems to ensure proper access to space on campus.

"I like the fact that there is always something going on so it's not too hard to stay busy in one form or another. -**Taylor**"



Welcome To Our TEAM!

The Division of Facilities is always excited to welcome new employees to our Facilities Team. It takes a lot of People-Power to keep our campus running smoothly so we are glad YOU'RE HERE!



Devin Argo was hired as a Custodial Specialist for Vet Med.
He is working for Thomas O'Briant.



Nicky Burton was hired as a Custodial Specialist.
She is working for Quentin Rawlins.



Hanna Greenslate was hired as a Custodial Specialist.
She is working for Quentin Rawlins.



Debbie Erickson was hired as a Custodial Specialist.
She is working for Patrick Lancaster.



Eduard Cespedes was hired as a Landscape Technician.
He is working for Joe Myers.



Scott Williams was hired as a Recycling Technician.
He is working for Bill Spiegel.

Michael Mongold was hired as an HVAC Technician for Zone 2.
He is working for Mike Paph.



David Laster was hired as a Custodial Supervisor.
He is working for Patrick Lancaster.



Regina Allen was hired as a Custodial Specialist.
She is working for Rod Hodges.



Jeanette Rivera was hired as a Custodial Specialist.
She is working for Patrick Lancaster.

Javier Lopez-Rivera was hired as a Custodial Specialist.
He is working for Quentin Rawlins.



Billy Dieball was hired as an Electrician for Zone 4.
He is working for Galen Hageman.

Just for Fun!

The 1st Annual Facilities Car Show

The 1st Annual Facilities Car Show was a small, yet fun addition to the employee appreciation Festivities during the Facilities Family Picnic. Three cars and two motorcycles were entered, but rain on the morning of the show prevented the motorcycles from being displayed. A steady crowd passed thru the show area.



Everyone enjoyed chatting about the cars, auto parts, past cars, and other tall tales. I want to thank everyone who helped me coordinate this event. Thanks to **Lori Hayden**, who was invaluable in developing the flyer and entry form, and emailing them out to the Division. Thanks to **Jeff Barnes**, director of Parking Services, and his staff for reserving a spacious area for the show. And thanks to **Ryan Swanson** and **Ed Heptig** for allowing me to try a new event.



I proposed the car show to our administration because I enjoy seeing someone's unique vehicle in the parking lot and never have the time to talk to the owner about it. We have very diverse automotive interests across Facilities and I wanted to showcase that.

Please contact me next summer about entering your 'ride' into the 2nd annual Facilities Car Show!

- Mike Paph, Building Maintenance Zone 2 Supervisor



Mark Your Calendar

*All employees of K-State's Division of Facilities are invited to attend the
Annual Facilities Holiday Luncheon hosted by President Myers
On Monday, December 10th in the Union Ballroom.*

Annual Facilities **Holiday Luncheon**

*Monday, December 10th
11:30 am to 1:00 pm
Union Ballroom*



KUDOS!..

- **KUDOS!...to our GROUNDS & LANDSCAPING** division for the beautiful Purple Oxalis Plants in front of Dykstra Hall. Students and Staff often stop to take pics of our Purple Pride and ask what they are.

Way to go Guys!



- **KUDOS!...to KERRY McDONALD** for organizing such a fantastic **Family Day Picnic** for all Facilities Employees! **Volunteers from Our Building Maintenance** department set up the gigantic tent in front of Dykstra Hall so we could enjoy a picnic lunch, games, a car show, and even a bouncy house for the kiddos! Overall, it was a HUGE success! Kerry would also like to thank everyone who helped set up and clean up with special thanks going to **Cody Smith** and **Shelly Hauck**.



Way to go Kerry!

Happy Retirement!

Congratulations to those in our Facilities Family who have recently reached that beautiful season of life called, "retirement"! We are grateful for your valued years of service and wish you all the best as you begin this next chapter in your life!

Janet Schooler has been a K-State employee for more than 29 years! During that time, she has worked in Facilities Payroll, which became a part of the Administrative Services Center in 2017.

We will miss you, Janet!



Did You Know?...

Big Ten & Friends Utility Conference

Colleagues from our Power Plant & Utilities division attended the **Big Ten & Friends 2018 Utility Conference** hosted by the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. As sustainability becomes increasingly important, this annual conference allows Big 10 Schools and their peers to learn the latest about campus utility production, distribution, metering, and efficiency. It also provides a platform where peers from different universities can share successes and failures and help one another improve their operations. Due to the close location of this year's event, K-State was able to send five members of our Facilities team to gain information and resources for improving efficiency and sustainability within our Utility Operations.



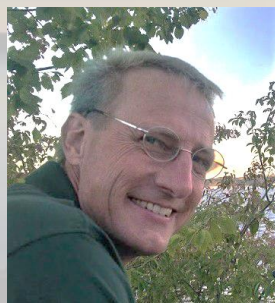
K-State Facilities employees attending the Big 10 Utilities Conference in Lincoln, Nebraska, take a moment to take a picture in UNL's stadium.

*Pictured from left to right: **Gary Weishaar** (Energy Engineer), **Tim Brunner** (Power Plant Manager), **Chris Falley** (Power Plant Supervisor), and **Roger Hageman** (Power Plant Supervisor). **Troy Bronaugh** (Zone 5 Supervisor) also attended the conference.*

A Difficult Goodbye..

The Division of Facilities recently said a difficult goodbye to one of our own.

Lex Pearson had been a part of the K-State Family for more than a decade at the time of his passing on Monday, September 10th.



Lex was a dedicated worker and dear, dear friend to many within our Facilities Family and to the K-State Community as a whole. Our deepest sympathies go out to family and friends during this difficult time.

**The Funeral Mass for Lex will be on Saturday, October 6th
St. Isidore's Catholic Church at 10:00 am.**

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

SEPT 2ND – MICHAEL SEYMOUR

SEPT 3RD – TAYLOR PEARSON & KIMBERLY CAFFREY

SEPT 4TH – MATTHEW HENRY

SEPT 7TH – ALAN STEVENS

SEPT 8TH – CASEY LAUER

SEPT 10TH – WILLIAM GLOVER JR.

SEPT 11TH – JAMES DAVIS & JAY GILMORE

SEPT 12TH – GARY JOHNSON

SEPT 13TH – JOHN LACY

SEPT 14TH – JEREMY SHARP

SEPT 16TH – DOUGLAS PROCKISH

SEPT 17TH – ROSE HAMILTON & KRISTI GORMAN

SEPT 18TH – BETTY SLATTERY & CRAIG McCONKEY

SEPT 19TH – DEREK STOCK

SEPT 21ST – LARRY BOOKER

SEPT 22ND – RUTH ROWLANDS

SEPT 23RD – SHARON SLACK

SEPT 25TH – JERRY ROGERS

SEPT 30TH – MEGAN WYRICK & IAN MOODY



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

**OCT 1ST – LORI POESKE, CHRISTINA WHITE, RICK RENNER
& DYLAN LACKEY**

OCT 2ND – ERIK BERGSTROM & ANTHONY STEVENS

OCT 3RD – DANIEL ENGELBERT & DIANA HOLLINGSHEAD

OCT 4TH – JEREMY FILBY

OCT 5TH – HULAN JACK

OCT 6TH – MARK TAUSSIG

OCT 8TH – KERRY McDONALD & SIERRA FLOWERS

OCT 9TH – TODD NEIPERT

OCT 11TH – PENNY FUNKHOUSER

OCT 15TH – ANGELO BURT & SAMUEL MARSH

OCT 16TH – PEGGY GRATER

OCT 17TH – RYAN HOLLE

OCT 24TH – RODNEY HODGES

**OCT 25TH – BRIDGETT HENRY, BERNITA RAWLINS,
& LAWRENCE LEE**

OCT 26TH – ROGER HAGEMAN & DAVID YOESTING

OCT 28TH – NICKY BURTON & LORI HAYDEN

