

F. M. News

K. S. U., Division of Facilities

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Unleashing your potential

Facilities Goes To Zones March 2nd

March 2, 2015 is the transition date when Facilities Maintenance will change from operating as trade-specific shops of operation to covering campus through Teams and Zones.

Each Zone Team will include personnel from the following trades: Plumbers, HVAC Technicians, Electricians, General Maintenance and Repair Technicians (GMRT) and Carpenters.

In addition, Support Teams will include Paint, Locks & Keys and Moving & Hauling. Last but not least we have the Construction Team.

In order to increase efficiency and quality customer service, the Teams have aligned their work hours within each unit structure. The start and end times of the work schedules were selected by each respective unit by consensus. Work hours will vary from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, depending on the individual Team.

Facilities will be scheduling some time later this month so building contacts and interested individuals can meet their maintenance team members to discuss specific needs and expectations.

All work orders will be submitted through the Facilities Call Center, 532-6389.



An informational forum was held on January 15, 2015 for Facilities staff. Ryan Swanson, Casey Lauer and Ed Heptig presented information on the upcoming Maintenance Teams, Capital Projects update, the new chilled water plant and campus distribution plan plus other topics.

Who is New...

January 5, 2015:



Travis Homeier was promoted to Physical Plant Supervisor Senior. He is now a Zone Maintenance Supervisor and working for Ed Heptig.

Michael Paph was promoted to Physical Plant Supervisor Senior. He is now a Zone Maintenance Supervisor and working for Ed Heptig.





Timothy Brunner was promoted to Physical Plant Supervisor Senior. He is now a Zone Maintenance Supervisor and working for Ed Heptig.

Troy Bronaugh was promoted to Physical Plant Supervisor Senior. He is now a Zone Maintenance Supervisor and working for Ed Heptig.



Michelle Koch was hired as the Procurement Officer II. She is working for Kris Fulkerson in the Facilities Storeroom.

Steven Rowe was hired as a temporary Plumber Senior. He is working for Troy Bronaugh in the Plumbing Shop.



January 20, 2015:



David Bollman was hired as a Custodial Specialist. He is working for Patrick Lancaster on the Custodial day crew.

February Birthdays

- 2-1 Kyle McConkey
- 2-2 Scott Wilburn
- 2-4 Velder Booth, Robert Crider
- 2-6 Larry Haller, Ute Cruz
- 2-7 Judy Fiegner
- 2-9 Calvin Law
- 2-10 Tim Dixon, Ed Heptig
- 2-12 Tammy Powers
- 2-13 Patrick Butler
- 2-14 Josh Ricker
- 2-15 Jeanette Johnson
- 2-16 Arturo Sias III, Kirk Nelson
- 2-19 Jewell Cutright
- 2-21 Nelda Gaito, Damon Lee
- 2-22 Clifford Williams, Mary Grubbs
- 2-23 Jonathan Bagwell
- 2-24 Russell Thompson, Shawn Wilson
- 2-27 Dan Marshall
- 2-28 Rob Mayfield, Jackie Toburen



*"Surely as cometh the Winter, I know
There are Spring violets under the snow."
- R. H. Newell*

Kudos

John Woods received a note from Karen Horton, Associate Budget Director in Anderson Hall.

She wrote, "Our office is in Anderson Hall, and I just wanted to let you know how happy we are with the current custodians here. They are friendly and are doing a wonderful job! Everyone in my office has commented on it. So thank you!"

John informed us, "The two custodians are Patrick Butler and Wade Simnitt. Mike Price is their supervisor and the one that selected them for Anderson Hall."

Kelly R Furnas, an instructor with Journalism & Mass Communication in Kedzie Hall sent an email to Marlene Franke, Admin Assistant, who forwarded the correspondence to Mike Price, night custodial supervisor on February 2nd.

Kelly wrote, "When I finished with my class this evening, I came out of the classroom to spotless floors in the hallway. Given the amount of mud and water and salt that was tracked through Kedzie today, can you please pass along my highest compliments to facilities (and in particular the man who works in the evening — I'm embarrassed to say I don't know his name) for the impeccable work making the building look nice again so quickly.

I'm sorry I don't know who to email directly, but I thought you could help out. And I wanted to make sure someone in our building knew about it, too, in case it was already messy again by the time morning rolled around."

Charles Jackson and Marvin Heck are the two custodians who work in Kedzie.

Thank you all for the great job you do for the K-State Community.

Restricted access for pedestrian traffic through Dykstra Compound

As zone-team maintenance in facilities is implemented over the next few months, traffic patterns for the Dykstra Hall work area will be significantly affected as many maintenance and construction staff will be relocated to the Morton building north of Dykstra Hall.

As a safety and security precaution, the two pedestrian gates located around the compound have been secured and will no longer be utilized to allow pedestrian traffic through the Dykstra work area. Additionally, the three vehicular access-gates for the compound will now be locked from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. weekdays.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please contact Casey Lauer, facilities assistant vice president, for additional information. By Loleta Sump

Facilities received notification of the accidental weekend death of Steve Hoard, Facilities Welder in the Metal Shop.



A memorial service will be held at 2:00 P.M. Sunday, February 15, 2015 at the Clay Center Covenant Church. Our condolences go to his wife Karla, three daughters; April, Ashley and Crystal and other extended family. A memorial has been established for the Steven Hoard Memorial Fund. Contributions may be left in care of the Anderes-Pfeifley Funeral Home in Riley. <http://www.pfeifleyfuneralhome.com>