

Department Highlight: Automotive Services



Automotive Services keeps campus running by maintaining more than 350 vehicles each year. From left are Supervisor Mark Carroll, Lucy Kriel, Ram Seetaram, Trent Berry and John Martin.

By Sara Wilson

Auburn's four-wheeled clients needing a check-up often line up outside of Building 3 at night, awaiting their turn for care by Automotive Services' skilled technicians.

"It is not unusual for several vehicles to be dropped off overnight to receive maintenance or repairs," said Mark Carroll, supervisor of Facilities Automotive Services Department. "Several of our technicians start their day at 6 a.m. to ensure each vehicle receives service in a timely manner."

The department takes care of

about 250 Facilities fleet vehicles and 100 additional state vehicles located across campus.

"We can do just about every service that needs to be done for a vehicle," Carroll said, noting that the department offers basic tire and brake work, as well as engine, driving and electrical repairs.

Vehicle pickup and delivery also is a special service offered to campus clients.

"For our pickup and delivery services, we drive out to get the vehicles, service them and then return them to their original

location," Carroll said.

The department performs more than 30 oil changes and about 50 tire changes a month.

As one campus client put it:

"Thank you to Ram, Lucy and Trenton for their thorough inspection of our Dodge Ram truck! We appreciate everyone taking their time to assure that our vehicles are prepared for our fall semester graduate student research travel. Thanks for the great teamwork!"

General Announcements

Congratulations

Jeffrey Easterling who was promoted to Coordinator, Tech/Admin Support, in Facilities IT, effective June 13.

Zach Vollar who was promoted to Groundskeeper II in Landscape Services effective June 5.

Jason Yeomans who was promoted to Insulator, Mechanical, effective June 26.

Jeff Gullede for being named Maintenance Supervisor of the Quarter.

Jason Foshee for being named Maintenance Employee of the Quarter.

The following employees who received a Maintenance Safety Coin:

- **Layne Black**
- **Alan Ledbetter**
- **Phillip Thompson**
- **Tony Tucker**

Welcome New Employees

Dallas Dorsey – Electrician I, In-House Construction – June 21.

Grace Hanson – Student Assistant, Fac Admin – June 27.

Alexis Hicks – Admin Support Asst II, Work Management – July 11.

Benjamin Galik – Tech II, Construction, In-House Construction – July 11.

Wanda Jones – TES Admin Support Assistant, Contract Services – July 18.

Dustin Townsend – Tech II, Construction, In-House Construction – July 21.

Retirements/Resignations

Jonathan Tucker – transferred to another AU department effective June 30.

Mary Park – resigned effective July 5.

Jacob Riehl – resigned effective July 8.

Logan Stephenson – resigned effective July 22.

Employment Opportunities

For positions currently posted, please scan the QR code below:



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Congratulations to the following FM employees who received a cash award for June 2022:

- Anthony Green
- Anthony Lewis
- Arlin Spraggins
- Ben Burmester
- Brent Thomas
- Burke Wagoner
- Charles Gosdin Jr.
- Chuck Gilbert
- Coy Bass
- Daniel Keeble
- David Morgan
- Ginny Dagg
- Glen Granberry
- Grant Peterson
- Greg Hayes
- Jecorius Johnson
- Jeffrey Dyal
- John Clark
- John Vollar
- Judd Langham
- Margrit Tate
- Mary Park
- Matthew Allsbrook
- Noelle Hattier
- Oscar Preston
- Paul Judy
- Rob Stanford
- Sarah Rakestraw
- Scooter Lacy
- Terry Carter

West Thach recycling helpful for campus



Waste Reduction and Recycling's drop-off center is located on West Thach Avenue in the back of West Campus Parking.

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The Waste Reduction and Recycling Department's recycling drop-off site is located on West Thach Avenue in the back of West Campus Parking.

"This location was chosen to help support the continued cleanliness of Auburn's campus and the community around it," said Joan Hicken, manager of Waste Reduction and Recycling. "The

drop-off site makes recycling easier for the Auburn Family."

Acceptable materials for the drop-off site consist of mixed paper, plastics, aluminum cans, steel cans and cardboard. Additionally, the site has separate bins for recycling mixed paper and containers, along with a dumpster for recycling cardboard. Along the fence, there are signs that list these acceptable materials, directing users where

to put their recycling.

The site does not accept garbage, glass, plastic bags or materials in plastic bags, as this will lead to contamination. Contamination occurs when the bins are not used as labeled or trash is mixed in with the recyclables. Using the bins incorrectly can lead to the entire contents of the recycling bin being disposed of as garbage.

"The act of recycling creates good habits and inspires us to develop new and better ways of managing and eliminating waste," Hicken said. "Simple changes can make a difference in reducing the amount of waste we produce and promoting a cleaner, greener campus."

These changes include carrying a refillable water bottle, using reusable shopping bags and saying no to plastic bags and straws.

Gloria Parker's retirement



**Mail Services Manager
Anthony Driver
congratulates Gloria
Parker who retired Aug. 1.
Gloria worked 35 years for
Auburn University, all of
those in Mail Services.**

ACLC features reclaimed wood walls

To further show the relationship of new campus buildings to their environments, the Academic Classroom and Laboratory Complex (ACLC) includes some of the 22,000 board feet of recycled lumber from trees previously located behind Allison Laboratory.

The pine trees were removed in 2019 before being turned into boards at a lumber mill in Buena Vista, GA. The recycled board is just one of several different structural designs in the ACLC and Central Dining Hall that maximize the two sites' sustainability.



This wood feature wall located in the ACLC's first floor hallway is one place the reclaimed wood is used within the new facility.

Toner Recycling



Twice each year, the Waste Reduction and Recycling Department collects toner and ink cartridges from across campus for recycling.

The department recently collected, packed and shipped more than two tons - 4,800 pounds to be exact.

“We usually ship two times a year, said Facilities Waste Reduction and Recycling Manager, Joan Hicken. “This was a bigger shipment than previous. We usually send 10 boxes full, but this shipment included 16 boxes and collection is still ongoing.”

Recycling collects more than two tons of toner and ink cartridges. Pictured, from left, is Mariam Stark and Oscar Preston.

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