# THE FACILITIES TIMES

### A FACILITIES MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEE UPDATE





Michael Hood of Service Support.



Shannon Cross of Landscaping.

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Twenty-nine Facilities employees volunteered to help move students into the Village Residence Halls Friday, Aug. 5 and 12.



Bruce Reid and Marcell Burns, Landscaping, move storage containers full of students' belongings to a residence hall in the Village. *Full story on page 3.* 

## **Risk Management and Safety**

A new building is coming to the Facilities complex. The Risk Management and Safety facility will be our ninth building.



An architect's rendering of the Risk Management and Safety facility, which is scheduled for completion in spring 2017. *Full story on page 4.* 

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## **Employee Recognition Awards**

### **Tiger Tickets**

Tiger Tickets are awarded to employees who display consistent outstanding efforts. Recipients receive eight hours leave.



Joe Hunter presents **Broderick Gibson** with a Tiger Ticket in Leadership Excellence.



Ron Booth presents **Nolan Torbert** with a Tiger Ticket in Teamwork.



Ron Booth presents Richard McLawhorn with a Tiger Ticket in Safety.

### **Certificates of Appreciation**

Certificates of Appreciation are awarded for a one-time act of exemplary work. Recipients receive four hours leave.



Malcolm Dailey presents Eric Moore with a Certificate of Appreciation in Teamwork.



Nathan Evans presents Craig Kerr with a Certificate of Appreciation in Customer Service.



Ron Booth presents Jessica Devine with a Certificate of Appreciation in Teamwork.



Ken Martin presents James Lyons and David **Howell** with Certificates of Appreciation in Teamwork.



David Howell presents Robert Joyce with a Certificate of Appreciation in Cost Reduction.



David Howell and Malcolm Dailey present **Scott Morgan, Steven Neighbors and James** Lyons with Certificates of Appreciation in Customer Service.



Matt Skinner presents Phillip Thompson, Burke Wagoner, Brad Musick, John Clark, Doug Kennedy, Michael McCain, David Floyd, Alan Lindsay, Michael Hood, Chase Fitzpatrick and Junior Decker with Certificates of Appreciation in Customer Service.

### **Congratulations!**



David Jacobs, from General Electric Water, David Jacobs presents Greg Powell, presents Brian Holley and Craig Arwood with GE's Proof not Promises Award for reductions made in the Scott Ritchie Boiler Room.



Mark Stokes, Robert Joyce and Daniel **Brand** (not pictured) with GE's Proof not Promises Award for reductions made in the Coliseum Steam Plant.

### **Move-In Day Volunteers**

By Maggie Barlow

wenty-nine Facilities employees gathered on Friday Aug. 5 and 12 to assist with moving Auburn students into the Village Residence Halls.

Employees were given the opportunity to volunteer their time to help new and returning students as they moved into Aubie, Talon, Plainsman, Tiger and Eagle.

For some, this was their first year helping with move-in day, but for many others this is something they do every year. Shannon Cross, Landscaping, has assisted families on move-in day for the past two years.

"It is a great experience and perfect opportunity to provide the best first impression possible for the students and families coming to Auburn. War Eagle!" Cross said.

**WASTE REDUCTION AND** RECYCLING

WRRD helps with move-in day by arranging for large roll-away bins to be placed near the residence halls for both cardboard recycling and landfill trash. During move-in days, the WRRD staff begin a "Move-in Mania" phase where they help students and parents separate cardboard from trash and ensure it is placed in one of the 19 available trash and recycling stations throughout campus. Event Operations Group is brought in to help parents and students with properly disposing of trash and recycling cardboard. Employees were also provided meals and a shirt.



Recycling bins in the Quad Center.



Aubie shows students how to recycle.

Move-in day starts early in the morning and continues well into the afternoon. Having the assistance that these Facilities employees are offering provides relief on a day that can be so overwhelming, said Matt Skinner of Facilities Operations who is a four-year move-in day veteran.

"During one particular move, I had a mom tell me multiple times how much she appreciated my help and she didn't know how her and her daughter would have ever gotten all her things up to her dorm room. At some point in our conversation, she told me that her husband wasn't able to come with them because he was waiting on a heart transplant. I volunteer to help families like that!

"I also volunteer so that the



Ken Martin, Utilities and Energy, and Michael Hood, Service Support.



Anthony Smith, Landscaping.



Ginny Jones and Anne Woodruff, Operations.

new students' and parents' first experience at Auburn University is a positive one! First impressions mean everything so hopefully by volunteering we can help with that experience." Skinner said.

Facilities employees checked-in at 6:45 a.m. both days and worked until noon. Breakfast and lunch were provided, as well as a team t-shirt.

#### THANK YOU FM VOLUNTEERS!

- •Nicholas Blair
- •Joey Brooks
- •Marcell Burns
- •Oshia Cason
- Joey Catrett
- •Shannon Cross
- Iunior Decker
- •Richard Doiron
- •Deandre Gilmore
- •Bill Goggans Joseph Gulledge
- Mark Hankes
- •Michael Hood
- •Adrian Howard
- Jecorius Johnson

- •Ginny Jones
- •Kendall "Chase" Kilpatrick
- •Ken Martin
- •Michael McCain
- •Bruce Reid
- •Ierome Russell
- Matt Skinner
- Anthony Smith
- •Stephen Stroud
- •Lori Surfield
- •Lewis Thomas •Phillip Thompson
- •Anne Woodruff
- Matthew Young



Joseph Gulledge and Matthew Young, Roofing.



Bruce Reid, Landscaping



Lori Surfield, Building Services; Jerome Russell, Service Support; and Matt Skinner, Operations.



Brittany and her husband, lan, in Texas on their first feral hog hunt.

## What do you like most about working at Auburn University?

What I like most is that, as an Auburn grad, I'm still working in a place I'm very familiar with. It also gives me the opportunity to see the campus grow and change and that's really rewarding.

## What do you like most about caring for plants on campus?

I like working with seasonal color. I get to see the before and after, whereas with other types of landscapes, when you install the plants you don't really see the finished product for several years. With

## **Facilities Feature**

By: Perrin Holloway

Brittany Foster began working for Facilities as a student employee in 2005 and has worked for Facilities for 11 years in Landscaping. She graduated from Auburn University in 2007 with a Bachelors of Science in Horticulture. She was recently accepted into the Masters of Landscape Architecture program at Auburn.

the seasonal color, you see the finished product within a couple of months. It's really rewarding to see the beginning, end and constant changes which can break up the monotony of certain types of landscaping work.

## What do you envision for Auburn as far as scenery goes?

I want Auburn to have the most reputable and award winning landscape in the SEC. I would like to see it become a nationally awarded campus. I want everyone to talk about our campus nationally and globally and come to the campus for its grounds, architecture and layout.

## What do you enjoy doing outside of work?

I love to do anything outdoors like shooting guns, kayaking and farming, to name a few. I also love the Fall because of the cooler weather and getting to watch Auburn football. I enjoy plenty of sunshine because I believe that is a key aspect to everyday life, not just physically but for emotional health as well. It's hard to be sad when you're under the bright sun. I also read a lot. I like fantasy, supernatural, sci-fi, fiction and post-apocalyptic. I read a little bit of everything.

### Risk Management & Safety

#### Start date: August 29, 2016 Projected End Date: March 27, 2017

The new Risk Management and Safety Building will be located within the Facilities Management Complex. This ninth building will be located adjacent to Building 8, which houses WRRD, Service Support and Mail Services. Risk Management and Safety personnel who currently reside in the Leach Science Center and the Safety Annex on Camp Auburn Road will transition to the new building upon completion of the project. Contact: Julie Cannon - jec0051@auburn.edu.



### **Congratulations!**



**Spirit of Excellence Award**Mark Carroll, Automotive, received a Spirit of Excellence Award in Service/
Maintenance for July 2016.



Steve Kirk worked for Facilities for over 25 years. He retired from the Preventative Maintenance Shop in July 2016.

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