

Holiday Luncheon 2012

Winter

2013

I am happy to report that the 2012 Facilities Management Holiday Luncheon was a success and I hope everyone enjoyed the party as much as I did. Managing this year's Holiday Luncheon was a lot of hard work, but I was thrilled to be part of the planning committee. I would like to thank the committee, my staff, all of the volunteers, and our sponsors for all of their hard work and contributions. I would also like to thank the Management team and our additional fundraisers, without whom none of this would be possible.

The Holiday Luncheon is a wonderful opportunity for Facilities Management to gather as a community and it has been successful over the years because of everyone's participation.

Let me close by saying thank you to all of the Facilities Management family for making our business unit so successful. The jobs you do are important and they make a difference to this campus. Your hard work and dedication have made the Facilities Management department a first class operation and an organization which we can all be proud to be a part of.

Michael R. Leasure
Associate Director
for Energy Conservation



Veterans Appreciation Day at Tech

Georgia Tech celebrated Veteran Appreciation day on November 12th. Georgia Tech Military Affinity group sponsored free lunch for all veterans. To the left some of Area 2 veterans at the North Avenue dining Hall.



Warren's Page



Happy New Year!

I trust everyone enjoyed the holiday break and are ready for the start of the New Year. Even though it is the start of the calendar new year we are just starting the second half of the school and fiscal new year. By all accounts, the first half of the school year was filled with much activity for us.

One major happening for us was the relocation of the Landscape/Waste Management yard from its location across the street from the Motor Pool to the Woodruff Parking lot on the west side of Campus. The roll-offs used to dispose of metals and other materials have also moved to this new lot along with most of Landscape's vehicles and equipment. The relocation of the yard, while Landscape main office remains at the King location, has required some changes in the way we operate but not near as much as when the functions at the King

location, Motor Pool, Landscape and Waste Management all move to the Grinnell Building on North side Drive. Don't look for this to happen right away as this is at least a couple of years away.

All this is happening because the Engineered BioSystems Building (EBB) is being built where the old Landscape yard used to be located. As you may have noticed, work has started and completion is in the August/September of 2014 time frame. This is the first building of a complex that will eventually require us to move to the Grinnell Building. It is difficult to imagine what the EBB site will look like five to ten years from now but like so many other areas (Tech Square, Klaus area, Bio-Tech Campus for example) we will all enjoy telling the new folks "you would never believe how this area used to look."

This issue of the newsletter includes several members of the Facilities' family who retired in November. Many who were thinking about retirement "pulled the trigger" when the word got out that the retirement benefit formula was going to change for those retiring after December 1st. I will especially miss Ronnie Croy who was part of Facilities for 40 years. During those 40 years he moved from being hired as a Maintenance Worker to Area Maintenance

Manager. His is an excellent example of the opportunities available to folks in Facilities.

You will also see pictures from this year's holiday luncheon in this issue of the newsletter. I hope you all enjoyed the time we all had together as much as I did. It takes a lot of effort for us to put an event like this together and we have Mike Leasure and his committee for making it all happen.

This is also the time of the year we announce our perfect attendance employees. I am looking forward to taking all of the folks to lunch with five years of perfect attendance to show them my appreciation for their dependability and dedicated service.

Last, we just went through our annual Sightlines review. As you may not know, this is the company who comes and reviews our operation and compares the results to other colleges and universities similar in size and complexity to us. Again the results were excellent in the areas of our operating efficiency and service in spite of the fact we have some of the most complex building systems in their database. This is a testimony to the outstanding work you do. I am very proud to be part of an organization with such high reputation for excellences.

The best to all for a Happy New Year.

Congratulations to Kelly Belton on his retirement in November.



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1. What is Your Title?

Area 4 Maintenance Manager

2. What are your Hobbies?

I perform wood carving on Oak and Bass woods (Wildlife Carving). I started carving floral for fireplace mantels. I have done some animals such as ducks, and whales. I also did angels for Christmas tree top and built a Koi pond and designed the filtering system. I scuba dive in the Bahamas, Caymans, and Keys.

3. people may not know that..

I Act in the local community theater.

4. Your motto

Life starts at 50.

5. What is important to you?

My wife, family, my job, and the people that work for me.

6. Where were you born and raised?

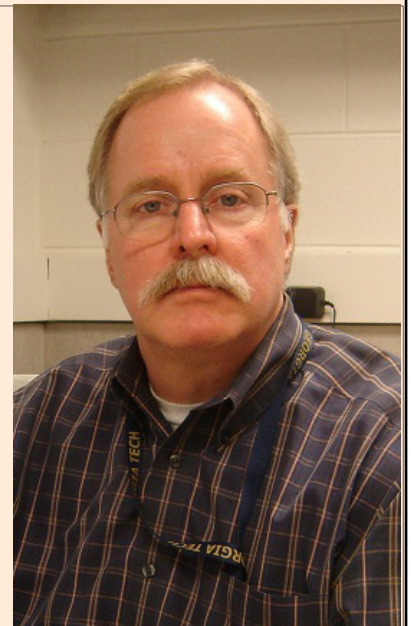
I was born in El Paso Texas. I was raised in upstate New York.

7. What College Did you attend?

I graduated in 1980 from the College of Architecture right here at Georgia Tech.

8. How do you spend your free time?

See hobbies above.



Jimmy Lehmkuhl is officially Retired

Jimmy Lehmkuhl finally decided to retire for good. His coworkers threw a going away party for him in November. Jimmy is excited about moving close to family. We wish him luck in his retirement.



Ronnie Croy Leaves Tech after 38 Years

1. How long did you work at Tech?

I have been a Georgia Tech employee for 38 Years.

2. What positions did you hold while at Tech?

Maintenance Worker I, Maintenance Worker Lead Person, Electrician trainee, Electrician I, Electrician II, Electrician III, Interim Supervisor in Area I (July 1, 2000), Interim Area Maintenance Manager, Area III (March 1, 2001), and Area Maintenance Manager, Area III (July 1, 2001)

3. What are you planning to do with your time?

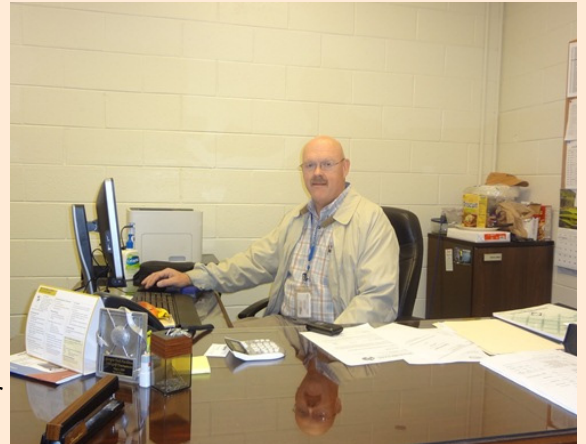
I plan to play golf, spend time at the gym, and do volunteer work at my church.

4. What was the most memorable moment while at Tech?

There are too many memories to single one out. When I think about it, I have almost four decades of memories; the early memories almost seem like a different life time. However, all the people that I met and became friends with over the years will be what I will remember most.

5. What advice do you have for your fellow co-workers?

I have enjoyed working with everyone and I will miss my GT family. I remember not long after I came to GT an OLD TIMER was retiring; He told me it won't be long until you retire. I thought to myself easy for you to say you are retiring today. He was correct time flies your retirement will be here before you know it. And you will be looking back and wondering where the time went. Best Wishes to all.



Ronnie Zachary Retires November 2012

1. How long did you work at Tech?

I have been a Georgia Tech employee for 32 years.

2. What are you planning to do with your time?

I plan to continue to work a little bit for myself in the HVAC field. I plan to travel a little bit, spend time with my kids and the family.

3. What was the most memorable moment while at Tech?

The Olympics. I got to meet people from all over the world. I had the privilege to eat with the athletes in their tents.

4. What advice do you have for your fellow co-workers?

Georgia Tech is a good place to work. We have a good retirement system. Do your job and do it well and you will go a long way at Tech. When I came to Tech, I was hired as an Air Conditioning Mechanic I. Then I was promoted to a supervisor 8 years later.



Johnny Roper Retires November 2012

1. How long did you work at Tech?

I have been a Georgia Tech employee for 28 Years.

2. What position did you hold while at Tech?

Carpenter

3. What are you planning to do with your time?

I plan to continue to fish and relax.

4. What was the most memorable moment while at Tech?

Changing of campus.

5. What advice do you have for your fellow co-workers?

Hang in there. Your time will come!



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Patsy Johnson Retires November 2012

1. How long did you work at Tech?

14 years and 2 months.

2. What position did hold while here at Tech?

Custodian I

3. What are you planning to do with your time?

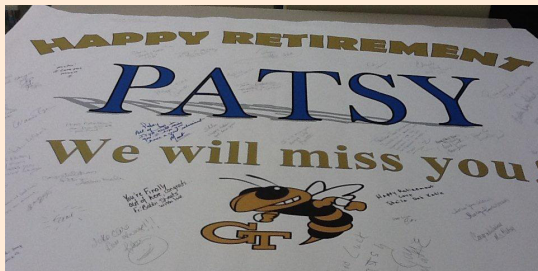
I am going to travel.

4. What was the most memorable moment while at Tech?

There are so many it would be hard for me to say.

5. What advice do you have for your fellow co-workers?

I have enjoyed working with you.



Carolyn Farmer Retires November 2012

1. How long did you work at Tech?

I have been at Tech 13 years and 8 months. I worked in CRB, Ajax, 831 Marietta. My supervisors were Annie Jones, Taffie Maynard, and Challette Mitchell.

2. What position did you hold while at Tech?

Custodian I.

3. What are you planning to do with your time?

Travel

4. What was the most memorable moment while at Tech?

Too many to name. I enjoyed working for GT.

5. What advice do you have for your fellow co-workers?

Thank You for allowing me to be part of your life. I will miss you all.



Frank Tedder Retires November 2012

1. How long did you work at Tech?
10 years.

2. What position did hold while here at Tech?

Air Conditioning Mechanic I

3. What are you planning to do with your time?

I am going to spend most of the time in South Carolina on the farm. I have 46 acres.

4. What was the most memorable moment while at Tech?

Wakim

5. What advice do you have for your fellow co-workers?

Work hard and do your job. Georgia Tech has some of the best benefits in the world.



Area 2 Weddings

Congratulations to **Maurice Zellner** on his marriage in December 2012



Congratulations to **Will White** on his marriage in October 2012.



Availability Report

66 Employees used no sick time in 2012 as opposed to 57 in 2011. Listed below are employees who did not use any sick leave for at least one year.

Name	Department	Years
Amouzouvi, Alowon	Landscape	1
Appling, Wilfred	UM	1
Benjamin, Gerald	UM	1
Benson, Alphonso	Building Services	1
Bowens, Terrence	Area I	1
Cooper, Charles	Area I	1
Craft, Anthony	Building Services	1
Duffy, Ozzie	Building Services	1
Dunn, Danny	Area I	1
Evans, Denis	Building Services	1
Gaines, Jammie	UM	1
Garner, Korey	Area III	1
Harrish, Adrian	Building Services	1
Jackson, Lillie	Building Services	1
John-Baptiste, Kearem	Area III	1
Levitt, Rodney	Area I	1
Marks, Gwen	Building Services	1
Marshall, Cynthia	Building Services	1
Marshall, Gary	Building Services	1
Turner, Marion	Building Services	1
Walter, Gwen	Building Services	1
Watkins, Nicholas	Building Services	1
Williams, Ray	Building Services	1
Byrd, Glenn	Landscape	2
Cato, Cynthia	Building Services	2
Cheng, pei-chun	Area V	2
Fonjungo, Esendegeh	Building Services	2
Harp, John	Building Services	2
Ide, Hyacinth	Landscape	2
Jones, Derrick	Building Services	2
McKinney, Andrew	Landscape	2
Shropshire, Oscar	Building Services	2
Snead, Isadore	Landscape	2
Stanfield, Alphonso	Building Services	2
Tate, David	Area IV	2
Clithero, Kerry	Building Services	3
Mason, Charlie	Area III	3
Ta, David	Area III	3
Young, Eddie	Building Services	3
Harding, Wesley	UM	4
Hunter, Brandon	Area IV	4
Steele, Rena	Building Services	4
Harbour, James	Area I	5
Robertson, William	Area III	5
Walls, Philip	Area IV	5
Williams, Darryl	Building Services	5
Wilson, Mary	Building Services	5

As a group, Area III had the lowest availability 0.403 for 2012 (goal is .600)

Heib, Jason	Building Services	6
Moore, Shawn	Area IV	6
Tchedou, Simfeiley	Area IV	6

Blalock, Tony	Area IV	7
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Cash, Harold	UM	7
Lampley, Henry	Landscape	7
Li, Xi Yu	UM	7
Meadows, Joseph	Area I	7
Nix, Claude	Building Services	7

Auzla, Onakar	Area III	8
Blume, Timmy	Area I	8
DeSaussure, Daniel	Building Services	8
Roberts, George	Landscape	8

Crumbly, Bruce	UM	10
Smith, Cindy	Building Services	10

Cody, Hugh	Building Services	12
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English, Antonio	Building Services	15
Williams, Terry	Area III	15

Congratulations to Zone 1 in Building Services. They are the recipients of *the Quality Customer Service Award*. This zone services CRC, Dancord, 250th 14th Street, 676 Marietta Street, Schelle School of Management, Boggs, Admin, Savant, GLC, Klaus, Wardlaw, Rich and Hinman.

This zone is supervised by Mandale Mitchell and he has eighteen employees. A big shout out to Zone 1. Keep up the good work.

Congratulations to the following employees who have over 1000 hours in sick leave balance.

Harp, John
Desaussure, Daniel
Craft, Johnathon
Craft, Darrell
Blalock, Tony
Maynard, Taffie
Jordan, David
Earl, Irene
Price, Patrick
Cody, Hugh
Smith, Dennis
Steele, Rena
Robertson, William
Cash, Harold
Halabi, Bill
Fritz, Craig
Page, Warren
Mason, Charlie
English, Antonio
Roberts, George
Wilson, Mary
Crumble, Bruce
Williams, Terry
Smith, Cindy



News

Area 5

The Area 5 team would like to wish everyone a happy New Year, and we hope that everyone had a joyous Christmas vacation and holiday.

We would also like to welcome new employees to our team. Mr. Mark Lambros and Mr. Michael Evans joined our team as Maintenance Workers on January 3, 2013

Jeff Bridges and his family traveled to Lubbock, Texas during the break to see his nephew Rodney Title graduate from college. He graduated from Texas Tech with Bachelor's Degree in both Mechanical Engineering and Architecture.

Joe Meyer also traveled during the break to Columbus, Ohio to visit with his parents and to let his kids play in the snow.

Ron Neal welcomes a new grandson. Robert Neal II, was born on October 7, 2012 to Ron's son Robert. They live in Douglasville.

Richard Davidson and his family traveled to Red Bay AL. to visit with his parents during the holidays.

Pei-chun Cheng (James) laso visited his family in Birmingham and Dothan AL.

Garry's grandson Colton (10 years old) entered the online kids version of the game show "Jeopardy" and was selected to go to a studio audition. He chose the New York City audition out of his five city choices and had a good time both at the audition and visiting Times Square, Rockefeller Center, Statue of Liberty, Central Park as well as some other interesting sites. He will find out later in January if he gets selected to travel to Los Angeles to actually be a contestant on the taped show.

Area 1

Gerry Green of Area 1 has a new beautiful daughter: Gabrielle Elise Green born on Sept, 12, 2012 @ 8:08 p.m. weighing in at 6lbs 2.4oz and 19 inches; she was born at Piedmont /Fayetteville Hospital Fayetteville Ga. He is a proud Dad. Laurence Farquharson formerly of Area 3 A/C I has been promoted to Area 1 as an A/C II...we welcome Laurence, I'm sure he will be a great asset to our Team.



Area 4

Area 4 welcomed two new team members in November. Bryson was hired as our new electrician and Keith came on board from Building Services as our new maintenance worker. Bryson is originally from Omaha and moved here with his wife and 3 year old son just over a year ago. In his free time, Bryson is a musician and plays the drums, keyboards, acoustic guitar, and sings. Keith is originally from Brooklyn, New York, grew up in the Bronx, and moved to Atlanta in '98. Keith is a single dad with two kids in college. His son is at Queens College in New York and his daughter is studying at West Georgia.

Area 2

Area 2 would like to welcome their new Maintenance Worker, Patrick Plummer and the new AC II Tam Truong.

Utilities Maintenance

Welcome to Sullivan Settlesmires, our Steam equipment Mechanic II. He came to us from Wilson boilers with great experience in boiler repairs. Our department is going to be responsible for the operation and maintenance on the steam mechanical rooms in the Housing department.

Energy Conservation

Congratulations to Federico Del Risco and Nicole on their marriage.



Tony and Karen Carter would like to thank the friends and coworkers at the Facilities Management department for the flower arrangement and the kind words and support following the passing of Tony's father John.



Accolades

Good afternoon Bill,

I wanted to pass along a "Thank you" for you shop's extra efforts to prepare IBB for the BME event that Georgia Tech hosted this week.

Richard did a great job in sprucing up a number of areas in IBB to have Georgia Tech presented in it's best light. **Greg Roche** helped by programming the HVAC system for several rooms for after hours events.

Freeman and Gentle also helped by insuring that lights were working as well.

Again IBB appreciates the extra effort put forth by your department.

Regards,
James "Allen" Echols
Facilities Manager II

Mandale, I'm putting in for **David Wall** to receive a spot award from GTRI.

David is a great asset to the Machine Services department. His dedication to his customer is outstanding. David understands his actions to keeping our campus shop clean helps us be more efficient. Our customers are always impressed with the shop facility. Sometimes our customers are sponsors, professors, or students from other institutions. David's efforts go a long way toward putting GTRI, GT, and Machine Services in a good light.

Mandale, I would also like to thank you for your support of David and our department.

Dennis Brown
GTRI Machine Services, Asst. Dir.

Good afternoon **Michael**,

I wanted to pass along a "Thank you" for you teams extra efforts to prepare the exterior of IBB for the BME event that Georgia Tech hosted this week. Your team did a fantastic job in sprucing up the exterior in addition to there normal duties for this important Georgia Tech event.

Again IBB appreciates the extra effort put forth by your team.

Regards,
James "Allen" Echols
Facilities Manager II

I went by about 6:00 tonight to do some xeroxing for class and discovered the elevators were down for maintenance, so I climbed 64 stairs one at a time. 64 steps down, one at a time, and every custodian person I met offered to help me. Good people! Please extend my thanks to them.

Building looks great, even with the remodeling going on. Your Elves, as always, are doing a good cleaning job! Thank you --

xox Dick
Richard K. Rodgers

Bruce,

Facilities came by MRDC 3338 yesterday afternoon and cleaned/waxed our floor, and I just wanted to tell you what a great job they did. Everyone in the office thinks the floor looks fantastic! When the guys from facilities came by yesterday, they were very pleasant and helpful in letting us know what final preparations needed to take place.

So, on behalf of the graduate students that work in MRDC 3338, I want to say **'thank you' to the facilities department.**

Matthew W. Priddy

Warren,

I want to pass along the appreciation of the entire College of Computing to three members of your team for their prompt and professional response to a significant support issue with our computing network. On Monday morning (12/17), the cool-

ing system in the server room of the College of Computing Building failed unexpectedly, forcing us to shut down equipment to prevent damage. This, in turn, effectively stopped a significant portion of research computing operations in the College.

Your response team, consisting of

Douglas Moore
William Robertson
Charlie Mason

methodically assessed the electrical network supporting the server cooling system and isolated the problem to a small transformer that no one knew existed. The team was able to locate a replacement, restore power to the air chillers, and allow us to return our major operational networks to full service very quickly.

Please relay to these three gentlemen our thanks for their efforts on behalf of the College of Computing in restoring this core capability so rapidly.

Best,

Thomas D. Pilsch
Assistant Dean for Operations
College of Computing

Ladies,

I just wanted to say thank you for you and your groups help with the 2012 Winter Capstone Expo.

It was a huge success and could not have been possible with you and the teams help in pulling it off.

Thank you again for everything and we look forward to next year's Expo.
Happy Holidays!!!

Cary Ogletree
Project Manager of Facilities
Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering
MRDC 2205A