



Campus Planning and Facilities Management

News and Information

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5 years

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Scot Campbell
Dave Friend
Stephen Graham
Bill Greene
Shirley Harwood
Randy McCutchen
Ed McIvor
Matt Olson
Steve Seeley
David Ward
Terri Winn
Sean Woods

15 Years

Brian Boudler
Rick Chase
Jeremiah Dillon
Johnny Earl
Richard Evarts
Tad Lueck
Steve Mital
Steve Page
Kirk Wilcox
Jeff Ziglinski

20 Years

L Jane Brubaker
David Peterson

10 Years

Hilario Colmenares
Marco Diaz
Robert Dumas
Bowen Garner
Jeffrey Schmidt
Sarah Schneider
Jayne Thompson
Wanita Tiburcio

25 Years

Karyn Kaplan
Kyle Spangler

30 Years

Dorothy Attneave
Mark Dunaway
Janet Svensson



WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES!!

Robert Lyman, Promoted to Laborer - 1/9/17
Brad Lorenz, Transferred to General Maintenance Mechanic - 1/9/17
Kenny Ramsdal, Electrician - 1/26/17
Craig Aldrich, Custodian - 1/26/17
Thomas Sharkey, Custodian - 1/26/17
Michael Pettus, General Maintenance Mechanic - 2/2/17
Becket DeChant, Maintenance Laborer Coordinator - 2/13/17
Burton D. Smith, General Maintenance Mechanic - 2/28/17



REVERSE VENDOR FAIR

Although the weather was gloomy, the turn-out for the Reverse Vendor Fair was bright and sunny. Lots of folks showed up right at 9AM to meet with all the different departments. CPFM was well represented by Mo Soleimani & Paul Langley for Utilities & Energy, Bruce Budzik, Tad Loeck and LeAnna Pitts for Facilities Services, Wanita Tiburcio, Christy McBeth, Justin Porter, Tom Shepard, Jen Miley for Design & Construction just to name a few. There was great team work as groups took shifts throughout the day meeting new and current vendors.



Employee News

CAMPUS PLANNING & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT HAS IT'S NEW BUILDING SIGN. ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS BRANDING THIS DEPARTMENT ACROSS CAMPUS.



Our new detours blog is catching on. Follow it at:
<https://blogs.uoregon.edu/cpfmnotifications/>



02/15/2017: Columbia Street Garage Fire System Testing

Posted on February 13, 2017 by jlpitts

Wednesday, February 15th

Columbia Street Garage 6:00am - 8:00am

Horns, Strobes and Speakers on the fire alarm system will not sound the scheduled time, but there may be activity such as door holders.



Roland Guerrero and Kenny Ramsdal finish up installing 240 new LED scone lights in the Willamette Hall corridors. Not pictured is **Brandon Floeck**, who also assisted.

Director of Sustainability, Steve Mital & Kim Carson take students to Washington for the WAHESC Sustainability Conference.



FIRST GOLD DUCKS OF 2017

On the Friday of the big freeze, The Chancellor's Residence (also known as Tree Tops) was a high priority. An earlier freeze had burst two pipes causing quite a bit of damage to a home with historical significance.

A brainstorming session with Jon, Terry, Richard and Tom produced an experiment that ensured that the temperature of the lines and radiators from the farthest point to the 3rd floor never dropped below 38 degrees.

As a result of outstanding leadership, taking initiative, and providing excellent collaboration and communication, this team safely provided customer service that went well above and beyond.

Congratulations!
Jon Petro
Terry Huuki
Tom Sheridan
Richard Vaughan



William Gerlach, 1945 - 2017

William Gerlach peacefully passed away on January 31, 2017, at the age of 71, in Eugene, OR. He was born February 18, 1945, in Washington, DC to Dick Gerlach and Edith (Bendimire) Gerlach. He married Linda (Sipe) Gerlach on February 15, 1969, in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

He was a **career electrician for the University of Oregon**, and served his country for 4 years of active duty in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He loved hunting, fishing, crabbing, craw daddling, camping, and cherished spending time with family and friends.



SPOTLIGHT ON RICK TABOR

Rick Tabor's career demonstrates how a veteran can successfully transition to a civilian career at UO and be promoted from within. Rick worked his way from an ECST to Lead ECST to the Supervisor position he currently holds. Rick's career at UO highlights the diversity, professional development, and employee retention that makes UO an excellent employer of choice.

What area do you work in within the VPFA portfolio?

CPFM, Utilities and Energy

What is your current position and job responsibilities?

I manage the electrical utility distribution. This encompasses the heat plant, chiller plant, utility meters, all controls, tunnel system, and the medium voltage cabling and transformers on campus.

What has been your career path; how did you end up in your current position?

I joined the US Army straight out of high school. After I got out, I entered the electrical apprenticeship. I did my apprenticeship in the industrial side of the trade - paper mills, mills and hydro. I then moved to a new company and focused on the commercial side. I spent several years on the hydro side as well. Getting here wasn't planned. I got laid off for a week because the snowfall kept me out of the hydro facility I was working on. I saw a job posting at UO as an ECST and thought I would apply. I had never written a resume, so it took me a while to put together. I submitted my resume and about 8 weeks later I got a call from UO. After the interview, I was hired on as an Electrical Control System Technician (ECST) at the power plant. I worked 7 years as an ECST at the UO Central Power Station. While in this position I gained some leadership experience as the Lead ECST supervising two ECST's. I was encouraged by plant management to apply for the supervisor position and was recently hired as the Utilities Electrical Distribution supervisor.

What obstacles have you overcome in your career?

Early in my career I was traveling for work. When I started my apprenticeship, work was slow and you had to travel for work. Keeping up to date with the ever changing industry that moves so rapidly with newer technologies, it was difficult to stay ahead of it all. With the support of UO leadership, I have been able to grow in my capacity as a leader and in my management capabilities, most recently achieving a nationally recognized professional certification in maintenance management.

What is your work history and education that enabled you to attain your current position?

Joining the Army was the best education I have ever had. After that, I did an electrical apprenticeship and attended several classes at our local college. Eventually, I attained my Electrical Supervisor license and gained experience working in the industrial and hydroelectric field. The electronic system controls, medium voltage, as well as supervisory experience in the utility field was paramount for the role as Supervisor of Utilities electrical production and distribution systems.

How has working at UO enabled your professional goals and interests?

Working at the U of O has definitely helped with my professional goals. I was able to pass my Oregon Electrical supervisor test and move up into an OA position. I have always been interested in the electrical distribution and power generation side of our industry. Working at the U of O has allowed my career path grow with my area of interests. The development of employees is a management team priority and has led to opportunities for me professionally, and makes my job more rewarding.

What do you like about your current position?

I get to work in a place that fits in with my experience and every day is different. I have a great deal of autonomy to do my job and I feel enabled and trusted to get the job done. I get to come to work and learn something new every day, which keeps me on my toes and keeps me learning within my field of work.

What advice would you have for others; what secrets would you share for someone thinking of applying to the UO

I would share that you need to keep a positive attitude and a sense of humor to adapt to the way we operate. Working at UO is so much different from the private sector where "the secrets are secret". There are a lot of moving parts, different customers and other departments that are involved with your work and you must understand that you can't do everything on your own. Collaboration is essential.

Share a little about yourself personally;

Family

I have a son, daughter and a fiancé. Three dogs and a cat.

Favorite food

Mexican food

Best movie you've seen

The Hunt for Red October and American Sniper.

If you could only take 3 items with you to a deserted island, what would they be?

Drinking water, knife, and a way to start a fire.

How do you want to be remembered?

Loyal and trustworthy.

If you could have the answer to any question, what would it be?

All the secrets of the United States.



UTILITIES and ENERGY SERVICES NEWS

by Desiree Higgins, Utilities & Energy Office Specialist

CPS and Safety & Risk Services Making a Safer Workplace

Over the past few months, Haily Griffith, Occupational Health and Safety Manager with Safety and Risk Services, has been collaborating with Utilities & Energy staff to review safety protocols and safety equipment at the Central Power Station. Haily has assisted the Maintenance crew with the recent purchase of updated fall protection equipment and the creation of new inspection PMs for the new equipment. Haily is also working with Utilities Maintenance Supervisor, Mo Soleimani, on improving Cooling Tower ladder safety in the Chiller Plant.

After touring the Power Plant with the Operations Supervisor, Paul Langley, Haily pointed out areas where there are potential fall exposures and made recommendations for ladder use on elevated surfaces / catwalks, and pointed out locations where additional handrails need to be installed. After reviewing the Chiller Plant with Utilities Electrical Supervisor Rick Tabor, Haily recommended adding additional Emergency Stop signage for the Chillers. By working together, Safety and Risk Services and Utilities and Energy are committed to further developing a strong safety program and safety awareness at the Central Power Station.



Dave Harris, Utilities & Energy Lead, and Haily Griffith, Occupational Health and Safety Manager with Safety & Risk Services



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Payroll Cut Off	11
12 Daylight Savings 	13	14	15 The Ides of March	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18 Journey with special guest Asia at: Matt Knight Arena
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Pay Day 	
<p>Click here for the DUCK Sports Calendar http://www.goducks.com/main/Schedule.dbml?DB_LANG=C&DB_OEM_ID=500 </p>						