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FACILITIES SERVICES

FACILITIES SERVICES WEEKLY

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Staff Appreciation Week is Coming Up! May 6 - 10

UT's Staff Appreciation Week is on the horizon! Be on the lookout for several events taking place from May 6 through 10 designed to bring some fun to the workday. One way you can get involved is by sending a note of appreciation for a fellow staff member! The first 200 staff members who receive a note of appreciation will also receive a small prize! Get your notes in now to help secure a spot for someone you appreciate. Click [here](#) to send a note. More to come on other Staff Appreciation Week events!

Safety Fest TN 2024 Registration is Open!

Safety Fest TN 2024 is now accepting registrations! This event is scheduled for April 29 - May 3. Let Training know if you plan to attend. To learn more, see: <https://safetyfesttn.org/>

Sick Leave Bank Enrollment

The [Sick Leave Bank](#) provides members who are experiencing a serious illness with an opportunity to request additional paid leave from the bank after they have exhausted all personal accrued leave. Open enrollment runs from April 1 through June 30.

Upcoming Retirement Parties

Go ahead and mark those calendars as we prepare to celebrate alongside soon-to-be retiree, Ernie Cox! Ernie Cox will have his retirement reception in FSC 101/102 at 8am on Wednesday May 22nd. His retirement date is June 3rd after 44 years! All are welcome to attend.

New! UT Employee Hub Online

At the beginning of March, UTK officially launched the UT Knoxville Employee Hub, a comprehensive intranet resource housing employee information. The employee hub is part of a larger commitment to enhancing user experiences and improving online interactions for internal and external audiences. Log into hub.utk.edu using your NetID, get acquainted with this new platform and give us your feedback so we can continue to improve how the university connects you with the information you need.



BUILDING SERVICES

- Student Union
 - The seating area carpet on the first floor near the monumental stairs were vacuumed and cleaned.
 - The green room was detailed cleaned.
 - The women's dressing room and restroom was detailed cleaned.
 - The stairwells were swept and mopped.
 - Auto scrubber was ran in the dining area on the first floor.
 - The back corridors on 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors were dust mopped and mopped.
 - The auditorium was cleaned several times after the events.
 - The auditorium was blown out to remove debris under the seating area.
 - Spot cleaning of carpet in the ballroom and 262.
 - Overlook glass was cleaned along with the handrails along the glass.
 - Several events occurred on the plaza and we removed trash.
 - The G1 floor in phase 2 was dust mopped and auto scrubbed.
 - Both shifts attended a meeting with Gordon.
 - Custodial closets were stocked to prepare for the Orange and White game.
 - We held a meeting with both shifts.
 - We had a lot of cardboard to put in the baler this week.
 - Extra cardboard was brought from Middlebrook and the stadium.
- Other Campus Areas:
 - Auto scrubbed 1st and 2nd floor of Brehm/Food Science.
 - Detailed clean stairwells at Middlebrook.

OPERATIONS & LANDSCAPE LANDSCAPE SERVICES

- Curtis Pique attended the 2024 SEC Landscape Leader's Conference at the University of Georgia. 12 of the 16 SEC Universities were in attendance. This was the third year UT has attended this conference. This is an excellent conference with our peer university landscape leaders where we have the opportunity to see how other schools approach challenges we all share.
- The turf teams are fully into the mowing schedule and the irrigation crew continues with the start up all of the systems on campus.
- Grounds management teams have finished mulching campus and are setting their sights on planting annual color beds and with the usual uptick in campus activities our teams are heavily engaged with supporting those events.
- Preparations for the Orange and White Game were successful and for the Baker School ribbon cutting celebration as well.
- Arboriculture has put the final touches on the planting season and will shift toward general maintenance pruning, plant health care and tree removals. Arbor Day 2024 at Second Creek was a big success. We had over 25 student Volunteers and we received our official 2023 Tree Campus USA recognition for the seventh consecutive year.
- We are also assisting the Principles of Urban Forestry (FORS 335) class with tree climbing instruction through the rest of the semester.

MOVING & EVENT SVCS

- No report received

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ZONE MAINTENANCE

ZONE 1

- Staying caught up on WO in the resident halls.
- Had a scheduled power outage over the weekend that was all frats.
- Had a car drive through the lobby window at N. Carrick Friday.
- Also had vandalism at Hess Hall again over the weekend.

ZONE 2

- A + A - worked on leak in 438 and replaced light in 213
- HPER - checked and adjust chemicals in pools and continued changing hallway light over to LED
- Andy Holt - work on AC on 1st floor and replaced light in P207
- Communications - work on fan in ceiling for AC
- Student Services - installed lens covers in Room 111
- Hearing & Speech - checked and worked on leak across from elevators
- Zone Wide - general building maintenance

ZONE 3

- Zone 3 is concentrating on monthly PMs, building lighting, customer service and customer satisfaction
- Main goal: striving for excellence

ZONE 4

- Repaired a wok in the Student Union Phase I
- Repaired MUA unit issues at Stokely
- Repaired a hot box and dishwasher at Rocky Top Dining
- Repaired an oven at Vol Hall
- Repaired a sink and dishwasher at the Arena

ZONE 5

- Neyland Stadium: Check the restrooms that were used for Orange and White game, and check premium areas for events.
- Regal Soccer: Did building maintenance after One Knox Game and prepare for this week's game.
- Lindsey Nelson Stadium: Building Maintenance for upcoming baseball games.
- Goodfriend Tennis: Make sure everything is in good shape for Tennis matches.
- Football complex: Go through and do general building maintenance and make sure building is in good shape for Recruits.
- Tom Black Track: Do building checks prior to Meet this weekend.
- Sherri Lee Softball: Do building checks for upcoming softball games.

ZONE 7

- Dougherty : Repaired inoperable light fixtures. AHU and Package Unit filters changed.. Exhaust fan Belt Changes. Replaced bad lights in fume hoods Relocate light bulb burn in station in penthouse



ZONE 7 (CONT.)

- Ferris Hall : Ferris 101 installed door closer. Ferris 414 fixed sink drain.
- Perkins Hall : Serviced bottle fillers. Fixed tile floor. Repaired door closer. Repaired light over handicap toilet
- Min Kao : Working on lights, working on restrooms, working on ceiling tile, doing building checks.
- SERF : Chang lights to flat panels in rooms 402 & 404, Fix leak in hall by 702, Unclog urinal on 5th floor, Fix nonworking outlets in 731, Replace floor tile though out building and Replace ceiling slats though out building
- Nursing : Room to room mold checks, Rebuild toilet in 2nd floor women's restroom
- Zeanah : replaced toilet seat, replaced ceiling tile, replaced paper towel dispenser, assisted A/C shop, diagnosed window leaks, replaced vacuum breaker, assisted zone
- Tickle : replaced light bulbs, diagnosed outside light issues, replaced electrical box punch out, replaced paper towel dispenser, reset tripped breaker, reset chiller static pressure switch
- AMB: Changed water filters 1st and 2nd floor water fountains, replacing exit signs that stopped working after power outage , working shows and events
- Jessie Harris: CHANGED STEAM TRAP
CLEANED FILTERS IN CEILING
- Fiber & composites: CHANGED LIGHTS DONE
MOLD CHECKS CLEANED MACHINE ROOM
- SENTER Hall: Changed lights washed out the louvers washed out the machine room

ZONE 8

- We are getting closer to the start of move-in for the new ANRB Building and making preparations in advance of that.
- We replaced a water spigot at the Central Greenhouse.
- Our One-Call remains at a steady pace with calls from Campus.
- We are trying to keep our Archibus work requests up to date as possible.

ZONE 9

- We made repairs to a roof issue at the Glazer Building in Oak Ridge.
- We sealed several conduits that were allowing rain to enter the building at 1525 University Avenue.
- Our LED conversion continues at the UTIA Eastern Region Office as we can access the space.
- We have 2 AC units go down at Middlebrook Building.

SPECIALTIES TEAM

- No report received



SUSTAINABILITY

- Tonight, April 15th, will be our Environmental Leadership awards at Student Union Ballroom C at 7 pm.
- The Grow Lab is hosting a Pollinator Slope Workday on Wednesday, April 17th from 1:00pm - 3:00pm.
- Next week, we will be celebrating Earth Week 2024! Here is a list of some events on campus:
 - Monday, April 22: Earth Day Festival -- 11am-2pm at the Student Union Plaza.
 - Tuesday, April 23: Pollinator Party -- 12-3pm at the Grow Lab.
 - Thursday, April 25: 3rd Creek Clean Up -- 3rd Creek from 9am-12pm on Thursday, April 25th.
 - Friday, April 26: Sustainability Symposium -- 5-7pm in the Student Union Ballroom B.
- Recent recycling totals:
 - 2,320 lbs cans and plastic
 - 5,920 lbs of paper
 - 23,208 lbs of food waste composted
 - 326.7 lbs of materials donated to the Free Store
 - 121.2 lbs of materials picked up at the Free Store

LOCK & KEY SERVICES

- Lindsey Nelson – Family Restroom lock function not working
- Basler Boathouse – change lock functions
- Biosystems Engr. – door handle broke
- Music – repair exit doors
- Hodges Library – change out door lock
- On Campus – Exit door project
- Agriculture & Natural Resources – loading cores
- Front Office – Processing key request, key pick up and drop off

- University Housing – many recores and repairs, assisting as needed

COMM & INFO

COMM & PR

- Send any photos of your work team that you'd like to see featured on FS social media directly to Sam at sjones80@utk.edu or 865-771-1531!

TRAINING

- Safety Fest TN 2024 is now accepting registrations! This event is scheduled for April 29 - May 3. Let Training know if you plan to attend. To learn more, see: <https://safetyfesttn.org/>
- Training Calendar is available online! Visit <https://fs.utk.edu/comminfo/training/> to view upcoming training dates, times and information throughout the year. The calendar is located below the "Login for online training" link. Check back often as new events and opportunities are added often!

FS IT

Looking for an update or information on the DASH implementation process? Visit <https://liveutk.sharepoint.com/sites/DASHProgram> to learn more!

- Office Demolition and Reorganization
- Monitor Installations
- New Computer Installs

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FS IT (CONT.)

- Plotter Move Coordination
- Email List updates
- ERC Meeting
- Conference Room network troubleshooting
- UT Verse Training/Demo
- Printer Assistance

UTILITIES SERVICES

A/C SERVICES

- Plant Bio- Room # 230 Worked on growth chamber.
- BESS – repair water leaks on the heating water system
- Plant Bio- Room# B15 worked on burned out parts.
- Zeanah – install a heat exchanger in process chilled water loop
- JARTU – repair leak on chilled water coil in AHU no.4
- Walters Academic -repair heating water coils
- Dabney Buhler – worked on 2 different VAV units.
- Dabney Buhler – Replaced rusted-out hot water line in 2UD floor hallway.
- Stokely Hall – worked on the VRF system.
- West Skybox – repair leak on chiller no. 1
- Stokely Hall- worked on the ice machine.
- McCord Hall – repaired freezer 2 units and ice machine.
- Hesler Bio – worked on Bo06c.
- Presidential court- Repaired Freezer.
- CRC -Did PM on Vacuum pump.

ELECTRICAL SERVICES

Fire Alarm:

- Black Culture Respond to the fire alarm, Belford working.
- TBA disable /enable beam detectors for contractors.
- Student Union troubleshoot duct detector trouble issues.
- Rocky Top reset duct detector supervisory.
- North Carrick replaced the smoke detector in room 934.
- TBA fire watch event.
- Assist with power outage
- Communication replaces the Primex clock in room 402.
- Nielsen removed the duct detector for maintenance.
- South Carrick Hall cleaned dirty smoke in rooms 905 & 818.
- TBA disable beam detectors for maintenance.
- Massey Hall enables heat detector in the basement
- Dabney Hall fire alarm in room 104 smoke detector set it by steam.
- Music Building replace sprinkler head in music library.
- Alpha Delta Pi clean dirty smoke detector 3rd. floor hallway.
- Regal Soccer replace sprinkler dry system air compressor.
- Daily assist MASCO with pump test.
- Removed controls from lights for troubleshooting at Baker Center Room 130C
- Remove power for outside bollard lights for the event at Baker Center Courtyard
- Locate breaker for emergency lights at ETREC Johnson Animal Research



ELECTRICAL SVCS (CONT.)

- Contactor buzzing at Communications and Information Building
- Electrical Outlets not working at Haslam Music Center Room 329
- Temporary Event power for Tom Black Track
- Trace out power for adding dedicated circuits at the Alumni Memorial Building
- Met with Merit Construction, Engineers, and Shoffner regarding Phase 2 of Food City Center Upgrades
- Pole Lights not working at Kingston Pike Building
- Trace and remove power for pole lights at McClung Museum Parking Lot
- Provide Temporary Power for VIP Toilet Trailers for Game
- Provide Ground Rods and Grounding of Generators for Event Power at the S9 Lot for Football Events
- Provide Game Day Support for UT Orange and White Football Game

PLUMBING SERVICES

- McCord Hall 1st Floor Women's Restroom sink drain broken
- Strong Hall Leak in the ceiling
- McCord Hall B009 supply line broken in wall
- Walter's Academic D408 ½ heating water line leaking in wall
- Dougherty Engineering sink in the new women's bathroom on 3rd floor line is stopped up
- Anderson Training dish room drain stopped up
- Stadium 48" drain stopped up under the field

- UT Culinary Institute urinal stopped up in the men's restroom
- Dabney Buehler room 104 Heat Exchanger not working
- Hoskins Library 1st Floor Women's Restroom replace stop Values
- Zeta TAU Alpha 2nd Floor Restroom water leaking from drain

STEAM PLANT

- Chemical Delivery
- Clean cobwebs out of the lights and ceilings
- Mark faulty valves with caution tape (for shut down)
- Made and installed new flange gasket on water polisher tank
- Collected fuel oil samples
- Walked the steam tunnel looking for leaks (found a hot dozen)
- Started portable air compressors (one wouldn't run will call for service)

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

- Alpha Tau Omega: Replace 6 doors
- Andy Holt Tower: Phase II renovations; Cubicles P121; Dimmable lighting P115
- Art and Architecture: Install Unistrut grid for camera and lights 235; Repaint front, adjust doors and replace flooring in Ewing Gallery 115; Add walls 431
- Austin Peay: Paint and carpet 301F, 410B; Paint, carpet, furniture on 2, 3 and 4
- Ayers Hall: Make offices on the 3rd floor
- Baker Center: Office renovations on 1, 2, 3
- Biosystems Offices: new flooring 204 and 314
- Burchfiel Geography: Paint 6 offices of 3 and 4

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CONSTRUCTION (CONT.)

- Campus: Water meters for cooling water make-up; Classroom Renovations Summer 2024; Move sculpture from McClung Museum to Hoskins Library
- Carrick Hall North: Paint walls on all floors
- Ceramics Building: Electric for kiln
- Clement Hall: Install trash compactor
- Communications: Renovate 45; New furnishings 202 and 239; Demo and new wall 102 and 103; Electric for cubicle 202; Access controls 061, 091; Paint 66E, 107J, 107X, 101C, 101D; New furniture 209; Demo electric and paint 209; Construct wall 3rd floor corridor
- Conference Center Building: Paint and carpet 4th floor; Renovate Suite 313; Install monitors for 308; New furniture and electric work 224A; Connect new ovens on 4th floor; Paint 4 offices 314
- Dabney Buehler: Install dishwasher 302; Renovations 675, 676, 677; Repair floor crack 6th floor corridor; Electric 216
- Dougherty Engineering: Renovate restrooms on 1st floor; Paint, carpet, wall 422
- Early Learning Center: Install new stove
- ETREC Johnson Animal: Paint floor in swine area
- ETREC Plant Science Unit: Electric work
- Facilities Services: Reinstall wind turbine; Construct new office spaces
- Ferris Hall: Cubicle work 209
- Glazer Building: Renovation for classroom; Replace carpet in Suite 100
- HPER: Paint B020; Paint and carpet 328; Mesh gates B001, B002
- Haslam Business Building: Switch access controls to UTPD server; Add glass to door 308; Repair tile in mezzanine corridor; Add receptacles 310 and 523
- Hesler Biology: Electric work 114; Renovate 104 and 105 for labs; Repair ceilings on 5; Remove growth chamber 245; Paint and carpet 537; Renovate 606
- Hodges Library: Renovate suites on 1st and 6th floors; Frosted glass for door G020C; Renovate 171 for Census Bureau; Paint and wall coverings 235E; Paint and electric 630
- Hoskins Library: Flooring for Air Force; Concrete pad for art work
- International House: Interior painting on both floors
- Jessie Harris: Paint B016; Remove hood 234; Paint and carpet 411
- Kingston Pike Building: Electric, painting, flooring 123
- Law Complex: Refinish desk edges 158; Paint and carpet suites 161, 166, 248
- Lindsay Nelson Stadium: New sidewalk behind porches
- McCord Hall: Electric and concrete work 054; Security door 112
- McClung Museum: Access controls and new doors G070; Paint and flooring 103A
- McClung Tower: Replace penthouse ladder; Install LVT 1110; Paint and flooring 711; Renovations on 11th floor; Paint 417; Paint and carpet 717; New blinds on 6th floor; Blind on 8 and 10
- Middlebrook Building: Remove cubicles, paint 237
- Morgan Hall: Paint and electric 121; Paint and carpet 114 and 225; Carpet 118
- Music Building: Bulletin board in corridor
- Mossman: Renovate labs 343 E & F, 351 E & F
- Nielsen Physics: Paint, misc. Grad Student space 105; Paint and misc. work 218, 215
- Perkins Hall: Window film S010; Replace ceiling fans 219; Renovate multiple rooms for BME; Remove things from wall 199A
- Regal Soccer Stadium: Dumpster pad, enclosure and landscaping

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CONSTRUCTION (CONT.)

- Reese Hall: Paint entire building; Resurface deck and parapet
 - Senter Hall: Access controls 103; Electric lab 101
 - SERF: Renovations for 103, 106, 108, 213; lab renovations 520 and 536; lab renovations 434, 438, 439; Hang a white board 611; Patch, Paint, locking 201
 - Soccer/Softball: Dumpster enclosure
 - South College: Exterior caulking
 - Strong: Lab renovation in 720F; Install fire shutter 317
 - Student Aquatic Center: Remove small shed from basement; Replace some floor tiles in lobby
 - Student Health: Renovate 288A and 288B for offices
 - Student Rec and Fitness Center: Replace outdoor pool fence; Repair/replace roof on shade structures; Change outdoor pool lights to LED; Locks for fence; Divide 210 into 2 offices
 - Student Services: Renovate 116B (paint, signage, glass, cubicles)
 - Student Union: Paint 383; Door operator 373; Rework receptacle for freezer 376C
 - Thompson Boling Arena: Utilities for compactor; Electric in kitchen 218; Access controls 299G, 299H and 199
 - Tickle: Install 6 cubicles 310; Electric 112, 113; Renovations to high bay 110 for robotics lab; Renovate 525C small meeting room; Make 525K an office
 - UT Arboretum: Electric service to Holly Garden
 - UT Drive Building A: Install door 131A
 - UT Drive Building B: Electric work 107
 - UT IAMM: Electric and utility work G025; Electric, utilities, pit modifications G007; Electric work G035; Exhaust in lab 242; Electric work G002/G003; Electric work 172
 - UT/Little River Farm: install 3 satellites on roofs
 - UT Warehouse: New split door and electric work 115; Carpet 208; Larger gate 130A
 - Vol Condos: Charging station
 - Zeanah Engineering: Card reader M167B; Deadbolt locks on suite doors and light switch 161B; Remove rubber floor/polish concrete Nuclear corridor; Move radiation monitors G116; Add access controls for 8 rooms; Install 3 clocks in classroom on 3; Swap door and add access controls 511; Replace key control for doors with push button G117 and G116
 - 1610 University Ave.: Move door 230A; Monitors for 4 rooms and blackout shades; Electric for weather station on roof
 - 1817 Melrose Ave.: Add door bell and panic buttons
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- Facilities Services Complex Break Room & Shop Area
 - Steam Plant (near time clock)
 - Steam Plant Hill (Landscape Trailer)
 - Hodges Library 1st Floor Service Hallway
 - SERF Outside of Room 426
 - The electronic employee comment box can be found at tiny.utk.edu/fscommentbox





WEEKLY SAFETY STAND DOWN

DISTRACTED DRIVING: TEXTING & DRIVING

I think by now we all know the dangers of texting and driving yet, it continues to happen every day. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 3,308 people died in 2022 due to distracted driving, and an estimated 289,310 people were injured. Distracted driving is a factor in 8% of deadly accidents, 14% of injuries, and 13% of all motor vehicle crashes. It only takes a second, but it can have life-long repercussions. Texting and driving may seem innocent enough and it sure is tempting to do, but every year thousands of faultless drivers and passengers are killed due to the negligence of other drivers. As a form of distracted driving, texting while driving causes the driver to take their focus from the road and onto their hand-held device. Even while at a stoplight, this behavior can be dangerous, as drivers need to maintain total focus in order to drive safely.



FIVE SECONDS IS THE AVERAGE TIME YOUR EYES ARE OFF THE ROAD WHILE TEXTING. WHEN DRIVING AT 55 MPH, THAT'S ENOUGH TIME TO COVER THE LENGTH OF A FOOTBALL FIELD.

Lethal consequences or the chance of injuring someone are the biggest risk factors with texting and driving, but there are other risks as well. Consider these other consequences of texting and driving before you pick up your phone when you're behind the wheel.

- You are probably breaking the law: Texting and driving is illegal in every state except Montana, so you could get a ticket—and a fine.
- Your insurance could go up: If you get a ticket for distracted driving, count on your insurance rates skyrocketing.
- You could damage your car: Even if you don't hurt someone if you cause a crash while texting, you could severely damage your car. A totaled vehicle won't be cheap to repair or replace.



WEEKLY SAFETY STAND DOWN

DISTRACTED DRIVING: TEXTING & DRIVING

- You could get sued: According to the Dickerson Oxtan law office, you could be sued for negligence if you caused a car wreck while texting and driving.
 - March 2023, Georgia: \$80,000 Verdict. The plaintiff was driving westbound when the defendant allegedly failed to stop, collided with the rear of the plaintiff's motor vehicle, and pushed the plaintiff's vehicle into the vehicle in front of it. The plaintiff said that the defendant accelerated after colliding with the plaintiff's vehicle and that she was texting and driving when the accident occurred.
 - August 2021, Tennessee: \$35,000 Verdict. A man stopped at an intersection. He was rear-ended. The man suffered unspecified personal injuries. He alleged negligence against the at-fault driver. The man claimed he texted while driving, tailgated him, and unsafely sped. A jury awarded \$35,000.
 - December 2023, South Carolina: \$44,000,000 Verdict: An Amazon delivery driver suddenly turned at a stop sign, cutting off the plaintiff's motorcycle. This action led to a collision that resulted in injuries to Shaw's shoulder and spine, as well as a mild brain injury. The jury awarded \$44 million.

Texting and driving consequences are not worth the few minutes wait until it is safety to send or respond to a text or your phone in general. Leave your phone in your pocket or if you are still tempted, put it in the back seat. Who knows, the life you save could be your own.