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FACILITIES SERVICES

FACILITIES SERVICES WEEKLY

FEBRUARY 3, 2025

Next Departmental Virtual Meeting - Thursday, February 6

Our next FS departmental virtual meeting will be held on Thursday, February 6th at 4pm. This will be held in Microsoft Teams instead of Zoom going forward. If you have questions you'd like addressed, you can send those to Mike Brady or Sam Ledford ahead of time. A link will be sent soon.

FS Annual Emergency Management Training

Mark your calendars for this year's FS Emergency Management Training. Multiple sessions will be offered, and all will last an hour and take place in FSC 101/102. Foremen - please send one email to fstraining@utk.edu to indicate which session(s) your team would like to attend.

Wednesday, February 19 - 8:30am, 10am, 10pm

Thursday, February 20 - 4pm

Thursday, February 27 - 8:30am, 10am, 1:30pm

DASH Drop-In Office Hours (Virtual)

On Tuesday, February 4th FS Training will host virtual drop-in DASH Office Hours from 8:30a to 4:30p. During this time, feel free to pop into the Microsoft Teams meeting linked below to ask questions, talk through how DASH aids in performing your job duties, or to receive a refresher on a particular task.

Link to DASH Office Hours: [Join the meeting now](#) | Meeting ID: 259 079 897 602 | Passcode: rS6gwV

Nominations Open for Chancellor's Honors Banquet - Friday deadline!

Nominations for the 2025 Chancellor's Honors Banquet are open through the beginning of February. There are many Facilities Services employees who meet the criteria and are deserving of a nomination. The process is relatively simple, and I'd be happy to help with submissions. For most, you'd just need to provide a brief statement. Click [here](#) and select the "Awards for Staff" drop down to learn more about each award. Please let me know if you'd like to collaborate on your nomination(s).



BUILDING SERVICES

- Jessie Harris- Detailed all the offices on 1-4
- Mossman- worked on stair wells and high dusting.
- Hoskins Library- scrubbing entrance floors and detailing restrooms.
- Law College - Ran the auto scrubber on 1st floor and the Commons area. High dusting
- Strong - cleaning classrooms and ran auto scrubber on the floors G-7

Student Union

- Event Room 262 B/C the carpet was vacuumed and cleaned.
- The clipper was used to clean the carpet in Ballroom A near the windows.
- G1 phase 2 was dust mopped, and the auto scrubber was used.
- The built-ins in the ballrooms were detailed cleaned
- Built-ins in 262 C and B were detailed cleaned.
- The stairwells in both phases were swept and mopped.
- The Pantry floor was swept and moped with tape removal.
- The dock manager's office was cleaned.
- Events are in full swing and multiple rooms are being flipped and used.

OPERATIONS & LANDSCAPE

LANDSCAPE SERVICES

- Well, if you believe Punxsutawney Phil, we should brace ourselves for six more weeks of winter weather, but the Landscape teams aren't sitting around waiting for spring. There's work to be done to get ready for the upcoming growing season.

- The turf crews are finishing up leaf removal and going through their mowers, blowers and line trimmers to make sure everything is ready to go when the grass starts to grow. The grounds crews are putting down the final loads of mulch, making plans for spring annuals and pruning shrubs for the start of the growing season. We completed a significant landscape renovation at the front of Walters Life Sciences Building that included new landscape beds and irrigation. The Arbor Ops crew has been planting trees around campus and continuing to work on the winter pruning schedule as well. Arboriculture is teaming up with Sustainability this year for UTK Arbor Day on March 7th so stay tuned for more information on our annual tree celebration.

MOVING & EVENT SERVICES

Events:

- Smokey's Winter Jam at HSS Plaza
- Vol 106 - Vols Start Back Event at Hodges Library
- Vol is a Verb Event at Student Union Ped Walkway Bridge Section
- Homelands Campus Reception at McClung Museum Lobby
- Tennessee Cello Workshop at Haslam Music Center Atrium & 105
- Pancakes at Pendergrass at Vet Med TLC Concourse
- Chi Alpha Coffee & Questions at Student Union Ped Walkway Bridge Section
- Picked up and returned A-frame signage promoting Smokey's Winter Jam
- Set up Toyota Auditorium at Baker School for a meeting

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MOVING & EVENT SVCS (CONT.)

Moves:

- Moved furniture out of Melrose Hall E wing, and F wing to Silverstein-Luper for storage
- Picked up surplus furniture and delivered to Morgan Hall 218D
- Moved furniture from Stephenson Drive Recycling to Silverstein-Luper for storage
- Moved cubicle panels & pieces from 1st floor stairwell Plant Biotech to room 412
- Picked up growth chamber from Plant Biotech and delivered to Austin Peay B111 for repairs
- Unboxed and assembled furniture for Andy Holt Tower room 635 and hauled away old furniture
- Moved palleted items into White Ave. Early Learning Center from a delivery that was left on sidewalk
- Picked up growth chamber from JARTU C111 and delivered to Austin Peay B111 for repairs
- Unboxed and assembled tables and chairs in Communications room 480
- Picked up purchased surplus furniture and other items and delivered to Student Services 211C

SUSTAINABILITY

- Compost weights:
 - Landscaping waste: 18,300 lbs
 - Animal waste: 12,850 lbs
 - Food waste: 16,316 lbs
 - Grease water: 12,000 lbs

MAINTENANCE & REPAIR HOUSING

- Staying caught up on work orders in the resident halls.
- The new PVI's in Fred Brown should be online this week.
- We are thawing out and getting issues resolved after cooled blast has moved out.

ATHLETICS

- Neyland - General maintenance on premium areas.
- Regal Soccer: General Maintenance & prepping for Spring soccer camp.
- Lindsey Nelson Stadium: Doing general building maintenance and preparing for Baseball season.
- Football complex: Doing general building maintenance and checking all areas for recruits and visitors.
- Sherri Lee Softball: General Maintenance and preparing for Softball Season.
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- Allan Jones: Gen. Maintenance & working swim meets
- Goodfriend Tennis: General Maintenance, working tennis tournaments.
- Thompson Boiling Arena: Prepping for this week's basketball games.

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DINING

- Repaired a grill and oven at Stokely
- Replaced combi oven door gaskets at the Student Union Phase I
- Worked on an Aeon air handler at Culinary
- Repaired doors and lights at Rocky Top Dining
- Repaired a tray conveyor at Anderson Training
- Repaired a cooler and freezer at Vol Hall

ZONE 4

- A&A - work on heating problems and a light in 425
- Andy Holt - work on heating problems and a faucet in the women’s restroom on the 5th floor
- Communications - working on lights in 298, unstopped toilet in men’s room 102
- Student Services - working on heating problems in 107 and a faucet in 202
- McClung Tower - work on leak on 8th floor and looked at a door in S002
- Zone-Wide General maintenance

ZONE 5

- Busy with DASH - learning how to navigate the system and on demand work requests
- Cold weather coverage was a difficult challenge, but hats off to the men that worked!
- As always, customer service and satisfaction remain top priorities.

ZONE 7

- No report received

ZONE 8

- No report received

M&R SPECIALTIES

- No report received

LOCK & KEY SERVICES

- A & A – combination lock – repair
- Auxiliary Services – double doors – hardware falling off
- Cherokee Mills – loading cores – new suite
- Goodfriend Tennis Center – stairwell door not latching
- Brehm Animal Science – repair door locks
- Blount Hall – door locks not latching – multiple doors
- 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

- OSHA Training is now online! Go ahead and log into K@TE to complete your OSHA training as soon as possible for 2025.
- Training Calendar is available online! Visit <https://fs.utk.edu/comminfo/training/> to view upcoming training dates, times and information throughout the year. Check back often as new events and opportunities are added often!

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FS IT

- Replace Vandalized Time Clock at North Concord
- Conference Room Setups
- 2025 Computer Upgrade Program
- Assist with transition from Ann Free to Work Order Management
- Investigate Printer lost in Shipping..
- Server Management
- DASH support
- Printer Installations
- Assist with Engraver Upgrade in Sign Shop
- Register/Troubleshoot SCADA Devices on UT Network.
- Order Network circuits for Campus SCADA Program
- Register Building Access Devices in NetReg
- Installed Video-over-Ethernet in Conference Room 114, Conference Room Upgrade Project is now Complete.
- Adobe Purchase

UTILITIES SERVICES

A/C SERVICES

- SERF Chiller building – Started piping in new air compressor.
- Delta Zeta- Repaired unit.
- Zeta Tau Alpha- Worked on unit.
- 1816 Sigma – Worked on units.
- 1832 Fraternity- Repaired ductwork and unit.
- Hesler Bio- Worked on walk in.
- Alumni Hall – Worked on humidifiers.
- Andy Holt cooling tower – Repaired make up water line.
- 1525 University- Worked on unit in IT room.
- Auxiliary – Worked on fan coil units.

- JARTU – Repaired coil.
- 1840 Melrose- Worked on unit.

Controls:

- Assist JCI with troubleshooting speaker short circuits @ Allen Jones
- Assist JCI with Reports @Rocky Top
- Disable and enable the f200 system and fire alarm in the server room @SMC
- Help gate company @ Steam Plant
- Move the traffic control cabinet to the shop for testing @ Facilities
- Programmed devices and installed communication equipment for BAS connectivity@ IAMM, Music Chiller, Claxton, Anderson, TREC, Walters, Student Union, Student Union 2, UT Credit Union, HPER, Neilson Physics, SMC
- Pumping test @ Anderson & Burchfield, Zeanah, Hodges, Hesler
- Replace bad pull station @allen jones
- Remove broken speaker in arena area @ Vet school
- Trouble AHU for maintenance @Humanities
- Change the smoke detector in the duct detector @ Presidential Court
- Check clock tower @Ayres
- Disable and enable the fire alarm for Morristown
- Yearly Sprinkler testing @ Laurel
- Reset fire alarm for maintenance @ JARTU
- Replace duct detector@ Presidential Court
- Check the pedestrian crossing pedestal @ Campus
- Duct detector trouble @ Presidential Court
- Replace head in duct detector @ HPER
- Monthly fire pump with Morristown @ Clement & Fred Brown
- Semi-Annual sprinkler inspection with Morristown @ Clement & Fred Brown
- Move horn and strobe for fire alarm @840 20th St.
- Steam Plant gate @ Steam Plant
- Fire panel trouble reminder @ Brehm

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ELECTRICAL SERVICES

- Circuit Breakers Tripping and Outlets Smoking at ANRB
- Downloading Building Lutron Lighting Files to System
- KATE Training
- Installation of electrical power for new HVAC unit at Andy Holt Tower Administration Garage P2 Mechanical Room
- Replaced defective circuit breaker at Sorority House
- Installed electrical power for new water heater and PIV's at Fred Brown mechanical room
- Installation of electrical power for Rainbird irrigation controllers
- Removed temporary electrical feed for the Chick-Fil-A Food Truck Gate 21 Neyland Stadium
- Installation of Communications Raceway at Middlebrook Pike Building for VolShop
- Installation of electrical power for new HVAC unit at UT Creamery
- Repaired electrical power for pumps at Hodges

PLUMBING SERVICES

- No report received

STEAM PLANT

- Cleaned the shop
- Check the fluids on all forklifts
- Steam yard walk-through (leak inspection)
- Maintaining air filters Sul Air compressor
- CAT generator test run
- Replaced gasket on fuel tank #4
- Repaired leak on the heater on the fire floor
- Installed a new water harness monitoring system on fire floor

IN-HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

- Agriculture and Natural Resource Building: Install cabinets 411; Display cabinet 219
- Anderson Training Center: Water and drain for Smokey's
- Architecture Research Annex: Make watertight exterior shell
- Art and Architecture: Install Unistrut grid for camera and lights 235
- Austin Peay: Paint, carpet, furniture on 2, 3
- Campus: Support for dining operations; Locks for CEHHS rooms; Sidewalk repair
- Claxton Education: Paint, flooring, other renovations to 101 and 109A; Access controls for 101
- Communications: Renovate 001-017, 250/251, 294/295, 333 and 420; HVAC for WUOT 299I
- Dabney Buehler: Lab renovation 209-214; Polish concrete floor 633
- Dougherty Engineering: New sink 307A1; Sink M020
- ETREC Johnson Animal: Replace 2 blue phones; Construct dog park
- Facilities Services: Install monitors in 127; Digital signage on conf. rooms; Monitors in 122
- Fred Brown: HVAC, exhaust for food areas; Paint walls, stairways, etc.
- HPER: Paint B020; Mesh gates/offices B001, B002; Level floor 113, 120-124; Wall and door 143
- Haslam Business Building: Renovate 418 Anderson Center
- Haslam Music Building: Paint and flooring, electric 312 and 313
- Hesler Biology: Renovate 104 and 105 for labs; Remove growth chamber 245; Renovate 606, 608, 609; Install generator for greenhouse electric
- Hodges Library: Renovate 171 for Census Bureau; Sink and room alterations 209 and 211

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CONSTRUCTION (CONT.)



- Hoskins Library: Flooring for Air Force
- Innovation South: Electric connections for equipment
- Law Complex: Offices, conference rooms 212
- McCord Hall: Renovate for growth room B003
- Middlebrook Building: Modify door controls on 137; Offices on 1st floor
- Morgan Hall: Office renovations 105-112
- Mossman : Renovate labs 343 E & F, 351 E & F
- Nielsen Physics: Meeting space 604
- Perkins Hall: Renovate multiple rooms for BME
- SERF: Renovations for 103, 106, 108, 213; lab renovations 520 and 536; lab renovations 434, 438, 439: Lab renovations for cluster hires; 480 volt electric 610
- South and East Stadium: Emergency electric for weather station
- Strong Hall: Lab work 726A1
- Student Aquatic Center: Safety handles around pool pump motor pit; Electric for pool systems
- Temple Hall: Lighting for compactors 109
- Tickle Engineering: Renovations for robotics lab A100; Build 3 offices in 502
- UT IAMM: Paint 226
- Vet Med Center: Electric and prep work for 2 new x-ray machines; Walls, doors, electric D118, B203; Add a blue phone
- Vol Hall: Electric for truck charger
- Walters Academic: Renovate A203 for storage
- Zeanah Engineering: Card reader \ Add access controls for 8 rooms; Lab renovations for cluster hires; Rad exhaust and moving hoods 1 and 2; Make 275 an office
- 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

FEBRUARY IS AMERICAN HEART MONTH

February is National Heart Month, and we want to take this opportunity to point you toward an entire month's worth of resources for heart health! See below for an overview, but visit <https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/education/ourhearts> for more in-depth information.

February 2025 American Heart Month



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Announce American Heart Month on your social media accounts, newsletters, & website. Learn More
2 Get smart about your heart—learn the basics! Learn More	3 Use the #OurHearts hashtag and graphics in your social media posts. Learn More	4 Stress less! Try mindful meditation for 10 minutes. Learn More	5 Share rates of coronary heart disease in your state on social media. Learn More	6 Add an extra fruit or veggie to each meal. Learn More	7 Wear red to celebrate National Wear Red Day! Learn More	8 Choose a new herb or spice to try instead of salt. Learn More
9 March in place during commercials to get your heart pumping while watching TV. Learn More	10 Watch videos on the Keep Your Heart Healthy playlist. Learn More	11 Try a new recipe. NHLBI offers a variety of delicious heart-healthy recipes. Learn More	12 Schedule an appointment to get your cholesterol checked. Learn More	13 Learn if you are at a healthy weight. Learn More	14 Happy Valentine's Day! Share a self-care message on social media. Learn More	15 Give the elevator the day off and take the stairs. Learn More
16 Plan your menu for the week ahead with these heart-healthy recipes. Learn More	17 Know your numbers! Learn how to self-measure your blood pressure. Learn More	18 Share a funny video or joke that makes you laugh. Learn More	19 Take a 15-minute walk break. Learn More	20 Swap the sugary sweets for a piece of fruit. Learn More	21 Talk to your doctor about your blood pressure numbers and what they mean for you. Learn More	22 Tell a friend about The Heart Truth® Learn More
23 Quit smoking. Quitting reduces your risk for heart disease. Learn More	24 Connect with The Heart Truth on Facebook, X, Pinterest, Instagram, or LinkedIn! Learn More	25 Add a stretch break to your day to increase your flexibility. Learn More	26 Make today a salt-free day. Use herbs for flavor instead of salt. Learn More	27 Head to bed with enough time to get a full 7-9 hours of sleep. Learn More	28 Take breaks from screentime and move more. Learn More	

FACILITIES SERVICES FUN

CLARIFICATION ON WAYNE STATUS

There's been some confusion when referencing Wayne Stalans or Wayne Parsons in the department. Taking a page from Dr. Suess's book, Wayne Stalans took the initiative to make it easier for everyone by designating himself as Wayne #1 with Parsons answering to Wayne #2. He even had matching hoodies made to help distinguish between the two. In all seriousness, we love to see Facilities Services staff having fun!





CAMPUS EVENTS TO EXPAND YOUR BORDERS

McClung Museum Exhibition Opens New Exhibition - Homelands: Connecting to Mounds through Native Art

McClung Museum is proud to present Homelands: Connecting to Mounds through Native Art now open to the public at the McClung Museum of Natural History & Culture. This new exhibition, five years in the making, represents the museum's largest renovation in over 20 years. Associate Vice Chancellor for Assessment, Culture, and Education, Dr. Lamar Bryant, will join Chancellor Plowman and others at a campus reception on January 29 at the McClung Museum to celebrate the many partners who made “Homelands” possible.

This groundbreaking exhibition is the result of a meaningful collaboration with four Native Nations connected to Knox County—Cherokee Nation, Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and The Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

“Homelands” centers Native American interpretation to explore Indigenous relationships to mounds and placemaking. Featuring contemporary works by 17 Native artists, the exhibition examines Native American mounds and their continuity as sacred spaces, and emphasizes the enduring ties between Native Nations and Knox County. [Click here](#) to read more about the collaboration, the process, and the new works in this collection.

Interested in a tour of the
GROW LAB?

We offer in-depth tours of the many features of the Grow Lab's Garden and Meadow areas. These educational tours include information on our rainwater harvesting shed, pollinator habitats, current crops, rain garden, and fruit tree orchard, with exciting additions coming soon!

Contact growlab@utk.edu to coordinate a time and date that works best for your group.

T RECYCLING



Seed Paper Valentine's Day Card Workshop

*Join the Grow Lab for a zero-waste card
tutorial and let your love bloom!*

***February 13th
4-5pm***

***Register with the
QR Code:***

