The 2013 Facilities Management Employee Appreciation Day Luncheon was a big success. As Chairperson, I was fortunate to have an outstanding team producing a "Stand Out" performance. One example was the committee's recommendation to move the event this year from the festival area to our location behind the O'Keefe Building. This decision provided easy access to the softball field where our major sporting events took place and eliminated our parking challenges. Mother Nature also had a hand in our successful event, showing us favor as the weather was perfect. A great big thank you to the committee, volunteers and our sponsors for their support in making this possible.

In closing, Facilities Management is an organization made up of wonderful, talented people leading the industry with best practices and doing extraordinary things. As a member of the Facilities Management Team you should be proud of the organization you helped build.

Tommy Little
Associate Director, Building Services
Since I began serving as Interim Senior Director of Operations and Maintenance this spring, I have continued to be energized and impressed by the quality, depth and breadth of the people and talent in this organization. I often get asked the question – “What is Operations and Maintenance and what do you do?” My typical response is “Everything it takes to successfully operate and maintain all the facilities and grounds on and around the Georgia Tech campus. When they tilt their head to the side and look at me like they are trying to figure out what I just said, I usually explain that it is kind of like running a city; however our city happens to be home to some very sophisticated research facilities and over 20,000 really smart students.

We do everything that a city public works department does, plus some. We provide critical utilities, building and systems maintenance, grounds upkeep, waste management and recycling and a vast array of other services that fall under each of these areas. We do this, while constantly working toward improved resource conservation, energy efficiency, sustainable operation and management practices. Often, our work takes place behind the scenes – but the visible impact it makes for our students, faculty, staff and visitors is very apparent. As we embark on another new academic year, I have already been stopped a number of times by people who have told me how great the campus looks and how much they appreciate the work of our Operations and Maintenance team.

Thank you for all you do, and for keeping our institution running.

See you around campus.

Go Jackets!

Steam Shutdown

The Utilities Maintenance department performs two steam shutdowns per year. One shutdown is in May and the other is in August. Preventive maintenance is performed in all of the steam manholes which includes replacing valves, regulators, traps, gaskets, insulation and other items.

Preventative maintenance is also performed at the Power Plant on the boilers. They punch the boiler tubes, tune up the boilers and their controls.

In May our staff performed an inspection and they compiled a list of parts needed for the repair. In August they performed the repair. The shutdown in May is generally one week and the one in August is two weeks.
1. What is your title?
Area 3 Maintenance Manager.

2. What are your hobbies?
I like NASCAR racing, horses, and fishing. I don’t get to do much fishing. I like traveling. I spend a lot of time at the stable raising sheep and chickens. I stock our lake in Smyrna with bass, bream, catfish and crappie. I also spend a lot of time in church.

3. People may not know that....
I started in Preventive Maintenance in 1977 then I went to the Air Conditioning Shop as AC I then AC II. Then I was promoted to Supervisor and now I am Area 3 Maintenance Manager. I used to work a lot of the football and basketball games. I used to work all kinds of events at AMC such as Joe Corley Karate and John McEnroe tennis tournaments. I met Jean-Claude Van Damme; this was before the Omni and all the other venues were in Atlanta. I also worked Pink Floyd, Rolling Stones, Sherpa am and Atlanta Rhythm Section concerts at Grant Field. I saw the movie “Eraser” before the Olympics and I got to take pictures with Ms. America, Vanessa Williams, Arnold Scharzenegger, and Comedian George Carlin.

4. What would you like to tell your facilities department staff?
Life is too short, enjoy every day that is given to you. You’re not promised tomorrow.

5. What is important to you?
My family, friends and my job.

6. Where were you born and raised?
Born at the Kennestone Hospital and raised in Smyrna, I’ve lived there all of my life.

7. What school did you attend?
Graduated from Osborne High School in 1976. I got my Masters from there.

8. How do you spend your free time?
Around the stable. I enjoy spending time with my wife Karen, son Chad (27) and daughter Kadie (22).
Jennifer Krajewski is Leaving Georgia Tech

Jennifer was hired in 2011 to promote Georgia Tech’s efforts with Energy Conservation. She quickly became the spokesperson for Facilities Management. The day we interviewed Jennifer, I realized I could stop trying to figure out how to promote our energy efforts at Georgia Tech. I had found someone who not only knew what needed to be done, but how to do it. Jennifer came to us with an excellent education and work background. Jennifer started with nothing and built a program for communication and outreach about Energy Conservation and Facilities as a whole. Jennifer, you will be missed. Jennifer is relocating to New Jersey with her fiancé. For those who know Jennifer and want to wish her goodbye, her last day will be August 30, 2013. Jennifer, you will be missed and remembered by your friends at Georgia Tech.

Michael R. Leasure

Campaign to Stop Erosion
(By: Andrew Mckinney)

With all the rain this summer and carts and truck traffic, we have seen a lot more damage to the turf and landscaped areas on campus. Landscape Services in coordination with Communications & Marketing, and Jennifer Krajewski has begun implementing a campaign to attempt curbing erosion in those areas. You may have seen some of the signs around campus with messages asking you to avoid walking on the lawn.

Please help us prevent from having more damage by avoiding walking on the grass.

Jennifer Krajewski

Michael R. Leasure
Facilities Management Employees at Work

Cheryl - Area 2
Melody - Building Services-O'keefe
Tam - Area 2
Cedric - Warehouse

Kirby - Landscape
Ali - Landscape
Jeff - Area 5
Facilities Picnic 2013

LET'S EAT!
Facilities Picnic 2013

LET THE GAMES BEGIN!
Tommy Little & Son Win the Father-Child Look-a-Like Contest

Tommy Little and his look-alike son, Lance, will be going to Orlando, Fla., on a prize trip for winning the 2013 Father-Child Look-a-Like contest at the Gallery at South DeKalb.

The Littles wearing matching bright gold shirts and khaki shorts and sandals, nabbed the top prize.

The grand prize trip to Disney World is for a family of four.

The annual contest commemorates Father’s Day. It took place at the mall on June 14.

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askit@facilities.gatech.edu

Area 2 New Employees

Another Usage for PAM

This squirrel got in quite a predicament getting stuck in the drain hole of this dumpster. Due to the quick thinking of a variety of Georgia Tech employees and a little "PAM" sprayed on his fur, this little guy wriggled his way out before the big truck took the dumpster away! We all still laugh about it!

L-R: Richard, Marty, Cheryl, Tam, Adam, and Sotha
Look Who is Retiring

Chester Woodard

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

2. What position did you hold while here at Tech?  
Custodian I

3. What are you planning to do with your time?  
Rest some and travel home.

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

5. What advice do you have for your fellow co-workers?  
Come to work and do what is asked of you to do.

Hank Wood is Retiring September 30th

After more than 10 years of service at Georgia Tech Hank Wood is retiring “again”. I say “again” because Hank was a 33 year retiree of AT&T and Lucent Technologies before coming to work in Operations & Maintenance.

Throughout his career with the Bell System, Hank was involved in various aspects of plant construction and operation. He came to us with a wealth of knowledge in utilities management.

Hank lifted a load from my shoulders the moment he walked in the door. He started his career at Georgia Tech as Utilities Project Manager. He took one Utility Analyst and a handful of graduate students and turned that department into an organization of full-time Analysts and Engineers who handled the procurement, use, cost recovery and other aspects of Tech’s purchased utilities. Their mission was to insure utility services to the campus and reduce costs.

His work was recognized when he was promoted to the Manager of Energy Conservation position leading a new team of energy-oriented engineers in reducing energy consumption on the campus, thus making our world a little bit better place to live.

For those who know Hank and want to say goodbye, his last day will be Sept. 30th. I’m not sure of his plans, but where his journeys take him I wish him fair winds, smooth sailing and God speed. You will be missed and remember you have friends...here, always.

Michael R. Leasure
Area 3
Terry, Karen and Kadie vacationed in Florida.

Andy Zabinski and his family went to Daytona for their vacation. Andy also remodeled his kitchen.

Johnny and Barbara went to the Virgin Islands for their vacation.

Mike Morse and his family went to the beach in Delaware for their vacation.

Jeed Versteeg and his family went to Canada to visit their son.

Welcome aboard to Willie Thomas the new plumber in Area 3!! Willie has been doing a good job.

Onkar & Sadie Auzla’s first grandson Vivek L. Clausnitzer was born on May 31.

Area 5
The Area 5 team would like to thank Mr. Will Hardeman and Mr. Dwayne Devezin for their service to the Georgia Tech Area 5 team. We wish them both well as they have both moved on to bigger and better opportunities.

We would also like to welcome Mr. David White, Plumber to our team. David is a Master Licensed Plumber with many years of experience and we are glad to have him join us.

Jeff Bridges and his wife Donna took a trip to the Dominican Republic in mid-August and had a wonderful time. They went snorkeling, parasailing, and enjoyed the food and scenery including the beautiful beaches.

Mark Lambros and his wife Karen visited their son and daughter-in-law in Pittsburgh, PA. in late July to welcome their first grandchild who was born on June 9. His son Michael, and his wife had a baby girl. She weighed 7 lbs. and was 21 inches long. Her name is Althea Josephine Lambros. Mark is looking forward to getting back up there to see her soon. Mark and his wife celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on August 22.

Sonia is serving as co-leader for her daughter’s Girl Scout troops; Daisies and Brownies

David Alexander had to make an emergency trip to Ohio recently. His wife’s sister was having emergency heart surgery. We would ask that you all keep his family member in your thoughts.

Joe Meyer and his wife will be celebrating their 7th wedding anniversary on Sept 10.

Andy and his wife will be celebrating their 28th wedding anniversary on Sept 7.

Randy Dunn and his wife celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on June 5.

Garry and his wife celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary recently and everyone agrees that his wife Judy deserves a medal.

Design Construction
Congratulations to Jim Hummel’s son Matt on getting engaged and buying house on Lake Lanier. Since Matt has moved out, there is more food in the house.

Congratulations to Jim’s daughter Sarah, on her promotion to a training position. Sarah travels all over the country in her new position. She just got back from Albuquerque where she trained

Facilities Administration
Oveta’s granddaughter is in the process of obtaining an agent, for dancing and acting roles.

Lockshop
The Lock shop would like to welcome their new Locksmith Salam.

Area 4
has hired two new maintenance workers, David Harper and Leonard Major. David comes to us after a long career in the telecom industry. Leonard’s work history includes seven years in the maintenance of big box stores.

Scott Bates (AC III) is a grandfather. His first granddaughter Annabelle Marie Cox was born on July 26th.

Business
Scott Mussak transferred to the Institute Budget & Planning Department.

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employees on a computerized phone system.

Whitney Barlett and Tom welcomed their baby boy Asher Lane Bartlett on Wednesday, August 21 at 5:14 p.m. Asher weighed 7 lbs and 3 oz and was 20 inches long. Miller is a proud big brother!!!

Congratulations to Barbara Essinger for her retirement from D&C as Administrative Professional III on July first. Her replacement Karen Cannon will be starting on September 17th.

We would like to welcome our new Project Manager Elizabeth K.

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**Lockshop**
The Lock shop would like to welcome their new Locksmith Salam.

**Business Office**
Sharon enjoyed a vacation in Pigeon Ford with her grandson Ezra.

**Landscape Services**
The East Campus Maintenance Team has a new Groundskeeper III. His name is Kirby Tate. He comes to us from the DeKalb County School System where he worked in Plant Services for 9 years. We also would like to welcome Jean S Camiul, Groundskeeper I; Neil Fuller Horticulturist Assistant; Emmanuel Oteh, Johathan Pulliam Horticulturist Assistant, George Rutherford; Letha Vogt; Stacey Zanders Ground Keeper I;

**Energy Conservation**
Fedrico’s daughter Sophia started Pre-K. She was so excited the first day of school that she woke her mother up and said “it’s time for school”. George, wife and his 3 years old son Aidan enjoyed a trip to Sea World this summer.

Congratulations to Ronnie Croy on the arrival of his grandson Joseph Aubrey Croy; they’re going to call him JAC. He was born on May 9 and weighted 6lb 13oz and was 21 inches long. At 16 weeks he now weighs a little over 16lbs and he’s 24 inches long. Grand Pa and Grand Ma are having fun babysitting.

**Area 2**
Chuck Sheffield just return from an Alaskan Cruise where he spotted a black bear coming out of the woods in search of his dinner. Tam is expecting a new addition to his family, a baby girl, in December.

Welcome new team members to Area 2 - Cheryl Kelley (Production Control Assistant, Marty Wahl (Maintenance I), Adam Gaddis (Painter) and Richard Chew (HVAC III). Cheryl Enjoyed an extended family vacation to San Destin Beach while celebrating her birthday. Billy is proud of his son Michael on his acceptance to Georgia State University to study Forensic Sciences. Congratulations to Bill on the arrival of his second grandson Nicholas.

Richard’s son Justin started his second year of his Ph. D in Chemical Engineering at the University of Florida. Freeman enjoyed a trip with his family to Las Vegas. He is glad to be back at work. No! He did not win any money, but he had fun. Tunji’s
daughter Yemisi just started Kinder Garden. She had a large turn out at her pool 5 year birthday party. Greg enjoyed a white water rafting
Accolades

Area 5,
Quick, great craftsmanship and professional. Ron does an excellent work!!!

Frank Moss
Scheller College of Business

Rod,
On April 17th we held the 20 year rededication of the PTB (IPST) building. For months before your team delivered an ambitious list of quality improvements in and around the building making ready for the “open house” and rededication ceremony. And the results were great and appreciated.

Thanks greatly for the commitment of your team to make the building look its best for the open house. We had numerous positive comments from alumni and visitors. We also heard appreciation for the quality work from our own team members.

Thank you for working with us and getting the long list of improvements completed.

Regards,
Norman F. Marsolan, Director
Institute of Paper Science and Technology

Mark and Chuck,
As you may have heard, GA Tech hosted the Collegiate Sports Sustainability Summit last week. Co-sponsored by US EPA, we brought together approximately 120 people from dozens of institutions of higher learning hailing from all across the nation. By all accounts, the Summit was wildly successful. Personally, I was a consultant to US EPA brought in by Suganthi Simon to facilitate the three days of discussions. My responsibilities went further in that I was involved in every one of the logistical conversations across many departments at Tech. As such, I was involved in more “internal” meetings than I could count – in addition to the Summit itself.

I wanted to write to you to note that your staff was the glue that held it all together.

Cindy Jackson, Maria Linderoth, Heart and Max went above and beyond the call of duty. They set up meetings with all the right people, drove the meetings to desired endpoints and then played the part of “cattle prods” to make sure that there was follow through on the agreements forged. On site and at the Summit they took care of the biggest details – and the smallest. Gentlemen, I have the pleasure of working with people all over the country – dozens of people who support the work I do. Your staff was in the top 1% of those that have helped me over the years.

For their services and the work that they did to make Ga Tech shine as a beacon for sustainability at this national forum… I am grateful.

Adam Glasgow
Senior Facilitator

Area 5,
I would like to thank Andy and David for a job well done.

Gwendolyn A. Walter.

David and Chris,
I called and talked to Chris this morning and asked for some assistance with taking down the flat screen monitor we had mounted in the conference room in our office so that it could be painted.

The two gentleman that came to take it down were professional, quick and very friendly. I wanted to take a minute to let you both know how much I appreciate the quick response and the excellent customer service.

Please let both guys know how much our office appreciates everything they do to help us, not just on this instance but on a daily basis.

At some point in the future we will need to have the screen re-hung in a different location and I am glad to know that we have people just a phone call away that are extremely capable of doing this job for us.

Again, thanks for everything!

Sean Porter
Graduate Studies

Heart,
I wanted to thank you so much for having these boxes picked up. We were trying to negotiate the weather, and what you guys, helped more than you will ever know. Please let me know if I can ever do anything for you!

Chris Gaddis, Alumni

Chuck
Bud Peterson and Mike Bobinski commented on the outstanding job Cindy and Maria… did at Collegiate Sports Sustainability Summit

Steven Swant
Executive VP, Admin & Finance

Chuck and Mark,

Congratulation to you and your team — you made us look good at Collegiate Sports Sustainability Summit!!

Regards,

G.P. "Bud" Peterson