

# FACILITIES

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

## Facilities Management Week a Roaring Success!

Our first FM employee appreciation week was May 12-16, it was fun to get out and blow off some steam! The week began with the ping pong tournament and culminated with the tournament finale and food truck Friday. The activities during the week included daily ping pong matches, a very informative and entertaining tour of the cop shop, an opportunity to tour all of the shops and a recycling race.

The ping pong tournament was a big hit! Who knew Facilities had so many accomplished players? The winners are Shane Holt, Pro and Stephanie Dolmat-Connell, Amateur. Second place went to Andrew Brauzer, Pro and Sarah Vale, Amateur. A shout out to Jayna Otto who organized the brackets and the ping pong schedule!

The winners of the Green Team's Recycle Race, who combined both fast feet and a knowledge of what items go in which bin, are Garret Walton, Clayton Norgen, and Levis Wiggins. Thanks to all who participated, and a special thanks to Eric Nelson, Josh James, and Glen Nelson for their help in running the race. Eric also provided seedlings for participants—thank you, Eric!



The winner of the shop scavenger hunt was Dennis Bouck. The FM artisans, Heather Henderson, Curtis Leetham, Orleen Novasio and Tony Polidori made beautiful items that were awarded during the raffle. There were many prizes, cash cards and gift certificates awarded in the raffle and to event winners and over 100 lunches won.

Thank you for your support and participation during this annual event! Next year FM appreciation week is scheduled for May 18-22. Bring your ideas and suggestions for activities to Mary Ellen Allen or Jayna Otto. This is your week and an opportunity to take some time out for all of your hard work and accomplishments throughout the year! Thank You!

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### FACILITIES MANAGEMENT MONTHLY NUMBERS

**44 Employees**

Participated in the FM Ping Pong Tournament

**56 Employees**

Completed the Facility Ops shop scavenger hunt

**419 Employees**

took the FM Survey, 23 more than last year

### in the spotlight



**Bob Simonton**

*Director of Capital Projects*

The search for a Director of Capital Projects has ended and Bob Simonton has started work. Bob has over 20 years of construction management experience in both higher education and healthcare environments. He has extensive experience managing capital programs, sustainable building practices, and policy and procedure development.

Most recently, Bob was a principal consultant specializing in renewable energy projects for the Oregon Institute of Technology where he developed one of the largest carbon neutral campuses in the US. Prior to that, Bob served as the Assistant Vice Chancellor of Capital Programs in the Oregon State System of Higher Education where he led large scale projects on capital repair, seismic remediation, and improving the model for deferred maintenance funding.

Bob brings a valued skill set that will enhance Facility Management's capacity to manage large projects. As he transitions into FM, Bob will play a leadership role in projects over 5 million.

In his free time Bob likes to restore old cars and boats.

## caught in the act

These employees have recently been recognized for going above and beyond expectations in Customer Service, Teamwork, Innovation, Safety, or Excellence

Todd Stoneking, Luke Williams, Danny Elder, Marty Pedraza, Scott Summers, Ken Hart, Brian Roberts

## janus awards

The Janus Award is a monthly custodial award for excellent performance based on the SMARTInspect System scores.

Congratulations to the Social & Behavioral Science crew led by Chris Powers.

## upcoming trainings

FEMA/ICS Pre-100 Course Trainings will be taking place throughout the first and second weeks of June. These trainings have been developed by Chief Scott Folsom in Public Safety to help employees understand the basics of our university emergency response plans.

Sessions will be held in the OSH auditorium on:

- June 3rd: 10 to 11 am, 2 to 3 pm
- June 5th: 3 to 4 pm
- June 11th: 8 to 9 am

Please contact your administrative support to sign-up.



## Mike on a Bike Returns for a Second Year!

Facilities Management is looking to defend our #1 team in the state title for Clear the Air Challenge starting July 1. The Clear the Air Challenge is a month long competition that gives you the chance to reduce your vehicle emissions by choosing alternatives to driving alone like taking public transportation, carpooling, riding your bicycle/walking, or trip-chaining. By driving less and driving smarter, you will ultimately help improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion and conserve energy in Utah, not to mention help FM be #1 again (we don't want Goldman Sachs to be in the running!). Sign up for the challenge at [www.cleartheairchallenge.org](http://www.cleartheairchallenge.org)



[cleartheairchallenge.org](http://cleartheairchallenge.org) and join the “U of U Facilities” team. Last year, we had 130 participants who enjoyed a pizza party and some great prizes—let's see if we can have over 200 participants from Facilities this year. Mike Perez will be back on his bike—join him and the U of U Facilities team to make clean air FM's business.

## RAFFLE PRIZES TO BE CLAIMED

Please come by room 222 to claim your prize! Thank you for your support and participation in our first FM employee appreciation week!

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## EVENTS

### REAL SALT LAKE

**Date:** Friday, July 4, 2014

8:00 pm Real Salt Lake vs. Portland

Facilities Management is a service-oriented organization composed of people who value our community. From the planning process, to construction, to daily operations, Facilities Management is committed to providing the University with a safe, functional, and attractive campus environment.