

## Facilities & Operations

### Mission Statement

Facilities & Operations is dedicated to providing an attractive, clean, accessible, safe, secure, and well-planned educational environment to facilitate campus activities, and support the mission and goals of the university. All efforts of the department are service based, and satisfactory customer service is an essential component and goal of all departmental undertakings.



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### Special points of interest:

- Staff Senators:  
Jorgy Umlor  
Kevin Bennett  
Marcia Pendleton
- **September 3, 2012**— Staff Holiday—Labor Day
- **October 10, 2012**—Facilities & Operations 8th Annual Picnic!

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# Structures

## Message from Mike

As we draw close to the beginning of another school year, we have several construction projects going on simultaneously, as well as preparing to end yet another fiscal year. This is a very exciting time for our department as we have begun construction of the Greenway and Charger Union (our new Student Life Center). The newly Renovated Student Health Center will open next week and I'm sure the students and staff will enjoy their new surroundings.

I'm hopeful that this news-

letter will help increase communication not only within our department but with other departments on campus as well.

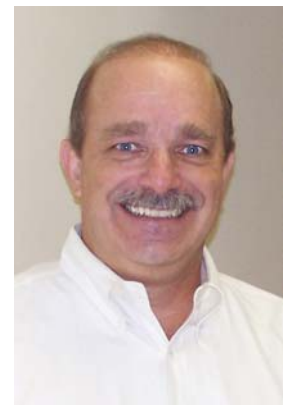
I look forward to our 8th Annual F&O Picnic which will be held on Wednesday, October 10. During this picnic, I will present service award certificates to employees with 10, 15, 20, or more years' service at UAH. Such dedication is worthy of recognition and I consider it an honor to have several employees receiving these awards.



## Cowherd's Corner

Facilities Maintenance has been extremely busy this summer with several in-house projects designed to make our campus more energy efficient and environmentally friendly. New boilers, roofs, air handlers, and chillers are being installed in several locations on campus. In addition, Roberts Hall Auditorium has new LED lighting which was installed in-house and will significantly cut energy costs for that area.

We are in the process of changing over to our new "Contactless" keyless entry system to major buildings on campus. This change will not only increase safety, it will allow after-hours use of these buildings. The first buildings scheduled to go online are VBRH, CCRH, FFH, & NCRH. New photo ID cards will be issued to all students and staff upon completion of this project.





### Tom's Two Cents—Tom Estes

Our Team has been very busy trying to prepare campus buildings for the beginning of the Fall Semester. We've repaired a few HVAC equipment failures so that those respective areas will be comfortable, and we've repaired indoor and outdoor lighting systems.

The Plumbing Shop installed a special water cooler at the University Center, which will allow folks to re-fill their reusable water bottles and avoid using plastic dis-

posable bottles. We'll try to expand that practice around campus.

Our specific efforts have been to perform more Preventive Maintenance so that less Reactive Maintenance (failures) occur. We're more successful if you hardly know we're here, but that's a tough mission with our extroverted Crew.



### Building Business-Terry Willoughby

Last week, several of our employees completed fork-lift and man-lift training from H&E Equipment. This equipment is used regularly in various divisions of our department and certification is required by the State of Alabama.

Housing is preparing for student move-ins by re-

placing appliances and making repairs to dorm rooms across campus.



### The Clean Team - Ravi Seth

Welcome Back, Ravi!

Ravi will return 8/22!!





## Police Beat – Chief Snellgrove

UAHPD has been really busy this summer preparing for the opening of classes on August 22.

Throughout the summer, UAHPD has been involved with orientations for students and parents to increase awareness of the services offered on campus and give out safety tips.

We just recently completed RD & RA training for drug recognition.

Please visit our new facebook page at [www.facebook.com/UAHPD](http://www.facebook.com/UAHPD). Once you "like" us, you will receive all important updates to keep you aware and informed.

Now is the time to renew your UAH parking decal. To renew your decal, log on to [parking.uah.edu](http://parking.uah.edu) and we will send it to your home or work address.

Welcome back, students! We look forward to a great year!



## Down to Earth – Robert Redmon

Tory Tollefson and Karla Hubbert received the Beautification Award on behalf of UAHuntsville for 2012.

As fall approaches, we will soon begin to turn over the flower beds on campus to prepare for our fall and winter plants. We are currently in the process of planning our spring plantings. Within the next few weeks, we will be

over-seeding and aerating various areas of campus.

My staff looks forward to upcoming cooler days of fall and leaving the hot days of summer behind us.

We in the design phase of fertigation systems for various building on campus. Fertigation delivers micro-doses of liquid fertilizer in the irrigation water.



## OEHS – Marcia Pendleton

We would like to welcome Kochurani (Rani) Jacob to our department as the campus Chemical Hygiene Officer. Rani received her Master's from UAB in Environmental Health and Health Policy. The primary purpose of this position is to assure regulatory compliance across our campus for the safety of our staff and students.

Bobby Dempsey has been busy training the new Resident Directors and Resident Assistants over the past several weeks on fire extinguisher safety and CPR/AED certification. Bobby is also the facilitator of the Defensive Driving classes held on campus for every student or staff member responsible for driving a motor pool vehicle.



# Charger Union Now Under Construction



View from Holmes Avenue



View from Greenway

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