

Eastern Illinois University

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FPM SURVIVES ANOTHER SUMMER!

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Just like the sun coming up every day and the moon being there every night; it is another fall semester at Eastern! And as always, there was the mad dash, mad scramble to get everything done before the arrival of the students. Same thing every year, same results every year—we ALWAYS pull through! The dedicated people at FPM are as dependable as a whole factory of Swiss watches!

A quick trip around campus, allows a visitor to view the obvious changes. But there were other, equally challenging changes that are not as easy to spot! Among the obvious, were the major changes made to Stevenson Tower dining. The updated dining area is up and running, and serving the students well. There have been some hitches in the new bathrooms at Douglas, but they are a definite improvement over the old restroom facilities.

It would be wonderful if FPM could do all of the work that the campus requires, however some projects, due to their size and complexity require outside contractors. Many of those "outside" contractors were on

campus this summer, at various locations, completing the projects listed above as well as some below.

Additional safety features that have been added this year are the new sprinkler systems at Lincoln and Thomas. In addition to the contracted work, R&A also provided support work, which included updated Residence Advisors apartments, kitchenettes being renovated; laundries added in the apartments; new hallway ceilings and lighting; carpeting; painting; entrance doors, etc.

Wireless access points were added to several resident halls; buildings included were Lincoln, Douglas and

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Old Main—North Facade

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The Renewal Energy Center, what is it?

Chad Weber, our Mechanical Engineer relayed the following information to us, concerning the Center. The information, in a nutshell, explains what it is and what it will do; and is written in layman terms.

The REC is the new biomass steam plant for the university. Biomass is biological materials, such as wood chips, agricultural waste, grasses; used as fuel. The plant will consist of two biomass steam boilers. One

of the boilers will be high pressure and spin a 500kw back pressure turbine to produce electricity for campus. There are also two back up natural gas fired steam boilers in the plant. The plant also has a 20kw solar array on the south end of the building. Construction started in October 2010, project completion is scheduled for April of 2011. A 5,000ft steam tunnel is being constructed, through campus, from the existing plant to the new plant.

EIU Simplifies Green *submitted by Ryan Siegel*



Don't throw it away!

Recycle it!!
In one of our blue bins!

Upon reflection of my first year overseeing Recycling for campus, it was found that the campus recycling system was more complex and less cost effective than possible. The decision was made to condense the recycling effort into fewer streams. Aluminum and #1 plastic was combined starting this summer into a single stream. This reduced the amount of labor required for collection and handling as well as improved

the cleanliness of the buildings. The University saw little negative financial impact from this, but the positive benefit to labor has been substantial.

Last year, the recycling program at the University saved the institution over \$15,000 over sending all the material to the landfill. Last year nearly 50% of the material in the dumpsters was paper, cardboard, aluminum, and #1 plastic. These materials are

already readily recyclable through our current program. The University receives money for material that is recycled that is used to pay for the student labor to collect the material. This million lbs of recyclable material that went to the landfill is literally "cash in the trash" Please remember that you do make a difference, particularly in these tough economic times. I can be contacted at rwsiegel@eiu.edu.

EIU Greens Up *submitted by Ryan Siegel*

Over the summer, several upgrades have been happening across campus. The more obvious of which was the construction of the tunnel from the Renewable Energy Center (REC) to the existing Steam Plant and vice-versa. This tunnel will bring steam from the REC to campus and the condensate back to the REC.

Other changes on campus have been much more subtle. The method for delivering chilled water (air conditioning) changed to a more centralized method of delivering chilled water. Previously, where a building was in relation to the nearest operating chiller played a major part in how cold or warm the water was. This is no longer the case. The new system can produce water in Physical Science to be used by Thomas or Taylor Hall. The ability of this system has been proven when multiple chillers were unable to operate. Previously, when a single chiller was unable to work, it caused the entire south quad to feel the effects and was unable to function. This summer, while some areas got a little warm, we did not see the horrendous impact that had been felt previously. This was in spite of an extremely hot summer.

New windows were installed in Stevenson, Thomas, and Andrews Halls. These replaced windows that were difficult to repair and were original to the building. Early feedback from residents has been positive and will not only save energy, but make the rooms much more comfortable to live in. These new windows replaced single pane windows with aluminum sashes which conducted heat and cold into the rooms. The new windows are double paned glass with low-e coatings as well as thermal brakes in the sashes, which reduces the amount of heat transfer.

Life in the fast lane.....

Ok folks, be careful out there.

The new fines for speeding have increased dramatically! Commutes to and from work can be terribly mind numbing. But, please remember that not only do you take risks when you speed, it's going to hurt your wallet even more!

The new rates, took effect beginning September 15, 2010.

Up to 10 miles per hour over the speed limit, tickets used to cost \$75.00 they are now \$120.00! 20 to 29 mph over and you'll pay \$140.00; and more than 30 mph will now be \$160.00 out of your pocket!!

Speeding isn't advisable under any circumstances, even more so when it's going to cost an arm and a leg!

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Thomas. Forty-three interior doors were replaced at University Court; additional residence rooms in Pemberton were renovated; three floors of Stevenson received new tile and carpeting; and four more apartments, in the lower level of one of the University Court buildings, were renovated.

The final women's sports locker room in Lantz was completed; Lumpkin is more Lap Top ready,

due to a couple of projects; the Telefund office received additional LAN drops, allowing them the ability to modernize their operation; masonry upgrades continue at Old Main, Pem Hall, Carman Hall, Stevenson and the Union; and the campus as a whole received some much needed lighting upgrades.

The University Union received some renovations as well—which included new coolers and

freezers in Catering; and in the Food Court, Subway received a minor facelift. Electrical upgrades are continuing in the Union.

Big Brother is watching! Well, not exactly, but more cameras have been installed. If we gave you the exact location, that may be a possible security breach!

And of course, all of the usual requests.....er,....were requested.



Lincoln Hall—North Doors

And continued.....

And completed on time.....as usual.

Painting on campus is a continuing saga, painters could be seen all over campus, sprucing up the rooms, as well as exteriors.

Summer means mowing and gardening, too—crews were busy everywhere making sure the campus is neat and tidy!

Furniture gets assembled; carpeting gets installed; and air control and comfort is always (excuse the pun) a hot topic.

Some of the varied projects were possibly missed being listed, if so we apologize to all concerned.

Was this summer any different than any other? Not really. Will next summer be any different

than any other? Maybe, maybe not!

But one thing is certain, the fine people of Facilities Planning and Management, will always be there for the campus, will always work hard to fulfill the various requests and needs; and will always stay on task, to complete their individual work for the good of the cause!

Was this summer any different, than any other?

Safety First!!! Tips from our EHS Office

Many of you have seen it, the person who picks up something too heavy and strains his or her back. Here are some easy tips to keep in mind the next time you are planning on lifting something heavy.

1. No matter how strong you think you are, there is a limit to the strain your back muscles can stand.

2. Test out the load before you lift it. If it is too heavy, call a friend to help you.

3. Always lift with your legs, never your back.

If they had been using these three easy tips as to how to lift heavy objects, they would have easily avoided this injury.

Other simple ways to avoiding

injuries; wear protective gear when working in dangerous situations and be aware of your surroundings. Watching what is going on around you can keep you from being hit in the head or slipping on wet cement.

*Submitted by Brittney Munos
Environmental Health and
Safety Department*



Recent Retirees

Untimely losses



Facilities Planning and Management

Congratulates all recent Retirees!

Facilities Planning and Management wishes to congratulate all of the recent retirees. Included in this outstanding group of people are:

Mike Dunifer, Paint shop—retired 2/26/10

Doug Sloat, Carpenter shop—retired 2/28/10

Willy Hargis, BSW—retired 3/10/10

Wayne Kimball, BSW and Moving Crew—retired 9/30/10

Phil Green, Electric Shop—retired 4/30/10

Tom Coffey, Carpenter shop—retired 7/30/10

Lee Kasy, Grounds—4/28/10

Unfortunately, Facilities has also witnessed some untimely losses, since our last newsletter.

Roy Philpot, R&A Carpenter and father of Angel Eubank, Routing Dispatcher

Cathy Green, wife of Phil Green, retired electrician

And we always considered this man to be one of our own..... Mark Shaklee, Assistant Director of Housing.

Aaron's Alerts....Computer news for you!

"I have a friend in Thailand, it's amazing to be able to talk and see them for FREE."

Amazing free online service

Do you have family and friends all over the nation? Wouldn't it be cool if you could talk to them for free?

Now let's take it a step further, what if you could see them as well?

Well you can, with **Skype**. This service makes it possible to talk

to people all over the world for free. All you have to do is go to www.skype.com and create an account.

Now have your friend or family do the same.

Add them as a friend and like magic, you can now talk to them for free! If your friend has a webcam on their computer, they can

click "video" and now you can see them. That is right, you can have a face to face chat for free! No matter where they live.

I have a friend in Thailand, it's amazing to be able to talk and see them for FREE.

Submitted by Aaron B. Allison, IT Coordinator for Facilities Planning and Management.

Upcoming Events

November:

Thanksgiving holidays will be Thursday, November 25th and Friday, November 26th. We will also begin our "Share Your Holiday" charity drive, in November.

December:

Annual Christmas dinner: December 14th, at Central Stores

Christmas holidays will be Thursday December 23rd and Friday December 24th. New Years Holidays will be Thursday December 30th, and Friday December 31st.

January:

Martin Luther King's birthday will be January 17, 2011.



Hard to believe, but the Holiday Season will soon be here!

Where's it located? A fun quiz about campus.

Ok, so you think you know where everything on campus is located? Let's check your skills.

The only burial on Eastern's campus is where? Who's the deceased, and what role did they play at Eastern?

Livingston C. Lord held chapel in this room, every morning before classes. What's there now?

In 1975 this building was moved

to campus. What is the building? Where is it located?

How many buildings are named for past EIU presidents? And what buildings are they?

Where was Lake Ahmoweenah located? What's there now?

This building is named for a famous man, who was not only a ballad singer but also a very good actor.

There is a statue of a man on the

side of a building—but it is not a football player! Which building is this statue located?

How many campus buildings are named after women? What are they?

Where's Eastern's first gym?

Think you know this stuff?

Then submit your answers to Deb Black, dlblack@eiu.edu. The first totally correct entry will win a fabulous prize!!



Winter at Eastern
Ice on lake



FPM's 2010 FALL FLING— A HUGE SUCCESS!

If you missed this year's FPM's Fall Fling, you missed one of the year's most talked about parties!

A huge thanks goes to people, outside of Facilities, that helped to make the outing a fantastic event; Chuck Philips for his tremendous grilling skills, Paula Embry as his able assistant, and of course the Rennels family for not only allowing us to use their

lovely home, but also providing several members of the band!

A special thank you also goes to Gary Reed and family, for providing the main course! Others that went above and beyond the call of duty are Mike Carter, Jr, Randy Rodebaugh and Jenny. Many others filled in at other capacities, too numerous to mention individually.

And what can we say about the entertainment? Just too cool for words! We believe the Honky-tonk Heroes now have a whole new set of fans! For more information on the band, please see the story below.

Beyond a doubt, the food was scrumptious, the weather beyond expectations, and the fellowship priceless. Let's do this again!!

The Honky-tonk Heroes begin their fall tour!

October 16th, 2010 will go down in Hillbilly Rock history as the date that the Honky-tonk Heroes began their 2010 fall tour!

And many of us were there to see this history in the making.

The group consists of some of our own; Jim Craven, vocals and guitar; Tony Craven, vocals and

guitar, Tom Rennels, also vocals and guitar; and some local folks, Chris Rennels, vocals, guitar, and Denny Long on the drums, keyboard, vocals and guitar. With special guest performances by Ron Croy and Mike Nickell.

The boys rocked out at the FPM cookout, that was held at the estate of Tom and Sue Rennels.

They even had help with two young "rockers to be", Zack and Isaac, that jammed along!

Rumor has it, the Heroes have only one more stop in this year's tour. Hopefully, they will be as well received there as they were at their first tour performance!

Rock on, boys!!

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Facilities Planning and Management strives to provide support to all aspects of campus life. Recently our staff was privileged to play an important role in the Gala celebrations, which was located in Lantz Gym. This was something entirely new to us, since no one in Facilities had ever worked on an event of this level, before. Various members of our staff were responsible for the carpet and drapery installation; lighting, moving, cleaning and other diverse tasks related to creating the beautiful tableau. They all worked together to transform the gymnasium into an amazing venue.



Picture on the left is a photo of some members of the team, at work. The right photo captures one aspect of the completed project.

Focusing on Facilities - The BSW's

This is a new feature of our newsletter. Each month, we will randomly choose an area of Facilities to highlight. This month it is the BSW's; specifically those that work in the Physical Science building.

Every building on campus has at least one Building Service Worker. These tireless individuals make sure that everyone's workplace, classroom, restroom, building lobby, hallways, etc. are clean and presentable on a daily basis.

In most cases these dedicated people are the front line faces, that represent Facilities to not only our students, faculty and staff—but to our visitors as well. Everyone on campus, whether they are an employee or a guest, sees the results of the BSW's daily tasks.

And as everyone also knows, first impressions are key in representing your organization. Therefore the work of these very important men and women is extremely crucial to the

overall operations of the Facilities Planning and Management department.

Their jobs also contain some risks, that are not always apparent to the casual observer. They train diligently to be aware of such things as blood born pathogens, toxic wastes, as well as the correct ways to use highly flammable cleaning fluids.

The Building Service Workers, stay current in their chosen fields, and have periodic training on new and improved ways of cleaning particular areas, as well as how to use and care for updated cleaning equipment.

Without each and everyone of the caring Building Service Worker's staff, our beautiful campus would not be so beautiful!

The BSW's team in the Physical Science building are:

- Michael "Ed" Ray—4th floor, 3rd shift.
- Charles "Allan" Woodfall-3rd floor, 3rd shift
- Anita Swart—2nd floor, 1st shift
- Alvin Rohr—1st floor, 1st shift.



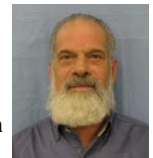
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