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# The FPM Planit

## Gary Reed - Good Luck in your Retirement!

It is always difficult to say goodbye to a friend. And the longer that you know someone, the harder it becomes.

Facilities will soon be saying goodbye to our dear friend, Gary Reed. Gary will be retiring from Eastern in June.

Gary has been at FPM since 1989, and has held the director position since 2003, when he began serving as interim, then becoming permanent director in 2005.

Gary lives near Watson, Illinois, with his wife Deb. They are

the parents of one son, Tyson, who graduated from Eastern in 2009.

Facilities Planning, as it's nature, can be a stressful place. There are always multiple, detailed projects happening, one on top of the other. There are always weather issues, too hot or too cold, too much ice or snow, too much water, all of which have to be dealt with on

diligently, professionally, and with a can do attitude.

Several changes were made to campus during Gary's directorship. The most exciting being the Renewable Energy Center. Gary's engineering background made the steam plant one of his favorite areas. He had watched the old steam plant continually decay and knew that someday, something would need to be done.

His foresight into energy needs and limited fuel supplies caused him to begin to look at an alternative power source. It is because of his research, that our new steam production operation is not powered by fossil fuel. Gary was very instrumental in finding the right fit for our needs. And the functioning REC is the result.

That old line "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" does not apply to Gary in any way shape or form! Even though he is an extremely dedicated employee, he still finds time for his hobbies. Gary and Tyson, have not

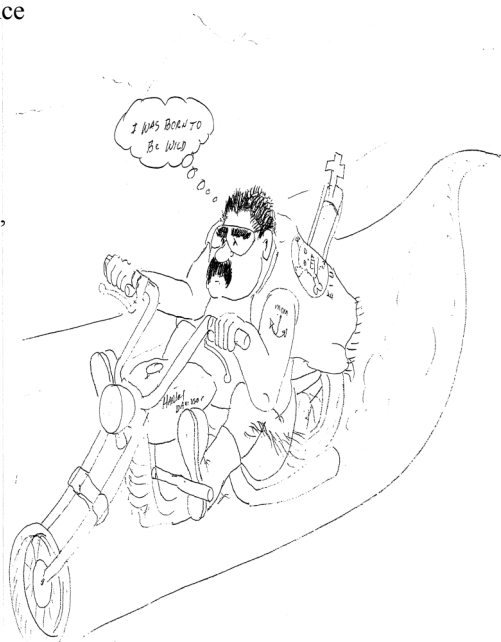
only rebuilt several cars; but they have also built a custom motorcycle. And if you've ever seen a Harley with the license plate GREED1 - it's Mr. G. Reed himself at the helm!

Gary's love for muscle cars has also been ongoing. For many years he has owned the license plate MSCLCR1 - long before he had the car to fit it! It used to be a hoot seeing his little Ford Festiva sitting in the FPM parking lot, sporting it's misnomer plates.

But, always a man of vision, Gary knew that someday he'd have his dream car and then the plates would finally be a perfect fit. That dream was made true, when he purchased his '71, Chevelle SS 454, 400 automatic, 12 bolt posi-track! Arh, Arh, Arh-as Tim "the Tool Man" Taylor would say!

So, watch out folks! Reed may soon be burning up the roads, either by bike or by car!

All kidding aside, it is with a heavy heart, that we wish Gary all the best in his retirement.



a daily basis. Making sure that all of these events are handled in a timely manner are all part and parcel of the director's job. Gary has handled these tasks

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## A Shout Out - by John Sigler



Signage photos taken by  
Lionel Sanders, FPM

### “A Shout Out”

FPM recently completed the interior Signage Project and we are getting rave reviews for the exceptional job that everyone did.

I have heard the President, VP Weber and members of the Civil Service Council remark on how nice it looks. Gary, Dave and Steve have remarked on hearing folks compliment FPM for a job well done.

So “A Big Shout Out” to the Sign Shop, Ground Shop, and the R&A staff for their excellent job.

This is just another example of the great work that the highly skilled craftsman within FPM accomplish on a daily basis.

*Submitted by John Sigler*



## New Energy Codes Coming Soon

January 1 marks several beginnings, beginning of a new year, beginning of many laws, and the beginning of a new Energy Code.

January 1, 2013 is when the 2012 International Energy Conservation Code and the 2010 ASHRAE 90.1 take effect in the State of Illinois. Any new construction or repair/maintenance that requires a building permit after this date is required to comply.

While this may seem daunting, energy conservation is a good investment as it will save you money month after month. What follows are

some of the high points and why they matter.

Pressure testing will be required for new construction to make sure buildings no longer leak. Leaky/drafty buildings lead to a lot of energy loss and comfort issues and can lose as much as 50% of a home's heating and air conditioning.

Ventilation of new residential buildings will also be required, which will improve the health of buildings as unpredictable leaks will no longer be relied upon to provide this ventilation.

Insulation values are increasing to R-20 for walls and R-49 for

attics. Oversizing of mechanical equipment will also no longer be allowed. This not only improves the efficiency of equipment but improves a home's comfort.

As you can tell, this is a mandate for building practices that are good practices, as well as practices that will save money. The Office does have a copy of the code for reference if needed.

*Submitted by Ryan Siegel, Campus Energy and Sustainability Coordinator*

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## Holding Our Ground *by Jeff Wilson, Customer Service*

As we walk through our campus it is difficult not to admire the beautiful landscaping, all of the wonderful trees and the well groomed grassy expanses.

Justin Perry and our Grounds Crew provide stewardship and sustainability that is enjoyed by our community today and will be for generations to come.

We all know what it is like to mow a yard, sweep a sidewalk, or plant a few flowers; now imagine what it is like to maintain:

### Campus

320 total acres  
42 acres of parking lots  
230 acres of turf and landscapes  
10 plus miles of sidewalks  
4100 plus trees  
7,500 square feet of annual

flower beds  
330,028 square feet of perennial landscape beds

### Sports Fields

5 intercollegiate game fields  
6 intercollegiate tennis courts  
5 intercollegiate practice fields  
4-6 intramural game fields  
2 club sports fields

### General Campus Sports

7 tennis courts  
7 basketball courts  
1 softball field  
5 sand volleyball courts  
2 band stands

Wow, that's a lot! Can you imagine picking up leaves from 4100 trees? How about mowing 230 acres, or cleaning 10 miles of sidewalks.

The next time you see one of our Grounds Crew, smile, wave and thank them for doing a great job of *Holding our Ground.*



Garden West of Student Services

Photo supplied by Lionel Sanders  
Construction Project Coordinator

## Calling all cars, Calling all cars

Sunday, July 1st, at 1:00 p.m., Facilities Planning and Management will have their first annual picnic/vehicle show at Fox Ridge.

If you have a car, van, motorcycle, whatever, that you want to "show" we'd love for you to bring it along!

If you don't have a "show car", then just bring yourself,

family, etc. and have a good time viewing all the others!

Fried chicken and table service will be supplied, please just bring along a covered dish or dessert to share!

This is the first time for this event; so we are hoping that we will have a great turnout.

There are so many people in FPM that have means of transportation, that are more than everyday runners. We thought it would be fun to bring them together in one spot, so that all can admire these one of kind treasures!

So, dust off that Model T, rev up that '57 Chevy, or uncover that chopper, for a great time among friends!

Hope to see you all there!

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## Travis' Tidbits by Travis Gresens



Are you tired of trying to keep your computer (s) up to date so that you won't get infected with some new Spyware or Malware program that came out and have to spend hours trying to clean up the mess or even reload your computer?

Well I am too. I would like to pass on some nice programs I found a while back and I now use them all the time. What's even better? All these programs are **FREE!**

**Secunia PSI** is a free security scanner that identifies vulnerabilities in non-Microsoft (third-party) programs which can expose PCs to attacks. <http://secunia.com/>  
I have been using the new 3.0 for a while now and it seems to be easier to use with less

clutter. [http://secunia.com/psi\\_30\\_beta\\_launch/](http://secunia.com/psi_30_beta_launch/)

**Ninite** is an automatic version checking, downloading and unattended installing of your favorite apps. It's a site you can pick which software apps you want to install and it creates an installer to install all of them unattended, meaning, that you can launch the program and it will not ask you any questions, it will simply just install them and not install any extra stuff like toolbar apps and extra junk bundled with it. You can run it again later and it will update all the programs you chose to install for you as well.

<http://ninite.com/>

**Join.me** is a remote control website that allows you to connect to someone's screen so that you can help someone work on their computer and see what is going on or allows you to share your screen

and keyboard so that someone can work on your computer. <https://join.me/>

From <http://gigaom.com/collaboration/how-to-check-for-risky-outdated-browser-plugins/>

As Mozilla's Jonathan Nightingale [points out, outdated plugins pose a major security and stability risk](#). He cites one study which notes that roughly [80 percent of web users have a vulnerable version of Flash installed](#). Using a free tool like Plugin Check or BrowserCheck will take no more than a few minutes of your time and could prevent your machine from being compromised.

**Some browser security checkers:** <https://browsercheck.qualys.com/>

**Free Antivirus** Need a free AntiVirus program that does the job better than the paid for apps and does not nag you all

the time? I have switched over to Microsoft Security Essentials and have not looked back.

<http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows/products/security-essentials>

Hopefully these software suggestions will help you manage and simplify your home computer support issues.

I know that just Installing Microsoft Security Essentials and Secunia PSI 3.0 Beta V3 at home and for some family and friends, it has made a world of difference for me.

Submitted by Travis Gresens, FPM's IT Guy!



HAPPY RETIREMENT

## Upcoming Events

### June:

June 14, 2012 - Flag Day

June 17, 2012 - Father's Day

June 20, 2012 - First day of summer

### July:

July 4, 2012 - Independence Day

### August:

August 20, 2012 - First day of classes for Fall term.



## Recent Retirees

All on 3/31/12 - Jim Dowland, Grounds shop; Mike South, Paint shop; and Dennis Updegraff, R&A Plumbing.

5/31/12 - Ron Miller, R&A Carpenter.

FPM wishes all of the above a wonderful retirement. Best of luck!!

## Ta Da!!! It's now time for a Quiz!!!

- How many buildings have had more than one name, and what are those old and new names?
- What or who was Col-seybur? And how was the name derived?
- In what year was the first yearbook published? And what was the yearbook's name? Hint it wasn't the Warbler.
- When did WELH begin broadcasting and to whom did they broadcast?
- What was the name of the couple chosen as symbolic of Eastern's married students, in 1958?
- What year was the Eastern Marching Band founded?
- Where was the band's first appearance?
- Who rode in the lead car of the 1956 Homecoming Parade?
- In 1958, the governor of Illinois was here for a dedication. What was the dedication, and who was the governor?
- Who took a leave of absence from EI to work for the Red Cross in France and Germany during WW1?



Send your answers to  
dlblack@eiu.edu

Good Hunting!!  
And Good Luck!!!

## No Winner in last issue's quiz!

Answers to last issues quiz:

- This custom continued for about 20 years, students decked the chapel (now the Business office) in Old Main with spring flowers.
- Three - Old Main, Blair Hall and Buzzard.
- "A Midsummer's Night Dream", 1902
- "The Normal School News", began the day before the first EI Homecoming in 1915
- 7:30 p.m. on school nights and 10:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.
- 1903
- 11 teachers
- \$600.00 to \$2,000/per year
- \$7.00 a term
- \$1.00

If you are feeling ambitious and want to try this issues' quiz, please do so! You never know until you try.

Questions for April/May quiz are listed above. Remember, there are many sources where Eastern information can be found. Don't give up, when you look in only one or two - there's bound to be another book that has just the right answers. Good luck!

Training School  
Old Main



### 5 W'S OF EIU

#### WHO/ WHAT/ WHERE/ WHEN/ WHY



**On the West side of Booth there is a small boulder with a plaque commemorating Schahrer Field, EIU's first athletic field located on the Southwest corner of our original 40 acres; where McKinney, Gregg and Booth are now.**



**Named in 1919 after Martin 'Otto' Schahrer, 1915 Class President and 1916 Football Captain, that was killed by German machine gun fire during the Battle of St. Mihiel, France in 1918 with the American Expeditionary Force. Schahrer Field became the site of Booth Library in 1948.**



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North Carolina's loss is EIU's gain.

One of the newer members to FPM's Grounds Shop is Scott Hall who was born and raised in North Carolina. Scott lived in Raleigh and attended Wake Forest High School. For you history buffs, Wake Forest University was originally started where the high school now resides. Scott is also a graduate of North Carolina State University with a degree in Landscape Architecture.

Images:

- Calendar, retirement banner, question, summer, computer – Clip Art
- Training School children - Booth Library Archives
- Employee photos - Facilities Planning and Management
- Drawing of Gary Reed found by Mike Waddell, Retired Steam Plant Supervisor
- Schahrer photos - "E.I.U.: Then and Now."; Dr. Hiram F. Thut, 11/14/1973

## *New fiscal year.....new beginnings*

*The longer you live, the more you realize that things change. As a child, it seemed that summer would never arrive, Christmas was forever away, and your birthday just didn't happen soon enough.*

*As you age, you realize that birthdays come way too soon and the holidays become a blur. Change is inevitable. You can either like it or learn to live with it!*

*This year is going to be difficult. We will be entering a new fiscal year, without some of our co-workers. There will be different people in different positions. It will be ok, but it will be different. And life goes on.....*

## **Focus on Facilities — Loving that yard work**

Scott, his wife Lana their 7 year old daughter and 4 year old son all reside in Montrose, where they live close to Lana's parents Mr. and Mrs. Larry Flock (a former BSW at Eastern).

Scott has several activities that he enjoys and as one would expect one of those is gardening. Scott says that he has spent his whole life doing yard work and that truly makes him happy. He also gets to work with his father-in-law farming and he finds this very enjoyable. Scott enjoys rock climbing and 4-wheeling with his wife and children.

Justin Perry says that "Scott is a great addition to the Grounds Shop and that he has a lot of experience and knowledge in the Landscape Architecture area. He has been a great asset to both me and the shop as a whole."

The Grounds Shop is divided into Functions and Areas. There are Functions such as equipment operator, tree maintenance, and ground keeping.

The ground keeping function is divided into 5 campus areas and Scott's area is the north end of campus around Old Main. Scott is responsible for the fertilizing, watering, and maintaining the shrubbery and flowers in his area.

The Grounds Shop is one of the most highly respected functions on Campus and well thought of by not just everyone on campus but everyone that visits EIU. EIU is always getting positive remarks about how well maintained and beautiful our campus is. The Grounds Shop has a long history of being "BEST IN CLASS" and deserves the accolades for a job well done.

Welcome aboard Scott, the staff of the PlanIt wishes you the best and we hope you enjoy your years with the Grounds Shop and FPM. We know that you will be a great asset to EIU, FPM and the Grounds Shop. *Submitted by John Sigler*

### **The FPM PlanIt**

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