

# **PPD News**

Physical Plant Department

## New Acting Associate Director of Environmental Services Announced

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Willie West has been selected for the position of Acting Associate Director of Environmental Services for the Physical Plant Department (PPD), effective April 1, 2016.

Mr. West has been an employee of the University since 2002 and has spent much of this time working to maintain and improve the campus' outdoor environment, the last 10 of these years as the manager for Grounds & Landscaping, PPD Special Activities, Sign Shop, and the UNM Automotive Center. Prior to 2002, West worked as a general manager for the commercial landscape industry in Albuquerque, performing both landscape maintenance and landscape and irrigation design and installation.

Dr. Gary Smith, PPD's Director says, "Mr. West's knowledge of UNM's mission and vision and his collaborative spirit will enable Willie to be an important addition to the PPD leadership team."

Willie West, acting associate director of the Physical Plant Department. Photo credit: Rachel Stone

Congratulations, Willie!



## PPD Staff Walked Out on Work

Last week, a few PPD employees "walked out on work" for UNM Employee Health Promotion's (EHP) Walk Out on Work event. Wednesday, April 6th was The American Heart Association's National Walking Day, so EHP encouraged the UNM community to become more physically active.

EHP encourages employees to use their break time to add physical activity into their day. Employees can make strides to improve their overall health and wellbeing by walking; it is one of the easiest ways to start becoming more physically active, and it requires very few additional tools or resources.



From left (front): Tracey Briggs, Giovanna Archuleta, Teresa Natera (back) Karla Hernandez, Karen Hobbs Photo credit: Tracey Briggs



From left (front): Tracey Briggs, Frances Salas, Mary Ann Montoya, Teresa Natera (back) Irene Trujillo, Rachel Stone Photo credit: Tracey Briggs

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## FAMIS Updates by Stacy Kaneshige

#### Classes

FAMIS classes have been added to UNM's Learning Central for this year. For sign-up and schedules, please visit <a href="https://learningcentral.health.unm.edu/">https://learningcentral.health.unm.edu/</a>.

#### **Projects**

Space Management is currently working on moving its Reports to the UNM reporting tool "myReports". This should stream line the reporting process and give you a one stop shop for FAMIS data. This should be available sometime this year.

FAMIS now gets HR and Org data automatically each week. This allows you to enter in your Employees in their space with having to wait for me to enter them.

FAMIS plays a role and has added additional data to help support UNM with compliance issues. The Journal article "The high cost of (cherry) red tape" last week pointed out this issue. You can see the article at <a href="http://www.abgjournal.com/746812/abgnewsseeker/cherry-red-tape-costs-unm-millions-a-year.html">http://www.abgjournal.com/746812/abgnewsseeker/cherry-red-tape-costs-unm-millions-a-year.html</a>.

#### **Question for FAMIS users**

Would you like to see "Open Lab" classes in Learning Central? This might be a 2 hour session when could bring your work and/or questions to class and have time set aside to work on updating space.

#### **Updates:**

There are many reasons to keep your data up-to-date, and these are just a few:

- 1. Various types of data inquiries for State funding, UNM maintenance costs and planning, US Government regulations and reporting, etc.
- 2. UNM Administration, School, College, Department or Program accreditations, benchmarking, general reports and information, etc.
- 3. Campus planning and Space Allocation
- 4. Campus Safety

Remember you can now:

- Enter **Employee Names** in their offices (rooms) through the space survey using the employee tab.
- View **Employee Names** in the Visual Map using labels.

• Enter in contacts per room such as **Principal Investigators**, **Lab Managers**, **etc.** through the space survey using the contacts

tab.

#### **FAMIS Help and Assistance:**

Email: space@unm.edu Phone: 277-3800

## **ISS Social & Happy Hour**

Since it was officially opened in 1967, The Championship Golf Course has been one of the finest facilities of its kind nationwide. It has been nationally recognized by Golf Digest Magazine as one of the top-25 public courses in the country, and in January of 1991 Golfweek Magazine rated all public and private courses in the country by state, and dubbed The Championship Course the number one course to play in New Mexico. The Course is still holding strong in the rankings seven years later, and in 1998, Golfweek tabbed the Championship Course No. 2 in the West, behind only the Stanford University Golf Course in Palo Alto, Calif. The Championship Course is no stranger to major tournaments. It was the site of the 1950, 1976 and 1992 NCAA Division I Men's Golf Championships as well as the 1998 NCAA Championships. In 1987 the course was the sight of the women's NCAA tourney.



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### **Kudos**

Victor, I would like to thank you and your staff for taking extra time making sure SHAC looked pleasant and clean. Today we had a UNM Regent visit at SHAC. She mentioned how clean SHAC looked and I wanted to let you know your work does not go unnoticed. Thank you for your prompt response and cooperation.

Thank you,

Edwina Garcia Administrative Assistant III UNM Student Health & Counseling

## **PPD's Trades Training Program**

The PPD Trades Training Program was developed to create a career path for PPD employees who are interested in advancing within the Physical Plant Department. This program works in tandem with courses at Central New Mexico Community College (CNM), and registration will begin in mid to late May.

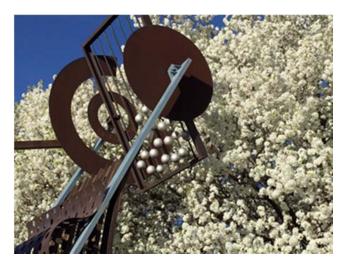
The program is open to all PPD employees who are currently in a position that is Job Grade 6 or below. The program will provide the basic training needed to apply for the Facilities Services Tech or Automotive Tech positions (Job Grade 7) within the Physical Plant Department. The participant will be partnered with a current PPD employee (Sponsor) within their elected trade to gain the hands-on experience they will need to qualify for future opportunities. Applications into the program will be accepted in January and July. The program will accept a maximum of 4 applicants each 6-month period and requires management approval.

For more information about this program, please contact Daniel Perea at 505-277-4872 or email at <u>Dperea1@unm.edu</u>.

## **Campus Beauty**

Thank you to John Cox, Facility Operations Manager in the Biology Department, for sending these beautiful pictures of Bradford Pear trees in bloom. These were taken at the NW corner of where Las Lomas and Campus Blvd. meet. It's directly across the street from the UNM Police Department, and just across the street from the hospital.

If you have beautiful campus photos, please email them to Rachel Stone at <u>racheld@unm.edu</u>.



Bradford Pears in bloom. Photo credit: John Cox

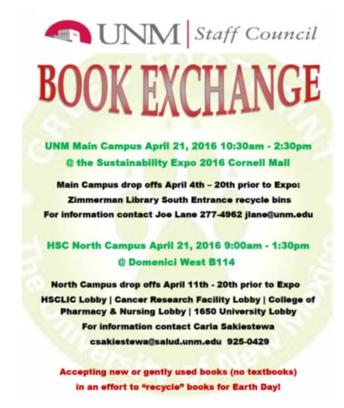


Photo credit: John Cox

## PPD employees to be recognized for Years of Service

The Division of Human Resources will host the 2016 Annual Service Awards Ceremony on April 19, 2016. Many PPD employees have been invited to this event and will be honor for their many years of service: 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, and 45 years. Below is a list of employees who will be honored at next week's event:

Paul Benavidez Frank Bonanno	25 years 15 years	PPD Main Custodial PPD Area Three
Andy Cordova	20 years	PPD Area One
Leo Felix	25 years	PPD Engineering
Anthony Garcia	15 years	PPD Utilities
Sutero Garcia	30 years	PPD Grounds
David Gauthier	15 years	PPD Area Four
Luis Griego	20 years	PPD Engineering
Billy Hromas	15 years	PPD Administration
Guy Mac Murray	15 years	PPD Utilities
Christopher Nelson	15 years	PPD Remodel
Deanna O'Dell	20 years	PPD Accounting
Irma Pacheco	15 years	PPD Main Custodial
Joseph Shortman	15 years	PPD Main Custodial
Gary Small	15 years	PPD Utilities
R. Gary Smith	20 years	PPD Administration
William Smith	20 years	PPD Area Three
Bryan Suhr	20 years	PPD Grounds
David Trujillo	30 years	PPD Grounds
Felix Vallejos	30 years	PPD Grounds
Pete Wakitsch	15 years	PPD Utilities



The Staff Council is collecting books now through Wednesday, April 20th at locations on the main and north campus. Look for the recycling bins and drop off your donations (no textbooks, please).

During the Sustainability Expo on Tuesday, April 21st, donated books will be available for the choosing. Take as many items as you wish.

## Welcome to PPD

Please welcome Mark Garcia to Area 3. He is the new Facilities Services Tech coming to PPD from Parking & Transportation Services (PATS). Welcome to PPD, Mark!



PPD's Facebook page now has over 100 likes! Have you liked our page? If not, please visit <a href="https://www.facebook.com/UNMPPD/">https://www.facebook.com/UNMPPD/</a> and hit the "Like" button. Here you will find a vast amount of information about UNM and the Physical Plant Department.



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The Physical Plant Department's vision is that our community, state, and national peers will recognize The University of New Mexico's Physical Plant Department as a leader in campus sustainability and facilities stewardship.