JMU Facilities News
September 2015

East Campus Power Plant

JMU Facilities Management has taken over operations and maintenance of the East Campus Power Plant. The facility was formerly known as the Resource Recovery Facility and is located at 1630 Driver Drive. On August 1, 2015 JMU signed a lease agreement with the City of Harrisonburg. The city will continue to use a portion of the property as a Trash Transfer Station but will no longer burn the trash. The facility is a centralized steam and chill water plant. It currently has 70,000 pounds per hour of steam generation capacity with two dual fuel fired water tube boilers and 4,500 tons of chill water capacity with three 1000 ton steam turbine chillers and one 1500 ton electric chiller. It is a 24/7 365 days per year manned facility that provides steam service and chill water service to the majority of the CISAT Campus as well as UREC.

The facility is a critical part of the university’s utility infrastructure. Facilities Management has hired 14 new employees to assist with the operation and maintenance of the facility. Twelve of these employees were former employees of the City of Harrisonburg. Since taking over operations and maintenance, numerous shops and personnel have been involved and assisted with the transition to include JMU Power Plant, HVAC, Grounds, Housekeeping, Recycling, Telecom, Carpenters, Paint Shop, Electricians, Lock Shop, Sign Shop, BAS, Life Safety, Risk Management, Utility Shop, Work Control, IT, HR, Storeroom and several other support groups. The facility will fall under the management and supervision of the Main Power Plant located at 1010 Newman Drive. JMU will operate and maintain the facility under the current lease agreement until the City can meet the closure requirements of the Waste to Energy Plant as set forth by DEQ/EPA, at which time JMU will take over ownership.

Welcome the following new employees: Plant Supervisor, Steven MacRae; Maintenance Supervisor, Kenny Stickley; and the following Operator/Mechanics: Tom Burkholder, Wayne Wilfong, Reggie Lawson, Joel Pownall, Steve Raines, Deland Morris, John Puffenbarger, Alfred Miller, Mark Hess, Glen Smith, Brian Moshier, and Homer Whetzel.

Housekeeping Week: September 13 - 19

Housekeeping Week is a time for many departments and customers to recognize the dedicated housekeepers that keep their areas clean every day. The department has had a challenging summer with cleaning Lakeview Hall (former home of WVPT), cleaning up after camps, preparing dorms for students and especially helping with the post-construction clean-up of the Apartments at Grace Street.

♦ “Like” the new JMU Facilities Facebook page
♦ JMU Facilities Human Resources is open extended hours to serve you. New hours are Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
JMU Facilities Birthdays for September

Cynthia Harris 9/1
Ron Jennings 9/3
Abe Kaufman 9/6
Victoria Deavers 9/10
Susan Leecy 9/13
Kenny Stickley 9/15
Johnwayne Comer 9/19
Stephanie Bragg 9/23
Susan May 9/24
Tina Mueller 9/26
John Case 9/28
Will Smith 9/29

Thomas Burkholder 9/2
Cassey Morris 9/3
Pat Trissel 9/7
Jackie Stayner 9/10
Jeff Price 9/13
Abby Reedy 9/16
Phillip Lowery 9/20
Debbie Morris 9/23
Eddie Propst 9/25
Leslie Patrick 9/26
Carol Rhodes 9/28
Tara Cullers 9/30

Dennis Cullen 9/2
Joe Rufo 9/3
Kelly Sites 9/8
Nicole Walker 9/12
Barry Smith 9/14
Nancy Cornwall 9/17
Yolanda Morris 9/20
Charles Baber 9/24
Blake Shepherd 9/25
Paul Sherman 9/27
George Sievert 9/28
Louise Hummel 9/30

Vickie Elyard 9/2
Joel Pownall 9/5
Sam Strauss 9/8
Kathleen Whetzel 9/12
Bonnie Barr 9/15
Tammy Hussey 9/17
Roy Henderson 9/22
Helen Carper 9/24
Kim Collier 9/26
Carolyn Smith 9/27
Elmer Stoops 9/28
Matthew Lloyd 9/30

Karl Sours 9/2
Brad Andrick 9/6
Fallon Jinkins 9/9
Dennis Hart 9/13
Bob Knott 9/15
Melissa Breeden 9/19
Anna Hudick 9/22
Matthew Marks 9/24
Janet Hensley 9/26
John Swink 9/27
Danny Thomas 9/28

JMU Facilities Picnic

Dale Back
March 19, 1956 - August 17, 2015
Dale was a long term employee of JMU Facilities Management. He was hired into the Housekeeping Department in 1999 and transferred to Moving and Delivery in 2003.

Dale was a valuable member of FM and a good friend to many. He was known as an avid Dallas Cowboys fan as well as a very dedicated family man. He leaves behind a wife, son and two grandchildren.