

JMU Facilities News December 2015

A Moment Under the Fibers with JMU's Carpet Cleaning Team

Have you ever wondered how many square feet of carpet is on the JMU campus? If so, you may want to ask one of the two members that make up the carpet cleaning team at JMU- Bruce Helsley and Lee Fultz. Bruce has worked at JMU since 1998 and Lee joined the team in 2006. They are responsible for cleaning the carpet on campus and clean nearly one million square feet of carpet per year! We sat down with Bruce Helsley for a little Q&A.

What exactly does your department do?

We clean the campus' carpet through hot water extraction, or "steam cleaning." Essentially, it works by spraying 200 degree water and a "green" cleaning agent through a pressurized water line and then the moisture is immediately vacuumed out.

What powers the hot water extraction equipment?

It is powered by a 61 horsepower GM Vortec engine that is mounted inside of the work vehicle.

How do you feel your area impacts JMU?

Steam cleaning the carpets keeps up the standard of quality that JMU is accustomed to, lengthens the life of the carpet and ensures a healthier work environment.

Have you ever used the equipment to clean things other than carpet?

Yes, years ago a snow removal machine dripped oil on the football field and we were called upon to remove the oil from the grass and soil. It took some tweaking before it worked efficiently as the power of the equipment wanted to keep vacuuming up the soil, but with some tweaking it began to work well.

What do you enjoy most about what you and your team does?

It is rewarding to see the finished product and to see the amount of dirt that has been extracted from the carpet. It is also rewarding to know that our work leads to a healthier work environment.



(L-R): Bruce Helsley and Lee Fultz

University Holiday Schedule

2015

December 22
(University closes at noon)
December 23 - 31
(Winter Holiday)

2016

Employee Personal Day
(taken 1/10/16 - 1/9/17)
January 1
(New Year's Day)
January 18
(Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)
March 11
May 6
(University closes at 1 p.m.)
May 30
(Memorial Day)
July 4
(Independence Day)
November 23 - 25
(Thanksgiving Holiday)
December 23 - 30
(Winter Holiday)

New Hires



(L-R): Jesse Morris (Landscape), Jon Carnill (Recycling), Cody Fleisher (Landscape), Joseph Richmond (Landscape), Matt Mortenson (Landscape), Becky Davis (Power Plant)



(L-R): Kimala Morris (Housekeeping), Hardy Nalasw (Recycling), Jennifer Kemper (Housekeeping)



Transportation (L-R): Dale Glass, Fred Esmaili, John Stephens, Gian Antonnicola, Stephen Pittella

Holiday Greenery Arrangement Raffle and Food Drive

Submit one (or more!) non-perishable food item(s) to have a chance at winning one of approximately 30 festive arrangements of greenery perfect for the holidays! These are similar to the ones given away at the Christmas Banquet.



Please bring your donation(s) to any of the following Banquet Committee members: Kathleen Whetzel, LaVern Dillard, Matilda Honeycutt, Dawn Knight, Britney Tapley and Deanna Glass



(L-R): Bennie Wheelbarger (Garage), Trevor Cockburn (Moving & Delivery), Jacob Anderson (Landscape), Damara Williams (Housekeeping), Randal Alger (Power Plant), Percy Puckett (Power Plant)

News...

- Doug Judy transitioned from Transportation Supervisor to Transportation Manager on November 10.
- William "Jason" Bauer will be promoted to Power Plant Operational Supervisor effective December 10.
- Resume and Interview Training is December 3 and 8 in the USB. Call 8-7275 or 8-6422 for more information.

JMU Facilities Birthdays for December

Sarah Lunn 12/2	Charity Ramsey 12/3	Jane Reynolds 12/3	Crystal Ball 12/4	Paul Goins 12/4
Kathy Kirtley 12/4	Peter Poage 12/4	Lori Butler 12/6	Donna Whetzel 12/7	Taryn Berger 12/8
Wilda Dove 12/8	Crystal Limerick 12/9	Mary Monger 12/9	Floyd Reedy 12/9	Ted Staton 12/9
Asllan Shabani 12/10	Carol Sly 12/10	Joe Archer 12/12	Theresa Sutherly 12/12	Vernon Lawson 12/13
Steven Croy 12/14	Amanda Fretwell 12/15	Patricia Livengood 12/15	Crystal Wegman 12/15	Jon Carnill 12/18
Paul Frye 12/18	Chris Nazelrod 12/18	Tony Smith 12/18	Brittney Candido 12/19	Jeffrey Helmick 12/19
Mitchell Propst 12/19	Luis Quintanilla 12/19	Dustin Honeycutt 12/20	Bob Privott 12/20	Tim Huffman 12/21
Elamanda Walker 12/22	Ryan Mowbray 12/23	Chad Adams 12/24	Tessy May 12/26	Asa Taylor 12/26
Wes Auville 12/27	Kayla Hershman 12/27	Carla King 12/27	Bruce Price 12/27	Paul Cardin 12/28
Terry Lindsey 12/28	Jeremy Jenkins 12/29	Charity Abercrombie 12/31	Clayton Campbell 12/31	Eula Gammon 12/31