

Hoo Are the Winners...



Susan Erno (L) of The Adult Learning Center and Muslima Rasulow congratulate our colleagues Kamela Adish (2nd from right) of Housekeeping and Frederick Roumegoux (right) of Landscape who were winners in the annual Voices of Adult Learners story contest. They were among the English as a Second Language (ESL)/Adult Education students who read their winning entries at the March 23 Virginia Festival of the Book's Voices of Adult Learners.

From the Snows of February to Mulch Madness:



Landscapers Michael Beaudreau and Greg Rogers clear walks in front of the Rotunda during one of February's snows. When March entered like a lion, Ramon Avila (right) and other landscapers were out preparing the Grounds for Garden Week.

Frank Hill of Landscape is this year's Founder's Day Tree Planting honoree on April 12. Each year, The University the Arboretum and Landscape Committee plants a tree on Mr. Jefferson's birthday to honor a member of the University community. Way to go, Frank! (Photos in next issue.)



This New Old Roof...

Roofer Sidney Taylor (left) holds one of the shingles that colleagues (below) Jon Marston and (back) George Prokopic are installing on the east side Hotel C. On February 20, the History Channel visited UVa as part their research and filming for a special show on Jeffersonian architecture, particularly the technical and mechanical aspects of Jefferson's unique roofing systems at UVA. Facilities Management's roofing team fabricated Jefferson's unusual interlocking sheet metal shingles and installed them over new sheathing which covered the Jefferson-era roofing boards. The television program will be narrated by Steve Thomas of "This Old House" and will likely air in early summer. Mike Crawford (supervisor), Shannon Wood and Barry Quillon also worked on this project. Jody Lahendro is project manager.



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Hoo's In Focus...The Resource Center

Facilities Management's Resource Center is the place to go for answers to your questions about University owned buildings, grounds and utilities. Their collection of more than 50,000 drawings of is the source for lots of detailed information you can use. You may have questions about a historical point or need specialized printing. The Resource Center can help. Located in the lower level of 575 Alderman Road, the space is quietly busy with the hum of scanners and cataloging. The staff is known for its creative problem solving abilities, as well as their diverse interests.

Amanda Kutch and her sister Sarah, both graduates of Fluvanna County High School, have been working toward their goals in higher education while maintaining part-time jobs here. Amanda joined the Resource Center in June 2000, just after completing her Associate in Science in Business Administration from Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC). She followed that degree with an Associate in Applied Science in Management in May 2001, a BS in Business Administration from Longwood University in 2003 and an MBA from James Madison University last May. Now she's taking classes at Virginia Commonwealth University in production management and inventory control systems.

Outside of work and class, Amanda does her family's genealogy, a hobby she has pursued since she was 12. She is the registrar for the local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, enjoys reenactments, and church activities. She is looking for a "real job" in operations management or marketing that will put her business degrees to good use.

Sarah Kutch joined FP&C as an administrative assistant in 2002 and soon moved to the Resource Center. She earned an Associates in Applied Science in Management and an Associates in Science in Business Administration from PVCC in May and December 2004 respectively and is now a senior at Longwood University working toward a BS in Business Administration. Ranked 5th in Longwood's College of Business and Economics, Sarah has been inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma, the national honor society for business majors, and was elected president of Longwood's Accounting Association. She is a member of the medieval



organization, the Society of Creative Anachronism. Sarah's volunteer work includes VITA, (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) for low-income residents in the Farmville area, and a service

project to increase financial literacy among high school juniors and seniors. Her summer 2006 plans include an internship preferably with Ernst & Young, KPMG, or Keiter Stephens Hurst Gary & Shreaves.

Ruta Vasiukevicius, the Resource



Center archivist, believes that "life isn't interesting if you're not learning something new" and, as one reviews her travels and studies, it's easy to see that she was determined to keep life interesting. Born in Quebec to Lithuanian immigrants displaced by World War II, Ruta grew up in Chicago. . She earned an associates degree in Interior Design from the Colorado Institute of Art in Denver. Her work experience includes commercial and residential interior design, and exhibit design and construction at the Denver Museum of Natural History. Afterwards, Ruta spent 13 years in New Mexico where she taught ceramics at the New Mexico Institute of Mines and sold her clay work through the prestigious Doug West Gallery. Ruta is a wealth of information on the history of the places she has lived, just as Garth is a walking history book on Jefferson. Ruta and her husband Tim, staff scientist at NRAO, came to Virginia in September 2000, started the boys at school, bought a house which she remodeled "beyond recognition". She started at the Resource Center in December 2001.



Joey Tombs, a 2005 graduate of UVa with a degree in anthropology, was born in England and, at age 8, moved with his family to his mother's hometown of Crozet. Between those milestones, he learned framing and finish carpentry with a local contractor and Norfolk reed roof thatching

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Hoo's Taking Care of Business...



Frank Coffman, Fire Systems Superintendent, demonstrates the new sound system he designed and installed for the Rotunda's Dome Room, a frequent setting for high level events and presentations by visiting dignitaries including a recent Nobel Prize winner. Frank's familiarity with high end equipment and his technical skills resulted in a state of the art system, complete with ability to record live events directly onto CDs. Robbie Campbell, Cabinet Shop Supervisor, designed modifications of the original cabinetry to fit and completely conceal the equipment.



New employee Corey Harmon and (below) veteran Carpenter Page Fox make repairs on the eaves of Hotel C.



E.R. Deane, Trades Technician 3 and coordinator for services for the residences in the Academical Village, examines the trim of an antique hutch needing repair.



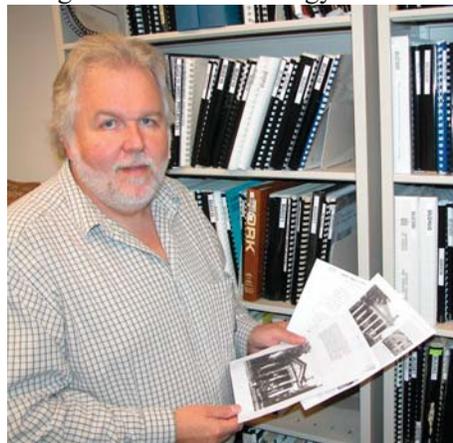
Robbie Campbell, Cabinet Shop Supervisor, built and installed new counters for the popular eatery, The Castle, while students were away on spring break.

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with McGhee & Company Roof Thatchers www.thatching.com. Joey used his roof thatching skills at the North Carolina Zoo, movie sets in Wilmington, NC, a New York state Renaissance Fair and at private farms. Joey said that after graduation he one-liners are intricate: he came to work at the Resource Center in the role of Resource File Coordinator and to study the tribe living in the village hidden behind the E1 parking lot. (The spoofs are intricate, too.) In his free time, his hobbies lately have consisted of the carpentry, plumbing, and electrical work involved in putting a kitchen back into his circa 1830 home in Grottoes – certainly an admirable endeavor for ... an anthropologist...

Garth Anderson was born in New York City when his Scottish parents were reunited there after World War II. "Growing up, I was taught not
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the Queen's English, but the English of Queens," he explains. The puns are rampant here, too. Garth earned a degree in medical biology from



C.W. Post College / Long Island University where, he joked, a lack of dissection specimens meant that the class spent many hours testing for blood types. After he learned the theory of antibody antigen

reaction, Garth moved to Maryland to study blood banking and research methodologies at the National Institutes of Health. In 1984, Garth came to UVa to supervise the clinical investigation lab of the Medical Center Blood Bank where he also authored or co-authored many peer reviewed articles and publications. A fan of Central Grounds, he frequently took his visiting friends on tours. That background explains Garth's passionate support for Virginia Blood Services drives at Facilities Management, his unofficial title as "resident historian" and his appointment to Albemarle County's Historic Preservation Committee. Besides being manager of his daughter's soccer team, Garth volunteers his time to the board of his homeowner's association and as a cook on Thanksgiving at the Salvation Army.

Customer Compliments to...

HSPP Carpentry Crew **Otis Hackett, Dan Lindsey, Al Hensley, Rodney Spencer, Jack Bryant, Phil Kleinheinze, David Hanley, Greg Musco, Jason Hamshar** and HSPP Landscape Crew **Clay Agee, Daniel Stratton, Phil Woodson, Martin Rush, Glen Van Reuth, and Roger Conner** for their help with the Temporary Surgical Locker Rooms in the University Hospital Expansion. This project was a critical piece of the overall renovation of the 2nd Floor of the Hospital. This move allowed another major Surgical Suite Renovation to proceed. The HSPP Carpentry & Landscape Crews had the last and most critical portion of the Temporary Locker Room project, the locker installation. In just two days, these men unloaded over 600 lockers, transported them up five floors, and had them installed and ready to use. They accomplished this feat with a great deal of professionalism, good humor, and a wonderful "CAN-DO" spirit. In spite of a very compressed schedule, their hard work allowed for the occupancy of the Locker Rooms two days ahead of schedule!

Additionally, I want to thank John Rainey's entire staff for their assistance in making this Emergency Project a success. This includes **Ken Kurpik, D.D. Fortune, Frank Chapman, Tim Huffman,** and, of course, **Les Staton.** -- *Timothy Roland, Senior Project Manager, FP&C Health System*

Campbell Hall custodial staff and specifically **Mario Biazon.** The nature of architectural education is one of clutter and mess- every day we students use wood, paper, cardboard, paint, plaster, plastics, etc. ...scraps of our materials are an unending challenge for the custodians. The initiative taken by the staff suggests a willingness to do more than just what is "required" by their job descriptions. The staff here is very personable. It is nice to have the staff that we see daily be a part of our community. There are a lot of students, and it is impressive how many of us the custodial staff (especially Mario Biazon) knows by name. -- *Natalie Gambill, Graduate Architecture*

Kate Meyer and the moving crew **Tim Gilmer, Bernie Farish, David Wood, Steven Hestor, Philip Saunders** - moved the huge 1920s model of the University from the A-School to our warehouse space on Millmont yesterday, and they were just great. Mark Kutney told me that Kate had the idea to do a walk-through the day before the move to help plan, which apparently made the move of a fragile, valuable object go very smoothly. Over the last few months this team has been very helpful; yesterday's move was extraordinary. --*Brian E. Hogg, Sr. Historic Preservation Planner, Office of the Architect*

Mo Nichols and **Joseph Banawoe** of Recycling demonstrated some truly outstanding service ..They went out of their way to help, and were extremely friendly in doing so, even though it took up their time and cost them some extra work. Some paperwork went to Recycling by mistake but Mo and Joseph stopped what they were doing and immediately located our boxes and returned them to us. They were very understanding. I would like to send a big THANK YOU their way, and let all of you know how much we appreciate their help. It's wonderful to work with such first-rate people. -- *Celene R. Pumphrey, Chief Recruiter, University Human Resources*

Environmental Health & Safety appreciates all the assistance of **David Reed** and the Systems Control personnel – **Brad Ingram, Chester Wood, Chris Greene, David Dillon, James Jefferson, J.B. Agee, Michael Dalton, Thomas McRay, Vincent Muscarella and Westley Chesser** - provided during last week's phone outage. Their input was extremely valuable in coordinating efforts with the Office of Environmental Health & Safety (EHS), Charlottesville Fire Department, University Police Department and Housing, etc. Great job! – *Gerald Drumheller, UVa Fire Safety Officer, EHS*

I want to compliment **Mashal Afredi** for the fine job of communicating about the plans for the TCVPO. She has been pleasant, informative and helpful. Much appreciated! --*Jeffrey F. Cutruzzula RN, MPM, Administrator Digestive Health Center of Excellence*

Jasper Thomas of housekeeping does an exceptional job in our offices in Garrett Hall Basement. My fellow co-workers and I want you to be aware of how much we value Jack and his work – Jack keep us better informed about building concerns than anyone else. I recommend Jack for employee of the month, outstanding performance, etc. He does his job with care and professionalism... we appreciate the many times he has come late to help us clean up after a reception or seminar. Jack has become part of our community here at the Institute. We're a "team!" – *Nicole Martin, Center on Religion and Democracy*



William Clifton shares a light moment with Slaughter Rec supervisor George Fitch

William Clifton, our housekeeper here at Slaughter Recreation Center, does a fantastic job of keeping our building clean. Intramural-Recreational Sports has very high standards for cleanliness. William exceeds our expectations on a daily basis and is also a pleasure to work with, bringing a smile and a pleasant attitude to work. I have been quite pleased with the job William does for us. --*Greg J. Boylan, Assistant Director, Facility Manager*

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Hoo's Promoted...

Heath System Physical Plant

Alexander J. DiGiacomo – B&G Supervisor B
 Christopher A. Kern – Motor Vehicle Operator B
 Kelly W. Branch – B&G Supervisor B
 Kenny M. Williams – Painter Lead Worker
 Adam C. Proffitt – Trades Utility Senior Worker
 Lobsang Dhondup – Trades Utility Senior Worker

Operations

Jamie R. Shifflett - Painter Lead Worker
 Warren L. Wood, Jr. – Shop Lead Worker
 Wanda M. Snead – Housekeeping Supervisor

Hoo's New...

Operations

Kim Adamson
 Mark Gragg
 Corey Harmon
 Rita Shifflett

Health System Physical Plant

Keith Bridges
 James Morgan
 David Oliver
 Paul Via

Energy & Utilities

Christopher Blakey
 Kenneth Davey
 Hassan Mahamud
 Christopher Recke
 Elvie Shifflett Sr.

FP&C

Michael Townes
 Jeff Moore

Compliments to All

Facilities Management

The Fiscal Year 2005 Annual Report is a testament to the hard work of Facilities Management's men and women and demonstrates your commitment to excellence. – *Colette Sheehy, Vice President for Management & Budget*

Need a notary?

You can have work-related needs notarized by three of our employees:

Amie Ferchak in Human Resources & Training – 982-5898;
 Pat Clifton in Contract Administration – 982-5472;
 Darlene Webb at the Main Heat Plant – 982-2629

Congratulations on Professional Development:

Charlotte Philen, B&G supervisor B with Work Management Division, recently completed requirements for Virginia Contracting Officer (VCO) certification granted by the Virginia Department of General Services. "The VCO credential adds to your professionalism and will strengthen our reputation and service excellence to our customers," Jay Klingel, director of Business Management Services, wrote. "It is remarkable you've been able to attain the certification after such a short time here."

Hoo's Retired...



Jim Kidd, our long-time materials assistant, was honored by colleagues including (L-R) George Cullen, Gary Parkhill, Bill Martin and Jimmy Sayre on his retirement January 25 after 17 years as our warehouse worker who made daily downtown pickups for materials that we positively, absolutely had to have right away. In the 1950s, while serving in the U.S. Air Force, Jim began his entertainment career as a radio personality and later as an actor working with then rising stars like George Carlin. After years touring the country, Jim settled back onto the Nelson County homeplace the family has owned for over 200 years.

Congratulations to Velida Tyree, Tiffany Hall and Judy Wood who have started in the Adult Degree Program through Mary Baldwin College working toward their Bachelor of Arts degrees.

Want to know more about educational opportunities through Facilities Management. Contact Amie Ferchak, HR and Training Coordinator, 982-5898.



Facilities Planning and Construction recognized the accomplishments of three colleagues who recently left the department for new positions. (L-R) Sack Johannesmeyer, director of FP&C, joked that no further resignations would be accepted after David Sweet to Appalachian State University, Anna Towns went to Arts & Sciences and Dick Minturn to the Provost's Office. Acting CFO Rick Rice congratulated the former project managers.

More Customer Compliments to...

Kate Meyer, Richard Hopkins, Mike Beaudreau, Michael Leff, Greg Rogers, Roland Von der Muhll, Steve Fuss, Mike Dillard, Kassim Hassan, Jerry Brown, Don Goebel: I (recently) toured the Pavilion gardens with our new Garden Club liaison, Mary Lou Seilheimer. She was overjoyed to see the positive change in the appearance and maintenance level of the historic gardens. Indeed, I have to say that in my 10 years here I've never seen them looking so terrific. She complimented the skillful pruning in particular (and asked if any of you would come work for her--I said no way would I divulge the names or contact information of our miracle workers!). Thanks to the **Pavilion gardeners** and **Special Projects crew** for all their hard work*. Kudos to all! – *Mary Hughes, University Landscape Architect*

*Superintendent Rich Hopkius noted that the accomplishments of the gardeners listed above were supported by the **Central Grounds crew** members: **Scott Burns, Fred Averill, Travis Mawyer, Frank Weaver, Ramon Avila, Philip Saunders** and **Elmer Rodas**.

Locksmiths **Logan McGann** and **Troy Miller**, for the work they did in support of the Allergy Clinic consolidation at Northridge. Troy and Logan went above and beyond on this project to insure that the work we needed to make this clinic move happen on the 27th occurred. The guys brought some outside-the-box thinking to bear on the project and allowed us to affect solutions that will allow the project to proceed as scheduled and allow patient care to go on uninterrupted. Troy and Logan did some excellent work for us in a rough environment, with limited resources, and under a very tight timeline. While this is especially true of this particular case, I have come to appreciate that this level of service is what we get from these two gentlemen at every encounter. I am grateful to Troy and Logan for their outstanding service, responsiveness, and commitment to their work. - *Michael A. Payne, MHA, Project Coordinator, Health System Fac. Planning & Capital Development*

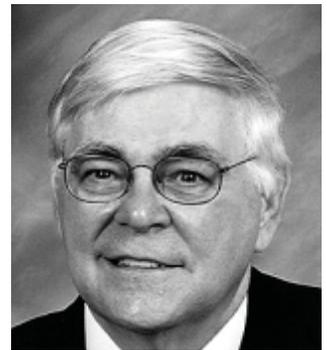
Thanks to everyone in Facilities for their fast repair work in our office this week. What could have been a long, disruptive process was short and efficient. **Charles Durrer** kept us in the loop so that we were well informed throughout the process. I know it wasn't easy work and the timing was particularly tricky, so please extend a thank you from our office to all involved. -Thank you - *Diddy Morris, Office Manager, Office of the Architect*

Thanks for recognizing Charlie and his crew (see list at right). They finished up just in time to go over to try to solve a leaking chilled water pipe 10' underground near Jordan Hall. We don't let them rest on their laurels very often! -*Richard H. Rice, Jr., P.E., Acting Chief Facilities Officer*

We extend our thanks and appreciation for the work that **Sandy Payne** does for us. Recently, we generated 47 large trash bags of shredded material, and we aren't done yet. We didn't anticipate how much trash this would generate or what we would do with all the trash. Sandy came to our rescue...she coordinated with Recycling and has been transporting the bags to the loading dock. This has required a lot of extra, unplanned effort and time. Sandy volunteers to help out with whatever we need. I have never heard her say "that isn't my job" or "whine" about having to do extra work. She has been a joy to work with and she always goes the extra mile to provide exceptional customer service. --*Debbie Mincarelli, Human Resource Manager, ITC*

Noted with Regret

Our former colleague Gene Butler died January 21 after a brief but courageous battle with esophageal cancer. Gene retired in February



1999 after 11 years as the electrical engineer with the ASBO Team. Among his many professional accomplishments, Gene is remembered for his support of the International Dark-Sky Association, a group dedicated to preserving and protecting the nighttime environment with dark skies through quality outdoor lighting.

Gene is also remembered for his easy-going manner and wonderful smile, regardless of the circumstances.

Those who worked the weekend for the emergencies mentioned in the left column were

**Bruce Lovelace
Larry Shifflett
Alan Jarvis
Kevin Lawrence
Rufus Rush
Kenneth Smith
Ronald Kenny**

These employees continued the work during regular hours to assure a quick return to normalcy:

**Vern Lamb
Robert Bishop
Earl Hinds
Clayton Roberts
Wayne Morris
Roland Taylor
Glen Hall
Corey Harmon
John Toney
Gary Shifflett
Eugene Lawson
Tom Garrison
David Clark
E.R. Deane**

Other Events & Happenings...



When a compressor blew due to pin-hole leaks in pipes in the ceiling at Copeley Child Care Center, Fire Systems team members Matt Acree (shown here) and Frank Coffman (in the attic and not visible in this photo) were on the scene within minutes. While the “event” interrupted the children’s naptime, it caused minimal water damage and proved that when the sprinklers go into use, the alarm system *does* work. The compressor was replaced and the area was repiped over the weekend so there was no disruption to the customers.



David Starke (above) and Earnest Scott (R) were among the Landscapers who helped the University ignore the annoying winter weather by quickly clearing the snow out of the way and sanding walks.



Come On - Take a Free Ride!!

All staff, faculty, and students bus route may ride Charlottesville Transit Service (CTS) for free in April by simply displaying your valid staff/faculty or student ID to the driver. This offer is for all routes, day and night.. Check schedules and routes at www.charlottesville.org/transit. This month-long program is a great way to try the service. Questions? Contact parking@virginia.edu. Save money on gas and ride CTS for free!



By mid-March, blulbs ventured to bloom and Landscapers like Michael Leff and Scott Burn got to control weeds rather than snow.



At the March 8 Inforum, Pat Clifton (L) of Contract Administration talks with a potential customer as Bill Cooper (far R), Director of Supplier Diversity, University Procurement., looks on. In the background, Jeff Moore (L), who recently returned to FP&C as Construction Services Manager, talks with Rich Sergi, Construction Administration Manager for many high visibility projects.

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Earl Ward, (L), recently back after a year’s service in the Coast Guard for Homeland Security, and is now FP&C’s Academic Division Manager, talks with Richard Allen, Senior Project Manager who will soon join the Medical School as Director of Space Management.

Hoo's Helping Katrina Victims...

"Katrina affected an area the size of Great Britain," Pete Syme of Work Management, explained to a group of his colleagues at Facilities Management as he shared a slide presentation documenting his 10-day volunteer stint recently in Pearlington, Mississippi, 45 miles from New Orleans and still a ravaged victim of August 29th's Hurricane Katrina.

"The application for a FEMA trailer is complicated and then the wait is long. And once a trailer is delivered, no one can live in it until someone connects - water, sewer and electricity. That's one reason that only 25% of Pearlington's former population of 1,700 has returned to the town." The goal of Building for Goodness, the local organization that Pete went with, is to recruit volunteers skilled in construction to build 12' x 16' shelters that can be used by the residents as living or storage space.

A wall of water 34 feet high hit the coast of Mississippi and the pictures Pete shows can only begin to illustrate the destruction. "The devastation is like nothing I have ever seen," Pete commented, "but the people are so grateful for our help, I didn't want to leave." Pete's job was as working as a helper for the more skilled members of the team. "The fact that I could be a valuable member of our crew is a testimony to the fact that you do not need to be highly skilled to contribute" he said. The five days of work from sunup to evening was physically tiring he said, but "I felt so good about what we were doing that it really energized me", he said.

"While New Orleans' condition is constantly seen on the media, there are dozens if not hundreds of equally devastated towns that feel forgotten," Pete explained, "and they need people to come there and help. The counties are broke, insurance claims are mired in the process, and the only government presence we saw was OSHA when they came to inspect our camp. All the nuts and bolts work is being done by volunteers.

Pete came back committed to continuing to help the residents of Pearlington. He is ready to give his 20



Seeing boats in trees and on roads miles from the waterfront was typical, our colleagues recalled.

Photo by Pete Syme

minute slide show to anyone interested, any time, any place. Facilities Management was again represented in Pearlington in late March with the arrival of a Building Goodness crew including Top Reuschling, Plumber Steamfitter Supervisor; Wayne Harlow, Carpenter Lead; Florence Buchholz, Fiscal Operations Manager; and Donald Buchholz, who retired from our plumbing shop several years ago. University employees can apply for up to two weeks of special Katrina relief leave if the are working for a recognized non profit engaged in a recovery effort. Questions? Contact Pete at 2-4672, pts8q@virginia.edu.



Florence Buchholz helped build 12' x 16' shelters that can be used by the residents as living or storage space. *Photo by Don Buchholz*



"The destruction was like nothing you can imagine until you've been there," said Wayne Harlow (L), who served as team leader for the most recent Facilities Management service to Katrina victims, and Top Reuschling, who also paid for and installed a hot water heater for the church that supplied their one hot meal a day,

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