USU Facilities is pleased to announce Brian J. Taylor as the Employee of the Month for April 2014. Brian began working for Facilities in 1999. He began in the Electrical Shop for the first ten years or so and is now part of the Utilities Power crew at the Central Energy Plant. Brian attended BATC in their electrical apprenticeship program, becoming a Journeyman Electrician.

Matt Rogers, Electrical Engineering Technician and co-worker of Brian, has said, “Brian is a hard worker and is always bending over backwards to serve Facilities customers. He is on the High Voltage crew and continually seeks for opportunities to stay busy, helping on many small to mid sized projects. He responds to power outages and makes himself available at the drop of a hat. He is always there to keep the power on or to restore service.”

Daniel Ferris, Director of Utility Services, has said, “Brian is an excellent employee with an amazing work ethic. He is constantly looking for work to do and projects that he can help out on. He never shies away from any job and is always willing to go the extra mile to make sure the customer’s needs are taken care of.”

Brian was born and raised in Dayton, ID and continues to live there with his wife, Wendi, and their three children: 7 year old twins, Gid and Grace, and 5 year old Halle.

Brian is the middle child and has two brothers and three sisters. His parents live in Dayton and his siblings are scattered throughout Utah and Idaho.

Brian and his family enjoy camping during the summer months and love to be outdoors every chance they get. He also loves to hunt, especially elk. In his spare time, Brian is a volunteer fire fighter with the Franklin County Fire Department. He enjoys working with the department and loves to help people any way he can.

Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition, Brian! Utah State University and Facilities are lucky to have you!

Central Energy Plant Crew: Justin Jones, David Wand, Daniel Ferris (Utility Director), Reid Olsen, Jerry Petterborg, Brian Taylor, Dan Richins, Randy Jones, Claude Gittins, and Mike Donaldson.
April Fools' Day or All Fools' Day is celebrated on April 1st as a day for practical jokes, pranks and hoaxes. This light-hearted humor has become a popular tradition between not only friends and family, but media sources as well.

Watch out on April Fools Day! Are you being hoaxed?
**Safety Corner**

USU Facilities has worked 323 days* without lost-time
*as of MARCH 31, 2014.

The previous record was 355 days.
Do your part to help extend the record!

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Be Careful Out There!

**Happy Easter!**

Sunday, April 20, 2014

April is National Humor Month. It is designed to heighten public awareness on how the joy and therapeutic value of laughter can improve health, boost morale, increase communication skills and enrich the quality of one's life. Scientific research now indicates that the curative power of laughter and its ability to relieve debilitating stress and burnout may indeed be one of the great medical discoveries of our times.

G. Joe Wilson has been selected as the 2013-2014 USU Staff of the Year. Joe was selected for this award by the students & staff at the Disability Resource Center, who recognize and appreciate his exemplary support of students with disabilities. Congratulations to Joe on this achievement and thank you for all you do for the Disability Resource Center and for Utah State University!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR VERY OWN KALILOU FOFAA (FM) ON BECOMING A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON MARCH 12, 2014!**

Monday, April 28, 2014 is the internationally recognized date for Holocaust Remembrance Day. It marks the anniversary of the Warsaw ghetto uprising. The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising was the 1943 act of Jewish resistance that arose within the Warsaw Ghetto in German-occupied Poland during World War II, and which opposed Nazi Germany's final effort to transport the remaining Ghetto population to Treblinka extermination camp. The most significant portion of the rebellion took place from 19 April, and ended when the poorly armed and supplied resistance was crushed by the Germans, who officially finished their operation to liquidate the Ghetto on 16 May. It was the largest single revolt by Jews during World War II.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Lorin R. Mortensen 1
David G. Webb 1
Grant Smith 5
Craig R. Soelberg 5
Sasha Shkurpela 6
Sara M. Vincent 6
Nephi F. Rogers 7
Erik Baker 8
Aaron B. Garbett 10
Tyler E. Henrie 12
Misty D. Jorgensen 12
Patricia Nelson 12
Adam P. Hunting 13
Sydney Mortensen 15
Dan S. Richins 16
Nikole Q. Rios 16
Kory Johnson 16
Jacob D. Anderson 17

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Michael Thornton 17
Tamralyn Shreeve 18
Taylor Parker 19
Michael G. Kane 19
Ronald S. Auger 19
W. Kevin Johnson 19
Kaden R. Jackson 21
Braxton Fitzgerald 22
Roy E. Hebson 23
Jedd R. Friedli 24
Collin G. Marsaw 24
Alexander Marcek 27
Todd J. Pearce 29
Michael Donaldson 30
Kenneth G. Weeks 30

YEARS OF SERVICE

David W. Petersen 32 Years
Curtis M. Leishman 29 Years
Michael A. George 19 Years
George J. Wilson 16 Years
Larry L. Dunkley 13 Years
Daniel Maughan 13 Years
Bret I. Leckie 6 Years
David H. Atkin 2 Years
Tina Butters 2 Years
David B. Danielson 2 Years
Chris Donenici 2 Years
Tyler Hansen 2 Years
Isabel Lopez 2 Years
Jeffrey W. Miller 2 Years
Whitney R. Miller 2 Years
Joshua T. Riggs 2 Years
Gregory L. Davis 1 Year
Steven H. Schilling 1 Year

Arbor Day, Friday, April 25

Founded in 1872, National Arbor Day is celebrated every year on the last Friday in April. The customary observance is to plant a tree. On the first Arbor Day, April 10, 1872, an estimated one million trees were planted.

EARTH DAY — Tuesday, April 22

Ever wondered how Earth Day started?
This observance arose from an interest in gathering national support for environmental issues. In 1970, San Francisco activist John McConnell and Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson separately asked Americans to join in a grassroots demonstration. McConnell chose the spring equinox (March 21, 1970) and Nelson chose April 22. Millions of people participated, and today Earth Day continues to be widely celebrated with events on both dates. The most common practice of celebration is to plant new trees for Earth Day.