USU Facilities is pleased to announce Robert D. Edwards as the employee of the month for September 2015. Before coming to USU, Bob was the Head Groundskeeper at the University of Utah. Bob has been employed with USU for eighteen years. He initially began working grounds in the Housing department. After eight years, he came over to Facilities Landscape Operations & Maintenance.

Scott Hampton, Bob’s Foreman, has said, “Over the last couple of years Bob has really started to stand out. He is dedicated with snow removal during severe storms, helping to keep our customers at Innovation Campus safe and happy. During the growing season, Bob is good at coordinating with our area coordinators to ensure that the fertilizing and spraying doesn’t affect our customers on campus.

Recently Bob’s crew put out hundreds of 40 pound bags of fertilizer in just four days. All of this was done by hand throughout the entire campus, as well as the athletic fields. Everyone knows and loves Bob. He brings a lot of joy to work, lights up the room, is fun to be around, and builds comradery in the shop.”

Gilbert Young, co-worker to Bob has said, “He finds the most efficient way to do the work to accommodate the customers. He always prioritizes the work and is really efficient, flexible, and conscientious.”

Bob was born in Moses Lake, WA. When he was two years old his family moved to Midvale, UT. He has four brothers and two sisters. One of his brothers and both his parents has passed on.

Bob is a graduate of Hill Crest High School, Midvale, UT. He attended both the University of Utah and USU, being just one year away from obtaining his bachelor’s degree in Social Work. He has also begun working on his associate’s degree in Landscape Technology, and has earned his Welder’s certificate from Salt Lake Community College.

Bob currently lives in Logan and is the proud father of one daughter, Ellie, 24 years old, and a son, Duncan, 22. One of Bob’s favorite things to do is watch athletic events, especially women’s gymnastics. In his younger days Bob competed as a wrestler, pole vaulter and kick boxer. He even competed in wrestling in Japan in 1980. Bob also served a full-time mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the England Bristol Mission. Bob really enjoys camping, especially at Tony Grove. He laughs when he says that his most favorite activity would have to be Angie’s Restaurant. They always have a seat for him at the counter! We are so glad to have Bob with us at Facilities and are grateful for his dedication and hard work.
NEW FACILITIES EMPLOYEES

Lorrin Campbell
Plumbing
Kile Nuehrning
HVAC
Gaston Penalba
FM
Tim Petersen
HVAC

STEP-UP AWARD: Troy Johnson and Lorrin Campbell from Plumbing volunteered to lay an exterior sewer line at the Technology building. Without this line, it would have caused serious delay in a departmental lab’s project. They were willing to complete this quickly as the equipment operators wouldn’t be able to get to the sewer line for some time. They worked efficiently and corrected the problem without any hang-ups. Great guys and great work! We are grateful for them and their efforts on this project!!

STEP-UP AWARD: With the way campus lawns were burning up from the heat and water restrictions, Robert Edwards, Conner Eastman, Taylor Hart, and Spencer Daines decided to fertilize the large fields including the athletic fields. Bob and his crew started this project on Saturday in the rain and finished up by the middle of the week. This was done with push spreaders, a hand held spreader, and the 3 in 1 power spreader. Bob and his crew covered a lot of ground in a very short amount of time. Because of their efforts, the lawns greened up and look amazing! We were grateful for their hard work and dedication to this project!

STEP-UP AWARD: Phil Bankhead of the Carpenters Shop was assigned the task to construct some very complex chrome tablet charging racks for Edith Bowen. He was given the dimensions by others and built six cabinets total. They were very time consuming, requiring some very meticulous layouts and assembly. Even though they were built as directed, the dimensions of the partitions were too narrow. The constructed racks could not be modified, requiring that he start from scratch, building them again. He was very understanding and offered to meet directly with the customer to insure that the new racks were built as needed. He came up with an even better design and went right to work building the new racks. I’m sure that there was some frustration but it was not evident what so ever. I really appreciate the professional attitude and willingness to do whatever was needed to delight the customer. In my opinion these are the kinds of situations where we have a real opportunity to step up and make things right, regardless of who is at fault. That’s exactly what Phil did!

STEP-UP AWARD: Zach Long of FM is always willing to step up and help with whatever is needed, and he looks for things to do instead of waiting to be told what needs to be done. In addition, he helped our cluster greatly this summer by taking sole responsibility for four of our smaller buildings, enabling the rest of the cluster to focus on completing projects. Finally, Zach’s attendance has been exemplary. While Facilities policy allows hourly employees to have 2 absences a month, Zach’s average has been only half that. Through his actions and attitude, he demonstrates devotion to his job and his team! Tyler Rampton of FM is one of the most dependable employees I have ever had the pleasure of working with. In a job where change is constant, there are two things I can always be certain of: that there will be messes to clean and that Tyler will be there to help clean them up. His attendance is near perfect, and when he comes he always demonstrates a willingness to help with any task that is asked of him and tries to complete it to the best of his ability.
Safety Corner

USU Facilities has worked 304 days* without lost-time as of August 26, 2015.
The previous record was 414 days.
Please do your share to extend the record!

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Be Careful Out There!

Thank You

To All at USU Facilities,

Thank you so much for the beautiful plant and the thoughts of sympathy and prayers during the passing of our dear son, Doug. This is a very hard time for us, but we will remember him each time we water and look at the plant. Thanks so much!

Sheldon & Patsy Beutler
USU Facilities Maintenance

Quarterly Shop Spotlight: USU WATER QUALITY

The USU Water Quality department oversees the culinary water distribution system on campus as well as the HPER pools. Utah State University has two wells on campus along with a reservoir storage tank that provides water for our culinary distribution system, separate from Logan City. Our Water Quality technicians take chlorine samples and stats daily at the well and reservoir to ensure our system is running properly. Additionally, bacteria samples are taken on a monthly basis to the Bear River Health Department (these samples are taken directly from buildings on campus) and yearly samples are taken to ensure Division of Drinking Water standards are met.

Additionally, Water Quality performs backflow preventer testing, fire hydrant flow tests each summer, maintains and inspects neutralization tanks and grease interceptors on campus, and maintains the Tanner Fountain.

Water Quality is also in charge of cleaning and maintaining proper chemistry levels at the HPER pools. We often hear that we have some of the cleanest pools in the State of Utah! We are proud of the work we do on campus and are happy to serve the campus community!
Kassandra Brandow 01
Shelbi Miller 01
Brannon Zollinger 02
John Fitch 03
Jaycson Yeates 04
Solomon Nielsen 05
Patrick Huppi 05
Tracy M. Brown 05
James W. Huppi 05
Travis Maynard 06
Bryan C. Larsen 08
Veloy L. Hansen 08
Richard A. Boudrero 08
Varun Gattu 08
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YEARS OF SERVICE

Todd S. Hlavaty 20 Years
Chris W. Jensen 20 Years
Dart T. Friedli 19 Years
Chris T. Olsen 19 Years
James W. McCune 12 Years
Clinton H. Dirks 11 Years
Jared E. Jorgensen 11 Years
Pete A. Elliott 10 Years
Lance A. Maughan 10 Years
Kris D. Merrill 9 Years
Mark E. Peplinski 9 Years
Kory Johnson 7 Years
Aaron B. Garbett 6 Years
Sarah Elliott 4 Years
David P. Burgess 3 Years
Nathan J. Schwartz 3 Years
Matthew M. Payne 2 Years
Rachel Armstrong 1 Year

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

September is …
National Honey Month

THANK YOU
KATIE HOGGAN
for 18 years of service to USU Facilities…
you will be missed!

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