Employee Newsletter
September 2016

"If the University had more staff like Paul and Stephen the possibilities are endless.”
Christopher Durham complementing the Lock Shop

WELCOME: NEW EMPLOYEES
Dustin Cooks - September 12
Groundskeeper 1
Oshin Malhara - September 7
CWS student worker
Edward Romero - September 12
Custodial
Patricia Rodriguez - September 12
Custodial
Keithan Thomas - September 12
Groundskeeper

CONGRATULATIONS: RETIREMENT
Byron Luckey - September 1 (11 years)
Asst, Stationary Engineer
Rosa Fulkerson - July 1 (11 years)
Custodian
Lidia Perez - September 1 (10 years)
Custodian

LUNCH & LEARN
Oct 4 - Time Management
Oct 20 - Understanding the power of your personal brand

AUTOMATIC DATA POPULATION FOR FPC
FPC employees can now automatically populate their required data in the Facilities weekly duty roster. Previously each PPM would have to manually populate the spreadsheet on a weekly basis which resulted in inaccurate information. This initiative will allow for more accurate information that will be drawn automatically and increase the ease of use.

COUGAR FIRST IMPRESSIONS
The Facilities team volunteered for Cougar First Impressions and hosted their first table. The purpose of this activity is not only to welcome new and returning Coogs to campus but also to create a sense of community and increase student retention at UH. Volunteers made sure students were provided cold bottled water and gave directions to help them find their way around campus for the first two days of the semester.

Jeanne LaMontagne has volunteered for Cougar First Impressions (CFI) for many years. She feels that first impressions are indeed critical and that CFI is a great platform to make a positive impression and engage students who may have never seen the campus before. These students are usually full of energy for their first day of college and are on their best behavior; even so, they are sometimes distracted and overwhelmed by the size of the campus and grateful for a friendly offer of help. She has noticed that the quality of questions asked by the students has changed over the years. It seems that students are getting better at finding their way around campus which she attributes to our new Wayfinding system. "We received more questions from students who seem to know where they were headed, but just needed directions for those final steps." says Jeanne. She is also involved with Campus Movers and Cougar Pals programs. She says she would recommend volunteering at CFI not only because it’s exciting and rewarding to interact with the students, but also because this is where students first form the mental snapshots that will accompany their college career. "We can only hope that the students’ happy “First Impressions” will extend to the rest of a tremendous college experience at the University of Houston."

We would like to thank all our staff members who helped us out during the busy first days and assisted us to pull this off with over 2000 questions asked by students just at our table.

Thank you for volunteering and helping us out!

Brittanee Adams
Nancy Borja
Kendrick Cunningham
Lawrence Dang
Erika Diaz
Aleese Gulick
Yessica Galindo
Austin Harwell
Victor Kalani
Rufus Kemp
Bennie Lopez
Michelle Le
Jeanne LaMontagne
Angelica Olivios
Jennifer Rea
George Rea
Guicela Salazar
Erica Sims
Tammy Talley
Carlos Villarreal
Jacquie Vargas
Kriti Wadhwa
Clara Winfree
Craig Whitfield
Mike Wheeler
Ed Zimmeth

September birthdays:
FPC celebrates employee birthdays during their team meetings every month.

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