ALTAF J. RAJAN HAS BEEN NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FACILITIES BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND COMPLIANCE

Rajan has years of progressively responsible financial management experience working with institutions of varying size including Golden Gate University in San Francisco, Texas Southern University in Houston, and an international assignment at Texas A&M University in Doha, Qatar. Before any of those experiences though, Rajan was a University of Houston employee and is now returning.

Each of these prior positions provided extensive experiences in financial operations, financial reporting, accounting process development, re-engineering accounting structure and Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) implementation. These experiences have also trained him to preempt issues and provide solutions in all levels of the organizatinal financial life cycle, resolve long-standing accounting issues, and recommend and implement solutions that will result in operational efficiency and effectiveness.

Rajan earned a BS in Accounting from the University of Houston-Downtown, an MBA in Finance from the University of St. Thomas, Houston and is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) from TSBPA (Texas State Board of Public Accountancy).

Eagerly awaiting his new challenges with the new position in UH Facilities, Rajan states, “I am excited to be back at UH and look forward to working with the University community.”

CONGRATULATIONS: PLATINUM + ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER
Ruben Duenas-34 Years Journey HVAC Mechanic
Carlos Villareal-32 Years Interim Director FS
Randy L. Wagner-29 Years Lead Electrician
Maria Nanez-26 Years Custodian 3

OCTOBER
Kathryn A. Kabus-28 Years Spvr, Facilities Services
Jesse Caltzontzint-26 Years Access Control Tech
Larry W. Williams-26 Years Skilled Trades Tech 3
Pedro R. Cortes-25 Years Refuse Collector/Driver
Mary J. Pickrel-23 Years Program Coordinator 1
John H. Palamidy-22 Years Skilled Trades Tech 3
Gerardo V. Iniwan-21 Years Journey Electrician
Landandy Sneed-21 Years Trades Assistant
Curtis A. Robinson-20 Years Trades Assistant
Ema J. Lawson-20 Years Custodian 2

NOVEMBER
Cone’ Cadena-35 Years Working Retiree
John H. Hoijer-33 Years Auto Mechanic
Penry L. Brungardt-32 Years Working Retiree
Maria Doris Johnson-32 Years Facilities Services Lead
Michael R. Riker-30 Years Working Retiree
Robert J. Dawson-30 Years Working Retiree
Steven E. Wright-29 Years Mgr, Construction Project Sr
Myrlin L. Brazil-26 Years Skill Trades Tech 3
Martin Martinez-26 Years Elevator Mechanic
Teresa Blanco-26 Years Custodian 3
Mercedes R. Salazar-26 Years Custodian 2
Maria Veronica Saucedo-23 Years, Custodian 2
Rey T. Tajonera-22 Years Spvr Facilities Services
Baldemar Sandoval-20 Years Groundskeeper 2

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We wish to express our condolences to Annette Brown who lost her husband and our co-worker, Jeff Brown, this September. Jeff Brown retired this summer from UH after 21 years. He was respected and worked throughout the Facilities department in different areas but his most recent position was as a Facilities Project Inspector. Annette Brown also retired this summer from her position as Facilities Office Coordinator after 18 years at UH. Our thoughts are with Annette and their family.

SPECIAL CONDOLENCES

WELCOME: NEW EMPLOYEES
Evarista Barrera - November 3
Custodian 1
Clement Ta - November 14
Skilled Trades Technician 2

Weber: November 29th at 2pm CST

Do you feel a bit tongue-tied around someone who is grieving? Many people do. There are some basics to know about helping people who are grieving. Join this webinar for tips on:
- What a grieving person may want - and probably doesn't want - to hear.
- How to interpret a person's grief reaction.
- Ways to feel more at ease around a person who's expecting grief.

For questions on how to register for this free webinar please email faccomm@central.uh.edu.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

UH FACILITIES APPRECIATION BBQ LUNCH
Monday, November 21
11:30 am
General Services Building, Bay
Sponsored by the Senior VP’s Office

SOCK AND BLANKET DRIVE
October 24 - December 2
Go to the Staff Council website to find a drop-off location and a list of items needed.
http://www.uh.edu/staff-council/sock-blanket-drive/
Benefiting the Star of Hope Mission, Undies for Everyone and the Harris County Protective Services Guardianship Program.
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2016 A&F HOLIDAY PARTY
Wednesday, December 7, 2016
11:30am - 1:30pm
You’re invited to join the Senior VC/Senior VP of Administration and Finance.
In keeping with the season, we will be holding a uniform drive for Blackshear Elementary for the following:
Uniform Bottoms: Black, Khaki, Navy Blue
Sizes 4T to 20
Children’s Belts: S, M, L

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
The University of Houston System Board of Regents has approved the following Holiday Schedule for benefits-eligible employees of the University of Houston:
Thanksgiving
November 24-25, 2016
Winter Holiday
December 23-30, 2016