VEISHEA 2007 was a great success, having kicked off the year-long 150th Celebration. Facilities Planning and Management took part in the day's festivities by having its tent display on central campus, which included information about FP&M and Veener Memorial Golf Course, two campus plan displays, a putting green, and a drawing for prizes. In addition, FP&M and the Power Plant hosted tours, which included the Hall of History in the General Services Building and a guided tour of the power plant facilities and operations. A special thanks to all of our staff who volunteered their time on Saturday to help make this an extra special event.

Coming July 25th, is the FP&M Employee Picnic where a burger and brat meal will be served; and as part of the 150th Celebration, the FP&M Time Capsule will be dedicated.

The FP&M and ISU 150th Committee will continue to meet monthly through VEISHEA 2008. We'll continue to send updates on activities associated with the celebration.

FP&M 150th Committee: Cathy Brown, Bob Currie, Gina Holtzbauer, Les Lawson, and Kris Pruismann
From the desk of Chris Ahoy

Some of you have been curious about my presidency at APPA, what it entails, and where all I have been to represent APPA and placed ISU on the map. As APPA President for 2006-2007, and as the 92nd APPA President since 1914, I have had the unique lifetime opportunity to meet colleagues and make friends locally, nationally, and internationally. I have been very happy to share APPA’s value propositions and to showcase ISU wherever opportunity presented itself. It has been my privilege and honor to represent APPA and ISU at many venues, and to make presentations, contacts, and connections. There are three areas of focus that might shed some light into my activities, administrative, international collaboration, and regional and chapter conference appearances.

Administrative Activities
Besides the regular three times a year executive and board meetings in Alexandria, Virginia, where APPA office and staff is headquartered, we have various monthly teleconferences with regional presidents and regional representatives. The following is a chronological event of administrative activities that have taken me away from home relying on e-mails for communicating with all of you.

August 4-6, 2005, APPA 2005 Conference -- APPA 2005 Educational Facilities Leadership Forum in Orlando, Florida could not have been better to start off my three-year commitment to the Presidential leadership triangle to assist the APPA organization to the next level of excellence.

July 8-12, 2006, APPA President 2006-2007 -- I was deeply touched and honored to be installed as the APPA’s 92nd President in Honolulu, Hawaii at the joint conference of APPA, NACUBO, and SCUP,

On May 2, 2006, The Council for Higher Education Management Association (CHEMA) -- The informal voluntary assembly of 35 management-oriented, higher education associations in the United States and Canada in one place, Albuquerque, New Mexico, provided the sharing of information and comparing experiences and opportunities for working collectively on projects of shared interest. I will be participating in CHEMA conference again this May/June.

November 16-17, 2006, Collaboration with Students--I gave an “Overview of APPA” presentation to the BYU student chapter members and a presentation on “Leadership in Educational Facilities Administration” at their Thursday morning facilities management class. Both sessions went well.

December 2006, Credentialing and Certification -- The new board of directors was established in January 2007, with goals and objectives of Certification Boards’ development of two certification credentials--Educational Facilities Professional, and the Certified Educational Facilities Professional.

APPA Senior Facilities Officers (SFO) -- Thought Leaders Series germinated from a need identified in the 2005 Stratton Report. Under the astute leadership of Lander Medlin, we have received interest and funds from two sources (Carter Burgess and IBM) to keep up with SFO summit activities. This new initiative started in 2006 to increase, in both number and substance, the body of knowledge for SFO leaders. I am pleased and fortunate to have been a part of the second 2008 Thought Leadership Summit at the Carter-Burgess headquarters in Dallas forth Worth, Texas April 23-25, 2007.

International Collaborations
June 11, 2005 -- Before being installed as 2005-2006 President-Elect, I was pleased to be asked to represent APPA at the XII IDEPAF “Vol Viendo Al Origen” (“Back to the Basics”) Conference, in San Luis Potosi, México, and honored to present to the ITESM Physical Plant Administrators an “Overview of APPA and Leadership in Educational Facilities Administration.” There were 25 Tec Monterrey campuses listed at the conference out of the 30 campuses.

September 23, 2005 -- David Ng, NUS OED Director of Estate and his Management Services Officer, Jasmin Tay were instrumental in arranging a venue attended by approximately 140 attendees. The “The Knowledge Sharing Seminar, “Best Practices in Facilities Management,” was well received by both institutions and businesses in Singapore.

September 26, 2005 -- I attended the TEFMA board meeting and presented a brief overview of APPA and some information on ISU followed by what’s new in my business. I learned some new phrases “bums on the seat,” (seats occupied) “cactus” (dead) and “get the wheels on the bus,” (let’s get moving!). Our partnership continues to grow with TEFMA as we continue to foster exchanges between our two associations and also begin working on international benchmarking.

October 11-12, 2005 -- We were given a great big Maori welcome with a Powhiri ceremony at a Morai. Ruth and I will cherish this event in our lives as one of our highlights on our sojourn to New Zealand. We toured the north and south Ireland by car visiting University of Auckland stopping at Palmerston North. Ruth and I met old friends in Wellington after 41 years when I was graduate student in Berkeley, California. I learned a New Zealand expression “heaps!” and truly there were abundance of this

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hospitality as we venture forth visiting NZ Universities in Auckland, Palmerston North, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin.

September 23, 2006—My trip to Singapore in September 2005 sowed the seed for the establishment of a new Singapore International APPA Chapter. A Memorandum of Intent was signed in Chinatown, San Francisco, California, after the COTF Conference. This was followed by an official MOU signature ceremony by President-Elect Alan Bigger and David Ng, NUS OED Director of Estate in September 2006 at NUS, Singapore.

October 20-29, 2006—My visit to the HEFMA Conference in Kemmeldrift, Pretoria, South Africa, was very well received. It was a great honor to be the opening keynote speaker, as well as elective session speaker. President du Plessis and I signed the MOU to foster collaboration between HEFMA and APPA. During the next three years, both organizations will mutually explore detailed actions around the basic goals and objectives in the MOU.

March 31-April 4, 2007—Representing APPA at the 2007 AUE conference at the University of Bath campus was a delight. I visited University College Dublin in Ireland and drove to Northern Ireland to meet a friend of my aunt who I had never seen but corresponded with since my aunt passed away 12 years ago. It was good to catch up with old friends, as well at the World Heritage City of Bath, UK. Ruth got the biggest bouquet of flower she had ever received in her life at the black tie dinner at the Bath house. Visiting University of Glasgow with past exchange staff between Iowa State University and University of Glasgow Mary Beaton and Sheen Dickson was a pleasure. One of Lea Barley’s colleagues took me up the Scottish moors up the hill in his Nissan where there were no roads.

Regional and Chapter Meetings
September 30-October 4, 2006, PCAPPA Regional Conference—My first visit as APPA President to a regional meeting was in San Jose, California. I attended their Board Meeting and had the honor to install the incoming PCAPPA 2006-2007 officers at the banquet.

October 12-18, 2006, SRAPPA Regional Conference—My second visit as APPA President was to the SRAPPA Region 55th Annual Southeastern Regional Association of Physical Plant Administrators Conference. I attended the SRAPPA Board meeting, and was deeply honored to be asked to install the SRAPPA incoming officers.

March 7-9, 2007, FLAPPA Conference—The chapter leaders and their team made me most welcome and asked me to introduce the keynote speaker, our very own energetic and mercurial APPA Executive Vice President, Lander Medlin, whose opening session keynote on “The Association of Choice, Serving Educational Facilities Professionals,” had the audience of approximately 197 attendees in stitches. I gave presentations on “Ownership in Sustainability,” and “APPA’s Seven Key Strategies” at elective sessions. I joined the panel in the general session roundtable on the subject of “Is There Value in Value Engineering?” The highlight of being an APPA President was being asked to install the new officers of FLAPPA at the banquet ceremonies.

May 26-30, 2007—I am scheduled to attend the 42nd annual meeting of Georgia Association of Physical Plant Administrators (GAPPA)

APPA has faced extraordinary challenges and made major accomplishments. With every new challenge come new opportunities for us to build a stronger, more prosperous, and a better international, national, and global APPA community. In July 2007, I will hand over the APPA Presidency to Alan Bigger, Director of Building Services, at University of Notre Dame.

I want to thank you all for your unflinching support during my time away from the office, allowing me to lead the APPA organization to create the “Association of Choice,” encompassing a vision, “To become Global Partners in Learning,” and our mission, “To support educational excellence with quality leadership and professional management through education, research, and recognition”, and I hope you all will partake in APPA’s value propositions in your working life.

Christopher K. Ahoy, APPA Fellow
APPA President
Associate Vice President for Facilities

Ahoy Appointed Examiner for 2007 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR QUALITY PRESS RELEASE:

Christopher K. Ahoy of Iowa State University located in Ames, Iowa, has been appointed by William Jeffrey, Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), to the 2007 Board of Examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

As an examiner, Ahoy is responsible for reviewing and evaluating applications submitted for the Award. The board is composed of approximately 500 leading experts selected from industry, professional and trade organizations, education and health care organizations, and government.

 Those selected meet the highest standards of qualification and peer recognition. All members of the board must take part in a preparation course based on the Baldrige Criteria for Performance Excellence and the scoring and evaluation processes for the Baldrige Award.

Christopher K. Ahoy
APPA Fellow
Associate Vice President for Facilities
25-Year Club Inductees

On February 22, 2007, seven FP&M employees who have completed 25 years of employment at ISU by December 31, 2006, were among the newest inductees into the ISU 25-Year Club.

☆ David Ballard  ☆ Eugene Lund
☆ Cherie Bohning  ☆ Terrie McKinney
☆ Donna Bushman  ☆ Rick Terrones
☆ Michael Cleaveland

In addition, special recognition was given to active employees who completed 35 years of service to Iowa State University by December 31, 2006. Three FP&M employees were among these honorees:
☆ Larry Hansen
☆ Paul Pauk
☆ Tim Watson

The 73rd Annual 25-Year Club Banquet began with a reception and dinner at Scheman. Following dinner, the new inductees were recognized and received certificates in appreciation for their many years of service. The evening also included a salute to the years of 1971 and 1981.

The 25-Year Club of Iowa State was informally founded in 1915 when members of the staff who had served at least 25 years were honored at convocation. The organization was formalized in 1934 under the direction of the late Harold E. Pride, then secretary of the Iowa State College Alumni Association. The club charter was signed by 43 staff members on June 9, 1934, including many well-known Iowa Staters.

The purpose of the 25-Year Club was, and is, to honor the loyal service of Iowa State faculty and staff. As Colonel Pride wrote to the charter members: “Staff members who have served the College as long as you have, come to personify the College to her alumni. Buildings and land do not make a college. It is the men and women of the staff who make any college....”

General Services Building Flood

By Bruce Bonestroo

At 4:00 a.m. Friday, May 4th, the custodial staff arrived at work in the General Services Building to the soothing sounds of rushing water. A chilled water line for a second floor fan coil unit had ruptured sending an estimated 1,000 gallons of water through the first and second floors on the south east portion of the building.

In order to remodel, sheet rock would be removed, water logged papers thrown out, and casework and furniture moved throughout the building. Staff was also relocated to far corners of FP&M.

Now a month later, the first floor area has been remodeled with a new office configuration to allow for the combination of the Project Coordination Center and A&E Design Services. All boxes have been unpacked with the exception of a few pack rat individuals who will not be named.
New Osborn and Wallace Flower Bed

By Cheryl Robinette

The new raised flower bed in the corner of Osborn and Wallace is the culmination of hopes and dreams for the University. It is the product of an evolution of thoughts and ideas of co-workers and supervisors that all came together on a sunny day late in May. It is the result of lots of hard work and labor to create a new landmark garden instead of just the “Tulip Corner.”

It started a couple of years ago when Les Lawson brought a color picture to a flower meeting. The picture was of another university’s letters planted in dusty miller and marigolds. He said he would really like to see something like that on our campus someday. But, the time wasn’t right.

I kept the picture and put it in my flower notebook for future reference.

This past winter Nancy Sizemore and I were asked if we would like to help plan the 2007 flowerbeds. We were excited for the opportunity and obviously said yes! We weren’t greatly excited that the ‘powers that be’ wanted mostly yellow and red flowers this year, but the 150th celebration, so the school colors should be part of that.

Nancy and I were excited that they wanted to try having 150 in one of the gardens. At first, the thought was to have some kind of sign in one of the flowerbeds with the flowers planted around the sign.

It was decided that the Info Booth garden and the Osborn/Wallace corner garden would both have 150 planted in them. The Info Booth remained flat, while the Osborn/Wallace bed was to be raised and changed from its long-time triangle shape to an oval shape.

If you raise a bed, it usually needs to have some medium to hold its shape to prevent erosion from rain and watering. We considered sod, lumber, and just taking our chances on how much erosion would take place. Nancy and I wanted a wall of some kind, but it didn’t seem likely because of the budget and no one seemed to know if the bed would be a one-year project.

Cindy Azbill said “You need a wall.” We talked over the possibilities again. It seemed a stone wall, at least to hold up the back of the berm, would look and work the best. It also wouldn’t take too long to put up or take down if needed next year. Maybe we even had enough old stone lying around in our fenced-in area to make it work.

Barb Steiner and Les Lawson, our supervisors, seemed supportive in theory, but still there was the budget, the longevity of the raised bed idea and we are very short handed. We understood those confines but still…we wanted it to be just right.

One day as we were measuring and re-measuring the bed to try to form the oval, I saw Corey Ritland and Brandon Kadner drive by and flagged them over for their opinion on our shaping of the bed. They said they thought it looked good, but we needed a wall.

That was the day the dream started to become a reality. In short, it was decided the bed would be permanent. Corey and Brandon committed to building the wall and having the wall surround the whole bed. Barb said “OK” if we could put off planting for about a week. Les and Cathy Brown approved the whole idea and the purchase of the stone to build the wall.

I have no doubt that the idea was right. I know our supervisors went out on a limb for this project. Not to just support us, which they don’t have to do, but because they knew it was the right idea. We all knew it would work and we had to take an active step forward to make it happen. We could not make it happen without the support of Barb and Les.

How often do you get so many employees and supervisors on the same page at the same time without egos or personal agendas in the way. I don’t think there was a single idea from anyone that was not whole heartedly accepted as an improvement on the basic concept. It’s been fun to watch the idea grow. “No pun intended.”

Brandon and Corey did the wall work with the help of Brice Kelso and Seth Moore (students) for a couple of days. They did a fantastic job!!

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Cindy Azbill, Nancy Sizemore, Laura Meiman and I planted the petunias (super-cascade) and marigolds (162 Inca yellow and 722 red).

We have had lots of positive comments from lots of people. They are all appreciated.

Jeff Johnson, Director of Alumni Services, not only saw our vision of a beautiful landmark garden, but has a wonderful, exciting vision of what this particular “piece of art” can do for the university in terms of publicity. He sees it as a photo opportunity. Lots of pictures with athletes and just regular people. Jeff says that the stone wall reminds him of the Christian Peterson sculptures. He is right. What a wonderful praise for Corey and Brandon. Jeff has been interested in the Osborn/Wallace bed since the change started and has taken time to drive by or to walk by to keep up on its progress and to give his most welcome and appreciated support.

When I first started working at the University eight years ago, a co-worker told me I would never see any changes and I would never hear a “thank-you”. He was wrong. I don’t think a day goes by that someone doesn’t thank me for something and this project is proof again that change happens.

We can plan, build, weed and hoe but ultimately the beauty of the living things on campus is not in our hands.

Just a note: All of the flower beds on campus have been mulched with dry grass clippings. This is another change supported by our supervisors at our request. Among other things, it will save us time by inhibiting weed growth, it will help hold moisture; therefore, minimizing watering time, and it will add some nutrients back to the soil. It is a different look than we are used to, but as the flowers grow and fill in, the grass will not be visible and Nancy, Laura, and I will be available to spend a lot more hours working on other projects.

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**Back to the Future, 2033**

*By Mike Hamilton*

Do you want to play a part in FP&M History? As part of ISU’s 150th Sesquicentennial Celebration the FP&M Time Capsule Committee asks for your participation.

Do you ever wonder what Facilities Planning & Management (Physical Plant) was like 25, 50, or 100 years ago? Was the typical work day much like it is now? Did the people of the Physical Plant back then face many of the same issues, challenges, and successes we face today? Now is your chance to tell those who come after us what life at FP&M was like in 2007-2008. Here’s how you can be a part of history.

The FP&M Time Capsule Committee will be handing out forms for you to share “Life at FP&M in 2007”. Ideas of what you can share include: Is there something unique about your time at FP&M? Has your job changed since you started? What will not have changed in 25 years? Where do think your department at FP&M will be in 2033? Who do you work with? Has another employee helped you someway? Why did you come to FP&M? What projects have you worked on or currently working on? Describe your daily duties in 2007. Tell about your family, friends, or hobbies outside of FP&M. What community, national or world events do you care about? Did you help with ISU’s 150th Celebration or VEISHEA? Do you have any ideas for the 175th or 200th celebration? Other responses could be to draw a picture, scrapbook a page, or even fold a sheet into an origami piece.

It’s an open slate on what you want to share with our FP&M ancestors, but the main goal is to gather your thoughts and feeling of life at ISU/FP&M 2007 into your own words and handwriting.

Pictures and other small artifacts may also be collected and left untouched for the next 25 years. A wood box will be fabricated (possibly from a 100 year old scarlet oak that fell on campus) and stored deep in the bowels of the General Services Building with proper signage and instructions to open in 2033.

Who knows, maybe some of you (or one of your relatives) will be working here and see first hand how life at FP&M and ISU has changed in 2033.

Thank you for being part of FP&M history.

FP&M Time Capsule Committee: Bruce Bonestroo, John Byerly, Mike Hamilton, Doug Harjes, and Todd Wilson.
Winter Storm Cleanup

By Julie Neppl

Multiple winter storms this past winter has meant a busy spring and summer for Campus Services. Back to back storms at the end of February caused campus to lose between 110 and 120 trees. Since then, crews have been busy cleaning up campus. After clearing walkways and parking lots, the first priority this spring was central campus in preparation for VEISHEA and the 150th Celebration.

Now crews are finishing up the rest of campus. According to Brad Spainhower, Arborist, they are about half done with removal and they hope to have it all cleared up by the end of summer.

To keep campus maps up to date, crews have borrowed Landscape Architecture’s mapping system to mark which trees need to be removed or have already been removed. The good news; however, is that no wood will be wasted. All the wood is either being added to the wood pile or chipped into mulch.

FP&M Strategic Planning is Ongoing

By Don Chrusciel

In March 2007, FP&M embarked on the task to update its 2004-2006 Strategic Plan. The intended delay has allowed the organization to take into account and align with the ISU and the Business & Finance Division’s published strategic plans. In addition, feedback from our customers and staff will continue to be collected and evaluated for impact.

The first stages of the process have begun with interests to carry forward the purpose, vision, and core values outlined in the 2004-06 Plan, and emphasize updating the strategies with action plans. This is a change in the original format eliminating the “Priority Issues” section and placing greater emphasis on the Strategic Action Plans section.

As announced at the 2007 FP&M Annual Meeting, a process is in place where the organizational leadership has reviewed the document and has passed it on to the Internal Advisory Group for their input. The next steps involve providing a draft for staff review (see the FP&M internal Website http://www.internal.fpm.iastate.edu/, Working at FP&M, 2007-2009 Strategic Plan), further discussions at unit staff gatherings, as well as open forums with the intent to complete the process by August 2007.

All staff is invited to participate in the process and provide input to the organization’s strategic plan which will set our direction for 2007-2009.

2007 FP&M Golf Outing

Veenker Memorial Golf Course
Friday, August 10, 2007

4 Person Best Shot
4:30pm Shotgun Start

Registration: $25/person (includes 9 holes golf plus cart and food)

Entry Deadline: Friday, August 3, 2007

Spouses/significant others welcome for all activities! You don’t have to golf to participate. You can be a part of the gallery, ride along with a friend (cart fees apply), and attend the social.

Food will be provided following golf (approx. 7pm).

Burgers, brats, condiments, beans, potato salad, chips and pop will be served. Persons not golfing can purchase the meal for $5.00

Get a team together and join the fun!
ISU Victorious Again

By Marcus Jones

Iowa State University finished first and second to sweep the GIS Turf Bowl and claim victory for the sixth consecutive year. Adam Hebbel of Bettendorf, IA, Brad Johnson of New Germany, MN, Mark Newton of Ames, IA (son of John Newton), juniors in Horticulture, and Matt Klingenberg of Marcus, IA, senior in Horticulture, made up the team that captured the title.

Iowa State had five teams competing in the contest. The victory also marked the eighth time in nine years that a team from Iowa State has won the collegiate competition. This year’s Turf Bowl Competition had 81 teams competing from both two- and four-year programs. The students work in teams of up to four to identify soils, turfgrass species, diseases, weeds and insects, and answer questions on mathematics, growth and development, and business and financial management.

Teaching and working with such a dynamic group of students who demonstrate such a strong commitment to their own education and careers is very rewarding. The students prepare for the test on their own time and do not receive academic credit for participating. The team has weekly study sessions after the first of the year, but many students begin studying on their own during the fall semester due to the amount of information.

The significance of the victory extends well beyond the students. The win also reflects well on the faculty, department, and university. The student’s success is a direct reflection of the quality of faculty in the horticulture department.

Congratulations to all of the students who participated.

FP&M Employee Picnic

By Kris Pruismann

The FP&M employee picnic will be held July 25th in the General Services Building vicinity. In celebration of everyone's contributions and ISU’s 150th Birthday, a barbeque lunch will be provided for all. In addition, FP&M will be dedicating its time capsule, which is being created as part of FP&M's participation in the University's 150th Celebration activities.

Everyone in attendance will receive a commemorative drink tumbler with their lunch. Mark it on your calendar and plan to attend.

FP&M All Employee Survey

Coming July 1st

You have an opportunity to make an impact on the FP&M organization through your participation in the 2007 Employee Survey. Your feedback helps to adjust the course for the future of FP&M.

The format for the survey will be similar to previous surveys, utilizing the Web as an efficient means to distribute and collect your responses. On July 1st, you will be notified on when and how to do the on-line survey. In preparation for taking the survey, let your supervisor know if you will need any special assistance or have any access issues that need to be taken care.

Please plan to participate. Your feedback is important!
Dave Ballard, program coordinator with Utility Administration since August 1972, is the safety specialist at FP&M. Dave’s job includes inputting injury information into a database, attending shop meetings, and consulting with unit managers and supervisors on current projects and safety issues.

Dave enjoys working with all the different safety committees and shop personnel. Building walk-through inspections, data analysis, and developing presentations and safety manuals are all among his favorite job responsibilities. Not surprisingly, Dave’s least favorite part of his job is giving one of those presentations at 7:30 in the morning!

Dave is very busy outside of work. In the summer and fall semesters, he teaches a class for the Fire Science Program at DMACC. Additionally, he is a volunteer caretaker of O’Neil Prairie for Story County Conservation, and enjoys shooting replicas of nineteenth century cowboy guns.

For about four or five years, Dave has been involved with model trains. His western United States replica city, Gold Hill, took over two years to construct. It has simulated forest, mountain and desert settings surrounded by about 100 feet of railroad track. Gold Hill includes a dry goods store, assayer’s office, undertaker, sheriff’s office and a saloon. It also has a pond and a wooden arch bridge. Earlier this spring a wind storm went through the town destroying everything, except for the saloon! Not to worry though, everything is back in order and the city has rebuilt.

A special memory for Dave is the publication of his book, *Hazardous Material Behavior and Emergency Response Operations*. He co-authored the book for the American Society of Safety Engineers and can be found in the FP&M library.

Dave and his wife, Joan, have two grown sons Brian and Jeremy. The newest addition to the Ballard family came this spring with the birth of his first granddaughter, Kara.

To be featured in the Employee Spotlight column, see Kelly McCool in 108 General Services Building for a form. Thank you.
Class of 2007

We extend our congratulations to FP&M employees and family members who recently graduated from high school or college. Along with their name, relationship, school, and when available, we included information about their post-graduation plans.

Nicole Bloomquist
Daughter of Phil & Tracy Bloomquist
Boone High School
DMACC/ISU – Music Education

Jenny Boyle
Daughter of Don & Linda Boyle
University of Minnesota – Religion and Global Studies
Clark University pursuing Masters in International Development and Social Change

Amy Hamilton
Daughter of Mike & Maggie Hamilton and Nancy & Tom Moore
Ames High School
Simpson College – Health Science

Jeff Miller
Son of Kathy Forre & Alan Miller
Ballard Senior High School
DMACC – Graphic Arts

Michael Miller
Son of Dave & Laura Miller
University of Minnesota – Masters in Healthcare Administration
One year fellowship at North Memorial Medical Center in Twin Cities

Meredith Parsons
Daughter of Mike & Valinda Parsons
Ames High School
University of Iowa – Pre-Medicine and Bio-Chemistry

Michelle Peterson
Daughter of Mike & Kerin Peterson
Boone High School
DMACC

Logan J. Schleier
Son of Jim & Amy Schleier
Iowa State University – Marketing and Transportation Logistics
Full employment/world domination

Bryan Server
Son of John & Karen Server
Ames High School
DMACC – Business

Ben Sieve
Son of Teri Sieve & Kevin Sieve
North Polk High School
Wyoming Technical Institute

Jessica Wycoff
Daughter of Ken & Dana Soll
Iowa State University – B.S. in Elementary Education
Teaching 4th grade at North Polk

Kelli Soll
Daughter of Ken & Dana Soll
Nevada High School
Iowa State University – Undecided

Tanner Tribolet
Son of Rich & Jan Tribolet
Roland Story High School
DMACC – Architectural Technology
Other Recognition

- **Rentschler receives P&S CYtation Award**

On May 2, 2007, ISU President Gregory Geoffrey presented **Steve Rentschler** (Project Planning Specialist) with a P&S CYtation Award. Below is a summary of his nomination letter (submitted by Bob Currie).

"Steve does an outstanding job identifying the needs of customers, and devotes unyielding attention to detail resulting in project outcomes which not only fulfill the project needs, but delight the customer. ...In one of his most recent and challenging projects that he took a lead role with managing the general renovation of the Black Cultural Center (BCC), it was recognized that success of the project was directly linked through his coordination, management and customer skills. ...it was Steve’s diligence in striving for a truly delightful outcome that also included such items as: washing the exterior of the house, trimming back the overgrown trees, washing and sealing the deck, and repairing the cap on the chimney, all to enhance the overall project outcome."

- **Larabee receives Essential Piece Award**

**Randy Larabee** (Chief Electrical Engineer, Utilities) has been awarded the "Essential Piece" award for his work this last year in getting the Stange Road railroad bridge painted. Randy's work with the Union Pacific railroad made this project possible. The bridge had become an eyesore and the University had tried for years to convince the railroad to allow the bridge to be painted - to no avail. But Randy made it happen.

The mission of Business and Finance is to create, preserve, and enhance the cultural, fiscal, human, and physical environment that supports the university in making Iowa and the world a better place. This mission can only be accomplished with great employees. The Essential Piece Award is intended to recognize outstanding employees who are exemplars of this spirit of service. The award is available to all Business and Finance staff.

Warren Madden presented the award to Randy. Randy was nominated for the award by Dave Miller.

- **Van Wyk receives Carroll Ringgenberg Award**

**Lola Van Wyk** (A&E Design Services Manager) has been awarded the 2007 P&S Carroll Ringgenberg Award. The Carroll Ringgenberg Award, funded from an endowment established in 1995 to honor a long term professional and scientific staff member who was instrumental in the development of facilities planning and space utilization on campus, recognizes extraordinary professional and scientific staff members exhibiting constant and contagious dedication to and goodwill for Iowa State University. The award will be presented at the fall convocation in September. Below is a summary of her nomination letter (submitted by Dean McCormick).

"Throughout Lola's career with Iowa State University she has embodied the qualities outlined in the criteria for this award. ... She excels at customer service and the assignments she is given often involve multiple constituents and complex situations – the ones where it is difficult to make everyone happy. She has thrived under these circumstances. Lola's contributions to ISU and its facilities are many and she has contributed much to create and maintain the character of our campus. ... Others on campus have benefited from her efforts. Her influence on other departments, individuals and students is recognized by her role as the liaison to the Knoll, personally managing other department’s renovation projects, her efforts on the maintenance improvement committee, as well as being involved with functions involving both current and future students regarding campus special events."
Encarnacion Wins International Lighting Award

Jorge Encarnacion, graduate student in A&E Design, was awarded the Beyond Illumination Scholarship at the International Association of Lighting Designers (IALD) annual trade show and conference, LIGHTFAIR 2007, held in New York City this month.

Encarnacion was one of two lighting students honored nationwide by the IALD Educational Trust Fund, and he is proud of his accomplishment. "It's almost overwhelming," he said. "But I'm still a student. Still learning. I'm not an expert at anything, yet." If getting a master's degree in architectural lighting sounds like an unconventional degree, it should. Lighting design courses at Iowa State are rare, and the school does not have a lighting department or even a curriculum for the discipline.

Students who have won this award in the past have attended schools that offer lighting as a degree path. Encarnacion was the only student who was not from an east coast school. None of that deterred Encarnacion, who decided to focus on lighting as a design component during his first trip to Rome in 2004 as part of his Iowa State studies.

"I really saw how the application of lighting could transform a particular place or space almost instantly -- naturally, artificially, or a combination of both," he said. "As in the theater, lighting manipulates the scene, highlights and communicates cues of what is and what is not important."

It was during his second trip to Rome earlier this year that Encarnacion heard about the Beyond Illumination Scholarship and applied. He returned to America just in time to accept his award in New York City. He has also studied in Beijing, Montreal, and Cuba while attending Iowa State.

When he came to Iowa State as an undergraduate from his native Puerto Rico, he knew his calling was architecture. And he knew Iowa State has a "great program"- but until that Rome trip, he didn't know that lighting was his calling. After receiving the award in New York, Encarnacion found that he immediately became more popular among design firms and architectural lighting companies that also attended the conference. He hopes to work at a team that will allow him to use his talents and continue his education from the ground up.

"My interest in architectural lighting is to make it part of the design process," he said. "So lighting belongs in the design and not an afterthought."

For now, he continues studying and hopes to complete his master's in December. From there, the future looks “bright.”

New Employees

☆ Mary Oelmann, Custodial Facilitator, began on February 1, 2007. Mary lives in Nevada and has a daughter, Amanda (22), and a son, Dan (16). Before joining FP&M, Mary worked as a Custodial Supervisor for the Department of Residence. Mary enjoys watching Dan at track meets, ISU Men’s Basketball, and spending time at the lake.

☆ Patty Mayberry joined Custodial Team 12 as a Custodian on February 21, 2007. Patty lives in Boone with her husband, Kevin, and children Curtis, Amanda, Sheleena, Mikey, and Tiffany. Before FP&M, she worked at Pella Corp. and Hunziker Property Management. In her spare time, Patty likes to spend time at her kids’ sports games.

☆ Patrick Tremmell started working on Custodial Team 1 as a Custodian on March 19, 2007. Patrick lives in Ames with his wife, Joni, and stepson, Dustin. He also has three grown daughters, Jennifer, Jackie and Amber. Before FP&M, Patrick worked for Ball Plastics in Ames and was a self-employed carpenter in Pocahontas, Iowa. He enjoys fishing, camping, hunting, dogs, and carpentry.

☆ Mailee Kerr started working on Custodial Team 4 as a Custodian on April 11, 2007.

☆ Lindsey Gordon, Plant Engineer in Utility Engineering, started on May 14, 2007. Lindsey lives in Johnston with her significant other, Paul, and his two kids, Nathan (9) and Grant (11). In her spare time, Lindsey enjoys camping, fishing, traveling, gardening, and spending time with family and friends. Lindsey worked as a process engineer at ADM Soybean Processing in Des Moines before joining FP&M.
On May 16, 2007, **Rhonda Martin**, began as a Landscape Architect. She and her husband, Kevin Moran, a landscape architect with Des Moines Parks and Rec Department, live in Johnston with their children, Ethan (11) and Eileen (8). Prior to FP&M, Rhonda worked for Bob Lenc Landscaping in Des Moines. Rhonda enjoys quilting and line dancing.

**Jonathan Harvey**, Project Manager, began on June 6, 2007. Jon lives in Ames with his wife, Ginger, and two daughters, Alyssa (9) and Hannah (8 months).

**Colt Jones** joined Custodial Team 13 as a Custodian on June 11, 2007. Colt lives in Huxley with his wife and five children, ages 13, 12, 11, 10, and 4. Before joining FP&M, Colt worked as a millwright. In his spare time, Colt enjoys the rodeo, fishing, camping, and hunting.


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**Job Changes**

We extend our congratulations to the following people on their recent promotions:

- Chad Dieke was promoted to Landscape Architect II on December 12, 2006.
- Brian Dangelser was promoted to Engineer V on December 20, 2006.
- Bart Dobson was promoted to Construction Project Coordinator on February 5, 2007.

**Editor’s Note:** We are always looking for ways to recognize employee accomplishments and special recognition. Please share this type of information, about yourself or others, so we can include it in the next issue of *Facilities News*. This can include certifications, graduations, awards, and other similar types of recognition.

Thank you, Julie Neppl

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**Memorial Tributes**

**Kevin McKinley** – January 1, 2007  
*Brother of Barb Overeen’s fiancé Tim McKinley, Space Coordinator*

**Pauline Rentchsler** – February 18, 2007  
*Wife of Steve Rentchsler, Project Planning Specialist*

**LeRoy Schimmer** – March 6, 2007  
*Father of Teri Sieve, Facilities Services Coordinator*

**Evelyn Oftedal** – May 20, 2007  
*Mother of Tom Oftedal, Project Manager*

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to their family and friends.*

(Please notify Kelly McCool if you would like a memorial notation included in the next issue of *Facilities News*.)

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