Projects come through my desk everyday but none more appealing and challenging as the Martha-Ellen Tye Recital Hall. When the chairs are orange and squeaky, it makes it more fun to remodel because we know the department is in need of assistance.

“I think every seat in the house squeaks,” says Michael Golemo, associate professor and chair of the Department of Music. “When we have a performance it’s really embarrassing. The lifespan of the seats are long past their prime”.

Three hundred and nine new seats will have a combination of right/left-handed, fold-away tablet arms. Seats and backs will be upholstered in blue with a rich medium oak trim on the side panels and on the back panel. The first row of seating is removable, in sets of two for flexibility when the stage is extended for performance. The auditorium has handicap accessibility and at four locations there are “swing away arms” for side transfers of wheelchair bound students. The seats will be manufactured by Irwin Seating Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Blue and gray will permeate the Music Hall like a new melody. The blue motif replaces the 70’s orange seating. Existing seats that are being removed are being recycled through sale to a private company where they will be refurbished and reused in another life.

This recital/lecture hall will be elegant and upscale launching the Martha-Ellen Tye Recital Hall into the new millenium for ISU music students. The remodeled hall will be appropriate as a lecture hall, as well as, music recitals, by adding additional speakers and new acoustical banners to the space. New carpet will be installed in the aisles, entry vestibule and in the green room.

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The purpose of the State Baldrige-based program, the prestigious Iowa Recognition for Performance Excellence (IRPE) awards (established 7 years ago) is to recognize those businesses and organizations that have completed a strenuous review and evaluation of their leadership, strategic planning, customer focus, measurement, analysis, knowledge management, human resource focus, process management and business results. The process is aligned with the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award and the Criteria for Performance Excellence, both of which are used in the assessment.

As a National Baldrige Board Examiner, I along with others who received training in May 2006, at the NIST headquarters in Gaithersburg, Maryland, will be responsible for reviewing and evaluating applications submitted for the Award. These submissions to NIST will be forthcoming from our nation’s private and public sector organizations who want a feedback report on how well their organization stands with respect to the seven Baldrige categories of their management systems. The month of June will witness the applications for this prestigious national recognition from expectant organizations on their journey to become world class.

The Board of Examiners is comprised of approximately 500 leading experts selected from industry, professional and trade organizations, education and health care organizations, and government. Those selected to this role meet the highest standards of qualification and peer recognition. Each year all members irrespective of the number of years of past experience must take part in a preparation course based on Baldrige Criteria for Performance Excellence and the scoring and evaluation processes for the Baldrige Award.

Awards may be given by NIST annually in five categories--Manufacturing, Service, Small Business, Education and Healthcare. There will be another category added in 2007--the nonprofit category. Awards have been presented to 66 organizations in the past 17 years since the inception of the National Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award (NMBQA) program. I have a DVD showcasing these organizations that you may borrow from the Knowledge Management library.

Iowa State University’s FP&M applied to be considered for a pilot project for the 2006 nonprofit category. We were unsuccessful due to two issues that prevented FP&M from getting its application considered. The condition for application acceptance was that those applying had to have had the state’s “top-level” award (Gold) and that 50% of its revenue come from other than the parent. I protested with several letters to ASQ and NIST and as a consequence ASQ nominated me to become one of the national Baldrige Board of Examiners and NIST accepted. Being a member of the National Board of Examiners, will provide opportunity to perhaps influence the 2007 criteria and a possibility for us to compete at the national level next year.

It is an honor to serve as a 2006 National Baldrige Examiner, placing Iowa State University on the map again.

Sincerely,

Christopher K. Ahoy
Associate Vice President for Facilities
After a five year hiatus the FP&M Technology User Group, formerly called the FP&M Computer Users Group, was re-established earlier this year. A survey to FP&M employees indicated the need to revive the group for technology related discussions and ad hoc technology training topics.

Below is the proposed agenda for each of the quarterly meeting.

**Quarterly Topics:**
- **CSS Action items** (someone from CSS)
  - Hardware/Software Issues (someone from CSS)
  - Web Development (John Hoffman or Dave Wanat)
- FAMIS and Discoverer Reports– update/group training (Ron Kinyon)
- Microsoft Office – Relevant Topics (someone from CSS or expert Office user)

**Optional Topics:**
- ActiveProject (Dave Wanat)
- Metasys/Energy Witness – (Clark Thompson/John Larson)
- AutoCAD (someone from Design)
- Access Control (Maggie Hamilton)
- Room Scheduling (Katie Baumgarn/Tina Thompson)
- Odds and ends

Our last meeting included a visit from the Crabby Office Lady who provided us a Microsoft Office tip and who plans to visit us again at our July meeting.

Check the FP&M calendar for the next quarterly TUG meeting and join us in room 142 General Services Building.

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**FAMIS Projects Update**

Work is currently underway for the latest of two new FAMIS applications for ISU Utilities and Space Planning.

Evaluation of the FAMIS Utility Management (FUM) module has been ongoing for the past several years in an effort to determine if FUM could replace our existing legacy Utility Billing application written in programming language called PowerBuilder by Tim Koch. Research of FUM has revealed that it will not replace the functionality of Utility Billing without modification. A team from FP&M is working with FAMIS to make the necessary enhancements to the FUM module that will include additional engineering analysis functionality to the product as well as the ability of FUM to handle a utility that is a co-generation facility.

A preliminary FUM kickoff meeting was held with FAMIS in April to define the project and (continued on Page 12)
Old Main, originally known as Main or the College, stood approximately where Beardshear Hall now stands for only 34 years. When it was built and for many years after, it held the entire college. It housed classrooms, the library, chapel, museums, dining halls, and was the residence of faculty and students.

Plans for the College Building began as early as 1858, but construction wasn’t able to begin until after the Civil War financial strains had past, in the spring of 1864.

The construction of the building was plagued with problems from the very start. The original architect was discharged after the first year of construction for incompetence. When the second architect was hired, he determined that the foundation done in the last year was unstable, due to the poor bricks used. The work done in 1864 was ordered to be destroyed, and construction started over in the spring of 1865. The new architect also found the plans in need of serious revisions. In spite of these revisions, it was discovered once construction was completed that there were no provisions in the structure for water, lighting, heat or drainage.

In 1882, a tornado damaged the south tower. A fire in 1900 destroyed the entire north wing, much of the interior of the center section, and damaged much of the remaining building. The damage was barely repaired in 1902 when another fire struck, this time in the south wing, completely destroying the building. Plans for constructing Beardshear Hall on the same site began shortly after.
On April 18, 2006, President Bush was in Des Moines promoting a fundraiser for Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Nussle.

Julie Neppl, student office assistant in Administrative Services, was given the opportunity to volunteer for the event. Julie said volunteering was just the beginning. “A staffer called me a day before the event to let me know I was going to be one of five volunteers to meet the President, but that I couldn’t tell anyone. It was very hard because I was so excited!”

For Julie meeting the President helped fulfill a lifelong dream and solidified her future career goals even more. “Ever since I was about 15 I’ve known I wanted to go into public service. My ultimate goal is to become a U.S. Senator and help as many people as I can.”

Julie is currently a junior, double majoring in Finance and Economics. She is involved in many extracurricular activities including Executive Director of the ISU College Republicans, Vice President of the ISU Econ Club and member of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences LAS Council.

In her spare time, Julie enjoys spending time with family and friends, shopping, and watching the St. Louis Cardinals. A lot of her time is also spent volunteering for various campaigns to gain experience. “I’m always busy with class, work, and club events so I don’t have very much free time. When I do I use it!”
NEW DISPLAY CASE

By Kris Pruismann/Dave Miller

Great News . . . FP&M has a new enclosed, lighted display case located in the main hallway right outside the office of CSS. The purpose of the display case is to showcase FP&M operations, departmental recognition activities, and personal hobbies or memorabilia. In addition to the display case, there will be three picture frames in the hall that will be used for departmental recognition.

To start, we would like to switch the display out every six weeks. If your department has an activity, project, or staff they would like to display or recognize; or, you have a hobby, etc., you would like to share, please contact Sally Houser or Gina Holtzbauer. We would like to get a list started and get a schedule arranged for the remainder of 2006.

ON THE ROAD

By Lyn Foshé

In mid-April, while vacationing in Colorado I stopped to visit with Gary Reynolds, former FP&M Director. Gary left in 1997 to take a position with Colorado College in Colorado Springs as Director of Facilities Services.

At the Colorado College, a four-year liberal arts school with about 1900 students, Gary is responsible for oversight of the operations, maintenance, capital construction and utility systems for the college, as well as transportation services, environmental health and safety, and campus security. He manages a budget of $7.3 million, including $2 million for utilities, and oversees 55 employees in the facilities department, 20 more in security, and an additional 50 in custodial services under an outsourcing contract.

This is something I found interesting...Colorado College teaches on what is called the “Block Plan.” Each student takes only one course at a time for 3 1/2 weeks (that’s right - an entire semester is taught in 3 1/2 weeks) and the professor teaches only that one course. There are 4 blocks in the fall (fall semester) and 4 blocks in the spring (spring semester). This approach allows a great deal of flexibility especially for field trips to the surrounding area where classes will go for multiple days. Since they are only taking one class they are not missing any other course work. In addition, as it affects Facilities, all classes meet at the same time. There is no sharing of classrooms. If they offer 130 sections of classes in a given block then they have to have 130 classrooms available, all at the same time. Thus, they have more square feet (a little over 2 million) then would be typical for a college with only 1,900 students.

In his spare time, Gary does some flying and works weekends as ski instructor at Keystone. Paula is still working as a nurse. She works with a plastic surgeon doing reconstructive surgery. Jessika is now 21 and is a junior enrolled at Colorado State - Pueblo and is majoring in elementary education and has also done some modeling.

Gary emphasized that he would love to see old friends in Colorado. There’s an open invitation any time, so stop by if you are out his way. I can guarantee that Gary will see that you have an enjoyable visit.
Adam Bosman
Son of Mark and Judy Renoux
Iowa State University
BA /Communication Studies
Employed at Amcore Bank, Mt. Horeb, WI

Lindsay Craven
Daughter of John Craven
Boone High School
Wartburg College
Majoring in Music Therapy

Ryan Catus
Son of Bob and Kayleen Catus
Ames High School
Iowa State University majoring in Engineering

Whitney Boster
Daughter of Dave and Sally Boster
Nevada High School
Des Moines Area Community College

Anna Boster
Daughter of Dave and Sally Boster
Des Moines Area Community College
Employed at Midwest Insurance, Nevada

Wyatt T. Dowdy
Grandson of Lyn Foshé
Small Miracles
Lowell Elementary
Goal: Continue "challenging" his teachers

Anna Boster

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Gregory Pruismann
Son of Gary and Kris Pruismann
Webster City High School
Iowa Central Community College
Maintenance Electrician Program

Maggie Jo McVicker
Daughter of Dave and Linda McVicker
Roland-Story High School
DMACC/Boone Campus
Majoring in Nursing

Nathan Mallas
Son of Sue Mallas
DMACC/AA Degree
University of Northern Iowa
Majoring in Education

Steven Howe
Son of Don and Cindy Howe
Madrid High School
Des Moines Area Community College

Shannon McCormick
Daughter of Dean and Tonya McCormick
Ames High School
Iowa State University
Majoring in Pre-Journalism/Mass Comm

Bobby Ridpath
Son of Maggie and Mike Hamilton
Ames High School
DMACC/Majoring in Fire Science

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Joe Russell
Son of Dave and Lana Russell
Boone High School
DMACC/Iowa State University
Majoring in Computer Tech/Meteorology

Haley Rose-Van Loon
Daughter of Gary and Cindy Van Loon
University of Iowa/Law School
Working for Des Moines Law Firm

Katie Weigel
Daughter of Hugh and Donna Weigel
University of Iowa
Honors: Russian & Communications

Cassie Thompson
Daughter of Tina Thompson
Colins-Maxwell High School
University of Northern Iowa

Jennifer Van Loon
Daughter of Gary and Cindy Van Loon
Colo-Nesco High School
Iowa State University

Laurel Whipple
Daughter of Dan and Lori Whipple
Roland-Story High School
Mercy College of Health Science
Tanner Whipple  
Son of Dan and Lori Whipple  
Central College  
BA in Psychology

Melanie Wilson  
Daughter of Mona and Robert Wilson  
Iowa State University  
Music at Jr. High or Elementary

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All the ability of the times,  
all the contributions of the past,  
all the hopes of the future...  
It is for you to know all...  
It is for you to dare all.  

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

There in the sunshine  
are my highest aspirations...  
I can look up and see their beauty,  
believe in them,  
and try to follow where they lead.  

—Louisa May Alcott

Tyler Wilson  
Son of Mona and Robert Wilson  
South Hamilton High School  
Des Moines Area Community  
College/Ankeny
Swings to the Blues (continued from Page 1)

The seating was actually tested by Kirkegaard Associates, an acoustical consultant from Chicago. Consultant Jacob E. Ament has been working with Tom Oftedal, Vern Faber, Marcia Melone and Larry Curry (from the Music Department) on the new hall. The new acoustical banners can be moved electronically to enhance the sound of any performance and to fine tune the auditorium acoustics for optimum listening pleasure during performances.

The replacement of the seats, carpet, and banners will be completed and ready to use for Fall semester 2006. The total project is budgeted at $220,000. Funding for the project has been made available through University funds and a private donation by Ellen (Molleston) and Tom Walvoord, 1961 Iowa State graduates.

Martha-Ellen Tye Recital Hall
Floor Plan

ISU ALUM COMES BACK

By Jacob E. Ament
Kirkegaard Associates

I am an ISU alum, from the class of 2001. I majored in Engineering Science with an emphasis in acoustics under Professor Adin Mann. I began working for Kirkegaard Associates in 1999 while still a student as a summer intern in our Boulder, CO office. This internship repeated the summer of 2000, and I started as a full-time employee in our main Chicago office in 2001.

It is a great experience to be working on the Music Hall since I played there as a student in the Jazz Band, although I was more worried about my performance than the acoustics of the Recital Hall in those days!

Our firm also has a past with the Music Hall. We were part of the design team of the original building in the late 1970’s, with much of the acoustic design done by our President and founder, R. Lawrence Kirkegaard. This was one of our earliest projects after the founding of the firm in 1976, and we are very pleased to be guiding its refurbishment in our 30th anniversary year.

This project connects the past and present in many ways, and we hope that we can be involved in the next renovation 30 years from now.
Just before Easter, I stumbled upon the KIOA web page. They were running a contest—SEND US YOUR FAVORITE EASTER RECIPE. I had two. Grandma Doty’s rhubarb roll and chocolate covered Easter eggs. I typed and sent them both. First place was $250 in Fareway certificates and Cirque du Soleil tickets. I didn’t really care about the circus, but FOOD was another matter. Several days later at break one of my coworkers said, “I hear you’re a real good cook. I heard your name on the radio. You didn’t win but you were one of the names announced.” I gasped and thought, “I was in the pool and missed my 15 seconds of fame.” It sank in. I am an award winning cook. This is how Martha Stewart started. Mrs. Ehm, my home ec teacher, would be so proud. I received the runner up prize of $25.00 certificate for the Machine Shed restaurant.

Chocolate Dipped Easter EGGS

½ Cup karo syrup
3+ Cups powdered sugar*
¼ Cup butter
1 tsp vanilla

*We found 3 ½ Cups worked better. Beat this together with a mixer until smooth. Divide 1/3 of this mixture. Add 4 drops yellow/2 drops red food coloring. Refrigerate for 2 hours+

1 pkg chocolate chips
2 tsp Crisco
Melt this together.
Form yolks into little balls.
Form white mixture around them. Keep chilled.
Dip eggs into chocolate (twice)
EMPLOYEES IN THE NEWS...

New Employees …

* Charles Lundquist began work on May 8, 2006, as Golf Course Maintenance Worker for Veenker Memorial Golf Course. Charles has previously worked at Honey Creek Golf Club. His hobbies include hunting and fishing.

* Joel Stewart, ISU Pilot, started at ISU on May 21, 2006. Joel and his wife Cindy live in Roland with their three children, Donnie (16), Emily (6), and Nicholas (2). Before coming to ISU, Joel worked as a charter pilot for Midland Aircraft in Marshalltown and was an Airport Manager for Iowa Falls. Joel graduated from Iowa State University in 1992 majoring in Meteorology.

Promotion …

Marc Witte was promoted to System Support III effective March 24, 2006.

Honored Employees …

APPA FELLOW AWARD
April 18, 2006, Chris Ahoy received notification from APPA that he was selected by the Awards and Recognition Committee to receive the APPA Fellow Award – APPA’s highest individual merit award. President Geoffroy wrote, “This recognition is a wonderful reflection of your service to the association and your outstanding leadership of the Facilities Planning & Management division of Iowa State, as well as the great work of the FP&M staff.”

P&S EXCELLENCE AWARD
On April 17, 2006, Cathy Brown received a letter from Benjamin Allen, VP for Academic Affairs and Provost, congratulating her on being the 2006 recipient of the P&S Excellence Award. Ben Allen states, “This speaks volumes to your commitment to ISU through your departmental support.” Cathy was honored by her peers through their nomination and support. Three awards are presented annually.

CYtation AWARD
Bob Catus has been informed that he was nominated and selected for the CYtation Award! This award recognizes Professional and Scientific staff who have gone above the call of duty or have done extraordinary work. Nancy Knight, P&S Council, stated in her notification to Bob Catus, “Congratulations on your accomplishments, and thank you for making Iowa State University a great place to work!”

HR STAFF EARN CERTIFICATIONS
Kris Pruismann received her Professional Human Resource (PHR) Certification through the HRCI in January, 2006. The Human Resource Certification Institute is the leading independent, internationally recognized certifying body for HR professionals. HRCI certification requires professionals to demonstrate their expertise, experience and mastery of the domestic or international core principals of the HR practices and the application of those principals. The principals consists of Strategic Management, Workforce Planning and Development, HR Development, Compensation and Benefits, Employer and Labor Relations, Occupational Health, Safety and Security.

Certified individuals are issued a certificate attesting that they have met the standards of the credentialing organization and are entitled to make the public aware of their credentialed status, usually through the use of initials (i.e., PHR or SPHR) after their names which is a mark of distinction that sets them apart from other HR professionals and signifies the commitment to the profession. Recertification is every three years and requires 60 credit hours of continuing education.

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Sally Houser received her Certified Administrative Professional (CAP) Certification in November, 2005. The International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP) is a not-for-profit professional association with approximately 40,000 members and affiliates and nearly 600 chapters worldwide. IAAP, through its department, the Institute for Certification, offers two separate certification programs, the CPS rating and the CAP rating. To attain the CPS rating, a secretary/admin must meet certain educational and work experience requirements and pass a three-part one-day examination. To attain the CAP rating, an administrative professional must meet certain educational and work experience requirements and pass a four-part, one and one-half day examination.

The exam for CAP candidates covers Office Systems and Technology, Office Administration, Management, and Advanced Organizational Management. Recertification is achieved by earning 90 points every five years in the categories of education and experience, leadership, and an elective category.

Deaths …
  * Long-time employee and retiree, Dave Disbrowe, brother of Steve Disbrowe, died, April 11, 2006, of cancer.
  * Former Building Maintenance employee, Sam Carmean, died, April 12, 2006, of a massive heart attack.

Rick Branson Leaves ISU

Rick Branson leaves ISU Facilities Planning and Management to begin work on May 1, 2006, as Director of Facilities for the Indianola School District after being employed for 7 years. Rick will be directing 38 employees, custodians and maintenance personnel.

“Thanks to everyone for all their support and I would recommend anyone to work here,” was Rick’s departing remarks.

Storm Brews FP&M Work

By Robert Currie

Last Saturday, May 27, 2006, was not your usual day and what was forecast as a typical summer day turned out to be a long work day for Campus Services staff. Sustained strong winds with gusts estimated in the 70 mph range crashed into Ames and Iowa State University campus. Damage to trees on campus was extensive and estimated to be $5,000 to $10,000. Crews were busy Saturday with clean up activities with some staff spending up to 12 hours securing walkways and roadways for safe passage.

A list of obvious tree damage and location:
  * South of Alumni Hall
  * West of Beardshear
  * East intersection Union Drive and Morrill Road
  * South of Campanile
  * South of Forker
  * South of old Library Storage
  * South of Industrial Ed 2
  * South of Horse Barns
  * Northeast corner at Towers
The design is finished! The project is about to bid!

Design Professionals, OPN Architects/Ellenzweig and Associates were chosen as the firm to bring the Coover Hall remodeling and ECpE addition to life. This addition, externally featuring colored metal panels and large metal sunshades, has a unique raised access floor designed to accommodate the flexibility needed within the electrical and computer engineering environment. The project will also include a 2nd floor bridge/corridor overlooking the courtyard and Active Learning Complex, and a three-story gathering atrium just inside the new west entrance for the building.

The project is scheduled to bid on April 27, 2006. The construction phase will consist of the demolition of the 1958 Cyclone addition with a new addition to connect the existing north and south wings, create an interior courtyard and mitigate site conditions currently associated with the site. The new space will be used for classrooms, teaching labs, research labs, and conference rooms.

After months of meetings and planning, Project Manager Mark Grief and Construction Manager Mark Stephenson are looking forward to building. The Electrical and Computer Engineering Department (ECpE) anticipates to move into the new space by Spring Semester ’08.
Letter from the Editor

Summer is HERE!!! Are we all happy to get out of the house? Boxed in all winter and snuggled by the fire...Here comes the Sun. With the sun come the children, first with Iowa Special Olympics, then with World Finals of Odyssey of the Minds, National Special Olympics and various other activities hosted and promoted by ISU. At this time the Facilities, Planning and Management staff become busier then ever with Campus Services keeping up with the outside plants, keeping grass mowed, trees trimmed and the campus in great shape. We definitely have a beautiful campus and due in great part to the great work of FP&M. Thank you for the beautiful campus view!

Any information that you may want to share with our colleagues, can sent to me at: Terry Dannatt, 128 General Services, Ames, IA 50011, or email me at tdannatt@iastate.edu.

Quick Facts on Iowa State University by Mary Finch:

Iowa State University was originally named “The Iowa Agricultural College and Model Farm” and became the nations first land grant college in 1868. The college was renamed “Iowa State College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts” in 1898 and became “Iowa State University of Science and Technology” in 1959.

Iowa State athletic teams became know as the Cyclones in 1895 after the Iowa State Football team defeated North-western 36-0. The headline in the Chicago Tribune read “Iowa Cyclone Devastates Evanston Town”. The original colors were silver, black and gold and the letter sweaters were adorned with the letter “A” for Ames.

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Iowa State has many buildings with a wide variety of history. We would like to feature some of these buildings, their history, and stories in the newsletter. If anyone has any good stories relating to the buildings, please let Mary Finch know, and we can add these stories to future articles.

The General Services Building was built in 1933. The building was built to relieve the storage problems in Botany (now Catt Hall) and was originally called the ‘Central Stores Building’. The south addition was completed in January 1937 and housed the building & grounds shops as well as Central Stores. Prior to that addition the shops were located in 4 separate buildings-Plumbing Shop, Electric & Paint Shop, Carpenter Shop and the Grounds Shop. These buildings were located east of the current building which is now parking and the power plant.

The west addition was completed in late 1973 thus you have the current layout.

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