Staying Connected with Campus Services

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This newsletter edition is all about service. Yesterday was Veteran's Day, a day to recognize and thank our many veterans. We are grateful for your commitment and service to our country. It’s also wonderful to recognize Campus Services employees who reach milestone years of service this year. See the list of honorees and take a moment to thank them.

Get Your Turkeys

Campus Services leaders are offering every employee a 12-15 pound turkey to thank you for your service. We look forward to delivering the turkeys near the back loading dock of ’53 Commons. As shown on this map, employees can drive down Cemetery Lane to the loading dock on Nov. 19 or 20 between 1:30-4:30 pm. Please wear a mask and roll-down your window for the turkey to be placed in your car. Alternative arrangements can be made by department managers to pick up frozen turkeys for third shift employees or employees who work off-site. Details of these arrangements should be made with Ron Moore or Jon Plodzik. For those who want to donate their turkey, just leave it at Dartmouth Dining. Any turkeys not picked up by 2pm on Nov. 24 will be donated to the Upper Valley Haven.

Reed Hall Renovation

An 11-month project to upgrade the infrastructure and finishes at Reed Hall is nearly complete. Project Manager Lindsay Walkinshaw commented, "Some of the biggest challenges were to integrate modern utilities into an historic building and make it look like they were always there or make them as inconspicuous as possible. Threading an elevator through wooden trusses that are nearly 200 years old is really cool. It’s really satisfying to hand over a building knowing that all the work we did will positively impact the environment in which our students learn and our faculty work. The coordination with so many groups in FO&M, such as our shops, work control and engineering, was very much appreciated."

Reflections from a Veteran

I knew from a young age that I wanted to be a naval officer. I worked towards a Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) scholarship and was accepted into the program at the College of Holy Cross in 1983. My focus was to learn as much as possible and be the best officer and leader possible when I was commissioned an Ensign in 1987.

I met my ship, USS Seattle in Sept. 1988. To me, the ship was huge and very intimidating. I had a lot to learn and little time to do it, but I was surrounded by officers who taught me how to run a division and become a Surface Warfare Officer. We deployed soon after. I said goodbye to my fiancé Gayle, leaving her to graduate and plan a wedding without me.

We married in 1990 a few months before Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, and I was immediately sent to prepare our ship for deployment in what would soon be called Operation Desert Shield and later Desert Storm. I was now navigator for the ship and responsible for our safe travels across the Atlantic Ocean, through the Straits of Gibraltar, into the Mediterranean Sea and through the Suez Canal to arrive in the Red Sea in support of naval operations. Our crew returned triumphant after Desert Storm and were greeted on the pier by loving families and a country that thanked us for our service.

I am forever grateful for the lessons I learned while serving in the Navy. The leadership and team-building skills I honed during my naval career serve me well in my current position within Campus Services as Director of Real Estate. I am eternally grateful to the service men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. May their sacrifices never be forgotten.
Celebrating Our Employees' Years of Service

The annual recognition of employees who reach milestone years of service is always special, but perhaps even more so this year. The work our employees have done—and continue to do—to keep our campus safe during this pandemic is truly inspiring and has fostered an even stronger sense of community and shared service. Since we can’t all be together to recognize these employees, please reach out to them in a way that’s meaningful to you and to them. Congratulations to this year’s honorees! THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Celebrating 10 years of service
Daniel Vie, Dining
Seth Chambers, Electrical Shop
Jeffrey Gould, Grounds Svcs
Buckley Lawrence, Custodial Svcs
David McGrath II, Custodial Svcs
Dale Ordway, Electrical Shop
Nicholas Thurston, Equipment Mtnce
William Tibbits, Equipment Mtnce

Celebrating 15 years of service
Kimberly Bushey, Res Ops
Tammy Connolly, Res Ops
Vincent McDow, Res Ops
Erica Partington, Transportation Svcs
Eric Dauphinais, Dining
Guinevere Tisdale, Dining
Robert Ash, Engineering
Greg Frost, Grounds Svcs
Joel Goodrich, Equipment Mtnce
Carl Longshore, Access Control
Darren McGowen, Paint Shop
Philip Robinson, Grounds Svcs

Celebrating 20 years of service
Michael Blake, Mail Delivery Svcs
Tina Perley, Res Ops
Gerald Rice, Res Ops
Erin Clark, Dining
Monica Godfrey, DPMS
Deanna Mansfield, Dining

Celebrating 25 years of service
Darryl Slicer, Res Ops
Brenda Thisell, Res Ops
Timothy Beauchene, Res Ops
Susan Davis, Dining
Martin Emerson, Dining
Claire McNamara, Bus & Aux Svcs
Donna O’Gara, Dining
William Riehl, Engineering & Util
Patrick Rogers, Grounds Svcs

Celebrating 30 years of service
Richard LaRocque, Res Ops
Scott Villeneuve, Res Ops
Steve Edes, Dining
William Gray, Dining
Dale Balch, Grounds Svcs
David Lemere, Grounds Svcs
Christopher Peck, Paint Shop

Celebrating 35 years of service
Karl Emde, Building Repair Shop

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