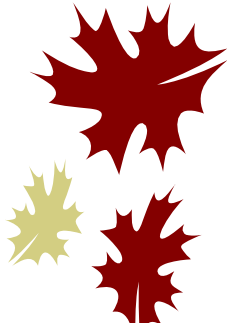


Facilities Management News

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Thank you for getting the school year off to a good start. It is a bit of a delayed thanks as students are now beyond fall break and midterms. The start did go well since you seem to have this effort down to almost a routine if not a science. With the colder weather approaching, the number of outside events will dwindle allowing us to focus a bit more on maintenance and little less on the events support associated with school starting and late summer activities. Well done, all!

The Rasmussen Center is done and right away the University moves forward with another new building. Programming the activities and the space needed in the Varsity Practice and Training facility is happening quickly. Kiewit Building Group has been selected as the contractor to help build the structure. DLR Group will be the architects. This process with Kiewit is more of a design/build delivery. As such, the architects will work for Kiewit. The relationship with DLR Group has been great for years so the Creighton design standards and the rules imposed upon contractors and design team will be easily adopted by the architect.

The building design is a long way from done and as design-build projects go, the actual design of the facility may not be “done” until the building is finished. This type of delivery speeds up construction and gets the best practices used by the contractor in play from the start.

Site selection is broadly completed as being south of DJ Sokol Arena in the grassy area. The exact site will be defined when the building program is completed and the City code check people have completed their review. The site has some strong features that are a small twist from our 2002 master plan but when done, the building will borrow from the architecture of the buildings near by. The building should be nearing completion in 15 to 16 months. As mentioned in other forums, the cost of the building is paid for gifts to the University that have been specifically earmarked for the project.

Over the past couple of months I have been visiting with many of you individually about the added value you bring to the job. It is clear to an outside observer that people working with Facilities Management work beyond the assigned job with regularity. You do the kind of things that make the people receiving your service satisfied at almost every occasion. Some of the traits the people I talked to thought they had to go beyond the job description include:

- Loyalty... a large number of you work beyond the 8 hour day just to get the job done and are very willing to come back to work to solve a facility problem.
- Customer Service...the majority of the people I spoke to consider one of their strengths to be of service to others. The notion that help can cheerfully and willingly be given to others may be a trait common to the Jesuit influence or it may be a high plains trait. Whatever the reason, most think they are customer oriented and it seems to be accurate based on feedback received.
- Job Knowledge...possibly because of the number of years at Creighton or possibly because of the other traits, people I talked to have a strong feeling that they know their job. That is evident in the number of facility problems we are solving or mitigating on a daily basis.
- Ambition...this is my term but many I talked to work hard at their job. The majority work also hard doing the tasks that are right for Creighton whether it is getting a grant, developing an innovative idea, being awarded a certificate or license, or other acknowledgement that is good for cause.

For all these traits, thank you. It is that kind of “you can do it” confidence and possibly empowerment that brings out the best in each of us.

- Not mentioned by anyone...Sacrifice... loyal people, working hard to provide great service to others do so at some level of personal sacrifice. Not mentioning any concern about personal sacrifice speaks highly of the people working here.

Thank you for all you are doing to keep Creighton safe and secure. The best compliment we can get is a quiet phone. People not calling us because we exceeded at service delivery continues to be our goal. As you do the work you are good at, stay safe and keep the job site safe. The work you do matters to customers and the people that are special to you want you home after work.

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CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY
Office of the President

Dear Colleagues:

The Creighton University Board of Trustees, in a special meeting yesterday, voted unanimously to approve two campus development projects that will significantly enhance the academic and athletic footprint of the campus as part of our overall enrollment growth/learning environment strategic priorities.

The Board authorized the investment of \$27 million for the two projects, which will be entirely financed by donors. To date, donors have committed \$26 million for capital and endowments.

To update you on both projects:

- The first involves renovation of seven campus buildings for better capacity utilization and is the largest project of its kind in Creighton's history, affecting more than 100,000 sq. ft. of academic space. This project includes relocation of the College of Business to the Harper Center and improvements to six other buildings for the College of Arts and Sciences and Student Life. The other buildings affected include Brandeis Hall, Creighton Hall, Reinert-Alumni Memorial Library, the Eppley Building, the Vinardi Center (Old Gym), and the Humanities/Hitchcock buildings. Two of our Trustees, Scott Heider and Mark Huber, have been instrumental in obtaining gifts for this project.
- The second project is the athletics practice and training facility that will complete the east campus athletic/fitness/recreation corridor outlined in the campus development plan. The Board designated the 34,000-38,000 sq. ft. facility to be located south of the Wayne and Eileen Ryan Athletic Center on the Webster Street mall. Relocating the athletics programs to the new building will free space in the Vinardi Center/Old Gym for other uses. My thanks to Trustee, Ron Gartlan, and Bruce Rasmussen, our Director of Athletics, for raising the gift income for this new facility.

Construction on both projects will be completed over the next 18-20 months. Additional fundraising will provide the remaining building funds as well as operating endowment and funds for new academic programs, faculty support and student scholarships.

Both of these projects represent an important step toward the future and build upon the University's momentum in academics, athletics and philanthropy.

God's blessings,

Timothy R. Lannon, S.J.

Upcoming Town Hall sessions :

Tuesday, November 6 – 3:30-4:30 p.m. – Harper Center Auditorium

Thursday, November 15 – **2:00 – 3:00 p.m.** – Skutt Student Center Ballroom (Note schedule change)

Monday, November 19 – 3:30-4:30 p.m. – Harper Center Auditorium

Upcoming University Holidays



THANKSGIVING BREAK

Thursday, November 22nd
and
Friday, November 23rd

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BREAK:
Monday, December 24, 2012
through
Tuesday, January 1, 2013



Other dates to remember:

Benefits Fair:

Thursday, November 1, 2012
Skutt Student Ballroom
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Veteran's Day

November 11th

***"If you don't know where you are going, you'll end up
someplace else."***

Yogi Berra

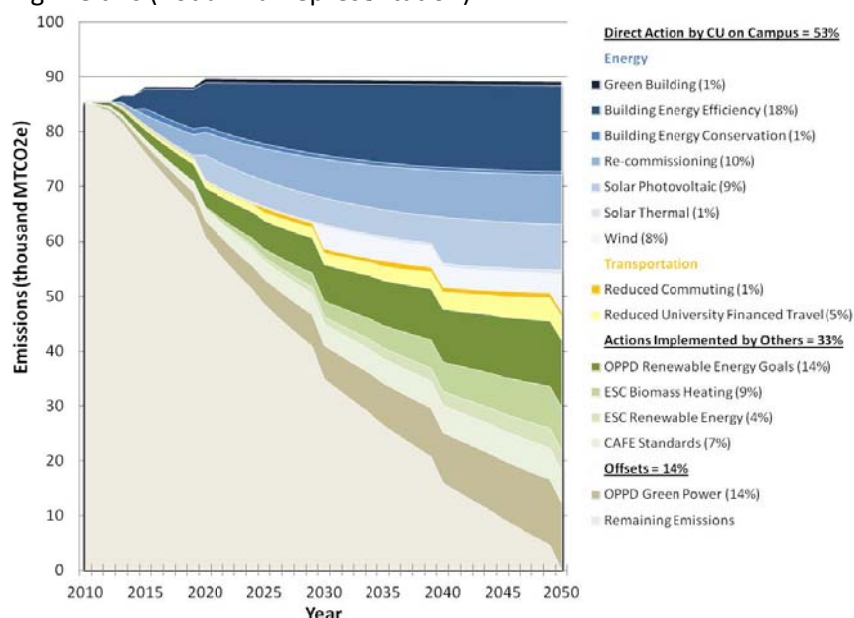


Sustainability: Climate Action Planning

In light of our mission as a Jesuit University and the evidence presented by our colleagues around the world working in the sciences, in 2010 Fr. John Schlegel signed the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment (ACUPCC), which involves universities taking a leadership role on the climate change issue within the broader society.

As part of this commitment, Creighton agreed to develop a Climate Action Plan (CAP), which will include a date for climate neutrality, with milestones along the way, as well as concrete actions to be taken. Those actions will include things like more efficient buildings, alternative energy installations, and incentives for reducing commuting and travel. Indirect actions will also be included and are things like improvements done by our utility companies and in the fuel economy of new vehicles.

The plan will look something like this (not a final representation):



The various actions will each gradually reduce the amount of carbon produced until the emissions approach zero. The date to reach zero emissions is anticipated to be 2050, with milestones including one at 2028, which is the 150th anniversary of Creighton.

The presentation of the Climate Action Plan will be on **Wednesday October 31 at 10 a.m.** in the Union Pacific Room in Reinert/Alumni Library. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Once the plan is presented, it will need to be implemented by the campus community. If you're interested in helping with implementation support, let Mary Duda or Lennis know. We'll be announcing more as we get into the process. More information can be found here: <http://www.creighton.edu/about/sustainability/acupcc/index.php>



ENERGY MANGAGEMENT

5 Energy Myths...

Myth #1: Ceiling insulation won't save energy.

Busted! Did you know that up to 45% of your home's heat leaves through the ceiling? Insulation can go a long way in helping to keep warm air inside your house. Properly installed ceiling insulation will reduce the amount of heat that escapes through the ceiling and help you save on your heating bill.

Myth #2: CFL bulbs aren't that much better than traditional bulbs.

Busted! CFL bulbs trump traditional bulbs on a number of levels. Consider these facts when purchasing new light bulbs for your home or business:- CFL bulbs can save you around \$6 a year per bulb in electric costs and up to \$40 over the lifetime of a single bulb.

- CFL bulbs can last six times longer than traditional bulbs.
- CFL bulbs use 75% less energy than traditional bulbs.

Myth #3: Upgrading appliances doesn't produce savings.

Busted! In a typical household, appliances can account for up to 13% of home energy use.* So when you purchase new, more energy-efficient appliances, you're sure to see significant savings.

For example, some Energy Star approved refrigerators can produce up to 15% more savings when compared to an older model, which is a significant difference.

Newer air conditioners also produce savings, as they can cool a house without using as much energy as an older unit. Some of the newest AC models automatically switch between settings depending on how hot it is outside, a feature which can translate to a noticeably smaller energy bill.

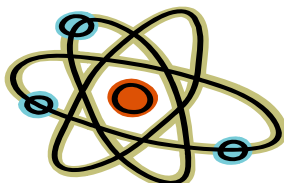
Myth #4: The amount of energy used by "sleeping" electronics is insignificant.

Busted! ENERGY STAR® estimates that U.S. households spend \$100 per year powering devices that are not in use. That's roughly 8% of household electricity costs. By completely disconnecting electronics when they are not in use, you'll not only save energy but money, too!

Myth #5: Raising my thermostat during the summer will not help me save on my energy bill.

Busted! It may seem counterintuitive to raise your thermostat during the hottest months of the year, but increasing the temperature from 72 to 78 degrees can save as much as \$25 a month.

Reference: Touchstone Energy Cooperative, www.stopenergyleaks.com



Are you emergency Personnel?

In any community, there are certain jobs that are considered essential to crisis management and recovery. The community of Creighton University is no different. As part of Facilities Management, many positions are considered essential personnel in times of crisis. How do you know if you are one of the essential people? The answer to that depends on the crisis.

Some jobs are more obvious than others. The grounds crew, for instance, knows that when it snows they are all essential for snow removal so the rest of us can get to work safely. But what if there is a water main break in a building? We would look for the engineers to stop the water and the custodians to help with cleanup. After the immediate damage is controlled, other shops may also get involved to repair the damage. If the crisis is an accident where a building entrance was damaged, the carpenters would respond to fix the entrance and secure the building.

The answer to who is essential is therefore based on the situation. This means that it is critical to have communication so that the right people can be reached when there is an urgent need. For those who are signed up with CUAAlert on a Creighton owned or personal device, they will receive a text or voice call from CUAAlert when the crisis is campus wide and Public Safety sends out a message to all University faculty, staff and students. Facilities Management owned devices are all signed up for text messages.

In situations where Public Safety does not send an alert, Facilities Management may still need to get hold of you for your assistance in specific types of crisis recovery. This may be the case even if you are not technically on call. If you are on your work shift, you may be requested to stay later than normal. If you are not on shift, you may be requested to come to work. Your supervisor will make the determination of whether or not your assistance is required and therefore call or send a message to you. Facilities Management is currently updating our calling list.

A more complicated situation could occur such as when multiple buildings are damaged in a tornado during your work shift and there are possible injuries. At this time, the protocol is for you to contact your supervisor to let them know you are ok and where you are located. Be aware that your supervisor may be receiving calls from several other people so lines may be busy. Keep trying until you get through. Keep your report short so that others may get through. If you are with other Facilities Management employees from your shop, consolidate your report to the supervisor so not everyone needs to call. Once you have reported in, stay off your phone so that your supervisor can get hold of you to relay any instructions.

In complex situations, your supervisor may request that you act as eyes and ears of the damage and give regular updates of the situation around you, however, at no time should you put yourself or anyone else at risk of injury.

Facilities Management staff and the safety committee are currently working on a communication plan that will take effect if the campus phones and cell phones cannot be used. In such a scenario, we may need to report to a specific location yet to be determined. If you have any ideas about how to communicate effectively during a crisis, please contact your department's safety committee representative.

New Employees

David Chalupa started his job as Lead Custodian in the Criss Complex on July 3, 2012. David has been married to his wife, Janet, for 33 years. They have three children, Mikayla, Nathan and Katie; their first grandchild is expected soon. David worked as a fleet manager for Douglas County for 31 years. He enjoys volleyball, kayaking, and playing the trombone.

Brandon Long began his job as an energy management tech on July 9, 2012. Before coming to CU Brandon worked as a building engineer at the Union Pacific Center. He graduated from Southeast Community College with an Associate Degree in Applied Science. Brandon is single and enjoys doing almost anything outdoors, especially fishing, shooting, and bike riding.

Stanley Sojka began working at CU on July 30, 2012. He works 3 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. as a maintenance engineer. Stan's previous job was as a Biomed Communications Technician at Immanuel Hospital for over five years. He completed study in the electronics program at Northeast College, Norfolk, NE and is Network Electronics Certified. Stan is single. His hobbies include designing equipment, livestock production, outdoors/wildlife, working in his shop and attending Creighton Athletic events.

Micheil Baxter is the son of John Baxter, EHS. Micheil started as a custodian in the Wareham building in August, 2012. Micheil is single and previously worked for Oriental Trading Company. Hobbies include playing with his dog, Zeke, hanging out with friends and playing Call of Duty online.

Scott Dombeck began his job as a maintenance engineer at CU on September 17, 2012. His previous job was at UNMC where he worked as an automated building control tech for 10 years. Scott attended Metro Community College and is now pursuing a Library Science Degree at UNO. He has three grown daughters and enjoys reading, filmmaking and bicycling.

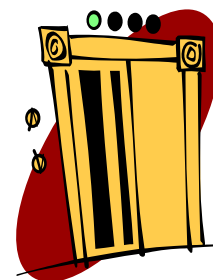
Chad McCuen came to Creighton University after working for Contractors Electrical for 6 years. Chad's start date was September 18, 2012. He works as a maintenance engineer on the day shift. Chad attended Metropolitan Community College.

Dau Lum began working for Creighton on October 3, 2012, as a custodian at the Harper Center. He previously worked at Quality Pork International. Dau received a Physics Association Degree from Yangon University, Myanmar. He is single and always enjoys learning something new.

Take time to introduce yourself to our new employees.

Just the facts...

Recently a student giving a tour to prospective families made the statement, "The 'golden elevator' in Creighton Hall is the oldest working elevator west of the Missouri River." While the elevator to the Jesuit Quarters in Creighton Hall is probably one of the oldest working passenger elevators west of the Missouri River, this claim is probably not factual. One consideration is the many industrial/mining elevators still in service that may be older. Even though the student's claim cannot be proven, there are many stories that have circulated over the years regarding the Jesuit Elevator. One of those was reported in The Creightonian on November 4, 1983. It seems that three administrators were trapped between the third and fourth floor for 35 minutes on October 19, 1983. They were rescued by an O'Keefe repairman after a passerby heard their cries for help and called campus-security. The elevator did not have a key to open it, as most do, and had to be hand-cranked to the closest floor so the men could crawl out. To make matters worse, the alarm on the elevator was not working. According to one of our building engineers who has been employed at CU for many years, being trapped in the Jesuit Elevator was not uncommon. There have even been rumors of the elevator being haunted, which of course has never been confirmed.



Get signed up for the upcoming Eat Right on the Go Nutrition Series!

This 4 part series will provide you with a whirlwind look at how to grocery shop and dine out in a way that supports a healthy body. Then, you'll examine what are the ultimate options to choose when you're eating on the road or at work.

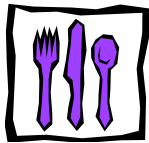
1. Healthy Grocery Shopping- part 1
Wednesday, October 24 @ 12:15-12:45PM at Harper 3027
2. Health Grocery Shopping – part 2
Wednesday, October 31 @ 12:15-12:45PM at Skutt 105
3. Dining Out
Tuesday, November 6 @ 12:15-12:45PM at Harper 3027
4. On the Road Again & Eating At Work
Wednesday, November 14 @ 12:15-12:45PM at Skutt 104



Everyone that attends 3 out of 4 sessions will be entered into a drawing for a PRIZE!!

Get registered HERE: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9DTGZ9C>

Questions? wellness@creighton.edu or call x5721



Environmental Health & Safety

As we continue through the school year here at Creighton, we need to stay alert for any type of safety issue that we in Facilities Management can help take care of. As you go about completing your job on a daily basis, keep your eyes and ears open for safety issues that can be addressed by the EH&S Department. It could be as little as a better place to put a trash can to something like making repairs to sidewalks and other infrastructure. While EH&S staff are on campus often, we cannot see everything or hear everything and do not spend as much time in each area as you do.

Often you are the first person that will receive a complaint and see or hear about potential safety problems. Even if nobody else has complained or asked you about something take the time to fill out the safety issue reporting form that you should be seeing every week on the Safety Talk sheet that Lennis sends out on Mondays. Never assume that somebody else has reported it, or that one of the EH&S staff has seen it. You can also call the front desk to put in a work order for my staff to visit the site to determine if anything should be addressed. As always you may also call Justin at 402-546-6400 to report a safety issue.

Always remember that that everyone has a right to a safe workplace and you can help it keep it safe!

Grounds and Landscaping



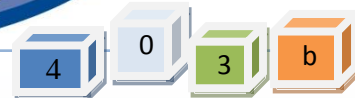
The Creighton University campus has been an affiliate site of the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum since 2010. As part of this distinction, the University is encouraged to label its trees, shrubs, and perennials for the educational benefit of the community. This fall twenty campus trees, including all past Campus Tree of the Year winners, will be identified with permanent labels bearing their botanical and common names as well as the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum logo.

The following trees will be labeled as part of the Fall 2012 project:

1. Japanese Tree Lilac, *Syringa reticulata*, Opus Hall
2. Prairiefire crabapple, *Malus* species, Opus Hall
3. London Planetree, *Platanus x acerifolia*, Harper Center
4. White Mulberry, *Morus alba*, 2011 Campus Tree of the Year, Harper Center
5. 'Autumn Brilliance' Serviceberry, *Amelanchier x grandiflora*, Harper Center
6. American Sycamore, *Platanus occidentalis*, Ahmanson Law School
7. American Linden, *Tilia americana*, Jesuit Garden
8. Japanese Tree Lilac, *Syringa reticulata*, Jesuit Garden
9. Shingle Oak, *Quercus imbricaria*, Jesuit Garden
10. Rocky Mountain Douglas Fir, *Psuedotsuga menziesii*, Jesuit Garden
11. Horsechestnut, *Aesculus hippocastanum*, 2009 Campus Tree of the Year, Jesuit Garden
12. Black Hills Spruce, *Picea gluaca* var. *densata*, KFC lawn
13. Saucer Magnolia, *Magnolia soulangiana*, St. John's Church
14. 'State Street' Miyabe Maple, *Acer miyabei*, St. John's Church
15. American Elm, *Ulmus americana*, St. John's Church
16. Eastern Redbud, *Cercis canadensis*, St. John's Church
17. Baldcypress, *Taxodium distichum*, Reinert Alumni Library
18. River Birch, *Betula nigra*, Reinert Alumni Library
19. Concolor Fir, *Abies concolor*, Dowling Hall
20. Eastern Redbud, *Cercis canadensis*, 2010 Campus Tree of the Year, Bio-Information Center

These trees were chosen because of the species' usefulness to academic programs (for example, plant identification for Botany courses), the value of the tree's species in Nebraska landscapes, and the quality and maturity of the specimen. An effort was also made to choose trees within high-traffic areas of campus to better suit them to walking tours.





■ Retirement match increase

Great news! On January 1, 2013, Creighton will increase its matching contribution to the 403(b) Retirement Plan. If you are contributing 5 percent or more, no action is required and you will automatically receive the .5 percent match increase. For those who are not contributing at least 5 percent, now is the time to increase your salary deferral! See chart below for details:

Employee Deferral	Matching Contribution	Minimum Employer Contribution	Total Employer Contribution
0%	0%	2.0%	2.0%
1%	0%	2.0%	2.0%
2%	.6%	2.0%	2.6%
3%	1.9%	2.0%	3.9%
4%	3.2%	2.0%	5.2%
5%	4.5%	2.0%	6.5%

Principal and TIAA-CREF will be at the Nov. 1 Benefits Fair, so stop by their table if you need help or have questions about the benefits of saving for retirement. [One-on-one consultations](#) will be offered on various dates around the Benefits Fair. [Click here for more information on taking advantage our retirement plan and the match increase.](#)

■ Benefit Fair: one day only

This year there will only be one chance to stop by the Benefit Fair. The one-stop shop is scheduled for **Thursday, November 1st from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Skutt Student Center Ballroom.** Take advantage of free flu shots, meeting with Creighton's participating health vendors, and educating yourself on your health care benefits before open enrollment. Be sure to bring your Creighton ID card for entrance to the fair and to receive your flu shot.

■ Shingles shots

Has your doctor suggested you get a shingles vaccine? If so, you can now go to any Walgreens, Wal-Mart, or Sam's Club pharmacy and it will be covered as a free, preventive vaccination by UHC. Other vaccinations offered include Influenza, Pneumonia, Meningococcal, Hepatitis B, Tdap (whooping cough), and may require a prescription. Discuss your vaccination record with your doctor first, then know you have easy access to these important vaccinations. The University has already purchased the Influenza vaccine for our faculty and staff, so plan to get your flu shot at your SimplyWell screening or the Benefits Fair on Nov. 1st.

■ SimplyWell

Wellness dollars are waiting for you! Log in to SimplyWell through [MyCreighton](#) to complete your health questionnaire and sign up for your health screening. PPO I & II participants can earn \$250 and CCAP participants can earn \$750/\$1000 for completion of the four required components: SimplyWell health screen, questionnaire, a signed tobacco free pledge and for viewing the Brainshark, [Do You Know Your Health Score.](#)



This free screening measures weight, blood pressure and will take a lab draw for triglycerides, cholesterol, HLD/LDL, and glucose (additional tests are available at cost). Employees can also get their flu shot at the time of their screening. *Employees must fast from food and beverage at least 6 hours prior to their screening time. **All faculty & staff, even those who don't enroll in benefits, are encouraged to participate!**

■ Students need your help

Occupational Therapy students are conducting a 5-10 minute survey on posture, habits, and equipment at your workstation. This survey is part of a research project that will help better understand ergonomics at Creighton and aid in designing future programs. Please help out by [taking this survey](#). If you have any questions please [email Dr. Amy Matthews](#). Thanks for your participation!



■ Free career workshops

Right Management, a partner of Creighton, is sponsoring free career workshops for veterans, active military men and women and their spouses. This workshop provides support on translating military experience to civilian employment, navigating today's job market, identifying your key strengths and creating a personal brand to assist you on your career path. [Learn more now.](#)

Open Enrollment: Nov. 2 – Nov. 16

BENEFIT PLAN CHANGES

While more detailed information will be coming next month, here is some information regarding premiums, plan changes and new options for 2013.

MEDICAL PLAN PREMIUMS

Creighton University is committed to providing benefits that are not only affordable based on market reviews, but meet the needs of our faculty, staff and their families.

2013 ACTIVE MEDICAL RATES AND CONTRIBUTIONS				
MONTHLY RATES				
Monthly Employee Contributions	EMPLOYEE	EMPLOYEE + SPOUSE	EMPLOYEE + CHILDREN	FAMILY
PPO 1	\$132.84	\$292.26	\$239.12	\$ 398.54
PPO 2	\$ 73.44	\$161.58	\$132.20	\$ 220.34
CCAP + HSA	\$ 42.40	\$ 90.82	\$ 75.04	\$ 120.84
Monthly Employer Subsidy				
PPO 1	\$314.24	\$691.32	\$566.62	\$ 942.70
PPO 2	\$342.28	\$753.00	\$616.10	\$1,026.82
CCAP + HSA	\$397.74	\$823.32	\$688.04	\$1,095.42

FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT LIMIT

As a part of healthcare reform, the government will limit FSA contributions to a maximum of \$2,500 per calendar year. Please keep this in mind when estimating your health care expenses for you and your family in 2013.

HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT (HSA) LIMIT

The HSA maximum contribution for 2013 will increase to \$3,250 for individuals and \$6,450 for families. A \$1,000 “catch-up contribution” will remain in place for participants age 55 or older.

METLAW

Have you been putting off writing a will year after year? Are you concerned about identity theft and how to protect yourself?

During open enrollment, you will have the opportunity to enroll in **MetLaw**, a legal services benefit offered by Hyatt Legal Plans, a MetLife company. Once enrolled, you will have unlimited access to attorney services for a wide variety of legal matters.

For a low monthly payroll deduction of **\$18.00**, the plan covers representation for many personal legal services for you and your eligible dependents (your spouse and dependent children). The plan also covers office consultations and/or telephone advice for virtually any personal legal matter. You may consult with an attorney on any legal matter that is not excluded in the plan.

BENEFITS FAIR

Thursday, Nov. 1
at the
Skutt Student Center
Ballroom

from
9:00 a.m. to
4:00 p.m.

Come to learn, ask questions,
and get your flu shot.
Open enrollment will be

Nov. 2 – Nov. 16



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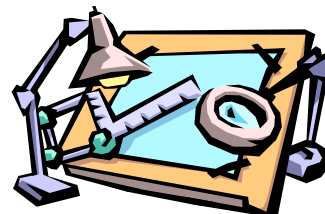
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Planning and Design News...

A quick look at a few of the current approved projects:

- Rasmussen Center will open as scheduled in October.
- Asphalt repairs have been completed across campus.
- Concrete repairs will begin in early October to various trip and fall hazards.
- Criss Science building (formerly known as Criss II and III) is in the process of getting a new roof.
- Rigge Science 321 will be renovated for a research lab. Cabinets are on order and the work is expected to complete in late January 2013.
- Walt Jahn building is in the bidding process for an infrastructure upgrade to prepare the building for the security camera system upgrade.



The BIG news

The Rasmussen Center is up and running. The contractor is working on the punch list to get the final construction details completed. It will probably take another 30 days to shake down the new building. Stop by and take a look when you are in the area. It has turned out well for the people at Creighton.

The proposed Varsity Practice and Training Facility is in design. The building will be about 38,000 square feet in size which is about half the size of the Ryan Center. The building will be built by Kiewit Building Group. If all stays on schedule, the building will open in April 2014. Watch for an opportunity to view renditions of the building as designs become available. When done, the Vinardi Center in the Old Gym will all move to the new facility which will be built south of the Ryan Center. The space in the Old Gym will be re-purposed for use by academics but the new occupants have not been determined. Funds for this new facility are from gifts.

Energy Systems is installing a new steam line across Burt Street to the Burt Street Utility Plant. The work is a proactive step to replace an aged steam and condensate line. The project has been fraught with problems as the schedule has slipped weeks. The work is nearly completed at this time. This project is funded by Energy Systems.

The move of the College of Business to Harper is underway. The Board of Trustees approved the project at a special meeting in early October. The full extent of the project is budgeted at \$17,000,000. The goal of designing now is to be ready for remodel starting with work in the former FitNest in the Harper Center. A list of some of the activities involved in the shift of departments includes:

- *Labaj will be used for swing space to hold occupants waiting for new space to be remodeled.*
- *Relocating the Vice President for Student Life from 3rd floor Harper to Creighton Hall 2nd floor*
- *Relocating the Center for Student Success and Retention from 3rd floor Harper*
- *Relocating Educational Opportunity including Student Support Services and Disability Services from 4th floor Harper to the 2nd and fourth floors in the Old Gym*
- *Relocating Multicultural Center from the 3rd floor of Harper to the area formerly housing the FitNest.*
- *Relocating International Programs to 3rd floor of Creighton Hall.*
- *Relocating History from 3rd floor Creighton Hall to Hitchcock.*
- *Relocating Math from the Old Gym second floor to Eppley*
- *Relocating the Education Department from Hitchcock to Eppley 4th floor.*
- *Relocating the Registrar from 2nd floor of Creighton Hall to the second floor of Brandies*
- *Relocating the Department for the Doctorial in Education from the main floor of Brandies to the top floor of the Reinert Alumni Library.*
- *Relocating the offices of the Dean of Arts and Science from second floor of Creighton Hall to Eppley space formerly occupied by the Dean for the College of Business.*

- *Adding an elevator addition to the north side of Brandies.*
- *Walsh Lecture Hall for new space used by Energy Technology. An internal ramp will be installed for access.*
- *A significant amount of compact (movable) shelving will be installed in the lower level of the Reinert Alumni Memorial Library.*

The project is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2014 but efforts are being made to accelerate the schedule.

Deferred Maintenance

The University budgeting process has been very favorable to Facilities Management having budgeted nearly \$10 Million for deferred maintenance. The projects are underway and will be for all of the school year. New roofs, new fire detection and alarm systems and lots of mechanical system upgrades will be undertaken in many buildings. A lot of the funding will be used for eliminating the “red bars” from the deferred maintenance dashboard report. A more detailed conversation is forth coming at the October 16, Information Sharing session

- Deferred maintenance projects for building management system upgrades, HVAC, plumbing and electrical projects has been bid and the team has reviewed five contractor proposals with a recommendation made awaiting approval. The project form is routing for approval.
- Energy conservation is a part of the plan as well. The first part of this funding was for the steam trap replacement in 22 buildings and that work has been completed. Part two of this will address energy waste in the operation of fume hoods. This will be a multiple phased approach with 152 fume hoods on campus. The first phased has been approved with Rigge Science hoods as the first phase. Work has not begun yet as the schedule is being worked out to provide as little inconvenience as possible.
- Deferred maintenance in several other categories is being pursued for interior projects and envelope work projects for spring of 2013.



Two members of Planning and Design Department were award winners at the August 22, 2012, DoIT divisional meeting. Fran Angerth and Trunk Hansen were each presented \$50 and a plaque as members of the combined team of Network/Infrastructure/Planning and Design Team that completed the extensive West Campus Rewire. These quarterly recognition programs are designed as a means to recognize great work, great accomplishments, and great customer service. Congratulations Fran and Trunk for your great work! The accomplishment is a great example of the success gained from collaboration.



DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 4, 2012

Remember to set your clocks back one hour