

FMPC NEWS

Winter | December | 2019

***Introduction:** Seasons Greetings and all the best for the New Year!*

This past year has been a busy one. Numerous projects were completed including several large ones such as the new Breidegam locker rooms (4,000 sf), completion of the Sports Medicine Building (9,500 sf) and completion of the Moravian Bookstore and apartments (45,700 sf), adding another almost 60,000 sf to our campus portfolio. At the same time, our maintenance and repairs team has been busy keeping everything up and running, and learning all they can about maintaining all the new spaces and equipment.



Announcements

We are happy to announce that FMPC will be hosting the First Friday Faculty & Staff Get Together Friday
March 7th, 2020
from 3:30pm to 5:00pm.

Congratulations to
Walter Fries who recently
Tied the Knot on
September 23rd, 2019

Please Give a Warm
Welcome to Lisa Prue
Our Newest Member To
The Custodial Team

Our Grounds and Delivery team has done an incredible job improving our campus. The most noticeable improvements are the dry stone wall on the Hurd campus and the Johnson Hall access roadway on Main campus. Still in its infancy, is the new hoop house in the Facilities yard where new plants are being raised for planting all across campus. Also, event setups have increased and our team has kept up with them.

Our Custodial team has done their share in maintaining the appearance of our campus buildings, and in many cases, developing personal relationships with the students living in their buildings.

Transportation has done their bit too, making sure that students get back and forth between campuses safely. They also figured out the best way of absorbing an additional stop at Lot X into the campus loop without needing to add another bus or driver. Great job!

Thank you all for your hard work. Have an enjoyable and safe winter break, see you all in the New Year!

– Yasmin Bugaighis

Director of Facilities Management, Planning and Construction



Updates – Administration & Planning:

- Working with the Development office, we received a \$20,000 grant from the Laros Foundation to renovate the Borhek Chapel storm windows. We will work on this project in Spring 2020. We are still working with Development to find additional monies.
- Check out the updated FMPC website. It has been updated with a new look and new information. Our own Jamie Breidinger has been the engine behind all the changes.
- We have received the draft copy of our Facilities Condition Survey (FCA). The report identifies, prioritizes and estimates areas and projects that we will need to address.

Project Management:

- Locker Rooms under the Fitness Center are substantially complete. Vinyl wall graphic installation is scheduled for mid-December.
- Jo Smith HVAC units will be replaced in all student rooms and lounges over Winter Break.
- Reeves Library is getting new carpet at the main entrance over Winter Break.
- Campus Safety main entrance is getting new carpet the week of January 6.
- The HUB lounge at the fireplace is scheduled to get new carpet over Winter Break as long as we can get delivery of the material. We went through a number of samples before making a selection with Student Life.
- The Foy/Payne Lobby is getting new paint and ceiling tiles. This work will complement the floor refinishing that was completed this past summer.

Operations and Maintenance:

The Structural and Mechanical Trades personnel are currently focusing their efforts on getting the campus buildings ready for winter break. Not only do they need to make sure the campus buildings are secure, but they also need to adjust the thermostat in buildings in order to recognize energy savings while the spaces are unoccupied. For many years an “orange heat candle” was installed in almost all of the units to monitor the heat and alert us if the indoor space temperature dropped to levels that may cause frozen pipes. With some assistance from I.T., a project was started a few months ago to install new thermostats in many of the college buildings. These new stats, which are connected to the internet, can be monitored and adjusted remotely. This technology alleviates the need for the crew to install the candles, allows FMPC to modify the settings from anywhere and emails a warning if it gets too cold in the house. While the project is not completed, there have been over 50 of these thermostats already installed on campus (including all of the Hillside units). The college will certainly save energy and our campus buildings will be less susceptible to damage from frozen pipes. Furthermore, since many utilities (UGI for example) offer rebates on “smart thermostats”, the cost to Moravian has been minimal.





Holiday Family Fun

- Lights in the Parkway is a family favorite! December 11th through December 28th, Lights will be open every night, from 5:30 pm to 10 pm.
- Watch our own Phantoms Hockey team battle it out with the Hershey Bears on Sunday, December 29th at the PPL center.
- Save the Date! Moravian Winterfest will be Saturday, January 25th 2020 in the HUB from 11:30 am to 2 pm.

Seasonal Safety Tips



1. **Do not overload electrical outlets.** Overloaded electrical outlets and faulty wires are a common cause of holiday fires. Avoid overloading outlets and plug only one high-wattage into each outlet at a time.
2. **Keep trees fresh by watering daily.** Dry trees are a serious fire hazard.
3. **Keep combustibles at least three feet from heat sources.** A heat sources that was too close to the decoration was a factor in half of home fires that began with decorations.
4. **Stay in the kitchen when something is cooking.** Unattended cooking equipment is the leading cause of home cooking fires.
5. **Turn off, unplug, and extinguish all decorations when going to sleep or leaving the house.** Unattended candles are the cause of one in five home candle fires. Half of home fire deaths occur between the hours of 11pm and 7am.

- Awards and Recognition -



FMPC was this year's recipient of the United Student Government (USG) '**Unsung Hero Award**'. The award was made December 5th at the USG annual inauguration ceremony. Yasmin, Chad and Dean were there to receive the award on behalf of the entire FMPC department. We thank USG for this award, it was an unexpected surprise, and we look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts with the new USG leadership in the coming years.



ADMINISTRATIVE

Yasmin Bugaighis - Director of Facilities Management, Planning & Construction
 Chad Royer - Associate Director, Planning & Facilities Services
 Amber Donato - Associate Director, Planning and Project Management
 Harold Anderson, Jr. - Assistant Director, Plant Services
 Randy Haffling - General Services Manager
 Dean Molitoris - Assistant Director Operations
 Regina Gower - Administrative Services Manager
 Jamie Breidinger - Administrative Specialist

OPERATIONS TECHNICIANS**MECHANICAL**

Chris Dutter
 Brian R. Luckey
 Michael D. O'Hare
 Rodney M. Strohl
 Jeff Hinchman
 Dean Rohrbach

OPERATIONS TECHNICIANS STRUCTURAL

Mike Downey
 Scott Fehnel
 David M. Girardi
 Kevin L. Haas
 Robert J. Volk, Jr.

**GENERAL SERVICES TECHNICIANS -
GROUNDS**

Daniel J. Burke
 Walter D. Fries, II
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 Brad Morris
 Dale Tshudy

**GENERAL SERVICES - TECHNICIAN -
DELIVERY / EVENTS**

Keith K. Freeland
 Jacob Ortiz

**GENERAL SERVICES
TECHNICIAN- RECYCLING**

Brian W. Smith

BUS DRIVERS

Shawn C. Hinkel
 Sue E. Larrison
 Patricia Stank
 Willis A. Leidich, Jr.

P.T. BUS DRIVERS

Michael J. Kopach
 Patrick Wells
 Ken Nichol

CUSTODIANS

Mark W. Newman - *Plant Services Supervisor*
 Brian K. Althouse - Bldg. Serv. Tech.- PPHAC & Hall of Science, Steel F.
 Juan Gonzalez - Bldg. Serv. Tech. HUB, Johns Hall, Bried F.H., Comen, Reeves
 Carol A. Eck
 Julie Feliciano
 Robin L. Foulk
 Kay A. Frace
 Aurora Gonzalez
 * Lisa Prue
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 June M. Rowe
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 Roberta J. Bader
 Stephen J. Barron
 Amy Raso
 Tara Santiago
 Kimberly Satow

SOUTH CAMPUS

Angel Gonzalez - Bldg. Services Technician - S. Campus
 Helen M. Curzi
 Virginia M. Gangi - The HILL
 Jennifer McCandless-Stout

** New Employees*

If anyone has an idea for improving the way we deliver services to the College, or ideas for cost savings, please submit your idea to Jamie Breidinger. Remember, there are 55 of us on this team, and we are all over campus, if you see anything that needs fixing/addressing or some attention, please call in or submit a work order. It is better if we see it and address it before anyone else does.