UAFM Service Awards

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5 Years

Christopher Adams, Matthew Anderson, Rosa Arballo, David Arciniega Jr., Zeljko Bozic, Robert Burns, Jose Carranza, Ruben Carranza, Josephine Contreras, Aracely Cruz, Nicholas Dacus, Lilian Enriquez, Cindy Gamez, Walter Johnson, Kathy Knop,



Robert Koniecki, Daniel Lehr, Jose Lizarraga, Ronald Mann, Michael Melton, Dennis Minikel, Jesus Montiel, Bruce Overland, Thomas Peercy, Edward Spearly, Douglas Taff, Barbara Tyson, John Vallone, Elsa Vasquez, Traci Wheatley, Kevin Willians, Donald Woodrum



10 years

Richard Barchman, Raymond Bolinger, Charles Boyd, Davis Brown, Veronica Castro, Anthony Carrillo, Lilia Chavez, Jana Cruse, Cezar Duron, Donald Ellis, Leonard Escalante, Luis Garcia, Maria Garcia, Linda Littleman, Brian Longseth, Rebecca Maldonado, George Ortega,

Roberto Rascon, Manuel Rodriguez, Maria Ruiz, Cesar Salvador, Lawrence Schlotterer, Gabriel Santiago, Peter Schmidt, Kelly Scott, Michael Sestiaga, Stephen Smailey, Keith Steiner, Ronald Stockan, Martin Van Londen, Maria Vasquez, Carmen Velasco, Jose Villegas, Augustine Westrope, Alejandra Zell

15 years

Robert Bouchard, Norma Chacon, Renee Cota, Andrew Garcia, Larry Liles, Sandra Lopez, Mark Marikos, James McCalley, Irma Morales, Luis Rocha, Martin Rodriguez, Manuel Rodriguez, Elvira Rodriguez-Moreno, Lucia Romero, Kenneth Ryan, Robert Spaulding Jr., Leo Taylor, Joseph Thomas



"Great things in business are never done by one person. They're done by a team of people."

~Steve Jobs

20 Years

Pablo Dominguez, Guadalupe Fannin, Dawn Farmer, Chris Kopach, Rogelio Guzman, Rebecca Hanson, Gary Hagen, Adriana Jones (not pictured), Randy Livingston, Don McLoy, Anthony







Quintela, Anthony Rodriguez Jr, Walter Ruiz, Mark St. Onge, Gregory Vasquez





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UAFM Service Awards (continued)

25 Years

Hector Acuna, Alex Armenta, William
Canizales, Sonia Hernandez







30 Years
Henry Schrader, Hope Bejarano

35 Years

Joshua Martin (not pictured), Ernest Cruz



Employee Appreciation Luncheon

The Annual UAFM Employee Appreciation luncheon was held April 26, 2016 at the Rec Center MAC Gymnasium. A great crowd attended, feasting on wonderful burgers prepared by an all-star **Grilling Team** and served by a wonderful and efficient group of **Admins**.

Chris Kopach welcomed everyone, thanking them for making UAFM the great organization it is, and introduced **Bob Smith**, Vice President for Business Affairs, who also thanked UAFM Employees for their important contribution towards making UA a World-class



University.



Chris presented the Customer Appreciation Award to **Kathy Whisman**, Associate Vice President and Chief Budget Officer of the Budget Office for her partnership with UAFM. Kathy was unable to attend, so **Mario Calderon**

accepted the award on her behalf.

Associate Director Luis Rocha, and Assistant Directors Jenna Elmer, Lin Qian, Mark St. Onge, Bruce Overland, and Kevin Williams thanked UAFM Employees for their dedicated and professional service and the outstanding culture they maintain.



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA. You Are Appreciated!

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Gridshell Project Gathering

The College of Architecture, Planning & Landscape Architecture (CAPLA) student Design-Build project will continue into this summer, as they finish the Gridshell Structure and associated landscape and hardscape elements. As some of the students were graduating this semester, an appreciation reception was held on May 12 to honor those who partnered with the students on the project; UAFM was one of the partners recognized.



CAPLA Professor Chris Trumble and several students recognized contributions made by each of the partners, recognizing individuals within those organizations for their specific efforts. Each honorees received a "Challenge Coin" identifying them as a project participant.



Chris Kopach spoke to the gathering about the value of this cooperative project to the students, to UAFM, and to the University, and how the project has fostered a valuable connection between UAFM and one of the communities we serve. He

also thanked those UAFM employees involved for their willingness, professionalism, and enthusiasm.

Dr. Robert Miller, Director of the Architecture Degree Program, spoke about the advantage these students will have in the workforce because of their increased understanding of Facilities Management concerns and function, and thanked UAFM for our involvement in providing this unique and important contribution to the students' career preparation.



The following UAFM employees were recognized for their contributions:

Chris Kopach (Assistant Vice President), Bruce Overland (Assistant Director -Maintenance Shops), Luis Rocha (Associate Director, Operations), Matt Anderson (Grounds Superintendent), Leonard Escalante (Construction Manager), Woody Remencus (Landscape Manager), Bill Free (Irrigation Crew Chief), James Wooten (Plumbing Supervisor), Nick Dacus (Plumber Lead), Bernard Mitchell (Plumber), Juan Mariscal (Plumber), Edward Hulings Jr (Plumber), Steve Mikitish (Metal Tech. Supervisor), Tony Zaino (Electrical Supervisor), Joel Long (Senior Lead - Electrical), Dan Lehr (Electrician, Lead), Chuy Gutierrez (Mason), Chino Villegas (Construction Crew Chief), Robin Reed (Heavy Equipment Operator), Jerry Ehrsam (Heavy Equipment Operator), Ron Mann (Equipment Operator), Gene Kiley (Mason), Al Miller (Mason), Victor Serrano (Mason), Roger Guzman (Designer/Drafter - Blue Stake), Jose Guzman (Designer/ Drafter - Blue Stake), James Parker (Welder), Ben Vazquez (Trades Helper), Carlos Duarte (Equipment Operator), Bryon Peel-Davis (Electrician), Cameron Hetrick (Electrician Apprentice III), and Mark Marikos (Program Coord.),



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Spring Commencement 2016

Commencement is a grand affair on the UA campus. It is the culmination of years of studies by thousands of students, a commissioning of them into the workforce or further studies, and an opportunity to showcase the University to thousands of family members, friends and community members. Every year, UAFM plays a key role in preparing the campus for this event, which is actually a whole series of events at several venues around campus.

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Many departments and colleges hold

"smaller" commencements in McKale Auditorium and other sites on campus, while the "big event" is held in Arizona Stadium.

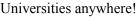
Numerous receptions and pre-commencement celebrations are also held on campus. UAFM is involved in the setup of these events, support during the events, cleaning between and after the events and

striking the setups when it is all over

But probably the most significant contribution made by UAFM employees is the day-to-day work throughout the year to *keep* the campus looking good and running smoothly. It would be difficult, if not impossible to make such a good impression at Commencement without the continuing commitment to excellence shown by UAFM employees from every shop every day of the year.



Thank you, once again, not just for your efforts leading up to Commencement, but your hard work every day and your resolve to make UA one of the finest











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Major Road Closings on Campus



As you may have noticed, some significant traffic obstructions exist on the central portion of campus, due to replacement of a Southwest Gas main. Scheduled traffic closures related to this project and a second project related to utility work for the new Cats Academic building are listed below.



Street-closure dates are shown for gas-line replacement work on Cherry and National Championship Drive. Unless indicated otherwise the entire street will be shut down during the identified dates.

Cherry Avenue (from Enke, north to 2nd Str.)

Line Replacement

From Enke to westbound University - May 15 to June 4
From westbound University to 2nd Str. - June 5 to June 25

New Gas Line Pressure testing

From westbound University to 2nd Str. and from Enke to 4th Str. - June 26 to July 2

Asphalt Replacement

From westbound University to 2nd Str. - July 5 to 7

From Enke to westbound University - July 8 to 10

National Championship Drive (will be northbound only)

Line Replacement

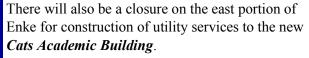
Lot 6097 (North Portion) - July 5 to 25

From 6th Str. to Enke - July 5 to 25

Asphalt Replacement

Lot 6097 – North Portion - July 25 to 30

From 6th Str. to Enke - July 25 to 30

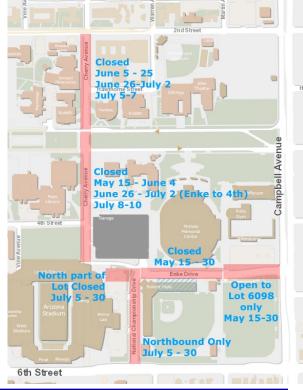




National Championship Drive to Martin (Closed to all traffic) - May 15 to 30

Martin to Campbell (Open to parking lot 6098 only) - May 15 to 30



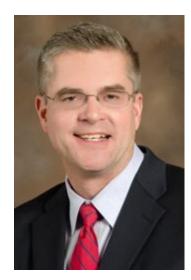


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New APPA Role

Assistant Vice President of Facilities Management, Chris Kopach has been voted onto the APPA Board of Directors as President-Elect. APPA is The Association of Higher Education Facilities Officers whose mission is development of leadership excellence within the academic facilities management field. The Board of Directors is the principal governing body of APPA and serves to manage the business, property, and affairs of the association. The Board establishes programs and sets policies to promote the goals of the association

Chris has been active with APPA for 14 years and most recently served as President of the Rocky Mountain region of APPA (RMA). He will be installed as APPA's President-Elect during their annual conference in Nashville, Tennessee on July 12-14,



2016. As a Board member, he will work part-time as a volunteer alongside APPA Executive Vice President, Lander Medlin, the full-time CEO of the Association.

As **President-Elect**, Chris will fill-in in the president's absence and use his time to become fully acquainted with APPA affairs as preparation for his term as president. He will also oversee the work of the elected Vice Presidents, and will chair the Planning Committee.

After a year as President-Elect, Chris will become **President** at the July 2017 conference, chairing the Board of Directors, preparing and disseminating Board agendas and associated materials, and notifying members of and presiding over Association membership and Board meetings. As President, he will have power to sign certificates, contracts, and other official association paperwork, and with the concurrence of the President-Elect, may act upon emergencies that occur between Board meetings that are not covered under APPA bylaws. He will represent or designate someone to represent APPA at conferences, ceremonies and other events to which the Association has been invited and should be represented. The President also appoints or designates the President-Elect to appoint all committee members, and forms new committees that are needed but are not specified in the bylaws.

After serving one-year, the President becomes the **Immediate Past President**, who chairs the Nominating Committee, and performs other duties as designated by the Board.

Chris is honored to have been elected to this position and looks forward to representing the University of Arizona in this capacity. He will continue with all of his duties as AVP for Facilities Management, and sees this as a way to increase the prestige of the University and UAFM. In a recent email Chris credited all of UAFM, saying,

> "I could not have run for this voluntary position if we did not have such a great Team.

