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CAMPUS RECREATION — Stacey Hall

New Entrance to the Hamel Recreation Center

Campus Recreation has a few updates to share as we near the end of spring semester. Construction on the Hamel Recreation Center Expansion/ Renovation and Outdoor Pool projects have begun. This summer, the focus will be on building the foundations for both facilities. We appreciate everyone’s patience as the steel piles will be a noisy phase of construction.

During the spring semester, Campus Recreation professional staff worked closely with several major academic class projects. They include the Instructional Systems Management capstone project where students are developing a tracking tool for hourly staff certifications; an Engineering capstone project where students are developing a sensor to gauge availability in the Fitness Center; a Communications class developing a video about the expansion project; an IT class analyzing outdoor recreation equipment rental data; and a Marketing Research class that is evaluating the department website. Each project provides students a great learning experience and the opportunity to benefit the department and our participants.

The end of spring semester brings personnel changes. Both Kiefer Sullivant, Graduate Assistant for Sport Clubs, and Chris Stankowski, Graduate Assistant for Facilities and Student Personnel, will be graduating. Chris will stay with Campus Recreation in a graduate position as we plan for the future of the department. Kiefer plans to move back to Wisconsin to begin his professional career in recreation. In addition, after several years in different positions with Campus Recreation, Erick Cooper, Coordinator of Aquatics, will be leaving UNH in July to move to Philadelphia with her family.

We would like to recognize their significant contributions to enhancing our programs and facilities. Please join me in congratulating them when you see them. As a result of these changes, we are currently recruiting for a Coordinator of Aquatics and a Coordinator of Instructional and Youth Programs. We hope to have new professionals in these roles by early July.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS—Printing Services - Rick MacDonald

The Printing and Mail Services team supports the academic mission of UNH all year long. There is, though, one particular time of year that this support directly impacts students in a very critical way. Every April the Business Affairs Research Center (BARC) takes place. Students present the culmination of their undergraduate research at a series of events that are free and open to the public. The way they display their research is through posters. And where do students get these posters? You guessed it, Printing Services.

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HOUSING — Kathy Ila-chesney

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While I am sad to see Chris go, I am happy for the circumstances under which she is leaving. Chris is retiring from the University to enjoy the many other things life has to offer. She looks forward to visiting with her daughter’s family in Massachusetts and spending time with her grandchildren. Bryan, our new leasing agent who I had been Ka Taylor, RN, and a friend

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Improve Your Work-Life Balance

Spring seems to have finally arrived and it has been a long winter for all of us, and as we come out of hibernation, it’s a good time to reflect on maintaining a healthy work-life balance.

Build downtime into your schedule — Plan your week

Remember to find time during your work week to plan your week. This is an excellent time to think about activities that don’t enhance your work-life balance.

Getting ready for the next academic year and the start of the fall semester, you will want to ensure that you are taking the necessary steps to start the semester off on the right foot.

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Are you wondering where the group will eat or how we will accommodate their summer conferences or camps? We know that summer in New Hampshire is an idyllic setting, so we certainly have that going for us! There are a variety of other benefits that make our campus attractive to groups searching for a unique and personalized experience.

Convenience: The entire conference agenda can be carried out on campus.

We offer state-of-the-art facilities with flexible spaces that can accommodate a large number of attendees. Professional meeting planning support is provided, including registration, logistics and details. In addition, we have added the benefit of offering a variety of overnight accommodations right here on campus.

Community: Conferences held in a campus-setting naturally lend themselves to a closeness and level of productivity that you can’t often find at some of the more traditional conference venues. We often receive feedback that a break from the typical hotel/conference center environment is reinvigorating to conference attendees.

Credibility: We can customize a package that saves money and time by using our on-campus catering staff. Because of the value that a university venue offers, participation is often increased by passing that savings on to attendees.

We are looking forward to collaborating with our fellow OBA departments to ensure an enjoyable and successful summer season. Our first conference guests will be arriving in campus in just a few short weeks!

Congratulations Gina Kemp!

We are proud to share that one of our hardworking employees has been awarded the prestigious Presidential Award of Excellence for Outstanding Contributions to University Work. Gina is the point person for the Operating Staff category. As we shared in our last newsletter article, Gina is a devoted employee who always goes above and beyond. We are proud that she has been acknowledged with this award. It is a well-deserved honor!
TRANSPORTATION — Dirk Timmons

Changing Gears

Just when you get everything the way you like it, the world goes and changes on you. Among other things, the proliferation of new apartment complexes in Durham appears to have brought about changes in our ridership trends. Populations of students who once may have been Wildcat Transit passengers from Dover, Portsmouth, and Newmarket have moved into private housing right here in Durham. Our overall ridership continues to show growth, but there’s a shift from Wildcat Transit to the campus shuttles.

We call the 2015 Route Productivity Review, or VISIT: unhmub.com/transit

While we continue a historic commitment to being a regional transit provider, good management requires us to make sure our limited resources keep up with the times. This has meant examining our entire service to identify efficiencies and opportunities for savings (sound familiar?). As of late April there has been an initial finding phase, followed by a public comment phase. Final recommendations and implementation will formulate over the summer. What will this look like? Probably the consolidation or elimination of bus runs with few passengers and the re-allocation of services to better meet the demand, and gain the most production-per-mile possible. Full implementation could realize savings of over $200,000.

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From the Desk of David May

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OFFICE OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS NEWSLETTER

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This time of year is when we recognize staff for their year of service to UNH. Can you believe we have 36 team members encompassing 650 years? WOW!!! I think that is truly amazing. It’s one of the things that make UNH so special. It’s a great place to work. We enjoy what we do. These two numbers speak to this loudly. These staff members are listed on the UNH HR website at: http://www.unh.edu/hr/. Please join me in thanking them for their dedicated service to UNH. I also wanted to mention that I have really enjoyed getting to know our colleagues from Health Services, Campus Rec and the MUB. The past four months have been very enlightening. I have learned a lot and I am very impressed with all the work done by these units, especially in student development. We all have a unique opportunity to help shape our students. It could come from a simple conversation. It could come from a year-long effort on leadership development. It could come from a seminar we offer on healthy behaviors/eating. It could come from helping a student enhance his/her toolkit. Or it could come from one of our departments providing academic experience in the student’s coursework. I hope you are catching my drift. There are certainly hundreds of other examples. The point is that we all have this wonderful opportunity to work with students. Let’s take advantage of the opportunity.

In the coming months, I would like an opportunity to meet with staff. Each month, one of our departments will be selected. Anyone interested in having lunch with me will put their name in the hat that I hope there will be enough interest. We will pick four staff from the hat and then we will set a date to meet. I hope this will be an opportunity for us to learn about each other better and for me to learn what ideas you have to help us move forward on this journey of serving the campus community.

In closing, the winter was one to remember... I mean forget. I know it presented challenges to the entire team to keep our services going. Thanks to each and every one of you for your dedicated effort to serve the campus community under difficult conditions. I saved the best for last. I’m a grandpa! What a wonderful feeling. Sawyer was born on March 12, 2015. He is doing great. Sincerely,

David

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This year’s awards were presented to organizations, advisors and individual members. Categories include awards for Campus Collaboration, New Student Org of the Year, Program of the Year, Student Leader of the Year, Student Service Org of the Year among others. More than 6000 students are involved in at least one of approximately 210 recognized student organizations.

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THANK YOU!