# FACILITES MANAGEMENT



Monthly NewsLetter

#### **AVP GREETING**

Dear FM Family,

Happy Arbor Day! This was another busy month of April. We just celebrated Easter (marking the resurrection of Jesus Christ); Eid-al-Fitr (marking the end of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan); Earth Month; held our rescheduled Spring FM Barbecues; Take Your Child to Work Day, Administrative Professionals Day; Student Worker Appreciation Week, and other significant events.

In this issue, as promised last month, we have provided before and after pictures of the President of the United States' (POTUS) visit to the Harrah College of Hospitality (HOS) on March 15th, as well as this link to a cool video of the POTUS' motorcade, recorded by Heidi Welniak,



Grounds Maintenance Worker 5, as she was in the right place at the right time and she even got a wave from him!

Administrative Professionals are critical to our success as a department and as a family. Please join me in thanking Annie Brooks (Administrative Assistant 2, Landscape & Grounds), Aaron Guerrero (Administrative Assistant 2, Custodial Services); Kimberly Lintz (Administrative Assistant 2, Access Services); Annakaren Sanchez (Interim Administrative Assistant to the AVP); and Christopher West (Administrative Assistant 3, Shadow Lane Campus) for the amazing, timely, caring, supportive,



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### **AVP GREETING CONT'D**

and professional administrative support that they provide to us all each and every day.

This month, this group of administrative professionals and I held an inaugural meeting to share best practices, serve as the editorial board for this newsletter, and to put together various programs and initiatives in support of our FM family members.

Our mission as a department is to support UNLV's Top Tier 2.0 strategic plan and mission, which has eight core areas. One of the foundational core areas is Student Achievement, which aims to ensure that "UNLV recruits, retains, and graduates a diverse body of students through innovative learning experiences, access to mentoring and research opportunities, and the vibrant campus community." Well, here we are again, at the doorstep of another Spring Commencement at UNLV. As we navigate our way around campus, we can already see some graduates in their beautiful caps and gowns in UNLV colors, getting photos taken at the Rose Garden, the Thomas & Mack Center, and other campus landmarks.

When these UNLV graduands receive their degrees next month, you would have played a very strong part in making their success happen, so thank you sincerely for this and please also take the time to congratulate the graduates and their professors, researchers, and college/school department staff for all their hard work and dedication.

In Community,

Musa

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#### **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday to all those celebrating this upcoming month!!

Calvin Milling - 5/2 Monica Maley-Sidwell - 5/7 Kevin Raschko - 5/10 Jerome Hill - 5/10 Christopher Zabala - 5/10 Tosho Genkov - 5/10 Maria Garcia - 5/11 Betty Boug - 5/13 Edwin Cardona Cortez - 5/13 Darby Britt - 5/14 James Drollinger - 5/19 Randy Wallingford - 5/21 Larron Reed - 5/22 Bryan Chavez - 5/24 Christopher Chavez - 5/25 Al'lesha Moore - 5/25 John Bailey - 5/29 Juanito Bato - 5/29

# GROUNDS EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

January - Frank Zavala February - Sam Villa March - Jorge Vargas



## FM TRADES & CUSTODIAL EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to all FM Trades and Custodial Employees!

December 2022 - Xinia Carver

January - Christina Bridges / Antonia Contreras

February - Esteban Solorio / Kuuipo Johnson

March - Annie Brooks / Cameron Poole

#### **APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

26 years - Bonita Johnson, Supply Technician 2

17 years - Joseph Femane, Custodial Worker 2

8 years - Daniel Green, Supply Technician 1

8 years - Jaynette Hayes, Maintenance Repair Worker 3

5 years - J.R. Myers, Facility Supervisor 2

5 years - Al'lesha Moore, Custodial Worker 2

4 years - Tosho Genkov, Custodial Worker 2

1 year - Steven Valdez, Custodial Worker 1

1 year - La'Shay Lang Custodial Worker 1

1 year - Michael Archibald, Maintenance Repair Specialist 2

1 year - Simone Rice, Custodial Worker 1

1 year - Esteban Solorio, Plumber 1

1 year - Eugene Paik, Student Worker FMBO

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# NEW EMPLOYEES, PROMOTIONS, RESIGNATIONS & RETIREMENTS

Welcome all new employees and Congratulations to all those who received a promotion!

#### **NEW EMPLOYEES:**



De'Osha Hall, Custodial Worker 1 4.28.23



Teresa Yvette Rouse, Custodial Worker 1 4.17.23



Ronald Tabick, Electrician 1 4.17.23



Aaron Venzon, Student Worker



Antonio Soria Jr, Custodial Worker 1 4.03.23



Kenneth Bautista, Grounds Maintenance Worker 2 4.17.23



Shelton Bautista,
Student Worker - Rebel Recyling
4.17.23



Seth Robinson,
Student Worker - Rebel Recycling
4.17.23

### **PROMOTION:**

Marvin Rodriguez
Maintenance Repair Specialist 3
previously Maintenance Repair Specialist 1
4.16.23

### **RETIREMENT:**

*Dawn O'Brien,* Custodial Worker 2 4.12.23

### **CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE: KUDOS**

"Christina & Carina, thank you for continued support and contributions to ensure the administrative operations of Custodial Services are always prioritized and executed with the highest level of service!"

- *Aaron Guerrero*, Administrative Assistant 2 Custodial Services

"Thank you Annakaren for all of your amazing contributions to the FM Team; your hard work is very much appreciated!"

-Aaron Guerrero, Administrative Assistant 2 Custodial Services

### John Cupo, HVACR Specialist 2

"Dear John,

Congratulations on being a recipient of the March Business Affairs Employee Appreciation Awards! You were nominated for providing excellent customer service and expertise. Last December, when the heating/cooling mechanical systems failed in SLC B, you were assigned to fix the issue. You discovered that a communication device called a JACE stopped working and needed to be replaced. After finding a temporary fix, you found out that the replacement part needed to be manufactured and shipped from overseas, and therefore wouldn't arrive until July 2023. Learning of this complication, you spent several days working on the broken JACE until you were able to hack the system and restore communication throughout the unit. Thanks to your expertise, we were able to solve a problem that even the supporting company could not address.

Thank you for always going above and beyond to solve issues like these. Your many years of experience are a true asset to UNLV. You are a shining example of our C.A.R.E. standards."

- *Jean Vock*, SVP, Business Affairs

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### **RECAP - PRESIDENT BIDENS' UNLV VISIT**

Follow this link for more great
pictures from this occasion taken by
Musa Pam.











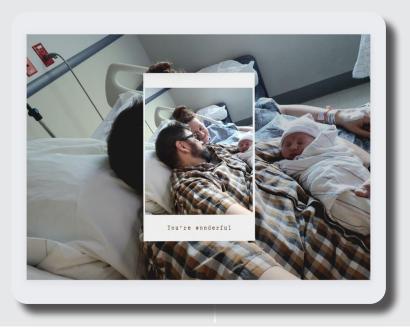
### **FM FAMILY NEWS**

Congratulations to
Nick Alley, *Maintenance Repair Specialist*1 and his wife on their arrival of their baby boy Nicholas Alley!

He was born well and healthy on April 15th, 2023.

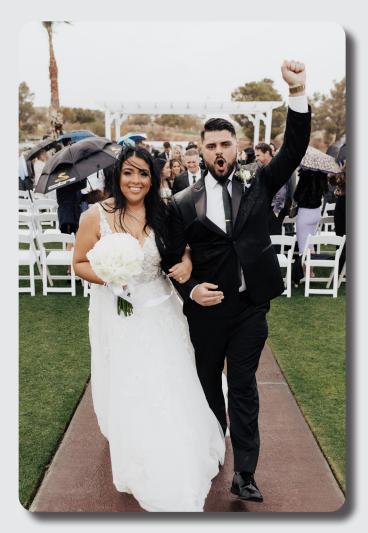






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### **FM FAMILY NEWS CONT'D**



Congratulations to Annie Brooks, *Grounds Administrative Assistant II*, on her wedding day March 10th, 2023!

May your marriage be filled with lots of joy, love and amazing memories to last a life time.

"A knot that becomes wet is extremely hard to untie - therefore, when you "tie the knot" on a rainy day, your marriage is just as hard to unravel."



### STUDENT APPRECIATION WEEK - FM LUNCH APRIL 14TH

### Your UNLV FM Team Appreciates You!!

Happy Student Employee Appreciation Week!

Adedayo Adeoye,
Andrew Sundburg,
Aaron Venzon,
Andie Davis,
Athena Rowe,
Brandon Timok,
Bryan Chavez,
Cameron Gaetos,
Christopher Johnson,
Cindi Redus,
Davis McCurdy,
Diego Sotelo,



Hassan Ali Almanameyeen,
Jorge Guevara,
Julia Subick,
Juliet Leighton,
Karen Gonzalez,
Kristian Lopez,
Nicholas Dudgeon,
Nova Bergstrom,
Olivia Rouse,
Rana Ghosn,
Sabrina Liaw,
Seth Robinson,
Shelton Zeon,
William Rosas Gutierrez





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### **ABOR DAY - APRIL 28TH**







"Arbor Day—which literally translates to "tree" day from the Latin origin of the word arbor—is a holiday that celebrates the planting, upkeep and preservation of trees. For centuries, communities spanning the globe have found various ways to honor nature and the environment."

For more information about Arbor Day follow this link.

#### **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT**

Interview with Rebel Recycling Team by Musa Pam

### What are your impressions of Earth Month?

"We should change it to Save the Humans Month. The planet will keep going without us."

### What is your favorite thing about Earth Month?

"It is a celebration of the earth and all the things that we do to make it better for us and for future generations."

"On Saturday April 22, we hosted a great event for the community to raise awareness about recycling, waste disposal, and other related things, such as recycling, reducing, and reusing."

# What impact do you think you're making to the environment on a daily basis?

"We keep a lot of stuff out of the landfill."

"Our students and workers go over to the dorms and the residence halls and they get all the clothing that is discarded. A good example of reducing, reusing, and recycling is to take those clothes and donate them for reuse. We have various pieces of linen that go to animal rescue and the clothing and shoes and stuff like that go to surplus."

### The team asked AVP Musa Pam what Earth Month means to him.

"Earth month is something I've celebrated in my field probably since 1996, because I've worked in jobs that have involved energy management and conservation which involves reducing the impact of fossil fuels on the environment. I have worked on and led on issues around sustainability since I became a Certified Energy Manager in 1996. I started a Green Councilat my last company, and I was part of a group that formed the first sustainability council for the city of Cambridge, Massachusetts. It is called the Cambridge Climate Protection Action Committee (CPAC). We did a lot of work on the environment, so that's been a big deal to me for many years.

Yeah, so Earth Month is a big deal to me and this year for the very first time ever, we are embarking on a comprehensive climate action planning process. We have created and a survey, so please everyone, take the survey to help us out with the planning. It is a 20 minute survey that you can do on your work time. It's going to help us to plan the future for UNLV being the most responsible environmental stewards that we could be to our planet."

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#### **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT CONT'D**

Interview with Rebel Recycling Team by Musa Pam

### Last question: What is the most underappreciated thing that you do for UNLV?

"Sometimes, we get blamed when people shred papers and they get blown around when we pick them up."

"Sometimes they complain about things like they expect us to clean the trash cans after they stain them. If we could tell people something that would help us out, it is to know how to recycle and not put food in your bin that can attract critters. Recycling is clean. Recycling is not garbage."

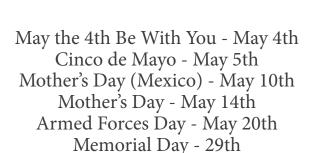
"We do like it though, when staff show us appreciation. They give us candy and other things. We think people appreciate that UNLV has a recycling program and they like it."

Please click on this link to complete the <u>REBEL CAP survey</u>



### **DIVERSITY CORNER - MAY**

Asian American and Pacific Islander
Heritage Month
Asthma Awareness Month
Haitian Heritage Month
Jewish American Heritage Month
Mental Health Awareness Month





## CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS NEWSLETTER

For more information on this month's Security Awareness News, click on the image to the left and you will be directed to that newsletter.

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