The Budget for 2005-06
The budget for Facilities Services for Fiscal Year 2005-06 has been submitted. It is basically the same as in the past few years with known and anticipated increases for utilities and some contracts. Known increases include a 50% increase for sewer ($336,000), a 5% increase for elevator maintenance ($42,000), a $9,000 increase in the custodial contract, and a 4% increase in cleaning materials ($17,000). Anticipated increases include a 3.5% increase for electricity ($287,000), a 7% increase for water ($37,000), a 4% increase for natural gas ($50,000), a 3.5% increase for paper products ($8,000), a 4% increase for waste collection ($12,500), and a 5% increase for vehicle rentals ($24,000). The coal contract will be rebid this coming year and we are anticipating an increase in costs from $74/ton to as much as $90/ton, or $381,000. The increases funded in utilities budgets over the past few years has actually lagged actual costs necessitating an increase of $533,000 to make up the shortfall that has had to be made up at the end of the last two fiscal years.

Facilities Services has requested the following items for additional funding to assist in bringing up our level of service to the University. Increase the level of cleaning to the same levels that were being performed before previous budget cuts reduced them to the current levels ($1,810,000/year). Re-establish cyclic maintenance painting ($1,150,000/year). Increase personnel to help keep up with an ever increasing special project workload ($342,000/year). And, one time funding of about $2,000,000 to address some critical deferred maintenance needs.

The Move
Funding for the anticipated move of Facilities Services to Stephenson Drive was in the list of projects submitted to Governor Bredesen, but it did not make the cut. This project was the 22nd priority on the list of all UT projects for all UT campuses. The first two Knoxville Campus items on the list are in the Governor’s budget proposal. These items are $24,000,000 for a new engineering complex to be built just to the north of Dougherty Engineering, and $12,000,000 for upgrades to the Steam Plant to comply with new environmental regulations. The proposed budget also includes maintenance funding for replacement of chillers at the University Center, and much needed masonry repairs around campus.

Skill-based Training Classes On-going in 2005
by Harry Moore
We kicked off 2005 with the Electric Ladder Diagrams course in January. It was taught by Greg Dixon who is a Systems Integration Specialist in the Industrial Division of Mesa Associates, Inc. as well as an adjunct instructor at PSTCC. A number of folks in Electrical Services constructed the lab equipment which was used in the course.

In March, we will continue the winter semester with Basic Electrical Training. This course will be taught by Don Coffman, retired Electrical Engineer and former professor at Pellissippi State. This course will teach basic electricity fundamentals from definitions such as voltage and current advancing through DC and AC circuit theory and into circuits in practice today.

In April, a class on the National Electrical Code will be taught. Paul Chapman who taught OSHA Electrical Safety Related Work Practices last year will be teaching the course on the 2005 NEC. He is the Electrical Safety Officer at Y-12 in Oak Ridge. The course will teach a common sense approach to understanding the code and how to answer questions on it.

In late May and early June, the Construction Cost Estimating course will be instructed by George Cox who teaches at Pellissippi State. It is a comprehensive course for those who can read construction blueprints. The purpose of the course is to develop the ability to quantify take-off’s and costs of materials and labor.

More skill-based courses are planned for 2005. The summer and fall line-up includes the courses listed below.

Summer 2005 – Mechanical Blueprint Reading and Intermediate Industrial Electrical Training
Fall 2005 – Instrumentation & Controls, Programmable Controllers, Intermediate Programmable Controllers

Be on the look out for the sign-up sheets coming to a bulletin board in your shop soon. Remember, all the classes are being taught in Room 110 which has really become the department training room.
### Facilities Services Vacancies:

- Engineering – Mechanical Engineer
- Steam Plant – Steam Plant Operator
- A/C Shop – Refrigeration A/C Mechanic
- Carpenter Shop – Carpenter (2)
- Electric Shop – Electrician
- Bldg Services – Service Aide II
- Grounds – Laborer, Foreman
- Arena – Service Aide II

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### Fixtures

Folks that have been around a while

- 35 year anniversaries – David Brown & Carl Gann.
- 25 years – David Hoose, Ron Underwood, Alan Hill.
- 20 years – Jim White, Albert Davis, Terry (TC) Fritts, Ken Keck, Hazel Norris.
- 10 years – Jim McCarter, Wally Reed.
- 5 years – Wayne Cowden, Sammy Wolfe, Bucky Bayless, Allen Lane.

### New Faces in Town

By Jennifer Hatcher

- Randy Alfrey – Preventive Maintenance
- Lisa Byson, Building Services
- Jordan Doane, Grounds
- Lavon Fields, Grounds
- Harvey Finley, Grounds
- Anthony Gray, Grounds
- Jerry Helton, Building Services
- Victor Henderson, Preventive Maintenance
- Sally Hickman, Arena
- James Holder, Steam Plant
- Nolan House, Electric Shop
- Jason Hughey, II, Building Services
- Jason Jarnigan, Preventive Maintenance
- Charles Johnson, Preventive Maintenance
- Gregory Lanier, Building Services
- Donaul Lowe, Steam Plant
- Carlos Luttrell, Plumbing Shop
- Christian McDaniel, Electric Shop
- Deborah Miolen, Arena
- Jerry Nicely, Preventive Maintenance
- Jacob Nuchols, Grounds
- Abraham Potts, Grounds
- Joseph Roach, Steam Plant
- Travis Smith, Building Services
- Thomas Taylor, Preventive Maintenance
- Charles Veal, Plumbing Shop
- Walter Welch, Building Services
- Edward Wedel, Building Services
- Jeremy White, Carpenter Shop
- Gerald Wright, Preventive Maintenance
- Juanita Yates, Building Services

### Movin' On

By Jennifer Hatcher

- Juanita Hardcastle
- Raymond Tinsley
- Bobby Johnson

### Movin’ Around

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- Crindell Wees to St. Plant Operator, Steam Plant
- James Holder to Asst. Gen Maint Cft Worker, Steam Plant
- Dale Abernathy to Carpenter Shop Foreman, Carpentry Services
- Sanders Wood to Senior Carpenter, Carpentry Services
- Richard Hutse to Senior Carpenter, Carpentry Services
- Paul Hinshaw to Sr. Maint Specialist, Prev. Maint.
- Grace Payne to Sr. Custodian, Building Services
- Paula Click to Quality Assurance Clerk, Building Services

### Be Energy & Environmentally Conscious

Think before you switch – if you are entering a room that has windows and there is enough light from outside to do what you are going to do, do not turn the light switch. If you turned the light switch on when you entered a room, you can also turn the light switch off when you leave a room.

### Compost Give Away

On March 10 and 11, 2005 Grounds will have a compost give away, noon to 1:00 PM and 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM each day. If you want it, come get it. Go to the grassy area across Neyland Drive from the University Club. Grounds will load the compost in your vehicle. Or, you can arrange another time with David Bayless.

### MOST OF US ARE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO STARTING MOWING SEASON IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

**BE SAFE!!!**

The Chuck Thompson Awards for outstanding employees were won by David Bayless and Harlan Kinkead.

Another job well done – recently completed circulation desk project at the second floor entrance of Hodges Library.

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