FRANK BRYMER SAYS GOODBYE

At the end of March, Carpentry Services General Superintendent Frank Brymer will retire after a nearly 30 year career with the university. His hard work and dedication to his craft and to Facilities Services have seen him move steadily up the ranks from cabinetmaker to the head of the university’s carpentry and lock & key divisions.

“Frank has displayed a lot of determination in getting things done and done right at UT,” says Assistant Director Harry Moore. “He has been very courteous and helpful to his customers and those he works with. Frank’s ingenuity and resourcefulness will be sorely missed when he retires. The proverbial big shoes will be left behind when he leaves. Frank has led his folks with high standards for work and quality methods. I have been closely associated with him since 2003 and will miss him because of his great attitude and concern for others.”

Harry’s sentiments are echoed by all who were lucky enough to know Mr. Brymer.

DRESS SALE BENEFITS HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

Looking for a prom dress for the special teen in your life, or something to wear to all of those summer weddings and graduation parties? Look no further than the Fierce & Fancy Formals encore sale, taking place on Saturday, March 13th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Karns High School in West Knoxville.

A wide variety of dresses are being offered, including both new and vintage fashions. All items were donated by local businesses and community members, and pre-owned items were dry cleaned compliments of Prestige Cleaners. Available styles include formal, cocktail and even bridal fashions, just in time for prom, graduation, and other special warm weather occasions.

This marks the first event of its kind, with all proceeds going to The University of Tennessee’s Haiti Outreach Program. For more information on the sale and how to help victims of the earthquake in Haiti, visit http://givehaitihope.org.

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UT KNOXVILLE TO HOST TNAPPA

The Tennessee Association of Physical Plant Administrators (TNAPPA) will hold its annual conference on May 17th and 18th in the Conference Center at UT Knoxville. The event represents a unique opportunity for higher education professionals to come together with experts from a variety of fields to share ideas in a relaxed and inspiring atmosphere.

In addition to 16 education sessions focused around the theme “Go Green to Save Green”, events will include a golf tournament, dinner in the skyboxes, a speech by Chancellor Jimmy Cheek, and a riverboat cruise. For more information contact Ali Virtanen.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

William Ownby—3/1
Gary Stinnett—3/1
Cas Cox—3/2
Bradley Hanson—3/2
Sally Hickman—3/3
Donna Norris—3/3
Brittany Colquett—3/4
Timothy Hanson—3/4
Joseh Parrott—3/4
Allen Lane—3/5
Michael Werley—3/5
Phyllis Woods—3/6
Dakota Laws—3/7
Randy Faubion—3/8
Dennis Miller—3/8
Gary Robertson—3/8
Travis Scott—3/9
Harley Finley—3/10
Joshua Scott—3/10
Frank Bunner—3/11
Gary Duncan—3/11
Thomas McConnell—3/11
Michael Capps—3/13
Rodney Jackson—3/13
Patrick Smith—3/13
Willard Pippin—3/14
Juanita Gunter—3/15
Terry Ledford—3/16
Tiffanie Casteel—3/17
Christopher Lewis—3/17
James Scarbrough—3/17
Frank Wren—3/18
James Rowland—3/19
Todd Curnutt—3/20
Michael Click—3/21
Jon Young—3/22
Danny Pritchard—3/23
Jimmy Blair—3/24
April Beard—3/26
Rob Jenkins—3/26
Wayne Cowden—3/27
Marie Lemons—3/27
James McClellan—3/27
John Smith—3/27
Patricia Noe—3/28
Darrell Williams—3/28
Paul Martin—3/30
James Russell—3/30
Stanley Spencer—3/31

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Paul Hinshaw—4/1
Verna Spencer—4/1
Donald Taylor—4/2
Steve Waggoner—4/2
Jessica Widener—4/2
Donnie Patterson—4/3
James White—4/3
Brian Beeler—4/4
Steve Costner—4/5
John Rogers—4/5
John Seivers—4/9
Christopher Webb—4/9
Rhonda Cowden—4/10
Bill Gann—4/10
Deborah Miolen—4/11
Larry Stalans—4/12
Duane Atkins—4/13
Billy Stalans—4/13
Robert Jones—4/15
Edward Wendel—4/15
Lisa Byson—4/17
Randy Hamilton—4/18
Richard Hutsell—4/19
Tony Newman—4/19
Tracy Ridings—4/19
Ian Sutherland—4/20
Eugene Iannaccone—4/21
Martin Burkhead—4/22
George Hutchins—4/23
Wanda Case—4/24
Audrey White—4/24
Jeremy Nicely—4/25
Charles Birchfield—4/26
George McGhee—4/26
James Newman—4/27
James Nipper—4/28

QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

“April hath put a spirit of youth in everything.”

- William Shakespeare
FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE FOR ELIGIBLE UT EMPLOYEES, FAMILIES

If you’re procrastinating filling out your 2009 tax return, you can still get help, and it may even be free! Income tax assistance is being made available to eligible University of Tennessee employees through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. UT employees and their family members with annual incomes of $49,000 or less can receive free tax services through VITA, which is certified by the Internal Revenue Service and staffed by certified volunteers.

Locally, the program operates in partnership with the United Way of Greater Knoxville’s Knoxville Alliance for Financial Independence, which works to help people maximize tax credits while minimizing preparation costs such as the fees and high-interest refund loans charged by rapid refund tax services.

Tax day is April 15th and the window for completing tax returns on time is closing rapidly. Anyone interested in taking advantage of VITA’s services should contact Anna Scale of Consumer Credit Counseling Service at 865-329-8006 or anna.scale@cccsinc.org.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Retirees
Frank Brymer—General Superintendent (Carpentry Services)
Richard Majors—Construction Specialist

Transfers/Promotions
Ernie Cox—Electrician II to Senior Electrician (Electrical Services)
Michael Duncan—Cabinetmaker II to Senior Cabinetmaker (Carpentry Services)
Eric Poe—Maintenance Specialist II to Senior Maintenance Specialist II (Preventive Maintenance)

New Faces
Anthony Aparijo—Grounds Services
Martin Burkhead—P/M (Arena)
Marty French—Carpentry Services
Dustin Garner—Preventive Maintenance
Steven Henry—Carpentry Services
Dakota Laws—Building Services
David Mays—Building Services
Michael Raper—Carpentry Services
Jordan Sykes—P/M (Athletics)
Bradley Walker—Grounds Services

VACANCIES

Estimator—Architecture & Engineering
CAD/Design Operator—Special Projects
Assistant General Maintenance Craft Worker—Steam Plant
Senior Steam Plant Operator—Steam Plant
Material Control Clerk—Central Supply
Senior Buyer’s Assistant—Central Supply
Carpenter—Carpentry Services
Cabinetmaker—Carpentry Services
Senior Electrician—Electrical Services
Electrician—Electrical Services

Senior Locksmith—Lock & Key Services
Service Aide I (4)—Building Services
Service Aide II (2)—Building Services
Custodial Foreman—Building Services
Lawn Aide I—Grounds Services
Maintenance Specialist—Preventive Maintenance (R)
Service Aide II—Preventive Maintenance (Assembly Center & Arena)
Service Aide II (5)—Preventive Maintenance (Arena)

GREEN TIP

Teach your children and grandchildren about the environment by having an eco-friendly Easter!

Rather than using synthetic materials to dye eggs, create natural dyes from common foods such as grape juice, coffee grounds, carrots and onions.

Fill Easter baskets with shredded newspaper or tissue paper instead of plastic grass—you’ll save money, and can recycle the material when the holiday is over.

For more details and more tips, visit http://greenliving.suite101.com/article.cfm/make_your_easter_ecofriendly.
On April 5th Facilities Services will roll out a new customer service initiative. Internally known as “call duty”, the program will allow members of the campus community to speak with a live representative of Facilities Services at any time of the day or night every day of the year by calling 946-7777 (6-7777 on campus).

The number will be transferred to different exchanges throughout the 24-hour cycle, ringing at the work order desk during the day, the night dispatcher in the evening, and a rotating schedule of exempt staff employees after hours. For more information about the program contact Terry Ledford.