

Feather Notes

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Summer Campus Improvement Projects

Under the direction of the new director of plant operations, Scott Carpenter, summer projects were in full swing on campus, with the three areas of physical plant services—grounds, maintenance, and housekeeping—working hard to have things ready for the students this fall.

Garbee has seen lots of improvements. The roof project is completed, along with new lighting and an acoustical ceiling in the cafeteria area. Also in the cafeteria is a new Corian counter underneath the beverage machines. On the main floor, the lounge bathrooms have received an upgrade.

Garbee also has new floor tile, paint and furniture on second floor south that is part of the continuous effort to make student living a pleasant experience.

The offices of Student Ser-

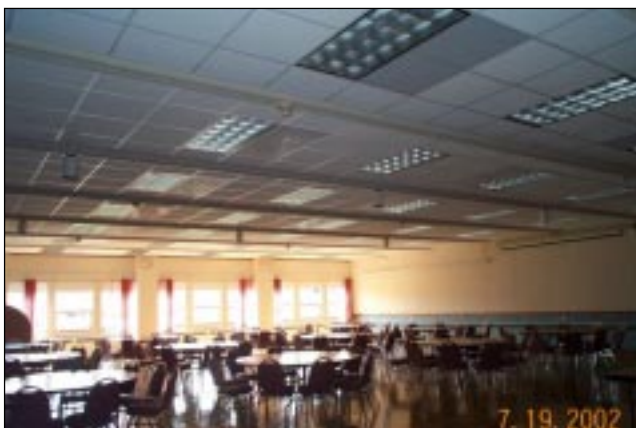
vices have moved into their new office area where the bowling alley had been previously. This should group these areas together to offer students continuity.

Anyone stepping into the Colgrove-Walker building can see the improvements made when they notice the bright, true lighting that has been installed; a total of 140 new fluorescent lights have been installed in the offices and classrooms. This

antly surprised to find that the restrooms on the main floor have been upgraded with new acoustical ceiling tile and freshly painted walls.



Work on Edgar roof begins.



East cafeteria gets new ceiling and lights.

should be a positive for the working environment of both students and faculty. The Road Runners lounge has been moved into a larger location complete with fresh paint, carpet and furniture—a great place for commuters to gather. This move and some office moves have made it possible to make more classroom space available in CW.

Those attending athletic events for the first time this year in Dorman Gym will be pleas-

Moving on to the Edgar Fine Arts building, the first phase of remodeling has begun. An addition to the offices on the south side has been framed in, and a new copper roof added, completing this phase of the project.

Many of our projects are not as visible as those already mentioned. Grounds is in constant motion mowing, fertilizing, planting, trimming, etc., so our campus can continue to

be one of the most beautiful in the state (or anywhere!). Housekeeping has endured the heat to complete their heavy summer cleaning in the dorms and other buildings. It's like spring cleaning at your own home, but a LOT more of it! Air conditioning and keeping everyone comfortable this warm summer has been the job of the Maintenance staff. They also go through each student living area to make sure all is in working order. Electrical, plumbing and carpentry needs showcase the many talents of the Maintenance Department.

As with every project, it takes many people to make it

work. Outside contractors are hired, but it's the Physical Plant staff that oversees, prepares, and cleans the areas that are improved. Organization and hard work is what it takes to keep the campus looking its best and running smoothly. Our mission statement reflects our focus:

UIU Physical Plant Mission Statement

We strive to meet the needs of a growing University community by continuously maintaining and improving a safe, comfortable, and attractive environment.



New floor, paint, and furniture on 2nd floor Garbee.

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Campus Recycling Efforts

Many of you may not know about the new addition to the Physical Plant. Last year the University purchased a used cardboard compactor. This has allowed us to discontinue rental of the blue dumpster located by the loading dock behind Garbee. Instead, we have cardboard trailers that are taken down to the Physical Plant twice a day for compacting and baling. David Wright has added this task to his already busy mail schedule, but he is committed to recycling and likes to be part of something positive.

Everyone on campus can become a part of the efforts to recycle. Along with the cardboard compactor are large receptacles located in the shop area that will accept the following items for recycling: newspaper, books/magazines, colored paper, white paper, tin cans, glass and plastic.

What happens to the materials collected and the cardboard bales? When the receptacles are full, City Carton Recycling of

Cedar Rapids is called, and they send a semi to load up the bales and receptacles and take them away to be recycled. Upper Iowa is compensated for the cardboard and the baled white paper, and is not charged for anything. What a deal!

The Environmental Club has already implemented a white paper recycling effort; they bring their paper to the shop for processing. But everyone can do more by being aware that most things thrown in waste-baskets can be recycled instead of taking up space in the landfill.

How can the University further our recycling efforts on campus? Each office must decide how they want to handle this. It is helpful to have different bins for colored and white

paper so you can sort it right away. Other items, such as plastic, glass and tin, may be collected in the break room areas. There is no right or wrong way to recycle, whatever works for



David Wright beside the cardboard compactor.

We are hoping that once school starts something can be worked out with the Environmental Club for picking up the recyclables in a central location from each building. If anyone

has suggestions on how to make this project flow better, please call Becky at the above number and share your thoughts. Recycling takes effort, but working together we can find ways to make it nearly painless.

Upper Iowa University enjoys the beauty of a clean environment. The fresh air and green

grass and ditches without trash may be new to some of our students who come from other countries and big cities. We need to value this wonderful resource and preserve it by promoting efforts to recycle and reduce waste.

the space available. The Physical Plant will provide recycle bins, approximately 15" x 20" that will hold 12 1/2 gallons, and they are stackable and have handles for easy moving. Call Becky Vagts at 425-5796 and let her know how many are needed.

Welcome! to our newest employees!!

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Director of Plant Operations, Ext. 5666

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Regional Director, Wisconsin, Ext. 5940

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Associate Director of Advancement, Ext. 5231

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Assistant Men's Soccer and Assistant Track Coach, Ext. 5369

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John Siblik

Assistant Professor of Art, Ext. 5241

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UIU All-American Wrestlers

All six Peacock wrestlers competing at the National Tournament this spring earned All-American honors by finishing in the top eight at their respective weights, including National Champion Jesus Wilson at 141 pounds. The team finished second, tying Wartburg College for the honor.

"The success of this team was only possible due to the efforts of so many," noted Head Coach Heath Grimm, who was named the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) Coach of the Year following the Peacocks second-place finish. He specifically expressed the team's appreciation to

assistant coaches Nate Skaar and Larry Munger, then Athletic Director Karla Gavin, Admission

Director Kent McElvania and Financial Aid Director Jobyna Johnston.



The six UIU wrestlers named All-Americans at the 2002 National Tournament are: (front, kneeling) Brian Black; (back) Cliff Thompson, Ralph Acosta, Jesus Wilson (on shoulders), Brent Meyers and Jorge Borgen.

Participating in the National Tournament at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, were Ralph Acosta (133 pounds, 5th place), Brian Black (heavyweight, 7th place), Jorge Borgen (165 pounds, 2nd place), Brent Meyers (184 pounds, 6th place), Cliff Thompson (197 pounds, 2nd place), and Jesus Wilson (141 pounds, National Champion).

Wilson, a sophomore, followed up his second national championship by placing second in the 2002 U.S. World Team Trials in Minneapolis, Minnesota, this June. Wilson

competed in the 132-pound freestyle class and, because of his second-place finish, will ad-

vance to the U.S. National Team.

2nd, NCAA Team Finish*
Six All-Americans*
Three National finalists*
One National Champion
Coach of the Year
3.014 Team GPA
***School Record**



Head Coach Heath Grimm was named the National Wrestling Coaches Association Coach of the Year.

Five named to All-Iowa Conference Baseball Team

The Upper Iowa baseball team had five players named to the All-Iowa Conference Baseball Team this past season. Seniors Wade Whitcher, Bobby Glaser and Emile Shaffer were named to the First Team, while seniors Aaron O'Neill and Josh Carr earned Second Team honors.

The Peacock baseball team was the two seed at the IIAC Tournament. Upper Iowa lost the last game of the conference tournament to Coe. A win in that fi-

nal game likely would have given Upper Iowa the Iowa Conference championship. Head Coach Mark Danker has won 76 games in his three years at the helm.

Upper Iowa finished the year with a .358 team batting average overall, the best mark in the conference. UIU also led the league in team pitching with a 3.70 ERA in 20 conference games. The 3.70 ERA was nearly two runs better than the second-best team.

Join the Upper Iowa University Band and choirs for "Broadway A La Mode" on Saturday, November 9, 2002, 7 p.m., in Colgrove-Walker auditorium on the Fayette Campus. Enjoy an evening of theatrical music with luscious desserts. Information regarding tickets will be available in October.

The Upper Iowa University Band and choirs will perform for the final annual Winter Concert on Sunday, December 8, 2002, at 3 p.m. in Colgrove-Walker auditorium. The concert is free to the public.

Freshly cleaned sculpture against a well-groomed background.

Do we keep our summer student workers busy? Just ask them. They do things like clean, wax and polish the sculptures, along with sealing the cement base. There are 13 sculptures on campus that are each maintained according to specific directions from the artist. This summer Michael Harbut was the student worker who put lots of elbow grease into these beautiful pieces of art.



Faculty & Staff Notes

Lynn Isvik, assistant professor of business, was honored as Iowa's Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) Adviser of the Year at the National Leadership Conference held in Nashville, Tennessee, June 23-26. "This is an outstanding accomplishment and a tribute to her dedication and leadership with the local PBL chapter at Upper Iowa University and her contributions to the state organization," said Barbara Small, Director of Education for Future Business Leaders of America and Phi Beta Lambda. "While the success of the local PBL chapter rests on the shoulders of the student members, without the guidance of the local chapter adviser, such as Lynn Isvik, success would not be achievable."

Phi Beta Lambda is a business association designed to provide opportunities for post-secondary students to develop business-related competencies.

The Prairie Center has moved to 133 S. Michigan Street, Prairie du Chien, WI, 53821, effective July 1, 2002. They now share office space with Tricor Insurance. **Joyce Czajkowski**, associate vice president of the Extended University, has a private office as well as **Peg Baxter**, center coordinator. They also have a multi-purpose room for the students and faculty. For more details, contact Peg at (608) 326-4292 (or campus extension 5950); email: baxterp@uiu.edu.

Duane Harper, assistant professor of accounting, has study-materials order forms available in his office for the Certificate in Management Accounting. Since Upper Iowa University has a site license for the CMA exam, our students from all of our campuses are welcome to order their study materials for the exam at a substantial savings. Students should send a self-addressed stamped

envelope to Duane and he will mail them their order form. Students able to come to the residential campus may stop by his office at Alexander-Dickman 307 to pick up a form. The mailing address is: Duane E. Harper, Upper Iowa University, Division of Business, 605 Washington St., Box 1857, Fayette, Iowa 52142.

Joel Kunze, director of Internet development, and **Melle Starsen**, assistant professor of communications, attended "G-Fest 2002" in Chicago on July 13. G-Fest is an annual convention of fans of Godzilla, Gamera, and other giant Japanese monsters. Kunze and Starsen participated in the convention to conduct background research for a soon-to-be-proposed May-term course on the cultural meaning of Japanese monster films, including the "Godzilla" series of movies.

Dawn Abernathy-Fassbinder, head men's and women's track and cross country coach and instructor in HPER, competed in a triathlon (500 yards of swimming—across Lake Oelwein and back, 12.2 miles of biking, and running a 5K) on Saturday, July 6. It was the first one in which she has ever competed. Her time was 1 hour and 37 minutes. Dawn won the women's 40 & over division. The race was called Oelwein's Tri-Five. Participants could compete in the triathlon or the 5K race. It was the first time that Oelwein hosted this event, but plans to make it an annual event.

Kim Pleggenkuhle, part-time assistant track coach 2002 and wife of **Jesse**, Grounds Department, ran the 5K race in Oelwein. She won the 30-39 age division. Kortney, their 5-year-old daughter, won the 13 & under age division and was the youngest runner to finish the 5K road race (Jesse ran with her).

Celina Peerman, director of organizational development for the Extended University, and **Linda Hoopes**, assistant to the senior vice president for residential university, completed a two-week residency at Capella University in Roseville, Minnesota, for their doctorates. Celina is getting her doctorate in organizational psychology (Ph.D). Linda is getting hers in educational psychology (Ph.D). **Joyce Czajkowski**, associate vice president of the Extended University, is completing her one-week residency program in Minnesota this summer for her doctorate in educational administration (Ed.D).

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs **Ed Ogle** is quoted in the July 16, 2002, edi-

tion of the *Los Angeles Times* in an article titled "Long Beach's Steel Magnolia," written about Long Beach, California, Mayor Beverly O'Neill. The article, written by staff writer Nancy Wride, is a brief biography of the 71-year-old O'Neill—from childhood and her adult years, as college student, wife, mother, teacher, and college president, through her three terms as a very distinguished leader of the fifth largest city in California. Dr. Ogle, a doctoral student two years ago at UCLA's school of education, had been looking for "a model of what he calls 'transformational leadership'" for his dissertation. After months of research, he chose O'Neill, not only for her success, but more importantly that she helps others to succeed.

Iowa Private College Career Consortium 2002-2003 Recruiting Events

The following events are sponsored by Iowa's 22 private colleges and open to all of their alumni. UIU candidates need to register for the events and submit resumes with Ed Derr at UIU Career and Counseling Services.

Accounting Interview Day

Newton, Iowa
October 9, 2002
Resume submission:
Aug. 12 - Sept. 13, 2002

All-Major Interview Day

Cedar Rapids, Iowa
February 18, 2003
Resume submission:
Dec. 22, 2002 - Jan. 23, 2003

All-Major Interview Day

Des Moines, Iowa
October 16, 2002
Resume submission:
Aug. 19 - Sept. 20, 2002

Career Fair/All-Major Interview Day

Des Moines, Iowa
February 28, 2003
Resume submission:
Jan. 1 - Feb. 2, 2003

All-Major Interview Day

Dubuque, Iowa
October 29, 2002
Resume submission:
Sept. 1 - Oct. 2, 2002