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A Warm Welcome to These New Employees

**Environmental Health & Safety**
Jason Gammon - Occupational Safety Manager

**Mechanical Operations**
Wade Burgin - Electrician

**New DFS Student Employees**

**Armstrong Facilities Operations**
Taja Akins
Dallas Bebout

**Business Services**
Joyce Bethapudi
Morgan Sell
Staff Spotlight

Our employees are what truly make the Division of Facilities Services at Georgia Southern University an awesome place to work! We have a robust workforce with fantastic people who have a true passion for their work.

Spotlight on Ethan Durden

Ethan is an Electrician in Mechanical Operations. He is from Metter, Ga and has been a part of the DFS team at Georgia Southern for 2 1/2 years. What Ethan enjoys most about his job is the work that he gets to do and the people he gets to meet.

What are your favorite hobbies?
Fishing, deer and dove hunting

What is your favorite movie?
Life

What is your favorite food?
Mexican

What is the one place you would like to see most?
Greece

Congratulations DFS Graduates!

Several awesome student employees graduated in the Spring 2019 commencement exercises. Congratulations to each of you!

Aaliyah Bynum - Service Response
Aaliyah graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance. She plans to pursue a career in the insurance field.
Nick Faddis - Lockshop
Nick graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Information Technology with a minor in Information Systems. He plans to pursue a career in the SAP industry.

Knox Theus - Facilities, Planning, Design, and Construction
Knox graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He will begin his career with Hussey, Gay and Bell, an engineering firm in Savannah, Ga.

Justin Bowles - Environmental Health and Safety
Justin graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Multimedia Broadcasting. He will be starting his career with a broadcasting company in Columbus, Ga.

Keith Morgan - Grounds
Keith majored in Cell and Molecular Biology. He plans to intern on a couple of farms in the middle Georgia area for a year as well as joining the military. After that year, he plans to attend medical school as part of the Air Force or Navy.

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1st Annual DFS Chili Cookoff

DFS had our first Chili Cookoff on February 18, 2019. Prizes and bragging rights were awarded. Several employees made big pots of chili but others just came to sample and vote on their favorites.

Everyone had a great time! Here are the winners:

**Most Original** - Christina Suggs McElyea (Structural)
**Spiciest** - Lawrence Driggers (Structural)
**Overall Winner** - Randi Bunch (Business Services)

Business Services also gets to keep the Chili Champ trophy for a year until next year’s cookoff!

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Georgia Southern’s New Safety Management System
The EHS Assistant program is a new software system being implemented across the Statesboro, Hinesville, and Savannah campuses. The EHS Assistant program will be used to manage chemical inventories, submit waste pickup requests, and manage safety equipment inventory (i.e. fire extinguishers, eyewash stations, safety showers, AEDs, etc.). The EHS Assistant program will manage all safety information in one convenient location.

Facilities Services takes part in No Impact Week 2019

Laura Moore, Division of Facilities Services Intern, spoke with students using interactive games to educate them on campus water conservation efforts and recycling programs.

Laura Moore and Tiffoni Buckle-McCartney from the Division of Facilities Services presented at the Georgia Southern's 2019 No Impact Week in April. They engaged with nearly 100 students, faculty, and staff informing them of the division’s work to reduce waste, and conserve on energy and water. Facilities Services Employees participate in Sustainability Showcase 2019
FPDC Projects

Statesboro Campus

**Center for Engineering and Research (CEaR)** – Construction started on 4/8/2019 with job-trailers onsite. The site work is ongoing. Please use caution when in the area and coordinate with Sandi Wilkinson, Project Manager, for any needs.

**Hanner (Old Pool Area) Renovation for School of Health & Kinesiology** – The construction work is continuing with the relocation of the cooling tower scheduled after May graduation. The project is on schedule to be complete by Winter 2020.

Armstrong Campus

**Southern Deli**
The project is ongoing with construction scheduled to be complete by 7/1/2019.

Liberty Campus

**Science Lab** - The Liberty Center science lab renovation is set to kick off beginning Monday May 13th. This lab renovation includes relocating some existing casework, the addition of four 7 foot fume hoods, the addition of storage shelving and utilities to support laboratory activities for chemistry labs. This space is uniquely designed to also continue supporting biology labs as well. The renovation is scheduled to take approximately 90 days through the summer term.
The second annual DFS safety shoe truck event was held the week of April 15\textsuperscript{th}. The event was held on both the Statesboro and Armstrong campuses. A lot of advance planning went into this event to make it an enjoyable experience and a huge success.

Facilities Tidbits

Lockshop now has all electronic key forms. This should help the key request procedure run more smoothly.

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