

# THE FACILITIES FORUM

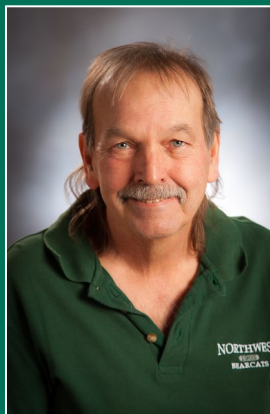
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## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Wes Parker Central Plant

Wes is from Maryville, where he has worked as a University Boiler Operator since April of 2016. Before working for Northwest, Wes worked at the Maryville Treatment Center. His favorite part about working for Facilities is the good people he gets to work with.



For fun, Wes enjoys spending time with his wife, Beth. He also enjoys collecting antiques. He has been with his wife Beth for 36 years and now has 2 sons and 6 grandchildren. His favorite travel destination is Estes Park Colorado. A fun fact about Wes is that he is the oldest of 6 children!

Thank you for your dedicated 7 years at Northwest and the Facility Services department!

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## MESSAGE FROM THE AVP



Team,

*I greatly appreciate those who gave up their Sunday afternoon and evening responding to the broken water line. It was yet another display of solid teamwork and dedication by our department staff who weathered the cold to repair the pipe, as well as other associated tasks throughout the buildings so the disruption to campus would be reasonably minimal and ready for the following Monday morning.*

*I'm proud of, and appreciative of the continued level of professionalism, skillsets, productivity, willingness, and can-do attitude of the entire Facility Services staff on an ongoing basis.*

*Thank you all for leading by example.*

Dan

## EHS CORNER

### SAFETY CORNER

#### Stay Safe While Taking a Winter Walk

Winter walks can be beautiful and calming and good for you. Studies show that walking outside in the cool air can reduce inflammation and increase fat burn as well as improve your brain function. However, walking outside in the winter can also have hazards, such as ice and cold.

**Before you venture out**, take a look at these tips designed to keep you safe:

→ **Bundle** up in layers. Don't risk hypothermia — you can always take off layers if you get too warm.

→ **Protect** your extremities. Wear hats, gloves and warm boots with rubber soles and non-slip treads.

→ **Assume** wet or dark pavement is icy pavement and avoid it, if possible. If you must walk on ice, take slow, short steps or shuffle slowly and keep your arms at your side for balance.

→ **Don't** forget your sunscreen.



#### November Safety Meeting Attendees

Ben Rogers  
Brad Sullivan  
Rick Allen  
Lauren King  
Tammy Murphy  
Hilary Steinman  
Matt Cronk

## KUDOS

#### RAY BRACKEN:

Thank you for your life-saving efforts during the MOERA event in October. You are incredible and so appreciated!

*"Thank you so much for all your help with the Homecoming Parade! Homecoming would not have been such a success without you. We appreciate all the work you do! :)"*

-Homecoming Board



Kansas City Industrial Council  
@thekcic



Gold Sustainability Winner: @NWMOSTATE

NWMS's efficiency projects have encompassed retro-commissions as well as HVAC and lighting improvements that will see the university achieve over 1.1 million kilowatt hours in energy savings, and more!  
Learn more: [bit.ly/2023awardsrecap](https://bit.ly/2023awardsrecap)



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Jacob Wood  
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We know utility disruptions are annoying and an inconvenience, but please think about the workers that restored the water to campus this evening. Our facilities team were working in 20 degree temps and running water...thank you for what you do for our students, faculty and staff!

Thank you!

You, Clarence Green Jr. and 48 others

4 comments

## PROJECT UPDATES

### TR Demo



### Hughes Fieldhouse Water Infiltration Study



## EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

### November Work Anniversary's!

Mike Adwell 16 years  
Samantha Baker 2 years  
Shane Baumgart 6 years  
Ray Bracken 11 years  
Tom Dean 6 years  
Derek DeMott 2 years

Steve Mozier 14 years  
Kirby Poppa 11 years  
Ben Rogers 4 years  
Randy Snider 1 year  
Danton Green 20 years



### New Employees!

Melissa Bray—Custodial 2nd shift  
Kelly Dougherty—Custodial 3rd shift  
Alex Helfert—Custodian 3rd shift  
Paul Coleman—HVAC PM

### **HAPPY RETIREMENT TO RICK SWANEY!**

**CONGRATS TO CALEB BOOTH ON HIS NEW POSITION-  
GROUNDSKEEPER/GREENHOUSE SPECIALIST!**

## YOU'RE INVITED

Below is a list of some upcoming events for **December**. For a full list and event details visit <http://calendar.nwmissouri.edu>.

### Violence Prevention Training—

Dec. 11th—1-2:30pm—Student Union, Boardroom

### Recycling Center • Winter Break Hours

December 22–26: CLOSED  
December 27: OPEN 8am to 6pm  
Dec 28–Jan 1: CLOSED  
Jan 2: REGULAR HOURS RESUME

## WE'RE HIRING



- \* Full-Time Custodian
- \* Part-time Custodian
- \* Recycling Center Technician

# SUSTAINABILITY

## The Five R's of Reducing Waste

For many people, recycling is the first waste reduction strategy that comes to mind, but it should be the *last* resort. Following the five-step hierarchy below can help organizations and households become more sustainable in the purchase and use of supplies and equipment. Let's examine the five R's of reducing waste.

1. **REFUSE** to buy wasteful or non-recyclable materials, including products that have excess packaging. This results in the production of fewer wasteful items.
  2. **REDUCE** the use of wasteful, harmful, or non-recyclable items that are used.
  3. **REUSE** items (including selling or donating) whenever possible instead of buying new ones. Strive to eliminate single-use items.
  4. **REPURPOSE** or find new uses for items that cannot be refused, reduced, or reused. This is sometimes called "upcycling".
- RECYCLE** items when the first four R's are not an option. Don't forget Northwest recycles paper, cardboard, aluminum cans, metal food cans, #1 and #2 plastic, and glass.

Source: Roadrunner Modern Waste + Recycling

## FACILITIES ON THE GO

### Facilities Potluck—November 2nd



**Prize winners:** Barb Weybrew, Connie Wallace, Amy Chor, Robert Lager, Mitch Gladman, Cassie Farrell, Lindsey Wood, Sonny Scadden, Elayna Gasque, Craig Spire, Doc Bliley, Jared Hilsabeck, Aaron Antisdell, Sherry Gutzmer, Mike Adwell, Alice Wong, David Hilsabeck, Kurt Porterfield, Caleb Booth, Derek DeMott, Mel Withington, Hope Ozanne, Ronnie Wendle, Thierry Wilmes, Chris Redmond, & Steve Redmond!

### Completed Work Orders November Total— 1,686

Maintenance	1254	Recycle	5
Custodial	75	Sign Shop	26
Landscape	19	Transportation	223
Health & Safety	66	Central Plant	18

### October Recycling

FY24	Oct-23
Recycling Revenue	\$ 2,246.55
Landfill lbs.	81,960
Compost	34,640
Cardboard	32,219
Paper	9,430
Plastic	4,379
Aluminum	649
Metal	18,240
Glass	6,440
<b>Total Monthly Recycled lbs.</b>	<b>71,357</b>
<b>Total Waste Generated</b>	<b>187,957</b>
<b>Total Waste Diverted</b>	<b>105,997</b>
<b>Waste Diversion Rate %</b>	<b>56.39</b>

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