



Facilities Management

MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Special points of interest:

- **Facilities Updates**
- **Building Services Equipment**
- **Grounds Update**
- **New Director of Building Services, Blaine Grindle**
- **Employee Updates and Kudos**

Kudos to the Housekeeping team that recently tried a new technique on our terrazzo floors. The technique is called 'stone polishing', and you can see the results on the first floor of Building I at the main entrance, near and around the Brick Lounge. Under Geoffrey Goodrell's leadership, Matt LoBiondo and Jim O'Hara performed spectacularly. Way to go team! This is a great example of our initiative to improve first impression spaces.

Paul Wurster

**Associate Vice President,
Facilities**

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Facilities

Child Care Center

Facilities has been busy these past few months. Shown are photos of our campus renovations to the Richard M. Guon Child Care Center's kitchen. Headed by Doug Ford, Facilities worked with the Monroe County Health Department and the MCC Association in re-designing the kitchen space.



COVE Project

Facilities also worked to complete the new Center Outreach Volunteer Engagement (COVE), located on the Brighton Campus in 3-125. The Center involves students partnering with community partners for volunteer opportunities.



Facilities' Building Services host cleaning equipment shows and trials

During the past several months we've been host to a new equipment introduction and several trials of new equipment on the main campus. The Hillyard Cleaning Company rented our facility for a show that introduced several new pieces of Tennant Company's floor care line. We have also hosted several other trials and tests. They included:

- Oct. 4 - Orbot dry carpet cleaning system
- Oct. 19 - Advance Intellibot robotic hard floor surface cleaning machine. It robotically cleans hallways and needs no attention for 3.5 hours.
- Nov. 22-29 - Tennant floor buffing machines (2) trials.
- Nov. 13 - Tennant show and seminar
- Jan. 18 - Orbot wet cleaning brush machine for old ceramic floor tiles in bathrooms.

As a result, we have discovered several new cleaning methods and equipment that will improve our performance. Over the next year we are planning on hosting even more events and hope to be part of several new product tests and introductions.



Snow What?

The grounds department has made some changes with snow equipment this year which has made some parts of our snow removal process faster. We traded in a tractor for a more modern Bobcat Tool Cat, which sweeps walks and drops ice melting products at a much faster rate. This has reduced the man hours needed to clean walks which means we can get to jobs like shoveling stairs, ramps, and doorways faster.



We also added a new larger push box for our loader which is used to push snow in parking lots. This gives us the ability to push corners and banks in the lots faster. It also lets us clear the driving lanes in parking lots if it snows during the daytime. Clearing more snow during the daytime makes night plowing go faster. The new push box also scrapes cleaner than the old box which means we can use less rock salt.

So far this winter we have used 165 tons of rock salt on our parking lots and roadways. We have used an additional 17.5 tons of sidewalk deicer.

Please remember no matter how much effort or deicing products we put down, there are still going to be slick conditions in parking lots and walks. Also, our outside deicing products get tracked indoors along with water on shoes and can leave slick areas inside the building. Please use extreme caution while walking outside and also for the first several feet inside the buildings.

Building Services



Holiday Happenings

Building Services held a multi-cultural Holiday Celebration this year. Each person brought a dish to pass of multi-cultural flare. An “Ugly Sweater” Competition was the highlight of the party. There was stiff competition, but the winner was clearly the ugly suit which went above and beyond — Congratulations? Dalvin Miles.

B uilding Services

Diggin' the New Boss-Man

Early back in 2017 word of our once fierce leader Fred McCullough's retirement plans spread pretty quickly. For those of you that don't know, Fred was the Director of Building Services. As any department would, rumors and anxious speculations started to fly. Who was the new Sheriff going to be? Who was going to oversee a department and crew who hadn't yet embraced the word "change"?

Well, that person was none other than Blaine Grindle. From his very first day back in June until now, he has made changes to better our department. From promoting long term employees, to encouraging new ones, to changing some rules that he felt was fair to us all, he's always looking to help out the crew where ever possible. His motto from day one has been to just "TRY". TRY new ideas. TRY new positions. Encourage others to TRY and better themselves.

Back in November, Blaine encouraged everybody to sign up for an up-coming Civil Service test for the Custodian position. But, he didn't stop there. 26 people from Building Services signed up. Blaine spent countless hours preparing mock tests and slides, teaching classes, and schooling those people all the way up to the test date. He brought tools in from home to show and explain what each one did, just to prepare and give everyone a fair chance on passing the test.

The morning of the test, Blaine met the test takers in the parking lot with hot coffee, hot chocolate, muffins and doughnuts. He wanted to make sure that they were all awake and ready for the test. He even had special pencils made for each test taker to use that read, "Blaine says I can do it" (#2 of course!)

Blaine has shown our workers that change can be a very positive thing. His open door policy is true and pure and he is always ready to hear someone out. Our department has a very high morale right now thanks to our new Boss-Man. We know that he isn't quite done and we are eager to see what the future holds. Fred was a great Director who gave many chances and changed a lot of lives. We're just saying they couldn't have picked a better person to fill his shoes. So on behalf of the ENTIRE Building Services Department, thank you Blaine!! Thank you for what seems to be our best year yet!!

Thank you so much!

We, the members of **Building Services**, would like to express our appreciation to Blaine Grindle for his huge efforts in **building unity and pride** amongst our team! And also thank him for assisting the members who took the Civil Service **Exam. You're the best!!**

Dalvin Miles
John Hughes
Mark
Jim Hone
C. Brown
Godfrey Barts
Juan Melendez
Darryl Ellwanger
Larry Smith
Joe Jackson
Krystina Zatta
Michelle
Tara Moore
Shannon Ellwanger
Edwin Ortiz
Jerry Cervantes
Madge Mack
Willie Thomas
Rickie Williams



Jim Costello
"FOR SURE"
Geoff Goodrell

THANK
YOU

XOXO

New Employees & New Positions

Pat Joram started at Monroe Community College in January 2003 working in Center for Service-Learning at the Damon City Campus. She remained in Service-Learning until combined with the Business/Economics Department in 2015 and then was recently added into Global Education & International Services in 2016, retaining Service-Learning as well. Pat started as Secretary, Facilities-Downtown, January 2018 and is an MCC Alum.



Mike Morf - was promoted to DTC HVAC Supervisor on March 12, 2018

Tim Brancato - was hired as DTC Building Maintenance Supervisor on March 5, 2018.

Kudos!

Jeremy Braund has successfully completed the Monroe Community College's HVAC Trainee Two - Year Program. Jeremy is the first MCC employee to complete the program. The HVAC Trainee program consists of 4000 hours of on the job training, College HVAC courses completed, and required practical experience.

Due to his completion of the training program, Jeremy will become an Assistant HVAC Service Engineer.

Jeremy has also received his Associates degree in HVAC from the Monroe Community College HVAC program.

Congratulations on a job well done!



Doug Ford (Director Physical Plant), Jeremy Braund (Asst. HVAC Service Engineer) and Steve Roberts (HVAC Supervisor)