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JULY 2022

SETTING UP 14 COMMENCEMENTS



Irrigators Robert Dixon and Barry McMichael staking rope barriers at Pierce Lawn (UCR/Erin Chapman)



Pierce Lawn Commencement
(UCR/Rod Buenting & Erin Chapman)



Student Recreation Center Commencement

Kudos to staff who worked Commencement 2022. Over 120 supervisors and staff worked Friday, June 10 – Monday, June 13 to cultivate its success.

Extra shout outs go to:

Tos Ishida, Assistant Director of Landscape, Refuse & Recycling Services, who oversaw the full set up from start to finish.

Sandra Martinez, Custodial Manager, and **Dale Mladenovic**, Day Crew Supervisor, who

worked the entire weekend to oversee staff and ensure all events went smoothly with custodial and set up needs.

Olinsser Valdivia, Electrician, (for stepping in for **Vincent Hernandez**) and the entire electrical shop– **Darrin Fox**, **Sean Meyers**, **Joey Tovar**, **Eric Hernandez**, **Jeremy Horvath**, **Brian Hambleton**, **Derek Williams** and **Anthony Morris**; for supplying the electrical power and lighting.

CELEBRATING NEW STAFF & PROMOTIONS!



MOSES BURKE
INTERIM
CUSTODIAL
SUPERVISOR



JOHN KENDRICK
FIRE & LIFE
SAFETY
MECHANIC



JOSEPH SOSA
HOUSEKEEPING
SUPERVISOR

REPLACING A 300 LB MOTOR

Using a chain fall, Building Mechanical's **Robert Pesic, Ethan Armstrong**, and temp **Luis Paul** attentively replaced a failed return fan blower motor on air handler #3 at Orbach Library. This fan motor is located on the second level, and took careful coordination to lower the old motor and lift the new one into place.



SUGGEST A SAFETY PROJECT IDEA TO YOUR SUPERVISOR

We can assist with keeping our staff and the UCR campus safe by submitting ideas for projects. Be Smart About Safety (BSAS) at UCR is a UCOP program designed to increase employee safety awareness and invest in loss and injury prevention. Visit <https://bit.ly/3NvoGfv> for more information. Suggestions are welcome.

Notify your supervisor if you have a recommendation.

Past FS BSAS projects include:

- Forklift & Aerial Platform Training
- Shop Safety- supplies including arc flash clothing kits, harnesses, etc.
- Electric Leaf Blowers



Kudos to Willy Cuellar for providing above and beyond carpentry work at the chancellor's residence to repair the garage door.

Leisure and Relaxation Comes After the Retirement Celebration

Congratulations to David Ladner, Victor Crouch, Margarito Alvarado, Dennis Storer, Deborah Hughes, Kathy Little, and Gregorio Serrato, who were honored in person at the FS Retirement Celebration on June 23. We miss you already!



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STAFF MILESTONES

20 YEARS

Jesus Estrada, Sr. Custodian

15 YEARS

Maria Juarez, Sr. Custodian

10 YEARS

John Looper, Lead Zone Mechanic
Marlene Nova, Sr. Custodian

5 YEARS

Laszlo Nemeth, Sheet Metal Welder

MEET FRANCISCO HERNANDEZ UCR's 2022 Outstanding Staff Award Winner!



A groundskeeper since 2008, Francisco has an eye for detail and a passion to keep the landscape for which he is responsible aesthetically pleasing for the campus community. With budget constraints, the landscape department must be very creative when enhancing planters, and Francisco has skillfully collected and planted cuttings to make a landscape planter look whole. His positive attitude and work ethic are contagious, making him one of nine employees to be presented the award from UCR Staff Assembly this year.



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