

## Employee of the Month Allyson S. Olsen — Administration

USU Facilities is pleased to announce Allyson S. Olsen as the employee of the month for May 2016. Allyson has worked for the Facilities Administration office since 2006. She came to USU in 2004, working at the Taggart Student Center in the Registrar's Office.

Charles Darnell, Facilities AVP, has said, "Allyson is a very good representative of USU Facilities. She is very pleasant to work with and always professional. Allyson is not afraid of change. When tasks are given to Allyson, she always completes them in a timely manner. Even if they need to be completed right away, she will set aside what she is currently doing to get the job done."

Randi Ransom, Facilities Financial Officer, said of Allyson, "I am amazed at how Allyson can communicate with other people. Whether it be in person or over the phone, she presents herself in a very professional way."

Allyson was born and raised in central Alberta, Canada. She is the fifth of nine children, having five brother's and three sister's. In 1979,

her family moved to Provo, Utah. In 1981, her parents bought an old A&W restaurant, dropped the franchise, and operated under their surname, "Stevenett's Malt Shoppe". Allyson managed the restaurant for many years before her parents sold in 1993. She said that she learned her work ethic from working side by side her mom and dad.

Allyson graduated from Timpview High School in Provo. She attended school at BYU, UVSC, and in Santa Barbara, CA. She earned her associates degree in Travel & Tourism. She served in the Mississippi Jackson Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She also became a naturalized US Citizen in 2012.

In 2002 Allyson married the love of her life, Kay D. Olsen. After a year of marriage, they sold their home in Salt Lake City and moved to Kay's hometown of Providence, UT and have made their home there for 13 years.

Allyson enjoys singing, playing the piano, music composition, cooking, baking, gardening,



Allyson S. Olsen

and vacationing in Kauai with Kay any chance they get. Most of all, she loves long walks with her husband and spending time with family.

Of her experience at USU, Allyson is quick to mention that working at Facilities has been a great experience. She truly loves the people she works with and looks forward to many more years to come.

Congratulations Allyson! We appreciate all you do!



Mike George, Rob Reeder, Ben Berrett, Randi Ransom, Dave Petersen, Daniel Ferris, Allyson Olsen, & Charles Darnell



Facilities,

I really appreciated the wonderful plant that you sent at my father's passing. Your thoughtfulness has been very helpful.

Sincerely,  
Curtis and Sonia Larsen

Facilities,

We deeply appreciate your thoughtful expression of sympathy which was of the greatest comfort to us in our sorrow. Thank you for the wonderful plant.

Paul & Tammy Beutler and Family

Facilities,

I would like to express my appreciation for the beautiful plant that was sent to me after my mothers passing. Thank you for your thoughts at this time.

Valoy Hansen

Dear USU Facilities,

Thank you for the beautiful floral arrangement you sent in honor of my father, Dean Holt. It was a lovely addition to his memorial service and very much appreciated.

Mark Holt and Family

USU Facilities,

Thank you for the beautiful floral bouquet that was sent in honor of my grandmother. We really appreciate your love and support.

Randi Ransom and Family

USU Facilities,

Thank you to the window washing crew that washed my windows earlier this week! I left my window open a bit and two of them came to my office to ask me to close it. I asked if they would remove the screen and wash both of the windows, because it had not been washed in the four years I've been in this office. I'm so grateful for the wonderfully clean windows!

Nancy Hyde  
International Admissions Coordinator

**Innovation Award:** As we discovered the extent of damage to the ceiling structure of the BRASC building, **Phil Bankhead** offered the best and most economically reasonable solution; a drop ceiling. The new ceiling grid that Phil designed helped to reduce a lot of the work for the Finishes & Electrical shops. This new ceiling grid also accommodates for future maintenance and repair, ultimately saving us a lot of money in the future. We are so grateful for Phil and all he has done to help Utah State!

**Safety Awareness & Appreciation Award:** Recently at the beginning of **Steven Yeates** shift, he observed an individual sleeping in the Engineering Building. He contacted both the Dean's office and the Police. After an investigation, it was determined that the individual had outstanding warrants. Because of this incident, a discussion was held with Steve's FM crew regarding when it is appropriate for the building to be occupied and what steps need to be taken if something unusual is noticed. Thanks to Steve for being proactive and for taking the correct action so as to prevent a dangerous incident from happening!

**Safety Awareness & Appreciation Award:** The Receiving department services the entire campus as well as Facilities. It aids all USU departments in their receiving and shipping needs. **Curtis Larsen** oversees all packages that come through Receiving, even those containing radioactive materials. Typically, Curtis and his crew are notified when radioactive items have been ordered, but sometimes that notification is missed. If and when that happens, Curtis can always be depended upon to discover these items and notify John Jones of campus Radiation Safety. Recently, Curtis discovered three radioactive packages and prevented them from being mishandled. He then notified the Radiation Safety Office for proper processing and delivery. When Curtis is on the job, he can be trusted to fully support USU's radiation safety program. We can't thank Curtis enough for always being aware and ready to help.

**Step-Up Award:** Recently, **Justin Bankhead & Brad Ward** took on the responsibility of sorting and distributing the annual Safety Awards for the entire Facilities department. Not only did this undertaking go above and beyond just purchasing the items, but it also took a lot of time out of their daily responsibilities. Even so, they were able to accomplish the work and keep on task with their day to day duties. Justin and Brad do so much to keep Facilities organized and on track. We appreciate all they do for us!

**Step-Up Award:** On the morning of April 11 a chilled water line burst and flooded the Fine Arts Atrium Patio. This resulted in mud and water covering the sidewalks down to the Recital Hall. With the help of **Anthony Devore, Austin Petterborg, Gabriella Rigby, and Travis Maynard**, the mud and water was removed and surfaces were washed clean before staff and students arrived for their morning classes. We are grateful for these four and their efforts to keep USU spic and span!

**Step-Up Award:** Randy & Justin Jones recently took on the task of welding and repairing a specialty piece of equipment from the LOAM shop. Their can do attitude was a real help to LOAM. Randy and Justin looked at the task at hand and determined that the broken part could be repaired, even after another department told LOAM that it couldn't be and that a new part would have to be ordered, at great expense to the LOAM shop. Thanks to these two for their willingness to seek a solution and solve a problem when others said it couldn't be done. Randy and Justin are each role models of what excellent customer service is all about!



In Appreciation For All You Do!

# 32nd Annual Facilities "Thank-You Breakfast"

Tuesday May 17th



## USU FACILITIES NATIONAL BIKE CHALLENGE

May 1 - Sept 30


- 1: **join** Sign up. It's easy & free!  
nationalbikechallenge.org /school/4036
- 2: **ride** Transportation, fitness & fun—every ride counts!  
+ Join a "USU Facilities" team
- 3: **log** Smartphone app or enter trips online  
+ Entry for national & USU prizes!

### BIKE TO SCHOOL & WORK WEEK

May 16 - 20, 2016  
7:30-9:30 AM  
Aggie Blue Bikes & CVD

# CONGRATS

to our May 2016  
FACILITIES  
GRADUATES



<p><b>James Day</b> (Safety) Masters of Business Administration</p>	<p><b>Leif Nyman</b> (Facilities Maintenance) Psychology minors: Sociology &amp; Criminal Justice</p>
<p><b>Justin Nunez</b> (Central Distribution) Masters of Human Resources</p>	<p><b>Martin Carrillo</b> (Projects &amp; Engineering) Civil Engineering</p>
<p><b>Dallin Hatch</b> (Facilities Maintenance) Food Technology Management</p>	<p><b>Samuel Shreeve</b> (Facilities Maintenance) Physics &amp; Religious Studies</p>
<p><b>Jamison Carrol</b> (Events) Human Movements minors: Exercise Science</p>	<p><b>Regina Reuela</b> (LOAM) Education</p>

Congratulations to those who were not mentioned!!



# WELCOME

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

**New Full-Time Facilities Employees**  
Shane Richards— LOAM Manager

## Safety Corner

USU Facilities has worked  
**52 days\*** without lost-time  
\*as of April 25, 2016.  
The previous record was 414 days.  
**Please do your share to extend the record!**

Lost-Time Hours (Goal: Less Than 200)	
2015	2016
144 Hours	<b>278 Hours</b>

OSHA Recordable Injuries	
2015	2016
15	<b>12</b>

**Be Careful Out There!**



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Zachary Cook	02	Brad Jordensen	16
Donovan Stott	02	Steven M. Jenkins	16
Howard N. Bee	03	Ronald L. Davis Jr.	16
Chris W. Jensen	03	Juan J. Hernandez	18
Emily Stringham	04	Kylee Paul	18
Kellstin Downs	04	Meghan Abbott	20
Bethany Balady	04	Justin B. Jones	20
Gillian Bass	05	Marianela J. Herrero	21
Alan Roberts	05	Keynan Jenkins	21
Luke R. Bair	06	Chad L. Henager	22
Jessica Monson	06	David W. Petersen	23
Matt Rogers	07	Amelia Weixler	23
Addam T. Tremea	08	Emanuel Gill	23
Holly Dotson	08	Kara Lucas	23
Korby D. Beckstead	09	Glen I. Dabb	24
Jared Leatham	09	Chrystal Godfrey	24
Adam Painter	11	Dallin Law	25
Teresa Gutierrez	11	Matthew M. Payne	25
Josef Chase	11	Rhianna A. Taylor	27
John C. Danielson	11	Austin Olsen	27
Ligia Frangello	12	Adrick Checketts	28
Samantha Spencer	12	Evan Copron	29
Megan R. Wouden	13	Alicia Olea	29
Larry A. McCormick	14	Brianne Brooks	30
Shane Richards	16	David P. Burgess	30
Chandler T. Watson	16	Edwin D. Buist	31
Jake H. Oakden	16		



Paul K. Beutler	34 Years
Ben R. Berrett	22 Years
Steven L. Pierson	21 Years
Cynthia L. Yeates	20 Years
Kristi Olsen	16 Years
Barbara A. Powasnik	13 Years
Vilma Valle	13 Years
Brent T. Bair	12 Years
Andrew J. Miller	12 Years
Shane Thain	12 Years
Shoko Y. Downs	11 Years
Kellen L. Tarbet	11 Years
Zachary Cook	8 Years
J. Wade Perkins	8 Years
Kyler K. Mitton	4 Years
Jamie L. Pearce	4 Years
Braxton J. Fitzgerald	3 Years
Vicki L. Martin	3 Years
Jeffery F. Stout	3 Years
Austin C. Petterborg	2 Years
Skyler D. Toledo	2 Years
Zane Petersen	1 Year

