

THE Pipeline

KEEPING FACILITIES MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES INFORMED



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What's Going on in FM...

Steve Spehn, Associate Vice President



If you have been following the past few issues of the Pipeline, you have read about the many changes to our management team. In February, Eric Kruse's departure brought Greg Fox, from the Duluth campus, on board as our interim Vice President. In March, I welcomed Bernie Fiske as FM's new Director of Finance and this month, it is my pleasure to announce that Bill Chose has been named Director of Facilities Services. Bill has worked in FM for more than ten years. During this time, he has managed three of the six zones and has demonstrated strong leadership while contributing much to the progress and growth of our organization. Our management team is complete and we are now in the process of preparing our quarterly road show and we will be visiting each area to explain exactly what is going on in Facilities Management. We look forward to seeing all of you very soon!

Also, with spring upon us, everyone in Facilities Management is excited to celebrate the season of renewal and change. This issue of Pipeline presents the most obvious change. The Pipeline is currently under construction as we invite all Facilities Management employees to participate in the process of creating our monthly staff publication. In an effort to produce a publication that will be of value to all, I ask you to take a moment to complete the questionnaire on this page. Also, if you would like to join the Pipeline staff or serve as a contributing writer, please note that on this form as well. Jenn and Aaron in the communications department look forward to your comments and to working with you to create a new and improved employee publication. If you have any questions, please contact Jenn Rowe, Communications Specialist at 625-3466.

Last but not least, I thank each and every one of you for all you do every day to support the efforts of the FM team.

Pipeline Questionnaire

Please answer the following questions as completely as possible.

1. How often do you read the Pipeline

- Often (every month)
- Sometimes (every other month)
- Seldom (3 or 4 times per year)
- Never

2. If you answered "Seldom" or "Never" please explain why: _____

3. What do you like most about the Pipeline? _____

4. What do you dislike about the Pipeline? _____

5. What would you like to see in the Pipeline? _____

6. Any other comments or suggestions: _____

Focus Group Sign up

We are creating a Pipeline staff. If you are interested in representing your area and contributing story ideas and/or writing stories, please join us! We will meet on the second Wednesday of every month. There will be two meetings. The first meeting will be held in the early afternoon for representatives of the first and second shift and a second meeting will be held in the evening to accommodate representatives of the second and third shift.

- Yes, I would like to join the Pipeline Staff
- No, I am not interested in joining the Pipeline Staff

Name: _____

Zone: _____

Shift: _____

Position: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Please fold and return this form by Friday, May 24th or fax to: 612-626-0234.

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