

**July 2022** 

Newsletter for the Office of Administrative Services

# PRESIDENT LAW TOURS OAS

Many don't see OAS employees' efforts to enhance the USF community or understand the scope of our work. On July 13, USF President Rhea Law toured areas of OAS. Her visit included stops at the post office, grounds, vehicle shop, central plant, building services, and South East plant.



This tour gave OAS employees the opportunity to showcase how we impact lives every day by exceeding expectations and creating WOW moments. President Law came away from the tour with a deepened gratitude for all that OAS employees are doing to fuel USF's fast rising trajectory. Read more about President Law's tour in the July 19 copy of the Inside USF newsletter at conta.cc/3zWkhPn.



President Law touring the South East Chiller Plant.

## REMINDERS

Don't forget to nominate a deserving coworker for an Excellence Award online at usf.edu/excellenceawards



# EMPLOYEE PROFILE

#### PATRICK COLIN BURNS

COORDINATOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Patrick Colin (Colin) Burns started with OAS in June of 2022. His current position is Emergency Management Coordinator (Systems).

In this position, Colin supports the systems portion of EM, which involves maintaining the emergency notification system, weather stations, communications equipment, and VEOCI emergency management software. Much of his time is spent testing the operability and functionality of systems and designing exercises and trainings to test the university's ability to respond to emergencies. This process allows us to evaluate our strengths and areas for improvement and keep USF safe in an ever-changing environment. "The key to success is preparation", says Colin.

His favorite part of working here has been the people. USF can be an overwhelming place at first, but his colleagues have been friendly, patient, and accepting, and made him feel at home every step of the way.

Colin was born in Lauderhill, Florida and then moved to Connecticut. After retiring from a 25-year career in the fire department, he and his family relocated to Wesley Chapel, and have been there since 2020.

Outside of work, Colin enjoys playing golf with his son and entertaining his three Dalmatians, Sammy, Ellie, and Ozzy. Currently, he is binging movies from the 1940's - 1970's and says it has been very interesting to see what their vision was for today during that time. If he's eating out in the area, you can find him at Lolis or On Top of the Palms.



# OAS GIS ANALYST PRESENTS AT ESRI USER CONFERENCE



This month, Daniel Gessman (left), GIS Analyst within Building Information Services, presented at the ESRI User Conference in San Diego, California, the world's largest geographic information system (GIS) conference.

Since late 2018, Daniel has been working with ESRI to leverage their GIS software to build and develop a GIS enterprise that supports the USF community. Working under Jim Neighbours, Assistant Director of Building Information Services, Daniel successfully implemented a GIS System that supports the university's infrastructure and mapping needs.

This year's conference theme was "Mapping Common Ground", which focuses on using GIS to better the world we live in and solve common problems.

USF was featured throughout the five-day conference. Jack Dangermond (founder and President of ESRI), talked about USF's work with 3D modeling of the Tampa campus in his opening presentation. ESRI presenters discussed contributions USF has given in campus information to update base maps for the USF community as well as the GIS community in the Tampa Bay area. Daniel and DRMP's John Gilreath presented the roadmap of USF's GIS Enterprise. They discussed how FM went from CAD to Enterprise GIS with a 3-phased approach of utility collections, Enterprise implementation, and buildout of an Interactive Campus Map that acts as a one-stop shop for campus information. Afterward, there was a lot of interest in how USF has accomplished so much with GIS in such a relatively short amount of time.

Daniel was humbled to be a part of a higher education group where other universities were coming up to him and asking how USF had done it all. "At first, it was absolutely overwhelming with the scale of the conference," Daniel says, "but I couldn't have had a better experience and opportunity to share how USF is now on the map."

# WORK ANNIVERSARIES

#### **FACILITIES**

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Sonia Jackson	32
Robert Gonzalez	27
Gerardo Fernandez	24
Gregory Lewis	24
James Gillilan	24
John Courtney	17
Julia Cummings	17
Charles Hamilton	14
Danielle Hill	13
Falicia Royal	13
Erickson Amida	12
Danny Stearns	10
Jeremy Ocasio	10
Priscilla Stevens	10
Lindsey Hanson	7
Christopher Martin	5
Eric Berrios	5
Ashley James	4
Lon Crawford	4
Jason Ramos	3
Imane El Aassouli	2
Robert Felice	1

#### PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

Ivette Torres	24
Tracy DeCrescenzo	7
Mikael Stead	6
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#### **BUSINESS CENTER**

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### ORGANIZATIONAL UPDATE



After an open search process, and with the recommendation of the selection committee, VP Post announced the appointment of Jennifer Fleischman to the new Assistant Vice President for Administration and Operations role. The appointment will be effective Monday, August 8. Jen will also serve as Interim AVP for Planning, Construction, and Development until that position is filled later in August.

#### **EARLY VOTING**

Anyone registered to vote in the State of Florida may vote at any early voting site from August 8 to August 21, 2022. The USF Family Center (MHF) will be used as a polling location during this period.

To vote early, remember to bring current photo and signature identification with you. For more information, visit www.myfloridaelections.com/Voting-Elections/Ways-to-Vote.

# **BUY YOUR PARKING PERMIT**



Sales began for 2022-2023 parking permits on August 1. Current permits expire August 10, so ensure you purchase your new permit as soon as possible.

As a reminder, all Tampa campus parking permits are virtual. Sticker permits are no longer issued and your license plate will act as your permit. To purchase your permit visit **parking.usf.edu** or stop by the Parking and Transportation Services office on campus.

# **WELCOMING NEW ADDITIONS**

#### **Antonio Fipps**

Custodial Worker Building Services & Vending

#### Keith Gladden

Custodial Worker
Building Services & Vending

#### Paige Kaplan

Facilities Project Manager Design and Construction

#### **Sharon Miller**

Administrative Specialist Facilities Management

# CONGRATULATIONS ON THE PROMOTION!

#### **Lawrence Mentis**

Facilities Project Manager Design and Construction

#### **Raymond Morris**

Custodial Worker
Building Services & Vending

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