Construction Highlights

The UHB Boiler Replacement project is complete in spite of the COVID supply chain issues, which plagued this project all winter! The Steam and Power Plant Engineers were able to maintain hot water serviceability throughout UHB for the duration of the winter season through diligent checks and preventative services on the working units. The new Riello Boilers are more efficient, are easier to service, and include internal heating redundancies the failed boilers could not provide. See our beautiful new boilers in the photos below!

Left to right: old boiler next to new, row of new boilers, interior of new boiler

A few exciting projects are happening in PAC.

You may have noticed some enhanced lighting inside of the PAC. This is the direct result of the vision of Bryan Rives’ and his Performing Arts Services team for a bright and welcoming venue for students, staff, and event patrons. LED flat panel upgrades throughout the lobby not only reduce energy consumption and CO2 footprint for the campus but provide more even and brilliant light than ever before. You may see this concept expanded throughout the remainder of the shared spaces in the building as our lighting rollout has received welcoming reviews.
Also in PAC, our carpenters and electricians are finalizing the details of the installation of a multi-faceted art display for PAC right across from the ticket booth above the sloped brick. The photos below show the progress of the installation.

![Image of carpenter working on PAC display]

Neville Patkus, carpenter, working on the hanging display in PAC

**Building Services - Moving Support Services**

**Spring Break Cleaning**

Many of the BSW's spent this spring break providing some much-needed spring-cleaning, helping us improve the look of many campus areas. I encourage all staff to please reach out if there are areas of concern that need more attention or if you would like additional deep cleaning done to improve your work space. In the coming weeks, the BSW staff will be working on several areas of campus and if there is something that we can do to assist or help, please reach out to Patty Meyer at 206-6053 or pmeye2@uis.edu and let us know how we can be of assistance.

**Parking Operations**

**SMTD Bus Service Returns to the PAC Teardrop!**

We are happy to announce that bus service has returned to the PAC teardrop. Service began on Monday, March 14th.

Visit the SMTD Bus Tracker website at [ride.smtd.org](http://ride.smtd.org) to see estimated bus arrival times and the bus location map.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding during the service disruption brought about by the construction on the PAC entrance.
Staff Updates

Congratulations to Thom Gebhardt on being named Employee of the Month for February!

Thom is our building service worker in the Visual and Performing Arts Building (VPA). Give Thom a pat on the back or a fistbump the next time you see him!

[Thomas Gebhardt named the UIS Employee of the Month for February 2022 | University of Illinois Springfield](#)

Welcome our new BSW – Zachary Hilty

Zach is currently located at PAC obtaining some training on procedures and meeting other faculty, staff, and students. Please welcome Zach and get to know him in the coming weeks.

Zachary Hilty, new BSW