

2013 QUICK FIX JANUARY

HAPPY 2013!!
Now what days are we off??!!

Coming back to work after the holidays is never easy – especially considering the workload Facilities Services undertakes on a daily basis. Fortunately, the State provides a number of holidays throughout the year that allow us to take a well-deserved rest

from time to time. The following are the holidays observed by the University in 2013:

New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday	January 21
Spring Holiday	March 29
Memorial Day	May 27
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	September 2
Thanksgiving	November 28 & 29
Winter Holiday	December 24, 25 & 26
New Year's Eve	December 31

Note: For 2013, the State-provided Veterans' Day holiday has been moved and will be observed on Dec. 31. UNC Health Care employees may follow a different holiday schedule than the University.

Submit your Massey Award nomination

The following is a recap of a memo announcing the 2013 C. Knox Massey Distinguished Service Awards was sent to campus earlier this month. You are encouraged to submit a nomination for a deserving University employee – whether he or she works for Facilities Services or another department!

TO: All University Employees
FROM: Carolyn Atkins, Director of Stewardship

On behalf of Chancellor Holden Thorp and the members of the Awards Committee, I encourage you to nominate a colleague for this year's C Knox Massey Distinguished Service Award. The criterion is "unusual, meritorious or superior contribution made by an employee, past or present, to The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill." Under the terms of the gift, the Massey Distinguished Service Award may be conferred by the Chancellor upon any living full-time or part-time employee, whether faculty or staff and whether subject to the State Personnel Act, except members of the Awards Committee while they are members. Chancellor Thorp will present each of the six recipients with an award of \$7,500 during the annual spring luncheon. Thanks to the growth of the endowment, each award is increasing from \$6,000 to \$7,500 this year.

The Awards Committee has retained nominations made in 2011 and 2012 and will again consider them, together with additional nominations received for 2013. Persons first nominated before 2011 will be considered again only if new nominations are submitted. Nominations must be submitted in writing or may be submitted by completing an online nomination form at www.unc.edu/masseyawards/nominate. Each nomination or supplemental information should contain:

- The name of the proposed recipient.
- Whether a present or past University employee (if past, include the dates when employed).
- A brief description of the service rendered and why it is thought to be a contribution sufficiently "unusual, meritorious or superior" to deserve an award. (It is expected that the service to be recognized would not be of a sort that is already the subject of existing awards.)

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d. Nominations made by letter require the signature of the nominator or seconder. Nominations made online require a valid Onyen ID and password. Because of the signature and password requirements, nominations and seconds will not be accepted by FAX or e-mail.

Letters of nomination should be addressed to Carolyn Atkins, Chair, C Knox Massey Distinguished Service Awards Committee, CB # 6100, 208 West Franklin Street. Online nomination forms and letters of nomination must be received before the close of business, 5 p.m., Wednesday, February 6, 2013.

Information about the Massey Awards and the nomination process is available at www.unc.edu/masseyawards. Winners will be announced in late March.

Assemblies granted “seat” with Board of Governors

The University of North Carolina Staff and Faculty Assemblies are elected bodies of representatives of the staff and faculty of the seventeen campuses of the University of North Carolina that serve to constructively address the concerns and interests of each campus, as well as the University System as a whole. An ongoing goal of these groups has been to get a “seat at the table” and serve a more active role with the UNC Board of Governors (BOG). With the support of the Association of Student Government, this goal has been achieved this month, as UNC President Tom Ross and Board of Governors Chairman Peter Hans have assigned UNC Staff Assembly Chair, Facilities Services’ Chuck Brink, to the BOG’s Personnel & Tenure sub-committee. In addition, they have assigned UNC Faculty Assembly Chair, Dr. Catherine Rigsby from ECU, to the BOG’s Education Planning sub-committee. Historically, the Chairs of the Staff and Faculty Assemblies were in the room, but seated in the gallery.

While this new arrangement does not give the Assembly chairs a vote and does not permit them sit in during closed sessions of these committees (it is unlawful for a University employee to actually serve as a member of the BOG), it is a means for faculty and staff to be included in the shared governance of the UNC System through a non-voting presence on the Board.

According to Brink, “This is a GREAT day for the staff that maintains and operates the best public university system in our country, the University of North Carolina – the University of the People!”

January Safety Topic: Cold Weather Safety

Log on to:

<https://ishare.facilities.unc.edu/HR/Safety/default.aspx>

for information on the January safety topic.

If you do not routinely work with a computer, your supervisor can assist you in accessing and viewing the information.



WISHING YOU A HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS 2013!