

# Facilities Management 2014 Safety Committee Annual Report

Over the past year, the FM Safety Committee has initiated and completed the following projects. Most safety concerns were submitted to the committee using a form which can be found here: [http://facilitiesmanagement.wvu.edu/safety\\_committee](http://facilitiesmanagement.wvu.edu/safety_committee). Other concerns were brought to the committee's attention through interaction of committee members with fellow employees during normal day to day activities and completing work orders in their respective zones or areas of expertise.

Once a safety concern was received and reviewed by the committee, it was added to a tracking system (FM Safety Workload). This allowed for a monthly review of all concerns submitted being worked on and completed for each month. A total of 37 safety concerns were submitted for the calendar year of 2014 with 31 concerns being addressed by some format of a corrective action and repairs, or purchase of new equipment, training, and education. Several projects with detailed photos are attached.

Second, the Safety Committee has started to track all reported accidents within the FM departments of Operations, Grounds and Labor, Maintenance, PDC, and Warehouse. The committee was able to review all the accident reports from 2013 and compare them to the 2014 data. For comparing 2013 to 2014 (January-November) only, the committee saw a reduction of 40 accidents. The two attached graphs show each year as a whole with reported accidents per month (pg. 4).

Finally, the Safety Committee would like to thank all the members of the FM family for their expertise, time, and resources spent on putting forth an outstanding effort to help make WVU a safer work environment. With the help of fellow employees looking out for each other by stopping or preventing unsafe actions happening, we are able to move forward and decrease accidents. Also, the Safety Committee would like to extend an open invitation to anyone interesting in joining the team during the upcoming year. ~ Safety report and photos submitted by Brian Lemme



## Clark Hall Ventilation Pit

A wooden pallet was used to access the lower area to remove debris and other materials. The pallet is not an approved ladder and the drop distance was approximate 10 ft. plus climbing over the hand rail



The pit was divided into two areas, separated by a concrete block wall. The one area of the pit could be accessed from within the bldg. using a roll-up garage door for entry. (yellow)



Concrete block wall which separates the pit into two areas. The block wall is necessary and designed to baffle the pit for adjacent air handling unit intakes (blue). Area 1 is located upper right (red) with access from the roll-up door. Area 2 is located lower left (yellow) and accessed by pallet.

Solution to eliminate the fall hazard and use of a wooden pallet as a ladder. A door was installed within the block wall to allow access to Area 2 from Area 1 using the roll-up garage door. The new door also closes automatically to still create the function of a baffle for the air intakes.

## Safety Committee 2014 Annual Report Photos ...(cont.)

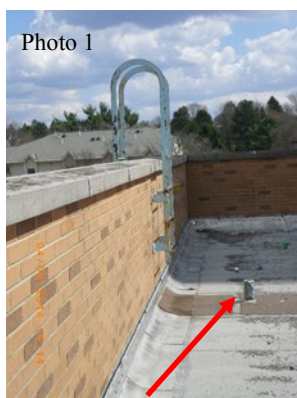


### One Water Front Loading Dock Trash Compactor

Trash compactor located on loading dock. Trash bags to be lifted above recommended safe height and place into the compactor. This would be very hard for employees that are not very tall or strong.



Solution to eliminate a possible back strain/sprain or other injury. A platform was constructed and installed to allow the trash to be placed into the compactor at a more reasonable height.



### Towers Roof Ladder and Vent Pipe

Photo 1: Access ladder on Towers roof from upper roof to lower roof located over the ERC café. A vent pipe (red) was located near the bottom of the ladder is posed a potential trip hazard when exiting the ladder.

Photo 2: View from upper roof looking towards the ladder. Vent pipe (red) appears far from this angle, but as photo above is close to the exiting motion from the ladder. Solution was to move the ladder approximately 10ft. Left (yellow) and reinstalled, where no hazards were present.

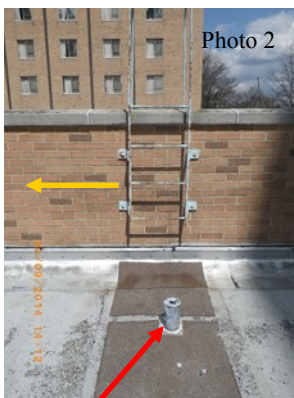


Photo 1

Alley way behind Wise Library and White Hall



Photo 2



Photo 1: No railing was previously present. A 12 ft. fall hazard to the lower road was present. A matching handrail set to industry standards of 42" was constructed and installed. The old three post rail can be seen in the upper right (red). The new handrail (yellow).

Photo 2: Existing handrail that was matched (green). Other section of new handrail installed (yellow)

## **Employee News**

### **New Employees**

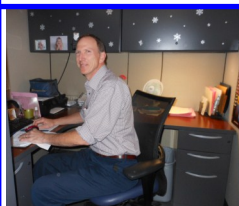
**Rachael Mayle - Warehouse**  
**Khalif Rivers - Warehouse**  
**Alden Craft - CSW**  
**Jesse Peck - CSW**  
**Matthew McClain - CSW**  
**Amelia LaMar - CSW**  
**Vanel Kako Tagouh - CSW**  
**Shirlette Hoxter - CSW**  
**Joshua Luzier - Apprentice I**  
**Justin Samples - Apprentice I**  
**Daniel Foley - CSW**  
**David Boone - CSW**  
**Rhonda Marris - CSW**  
**David Pendley - CSW**  
**William Hearn - CSW**  
**Joy Deal - CSW**  
**Gabriel Neff - CSW**  
**Jared Gales - CSW**  
**Larteek Goode - CSW**  
**Melanie Nichols - Assistant Supervisor Campus Serv.**  
**Mark Thomas - CSW**  
**James Mitchell - Trades Specialist I**  
**Eric Germain - HVAC/MM Manager**  
**Steven Core - CSW**  
**James Carney - CSW**  
**Kenneth Lipscomb - Landscape Worker**  
**David Mitchell - Landscape Worker**  
**Shawn Johnson - Landscape Worker**  
**Charles Long - Trades Specialist I**  
**Thomas Crawford - CSW**  
**Scott Ainsley - Purchasing Assistant I**  
**Robert Maxwell - Landscape Worker**  
**Richard Nester, Jr. - CSW**  
**Melinda Creel - CSW**  
**Nicholas Justinger - CSW**  
**James Jordan - CSW**  
**Heath Helmick - CSW Lead**  
**Dan Calhoun - CSW**  
**Elias Matz - CSW**  
**Joe Braddock - CSW**

**(All new hires from the months of Sept. to Dec.)**

Editor's Note: New hires and Student Support Staff Employees have the option to have a photo along with a small introduction about their Facilities Management years of service or what they would like to share with our readers. We welcome those who wish to participate. If you would like to contribute to our newsletter, please email [Pamela.Readd@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:Pamela.Readd@mail.wvu.edu)

### **Welcome to Facilities Management**

#### **New Employees**



Please welcome Thomas Evans, FM's newest Operations Manager for PPP. A native of WV, born in Weirton, later moved to Charleston, and graduated from

WVU in 1981. He has three children, the youngest is a freshman at WVU. Thomas had been working in South Carolina and Virginia for the past 33 years in Facilities Management, manufacturing, and recycling. He is very glad to be back to WV and working at WVU. He enjoys outdoor activities such as rafting, rock climbing, and mountain biking.



Please welcome Peter Domahoski, Facilities Management's newest Construction Manager.

Peter will be working with Dan Batson's group. He comes from Las Vegas, Nevada where he retired from the Air Force. He enjoys hiking and camping and introducing his three children to the great outdoors.

**Congratulations** to our recent retirees for their years of service.

#### **Ralph Culp - 37 years**

Trades Specialist 1 PM/Shift Maint.

#### **Stephen Erdie - 19 years**

Trades Specialist II Pest Control

#### **Delmas Molisee - 38 years**

Campus Service Worker Zone 2 Area 1 Ops

#### **Jeffrey Smith - 7 years**

Supervisor Campus Services Zone 1 Area 3 Ops

#### **Don Tichnell - 22 years**

Trades Specialist Lead II Lock Shop

#### **Richard Westerman - 8 years**

Maintenance Worker II Lock Shop

## Facilities Management Monthly Accident Totals 2014

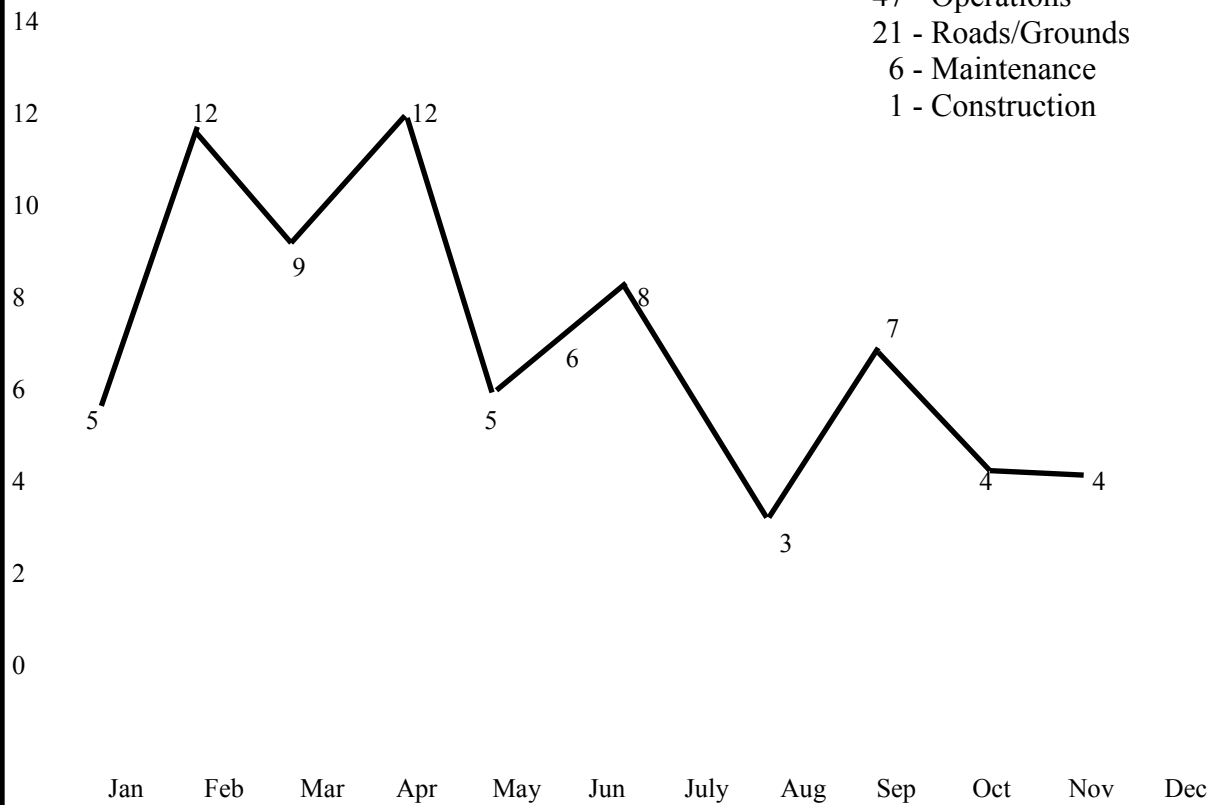
Total 75 Accidents for 2014 (Jan-Nov)

47 - Operations

21 - Roads/Grounds

6 - Maintenance

1 - Construction



## Facilities Management Monthly Accident Totals 2013

Total 115 Accidents for 2013

52 - Operations

33 - Roads/Grounds

29 - Maintenance

1 - Construction

