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## NEW WAYS TO ACCESS AND ENROLL IN YOUR USG BENEFITS

Effective June 26, a new website and call center are available to help you review your current benefits, request coverage changes due to life events, find in-network doctors and hospitals, request replacement insurance cards and more.

Instead of using the former MyBenefits@UGA website, UGA and all USG faculty and staff will now use the new:

- **OneUSG Connect - Benefits** website ([connect-benefits.usg.edu](http://connect-benefits.usg.edu)) and
- Toll-free **Call Center** (844-587-4236)

The new system is expected to provide efficiencies in University System-wide benefits enrollment processes and changes due to life events. Faculty and staff are encouraged to log in to the new website at any time and review their current benefits elections, beneficiary information, etc.

**Your benefits are not changing.** UGA Human Resources will continue to provide counselors to help you make the best benefit decisions for you and your family. Questions about this transition may be directed to UGA HR at 706-542-2222.

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## 2017 Recognition

Click here for the full list of merit recipients, years of service honorees and photos from the recognition events.

## SUPPORTING ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION

In an effort to expand and promote alternative transportation, UGA Transportation & Parking Services partnered with the Office of Sustainability and identified transit bike racks as a way to make accessing campus easier for the individuals choosing to use alternative transportation such as walking, bicycling, carpooling and public transit.

By Fall 2017, 58 University of Georgia buses will be equipped with new bicycle racks to provide bicycle riders with an additional resource to access campus.

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## SAVE THE DATE: ONESOURCE DEMO DAYS AUGUST 30 & 31

UGA's OneSource Demo Days are scheduled for **Wednesday, August 30** and **Thursday, August 31**. This will be an opportunity for campus to get a "sneak peek" of the new PeopleSoft system. Demo Days will be held at the Georgia Center in Room K/L.

For more information and to RSVP for the OneSource Demo Days, please visit the [OneSource website](#).

*(Please note that the July 26 & 27 dates that were previously mentioned have been canceled)*

## UPCOMING SRG ELECTIONS

The F&A Staff Representative Group (SRG) will be having elections for the executive board for FY18 on July 19 at 2:00 in room 268 of the MLC. All classified F&A staff members who have completed their six-month probationary period are eligible to become members and serve as SRG representatives.

We would encourage all interested F&A staff members to attend the July meeting to learn more about SRG and its initiatives. View more information on the SRG site [here](#).

UGA Food Services is pleased to announce that the department's name has changed to **UGA Dining Services**.

The new name reflects the exceptional dining experience and customer service provided by the department to all who dine on campus.

## FORTSON 4-H STAFF SAVE WOMAN'S LIFE

On Thursday, April 20, 2017, an attendee passed out while attending a conference at the Fortson 4-H Center in Hampton, Georgia. Other conference members immediately called 911 and made contact with the dining hall manger, Bill McLeroy. Bill immediately contacted Alex Bond, the Fortson 4-H Center Director. Alex notified the CPR trained staff at the center, and they instantly started CPR. The

staff also grabbed the nearest Automatic External Defibrillator (AED). Three shocks were delivered by both the Fortson 4-H staff and the Henry County EMTs. The attendee was later transported to the Piedmont Henry Hospital. Due to the training and quick action of the 4-H staff members, the patient survived.

The UGA Fortson 4-H Center and the other 4-H centers around the state have a robust emergency preparedness program and participate in UGA's AED program. The Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP) manages UGA's AED program on UGA properties and facilities around the state. Steve Harris, the UGA OEP Director, recently recognized Brittany Summer, Matthew Rieger, Claudia Rodriguez, Bill McLeroy and Alex Bond for their lifesaving heroics.



## CENTRAL STEAM PLANT PASSES SAFETY MILESTONE

The Central Steam Plant at the University of Georgia has celebrated 1,550 days without a workplace accident or injury that resulted in lost staff time.

The team of 18 operators works 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, in 3 shifts. They attribute their safety record to four key elements:

1. Using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and continually stressing safety in meetings and shift changes.
2. Maintaining a controlled environment, defining and following the standard operating procedure (SOP) for all elements of plant operation.
3. Ensuring that good housekeeping measures are in place to limit opportunities for slips or falls by putting tools back in their correct place.
4. Establishing a family environment within the Central Steam Plant. All of the steam plant operators are conscious of looking out for the safety of their co-workers.

From heating buildings to ensuring research equipment is free from contamination, UGA's Central Steam Plant is essential to many facets of campus operations. Thank you, UGA Central Steam Plant, for your commitment to safety!



Central Steam Plant

## SANFORD STADIUM WEST END PROJECT

Construction is underway for improvements to Sanford Stadium's west end. The \$63M project will provide 120,000 square feet of new and improved space. Improvements include a new home team locker room, a 500 seat recruitment lounge, new concession and restroom facilities, a larger scoreboard, a new plaza connecting to Gillis Bridge on Sanford Drive with ticketing gate access directly from the bridge and other improvements that will all add to the player, recruit and fan experience. Construction for the project will continue through the fall of 2018.

## UPDATED ONESOURCE RESOURCES

Several new videos have been added to the Video Resource page. These include several short overview videos that show the project timeline, the project scope, and those who will be affected by the project. Please visit [www.onesource.uga.edu/videos/](http://www.onesource.uga.edu/videos/) to view specific project topics.



## ONESOURCE PROJECT: SIMPLER TRAINING

As part of UGA's OneSource project, the Simpler reporting system is being made available to UGA employees. There are several new instructional videos available on the Simpler Home Page at <http://simpler.uga.edu>. Archpass Duo is required for access to this system. Equipment inventory data has been added and allows inventory representatives on campus to search for equipment by department, account number, and inventory number without having to request additional access. Simpler training classes are offered once each month through Training and Development. If you have ten or more users, we can bring the training to you. Please contact us through [onesource@uga.edu](mailto:onesource@uga.edu). For more information, please visit [onesource.uga.edu](http://onesource.uga.edu).

## BULLDOG PRINT + DESIGN OFFERS ePUBLISHING PRODUCTS

Electronic publishing, also known as "ePublishing," combines all the benefits of a printed product with the ability to incorporate multimedia elements such as graphics, short video clips, photos, animations and hyperlinks. The finished product is a flexible solution, which creates a digital version of the publication, along with a smartphone app that can download in the iTunes, Google Play and Kindle stores.

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- Documents are searchable and users can click links without leaving the document.
- Once the app is created, additional publications can be added easily.
- Documents are available in iTunes, Google Play and Kindle app stores.

Some applications for this technology include manuals, brochures, newsletters, magazines, annual reports, catalogs, newspapers, yearbooks, surveys, training courses, and reference materials. We look forward to partnering with our campus customers to implement this new cutting-edge product. Contact Harold Waters at [hwaters@uga.edu](mailto:hwaters@uga.edu) to schedule an in-person demonstration!

## ONESOURCE TESTERS & TRAINERS NEEDED

Anyone interested in being a tester or trainer for the PeopleSoft system, please contact Penny Benton at [onesource@uga.edu](mailto:onesource@uga.edu) for more information.

## COMMITMENT TO EFFICIENCY

UGA Transportation and Parking Services is working to upgrade lighting in the Intramural and Performing Arts Center decks for the start of Fall semester. LED lighting brings brighter, safer, and more energy-efficient spaces to the UGA campus. The conversion to LED lighting in these decks will mean that all UGA parking decks are equipped with state-of-the-art, sustainable, and safe lighting.

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