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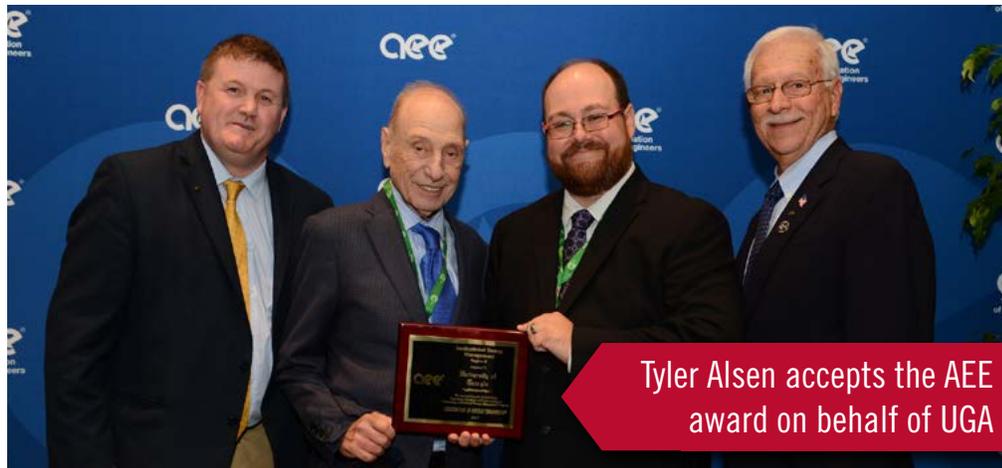
## ADVANCING SUSTAINABILITY

On Friday, September 15, the Facilities Management Division (FMD) at UGA was awarded the Institutional Energy Management award by the Association of Energy Engineers (AEE) for the University's efforts in reducing campus wide energy consumption by over 20% since 2007. UGA was one of two universities in the country to receive this award.

UGA's 2020 Strategic Plan calls for a 25% reduction in energy use by 2020. At the end of the current fiscal year, UGA will have reduced its energy consumption by almost 22%.

Various energy initiatives are responsible for this energy reduction, including installing LED lighting upgrades, investing in high-performance district energy plants, and reducing temperature settings during holiday breaks.

Congratulations to FMD and the entire University community. Thank you for your commitment to sustainability!



Tyler Alsen accepts the AEE award on behalf of UGA

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## OPEN ENROLLMENT

Benefits Open Enrollment will be  
**October 30-November 10.**

To review your current plan selections, please click [here](#).

To review details of the 2018 benefits plans, please click [here](#).



## DEDICATIONS AND GROUND BREAKINGS

On the Athens campus and around the state, UGA is enhancing its undergraduate and graduate education programs through the groundbreaking and dedication of new facilities.

Recently, the Terry College of Business celebrated the dedication of Phase II of the Business Learning Community, and also broke ground on Phase III, due to open in 2019. Phase II includes auditoriums and classrooms, labs, and offices for faculty and staff members.

Also, UGA celebrated the opening of three new turfgrass research and education facilities on the Griffin, Tifton, and Athens campuses. These facilities and their staff support the turfgrass industry by conducting research, educating industry professionals, and training students who will become future leaders.

Please see the following links to read more about the [Business Learning Community Dedication](#) and the opening of the [Turfgrass Facilities](#).



Ceremonial groundbreaking of Phase III of the Business Learning Community

## ELECTRIC BUSES

UGA Transportation and Parking Services continues to test electric buses as part of the selection process after receiving a grant to introduce the new vehicles to UGA's bus fleet.

On September 21-22, the department tested a new electric bus by servicing the Milledge Avenue and Orbit bus routes, two of Campus Transit's busiest routes, for a full shift each day. The bus ran on Thursday for 6.5 hours and 8 hours on Friday with the bus using only one-third of the battery charge each day.

## BIKE & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY DAY

The first Bike and Pedestrian Safety Day was hosted by Auxiliary Services and other campus partners on September 8, 2017 at the Tate Plaza. This event demonstrated safe cycling, walking, and driving practices and provided information about transportation around Athens.



## FY18 YEAR END PLANNING

With the transition to PeopleSoft on July 1, 2018, fiscal year-end dates will be shared earlier than usual so the UGA Community can plan for these deadlines and dates when certain systems will not be available.

The Fiscal Year-End letter can be found here: <http://busfin.uga.edu/accounting/yearend.pdf>.

Bursar and Treasury Services would like to thank those who attended the 2017 PCI Training Sessions for UGA credit card merchants. Thank you for helping to keep our credit card environment safe and secure!

For additional information contact: Lauren Hofmann, UGA Credit Card Coordinator, [hofmannl@uga.edu](mailto:hofmannl@uga.edu)

## FIRE SAFETY TEAM

UGA's Fire Extinguisher Coordinator, Tina Pittman and her team of students manage the monthly and annual inspections of approximately 9,000 fire extinguishers in campus buildings and facilities. In accordance with Georgia's Fire Safety Code,

portable fire extinguishers must be visually inspected at least once every 30 days for serviceability. The inspection process consists of scanning and applying bar codes on each extinguisher and at every mount location, validating that the fire extinguisher is in good working condition, verifying service dates, and recording serial numbers. If an extinguisher is found that has been discharged or needs service, Tina coordinates its replacement. The success of this important program would not be possible without the help of student workers. Thank you, Fire Safety Team, for your commitment to creating a safe environment across campus!



## KASSINGER SCHOLARSHIP

The Edward T. and Sarah Laurent Kassinger Scholarship board has awarded the 2017 Kassinger Scholarship to Officer Allan Krish with the University of Georgia (UGA) Police Department in recognition of his academic achievements and work pursuits.

The scholarship is provided to graduate and undergraduate students who complete academic degrees while employed full-time as a UGA police officer or as a working student in the Criminal Justice studies program at UGA. The award is named for Edward Kassinger, Director of the UGA Public Safety Division from 1969-1983, and his late wife, Sarah.

Officer Krish has been employed by the University's Police Department since 2016. In June 2017, Krish received a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Management from the Union Institute & University in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Kassinger Scholarship is awarded on an annual basis and is administered by the UGA Office of Emergency Preparedness.



Officer Allan Krish

## COOK'S HOLIDAY

UGA Dining Services will present its annual Cook's holiday event on December 14-15, 2017. Tickets go on sale November 1, are limited, and can be purchased online or in person at the Tate Box Office.

For more information, visit [dining.uga.edu/about/cooks-holiday](http://dining.uga.edu/about/cooks-holiday) or call 706-583-0892.



## IN REMEMBRANCE

Joe Seay, longtime member of the FMD Automotive Center, recently passed away. Joe served the University for 54 years managing the rental fleet and staffing the pump station. Many on campus knew him as "Mr. Joe".

It will be almost impossible to replace a historical figure such as Joe, but as he would have said, "I don't think I could have worked for a better place or people; now let's keep it going."

Joe is an admirable example of the committed team members found throughout Finance & Administration. He is and will be missed.

## CENTER FOR MOLECULAR MEDICINE DEDICATION



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## FINANCE BUSINESS PROCESS DESIGN FORUM

The Finance Business Process Design Forum presentation is now available on the OneSource website at [https://onesource.uga.edu/resources/finance\\_business\\_process\\_review/](https://onesource.uga.edu/resources/finance_business_process_review/).

The purpose of the Forum was to provide a summary of those business processes that will have a significant or impactful change to the community, to share the final draft of PeopleSoft module-related business process diagrams, and to provide an opportunity to ask questions about the business processes. Please use the recording as a refresher and feel free to share with your colleagues.

## ONESOURCE TOWN HALL

To advise the University community of recent activities related to UGA's OneSource Project, a town hall is planned for Thursday, November 16 at 10:00 a.m. in the Georgia Center's Room K/L.

All UGA faculty and staff are invited to this town hall. The UGA community will receive information about timelines and recent planning activities and will learn about opportunities for faculty and staff to participate in future project activities. To RSVP, please click [here](#).

## HUG-A-COKE

University of Georgia Auxiliary Services partnered with Coca-Cola to bring a Coca-Cola Hug Me Machine to campus for the University community to enjoy on September 13-14, 2017. The Hug Me machine traded free Coca-Cola products for a hug.

During the two day event, 4,272 hugs were given in 17 hours. A total of 57 cases of Coca-Cola, 76 cases of Coca-Cola Zero Sugar and 45 cases of Sprite were given out and the vendor refilled the machine seven times during the event.

To view an event video, please see the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1wM2vJqEo4>

