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Welcome to STUFF

Hello Drake University Staff and welcome to the first edition of STUFF for Drake Staff. All Staff Council would like to bring you staff-specific campus news to help keep you informed.

Highlighted here are a few of the "hot topics" affecting staff, as well as opportunities for you to get involved or give your input.

Please let us know what news, topics, and events you would like to see here in future issues!

Student Services Center & New ID Cards



The Office of Public Safety is pleased to announce the opening of the Student Services Center and new ID cards. Sara Heijerman is the new manager of the office.

38 buildings on campus have been fitted with card readers to help ensure safety. The tailored access and added security that these card readers provide will also be an important asset in the case of a campus

Drake Technology Services: An Update



The Drake IT RightStep reorganization process has been underway for over seven months and inquiring minds want to know: where are we in the overall reorganization process?

Per CIO [Joe Riesberg](#), selections of IT personnel for open positions has occurred. A new DTS professional development series is also in progress, with the first session focused on 'creating exceptional IT client services.' To ensure strong team collaboration and cohesion, renovations are underway in Dial and Carnegie. Beginning in August, DTS will formally start the transition process for each area/unit/school to ensure Drake is ready for the new semester.

Joe acknowledges the difficulty in this transition, but is confident that we will get through this! For updates on the process, follow the [CIO Blog](#).

New Staff—July

Please welcome the following new staff to Drake!

emergency. Drake ID cards now will grant authorized access to buildings outside normal operating hours. They will also continue to be used at Cowles Library, the Bell Center, and the DART bus system.

Faculty and Staff ID cards will be distributed in your buildings before the school year begins. More details: [ASC News](#)

Upcoming Events



Here's what's coming up:

- **All University Picnic:** Thursday, July 31st from 11-1 at the Fine Arts Arcade
- **Learning Symposium:** Friday, August 15th from 8-3:30 at Sheraton West Des Moines
- **Upcoming ASC committee meetings:** Wednesday, August 6th from 3:30-4:30 in the Paul Morrison room in the Bell Center. All are welcome! Come to learn about the IT RightStep program and updates on the Presidential Search Committee
- **ASC Events:** Tailgating on Friday, October 24th from 11-1 at the Agora

For future event information, check [ASC News](#) as well as blueView.

Called to be True Blue Nominations

Keep the Called to be True Blue nominations coming! Do you know someone or an office that practices excellence, learning, integrity, citizenship, and/or fiscal responsibility?

[Nominate](#) them to be recognized!

The most recent Sapphire Awards was May 7 and honored Carla McCrea as the overall Called to be True Blue winner.

For details and past recipients, see [ASC Recognition page](#).



<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>
Timothy Lowe	Athletics
Walter Blount	Athletics
Dominique Kelley	Athletics
Thomas Florian	Athletics
Kasey Griffith	Athletics
Caleb Whited-Ford	Athletics
Michael Dunnick	DTS
Frederick (Fred) Jones	DTS
Thomas Lehn	Office of Admission
Anthony Ferguson	Office of Admission
Kathryn (Kate) Evans	PCDS
Melanie Givens	Prov. Office / CPHS
Tia Frederick	Public Safety
Meghan Blancas	Student Life

Did You Know...?

[Drake Wellness](#) offers a wide variety of free programming for all members of the Drake community. Daily exercise classes, fitness assessments, stress management, and wellness seminars are just a few of the many programs offered. Check out their [website](#) for details or email [Jana Peterson](#) with questions!



Questions, Suggestions & Feedback



We want to hear from you: **[Fill out the survey!](#)**

The goals of All Staff Council include strengthening communication and providing a vehicle for communication of interests, concerns and issues that impact staff.

Let us know via the survey or [email](#) how we can help you and what information you would like to see featured here!

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