

PHASE II OF BROWN TO BROWN

The Brown to Brown Home Ownership Program is now entering Phase II after successfully selling all four homes that were part of Phase I. The program provides eligible faculty and staff members the opportunity to purchase certain Brown-owned residential properties. The Brown to Brown program enhances the University's mission by helping support the attraction and retention of faculty and staff by providing the opportunity for housing close to campus in an attractive neighborhood. The University, the City of Providence, and the University's College Hill neighbors also benefit from the restoration of these homes, enhancement of the neighborhoods, and return of the properties

to the City's tax base as privately-owned residences.

There are currently four properties that are part of Phase II. The properties will be available after completion of construction for purchase at 80% of fair market value (based upon an appraisal). As part of the program, the University retains the right to repurchase the properties (at 80% of fair market value), should the need arise, for any University purpose, or if the participant wishes to sell, or leaves Brown employment (other than by retirement).

The homes in [Phase II](#) are located at 117 Brown Street, 287 and 291 Brook Street, and 93 Benevolent Street. The Brook Street properties will be converted into five 1-2

bedroom condominium units and 93 Benevolent will be a single-family home. The Brook Street and Benevolent Street properties will share common areas for parking and garden space; renovations are scheduled to start in the fall of 2010. Renovations have already begun at the property located at 117 Brown Street with an estimated completion time of spring 2011. This property is already under contract.

If you would like to learn more about the program, or its eligibility guidelines, please visit the [Brown to Brown Home Ownership Program](#) on Brown University's website.

PHASE II HOUSES



117 Brown Street



287 Brook Street

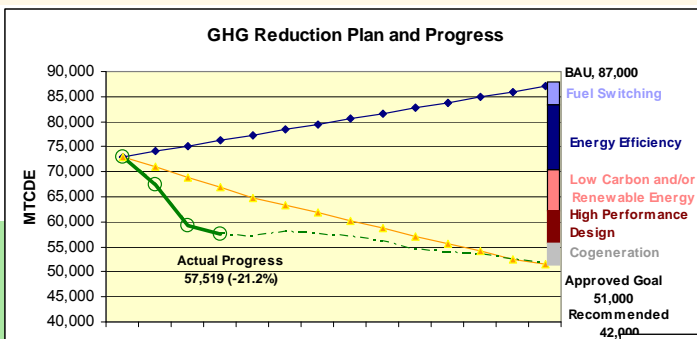


291 Brook Street



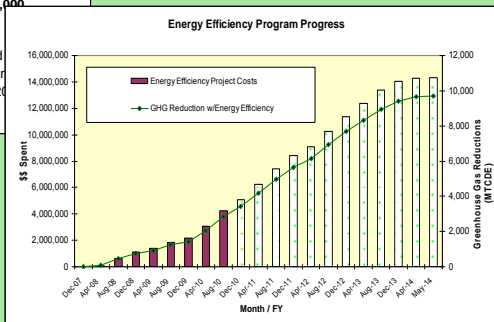
93 Benevolent Street

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND GHG REDUCTION PROGRESS



Recommended reduction is based on 15% below 1990 levels, including growth. Approved Goal is based below 2007 for existing buildings, up to 50% better than code for new construction, and up to 30% better acquired buildings. Interim reduction goals are 4% per year from 2008 through 2011, 3% per year from 2019, and 2% in 2020.

To read the full report, please visit [Sustainability Progress Report](#) at http://www.brown.edu/Facilities/Facilities_Management/energy/energy.php



TECH TIP- GOOGLE MAIL

Need help? Email FM_IT_Helpdesk@brown.edu

This email account is monitored by several Facilities' Systems & Services staff members, in order to provide you with a prompt response.

Need help with Google

Plan to attend a Facilities' staff *Google Apps Q&A Session*:

Where Conference Room A, 295 Lloyd Avenue
 When: Wednesday, October 20th, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM
 Thursday, October 21st, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM (bring your lunch)

Sign up with Montgomery_Combs@brown.edu. Email your questions and/or topics that you would like to learn about to Monty in advance.

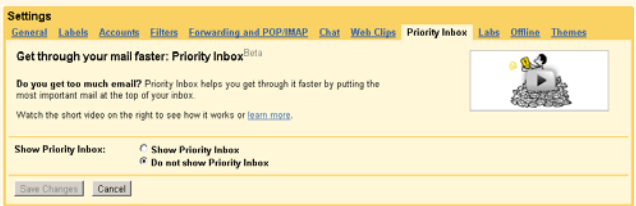
Did you know that Google starting rolling out a new feature that will allow you to "un-thread" your conversations? Come to one of the sessions to learn more.



Too much mail in your inbox?

Watch the Google video on "Priority Inbox."

From your inbox click on *New! Priority Inbox* or *Settings* and watch the video.



MEDICAL EDUCATION BUILDING AT 222 RICHMOND RENDERINGS



Academy Interior



Auditorium



Public Space



Atrium



BROWN LIGHTS UP HARVARD, 29-14

With a near sellout crowd of 17,360, built in 1925, Brown Stadium's first night game was held on September 25th. Temporary lighting was installed for the Homecoming match-up against the Crimson. Four banks of Musco lights illuminated Brown Stadium, with two banks of temporary lights towering above the stadium on either side of the field.

Supporting the event were: (Custodial) L. Eastman, L. Tavares, C. Santiago, Z. Silveira, (Grounds) R. Garvey, S. Lavoie, A. Pereira, and photographed (Electrical) J. Leca, C. J. Murphy, G. Johnson, L. Piacitelli, J. Grzebien, G. Tate, J. Jennings, and U. DeAlmedia



OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY EVENT AND CONFERENCE SERVICES

As a result of the recommendation from the University Organization Review Committee, the University Event and Conference Services offices were combined with Facilities' Events Support office in July. The merging of events, conference, and scheduling coordinators and managers along with the hiring of a few new key staff members resulted in a team of 11 staff who are housed on the second floor of 295 Lloyd Avenue in the Office of University Event & Conference Services.

The key role of this new group is to consolidate the event planning process for students, faculty, and staff.

Event requests, which flow into the office through the scheduling coordinator, can be assigned to an event coordinator depending upon the needs of the requestor. The event and conference team work closely with Dining Services, Media Technology Services, Graphic Services, and the Department of Public Safety to coordinate all events.

The goal of combining event planning and support under one roof promotes higher levels of efficiency and support while ensuring event protocols are in compliance with University regulations and standards. The combined ef-

forts will create efficiencies by improving financial management, streamlining procedures, reducing expenses, and ultimately creating new opportunities to generate revenue for the university.

Did you know...There are over 500 recognized student groups on the Brown campus? Many requests for space and event support come from our creative and active student body in the form of meetings, conferences, concerts and special performances.

Check out the new scheduling Space Availability Grid before planning your next meeting or event www.brown.edu/scheduling

Spotted at Wriston Quad



Brown cow helps Grounds trim and weed grass.

The Transit Room reopens on October 19th.

LADD OBSERVATORY TRANSIT ROOM RENOVATED

The University recently completed an historic renovation of the [Ladd Observatory's](#) (opened in 1891) *transit room*.

The project, funded in part by the Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission, included work to the building's interior and exterior, restoring both the historical aesthetic as well as the function of the space.

The *transit room* was designed specifically for star transit observation and time keeping. The telescope was used to calibrate the clocks, which would then generate a

telegraph signal that was sent throughout the city. Some recipients of this signals included jewelers, factories and train depots. Moving forward, the

Ladd Observatory will be open to the public, free of charge, Tuesday evenings starting October 12th, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, weather permitting. Please call 401-863-2323 for updated information.

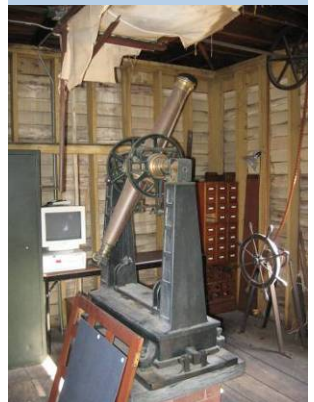
space will be used mainly for education and will also be open to the public.

Function in this space included four roof hatches that are hand cranked open against the counter weight of rope-suspended masonry

blocks that hang in the building's basement. The four windows drop into the wall cavities, thus allowing for contiguous sky observation from two telescopes mounted

in the center of this room. Restoration, of these mechanical moving parts, was a large part of the renovation project. Also included were interior and exterior

wall repair and painting, a new zinc coated roof, joist structure repair, as well as the installation of new wall sconces to resemble the gas-powered lighting once used there.



PRUNING NEWTON'S APPLE TREE—GROUNDS AT WORK

The Brown University campus landscape features an extremely diverse collection of plant material. Because of the micro climates created within the proximity of buildings and quads, plants such as Eastern Redbuds normally grown in North Carolina, Sequoias normally grown in California, and Davidia or Dove tree normally grown in the Pacific Northwest are just a few of the unique species being grown on campus. There is something in bloom every month of the year including January and February. The gardens of 84 Prospect ([Rochambeau](#)) are listed in the Smithsonian Institute of National Gardens. The original Brown family home, now the home of the Department of French Studies, was redesigned in the [Olmsted](#) style in 1891 and a must see for anyone interested in unique landscapes. The gardens at 55 Power Street feature a formal rose garden, peony's, vegetable and herb garden.

Are you aware that Brown maintains an apple tree that (according to a professor who gave it to us) is a direct descendant of the original apple tree Newton sat under when he discovered gravity or that we maintain one of the largest collections of American Elms left in the world.

Brown's landscape inventory includes 76 acres of campus and high level sports field turf and 6.5 acres of beds full of shrubs, trees, and perennials. Only proper maintenance and care of any landscape can have a positive impact on its appearance. The optimum level of maintenance and the best practices to be used will vary within a given area and certainly from one location to



Brown Stadium

another. Soil condition, pedestrian traffic, intended and un-intended uses, expectations and resources, all help to determine maintenance priorities and regimens. The maintenance schedule can vary—some tasks need to be performed daily, weekly, monthly, or annually. Extreme heat, cold, drought, and excessive rain present numerous maintenance challenges that must be overcome by Facilities' grounds personnel in order to be successful.

In order to accomplish all the necessary work and diverse tasks, the grounds department staff are organized into four subsections—campus landscape, athletic field crew, campus

services, and ice rink—with staff skill and technology levels able to handle a large number of complex tasks and issues. In addition, the staff includes a full-time equipment mechanic to keep the vast amount of complex

equipment in peak condition. Vital equipment, application of chemicals, and irrigation is as sophisticated as any in this part of the country.

The campus landscape crew is split into eight maintenance zones. Each zone encompasses approximately six acres and 22 buildings. Tasks such as daily trash pickup, mowing, pruning, watering, weeding, planting, sweeping, and deicing on campus are performed in this manner. Zone maintenance fosters a sense of ownership, ensures continuity, facilitates supervision of jobs, and allows staff to demonstrate a sustained commitment toward making the grounds a more beautiful place.

Click [here](#) for a map of [Campus Trees and Shrubs](#)*

* http://docs.google.com/viewer?a=v&q=cache:tKIF3EQxUGJ:www.brown.edu/Facilities/Facilities_Management/docs/94109_BIOMED_tree_shrub_map.pdf+campus+trees+and+shrubs+map&hl=en&gl=us&pid=bl&srcid=ADGEESiWgzedhx4oCUg5NAyvlZ2VEgHb0xC0a7eo0RkJR7kswK3DXmfl.Syzyk_EHHL4LrF14bA01PacNGOqrimJ8J8CLErO6NiqcOkmn-_sKBhtFv4dlUIBmA60szpCFuMRqNuUaj&sig=AHIEtbQMCPm9o2JLLz7f0PlcOtu3JuUhw

SIGNATURE LANDSCAPES



Flowering Dogwoods



Rochambeau Gardens



Eastern Redbud



Acer Palmatum "Bloodgood"



Blooming Crabapples
"Malus Floribunda"



Perennial Garden

REMINDERS

Have a question about your uniforms or safety goggles? Contact Stores Operations at x3-2734.

Continue to submit your Facilities Management suggestions. Suggestion boxes are located at 295 Lloyd and at the various key stations.

SAVE THE DATE

October 14, Flu Clinic, 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM, 295 Lloyd, 3RD Floor, Conference Rm. A

November 20th, Facilities Management 6th Annual Tailgate Party, Dartmouth vs. Brown

November 23rd, Holiday Pie and Food Drive Kick Off

December 22nd, Holiday Breakfast

Stewards' Meeting — 1st Wednesday of each month

Labor/Management Meetings — 2nd Wednesday of each month

HOLIDAYS

October 11th, Fall Weekend (Columbus Day)

November 25th, Thanksgiving Day, and November 26, Day After Thanksgiving

December 24th, Christmas Eve Day

December 27th, Christmas Day Holiday

December 28th through December 30th, Winter Break

December 31st, New Years Eve

January 17th, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

COMINGS & GOINGS

New Hires

Brown, Joan
Cruz, Justina

Cusick, Patrick

Demattio, Deborah

DeVona, James

Evora, Elisio

Heaney, Chuck

Macari, Anthony

Monteiro, Magany

Rendina, Gianluca

Richardson, Jessie

Squitierre, Jane

Thorp, Michael

Tiburcio, Beatriz

Ventrice, Deborah

Promotions

Fontes, Maria

Rose, Henry

Executive Assistant
Custodian II
Controls Application Engineer
Custodian II
Information Services Technician
Custodian II
Custodian II
Custodian II
Supervisor, Electrical
Custodian II
Custodian II
Custodian II
Events Assistant
Assistant Director, Event and
Conference Services
Custodian II
Project Manager

Custodial Shift Assistant
Supervisor, Custodial

Current Openings

Custodial Shift Assistant
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Custodial Shift Assistant
Custodial Shift Assistant
Custodian II
Custodian II
Custodian II
Locksmith
Manager, HVAC and Controls
Service Response Coordinator
Service Response Coordinator
Service Response Coordinator
Stationary Engineer Mechanic
Stationary Engineer Operator
Stationary Engineer Operator
Supervisor, Controls
Supervisor, Plumbing
Water Treatment Technician

Offices:

- Custodial
- Engineering
- Events & Conference Services
- Finance
- Human Resources and Labor Relations
- Maintenance Services
- Planning Design & Construction
- Service Response Center
- Stores Operations
- Systems and Services
- Real Estate

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Photo from the new Stephen Robert '62 Campus Center.

CONTRIBUTING TO THE NEWSLETTER

This edition of *Facilities News* includes information regarding many of our efforts underway. It has been written to provide all Facilities Management employees with information regarding Department activities across the various offices. If you have any suggestions for articles or would like to contribute to *Facilities News* please contact FM_Newsletter@Brown.edu.