

Employees Get Insiders' Tour of Federal Reserve Plaza

What's above you if you work on the top floor? Federal Reserve Bank Senior Executive Assistant Carolynne Jones wondered that very thing, and got talking about it with a couple of friends, and when one thing leads to another, you find yourself on the roof of a 33-story office tower overlooking Boston Harbor and being "blown away" by the view.

Carolynne and her colleagues Tina Alva and Maria Pinnix recently got an up close view of some of the behind the scenes spots at Federal Reserve Plaza, when Property Management VP Dana Warren and Building Manager Mike Gill took the three women on an insiders' tour of the building. Their reactions surprised them. "You never think about what keeps a building running," says Maria, "and it sounds funny to say that the mechanical rooms were really interesting, but they were."

The group toured for approximately an hour and a half, beginning on the roof – with those stunning views – at the cooling tower that cools the refrigerant that drives the air conditioning system. From the roof, they made stops at the two main mechanical rooms on the 33rd and 5th floors, and ended on B2 in the main fire pump room for a look at the fire suppression system, learning at each location just what was going on before their eyes.



Carolynn Jones, Tina Alva, and Maria Pinnix

"We didn't know anything about how building systems operate, but Mike explained everything in a way that we could understand, how they are connected to each other and how they function, and I really enjoyed learning about it all, even the color coding that makes the rooms so bright," said Maria Pinnix.

Take the tour yourself

Since word of the impromptu tour has gotten around, requests for a similar up close look have come from other Bank and tenant staff, so Property Management has offered to conduct some additional tours this summer. The LEU has agreed to include the Mezzanine firing range where our officers regularly practice their marksmanship.

If you are interested in getting your own look at some of the critical but lesser known spaces in Federal Reserve Plaza, contact Property Management's Service Request Line at 617.973.3255 or contact liaison Janice Kimsey at janice.kimsey@bos.frb.org



Did you know...

... that Federal Reserve Plaza is hosting an Energy Fair on July 28, in celebration of our 3rd annual ENERGY STAR designation?

Through the MassSave® program, an ENERGY STAR certified vendor will offer a range of energy efficient lighting products at deeply discounted prices.

You will also have the opportunity to meet representatives from Next Step Living, a leading provider of the home energy efficiency program sponsored by Mass Save® and NStar Electric, to learn how to save potentially hundreds of dollars each year. For more information on the Energy Fair, Mass Save®, and Next Step Living, visit:

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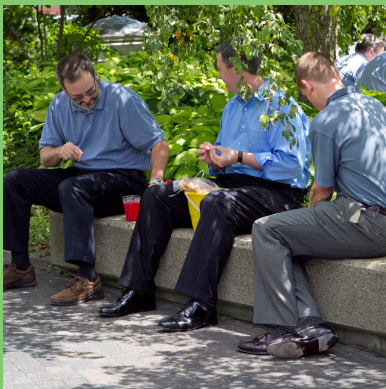
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ENERGY FAIR – THURSDAY 7/28
8AM – 2PM 4TH FLOOR

Celebrate Summer

Plaza Picnic

Ferocious winters teach New Englanders to enjoy their summers, and we like to kick off the season together. This year Federal Reserve Plaza hosted a "Picnic Lunch". From traditional summertime favorites like lobster salad and BBQ chicken to vegetarian twists like Chinatown Veggie and wheatberry, the picnic fare and the festive atmosphere brought everyone a little slice of summer in the middle of our workday.





For more photos of the summer celebration, visit www.federalreserveplaza.com

At Your Service



Landscaping Shop

How many hours do you spend tending to your lawn and garden to make them look their best? Imagine you had more than 5 acres to tend outside, plus tens of thousands of square feet inside. You might feel you'd need an army in order to keep up. Believe it or not, our Landscaping Shop does it all with 3 very talented people.



Alan Cumming, Jay Tripp, Paul Kelly

Trained horticulturists, the 3 men responsible for all of the greenery and color are supervisor Paul Kelly and senior landscapers Alan Cumming and Jay Tripp. They maintain all of our public spaces, such as the Main Lobby and the 4th floor, our award-winning Roof Garden, plus all of the office plants on Bank floors and most of the plants in tenant offices, not to mention our ex-

terior grounds, where a different vista appears around every bend. It's an all-season job, from mowing the lawns to plowing snowy sidewalks. In addition, they craft beautiful floral arrangements every week for various tenants and for the Harborview Dining Room, and for special events. They also maintain a greenhouse, where they nurture a variety of plants, especially our signature orchids.

Together the team has almost 60 years of service, and 6 teenagers. Alan and Jay are outdoorsmen, and enjoy hunting. Paul's latest project is the renovation of a 1975 Airstream camper. At least two admit that their gardens at home suffer a bit when the summer gets hot. "It's like the cobbler's children who have no shoes," jokes Paul.

A special feature of their work is the decoration of the Main Lobby every year at the holidays. The team starts before dawn on Saturday morning and works as long as it takes until the job is done. By Monday the space has been truly transformed, creating a bright, festive atmosphere.

They are always happy to answer questions on plant care, or the organic gardening methods and water-efficient irrigation systems they employ in our gardens. Some folks are "all thumbs" - we're happy to say our landscaping team is all green thumbs.

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Summer in the City

Where will you find...


the oldest continually used lighthouse in the US? That's right, on Little Brewster Island, part of the Boston Harbor Islands. With 1,600 acres and 35 miles of undeveloped shoreline, the Islands boast Revolutionary War memorials, Civil War era forts, landscapes by Frederick Law Olmstead, and even a ghost. Over time home to American Indians, militiamen, Irish immigrants, and prisoners of war, the 12 island national park offers fishing, camping, hiking, birding, blading, dog walking, horseback riding, and cross country skiing.

With its wave-like concrete canopies and 2,000 sqft. map, the new **Harbor Islands Pavilion** is a striking addition to the Greenway, providing information about the Islands' history and ecology, recreational opportunities, and ferry tickets - everything you need to take advantage of this unique summer destination right at our doorstep.

For more information on the Pavilion and the Harbor Islands, visit:

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