



A message from the UNCG Staff Senate August/September 2015

1 Million Good Nights Drive

What makes a good night? For most children, bedtime is a time of comfort, love and security. A time when children crave intimacy with their moms and dads, a few minutes of bonding and sharing in a safe, secure environment. But for the millions of children in need here in America, a good night is a luxury they do not often experience.

The goal of the **One Million Good Nights Campaign** is to provide one million children with a set of pajamas and a book.

To participate, please drop off a pair of new pajamas (all ages and sizes needed) and/ or a book to one of the boxes located around campus between September 8 and 28.

For questions or more information please contact Katie Geise at kngeise@uncg.edu.



To learn more, [check out this YouTube video](#) or visit their website at:

<http://www.pajamaprogram.org/>.

Campus Master Plan and Facilities Services Overview

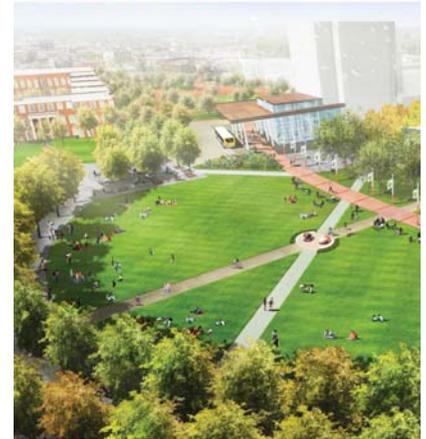
FOREST STREET CORRIDOR



Did you know that the *Campus Master Plan* includes a goal of “bringing the forest back to Forest Street” and creating a new transit hub at Jackson Library?

If you had been at the August 13, 2015, Staff Senate meeting, you would have seen a preview of UNCG’s plan to do just that!

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Jorge Quintal, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities, presented an overview of Facilities Services and a condensed version of the *Campus Master Plan*.

If you’re interested in seeing the *entire* 2014 report, go to Facilities Design and Construction link to access the file (23 MB pdf).

<http://facdc.uncg.edu/campus-master-plan/>



Looking for financial assistance for school?

The UNC Staff Assembly Memorial Scholarship application deadline is October 1, 2015!

It provides up to \$1,000 tuition assistance.

If you have questions, please contact Kim Zinke at kpzinke@uncg.edu or Elizabeth L'Eplattenier at ebleplat@uncg.edu.



Upcoming Senate Meetings and Activities:



September 10, 2015
10am-12noon

"Students in Distress" Training
with the Dean of Students Office
Virginia Dare Room, Alumni House

October 8, 2015
10am-11:30am

Guest Speaker: Chancellor Gilliam
Virginia Dare Room, Alumni House
Open to the UNCG Community

October 1-17, 2015

Call for Angel Tree Nominations
More information to follow at a later date

October 17, 2015
9am (check-in 8-8:40am)

2015 Homecoming 5K
Check-in and Start/Finish behind the Student Rec Center. See <http://campusrec.uncg.edu/fitness/programs/5k/> for more information!

For more information, please contact Kim Zinke at kpzin-

Staff Spotlight



Judy Smith

Director, Office of Space Management

Judy Smith is no stranger to service. She was the 2010-11 Service Committee co-chair for Staff Senate and has worked at UNCG for ten years.



She was involved with a local mission project through her church that assisted Burmese refugee families in Greensboro to learn English, find employment, and become familiar with their surroundings. As she and her partners became more involved they realized there were vast amounts of opportunities to serve the Burmese. After speaking with local resettlement agencies, they decided to take the next step and become a nonprofit organization—Epoch Renewal.

When asked about a memorable moment, she replied, "I don't think I could name one moment that is more memorable than another. Each time our Burmese friends take another step toward acculturation and we see the joy they experience as they take that step, it brings us a sense of accomplishment as well."

They are working to expand their volunteer base to provide more programs. Volunteers are needed for various areas—helping with homework, and teaching classes on building credit, financial health, and writing skills. Teaching skills are helpful but not necessary.

Judy says, "We work to inform them of our culture and help with education in many ways but our lives are enriched as well as we have an opportunity to learn about and share in their culture."



To learn more about Epoch Renewal or to become a volunteer, visit <http://www.epochrenewal.org>.

If you know a staff member who has an interesting "story," hobby, or achievement to share, contact Leigh Olsen at leigh.olsen@uncg.edu. You may also call her at 334-5398.



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