As the old adage says: “Out with the old, in with the new.”

Auburn University’s Facilities Management is preparing to do just that, removing some of the older, more dilapidated buildings on campus and replacing them with state-of-the-art classroom space and creature comforts.

Allison Laboratory—currently used as classroom and office space for math, chemistry and physics within the College of Sciences and Mathematics—and Parker Hall—currently used for computer centers COSAM classrooms—are both scheduled for demolition. Allison is scheduled for the end of this year and Parker no earlier than the summer of 2021 to prepare for the proposed construction of Auburn’s Academic Classroom and Learning Center (ACLC).

“In the sequence of construction activity, we’ve kind of stepped back to the current projects we have right now,” Campus Architect Brad Prater said. “The Leach Science Center Addition will be completed in late 2018 and that will allow the physics department to move out of Allison Laboratory.

“When the physics department and a couple of other COSAM groups are out of Allison, they’ll be able to tear Allison down and reroute all the utilities to temporarily feed Parker Hall, set up the site for the permanent feeds for the ACLC.”

Currently, Allison’s demolition and grading are expected to be completed by May 2019, and Parker’s demolition by August 2022.

The ACLC is pending final approval by the Board of Trustees. It is expected to go before the board on Sept. 14. The initiation of the project was approved on Feb. 6, 2015, including the demolition of Allison Laboratory and Parker Hall.

While the vision of the ACLC has changed many times since first being discussed in 2010, the demolition of Allison and Parker have not. Allison was completed in 1963, but the physics department is in need of more modern facilities, to be provided by the Leach addition, which is expected to be completed in December. And few aren’t aware of the foibles of Parker Hall.

Situated over a 72-inch storm drain, Parker Hall, also completed in 1963, is very capable of flooding its bottom floor. In 2004, a quick, heavy rainstorm caused a metal drain near the building to flood, bring more than eight inches of water into the basement level of Parker where the Office of Information Technology was located. The university email system was offline for about 14 hours before being brought back to life.

Due to the university’s need for the lecture hall space inside Parker, it “can come down no earlier than summer of 2021,” Prater said. “Right now we’ve planned the documents and the sequence and all the construction logic works around keeping Parker online for the duration of the ACLC construction.”

The ACLC will provide welcome, advanced laboratory and classroom space for students while allowing the university to dissolve its relationship with two of its most failing buildings. It’s a continued push to upgrade the core of Auburn’s campus while remaining true to the university’s goals and mission.

“(Allison and Parker) are in serious disrepair,” said Dan King, associate vice president for Facilities. “The new buildings that would go on that site can provide capabilities far in excess of what Parker and Allison can currently provide the university.”

Allison Laboratory is scheduled to be demolished by May 2019.
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Fall 2018 Move-In Days

MONDAY, AUGUST 6, FRIDAY, AUGUST 10, & THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

Deadline to sign up:
TUESDAY, JULY 31

7AM TO 5PM

UNLOAD items from cars onto carts

Email Haiden Boyles at hbb0013@auburn.edu
with your name, email address, & shirt size!

FREE breakfast lunch, & t-shirts!

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EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

Charnita Wright received a Certificate of Appreciation from Lewando McGruder.

Receiving Certificates of Appreciation from Alex Hedgepath, far left, were, from left, Chris Channell, Anthony Smith, Neil Lawson and Forrest Hall.

Aaron Pittman, right, received a Certificate of Appreciation from Chris Channell.

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Facilities Management will try something a little different for its July luncheon this year by replacing the annual cookout with the first Picnic at the Pond, a Facilities Health and Safety Celebration, to be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, July 12, at the pond outside Building 1.

The picnic will be the first of its kind for Facilities with a myriad of different activities for all members, from the annual cornhole competition to health screenings and a dunking booth.

Planned activities include the cornhole competition, a photo booth, tug of war, a dunking booth, door prizes and health screenings, with special visits from members of the Auburn University School of Nursing and Harrison school of Pharmacy, the City of Auburn Fire Department, Risk Management, Campus Safety and Security, Healthy Tiger, and more.

Guests are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs or blankets.

Lunch will be provided by Mike and Ed’s Bar-B-Q. To register members of your team for the cornhole tournament, email Steven Johnston at sbj0005@auburn.edu by noon on Friday, July 6.

Aubie will also make a surprise visit to the event at noon to take pictures with guests.

**Picnic at the Pond set for July 12**

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pond beside Building 1

**Enjoy lunch provided by Mike & Ed’s Bar-B-Q**

**Join us for these fun activities!**

- **Annual Corn Hole Competition:**
  Register by emailing the names of your team members to Steven Johnston (sbj0005@auburn.edu)

- **Tug of War:** Register by emailing the names of your team members to Brandon Counts (bnc0006@auburn.edu)

**With special visits from:**

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