

## November Supervisor's Report Mall Concourse

Freakfest was our big event for the month of October, and it was a success once again with little to no disturbances. Proper and timely preparations such as pulling plants, bench and bike rack removals, and electrical testing made Freakfest a smooth event. Leaf cleanup continued throughout the month, and our new green machine sweeper handles the leaves more efficiently than our older Tennant sweeper. The sidewalk power washing program has continued into the expansion area, but was slowed down due to Freakfest preparations and leaf cleanup. Every bus shelter on State Street has been sanded and freshly painted with the help of Parks Facilities Maintenance crew instructions. We finished the project of painting and caulking the bases of light poles on the Capitol Square and on State Street.

Preparing for winter maintenance will be at the top of our list for November. However, with the warm weather predicted, we will continue with power washing sidewalks as long as we can. We also plan on planting bulbs such as tulips and daffodils within the landscape beds to brighten the Mall in the early spring. The Farmer's Market will also come to a close after another successful year. The annual Madison Marathon occurs early in November, and we will make preparations for that event as well. As the month draws to a close and the Holiday season approaches, all snowflake lights will be installed, light pole banners will be changed out and the contractor will have installed the evergreen boughs in the planters.