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Like other law schools, East Overshoe State University provides its faculty and staff with a state-of-the-art e-mail system. This has greatly increased productivity and institutional camaraderie, as witnessed by the following recent exchange of messages.

To: Lisa Sheintag
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 3, 2003 - 9:06 a.m.

L - I was in over the weekend and noticed that the fax machine in the Faculty Copy Room is broken again. Can we get someone in to fix it?

Thanks,

Q.

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To: Recipient
From: Lisa Sheintag
Re: Automatic Reply
Date: November 3, 2003 - 9:07 a.m.

I will be out of the office for the next two weeks. In my absence, please direct any concerns to Betty Pantow.

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To: Betty Pantow
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 3, 2003 - 9:12 a.m.

B - I understand that you're covering for Lisa while she's out. The faculty fax machine is broken again and I was wondering if you could get someone in to fix it.

Thanks,

Q.

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Betty Pantow
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 3, 2003 - 11:31 a.m.

Prof. P:

Jane-Marie handles service calls - I'll let her know when I see her - she took an early lunch.

Betty

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To: Betty Pantow
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 3, 2003 - 2:34 p.m.

B - Did you have a chance to talk to Jane-Marie about the fax machine?

Thanks,

Q.

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Betty Pantow
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 5, 2003 - 3:15 p.m.

Prof. P:

I left her a note a couple of days ago – I'll ask her to e-mail you.

Betty

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Jane-Marie Silverlow
Re: Faculty Coffee Machine
Date: November 6, 2003 - 10:13 a.m.

Hi Prof - Betty told me that you were having trouble with the coffee machine, but I just made myself an espresso and it worked great. So I think everything is okay.

JM

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To: Jane-Marie Silverlow
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Coffee Machine
Date: November 6, 2003 - 10:16 a.m.

JM - Actually, I was trying to get the fax machine to work (but I'm glad to hear the coffee machine is working).

Q.

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Jane-Marie Silverlow
Re: Faculty Coffee Machine
Date: November 6, 2003 - 2:00 p.m.

Hi Prof - You need to push the green button on the fax machine - on the coffee machine, it's the red button (I always get those two confused).

JM

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To: Jane-Marie Silverlow
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Coffee Machine
Date: November 6, 2003 - 2:06 p.m.

JM - Yes, I know about the green button (but you're right - it can be tricky). Actually, the fax machine is not working at all and I was hoping you could put in a service call.

Q.

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Jane-Marie Silverlow
Re: Faculty Coffee Machine
Date: November 6, 2003 - 4:17 p.m.

Oh, I haven't handled service calls since Rhoda left. Velma in the library is in charge of service calls.

JM

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To: Velma Flinmeister
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 7, 2003 - 9:26 a.m.

V - I understand that you are in charge of service calls. The faculty fax machine has been broken since Saturday. Could you please have someone come look at it?

Thanks,

Q.

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Velma Flinmeister
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 10, 2003 - 7:44 a.m.

Dear Prof. Pomerantz:

Sorry I didn't respond to your e-mail on Friday - I took a personal day. We no longer have a service contract for that machine. But I'll ask Marty in the A/V Dep't to take a look at it.

Velma

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Martin Lasker
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 11, 2003 - 1:32 p.m.

Professor P.: Velma told me you're having a problem operating the faculty fax machine. You have to push the green button to get it to send (it's right next to the on/off switch on the side).

-- Marty

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To: Martin Lasker
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 11, 2003 - 1:34 p.m.

M - Thanks, I know about the green button. But the problem is, the machine's broken.

Q.

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Martin Lasker
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 12, 2003 - 11:01 a.m.

Professor P.: Have you put in a service call?

-- Marty

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To: Sandra LeBeau
From: Quentin Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 12, 2003 - 3:56 p.m.

S - The faculty fax machine has been broken for nearly two weeks, and I'm told that we no longer have a service contract for it (I guess because it's so old). We really need a fax machine ASAP. Any chance we can go buy one?

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
From: Sandra LeBeau
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 13, 2003 - 8:23 a.m.

Quentin: The Dean and I were just talking about what we should ask for from the Central Administration in next year's budget. He's currently on a fund-raising trip but I'll definitely recommend that this be looked into when he gets back.

Thanks for the suggestion,

Sandra LeBeau
Business Manager
EOSU Law School

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To: Faculty
From: Quentin T. Pomerantz
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:14 a.m.

Friends: For the past two weeks (give or take), the faculty fax machine has been out of order. I've tried to get it repaired or replaced but haven't had any luck. I think we should demand a new machine at next month's faculty meeting. What do you think?

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To: Quentin T. Pomerantz
cc: Faculty
From: Diana Morris
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:19 a.m.

Have you put in a service call?

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
cc: Faculty
From: Richard Hightower
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:22 a.m.

Q - You have to push the green button – it's tricky.

-- Rich

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
cc: Faculty
From: Rachel Val-Krugel
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:23 a.m.

Quent: Talk to Betty – she's in charge of service calls.

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
cc: Faculty
From: Bob McArthur
Re: Faculty Fax Machine
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:25 a.m.

While we're at it, how about a new microwave for the faculty kitchen - the current one is pretty gross!

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To: Quentin Pomerantz
cc: Faculty
From: Joe Featherstock
Re: Faculty Microwave
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:27 a.m.

I just got a Whirlpool 6600 at home - works great. Can make a 20 pound turkey in under 10 minutes - truly awesome.

-- Joe F.

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To: Quentin T. Pomerantz
cc: Faculty
From: Elizabeth Shoemaker
Re: Thanksgiving (Was Faculty Microwave)
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:32 a.m.

Speaking of turkey, does anyone have a good, fat-free gravy recipe? My in-laws are coming over this year and they're both on calorie-restricted diets.

Lizzy

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To: Elizabeth Shoemaker
cc: Faculty
From: Sam Willmot
Re: Turkey Gravy Recipe
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:34 a.m.

E – I've got a great recipe. You take two cups flour (preferably brown) and one cup water, add a pinch of nutmeg, and bring to a boil. Serves 4.

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To: Faculty
From: Nancy Holt-Franken
Re: Holiday Party?
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:37 a.m.

Hey guys - Sam's recipe sounds great. Why don't we cancel next month's Faculty meeting and have a pot luck Holidays get-together? We could all show off our favorite recipes!

Nancy

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To: Nancy Holt-Franken
cc: Faculty
From: Harold Gunderson
Re: Holiday Party?
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:41 a.m.

N - Terrific idea! Anyone who wants to help plan next month's Holiday Party, let's meet for lunch at 12:15 p.m. at Ciero's. This is going to be fun!!

HG

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To: Harold Gunderson
cc: Faculty
From: Alice Potterson
Re: Holiday Party?
Date: November 13, 2003 - 10:44 a.m.

Count me in - I make a mean cheese casserole.

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To: Faculty
From: Cy Snodgrass
Re: Quentin Pomerantz
Date: November 19, 2003 - 9:59 a.m.

Colleagues:

Upon my return today from my fund-raising trip I learned that we have a new faculty fax machine. Many thanks to Quentin, who generously donated it to the law school. It's this kind of spirit that makes EOSL the great place it is. Keep up the good work!

Cyril J. Snodgrass
Dean
East Overshoe State University Law School
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