



# Biweekly Newsletter

FACILITIES FORUM

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## Past Progress, Future Prospects: A Recap and Look Ahead!

Dear Members of Facilities Services,

Welcome to the latest edition of our Facilities Forum! Within these digital pages, we're excited to dive into the heartbeat of our Purpose: the constant care and enhancement of UAF and all its facets. From the people who bring life to our community to the very structures that house our ambitions, this newsletter serves as a conduit for sharing the stories, updates, and achievements that shape our collective journey.

Join us as we explore the latest developments, celebrate milestones, and highlight the tireless efforts of those who work non-stop to uphold the standards of excellence that define our institution.

Thank you for being a part of Facilities Services. Together, we propel UAF forward.

*Facilities team x*

In this newsletter you can expect:

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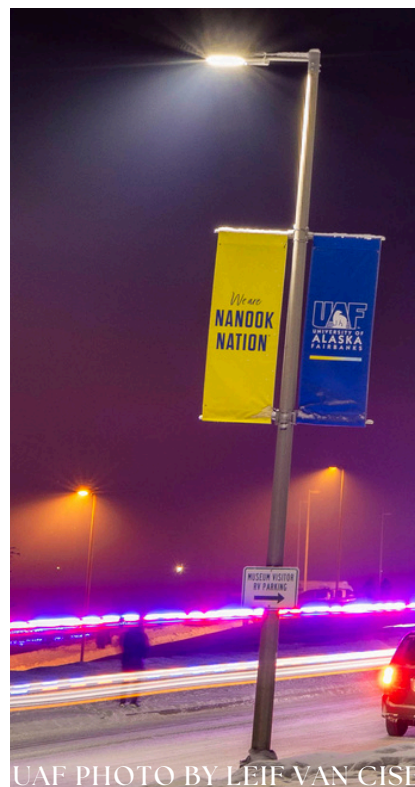
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## Street Light Pole Tagging



### by Keith Nuss

In June of 2019, Facilities Services cataloged, geo-located, and tagged over 800 light poles across campus, including the ski trails, Harper Building, U Park, and the agriculture farm. QR code stickers were also applied to facilitate direct communication with Facilities Services Dispatch about problems with the lights. Simply scan the sticker with your smart phone and an email is automatically generated to Dispatch where a work order will be generated to fix the problem. The stickers have worked out very well but over time, exposure to the sun, frost, snow,

and ice have taken their toll. The stickers have deteriorated to where they're faded and torn and many no longer work.

New QR stickers, with state-of-the-art UV coatings to help protect them, have been created by the Sign Shop, and the Preventive Maintenance team is currently removing the old stickers and replacing them with new. The outdated street maps showing the locations of the poles are also being revised. This system will keep UAF a well-lit and safe campus for students, faculty, staff, and visitors.



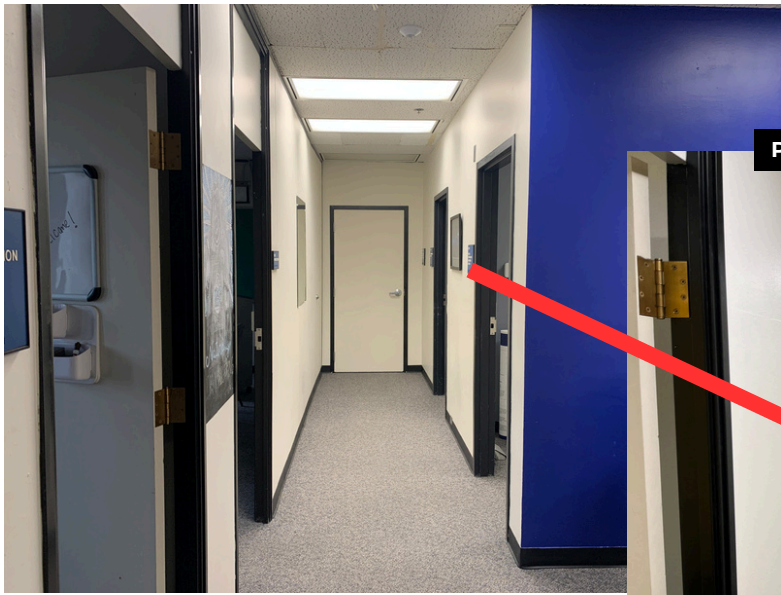
## Small Guy

### by Darrin "Bear" Edson

Here is the tiny Bobcat we were given by the Mining Department a few years ago. It was awesome to work inside the daycare playground.

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# Gruening Space Optimization



PHOTOS BY DALTON HOY



## by Deb Hicks

I wanted to share a quick before & after from the 507 suite of offices that the shops were tasked with refreshing this spring. What started out as a dated Speaking Center, was transformed into a much more modern office space with paint that matches the Dean's conference room, new resilient base, new LED light fixtures, and last but far from least, a new suspended ceiling that not only looks MUCH nicer but should also reduce maintenance calls for the old failing spline system. DDC involvement on this one was pretty minimal, but Dalton Hoy was a huge help with monitoring progress on site.

I wanted to make a point to recognize a job well done and give well deserved props to the shops for great coordination and communication, so thank you all!

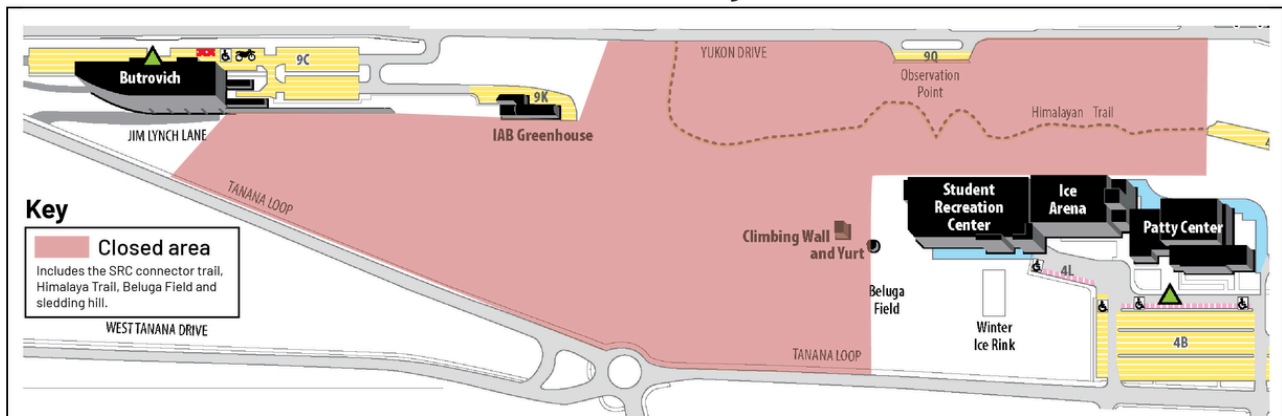
Rufus Hearn, Daniel Wilson, Mckinley Hearn, Shea Pattersen, Zion Barker, Ryan O'Connell, Benjamin Mastriano, Rowe Kozevnikoff, Domonique Helms, James Mitchell, Nik Repenko, Brent Sears, Jeffrey Hubble, Terry Andersen, Walter Wooley, Dom Fantazzi, Stan Bolinger, Michael Gass, Lukas Kamper, Anthony Corbeil, Sarah Nonamaker, Skip Cantil, and John Smith.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Closure for ski trail construction - June 10-July 15



**First Aid/AED/CPR** classes will be offered each month by Thadd Williamson, Facilities Services trusted Safety Officer, to ensure we are all prepared for any emergencies that may happen while on the job.

Upcoming classes:

- July 18-19, 12 pm - 5 pm both days
- August 6, 8 am - 5 pm
- August 7, 8am - 5 pm

Classes are limited in size to 12 participants.

Please contact Stacy Boone-Grant at [sboonegrant@alaska.edu](mailto:sboonegrant@alaska.edu) to reserve a place in one of these classes.

## Current Recruitments

Senior Mechanical Engineer

HVAC Technician

CT3 Electrician -Utilities

Plumbing Maint Tech

Locksmith

Physical Access Control Systems Assist Manager

## Owl Update

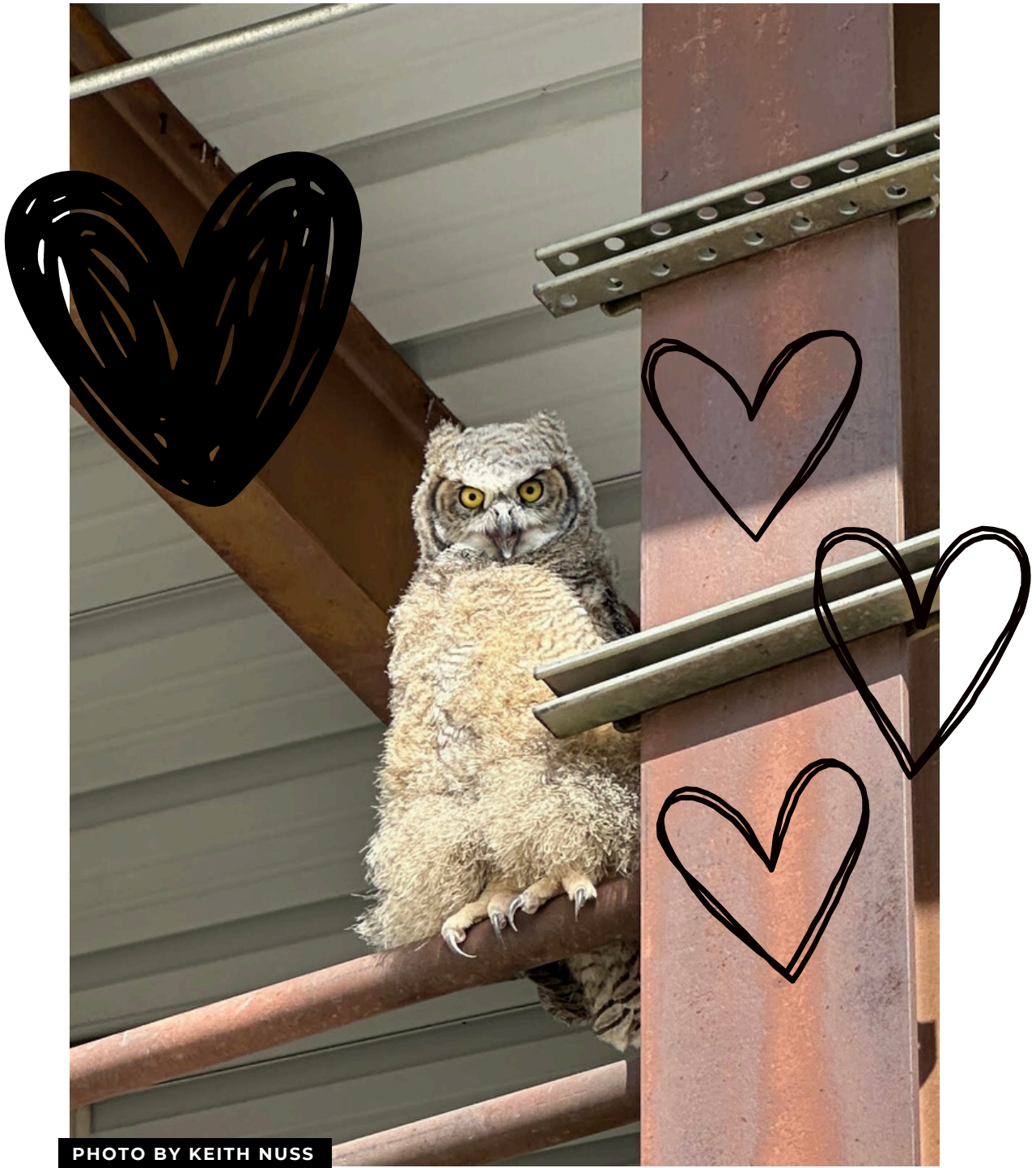


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Unfortunately, this will be the last photo or update on the owls, as they have flown away from their nest.

*Thank you for reading!*



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