



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

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Golden Days Parade Float



by Casey Stagno

This year's float design was relatively simple. The central wall that holds the coroplast sheets with the design printed on them needed to be a 10-foot by 12-foot rectangle. The caveats to this were that we only had a week to do it, and due to a design change last year, much of the structural support for the center had been removed. I started by removing the old center wall. I then reinforced the deck supports to hold a new freestanding center wall. The center wall

is just a standard 2x4 wall one might find in their house but sheathed in OSB rather than sheetrock. The coroplast glues directly to the OSB. Add some paint on any exposed wood, and you're done. The front jack was also in need of replacement, so I welded in a new jack mount for a heavy-duty jack. The last significant addition was an aluminum set of stairs to make getting on and off the float easier. On the day of the parade the final decorations are added, this year it was some vines, roses, and banners.

Library Insulation



Some photos of the duct-work that was insulated the first two weeks of July during our insulation project. The work was done by Industrial Insulation Inc.

Haida Parking Lot



PHOTOS BY JASON SCHOENING



Before and after pictures of the Haida parking lot work wrapped up on July 15th.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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:

- 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 to reserve a place in one of these classes.

Volunteers needed for First Year Move-In, August 21, 9am to 3pm. Sign up if you are interested.

- <https://www.uaf.edu/news/volunteers-needed-first-year-move-in.php>

New Hires of July

- Jacob Buckles with Utilities
- Connor Dolan with DDC
- Tsvetelina “Lina” Kostova with Electric and Trades Maintenance Shop
- Christy Pena with Custodial



If you see a new face, be sure to say “Hi” and make them feel welcome!

Current Recruitments

[Senior Mechanical Engineer](#)

[HVAC Technician](#)

[CT3 Electrician -Utilities](#)

[Plumbing Maint Tech](#)

[Locksmith](#)

[Physical Access Control Systems Assist Manager](#)

Bear on Campus!



Black Bear Sighted on Campus

From UAF on Alert Website

Yesterday morning, shortly after 8 a.m., a black bear was reported on the Troth Yeddha' campus moving across Tanana Loop near North Tanana, headed into the woods. The sighting was confirmed by the UAF Police Department. Officers left the area when the bear reentered the woods. Reports noted the bear was not behaving aggressively and moving away from anyone in the area. The university sent a safety alert to the campus community and advised the Division of

Alaska Wildlife Troopers to ensure people were notified of a bear in the area, so they could maintain awareness while on UAF trails and when walking through wooded areas on campus. Alaska Department of Fish and Game resources are available for more information about bear, moose, and general wildlife safety (adfg.alaska.gov).

If you see a bear on the UAF trails, or elsewhere on campus, please keep your distance and do not approach.

Thank you for reading!



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