



Biweekly Newsletter

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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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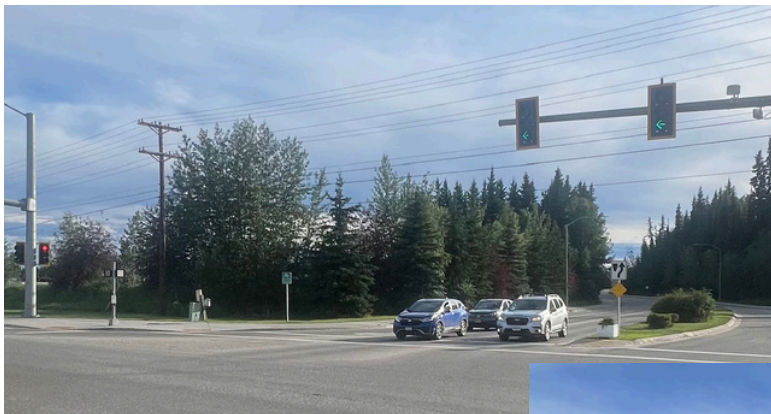
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Trees Around Facilities Services



by Darrin "Bear" Edson

A very long time ago the Director at the time said to me, Bear, I want you to plant trees so no one can see the physical plant or the power plant from the intersection or as you drive onto campus. At the time there was just a berm of dirt around

the parking lot on the northeast end. So we went to work over a couple of summers transplanting trees from other parts of campus. The first three photos are what we accomplished, then photo number four happened!

Fire Extinguisher Safety Training



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by Leo Faro

During the July 25th HVAC shop safety meeting Thad Williamson did a Fire Extinguisher Safety Training, The HVAC Shop and Mechanics Shop participated in this. Thad did a great job explaining the types of extinguishers that should be used for the various fires we might see. We then used the simulator seen in the photo's to practice what we had been taught.

Pictured: Cody Walmsley, Jared Tamlin, Stan Bolinger, Charles Silva, Ben Swenor, and Thad Williamson



Terry Andersen

by Nathan Platt

To our FS family;

It is with deep sadness that I inform you of the passing of our Housing Shop Carpenter, Terry Andersen.

Terry has worked in the Housing Shop since August of 2021, after a distinguished career as a Pipefitter with Local 375. Terry was an avid outdoorsman, spending his time off hunting or fishing, or preparing to do one of those activities.

Terry came to Facilities Services with a wealth of knowledge, and was a critical member of our team.

Nicki Smith, our Housing Shop Manager, said this about Terry:

"I am thankful to have known Terry most of my working career, and am glad to have spent

these last couple years working directly with him. He made many connections during his time at UAF Facilities, and he will be greatly missed. We will keep everyone informed of any gatherings for Terry that happen."

If you or someone you know is struggling with this loss, please remember that free help is available. Employees are eligible for free counseling through the [Employee Assistance Program](#). Their toll-free number is 1-888-969-0155. For students, the [UAF Health and Counseling Center](#) can provide support, please check their website, or call them at 907-474-7043.

Current Recruitments

[Senior Mechanical Engineer](#)

[Plumbing Maint Tech](#)

[Utilities Laborer](#)

[CT3 Electrician -Utilities](#)

[HVAC Technician CT3](#)

[Contract Specialist](#)

[HVAC Technician MSW4-CT1](#)

[Operations Laborer](#)

[Facilities Engineer](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to the August Employee of the Month!

- **Arleen Voorhees**

If you want to nominate a future EoM, use this [link](#).



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

- <https://www.uaf.edu/news/volunteers-needed-first-year-move-in.php>
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Blast from the Past!



1985 Patty Ice Exchanger

by Charlie Silva

The exchanger was purchased in 1985 by HVAC Supervisor Bob Sheppard for the Patty Ice building. Unfortunately it was a different brand and could not be used (steam entrance location).

This began with a question from Mija and Belinda in the warehouse asking....? Does anyone know where this goes or should we surplus it? It was inherited over time and had been counted in inventory. Bill Cox had been able to recollect its origin. I believe he probably unloaded it off the truck!!!



Thank you for reading!



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