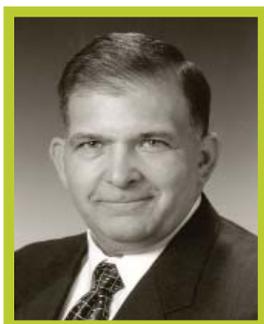


The AVC's Bullets

By Chris Turletes, AVC for Facilities & Campus Services



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Above: FCS Staff - Joe Howell, Connie Jolin, and Lesley Lepley



Above: congratulations to Glenn Brown, Catherine Shenk, and Edwin Delatorre on their new supervisory roles

Greetings,

Academic Year 2011-12 is almost over and summer break is closing in fast! Sweeping, Spring Cleanup, tire change over, Heart Run, Commencement, and Development Day are all fast approaching in the next month or so. Where does the time go? This Spring Edition finds F&CS busy on all fronts and facing historical change. We had a very full winter/spring with record-breaking snow at 135+ inches and, consequently, exceptional snow removal. We saw record-breaking shuttle ridership, plenty of cold weather, and a winter break full of projects. We even tackled the occasional emergency.

Spring Accomplishments

We've made advancements in several key projects, including the Sports Arena, Science renewal, and the School of Engineering expansion. The Sports Arena construction contract was awarded to Cornerstone Construction, Inc. Clearing has begun onsite and construction is scheduled to begin this May. The third and final phase for the Science Renovation is underway by Watterson Construction. If you have not made a visit to Science recently, you should. The building is looking great. Facilities continues to host design workshops for the School of Engineering expansion. A Statewide handout named the "UA Engineering Expansion Initiative the No. 1 new construction priority for academic programs," so we are thrilled to be making programmatic progress.

You may have noticed some aesthetic enhancements around campus—the Administration/Humanities Building received new carpet; Tanaina, the child development center in the Student Union, received new flooring as well as an update; and the Wendy Williamson now has new lights!

Who says Facilities isn't technologically advanced? Non-exempt staff have now fully moved over to Web Time Entry and the Facilities Focus transition to AIM is moving along steadily with a Go Live! date set for May 21.

Personnel Changes

We are interviewing people to fill several positions: the Campus Planner, Transportation Supervisor, and IT Technician. We want to congratulate Glenn Brown, Edwin Delatorre, and Catherine Shenk for accepting leadership positions within the organization. They are all settling into their new positions: Glenn as the Associate Director for Operations, Edwin as the Custodial Supervisor, and Catherine as the Horticulture Supervisor. Thanks for stepping up! We welcome the new, but must also say farewell to several key staff. F&CS will lose over 150 years of UAA experience with the retirement of Rick Mason, Custodial Supervisor, and Mark Findlay, Transportation Supervisor, at the end of April; Susie Morrison, Work Management Supervisor, at the end of June; Chris Mizelle, FMO Director at the end of August; and Connie Jolin, Fiscal Technician and my boss, in the fall. We will celebrate their careers and "commencement" with an event on May 11, 2012. Keep an eye out for that event flyer.

"I just want to say thanks to all the F&CS staff for all the late nights, early mornings, lost weekends, and in general hard work this winter/spring..."

Enjoy this edition of the "Facilities Bulletin". We are struggling with a name for our newsletter, so send your recommendations and suggested articles to Lesley Lepley at lnlepley@uaa.alaska.edu no later than August 1 for our Fall Edition.

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Above Left: John Faunce, Director for Facilities Planning & Construction
Above Right: Facilities Planning & Construction Staff

Facilities Planning & Construction News

By John Faunce, P.E. Director

Rejoice! It's springtime at UAA, otherwise known as spring break-up. It's that wonderful time of year when the sun is not only in the sky for more than a few hours, but actually seems to generate some warmth; the streets, sidewalks and parking lots are still ice skating rinks at night, but become wading pools during the day; and those huge snow covered mountains that have popped up all over campus, gradually subside, inch-by-inch, leaving behind the treasures that will soon become the work of FMO and throngs of eager volunteers participating in Spring Cleanup Day. At FP&C, our staff is busy wrapping up our winter projects and digging out from under the piles of paper generated by Project and Space Requests, project approval documents, project RFPs and proposals, land clearing permits, traffic and parking studies and all of the other administrivia necessary to prepare for the upcoming summer construction season.

Other than emergency repairs and helping to clear snow from overloaded roofs at UAA and PWSCC, the subzero temperatures and almost 11 feet of snow, does somewhat limit our outdoor work during the winter. However, it did not detract from our ability to get some much needed interior work accomplished around campus, including: office renovation and carpet replacement in several campus buildings; new lighting at Wendy Williamson Auditorium; a new Geomatics Classroom; completion of the second phase of work at Science Building; renovation and repairs to freshen-up the Administrative Building and also Tanaina Child Care Center; Elevator renovations at Diplomacy; installation of a music sound booth at Fine Arts; fire alarm systems at Fine Arts, Eugene Short Hall, and the Campus Bookstore; addition of a mail kiosk to the UC Bookstore; new lighting at UC; and a variety of other renovation projects at UAA and each of our community campuses. We also completed an Energy Audit of many of our older buildings at UAA and our Community Campuses, and are currently actively involved in the trien-

nial Functional Use Survey of our campus buildings and the transition of our space management data to AIM.

This summer looks like it will be even busier. We are already drilling test wells for cooling water at the new Sports Arena Site and will soon be clearing trees to prepare for site work to begin this summer. The second floor of Allied Health Science renovation and the third and final phase of Science Building renovation have both been awarded and are ready to begin.

Renovation work is continuing at Engineering to repurpose vacated spaces for new SOE labs and offices. Temporary swing space is being readied at PSB and 7th & A St. to accommodate Beatrice McDonald Hall occupants in preparation for building renovation. Two new COE classrooms are being constructed at PSB along with space for Sustainability, Wellness, and COH. The MAC 6 Sprinkler project will complete the MAC Housing fire protection projects. A ground breaking ceremony for a new Career Tech Building and Student Housing was held in conjunction with the April Board of Regents Meeting at our Kenai River Campus. The renovation of the Wellness Center at PWSCC has been awarded and is ready to begin construction. The Mat-Su Paramedic Addition is ready to go out for bids. The exterior of ULB will be repainted and the roof will be replaced at the ULB Annex as soon as weather allows. The Admin Entry Plaza will be replaced and the Aviation parking lot will be paved, along with a variety of other road, sidewalk, and parking improvements. As if this workload is not enough, a significant number of deferred maintenance and other renovation projects at UAA and each of our community campuses are also scheduled to begin this summer.

Want to submit a photo? Send your entries to Lesley Lepley at Inlepley@uaa.alaska.edu

“This summer looks like it will be even busier ...”



Above Left: Chris Mizelle, Director for FMO
Above Right: Snow Crew tops snowfall record!

Facilities Maintenance and Operations News Chris Mizelle, Director FMO

“Facilities Maintenance and Operations has had a slammer of a winter and spring semester...”

Our shuttle rider numbers continue to grow; we had 90,439 riders Fall 2012 and, as of spring break, we had 53,474. That is a record-setting pace. Hats off to the shuttle crew!

The snow removal crew has also done double duty this year. As of this writing, we have broken the snowfall record with 135+ inches for the Anchorage area. It is also a record for the UAA main campus. I have been here for many of the 100+ inches years at UAA and this IS one for the book. Great job everybody!

FMO has been going under some major personnel changes. We will be losing over 150 years of top leadership experience with the coming retirements: Susan Morrison, Associate Director of Work Management (36 years), is leaving in June; Rick Mason, Custodial Superintendent (32 years), is leaving in April; and Mark Findlay, Transportation Supervisor (32 years), is also retiring in April. I, too, will take my leave from UAA in August after 28 years of employment. This campus and I have had an off and on relationship for over forty years since I first came here as a student in September of 1971. That picture on the third floor of the library showing the line



Above: sweeping the trails.
Looking great, Grounds!

down Providence Drive, I was in that line for four hours to register. How far we have come since those days!

The retirement party is set for May 11, 2012.

Save the date! The “churn” continues.

I would like you to join me in welcoming Glenn Brown as the new Associate Director for FMO; he will be the Operations Chief overseeing Landscaping, Custodial, Fleet, and Transportation. Catherine Shenk has been selected as the Horticulture Supervisor in Landscaping; she has been in the department for over six years. Edwin Delatorre is the new Custodial Superintendent and has been with the University for four years. We are now in the final stages of interviews for the Transportation Supervisor and the Database Manager. We should have them in place by early April.



Above: Cathy Wagner with FMO is now a dual citizen of the U.S. and Canada!

The Go Live! date for the AIM CMMS work order system has been pushed back to mid-May for training and full implementation to start on May 21, 2012. This has been quite an undertaking and hats off to Susie Morrison, Sherry Trumpower and Joe Howell, who have done an outstanding job—a true “yeoman effort”. Tom Sternberg, Bob Maxwell and Mark Findlay also did some heavy lifting. The effort continues on and there will be some hiccups along the way. Thanks everybody.

Still to come is Campus Spring Cleanup April 25, 2012; The Heart Run on April 28, 2012; and Commencement on May 5, 2012—all with major support from Facilities.

As we look back on the school year that has passed, I would like to pass along my sincere gratitude to the staff for their hard work on all the projects and jobs that tend to go unnoticed and to the rest of the UAA community for their continued support.



Above Left: Mike Halko, Director for EHS
Above Right: Dr. Kaufman with EHS staff

Environmental Health & Safety News

Mike Halko, Director of Environmental Health and Safety/RMS

March came in like a lion with a Laboratory Safety Review by Dr. James Kaufman, President of the Laboratory Safety Institute. Dr. Kaufman gave stirring presentations to Leadership, Faculty, and Community members. UAA has a strong Safety Culture that continues to be nurtured. All new employees—full time, part-time, student workers and volunteers—must receive a safety orientation. Supervisors of those employees need to set the example. Some tools include questions for employees during annual evaluations. How did you support safety at UAA? Also asking questions during the hiring process on what role safety plays in their job. It was also noted that increased emphasis on eye protection is needed in the lab setting. Everyone needs to wear eye protection in the labs as one cannot control what happens around them. One can be analyzing data at a computer and glass fragments from a dropped beaker could fly your way or worse a chemical reaction on the next bench could send fluids and projectiles your way. Safety truly is everyone's business in academics and research. Faculty, staff, primary investigators (PIs), students and volunteers have a responsibility to work and study in a safe manner.



Above: Dr. Kaufman presents on goggle safety

A special thanks to the UAA Chemical Hygiene Officer Maury Riner for his diligent work on the institution's Chemical Hygiene Plan and Hazardous Waste Policies. When it comes to hazardous chemicals, it's a cradle to grave proposition.

EHS Staff Deputy Director Doug Markussen and Safety Officer Nick Dighiera have completed an impressive series of Supervisor Safety Training Courses at our main campus and most of the Community Campuses. Over 100 supervisors have received this valuable training.

Finally, it is the first time in several years that all of UAA's

\$54,000 dollars in loss prevention funds have been allocated toward safety initiatives for items such as lifting devices, portable ladders, Spikies, laboratory consultation, and electrical enhancements. We aspire and thrive in a culture of safety where everyone is their brother's keeper. Keep striding and smiling!

Safety Minute

AT&T released a public service announcement, "The Last Text," in 2010 to address rising incidences of texting and driving. Please take a moment to read the overview provided by the website below:

"A resource for all wireless users on the dangers of texting while driving.

Take out your wireless device. Read the last text message you received out loud. Would reading or responding to that text message from behind the wheel of a moving vehicle be worth the risk of getting into a car accident or worse? Chances are, the text message could wait.

In today's 24/7/365 world, staying connected is no longer an option. It's a necessity. With a tenfold increase in text messaging over the last three years according to CTIA — The Wireless Association, there is no question that texting is increasingly becoming the way many communicate today. And, for many, the allure to quickly read and respond — even from behind the wheel of a moving vehicle — can be tempting. But texting and driving is dangerous.

Our goal is to educate all wireless users, but especially teen drivers, that there is a smart way to text.

Our message is simple, yet vital: When it comes to texting and driving, it can wait."

You can find other resources on this topic at:
<http://www.att.com/gen/press-room?pid=2964>.

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Above Left: Paula Williams, Director for Sustainability
Above Right: Sustainability earns the People's Choice Award at the 2012 Outhouse Races

Sustainability News

By Paula Williams, PhD, Director

In the past couple of months, the Office of Sustainability has conducted a waste audit, held a sustainable fashion show for students, and participated in the Fur Rony Outhouse Races.

My awesome recycling crew, with some strong pushing from Lesley Lepley, earned the "People's Choice Award" in the Outhouse Races. This event raises funds for the student Architect & Engineering Club, who donated the funds to Habitat for Humanity.

Our sustainable fashion show featured students who purchased clothing from local thrift or consignment stores or who made clothing from items that would have been thrown in the trash. It was a great opportunity to teach students what fashionable bargains can be found at thrift and consignment stores and to stimulate their creative sides. We plan to collaborate with USUAA's Sustainability Committee and the Arts Department to make this an annual event.

Most importantly, the waste audit was conducted on February 20 in collaboration with Educational Talent Search students. This should be of much interest to you facilities folks because Facilities' budget pays for the "privilege" of everyone at the University storing their trash in the landfill. The disposal charge is \$63 a ton. In FY 2010 275.5 tons

of trash went to the landfill from UAA's main campus and Facilities paid \$17,356 just for the disposal fee. This is a fee that is not paid for recycling.

Once I can analyze the data and determine what is going into the waste stream, I can determine where I need to target education campaigns to increase recycling and I can assess how long the pay back period would be for composting food waste, or utilizing hand dryers rather than paper towels. Stay tuned for savings!

Check out the flyer on the next page for information on our oneShirt Clothing Drive coming up April 16-21.

Right: a dress from the 2012 Eco Chic Fashion Show made from a recycled boat cover and bicycle inner tubes (photo credit: The Northern Light)



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Celebrate Earth Day!

12th Annual CAMPUS LITTER CLEANUP



DOOR PRIZES!!!

When: *Wednesday, April 25th* from 9am till 11:30am.

Facilities and Campus Services is organizing a Cleanup of our campus.

Where: Meet east of the Gordon Hartlieb Hall to pick up gloves, trash bags, a campus map and trash tongs (Same location for the BBQ).

Free BBQ Lunch

**T-Shirts for the first 100
Volunteers**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **April 20** Building Managers/Safety Coordinators Meeting
- **April 23** Snow Crew Lunch at the Commons
- **April 25** Spring Clean-Up
- **April 28** Heart Run
- **May 4-6** Graduation Weekend
- **May 10** Development Day
- **May 11** Retirement Party for Mark, Rick, Susie, Chris M., and Connie
- **May 21** AIM Go Live!
- **May 26-28** Memorial Day Weekend
- **June 1** Administrative Services Picnic at Hilltop
- **July 4-5** Independence Day holiday
- **August 25** Convocation
- **August 27** First day of fall semester



Phil Bacher
12th Annual Chili Cookoff
Champ 2012

Hails, Farewells, and Other Personnel News

Welcome **Glenn Brown**, **Catherine Shenk**, and **Edwin Delatorre** to your new leadership roles!

Mark Findlay, Transportation Supervisor, retires April 30, 2012.

Rick Mason, Custodial Superintendent, retires April 30, 2012

Susie Morrison, Associate Director for Work Management, retires June 30, 2012

Chris Mizelle, Director for Facilities Maintenance & Operations, retires August 31, 2012

Connie Jolin, Fiscal Technician, retires September 30, 2012