

UA & UAF IT Consolidation

ON THE MERGE...

Upcoming Events:

Friday, July 08 - 4:00pm: All IT Staff Annual Picnic @ Pioneer Park

Friday, July 08 - 4:00pm: New Organization Name Announced

Monday, July 11 - 1:00pm UA ITC Videoconference

Friday, August 5 - 5:00 pm: Transition Team Departmental Recommendation Drafts Due (see p.2)

TBD - New Organization Logo Contest

Questions about the IT Consolidation?

Contact Lori Merdes:
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IT Staff Social - and the Winner Is...

IT Staff proved their mettle - going above and beyond the call of duty - providing an abundance of suggestions for naming our new IT organization.

All submissions were "interesting." Many were humorous. Some were even appropriate. Creativity reigned supreme.

If you want to be one of the first to know our new organization's name, be at Pioneer Park on July 8, 2005 for our IT Staff Summer Social. Your CITO, Steve Smith will announce the naming decision.

Want to know what *else* is in store for staff and families this Friday? How about, plenty of food (a "special" cooler), games, and the chance to win fabulous prizes... could anyone ask for more?

For the mercenary among us, door prizes include: Telephone headsets, IARC Aero Map 2005 Calendars, Coffee Mugs, T-Shirt certificates, UAF Hockey Tickets (the Nanook's '05 Opening Game), Free Dance Lessons, Free Martial Arts Lessons, Regal Cinema Movie Passes, Various Hotel Captain Cook and Alyeska Resort Gift Packages, and a pair of Alaska Airlines Complimentary First-Class Upgrades.

Last but not least, the winning organization name entry takes home a complimentary saver mileage ticket with Alaska Airlines.

The fun starts at 4:00 p.m., Friday July 8th at Pioneer Park under the Moose Creek picnic shelter.

See You There!

"The only limit to your impact is your imagination and commitment."

- Anthony Robbins

Reorganization Direction

1. No more Yours and Mine: "OURS"
2. Service
3. Accountability
4. Reliability
5. Review and Remediate
6. Communicate

- Steve Smith's 3/16/05 presentation to SW/UAF IT staff.

Technology Job Corner

Are you interested in a new career challenge? Do you know someone who is?

Consider the following opportunities within the IT departments:

IS Manager 3
Telephone Services

Administrative Generalist 3 IT
Business Office (2 Positions)

Find out more about the above positions at: www.uaf.edu/uafhr/

You'll find details in the Exempt or Non-Exempt pages.

Systems Programmer III
Systems Services

Information Project Analyst
MyUA

Systems Programmer III/DBA
Systems Services

Student Assistant C
MicroLan Support

Student Assistant C
Systems Services

To learn more about these five openings, see full information at: www.alaska.edu/hr/jobs/

IT Needs a Logo

After we choose a name, our newly consolidated IT Organization will need a high impact visual presence.

Steve Smith again offers an Alaska Airlines complimentary saver mileage ticket to the creative individual who designs our new logo.

Keys to remember when developing our logo are: unique, memorable and reflective of the new IT organization's depth and breadth - a snapshot of who we are and what we do.

Uses for the new logo will include: web design, stationary, business cards, and potential marketing material such as mouse pads, hats and shirts.

Look for contest details and dates in the next issue of *ON THE MERGE*...



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Logos currently used among various IT Departments

IT Business Changes

Following are a few of the highlights to changes in administrative procedures which took effect July 1, 2005:

Timesheets - UAF staff submit to Gail Wheeler-Hannis in Bunnell 233;

Statewide staff submit to Laura Morisky in Butrovich 103.

Mail - UAF departments will begin consolidation to one PO Box (7700).

Purchasing/Travel - Business Office staff will process pro-card transactions and complete travel paperwork for UAF/SW IT staff.

For a complete list of changes, visit: <http://www.alaska.edu/itmerger/business/>

“If you always do what you’ve always done, you’ll always get what you always got.”

- Richard Bandler

IT Consolidation Transition Team Updates

ON THE MERGE first introduced us to the Transition Oversight Team as well as the developing focused Transition Teams. These focused Transition Teams are tasked with developing structural recommendations for our new IT organization.

Issue 2 described the focused Transition Teams' direction from Steve Smith to design these Team recommendations as Individualized Departmental Diagrams (IDDs).

The IDDs are intended to augment

strategic planning. The question is, how will IDDs ensure that planning considers the SW/UAF Community?

In answer, the Transition Teams have been given the following list of focus questions. These questions will help ensure the Teams consider each aspect of an IT department. They will also help Teams fully consider how services will be impacted by the forthcoming consolidation:

What are the expectations set for and by this department?

What services will this department offer?

Who are our customers and what are their expectations of this department?

What human resources are needed to provide these services?

What dependencies does this department have on other departments?

What additional resources are needed by this department?

Learn more about IT Transition Teams at: <http://www.alaska.edu/itmerger/transtteams/>