We’re Growing … And It’s a Pain

The Butrovich Building is having some growing pains, and just about everybody who works in the building is sharing the pain.

The University of Alaska is on the move after a decade of reducing, reallocating and struggling to make all the ends meet. We’re adding people, workstations and offices, and now it has become necessary to remodel and reshape the Butrovich Building to accommodate the growth, and to move some sections to other space.

Through the summer, On the Move will come out weekly in an effort to keep everybody up-to-date on what’s going on.

Land Management and Budget & Institutional Research have moved to the Whole Earth building at 1157 Deborah Drive. In Butrovich, the General Counsel’s office has temporarily relocated to first floor space vacated by Budget & Institutional Research.

Foundation Accounting has been temporarily moved to the former lounge space on the second floor where they have no view but were the first to have 1200Mbit Internet connections. Public Affairs staff has moved slightly to the east, and Vice President for Finance Joe Beedle’s office is where John Dickinson used to be. John’s office is temporarily in the storage room behind Jennifer Bower’s desk.

Statewide Information Technology Services has moved into some of the cubicles previously used by Budget, which freed up six workspaces at the east end of the building for use by the Arctic Region Super-computing Center. ITS also shuffled several folks to make room for the General Counsel’s office.

Construction work at the west end of the second floor of Butrovich should begin this week. The glass double doors to the executive suite will remain open. A plastic tent will be put up to the north to allow expansion of the storage areas behind the pay phone, which will be out of service until at least September.

Hats off to two individuals who are most impacted by all this moving, John Dickinson and Jennifer Bowers, who planned and implemented the move. Under difficult and stressful circumstances, they have been considerate, patient, and helpful and still manage to smile much of the time. Thanks, John and Jennifer.

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From Janene Sikkink. 456-8303:
Available 6/28 (pick up by noon 7/7) Come to my house at 1409 Lathrop Street on Thur. 6/28 between 6pm and 8pm to see/buy the following furniture:
Large entertainment center - $89.
U shaped desk with hutch - $729. 2 drawer file cabinet - $19.
Microwave stand - $29.
Microwave - $29.
Small 5-6' Christmas tree - $29.
Couch and matching loveseat (light blue gingham) - $600.
Bedroom set - $850
(5-piece set: 6-drawer dresser/mirror, bedframe/mirror, ladies’ armoire, two 2-drawer bedside tables).
Yard sale on 6/30 Noon-4pm on various other/smaller items.

From Jennifer Bowers. 456-8485:
One pair, Doc Marten shoes, brand new, size 9 women’s, glossy black, worn only once. $30.

From Janet Jacobs. 457-5790
2 pair Plana swimfins, size 9/10 1/2, $15/pair. Large GE upright freezer, $150.
Shelving, white and unfinished with brackets, make offer. 4 drawer file cabinet ($), $25.
'98 Jeep Grand Cherokee Limited V8, 5.2 Liter, less than 37,000 miles, one owner, just serviced. $3,000; towing package (front) possibility. New queen-sized bedspread, fitted corners at bottom, muted southwest colors, $75. Yamaha Electone Organ and bench, some books/music, $1000. New RayBan sunglasses, 13 pairs, $30 each. Round brilliant cut diamond (loose) .63 carat. Color: F, Clarity, VVS2, setting available, $3,200.

Beware the Guy with the Tape Measure
By Dan Palow - Foundation Accountant

One fine, bright, sunny, Fairbanks summer day, Susan Freel and I were minding our own business when along came a friendly chap with a tape measure.

“May I measure your cubicle?” the man asked, nice as can be.

“Why sure”, I responded. With a concerned look Susan asked the friendly chap, “What are you doing?”

The next thing you know here we are in the employee lounge minus the soda machine—I don’t know where it went, so PLEASE stop asking.

The move itself went fairly well. Jennifer was quite helpful in letting the computer geeks down stairs (no offense, we love all of you) know we had to be connected and if they did not do it in 5 minutes we’d do it ourselves... guess who connected the computers—shhhh don’t tell.

Every day we can now enjoy the aroma of your wonderfully prepared microwaved popcorn, fresh brewed coffee and the occasional lean cuisine lunches, and don’t forget the incredible ramen noodles that linger for most of the day.

We are currently window-less so as you are popping your kernels, please feel free to pop your head in—we’d love a weather update.

Send us your stories. You could win 500 frequent flyer miles on Alaska Airlines. The first winner is Dan!

Cora Nixon at work in the Whole Earth Building, now known as The Villa.