

NEWSLETTER

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Family Holiday Party 2022





On Friday, December 23, 2022, Design Alaska hosted its annual Family Holiday Party. For the first time since Covid, families gathered again at the office for food, music, and a gift exchange. Children 15 and under received presents from Design Alaska. Some of the gifts given include sleds, fun socks, race cars, dinosaurs, and arts and crafts. Guests 16 and up participated in a white elephant gift exchange. Gifts included nerf guns, blankets, snacks, and locally made fudge.

Lunch was made by Midnight Sun Catering, the Headbolt Heaters provided music, and Christmas cookies were made by Let Them Eat Cake. More Pictures on page 3...





President's Corner

Technology Changes.....People Change

Technology is constantly changing whether in our industry or in our day-to-day lives. As such, people change as well. I have been through lots of change in our industry firsthand as an engineer. Those designers before us went through change and future ones will experience change as well. Remember, when you are working with people of various ages, be considerate of their need to change. Some of the things they learned in the past may be useful for the future, whereas some of the hard work they did will just be nostalgia.

Below is a quick hit of the technology change in cameras that I have seen since I started working at Design Alaska in 1996. The oldest were in a drawer which I never saw used, but the rest I used myself for work.

~Chris Miller, President



1970's Cartridge film cameras (easy load, and more fool proof)



1980's Point and shoot 35mm cameras with fixed lenses. Small format, better quality.



1990's polaroid to get those construction shots when you could not wait 1 week for film developing



1995 Zoomable 35mm film camera



1997 Sony Mavica. First digital camera with 3-1/2 inch floppy disk to capture photos. Ten



2000's POS digital cameras with Zoom, can take as many pictures as you want.



2007 iPhone came out that allowed everyone to have a phone in their pocket all the time that took great pictures.



2018 360 camera that does a great job of gathering site information of big view when the regular cameras miss something.

Family Holiday Party Continued





















2022 Wellness Challenge Wrap Up

The 2022 Wellness Challenge was a success. We had a total of 34 participants this year who completed over 300 activities. Twenty-one participants completed 9 or more activities earning a day of personal leave. Prizes are arriving and as the Wellness Committee looks forward to 2023, we are looking for ways to support your health and well-being. Look for more information on the 2023 program coming soon.

Ice Sculpture Progression



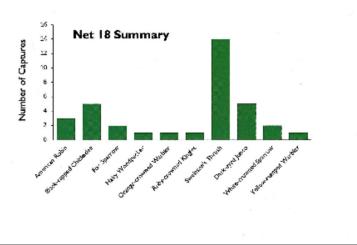
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NET 18: DESIGN ALASKA

Net 18 caught 35 birds of 10 species in 2022. Swainson's Thrushes were the most common species in this net, with 14 captures.



An interesting capture at Net 18 was an adult female Hairy Woodpecker, one of just 3 captured at CFMS this year. Similar in appearance to Downy Woodpeckers, the larger Hairys require bigger trees and do more pounding and excavating in trees than do their smaller woodpecker cousins.



Employee Question of the Month PAGE 5

What staple TV show did your family watch when you were little?		
Adam Shilling	Friends 100%	
Don Hopkins	Sunday, the Wonderful World of Disney. When they showed movies that would span two Sundays.	
Jack Wilbur	Disney Land, every Sunday night at 7, for years.	
John Rowe	Hogan's Heroes and Happy Days.	
Samuel Mitchell	The Andy Griffith Show. When I was 4 or 5, I was also obsessed with the Discovery Channel film "Raising the Mammoth." Someone had recorded the show to VHS for us because we didn't watch live TV growing up (except when my dad turned on Ronald Reagan's funeral). For a while, every time we were going to watch something, I would immediately beg to watch "Raising the Mammoth". I think it is about time to dig up a digital copy and watch it with Oliver.	
Marilyn Fye	The Wonderful World of Disney – Sunday night family time. Great movies and educational shows.	
Marina Jones	We had an antenna that only picked up local and Canadian television. Lots of Red Green Show, Royal Canadian Air Farce, and Fred Penner's Place.	
Marcus Curley	My family didn't so much have a staple must watch TV show, but rather watched pretty much whatever was on the History channel or Discovery prior to CSI coming out in the 2000's. Once CSI came on, my parents switched to CSI and NCIS.	
Eliza Cink	I Love Lucy	
Mary Sue Dates	The Waltons and Little House on the Prairie	
James Godfrey	The Antique Roadshow	
Lyle Axelarris	Every Sunday night: 60 Minutes and Murder She Wrote (while eating Chinese food).	
Deanna Woods	We watched a lot of Unsolved Mysteries and conspiracy theory shows.	

February ~ Upcoming Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Table Massage	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Cake Day	14	15 Table Massage	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Managers' Meeting	24	25
26	27	28 UAF Career Fair				

January and February Birthdays

Eliza Cink	Jan
Emily Winfield	Jan
Ashley Bowser	Jan
Emory Mildon	Feb
Jennifer Centers	Feb
Josiah Alverts	Feb



Design Alaska Anniversaries

Florian Kienle	22nd Anniversary	January 10, 2001
Eliza Cink	9th Anniversary	February 24, 2014
Samuel Mitchell	5th Anniversary	February 12, 2018
Jennifer Centers	4th Anniversary	January 28, 2019
Zach Miller	2nd Anniversary	February 15, 2021

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Table Massages	March 1, 2023
Cake Day	March 13, 2023
Table Massages	March 15, 2023
Managers' Meeting	March 30, 2023

