

VALLEY MOVER



Current Events

Transit Center Support from Senator Menard

We are in the planning stage for a new Transit Center in the Valley. We met with Senator Menard and received a letter showing 100% support for this project. We are meeting with DOT & The Rail Road to discuss the possibility of using the lot across from Fred Meyers for this future project. We could start small, just using that area for parking & bus stops. Our goal is for all public transit providers to utilize this area for a Transit Center.

Fred Meyer has been wonderful

about letting us use their parking lot for service, however we are growing at an incredible rate and don't want to place an undo burden on them. We will keep you informed on our progress concerning the new stop location.

No Parking at Pet Zoo!

As of Oct. 1st all unauthorized vehicles at Pet Zoo will be towed away.

Monthly Quote: *Since School is back in session, I thought this quote would be perfect: A #2 Pencil and a Dream can take you anywhere.* By Joyce A. Myers

Mat Su Borough Grant:

We would like to thank our loyal riders for all your phone calls on our behalf to the Mat Su Borough Assembly Members. Sept. 20th we attended the Assembly Meeting and addressed our grant. The grant committee had previously ruled that transportation was not a human services priority. Because of the great support we received from you, we were able to persuade the Assembly that we do provide a crucial human service. The Assembly elected to make a Resolution showing their support & monetary amount. This Resolution will be presented at the next Assembly Meeting on Oct. 11th. Again, Thank You for your support.

Coat Drive for Homeless:

We are participating in the Coat Drive for Homeless

High School students. The Kiwanis Club is sponsoring this event, and it will come to a close at the Potato Bowl on September 30th at the Wasilla High Football Field. All Valley High Schools are participating. Other items are also needed: sleeping bags, quilts, boots, etc. Items can be dropped off at the High School of your choice, brought to our Bus Barn located at Mile 50 on the Parks Highway to Robbie, or brought to the Potato Bowl.

Route Change: We are considering changing our 3:45 pm leaving Anchorage to 4:15 pm. We would like to have more passenger input. Email Jennifer@valleymover.org to let us know your thoughts concerning this route time change. Thank You.

Spot Light on Al: We are spot lighting one of our Bus Drivers, Alan Mann. Al was born & raised in Oregon. He retired from the Air Force, where he flew Cargo Passenger Planes. Al moved to Alaska in 1996 after he retired. He has been transporting passengers for over twenty years.

...One of Al's favorite pass times is touring Alaska in his motor home. Him & his wife recently took a cruise of the Inside Passage on Carnival Cruises. Al is married to Kim, & they have one daughter; Carlene and 2 grandchildren.

By Robbie Wuitschick
Executive Director

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Connections with Other Transit Providers

We have been making connecting stops with People Mover and MASCOT for some time now. We have a poll on our website to find out how many of our passengers are also using these other providers. As this information is col-

lected, we can see if a combined pass is needed between us and other transit services. Jennifer, our Marketing Director is collecting this data at this time. If you would like to see combined passes, please e-mail her at: Jennifer@valleymover.org

MASCOT is having their First Annual Fundraiser

Sat. Oct. 1st at Raven Hall (Fair Grounds) from 4-8 pm. We have donated some monthly passes for this event. Free Entry, Entertainment, Kids Activities & Auction. BBQ Dinner \$20.