



# The Hard Family Newsletter

Fall 2018

Collier standing in his new "Office"!



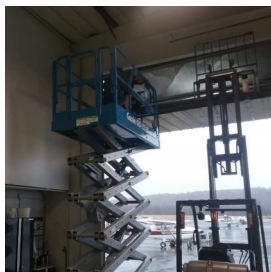
## Missionary Aviation Repair Center

The Hard family has finally arrived in Alaska! We have settled in nicely and Collier started work on Monday the 17th. He has been spending his time unloading his tools and organizing his work station. He is very excited to be working with new friends and familiar faces.

Collier knew that there was going to be a large to do list for him when he arrived. Within the first month he has spent time working to update the credit card reader for the fuel pump on the air strip. The entire credit card kiosk had to be replaced, rewired and reinstalled. He also needed to install the internet cable from the yellow hangar to the credit card reader outside the building. That's a total of 100 feet of cable! This job took a few days to get completed. It is very important to keep fuel sales going at MARC as it helps provide income for the ministry itself. He has also spent time repairing coun-

ter tops in all the MARC offices. Cutting through walls to utilize unused space in the blue hangar. This added space (18.5'x12') will allow for more organized storage to be available. There was also a drip line that needed to be re-routed in order for Collier to be able to make a door way into the unused space.

Collier was also able to assist when there was an incident in the maintenance hangar, where the 60 foot wide 16 foot tall hangar door broke one of its hinges while being opened. Thankfully the other hinges held till they could get the forklift and help it back to the ground safely. Shortly after Col-



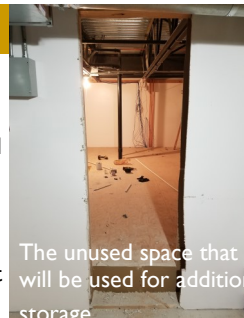
lier was able to repair and reinforce the broken hinge to get the door operational again. The maintenance staff was very thankful that

he was there to take care of it so

they didn't have to stop their assigned projects to fix the door.

Collier is so excited about working with MARC. He will be able to use the many, many talents God has given him. There is a vast variety of projects to be completed. He will stay busy but never bored!

I was able to have my first volunteer day at MARC and help clean the yellow hangar. Once a week two wives will spend some time cleaning the blue and yellow hangar. This includes that both Pilots lounges are clean and fully stocked, all bathrooms and kitchens are cleaned, and vacuum the offices and hallways. I enjoyed being apart of the work crew! As time goes on and Whaylen and I have established a good daily routine, I plan on helping with the office work that is overflowing. We currently are looking for a book keeper/secretary to get us back on track and organized. There is about four wives that are trying to get everything organized, and up to date.



The unused space that will be used for additional storage.



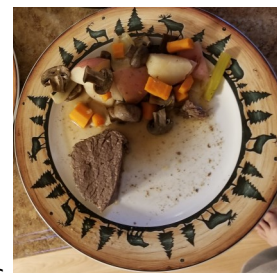
Collier is working on the fuel credit card machine at 6AM

## We Got a Moose!

In the state of Alaska there is a program that allows non-profit organization's to receive moose for free. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game consider moose, caribou and bear to be State property. Anyone who finds those animals as road kill must call the State Troopers. The State Troops then turn the animal carcass over to charity. In the Kenai, Soldotna area there is a sign that shows a count of moose killed by cars. From July 2018 to current there

has been a total of 192 moose killed by cars. That's 192 charities that have moose in the freezer for winter. MARC is on this list. We received a moose on September 15th that wasn't hit by a car, it was shot. The moose did not meet the correct regulations for the hunter to keep it. The hunter respectfully turned the moose into the troopers and we got the call! All the families come to the hangar and help to dress the moose and prepare the meat for the families. It was a wonderful time getting to know everybody!

We have 6 pounds of ground meat and three roasts over 3 pounds each! This meat combination was distributed to 14 other families! That is a lot of meat. Its also a lot of money saved in grocery bills!



Our first moose roast!



The moose that MARC received

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### Prayer Requests:

- 1 For Whaylen to adjust well to his new surroundings and to help him find life long friends
- 2 For Ally's anxiety. The adjustment is hard for her. She is feeling lost and alone.
- 3 For our family to find our home church. To get involved and make a difference for Christ
- 4 For our family to grow closer to God and to each other.

### Hard Family Update:

We are so happy to finally be home! We left Washington on September 1st and arrived on September 6th. Our journey was safe and we had no vehicle trouble along the way. The route we took started in Custer, Washington, to Williams lake, BC, then to Dawson Creek BC, followed by Toad River, BC, then Teslin in the Yukon Territory, then arriving in Tok, AK, and finally to Soldotna Alaska our new home. Once we reached Soldotna, Collier and I were not ready to go to the house. We went straight to the hangar. There wasn't anyone there but Collier and I knew we finally arrived home! Here are the pictures from the trip and us settling in! Thank you for the unexpected gifts, prayers, words of encouragement, and support! We could not have done it without you! Thank you!!

- Collier, Allyson & Whaylen Hard

Whaylen is fitting in and ready to go!



We enjoyed our first cranberry picking adventure!

Whaylen's in the pilot seat window!



Ally & Whaylen enjoying their favourite bakery, "The Moose is Loose".



### How to be a monthly supporter:

1. Online at [www.marcalaska.org](http://www.marcalaska.org) - top right under "Staff" find our picture & follow the donation prompts
  2. By mail : 595 Funny River Rd Soldotna, AK 99669
- \* Sending a check, please have HAR/33 in the memo line- our names can not be on the check.

WE MADE IT!!