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Soundings

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First National Bank gives \$96,000 grant to UAS

"At risk" high school students from Southeast Alaska communities will receive help to be successful in college through a three-year, \$96,000 grant from First National Bank to UAS. The grant will fund the first three years of the Student Leadership Institute.

Twenty students will be recruited from Southeast Alaska high schools to attend the all-expense paid, annual two-week Institute. Students will be taught and supervised by UAS faculty and staff, will live in student housing, and will receive two university credits for taking part in the Institute.

Sitka receives \$700,000 grant

The Sitka campus has received notice of the award of a Carl Perkins Vocational Education Grant to support continuation of construction and welding technology. The four-year grant will provide about \$180,000 per year and will also fund development of small engines repair program (outboards, snowmobiles, 4-wheelers). Pat Hughes is the construction technology faculty and Al Puckett is the welding faculty.

HIM accreditation approval

The Health Information Management (HIM) program on the Sitka campus has received notice of continuing accreditation by the Committee on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. It will be effective for the next three years. Coordinator Carol Liberty completed the accreditation self-study last spring. The HIM program is delivered by distance to Alaska and to several Lower 48 states. Students are trained to handle medical reports and records and to work in medical facilities.

Sitka Student Services

The Sitka campus has reorganized Student Services. An advising center located off the central atrium has been created by remodeling a classroom and the distance delivery office and the continuing education office have been moved to rooms off the atrium. "The objective," according to Director John Carnegie, "is to create a centralized space that provides comfortable and convenient access to all the student services provided by the campus."

Ketchikan outreach

"Exploring Careers" was the theme of a daylong cooperative effort by the Ketchikan campus, the Ketchikan Indian Corporation, and the Totem Heritage Center. Faculty and staff spent Aug. 23 meeting the corporation members and the public to promote UAS programs.

Housing near capacity in Juneau

Juneau housing is 97% occupied, up more than 15% from opening day of classes last year. In fact there is a waiting list for families seeking housing. This is the first year since Banfield Hall opened in 1996 with 84 additional beds there has been a waiting list.

In addition, phones have been installed, for the first time, in each housing room and apartment. The housing community advisors spent 10 days in training prior to the start of fall semester. They learned about studying time/stress management, eating disorders, suicide, depression, confrontation skills, community growth, creativity, alcohol and drug education and more. This year's CA's are Martha Hill, Kate Enge, Monica Kane, Michelle Johnson, Sina Mertens, and Zan Whitman.

Guess who's coming to dinner - hosts needed

Faculty and staff are still needed to host students to dinner at 6 p.m., Aug. 31. Call Tish Griffin, 6529, to volunteer. "This is a critical element in introducing new students to campus," Griffin said. "It's a unique opportunity to make a strong impression."



Convocation 2000

UAS faculty met in Juneau for Convocation 2000 to consider university issues around the theme, "Rethinking UAS." Topics included mission and core values, redefining UAS, and student outcomes assessment. Special topics included Faculty Rights and Protections, Sexual Harassment Training, and Faculty Evaluation for Retention.

In opening ceremonies Chancellor John Pugh said, "We have new programs. We have new students. We have new faculty. I think we have a new spirit at UAS that's catching on to really take us into the 21st century."

Juneau orientation

Aug. 30 is move-in day for campus housing students. New student orientation runs Aug. 31 through Sept. 4. Activities include student success presentations, a community bus tour, dinner with faculty/staff, Student Activity Center events, a picnic/concert, the ropes course, movie, a camping retreat and volunteer project and campus barbecue. Teri Smith is coordinating orientation.

UAS new hires

Juneau campus:

- John Atebury web coordinator, Student Resource Center.
- Mike Crabb, budget/fund manager in Administrative Services.
- Eve Dillingham, term assistant professor of Computer Information and Office Systems.
- Steven Hamilton, term assistant professor of Business Administration.
- Debbie Harriman, records clerk in Records and Registration.
- Sharon Mondich, term assistant professor of French.
- Daniel Monteith, term assistant professor of Anthropology.
- Richard Moreno, administrative clerk in the Professional Education Center.
- Kerry Morris, technician in Computing Services.
- Robert Sewell, coordinator of the College Connection in the Student Resource Center.
- Richard Stephens, assistant professor of Math.
- Julie Vigil, accounts clerk in the Business Office.
- Emily Wall, term assistant professor of English.

Ketchikan campus:

- Steve Brandow, assistant professor of Welding.
- Eric Hummel, assistant professor of Computer Information and Office Systems.
- Cathy LeCompte, term assistant professor of Business Administration.
- William Sallenbach, term assistant professor of Psychology.

Sitka campus:

- Fred Everest, term associate professor of Environmental Technology.
- Paula Jackson, term associate professor of Environmental Technology.
- Dean Woyak, a term associate professor of Environmental Technology.
- Michelle Federico, coordinator Master of Social Work (UAF).



Student Activity Center

Fall semester hours at the SAC begin Sept. 5. They are Mon/Wed, noon-11 p.m.; Tues/Thurs, 8 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sat. noon-1 a.m. and Sun., noon-10 p.m.

New features include an air hockey table and full performance area that includes projection, audio and lighting. SAC programs include:

Cardio Kick: Tues. and Thurs. 7 p.m. Sun. at 4 p.m.

Pool & Air Hockey Tournament: Sept. 8, 6 p.m.

Climbing Wall Orientations, Sept. 5/6, beginners 5 p.m. experienced 7 p.m.; Sept. 9 beginners noon, experienced 2 p.m.

Family Night, Wed. 7-8 p.m.

Employee anniversaries and years of service:

Don Greenberg, 25; Alice Tersteeg, 24; Ray Watkins, 22; Mike Stekoll, 22; Walter Gleeson, 21; Pat Fitzgerald, 21; Sue Koester, 21; Priscilla Schulte, 20; Don Cecil, 20; Carol Griffin, 20; Bruce Gifford, 18; Ron Seater, 16; Karen Cummins, 16; Tish Griffin, 15; Teresa Holt, 14; Jason Ohler, 14; Jo Devine, 12; Carolyn Crocker-Bedford, 11; Sharon Crostick, 11; Todd Turek, 11; Mary-Claire Tarlow, 10; Dean Webb, 10; Elizabeth Hoffman, 10; Jan Parmelee, 9; Judith Andree, 9; Patti Adkisson, 8; Elizabeth Schelle, 7; Janet Dye, 7; Robert Sewell, 7; Brenda Hurley, 7; Bruce Manvel, 6; Virginia Mulle, 6; Mona Yanall, 6; Roya Ansari, 5; Glen Craig, 5; Robert Ridgeway, 5; Marnie Chapman, 5; Susan Feero, 5; Marilyn Knapp, 5; Naomi Fisher, 5; Kirk McAllister, 5.

Faculty/staff

Alexis Easley, Juneau English, presented "Christian Johnstone and Tait's Edinburgh Magazine," at the Research Society for Victorian Periodicals International Conference, University of London, July 21.

Brendan Kelly, Juneau biology, is an invited speaker at the International Conference on "Fingerprints" for Climate Change to be held in Switzerland in February. He will speak on likely impacts of global warming on pinnipeds inhabiting pack and shorefast ice.

Robin Walz, Juneau history, had an article, "Comment on nous vole, comment on nous tue: The Private Detective as Con Man in Early Twentieth-Century France" published in the Proceedings of the Western Society for French History.

Bruce Wright, Juneau biology, worked with the International Pacific Halibut Commission and completed the Prince William Sound sleep shark survey.

Pattie Adkisson, Juneau advisor/coordinator, participated in the National Institute for Native Leadership in Higher Education in New Mexico and learned about networking and developing effective plans for Native student retention.

Jennifer Balda, Sitka conference coordinator, had a 7-lb. 6-oz. baby boy, Nicholas William, on August 18.

Searching

Egan Library is seeking a copy of Alaska Geographic volume 26 no. 4. Contact Valerie Stearns, 465-6522.

JUNEAU CALENDAR

Thursday, Aug. 24

- Fall registration until 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 26

- Registration for technology classes, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Nugget Mall.

Monday, Aug. 28

- IDs for new faculty/staff, Mourant 1st floor.

Tuesday, Aug. 29

- Alumni Board, 5:15 p.m., Goldbelt Hotel.
- Registration until 8 p.m., Auke Lake campus.

Wednesday, Aug. 30

- Housing move-in day.
- Chancellor's orientation reception, 6 p.m., Lake Room.

Thursday, Aug. 31

- New student orientation
- Student dinners with faculty/staff, 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 1

- Registration 10 a.m.-2 p.m., BRC.
- New student orientation
- Picnic/concert, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 2

- Ropes course for new students, all day.

Sunday, Sept. 3

- Ropes course for new students, all day.
- New student camping/volunteer project

Monday, Sept. 4

- Campus closed for Labor Day.
- Campus BBQ, 5 p.m., Mourant.

Tuesday, Sept. 5

- First day of classes.

Friday, Sept. 8

- Pool/Air Hockey Tournament, 6 p.m. SAC.

Saturday, Sept. 9

- Faculty/staff vs. students vs. UAF Fisheries softball, 10 a.m. Diamond #2.
- UAS Welcome Picnic, noon, Mourant.

Juneau campus

Tracy Arm: Tickets are available from the cashier for faculty and staff to accompany the Freshman Seminar class to Tracy Arm on September 10.

Writing Anthology: Student writing from the last Literature of Alaska course will be on display in Egan Library during September.

Whalesong: The newspaper staff includes Seneca Theno, editor; Rob Roy McNamara, production manager; and Marla Booth, advertising manager.

Thanks: Rae Korpela who has retired offered thanks to the campus "for all the good times and helping me through some bad times. Working with administration, faculty, staff and students was one of the nice benefits at this company. I will truly miss everyone."

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