

University of Alaska Southeast

Soundings

Faculty and Staff Newsletter

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Sitka receives \$560,000 grant

The Sitka campus has received a \$560,000 two-year grant. "Rural Access to Technical Education," continues the work started under the original National Science Foundation "Rural Alaska Sanitation Education" project.

The grant provides support for technical programs (primarily the Environmental Technology program) in rural Alaska. Paula Jackson has been hired to visit rural communities where distance students are enrolled and to provide academic assistance, establish work experience sites, serve as a science resource for village high schools, promote the use of the environmental activities lab manual, and help develop a Sitka campus summer institute for rural high schools science teachers addressing environmental and sanitation issues.

Sitka center receives \$400,000

The Alaska Training/Technical Assistance Center (ATTAC) for small public water systems has received \$400,000 for the fourth year according to John Carnegie, Sitka campus director. ATTAC conducts workshops, materials development, state-wide training coordination, and technical assistance to small system operators. Staff are Lee Michalsky, Dean Woyak, and Nicole Duclos.

ATTAC also has received a \$60,000 EPA grant to conduct sanitary survey training throughout Alaska. The training prepares third parties to evaluate and document the ability of a system to continually provide safe drinking water.

Web directory updates

UAS web coordinator John Attebury is updating the website's phone and email directory. Check your entry and send corrections to john.attebury@uas.alaska.edu Also, when reporting other website errors, include the url of the exact page containing the error.

Alumni News

The UAS Alumni Association has elected officers for 2000-2001: Diana Cote, president; Debbie Banaszak, vice president; and Chris Phillips, finance officer. Current board members Jeremy Kerr, JoAnn Pelayo, and Chris Phillips will serve additional terms. Adjunct faculty member and alum Cecilia Miller was appointed to the Board. The Alumni Association holds a beer and wine tasting event Oct. 27 at the Hangar from 6-8 p.m. Proceeds will fund a new UAS student scholarship.



Rod Molzahn appears as Shakespeare.

Evening with Shakespeare

Performer Rod Molzahn who appears on stage as William Shakespeare headlines a special UAS event Oct. 6 at the SAC. Activities begin with the movie, "Much Ado About Nothing" at 4 p.m. A food booth dinner starts at 6 p.m. Celtic recorder music will be performed at 7 p.m. and the Shakespeare performance begins at 8 p.m. Faculty who would like Molzahn to appear in classes Oct. 5 or 6 should call Tish Griffin, 6529.



Dinner supports UAS.

College of Fellows

A fundraiser by the UAS College of Fellows brought in more than \$4,500 when 130 attended the Sept. 15 event at the top of the tram that included a speech by UA President Mark Hamilton. The money will be used for the Student Activity Center.

Students in class?

To help students avoid being billed for classes they are not attending, the Student Resource Center is asking faculty and staff to call with names of students listed on rosters but who are not attending class. Call Rita Bowen 465-6439

Denim Day Oct. 6

UAS employees may participate in Lee National Denim Day to raise money for breast cancer research on Oct. 6. Each person making a \$5 donation will receive a pink ribbon pin and is invited to wear blue jeans or casual clothes to work Oct. 6. Cost center clerks will have collection envelopes and pins for employees wanting to contribute.

College Connection shows big increase fall semester

The number of high school students living in Juneau who are taking UAS classes through the College Connection program has increased 57 percent over last year. The number of credits is up 73 percent. College Connection students take UAS

classes as enrichment to their high school studies and receive both high school and university credits. Coordinator Robert Sewell said, "This significant increase is a clear sign that College Connection is meeting a real need."



Juneau campus

Bookstore: A new shipment of clothing has been received plus other items such as key chains, mugs and water bottles.

Shower: To be held for Sara Hagen and her new daughter Annie at 3 p.m. the Mourant lounge on Oct. 5.

Parking: The blue-painted area on the circular drive in front of the Bill Ray Center is for handicapped parking only.

Harbor seal: A harbor seal workshop sponsored by the Alaska Native Harbor Seal Commission and the National Marine Fisheries Service will be held in the Lake Room Sept. 25-27.

Dance: About 150 attended the Welcome Dance at the Student Activity Center Sept. 16. A concert by Peabody's Monster is set for Oct. 21st and the Halloween Dance is Oct. 28.

Investments: Fidelity Investments holds an employee seminar Sept. 29 at 9 a.m. in Novatney 102. To make individual appointments with the investment counselor call (800) 642-7131.

Scholarships: Shelly Crowe and Nadia Jones, who received the Licensed Practical Nurse degree last year, have been awarded Bartlett Regional Hospital scholarships for their associate degree in nursing studies this year.

Literary: Nora Marks Dauenhauer and Richard Dauenhauer present readings in the Between the Lines literary series starting Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Back Room. UAS English faculty have supported the series coordinated by Alexis Ross Miller.

Sitka news

The 8th Annual Care of the Elderly Conference, sponsored by the Sitka campus' Office of Continuing Education, has been held Sept. 21-23. Over 100 were expected to attend.

Lynne Davis and Holly Hunter in the Learning Center completed and published the Sitka Community Resource Guide. See: <http://www.geocities.com/CollegePark/Campus/1909/ResourceGuide.pdf>

The Sitka Learning Center has an Americorps position available, starting Oct. 1. Contact Teresa Holt, 747-6616.

Jane Brizgaloff, CIOS student, is already putting her knowledge to work in the Sitka Computer Lab as a lab technician. She works with Susie Feero and Rita Fuller to assist students.



Chuck Craig, Chad E. Hardisty product support manager for Caterpillar Northwest Region, and Doug Blumer, Manager of NC Machinery Co.

NC Machinery donation

Three engines have been donated to the UAS diesel program by NC Machinery Co., the Juneau Caterpillar dealer. Chuck Craig, who teaches diesel for UAS, said, "This is a significant boost to our program by helping us stay current." The donations included two Caterpillar current production marine engines and one Perkins vehicular engine. Doug Blumer, Southeast manager, said, "NC Machinery and myself are committed to supporting local training to help local hire. It's advantageous for everyone."

Faculty/Staff news

Emily Wall, Juneau English, has had her poem, "Herring Rain" published this month in the literary journal NO EXIT.

Tina Delaney is the new records technician replacing Fran Barnes. Delaney has been transcript clerk for a year.

Kathie Etulain and Carol Liberty, Sitka campus, presented information about the development of the campus' Health Information Management program to the Alaska Hospital and Nursing Home Association annual meeting in Girdwood, Sept. 14

Sherry Tamone, Juneau biology, is spending five days in Glacier Bay to take part in a multi-agency Dungeness Crab study.

Alice Albrecht has been hired as an administrative assistant in Business and Public Administration replacing Karen Cummins.

Dana Merriman has been hired as an instructional technician in the Learning Center replacing Brenda Shrum.

Jonathan Anderson, Juneau Public Administration, is meeting with his distance students in Anchorage and Dillingham.

Vickie Williams, Juneau accounting, is president of the Juneau chapter of Association of Government Accountants and spoke at the Sept. 20 meeting in part about her summer experiences as the Petersburg interim finance director.

Bruce Wright, Juneau biology, was featured in a front page story in the Aug. 27 Anchorage Daily News about his shark research project for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council.

Wayne Roberts, Juneau business, had a paper, "Channels and Choices for St. Lawrence Islanders" accepted for participation in the Allied Academies International Conference in Hawaii Oct. 11-14.

Janet Dye, Juneau accounting, had two papers, "Killing the Estate Tax: Pros and Cons" and "Oops Airlines" accepted for participation in the Allied Academies International Conference in Hawaii Oct. 11-14.

JUNEAU CAMPUS CALENDAR

Friday, Sept. 22

- Global Connections, "Community Health/ Women's Issues in Africa," 12:30 p.m., Mourant Lounge.
- Film, "The Cup," Nickelodeon Theater downtown, 4, 7, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 24

- Global Connections, dinner and movie, 6:30 p.m. Schaible House.

Monday, Sept. 25

- Local band concert, 7 p.m., SAC.
- Literary Reading Series, Nora and Richard Dauenhauer, 7 p.m. Back Room.

Thursday, Sept. 28

- Mayoral candidate debate, noon, Lake Rm.

Friday, Sept. 29

- Global Connections, "Puerto Rico," 12:30 p.m., Mourant Lounge.
- Fidelity Investments seminar 9 a.m., Novatney 102.

Saturday, Sept. 30

- Pianist David Lanz, 8 p.m., JDHS auditorium.

Monday, Oct. 2

- Local band concert, 7 p.m., SAC.

Thursday, Oct. 5

- Sara Hagen shower 3 p.m. Mourant lounge.

Friday, Oct. 6

- Evening with Shakespeare: movie 4 p.m., dinner 6 p.m., performance 8 p.m., SAC.
- Denim Day.
- Global Connections, Sweden, 12:30 p.m. Mourant Lounge

United Way campaign

During the past decade, faculty and staff on the three campuses have donated more than \$65,000 to the United Way of Southeast. UAS coordinator Lawrence Lee Oldaker said, "Let us continue to support the communities and their social service agencies by pledging through a payroll deduction plan." Information and forms will be distributed Oct. 6.

Virus Information

The Symantec AntiVirus Research Center web site describes common virus and virus hoaxes circulating around the Internet: <http://www.norton.com/avcenter/hoax.html> For info on real viruses go to <http://www.norton.com/avcenter/>

Exchange students

International exchange students on the Juneau campus this fall are from Austria, Germany, Finland, France, Sweden, and Russia. National exchange students are from Arizona, California, Iowa, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Virginia, and Washington.

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