



# Soundings

## March 8 2002

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Students Marie McGlathery and Rosa Fonseca took advantage of the ice on Auke Lake.

### Spring break

UAS students will be on spring break March 11 - 16. Campus offices will remain open. Daily activities for students remaining on campus are posted on campus and listed in the Juneau calendar.

### Student volunteers

UAS students in the leadership class worked as volunteers Wednesday to create 421 snack bags for elementary students who were taking exams at Glacier Valley and Auke Bay school.

“What a wonderful idea, one Glacier Valley teacher said. “This helps so much, as this is the toughest day of the test week.”

The UAS program helps develop leaders. Justin Whittington, a freshman from Louisiana, said, “We needed to do something instead of just talking.” He helped organized the class volunteer project that was supported by student government funds for the food that included a box of juice, a food bar and half a banana. In each bag, students placed a note that read, “UAS students care about you. Good luck on the test.”



Justin Whittington

“The students want to be active in the community,” Vice Provost Vicki Orazem, said. “They want UAS to be seen as an important part of the community.”

### Monteith hired



Dan Monteith

After a national search, Dan Monteith has been hired as an assistant professor of anthropology. He has taught in Ketchikan and for two years as a term appointment in Juneau. He fills a position left by the resignation of Tom Thornton. “Dan brings a great deal of experience and expertise in Southeast and particularly around Prince of Wales Island,” according to Dean Mary Lou Madden. “He is highly regarded by the community and his students. Dan is a great addition to our faculty.”

### MAT applications

Interest in the Master of Arts in Teaching program is up considerably from last year. Applications were due in early March and are still being processed. About 30 expressed interest in the elementary and more than 60 in the secondary program.

### \$1,000 staff award

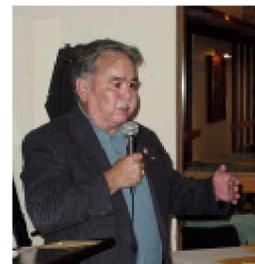
Nominations are due March 15 for the Make Students Count award. The award goes to one staff member at each MAU for outstanding service to students. The winner receives \$1,000 and two Alaska Airline tickets. Previous UAS winners have been Gail Klein, Ketchikan, 2001; Rita Bowen, Juneau, 2000; and Sue Barlow, Sitka, 1999. For information contact Staff Development officers Robert Sewell, Lola Savatgy, Mona Yarnall, Julia Guthrie or Rita Fuller or see: <http://gov.alaska.edu/staff/studentscount/>

### \$150 art prize

All UAS students may enter the 2002 Chancellor’s Holiday Card Contest. There is a \$150 first prize. The subject, in any medium, must reflect a winter holiday spirit with a Southeast theme. Entries are due April 19 in the Chancellor’s Office. Call 465-6530.

### Student Success

**PITAS:** Students in the Preparing Indigenous Teachers for Alaska Schools program were honored at a dinner on the Juneau campus. Among the guests was Representative Bill Williams. He told the students, “What the Native community needs is people like you to look up to.” Twenty-three students



Bill Williams

are enrolled in the program funded by a federal grant.

**Grad school:** Clancy DeSmet, BLA in 1998 has been accepted into the Vermont Law School’s Master of Studies in Environmental Law degree program. He is now working in the Alaska Coastal Management Program. DeSmet said, “UAS was the educational backbone that guided me. The small classes, the opportunity to get to know people and having the seat of Alaska government here increased my opportunities.”

**Exchange:** Among the students taking part in an international student exchange is Bo Anderson. He is studying in London but escaped the cold with a brief trip to Egypt.

## Regents at UAS

The Board of Regents meets in Juneau March 7 - 8 and holds their Friday meeting in Egan Library. In addition, regents met with legislators and other state officials on Wednesday. The agenda is at: [www.alaska.edu/bor/](http://www.alaska.edu/bor/)

## Professional development

Legal Issues in Online Education will be presented in a teleseminar on March 28 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. in Egan 211. There is no charge, and open to all. Website: [clhe.org/onlineedseminar.htm](http://clhe.org/onlineedseminar.htm)

## Home workshop

Homebuilding Techniques Workshops are being presented by Marquam George, Juneau construction technology, in Petersburg (March 6-7), Sitka (March 7-8) and Juneau (March 11, 12 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Marine Tech). The workshops provide information about healthy and durable homes in a marine climate for those considering building or buying.

## Juneau briefs:

**Women's history:** Robin Walz presents, "The Origin of Love" at noon in the Lake Room on March. 19.

**Trade show:** UA campuses on display, 1-7:30 p.m., Centennial Hall, March 20.

**Graduation:** Faculty needing graduation caps and gowns should contact the bookstore immediately. Orders for announcements must be made before March 8 to ensure delivery on time.

**Spring Job Fair:** Local employers hold a Spring Job Fair at the Nugget Mall Saturday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Campus jobs:** Students interested in summer grounds jobs, including those who filled out campus sign-up sheets, should complete the form available at Career Services, Mourant 108, or on the UAS website.

**Bookstore:** The spring textbook stock will be returned to publishers in mid-March. Summer textbook orders were due March 1. Fall orders are due April 5.

**Scrapbook Club,** Schaible House overnight retreat begins 6 p.m. March 15, includes potluck food, gift exchange, and prizes. Call Jeri, 6504.

## Faculty/staff

**Rhonda Hickok,** Juneau PITAS, has been elected chair of the Southeast Alaska Native Educator's Association.

**Nina Chordas,** Juneau humanities/English, will present a paper, "The Early Modern Humanist Community: Beyond Western Europe" at the Renaissance Society of America conference in Tempe in April.

**Priscilla Schulte,** Ketchikan anthropology

and sociology, has had "Adventures in Fugawiland," a computer simulation in Archaeology 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition. This workbook and computer program introduces students to the fundamentals of archaeological research by allowing them to simulate fieldwork experiences.

**Shelley Theno,** Juneau psychology, is co-author of a paper, "Relationship of Gender, Needle Sharing, and Psychopathology in a Sample of Injection Drug Users," accepted by the journal Psychology of Addictive Behaviors.

**Sarah Beaty,** Juneau art, has been accepted for a solo show of her ceramic sculptures at the Alaska State Museum during the 2002-04 exhibition seasons.

**Ginny Eckert,** Juneau biology, hosted a Juneau workshop for the Partnership for Biodiversity Information from March 2-5. Participants represented the National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, the Long Term Ecology Research Data Center, the Knowledge Network for Biodiversity, and the San Diego Supercomputer Center.

**Jan Straley,** Sitka biology, attended a hands-on workshop for large whale disentanglement in Hawaii March 3 and 4.

**Lawrence Lee Oldaker,** Juneau emeritus, has represented UAS on the United Way Southeast board for six years. He received a plaque of thanks for this year's record Southeast contributions of more than \$552,000.

**Jodi Barnes,** Juneau advisor, attended the National Orientation Directors Association regional conference and professional institute in Tempe Feb. 21 - 24.

**Julie Vigil,** Juneau accounting assistant, has been promoted to accounting coordinator. She will work with deans, cost center clerks and others on budget tracking, revenue and expenditure projections, and auditing documents for proper account coding. Vigil will split her time between the Bill Ray Center and the Auke Lake campus.

## Ketchikan campus

**Grant:** The campus has been awarded a State Training and Employment Program (STEP) grant to provide Certified Nursing Assistant training to participants who otherwise would be unable to afford the cost of the training.

**Fundraising:** Student Government held a successful garage sale March 2 and raised about \$300 from items donated by students, staff and faculty. The money will be used to sponsor student events.

**Fisheries:** Work is beginning on a Fisheries Technology Internship Employer Assistance Project. The final document will define the roles and responsibilities of employers as facilitators and evaluators of educational achievement and will also be used in the UAS Ketchikan Forest Technology Program.

## JUNEAU CALENDAR

### Thursday, March 7

- Regents, Baranof Hotel

### Friday, March 8

- Regents, Egan Library, all day
- Free bowling, 10 p.m., Channel Bowl

### Saturday, March 9

- Ballroom dance, 6:30 p.m., Elks

### Sunday, March 10

- Free student tubing at Eaglecrest

### Monday, March 11

- Student spring break begins
- Free Homebuilding Workshop, 6:30 p.m., Marine Tech
- Beach bonfire, 8 p.m. Auk Rec

### Tuesday, March 12

- Free Homebuilding Workshop, 6:30 p.m., Marine Tech
- Mine tour, van leaves student housing 11:30 a.m.

### Wednesday, March 13

- False Outer Point hike, van leaves housing, 11 a.m.

### Thursday, March 14

- Movie marathon, housing lodge, all-day, all-night

### Friday, March 15

- Scrapbook Club Schaible House retreat begins 6 p.m.

### Saturday, March 16

- Overnight to Eagle Glacier cabin, van leaves housing at 10 a.m.

### Sunday, March 17

- Housing pizza party, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 19

- Women's History, Robin Walz, noon, Lake Room

### Wednesday, March 20

- UA Trade Show, 1 - 7:30 p.m., Centennial Hall
- Ice cream social, 2 p.m., Mourant

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