



Soundings

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Campus closed

UAS will be closed for the Labor Day holiday on Sept. 2.

Sitka campus director appointed

David Felland has been appointed Sitka campus director by Chancellor John Pugh. "I hope to continue to improve the campus and continue the great work of John Carnegie," Felland said. He attended convocation in Juneau and will start at Sitka Sept. 3.



David Felland

Felland was dean of Marshalltown Community College in Iowa from 1997 to December of 2001, dean of instruction at Ellsworth Community College (Iowa) from 1992 to 1997, chair of the Mathematics and Physical Sciences division at Ellsworth from 1985-1992, and professor of mathematics and engineering at Ellsworth from 1968-1992. Felland replaces John Carnegie who resigned but will continue to manage the Environmental Technology program.

Mulle appointed

Ginny Mulle has been appointed interim dean of Liberal Arts and Science. She will serve until a permanent dean is hired. Mulle will continue to teach and serve as Social Science chair. "Administration has always interested me," Mulle said. "I was pleased John (Pugh) trusted me to test my administrative skills. I will serve as a transition person to help ensure things run smoothly."



Ginny Mulle

New students

Juneau Orientation for new students begins August 29 at 8:30 a.m. in Egan Library and continues through the weekend. Activities include campus tours, orientations, city tour, BBQ, student success programs, bowling and volunteer opportunities such as trail maintenance and the Beat the Odds run. Orientations will also be held for transfer and returning students and parents. Jody Barnes is coordinating orientation.

Student Activities has organized a variety of activities during the first week of classes. They include a club fair on Sept. 6, the all-campus Welcome Back BBQ and softball game on Sept. 7, noon, at Sandy Beach, a taco and movie night on Sept. 8 and the first ice cream social on Sept. 10.

Ketchikan campus

Tongass: UAS Ketchikan's "Tongass National Forest - The Next 100 Years" was held Aug. 20. About 50 attended the professional development conference with nine taking it for credit. The forum considered

Stewardship, Commercial Use and Science and Technology for the Tongass in the next 100 years. Some of the events were carried live by KRBD radio

Orientation: Adjunct faculty orientation takes place Aug. 27. Topics will include syllabus and course outline, policies and procedures, grading, progress reports, computer services, Internet access and library and learning center resources.

Film: The VideoVersity film series begins Sept. 7 in the campus library with a culinary theme. "Eat Drink Man Woman" will be featured. Cafe VideoVersity is free and open to the public.



Cathy LeCompte served as a volunteer facilitator.

Convocation

Faculty and new staff from the three UAS campuses attended convocation Aug. 19-21. For the first time, the convocation opening was broadcast on Alaska 3 satellite and sent by streaming audio and video conference. Video copies of the chancellor's opening comments and the presentation by Father Michael Oleksa on cultural responsiveness are available at Egan Library.



Faculty at Convocation 2002

An electronic evaluation form of convocation will be sent to faculty and staff. Vicki Orazem said, "In order to continuously improve we need to have feedback." The evaluation will be from presenters, new faculty and staff, continuing faculty, and deans and directors.

Staff Council Friday

The UAS Staff Council meets Aug. 30 at 1:00 p.m. in the Novatney conference room. All staff are invited. Meetings will be held the last Friday of every month until May (except Dec.) at the same time and location. New Staff Council officers for this year are John Joeright, president; Robert Sewell, vice president; John Attebury, secretary; plus members-at large Linda Snyder, Juneau; Julia Guthrie, Ketchikan; and Rita Fuller, Sitka.

Juneau campus

Extended hours: Registration, bookstore, cashier and activities hours will be extended to 6 p.m. Aug. 26-29 and Sept. 3-5.

Academic Programs: Any faculty planning to attend the Academic Programs lunch on Aug. 30 for new student orientation please contact Jodi Barnes at 6456 or jodi.barnes@uas.alaska.edu

Mail: Frank Fisher, who collects the mail, will be on leave. To avoid delays, it is particularly important to place your Org number by the return address on every item sent through USPS and to include the full recipient's name and department for campus mail.

Book Store: Most of the fall book orders have been received. Winners of the open house door prizes are: Nick Meyer, insulated coffee mug; Matt Sequin, leather UAS pad folio; Jacque Christensen, UAS baseball cap and Ivan Hazelton, UAS teddy bear. Student assistant TJ Barry is transferring to UAF.

MPA: A broadcast orientation to the program takes place Aug. 27 from 6 – 8 p.m. in the media classroom and is open to anyone interested in the MPA.

Lost: A PowerPoint projector was taken out of Library 105 during campus training. It was in a black Pelican carrying case with the letters AASB (Alaskan Association of School Boards) on it. Anyone with information please contact Timi Tullis, 321-4758.

Faculty/Staff

Sherry Tamone, Juneau biology, spent Aug. 12-18 in Glacier Bay and collaborated with Jim Taggart (USGS-BRD) on a Dungeness crab reproduction study. She was accompanied by her graduate student Jacqueline Mitchell.

Alexis Easley, Juneau English, presented a paper, "Christian Johnstone, Tait's Edinburgh Magazine, and the Origins of British Feminism," at the Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing Conference, University of London, July 11.

Abby Croypley, Sitka staff and a Rural Development graduate student, studied Cultural Documentation and volunteered at Riddu Riddu 2002, in Norway.

Nora Ann Toner is the new administrative secretary for Facilities, Planning and Construction.

Vickie Johnson is administrative secretary at Facilities Services

UA holiday schedule

The following are UA authorized paid holidays for academic year 2002-2003:

Labor Day, Sept. 2
Thanksgiving, Nov. 28, 29
Spring Break, Dec. 23
Christmas, Dec. 24, 25
New Year's Day, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Jan. 20
Memorial Day, May 26:
Independence Day, July 3, 4:

Harbor seal declines

Beth Mathews, Juneau biology, continued harbor seal research with the National Park Service in Glacier Bay this summer. She said harbor seal numbers in Glacier Bay have dropped by close to 50 per cent in the last decade with much of the decline since 1996. "Our counts in Johns Hopkins for the first week of our August surveys (Aug. 9-13) this year were between 1,670 and 1,740 seals with numbers dropping to 1,140 after the big storm. During a comparable survey period in 1997 we counted 3,400 - 3,900 seals resting on icebergs in Hopkins. While there's still time for the number of seals to increase this year, counts so far suggest that numbers will remain low or be even lower than in recent years." For the second year, high resolution aerial photos of seals on ice in Johns Hopkins Inlet were taken. Counts from photos will be compared to ground-based counts.

Center for Teacher Education

Colloquium: The summer colloquium and workshop on Intern Teacher Evaluation offered in conjunction with the Juneau School District was held on Aug. 15/16 on the Juneau campus. One goal was to help Juneau teachers and UAS education faculty share perspectives about UAS internship experience and evaluation.

MAT: The elementary program hosted a brown bag lunch for the 18 interns and their mentor teachers on Aug. 16. Interns begin working with their mentor teachers in late August.

Reading: Eighteen students began the Statewide Reading Endorsement Program with a three-week course, Language, Culture and Literacy, hosted by UAS in Anchorage July 1-19. Nine of the students make up what is now the newest UAS cohort. They are from Wasilla, Yakutat, Kodiak, Pilot Station, Kenai, Haines, Hooper Bay, Angoon, and Cordova.

Bus service

CBJ is taking public comment through August on the proposed new transportation plan. Included in the plan are increased university service hours from 5 – 9 p.m. that would benefit students. Those wanting to support the increased university service, or make any comments, may call transit manager John Kern at 789-6901 or e-mail comments to john_kern@ci.juneau.ak.us

Statewide

GO Bonds: Facts about Proposition C, the \$236 million bond for education on the Nov. 5 ballot are available at <http://www.educationfirst.info> Included in the bond are \$61 million in UA projects.

Quiz: UA Trivia Quiz #2 has been posted at www.alaska.edu/bor/

Women's conference: The Women in Higher Education Leadership conference takes place at UAA Sept. 13 and 14 and is free to educators from all Alaska campuses. Contact Shelly Theno, 465-6403.



Steve Johnson pitches for the Flukes, the UAS faculty/staff softball team that is now completing their summer season.

JUNEAU CALENDAR

Tuesday, Aug. 27

- MPA broadcast orientation, 6 – 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug 28

- Housing move-in

Thursday, Aug. 29

- New student orientation begins

Friday, Aug. 30

- Staff Council, 1:00 p.m., Novatney conference room

Monday, Sept. 2

- Campus closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, Sept. 3

- First day of classes

Friday, Sept. 6

- Student government club fair, noon – 3 p.m., Café

Saturday, Sept. 7

- Welcome Back BBQ, noon, Sandy Beach

Sunday, Sept. 8

- Student taco/movie night

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