



Soundings

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Chancellors Forum on Alaska Native Higher Education

The full day of reporting, comment and brainstorming on the conditions of success for Native students was led off with a welcome by Chancellor John Pugh and introductions of the Native Education Task Force.



Hans Chester led the Tlingit Culture Dancers to close out the forum.

The day included reports from Janice Jackson on the Native and Rural Student Center and from Rhonda Hickok on the PITAS program. Hickok also gave an update on the Native Education Survey results. Of the 33 respondents only one professor felt ill prepared to meet the needs of Alaska Students.

The forum concluded with moving presentations by the winners of the Alaska Native Oratory Society Contest, which was held at UAS on March 22 and traditional dance by the group Tlingit Culture Dancers.

Year End Barbeque

Year End BBQ 3-6pm Friday April 25 in the Mourant Courtyard. Student awards announced at 3:30pm followed by Faculty of the Year Award. Sponsored by Student Government and the new Student Alumni Assoc. There will be free food, games, prizes and music.

Tidal Echoes

The English Club's literary journal, *Tidal Echoes*, will be available for sale this week in the UAS Bookstore, Hearthside books, Rainbow Foods and Rainy Day books. The student editors are Andrea Trincado and Robin Holloway; the faculty advisers are Alexis Easley and Judy Andree.

Anthropology Association Meetings

The following students presented papers at the Alaska Anthropology Association meetings in Fairbanks on March 2003: Yarrow Varra "Archeology and Ethnohistory of the Shipley Bay Petroglyphs;" Mathew Brock "Point Retreat Lighthouse: the First Hundred Years;" Hans Chester "Spruce Root Production of the Tlingit;" Victoria Collins "Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD): Responses to a Public Health Problem." Daniel Monteith was the discussant of the symposium "Current Research in Archeology, Ethnohistory, and Ethnography of Southeast Alaska"

SITKA

The Natural History of Alaska class took a trip in the semi-submersible Sealife Discovery boat April 5. This unique boat gives all participants a snorkler's view of the marine habitat. In addition, a diver provided live video footage and specimens from 75-ft below the surface.

Naomi Feil, M.S., A.C.S.W., creator of Validation Therapy and producer of award winning documentary films on the disoriented elderly will be one of the primary speakers at the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Conference being offered through Sitka Campus April 24 & 25.

Sitka Center Receives \$450,000

The Alaska Training/Technical Assistance Center at UAS Sitka has received \$450,000 in continued funding. This is the sixth year of USEPA funding for the statewide program that provides water and wastewater operator training, coordination of training schedules, resource and training material development, technical assistance for small water systems and research related to rural water supply and treatment. The ATTAC staff are John Carnegie, Nicole Duclos, Paula Jackson, Peter Nathanson, Tim Anderson and Andy Holt. Dan White (UAF) and Craig Woolard (UAA) perform the research portion of ATTAC's work plan.

ATTAC also has received a \$20,000 USEPA 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.

Banquet Raises Big Bucks

The UAS Alumni Association's Annual Banquet and Auction raised more than \$14,600 through ticket sales, membership dues and auction sales. The money raised by the auction will be used for Alumni programming and student scholarships.



Jodi Barnes, Linda Snyder and Emily Wescott at the Alumni Banquet.

Senior Day at Sitka Campus

Seniors at Mt. Edgecumbe High School selected from 16 different workshop topics at senior Day April 1. UAS faculty, staff, students, and experts led workshops on college, vocational training, financial aid and employment.

Agencies represented included the Job Service, Kruzof Travel, SEARHC, Waddell & Reed and the City of Sitka.

Faculty and staff

Daniel Monteith presented a paper "Using Ethnohistory to Provide a Bridge Between Disciplines and Partners" at the national meetings for the Society for Applied Anthropology in Portland, Oregon March 2003

Priscilla Schulte presented a paper "Community Based Ethnoarchaeological Field Study in Southern Southeast Alaska" at the national meetings for the Society for Applied Anthropology in Portland, Oregon March 2003

Daniel Monteith presented a paper "Discoveries in Alaskan Caves and the Need for a State Cave Resource Protection Act" at the Alaska Anthropology Association meetings in Fairbanks, Alaska March 2003

Ginny Mulle attended and presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association in Pasadena, CA. Also participating in the program were two former UAS students: Vika Savalei (graduated in 2000) who is presently in the PhD program at UCLA, and Annette Nelson-Wright (graduated in 2002) who is presently in the PhD program at UC Santa Cruz.

Anita Maynard-Losh's Young Shakespeare performances Saturday, May 10th and Sunday, May 11th at 7:00 pm Egan Library Free and open to the public.

Kathie Etulain, Carol Liberty and Marnie Chapman attended the UAS Allied Health Forum in Anchorage on April 4. Marnie was one of three faculty speakers asked to give a presentation. Her address was entitled, "Strategies for Delivering Human Anatomy and Physiology by Distance." The other two speakers represented UAA and UAF.

Eric Hummel is leaving his position as Asst. Prof. of CIOS at the Ketchikan Campus after this academic year to accept a job with the Federal INFOSEC Practice at Unisys in McLean VA.

New employees

Deborah Bowes: administrative secretary in the Natural Sciences department.

Toby Clark: Manager of the Student Activities Center.

Robyn Holloway: Instructional technician in the Learning Center.

Rebecca Koslovich: Administrative assistant for the Dean of Faculty.

Shannon Peach: Administrative assistant in the Alaska Distance Education Technology Center.

April Employee Anniversaries

David Conway, 7 years; Barbara Deatherage, 2 years; Paul Empson, 9 years; Rogelio Estrada, 2 years; Wendy Gierard, 2 years; Adelina Guerrero, 3 years; Nancy Gifford, 4 years; Tom McKenna, 4 years; Glenda Rice, 2 years; Jeanny Wharton, 9 years.

Thanks to UAS

Debbie Gleaton and her family would like to thank everyone at UAS for their love, thoughts and support in coping with the loss of her husband, Ron.

Thank You,
Debbie Gleaton & Family

UAS Spring Formal

UAS Spring Formal at the Baranof Sat., April 19. Tickets available at SAC. The all-age event includes video/DJ, great food. Staff and faculty invited to attend.

Ketchikan Leadership Conference

The First Annual UAS Ketchikan New Generation Leadership Conference gave 22 students, ranging in age from 16 to 40, the skills and knowledge they need to be the leaders of tomorrow.

The Chancellor's Office, UAS Ketchikan Student Government, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and A&P Markets sponsored the Conference. UAS Ketchikan Assistant Professor of Business Cathy LeCompte and UAS Juneau Adjunct Faculty Timi Tullis designed the conference. UAS Ketchikan CIOS faculty Patti DeAngelis and Eric Hummel assisted in both planning and teaching during the conference.

The conference was designed to encourage self-reflection in dealing with interpersonal communication, time management and ethical decision-making.

Archeology Month

Alaska Archeology Month was celebrated at UAS Ketchikan. On Tuesday, April 8 about 40 people attended a slide presentation titled "The Prehistory of Southern Southeast Alaska," presented at the UAS Ketchikan Technical Center by John Autrey, USFS archeologist. Tuesday, April 15 over 20 people attended "The Significance and Preservation of Traditional Cultural

Places," presented at the Tech Center by Professor Priscilla Schulte, USFS Archeologist John Autrey and Alaska Native Sisterhood President Merle Hawkins.

Dial-up change

UA will be changing our dial-up networking service on May 15th. Dial-up users will receive instructions for this change by May 1st. The change will simplify the process for users, improve speed, and be easier for UA to manage.

Bookstore

Graduation gowns and caps are still available and announcements can still be ordered. Vendor-Error Sale on Gear Sweatshirt & T-shirts; selected sweatshirts and tees discounted 50%. Fall book orders are way past due.

JUNEAU CALENDAR

Throughout the week

- Stress week massage and acupuncture available for students only.

Saturday, April 26

- UAS Student Garage Sale, 4300 University Drive, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., rain or shine!

Thursday, May 1

- Hypnotist Arlow Moreland at the SAC, 8pm

Sunday, May 4

- Commencement, 2 p.m., Centennial Hall

Tuesday, May 8

- Staff Development Day, Egan Library

Friday, May 16

- Weber State Nursing Students will celebrate with a graduation ceremony in the UAS Ketchikan Library at 6 p.m.

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