



Soundings

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Chrysantha Kamalani Ka O'hana Bradley March 26, 1985 – June 5, 2003

Chrysantha Kamalani Ka O'hana Bradley is the daughter of Tina and Ray Bradley and niece to Sue Oliva. Chrysantha died of complications that stemmed from her battle with Cardiomyopia, which is an enlarged heart. Chrysantha had heart replacement surgery when she was 14.

Chrysantha's middle name, Kamalani Ka O'hana, means "Flower Princess of the family."

She also had many surviving aunts, uncles, cousins and nieces of Juneau, Hawaii and Missouri. The family also would like to acknowledge the Juneau community as her extended family. Services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, June 14, in the Tlingit-Haida Community Building, 3235 Hospital Drive.

Searching through time



Juneau anthropology and geology students searched Bartlett's Cove for clues that could support the Hoonah Tlingit assertion that their ancestry in that area dates back to the dawn of time. Cathy Conner and Dan Monteith led a team of 16 student geologists and anthropologists, respectively,

through the 10-day archeological exploration.

Students marked significant archeological finds using global positioning satellite equipment and used the data to create maps. Native Elders shared traditional stories with the students and explained some of the protocol of the culture.

All the information compiled on the trip will be used to support a Traditional Cultural Property nomination for Bartlett's Cove. If the nomination is successful, the U.S. Government will recognize the area as having significant spiritual and historical value. It would be the first TCP in Alaska.

The PITAS Cultural Curriculum Infusion Project

The purpose of PITAS Curriculum Infusion Project is to create a learning environment that recognizes, respects and builds upon existing indigenous knowledge and ways of knowing; and to continue to develop and practice pedagogy that's associated with effective teaching methods and target successful learning in the Native community.

One of the goals of the current PITAS grant is to "modify the existing teacher education programs at UAS to provide more course selections and experiences relevant to indigenous culture and languages," said Rhonda Hickok. "UAS has come a long way in recognizing and validating indigenous knowledge and ways of knowing. We now need to continue our efforts in order to truly reflect the indigenous cultures of Alaska."

The cultural infusion component of the PITAS program will provide Juneau campus faculty with an opportunity to strengthen the integration of Alaska Native culture and perspective in order to better reflect the indigenous cultures of Alaska and their ways of knowing. Faculty who participate in this incredible opportunity will receive \$500 for books and other resources to promote cultural infusion and \$500 as an honorarium for participating and submitting one revised course syllabus. All expenses for workshops and retreats will be covered by the PITAS grant. If you are interested, please email Rhonda Hickok at jfhre@uas.alaska.edu

Leadership College Bound

Alaskan High School students gathered at UAS for the 10-day Leadership College Bound seminar. The seminar was made possible through a grant from First National Bank and covered communication between genders, critical thinking, ethical decision-making and diversity, among other topics.

Tim Schroeder and Timi Tullis wrote the grant, which is in its third and final year, and worked with the students. Jodi Hickenlooper coordinated the events. Paul Kraft, Vicki Orazem, and Elizabeth Schelle presented to the group.

Marjorie Fields retirement party

The Center for Teacher Education will be hosting a potluck dinner retirement party for Dr. Marjorie Fields on Tuesday, June 17, at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Dean Marilyn Taylor, 3479 Meander Way. All university faculty and staff are invited to come share in the potluck and wish Marjorie the best in her retirement.

Frank Fisher August 10, 1943 – June 1, 2003

Frank Fisher, 59, of Facilities Services died in his home on Sunday, June 1, 2003. Frank worked at UAS delivering the mail since 1979. Frank was born on August 10, 1943.

He was an avid fly fisherman, but he also had many other passions. He loved to cook and was quick to share his favorite recipes and gardening tips. He enjoyed talking about sports and was a fanatic about Notre Dame football. He was also a dedicated reader and book collector. His favorite author was Science Fiction writer Tom Godwin. In his will, Frank requested that his book collection, which numbers in the hundreds, with many first editions, be left to the Egan Library at UAS.



UAS Faculty Convocation August 19, 20, 21

New faculty and professional staff orientation will be held on Tuesday, August 19th from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. All adjuncts are invited to attend on a volunteer basis. Presentations will be held in the Egan classroom auditorium. An all-campus BBQ will follow at the Career Ed Center at 6 pm. Juneau folks are asked to bring a dish to share.

Wednesday, August 20th:

8:30 a.m. All faculty and staff: Chancellor's Welcome, State of the University

10:30 a.m. Faculty Sessions on publishing and the scholarship of teaching

Lunch on your own

1:15 p.m. Full faculty assembly

Thursday, August 21st is for department and division meetings and will be scheduled by academic deans and department chairs.

For more information, check out uas.alaska.edu/convocation

Way to Waddle!



Our esteemed UAS Waddling Whales participated in the Southeast Road Runners' 13th annual Sea Coast Relay last Saturday, May 31st. The 21.6-mile, five-leg, course started at Eagle Beach and ended at Skater's Cabin on Mendenhall Lake.

Team members Mona Yarnall, Mark Hopson, Nick Meyer, Barney Norwick, Michael Ciri and Sherry Tamone placed fourth of seven teams in the Mixed Open division and placed 19th of 28 overall. The team had a combined time of 2:54.38.

MAT Graduation

Everyone is invited to the Juneau Master of Arts in Teaching Secondary and Elementary programs graduation in Egan Library on Saturday, June 28 at 5:00 p.m.. The speaker will be Rep. Beth Kertula. A reception will follow in the Egan Classroom foyer.

Ketchikan

The UAS Alumni Association Ketchikan Chapter raffle raised approximately \$2000-2500 for UAS Alumni Association Ketchikan Chapter scholarship. Karen Polley won the raffle.

Faculty and Staff

Linda Snyder resigned as bookstore manager after 13 years with UAF and UAS to accept a position in Governor Murkowski's office with the department of Boards and Commissions. Her last day is Friday, June 13. Best wishes Linda!

Rhonda Hickok attended the Interior Academy for Culturally Responsive Schools in Fairbanks held May 26 through 31. The academy focused on addressing the implementation of the Alaska Standards for Culturally Responsive Schools.

Sitka

An "Art in Alaska" Elderhostel group is in Sitka this week taking classes in Raku Pottery from Jamie Autrey, Watercolor Painting from Mim McConnell, and Photography from James Poulson. Fortunately, the weather is perfect for their adventures. Karen Christner is directing this late-spring event.

MAT Sitka Graduation

Everyone is invited to the Master of Arts in Teaching Secondary Sitka Cohort graduation on Friday, June 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sitka Tribe of Alaska Community House Sheet'ka Kwaan Naa Kahidi. Bernie Gurule, Principal of Blatchley Middle School will be the graduation speaker and the student speaker will be Scott Draper. A reception will follow the ceremony.

They're no Flukes...

The UAS Flukes softball team is riding a three-game win streak to a 4-5 record. The team invites all fans to their upcoming doubleheader at 7:00 and 8:10 p.m. at Dimond Park this Monday. See ace pitcher Steve Johnson mow down the opposition and hot hitter Mike Ciri attempt to extend his current streak of 8 base hits in a row.

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