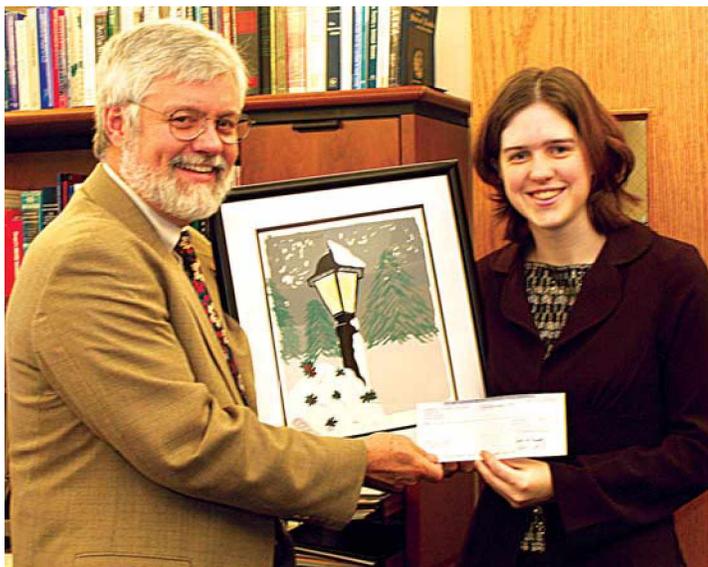


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“Lamplight” Wins Card Contest

Greetin’ from Sweden



Chancellor John Pugh presents Crystal Hegel with a check in the amount of \$100 for her winning entry in the Holiday Card contest. Crystal presented John with the framed original artwork “Lamplight” that will appear on the Chancellor Holiday card, which will also be available for purchase next week in the Bookstore.

The following is a letter to UAS from former UAS President Mark Graves:

First off I am in Vaxjo, Sweden, which is in the Southern part of Sweden (luckily the warmer part). My experience thus far has been epic!! It has been a wonderful experience to learn so much about other people and cultures. I have been given the opportunity to learn and experience so many new things because of this exchange that I don't even know where to start!! I would say the two main things I have gained are a better understanding of the world and how that relates to my life and my aspirations, and how worthwhile the opportunity to experience another country through the exchange program is. Not only have I been able to explore other countries, which so far have included Norway, Finland, Denmark, Germany and Poland, I have also been able to immerse myself in the Swedish culture and way of life. The ability to live and understand how another culture lives is one of the most amazing things I have ever experienced. On top of all that, the school I am studying at is great! The culture here is very education orientated, which provides a very exciting and motivational environment for learning. All in all I can say that my experience so far has been life changing. I realize what an invaluable experience it is to study abroad. I will leave you with a few words another UAS student told me prior to leaving, “ don't count the days, make every day count ” Adjo, Mark



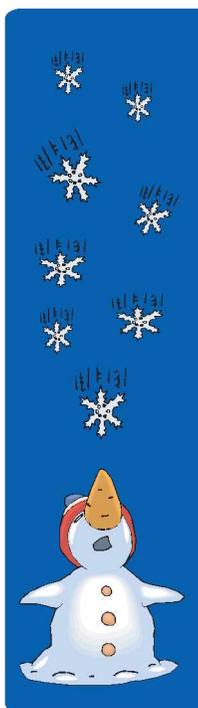
Mark Graves with a group of other exchange students in Sweden.

Chancellor's Holiday Open House

Tuesday, December 9th
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Lake Room,
Mourant Building

All Students, Staff
and Faculty
are welcome!



Bookstore

The Bookstore's Twelve Days' Sale starts today. Each day brings 20 % off different merchandise in the store.

Tia Anderson is joining the Bookstore staff as the new Bookstore Operations Assistant.

Southeast mourns the loss of Ester Shea

Tlinget Elder Ester Shea passed away on Thanksgiving Day after a lifetime of devotion to education and cultural studentship. Ester was Richard Jackson's mother. Richard canceled his retirement party from UAS to be with his family in Ketchikan. Ester received an Honorary Degree from UAS Honorary Doctorate of Laws in 1994. She will be missed.

Faculty and Staff

Alice Tersteeg's art classes participated in "Bring a Friend." This event was designed for all the people who think they may be interested in a class and would like a "sample" of the techniques and materials.

Student clubs from Screen Printing, Etching and Relief Printing, and Batik sponsored this event, purchasing materials for introductory projects and advertising. "Bring a Friend" was such a success that another open house is planned for spring semester.

Jane Terzis's artwork is included in the "Collecting Alaska: Recent Acquisitions from the Permanent Collection" exhibition, which opens December 5 at the Alaska State Museum. It will run through April 17, 2004.

Dave Ingram, Adjunct Professor of Law Science, is retiring after 20 years of teaching at UAS. Dave Ingram is also an Administrative Law Judge and has shared his knowledge with many law and public administration students over the years. He will be greatly missed.

Marquam George will be presenting a session on energy efficiency and mold control for the Bureau of Indian Affairs 13th Annual Service Providers Conference in Anchorage on December 3rd.

Bridging the Gap

When Frank Fisher passed away early this fall, UAS was unable to find any next-of-kin. His family has now been found and they hadn't heard from Frank in over 20 years. They are looking to help fill in the gaps. If you would like to share any thought, memories or pictures of Frank, his family would be very appreciative. Send material to Becky Fitzpatrick in Facilities.

Convocation

The provost has announced the following days for mini-convocation, Thursday, January 8th, and Friday, January 9th. Academic Units will meet with their faculty and workshops will be available on the following topics: Faculty Development, Native Issues and Education, the American Democracy Project and a follow-up workshop on The Scholarship of Teaching.

Please contact Vice Provost Vicki Orazem if you have questions, x6421.

American Democracy Project

UAS announces that it is one of 166 university campuses involved in the American Democracy Project sponsored by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. The ADP is an initiative that seeks to create an intellectual and experiential understanding of civic engagement for undergraduates enrolled at institutions that are members of the AASCU. The goal of the project is to produce graduates who understand, and are committed to, engaging in meaningful actions as citizens in a democracy. The project goal is to help students see the connections between what they study and what they do as members of their communities such as voting, social advocacy, local volunteerism and other civic activities necessary for the vitality of a democracy.

Holiday Lights and Sing

David Lendrum's Whalesong light design on the Pavilion represents a whale singing. The big series of curved lines is a musical staff, and the whales are sounding off in the form of the big orange wave patterns. It's Evon Zerbits' design from her book *Whalemail*, and is used by permission. She is a Linocut artist who lives in Ketchikan. The lights are set to highlight the community Holiday Sing, Sunday, Dec. 7th.

Biology potluck

Saturday, Dec. 6 at 6 pm at the Schaible House. Rides will leave the housing lodge at 5:55 pm. All Biology students and faculty are welcome and should bring a dish to share.

Save the date!

The second annual UAS Winter Soiree is coming up on Saturday, Feb. 7, 2004. Tickets will be available soon; during the month of December tickets are \$25. After the New Year tickets will be \$35.

The Winter Soiree is an annual UAS fundraiser featuring: Comedy with Mad Chad and our own Kevin Myers; music from the Thunder Mountain Big Band, Psychedelic Psax and DJ Jeff Hermann; a silent auction; hors d'oeuvres; and Monte Carlo-style gaming such as craps, poker, blackjack and Caribbean stud poker.

Call the Development Office at 465-2848 or e-mail emily.wescott@uas.alaska.edu for more information.

Ketchikan

UAS Ketchikan Campus Assistant Director Cathy LeCompte has been accepted to the 2004 Future Leaders Institute sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges in February. The Institute is an innovative five-day leadership seminar designed for senior level community college administrators.

The Society of American Foresters has approved a \$500 scholarship that will benefit UAS Ketchikan forestry students. The scholarship will be awarded in the spring for the fall '04 semester.

If you have UAS faculty, staff, student or alumni news, please contact Kevin Myers at 465-6530 or kevin.myers@uas.alaska.edu.
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