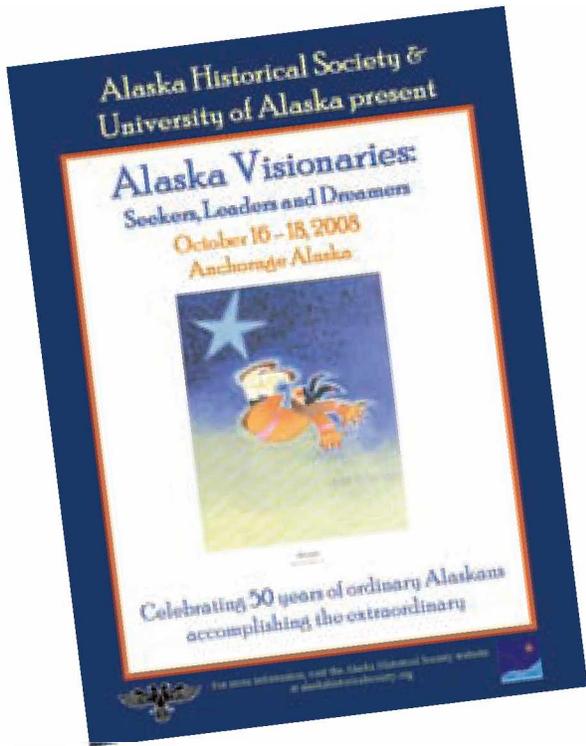


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University of Alaska Southeast Faculty & Staff Newsletter

Envisioning Alaska 50 Years from Now: The Alaska Historical Society & University of Alaska Statehood Conference

Alaska 2058: The Next 50 Years



Saturday, October 18th is a great opportunity to put us on the map with Anchorage and Fairbanks prospective students for UAS. A three day Alaska Historical Society conference “celebrating 50 years of ordinary Alaskans accomplishing the extraordinary,” wraps up with a statewide civic conversation: Alaska 2058: The Next 50 Years, 2-5 p.m., Rasmuson Hall, Room 117, University of Alaska Anchorage. **It will be videoconferenced live to the UAS Egan Lecture Hall, Room 112.**

Chancellor Pugh encourages you to attend or join the discussion via video conference from UAS. Panelists (they are in Anchorage) will explore issues concerning ethnic identity and diversity, art and culture, natural resource use and development, communication and technology, education and global climate change.

The panel of experts in various subjects will engage in a conversation about the future of our state. The UAS audience will be able to ask questions and discuss their own visions for the next 50 years. Panelists include Anchorage School District Superintendent Carol Comeau, APRN reporter Steve Heimel, UAF Interim Chancellor Brian Rogers, Dr. Sven Haakanson Jr. and more.

And the Emmy Goes to: Ketchikan



series titled “Physical Anthropology: The Evolving Human”, which won an Emmy at the 2008 awards show in the category

University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan faculty member, Priscilla Schulte, Ph.D., Professor of Anthropology and Sociology, has added an Emmy award to her list of accomplishments. Dr. Schulte received the award as a member of the Academic Advisory Committee for an educational

of Best Instructional Programming. The series is a production of California’s Coastline Community College. According to the college, “Physical Anthropology: The Evolving Human” was produced with the help of more than 30 content advisors and more than 100 professional experts.

Dr. Priscilla Schulte specializes in multicultural education, Alaska Native cultures, socio-cultural change and archaeology of Southeast Alaska. Dr. Schulte has been a professor on the Ketchikan campus since 1980 and a pioneer in teaching university courses via distance methods over the last ten years.

Fall 2009: 100+ Students

The offices of Admissions and Public Relations have joined forces to draw 100 new full time students to the Juneau campus in Fall 2009. Ninety-percent of UAS students are from Alaska. Initiatives include direct mail postcards to Alaska high school students and posters in Alaska high school counseling offices. The 100+ campaign features a first-time focus on prospective students in the Anchorage area. Related efforts include a new future students website, UAS homepage commercials (i.e. Environmental Science, coming soon: Marine Bio) as well as email surveys and focus groups with current students.



UAS Biologists to Present at Bubble Feed Fundraiser

UAS Marine Biology faculty Beth Mathews and UAS Biology graduate (2007) Suzie Teerlink will make presentations at an upcoming fundraising dinner for the Humpback Whale Sculpture Project. Teerlink will show the new humpback whale web site that she helped to develop for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The web site is a public resource for information on humpback whales and also holds a digital catalog of humpback flukes photos that can be used to identify individual whale. The whale web site was, in part, inspired by a senior Research Project that Teerlink did with Mathews. Here is the link to the site: www.afsc.noaa.gov/ABL/Humpback/default.htm

The humpback whale sculpture, by R.T. "Skip" Wallen, is underway for the 50th Anniversary of Alaska Statehood. Wallen is best known for his bear sculpture by the Court House building in downtown Juneau. Dinner will be served by Chez Alaska with a No-Host bar. The event is Sunday, October 19, 6 p.m. at the Moose Lodge. Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased at the Juneau Arts and Humanities Council (586-2787) or on-line at www.jahc.org.

Good, Fair, Poor?

Dining Services is conducting a campus wide survey. The detailed survey seeks your feedback on the quality of food, service and atmosphere. Look for the survey table in the back of Mourant. Pick up your survey, fill it out and turn into the cashier for a free soda! The survey is being conducted through October 21.



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Sundae Development: Ice Cream at UAS Sitka Campus

Chancellor John Pugh and Sitka Campus Director Jeff Johnston kicked off the Sitka Campus Faculty & Staff Campaign to increase gifts benefitting students and programs at the Sitka Campus. Deana Hale and Lynne Johnson from the UAS Office of Development & Alumni Relations hosted the event, dishing up lots of ice cream, bananas, fruit toppings, and whipped cream with a cherry and festive topper! A challenge offered earlier in the day was to see if someone would be able to make a sundae as good as the one in the photo on the event postcard...I think we came pretty close! Thanks to everyone for a successful event.

Tersteeg Honor: Mayor's Award for the Arts, October 23

The Juneau Arts & Humanities Council announces that UAS faculty Alice Tersteeg is being honored for her work (over 30 years on the faculty) at the University of Alaska SE both Sitka and Juneau campuses, culminating in the development of a Bachelor of Art degree for UAS, her work to explore and insist on non-toxic print-making methods at the University, and her commitment to the importance of the arts for every individual. Tersteeg retired from UAS in Spring, 2008. Tersteeg will be presented with the Innovative Application of the Arts award at the Second Annual Mayor's Awards for the Arts.

Tersteeg is one of six award recipients. Jim Simard will receive the Volunteer/Patron of the Arts award for his countless hours of volunteering for virtually every performing group in Juneau, particularly in technical areas. He has used his many years as a professional in the theatre/film world to design and create lighting systems for UAS, Naa Kahidi Theatre, Opera to Go, Theatre in the Rough, and most recently the Juneau Arts & Culture Center.

Honorees will receive their awards at a cocktail reception catered by Abby's Kitchen, entertainment including Tom Locher on piano, on Thursday, October 23 from 5 to 7 pm at the Juneau Arts & Culture Center. Tickets for the event are \$25, available through the Arts Council offices, at Hearthside Books, by calling 586-2787, or online at www.jahc.org

University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan Receives \$131,500 Grant

The University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan was awarded an additional \$131,500 to its existing Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Program grant to further develop and implement a comprehensive system of student support services for rural and Alaska Natives on Prince of Wales and Annette Islands. The initial grant was awarded in 2004.

The additional funds will be utilized to enhance current grant activities through continued training of existing staff to better serve and advise distance students, update technology, development and implementation of web-based student support services, and the creation of a laptop loaner program for distance students.

The Ketchikan campus will develop a laptop and web technology loan program for Alaska Native and rural Alaskan students enrolled in the Associate of Arts program via distance. The program will require students in the loan program to participate in student orientations, financial aid and scholarship writing seminars, online library and research orientations and tutoring modules. UAS Ketchikan staff will increase their skills and abilities in advising and tutoring in an online environment, offering more student support services to students in the distance environment.

The goal of the additional funding is to create sustainable web-based student support services with highly-trained staff members. It will allow more Alaska Native and rural Alaskans the opportunity to gain a higher education without leaving their communities.



NOWHERE Now Infamous

Adjunct professor Mary Ida Henrikson's now famous t-shirt is all over the web, CNN and Newsweek after a 2006 photograph surfaced with Vice Presidential nominee Governor Sarah Palin holding it up in what is claimed as support for Ketchikan's hard link to Gravina Island. The tee-shirt reads NOWHERE ALASKA 99901, and was a meant to be a symbol of pride and hope for the then economically depressed town.

Ms. Henrikson, MFA Claremont Graduate University, teaches studio and art history classes at UAS Ketchikan campus.

The Professional Education Center Has Moved

The Professional Education Center (PEC), formerly downtown in the Bill Ray Center, is now located in Room 202 of the Hendrickson Building. This move provides greater collaboration opportunities with the School of Education, of which the PEC is a department, as well as other sectors of the UAS main campus. In our new office space we have Diana Gifford, PEC Director; Cathy Thomas, PEC Administrative Assistant; Mary Miller, School of Education Grants Developer; Carol Prentice, System for Early Education Development (SEED) Grant Director; and Dr. Martin Laster, Assistant Professor of Education in Educational Leadership.

The PEC was created to meet the on-going needs for professional development for Alaska's teachers and other educators through workshops, in-services and distance learning. All school districts offer their staff local specialized training. Many work with the UAS School of Education Professional Education Center to acquire professional development credit for that staff development training. These credit-bearing opportunities, which increase the knowledge and skill level of educators, are also used for mandatory recertification and salary schedule advancement.

The Professional Education Center is dedicated to advancing and promoting professional learning opportunities which will continue to improve the skills of Alaska's educators and the educational experiences of all of Alaska's students.

Personnel Alert

Lincoln Life representative Chris Keyes will be on the Juneau campus all day Thursday, October 23 beginning at 8 a.m. in Egan, Rm. 226. He will be available for individual appointments for employees with questions or concerns about their Optional Retirement Plan investments, university pension, or tax-deferred annuity.

Simon to Present at Statehood Conference

Sociology professor Alex Simon is presenting a paper on contrasting views of the value of wolves in the last frontier at the upcoming Alaska Historical Society and University of Alaska Statehood Conference in Anchorage.

Simon's presentation will be similar to his October 3 Evening at Egan talk. He argues that by embracing European notions of predator species, Alaskan leaders have often implemented policies which undermine Alaska's ecological well-being. Moreover, decimating wolf populations diminishes the quality of various forms of wilderness recreational experiences, e.g., hunting and backpacking, for humans.

The presentation is part of the Panel Session: **Visionaries of Alaska Conservatism**. Bill Brown of the National Park Service will serve as moderator. Other panelists are Charles Wohlforth, who will give a talk on William Langille, a Klondike stamper who became a key figure in conservationists' earliest victories in Alaska and Roger Kaye on Olaus and Mardy Murie's Campaign to establish The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

The panel takes place on Saturday, October 18, 8:00-9:20 a.m. on the UAA campus.

Professor Tallmon Delivers Keynote Address

David Tallmon was invited to provide a keynote address and serve as an instructor at an international workshop on Conservation Genetics Data Analysis in Porto, Portugal, September 9-13, 2008. He described software he developed with collaborators from England and France and recent UAS CIOS graduate Ally Koyuk to analyze genetic samples from wildlife and plant populations.

September Anniversaries

Noel Andes, 6 years; Amber Averette, 3 years; David Barlow, 14 years; Virginia Berg, 4 years; Jennifer Cedarleaf, 2 years; JoAnne Craig, 1 year; Carolyn Enge, 4 years; Danel Griffin, 4 years; Deana Hale, 4 years; Sarah Harvey, 4 years; Vickie Inkster, 3 years; Amanda Johnson, 5 years; Jeff Johnston, 3 years; Elenoa Lehaul, 3 years; Trisha Lee, 3 years; Diane Meador, 9 years; Gloria Merry, 12 years; Joe Nelson, 4 years; Sue Oliva, 26 years; Matt Olsen, 8 years; Mary Purvis, 8 years; Glenn Ramsey, 26 years; Rodolfo Renegado Jr., 3 years; Nicole Rogers, 20 years; Jan Straley, 9 years; Jacque Tagaban, 2 years; Cathy Thomas, 6 years; Susan Wylie, 3 years.

October Anniversaries

Timothy Anderson, 6 years; Heather Beaudette, 2 years; David Behrends, 4 years; Arnel Bolanos, 13 years; Patrick Brown, 1 year; Sandra Burgess, 10 years; Tom Dienst, 16 years; Brandi Fleming, 1 year; Mark Hildebrand, 15 years; Mark Hopson, 8 years; Laura Hosey, 4 years; Barbara Hyde, 26 years; Kent Kay, 1 year; Paula Keith, 1 year; David Lendrum, 7 years; Arlo Midgett, 8 years; Maria Moya, 5 years; Amy Nelson, 2 years; Naomi Piehl, 2 years; Laura Powers, 2 years; Ray Roberts, 5 years; Karl Sears, 8 years; Donald Sims, 6 years; Laron Thomas, 1 year.

New Hires

Carolyn Bergstrom, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Biology.

Jennifer Bosley, Wellness Grant, Student Services.