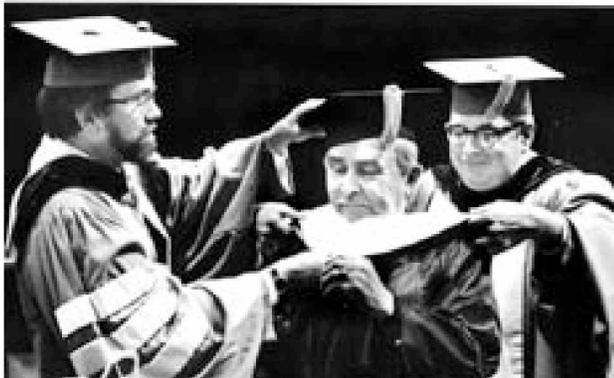




50 Years at UAS



Regents Don Abel (left) and Gordon Evans (right) present Joseph Kahklen (center) with his honorary doctorate of humanities at the 1985 commencement ceremonies.

Starting in January, UAS will be celebrating its 50th anniversary. There will be several events commemorating this milestone.

Visiting Professor Researching Women's Roles in Academic Administration

University of Southern California Associate Professor Wynne Waugaman has taken sabbatical leave to join the UAS administration this semester. Waugaman is working with and observing Provost Robbie Stell to learn the job of the provost at a small liberal arts university and to aid in her research on women's roles in academic administration.

Waugaman wanted the opportunity to have a female administrative mentor because every provost and vice president that she has worked for have been male. The provost position at UAS is very different from the universities that Waugaman comes from of 30,000 students in which the provost has eight or more vice provosts working for him.

Waugaman's duties at UAS include participating in the academic program review, enrollment management, and restructuring the faculty handbook. She is enjoying the opportunity to learn about the broad variety of educational experiences at UAS, from vocational education all the way through master degree level.

"I think the institution is really unique in its focus on the environment for example, and in the liberal arts with programs that are area specific or emphasis specific like social sciences," said Waugaman.

She thinks both the faculty and students benefit from having a broader appreciation for what encompasses social sciences or natural sciences versus only knowing about psychology or

anthropology for example. "At larger universities, you don't get that breadth like you do here," Waugaman said.

Waugaman has been enjoying working with Stell and appreciates that she is open and receptive. "Robbie is very willing to delegate things to me and let me have a chance to take on projects," said Waugaman.

Waugaman earned her PhD from the University of Pittsburgh, and worked at Ohio State University and UCLA before taking her current position at USC ten years ago. After her experience at UAS, Waugaman thinks her next career move may be to a smaller university. She hopes that working with Stell will help her attain the skills that better prepare her for a senior level administrative position.

In addition to working with Stell, she is also researching the evolution and development of UAS from its original community college beginnings. "I think UAS is really unique in the way it serves the community and meets the workforce needs of Alaska," said Waugaman.

A frequent visitor to Alaska, Waugaman has never had the opportunity to spend an extended period of time here until now. "It's a refreshing break from the heat, smog and traffic in Los Angeles," she said. "I really like Alaska; I don't even mind the rain."

National Best Seller Jo-Ann Mapson to Speak at UAS

Alaskan writer Jo-Ann Mapson, author of the national best sellers *Hank & Chloe*, *The Wilder Sisters*, and *Bad Girl Creek* will present a public reading of her work at the Egan Lecture Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 16 from 7 to 8:30 pm.

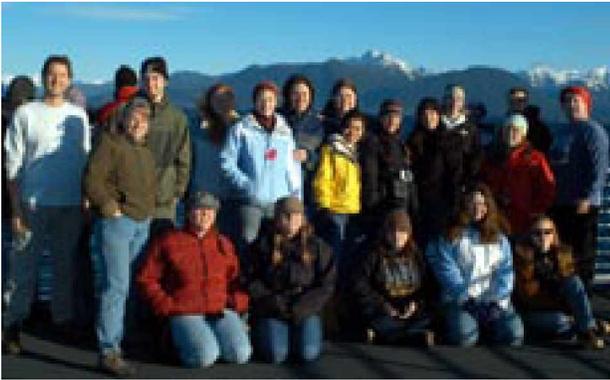
Mapson will also share her expertise as a writer; discuss her craft, and the process of publishing. Mapson is the author of eight books of mainstream fiction including *Blue Rodeo*, which was made into a CBS television movie starring Kris Kristofferson and Ann Margaret. She lives in Anchorage and teaches fiction in the Masters of Fine Arts Program in Writing at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Mapson's visit is the first in the UAS Humanities Department Writers / Speakers series.

Sitka WhaleFest

The Chancellor's Fund and Student Activities Travel Grants provided funds for 17 UAS students and faculty member Matt Heavner to attend Whalefest in Sitka last weekend. The event consisted of lectures by eminent marine biologists on topics ranging from the acoustics of sperm whales, diving physiology of sea lions, migration patterns of elephant seals, feeding mechanisms of bowhead whales, to the harvesting of Kenai shellfish. A student poster session highlighted research by UAS and REU undergraduates.

The highlight of the trip was the field trip in Sitka Sound where the group saw sea otters, several species of kelp, humpback and orca whales. Involvement of the UAS Juneau campus in Whalefest was a great success.



UAS students enjoy beautiful whale watching weather during Sitka's Whalefest celebration.

Holiday Break

This year's holiday closure will begin Friday, Dec. 23, 2005 and go through Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2006. Employees will return to work on Wednesday, Jan. 4. The schedule, for those not specifically assigned to work, will be as follows:

- December 23 – holiday (Spring Break)
- December 26 – holiday
- December 27 – holiday
- December 28 – annual leave or leave without pay
- December 29 – annual leave or leave without pay
- December 30 – annual leave or leave without pay
- January 02 – holiday
- January 03 – holiday

Glory Hole Donation Drive

The annual Glory Hole Donation Drive at UAS will be starting up soon. Boxes will be placed in various buildings on campus, as well as BRC and MTC next week. Donations of non-perishable food, clothes in good condition, shoes, boots, coats, gloves, scarves, toys, games (with all pieces included), stuffed animals, books for adults and kids will all be very appreciated. Monetary donations are also welcome.

Volunteers are needed to help sort, pack and deliver. The organizers are planning to deliver the donations to the Glory Hole on Friday, Dec. 16. Please contact Karen Cummins at 796-6409 if you are interested in helping out.

Dinner and a Movie with a French Twist

An international meal will be served at the Schaible House on Sunday night, Nov. 13 at 6 pm. French professor Virginie Duverger will host the event as a fund raiser for the Spring study abroad trip to France. The cost of this elegant dinner is \$15 for students and \$20 for non-students. Everyone is welcome.

If you can't make the dinner, please feel free to come for the movie *Amelie*, beginning roughly at 7:30 pm. Donations will be appreciated.

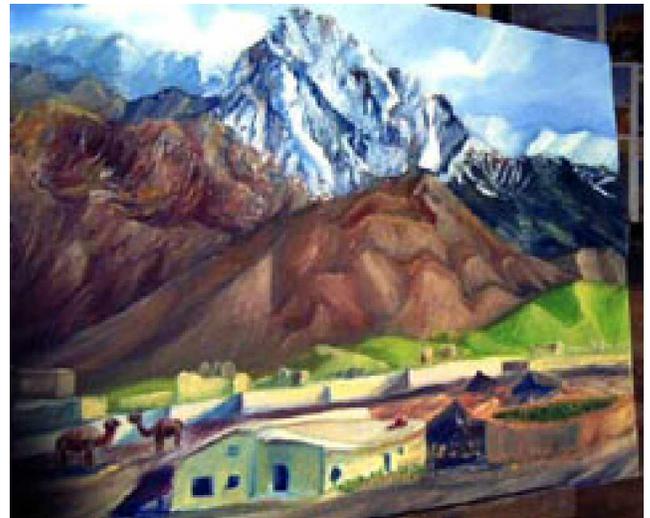
Virginie is still looking for a few volunteers. If you are interested in assisting with the dinner, or have questions, please contact her at 796-6051 or virginie.duverger@uas.alaska.edu.

"Make your taste buds happy and join us this Sunday," said Virginie.

UAS Graduate Paints Afghanistan

Mark Duran graduated from UAS in '92 with a B.L.A. concentrating on the arts. He has carried his passion with him in the form of writing, photography and painting to Afghanistan, where he has been stationed for the last year as a military police officer in the Army.

He sends regular e-mails to friends and family back home with insightful thoughts and observations, and often attaches photos. "Life is a balancing act and art has always played a direct role in keeping my own sanity in check," wrote Mark.



Paintings done by Mark Duran while stationed in Afghanistan

Bundle Up and Sing



Chancellor John Pugh and the Student Alumni Association invite you and your family to the Holiday Sing, featuring the Victorian Carolers accompanied by J. Allan MacKinnon. The entire community is welcome at this free event on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 4 pm, held at the Noyes Pavilion. Cookies and hot beverages will be served. If you would like more information, contact the alumni office at 796-6569

Alumni Association Meeting

The UAS Alumni Association will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Rec Center. All current Alumni & Friends members are welcome to attend. By-laws may be altered, amended, and/or repealed at this meeting. Election of board members and officers will be held at this time. RSVP to the alumni office at 796-6569.

Ceramic Artists to Visit and Inspire

The UAS ceramics studio is hosting a workshop with two guest artists, Brad Schwieger from Ohio University and Steve Godfrey from UAA. The artists will present demonstrations Thursday night at 5:30 pm, and show slides later that evening at 8:30 during the advanced ceramics class. A new wood fired coffin kiln will be built this Friday and Saturday. Everyone is welcome to visit and support.

Staff Council Wants You!

The Staff Council will meet on Thursday, Nov. 17 from 3 to 4 pm in the Novatney building, room 102. Contact your local member-at-large for Sitka and Ketchikan locations. The agenda is online at www.uas.alaska.edu/staffcouncil/agendas.html There are new access numbers if you want to dial in: Access (Dial-In) numbers: 800-519-1987, Meeting number: *8981232*

Dogs on Campus

There have been several recent complaints regarding violations of the UAS Pet Policy. Pets must be on a leash while on campus grounds, they are not allowed in campus buildings, and they cannot be tied to objects on campus and left unattended. The entire policy can be found at the following link: www.uas.alaska.edu/faculty_staff/ under the heading Policies. Thank you for your compliance with this policy.



Thanks to the UAS Community

Kari Wiederkehr, the Community Coordinator for the Blood Bank of Alaska, would like to thank the UAS community for their help with the recent blood drive. When the Blood Bank came to campus this week, they saw 69 people and received 49 units of blood, which will potentially save as many as 147 Alaskan lives.

“That is a really fantastic contribution to the greater community of Alaska,” said Wiederkehr. “Please make sure that everyone at UAS knows how much I appreciate their help.”

Staff and Faculty

Ernestine Hayes is one of three Juneau artists that have won Individual Artist Project grants from the Anchorage-based Rasmuson Foundation. Ernestine was awarded \$2,200 for her work in the literary arts.

ITS Factoid

The Information Systems Division of the IT department (Mona Yarnall and Mark Hopson) manages and supports 35 servers in 5 Southeast Alaska locations.