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Fudge, Bundy to leave UAS

Milt Fudge, director of business operations, will retire on July 31. He is a long term university employee who worked in Ketchikan and rural Alaska as well as Juneau.

In accepting Fudge's resignation, Vice Chancellor Carol Griffin said, "Your contributions will not be forgotten or surpassed in the near future. I know you have looked forward to retirement and there are other things you want to do in your life including finishing your new home."

Rick Bundy, chief budget officer, who has worked for the university for over 22 years is resigning effective Aug. 25. In his resignation letter to Griffin, Bundy said, "I have sincerely enjoyed the challenges afforded me over the past 22 years and our working relationship. I am confident and certain that UAS will continue to grow, mature and prosper and wish you the best of success in guiding the institution through to these results."

Griffin said, "The University will not be the same without out Rick. His knowledge about UAS is irreplaceable but most of all his total dedication to the institution stands as a model to everyone."

Griffin said a recruitment is underway to find a replacement for Fudge and one will begin shortly for Bundy's position. Griffin commended both for the timing of the departures. "If we were going to have vacancies, this is the best time," she said. "The start of a fiscal year is much easier than the close."

A recruitment is also underway to replace Kris Pearson in grants and contracts who resigned earlier. "We have several strong applicants in the pool for Kris's position," Griffin said.

Chancellor appears on Capital Chat

John Pugh discussed UAS for nearly 45 minutes as the Wednesday guest on KINY radio's Capital Chat program with host Chris Burns.

"Booming," is how Pugh described this summer at UAS. He ticked off summer events such as Bread Loaf; their Thursday reading/lecture series; the Master of Arts in Teaching graduation ceremonies and the new MAT classes; the Communications Institute, the Ed Tech endorsement; Multi Media Institute; the Coastal Science Institute; the National Science Foundation funded undergraduate research program; nearly full housing; and increased summer session enrollment.



Chris Burns interviews Chancellor Pugh on KINY.

Pugh told listeners about plans to go to bid on the new classroom building and the construction of nursing classrooms in the Bill Ray Center to help support the cooperative program with Weber State. He also said, "I am a believer in strong mind, strong body," and said the campus must have a recreation facility.

Breadloaf Public readings/lectures



"An Evening with Chekhov" was the first Bread Loaf summer presentation.

The Bread Loaf summer reading/lecture series takes place each Thursday at 7 p.m. in Egan Library through Aug 3.

July 13, Alaska writer Richard Nelson will read from his works.

July 20, Bruce Smith of Georgetown, on "Hearing Green: Native American Voices and European Observers c. 1600."

July 27, Kevin Dunn of Tufts, on "Irony, History, Women, Allegory in the Book of Judges."

Aug. 3, Joe McVeigh of Middlebury, on "Language and Culture."

Aug. 4-6 an outdoor theater presentation will be based on the plays and poetry of William Butler Yeats adapted by Dave Hunsaker.

Financial aid passes audit

In an effort to evaluate the administration of the Alaska student loan programs across all three campus of UAS, the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education audited 56 Alaska Student Loan disbursements from the 1998-99 award year, totaling \$186,767. "The auditors found zero reportable or non-reportable findings," according to Barbara Burnett financial aid director. "This means that we have a clean bill of health and we won't have another audit for three to four years!"

Ketchikan development assistance

An article in June 15 issue of Business News Alaska describes expansion of the Alaska Ship and Drydock, Inc. shipyard. It is expected to provide more than 200 jobs and revenues up to \$35 million annually. The article quotes Doug Ward, director of development, saying, "The company is working with the University of Alaska Ketchikan campus to develop innovative training programs for new shipyard workers and adding to the skills of its current dedicated work force."



Ginny Eckert and four students kayaked the outer coast surveying marine invertebrates and algae from July 1-4.

Undergraduate research

Nine students, including Ori Harding and Kristen Creciel from UAS, were selected in a national competition to take part in the first of three summers of UAS' Research Experiences for Undergraduates in Marine Biology funded by the National Science Foundation. Brendan Kelly and Beth Mathews wrote the grant. Each UAS biology faculty member is mentoring at least one Undergraduate Fellow this summer.

Three students are at Pt. Adolphus this week conducting a study of interactions between humpback whales and boats. Sherry Tamone has taken students diving. Ginny Eckert has taken a kayak trip with students on the outer coast.

The students will describe their work in public seminars between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on July 27 in Anderson Building 221. The seminars include studies of Alaskan marine mammals, intertidal ecology, fish toxicology, and crab physiology. Contact Kelly, 465-6510 or Mathews, 465-1827.

Computer Center requests

To save disk space on the UAS mail server large trash folders should be emptied. Go to your mailbox. From the File menu item, select "Empty Trash on mail.uas.alaska.edu" and then select "Compact Folders." A new system will be implemented this summer that will alleviate the disk space shortage. Call 465-6400 with questions.

In preparation for a change to the mail server, Computer Services is asking users to update their Netscape settings relating to the UAS e-mail directory. For step-by-step instructions to change your Netscape preferences see: http://www.uas.alaska.edu/helpdesk/ldap_change.html

Juneau staff changes

Lynn Sheperd will begin work July 17 as assistant director of Library Services

David Walker begins July 17 as a carpenter in Facilities Services.

Veronica Shaffer is the new administrative clerk in Business.

Sue Oliva is now working as a payroll technician replacing Steve Kozaczewski in Personnel Services.

Rae Korpela, administrative secretary for continuing education, will retire July 31. A retirement party will be held at the Hangar at 5 p.m., July 25.



Sharon Crostich and Edwell John, Jr. are working on the Information Technology pilot program.

Pilot program

Full tuition scholarships are available for a one-year Information Technology Certificate pilot program on the Juneau campus this fall.

Scholarships will be offered to the top 20 applicants who will study full-time on the UAS Juneau campus for one year and earn 45 credits and a departmental certificate. The program begins August 30. Applications are due August 1.

For information and an application contact Sharon Crostich at 465-6363 or Edwell John, Jr. at 465-6355 and see <http://pec.jun.alaska.edu/KWSITE/newhome.htm>

Applicants must be either a high school graduate or have a GED. The program should appeal to those wanting to upgrade skills, seek advancement, or entry level job skills in information technology.

Juneau campus news

Boy Scouts will be using the SAC climbing facility to qualify for their climbing merit badge. In exchange, UAS will use the Boy Scout Camp for the 2000 fall new student orientation.

Friday hikes take place on the 14th on the Dan Moeller Trail and on the 21st on the Spaulding Meadow trail. Vans leave housing at 10:30 a.m.

Bowling free for students, faculty and staff, 9 p.m. July 16. Vans leaves housing at 8:30 p.m.

Medical plan: Mike Humphrey, statewide director of Benefits, will update the UA 2000 medical plan for non-union employees and answer questions July 24 from 10 a.m. to noon in the BRC conference room and July 25 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Business conference room.

JUNEAU CALENDAR

Friday, July 14

- Hike, Dan Moeller Trail, van leaves housing, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, July 16

- Free bowling, van leaves housing, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, July 21

- Hike, Spaulding Meadows trail, van leaves housing, 10:30 a.m.
- Bread Loaf lecture, 7 p.m., Egal Library

Monday, July 24

- UA medical plan presentation, 10 a.m., BRC

Tuesday, July 25

- UA medical plan presentation, 10 a.m., Business Conference Room
- Retirement party for Rae Korpela, 5 p.m., Hangar.

Thursday, July 27

- Public seminar by undergraduate researchers, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Anderson 221.

Faculty/Staff news

Brendan Kelly, Juneau biology, will present results of his research on under-ice navigation by ringed seals on July 19/20 in Washington, D.C. at an Office of Naval Research review of Environmental Consequences of Underwater Sound

Ginny Eckert, Juneau biology, presented a paper at the Larval Biology Meetings held in Santa Cruz, June 24-28 on the relationship between geographic range size and larval dispersal of marine invertebrates.

Bruce Wright, Juneau adjunct biology, spent two weeks in Prince William Sound on salmon shark investigations and will brief the NOAA Science Advisory Board on the status of Exxon Valdez oil spill research in Fairbanks July 19-21.

Kim Welburn, Juneau R&R, is getting married this weekend.

Timi Hough, Juneau Housing, is getting married next weekend in Michigan.

Employee anniversaries:

Roxy Felki, 5 years; Rod Landis, 5 years; Julio Bevegni, 6 years; Valerie Stearns, 8 years; Donna Chantry, 13 years; Carol Hedlin, 16 years; Judy Regan, 16 years; Tina Bradley, 18 years; Kim Welburn, 19 years; and Denise Blankenship, 20 years.

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