

University of Alaska Southeast Soundings

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Ciri appointed director



Mike Ciri

Chancellor Pugh announced June 28 that Mike Ciri has been appointed director of Information Technology Services, starting July 1, 2000. He will be responsible for coordinating computing services for all three

Southeast campuses. "UAS is evolving to the stage where having a director for information technology services is necessary," said Provost Roberta Stell.

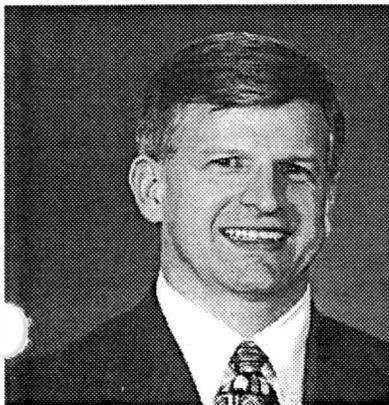
Ciri has a long and varied history at UAS, starting in 1984 as a part-time student employee at the Computer Center. From there he moved up to Systems and Operation Control supervisor in 1986; Computer Systems Coordinator in 1988, and Manager of Computer Services in 1995. He received his Bachelor of Liberal Arts degree in mathematics and computers from UAS Juneau in 1994.

Fast facts: Ciri was the original Spike the Whale, and has saved all his student and staff IDs since 1982 in his desk drawer.

He was an adjunct at UAS, teaching computer networking and programming. "I am gratified and honored to be appointed. I'm pleased that the new responsibilities include coordinating with the Ketchikan and Sitka campuses."

Beedle named UA vp for finance

Juneau resident Joe Beedle has been named vice president for finance of the University of Alaska statewide system.



Joe Beedle

UA President Mark Hamilton announced June 27 that the former Goldbelt CEO will assume the new position in Fairbanks on August 1, 2000. Prior to joining Goldbelt, Beedle was executive vice president and chief credit officer for Key Bank of Alaska, and was an adjunct professor for UA in Kenai, Anchorage, Kodiak, Ketchikan and Fairbanks, where he taught business courses in analyzing financial statements, personal investment and business planning. Beedle received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree with emphasis in finance from UAF in 1975, and also attended the Pacific Coast Banking School for a three year post graduate banking certification program at the University of Washington Graduate School of Business.

UAS Staff Council update



UAS Staff Council President, Karen Cummins

Ballots are in! The UAS Staff Council elections wrapped up with each candidate running uncontested. All candidates were elected with a majority approval. Officers are as follows: President, Karen Cummins; Vice-President, Donna Chantry; Secretary, Mona Yarnall; Juneau Member-at-Large, Sheri Gray; Ketchikan Member-at-Large, Julia Guthrie; Sitka Member-at-Large, Luda Konshin.

UAS Staff Council Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month from 2-3 p.m. via audio conference with Juneau, Sitka and Ketchikan campuses. Meeting locations vary month-to-month so please either visit the UAS Staff Council web page for the latest info (<http://www2.jun.alaska.edu/staffcouncil>) or contact any Staff Council officer.

Employee Benefits Meeting

Mike Humphrey (UA Director of Benefits) will be meeting on the Juneau campus to discuss changes to the employee benefits program. Sitka and Ketchikan staff may participate via audioconference. The meeting is scheduled July 25 from 10 a.m. - Noon in the Novatney Conference Room.

Food Services changes

New hours: Mourant Cafe

Weekdays 7:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Evenings/weekends Closed

New hours: Spike's Internet Cafe

Weekdays only 7:30-11:30 a.m.
bagels and snacks 9:30-11:30 a.m.



The Grill will be closed this summer. Food service will be open July 1-3 for Breadloaf only, and closed on the 4th.

Management

Deb Gleaton, Food Service Manager will be out on medical leave for 6 weeks. Pat Vallejo will be acting manager.

Physical Plant renamed

The name has changed, but the mission has not. The UAS Physical Plant is now called UAS Facilities Services.

Now it will be easier to do business with UAS Facilities Services. Starting on July 5 you can submit either a Work Order Request or a Telephone Repair/Change from our web page at: www.uas.alaska.edu/uas/facilities. If you have any questions regarding the new on-line process, please call Melissa Nell at 465-6496.

Faculty and Staff

Faculty activities

Sherry Tamone, Juneau marine biology, received a Natural Resources Fund Award to develop an Web-based catalog of marine invertebrates of Southeast Alaska with the help from Biology 305 (Invertebrate Zoology) students.

Elizabeth Schelle, Juneau, chaired an international group of presenters in a pre-conference workshop entitled, "Communicating with Creativity and Confidence: Skill-Building for the Association of International Educators (NAFSA) Presenters" at the 52nd annual conference of NAFSA in San Diego, CA. Over 6,000 participants from around the world attended.

Jonathan Anderson, Juneau business, visited Unalaska distance students June 22-24. On July 3 he visits UNBC in Prince George to talk about expansion of the MPA program.

Bruce Wright, Juneau biology, has been selected to advise the Governor on Alaska marine science and resource policy issues. Gov. Knowles was selected to sit on the Pew Oceans Commission (www.pewoceans.org), which recommends marine resource policy to the president and Congress.

Kevin Krein, Juneau philosophy, submitted Mt. McKinley on June 24 (20,320') and then skied down from the to base camp (7,200') on the Kahiltna Glacier. He spent 26 days on the mountain travelling via the classic West Buttress route as part of a four person international team. Temperatures reaching minus 30.

Barbara Burnett, Teri Smith and Pattie Adkisson, Juneau, will attend the National Conference on Student Retention in Washington DC July 12-15, organized by Noel-Levitz. Their report will be given during the UAS Student Services Conference in Juneau July 27-28.

New Hires

Edwell John Jr. has been hired as a term instructor of CIOS working with Sharon Crostich and others on a three semester grant program of special information technology training.

Richard Jackson has been hired as the Building Maintenance Supervisor of UAS Facilities Services.

Shirley Kaltenbach has been hired as a term assistant professor of Education providing the reading endorsement special courses.

Births

Randy Nutting, Sitka campus, and his wife Amy had a baby, Ashlyn Nicole, on June 21, 2000 at Sitka Community Hospital.

Home Arts conference in Sitka

The University of Alaska Southeast Sitka Campus, Office of Continuing Education, is offering a "Home Arts Conference" this summer, Saturday, July 15 from 9:00 a.m.-4 p.m.

The conference will feature fish printing, silk screening, alder pole furniture making, and creating decorative eggs. The sessions will be taught by local "home" artists and students will create their own projects. All four sessions will run concurrently in the morning from 9 a.m. to noon and again in the afternoon from 1-4 p.m., allowing participants to attend two sessions each day. Cost is \$59.00, including supplies and refreshments.

For more information and to register, please call Jennifer Balda at 747-7733.

Princess Tours Donates \$200,000 to University of Alaska

University of Alaska President Mark R. Hamilton announced Friday, June 16, that Princess Tours has donated \$200,000 to support university programs in Alaska. Dean Brown, Executive Vice President of Princess Cruises and President of Princess Tours, presented the check to President Hamilton in Fairbanks.

"The university is very grateful to Princess Tours for making this generous gift," Hamilton said. "It will be of great assistance in helping to fund the university's key educational initiatives such as the UA Scholars Program, the academic programs in Information Technology, Natural Resources and Arctic Sciences, as well as the core programs that are helping us provide Alaska with the trained and educated workforce necessary to diversify the state's economy.

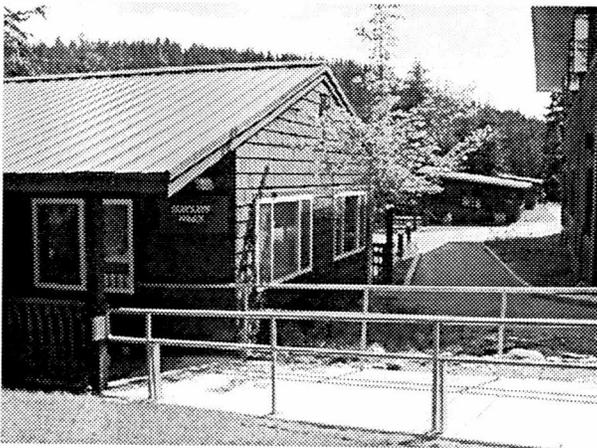
"We're grateful that Princess Tours has stepped forward to support these efforts," Hamilton said.

Learn to create web pages

Due to popular demand, a Web Publishing Class will be offered this summer! Check out the summer schedule for CIOS 153-J01. The course meets Thursdays, 5:45-8:30pm, July 6-August 3 in WB 102.

Fulbright Scholar Program

Awards are available on a wide range of disciplines and for periods ranging from months to a full year. Depending on the award requirements, a masters, Ph.D. or equivalent professional/terminal degree is necessary. Language proficiency may also be required for some assignments. Award information, applications, and deadline information are available at www.cies.org



The wheelchair ramp leading to the Sobeloff Annex was completed on June 27.

JUNEAU CALENDAR

Friday, June 30

- Brewery Tour, 4 p.m., Alaska Brewery. Van leaves housing at 3:30 p.m. Childcare available at housing. Call 465-6389 to sign up.

Saturday, July 1

- MAT Graduation, 10 a.m., Egan Library Reception in Lake Room afterwards.

Monday and Tuesday, July 3-4

- Campus closed for Independence Day holiday.

Thursday, July 6

- Climbing Wall Orientation, 6-8 p.m., SAC, bring student ID.

Friday, July 7

- Mt. Roberts hike. Van leaves Housing at 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, July 8

- Taco Bell/Movie Night, 25¢ tacos, \$4 movie passes. Van leaves Housing at 5 p.m., or meet at TB at 5:15 p.m.

Monday, July 10

- Cheer for the Flukes Softball Team! 7 p.m., Sandy Beach.

Tuesday, July 11

- Climbing Wall Orientation, 6-8 p.m., SAC, bring student ID.

Thursday, July 13

- Climbing Wall Orientation, 6-8 p.m., SAC, bring student ID.

Friday, July 14

- Dan Moller Trail hike. Van leaves Housing at 10:30 a.m.
- Scrapbook Club. 6-10 p.m., HB 205.

BOR June 2000

Program additions, updates, building construction and maintenance, election of officers, and a revised draft mission statement were discussed at the Regents meeting in Anchorage this month.

The Planning and Development Committee of the Board of Regents drafted a revised Mission Statement and created draft Value Statements for the University of Alaska System. The board asks that university and public constituents review these statements and return comments and suggestions.

The draft mission and value statements will be circulated for university and public review between now and October, when regents are scheduled to consider them for approval. The statements are available for review and comment on the Board of Regents' web site: <http://www.alaska.edu/bor/>

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