

University of Alaska Southeast Soundings

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UAS graduations

Commencement ceremonies take place in Ketchikan on May 5, Sitka on May 6, and Juneau on May 7. Extra caps, gowns and announcements are available at the Juneau campus Bookstore.

Regents on campus

Board of Regents will hold their regular meeting in Egan Library all day April 21. The agenda for April 20-21 Juneau meeting is at <http://www.alaska.edu/bor/>



Art Petersen

Petersen to retire

After 25 years, Art Petersen, Juneau English, has announced his retirement effective May 15. "I'll be around at 49 percent," he said. Petersen started at UAS in 1975. Petersen said he was retiring to have time to work on historical projects and attend to personal matters. Petersen will continue coordinating writing assessment for MAT and Credential program students, teaching portfolio writing projects by distance delivery, working with distance AA and BLA program students, and assisting Provost Robbie Stell with various projects.



Rita Bowen

Bowen honored

Rita Bowen, Juneau Student Resource Center, has been named winner of a Make Students Count Award for outstanding service to students by President Mark Hamilton. He wrote to Bowen, "You are a wonderful role model for providing the excellent service we wish for all our students." She will receive the award June 8 at the Board of Regents meeting in Anchorage. Chancellor John Pugh said, "I am very pleased to have such a hard working, student-centered employee honored by the university. Rita is a great example of the pride we at UAS have in putting students first."

Sitka campus

Stress fair: Student Government and Student Activities sponsor a Stress Fair April 24 and 25. Healthy snacks, toys, coloring books, and a masseuse will be available to help students unwind from finals stress.

Softball: The first annual students against faculty/staff softball game takes place April 22. It will be followed by the Spring Fling picnic at the Halibut Point Recreation Area.

Retirement Party

Bob Green & Bob Etheridge retire at the end of April. A party for them begins at 4:30 p.m. in the Lake Room April 21.



Juneau hosted a picnic for the visit by Sitka students and others.

Sitkans cruise to Juneau

About 90 UAS students, faculty and staff plus students from Sheldon Jackson and Mt. Edgecumbe and Sitka residents took part in a UAS trip to Juneau April 14-16. Potential transfer and other students learned about the Juneau campus. Sitka's Alaska Natural History class hiked the Mendenhall Glacier as part of their study. Most spent time at the Alaska Folk Festival. Juneau provided housing and vehicles for students and staff. UAS staff coordinating the trip included Luda Konshin, Tish Griffin, Tim Schroeder, and Marnie Chapman.



Students conduct studies on Prince of Wales Island.

Ketchikan archeology

More than a dozen Ketchikan historical archeology students joined Dan Monteith, Mike Dunning and Bob Baker for a weekend trip on Prince of Wales Island April 8/9 in cooperation with the Forest Service. Students did site monitoring, an archeology reconnaissance survey, and a digital photo inventory. They visited two mines near Thorne Bay that were in operation near the turn of the century. Monteith said students "learn about the industrial history of Southeast, basic archeology survey methods, and basic cultural resource management procedures on federal lands."

Juneau campus

Student art: Exhibition continues through April 27 at the Arts and Humanities gallery, 206 N. Franklin with a reception there from 4:30-6:30 p.m. April 21.

"American Graffiti:" Shown at 12:30 p.m. in the Mourant Student Lounge, April 21. It's part of Global Connections', "It's a Bad For You Lunch" to give international exchange students a chance to indulge in some unique American foods. Sandwiches will be provided. Participants should bring a favorite American "classic" food.

French movie: "Three Men and a Cradle," with English subtitles, will be shown at 7 p.m. in Hendrickson 113, April 21.

Transcending gender: Three days of events. April 20, discussion from 2-4 p.m., in Hendrickson 113. April 21, films at 7 p.m. in the Lake Room. April 22, a potluck at 5:30 p.m. and a panel discussion at 7 p.m. in the Lake Room.

Egg hunt: The annual Easter egg hunt for UAS students, faculty, staff and their children under 10 begins at noon in the Mourant Courtyard, bring your own basket.

Care Packages: Finals week "care packages" for housing students are being sold for \$15. The packages include fruit, granola bars, juices, etc. and are delivered to housing students. Some offices have purchased packages for student workers. Call Timi Hough at 6389 by April 26 to place orders.

Stress Break: Activities begin April 25. Details will be posted on campus.

Bookstore: Fall book orders are now past due. Contact Linda at 6474 with questions. Used book buy back runs May 2-8. New clothing and caps have arrived.

POE: The national women's organization sponsored an arts fund-raiser to raise money for UAS and other scholarships. UAS artists taking part included Alice Tersteeg, Cindy Field and Leanne Pilcher.

Housing: Babysitting is free for housing parents, April 21, 7-10 p.m. Egg decorating, with prizes, 7 p.m. April 21. Egg hunt with prizes at housing, 1 p.m. April 23.

University Singers: Spring concert takes place at 7 p.m., May 1 at the Methodist Church on Cinema Drive.

Ketchikan Career Center

Ceremonies were held at the Ketchikan Career Center on April 7 to honor students in two different areas. They included 11 students in Jerry Sharrard's Construction Carpentry class and 13 students in the 100 Ton Master's Certificate class taught by Larry Tillotson and his assistants Bill and Pat Breese. In addition nearly a dozen Ketchikan organizations were thanked for their continued support of the campus' Career Center.

Faculty/Staff

Todd Walter, Juneau environmental science, was co-author of "Funneled Flow Mechanics" published this week in Water Resources Research. Other publication by Walter have been accepted for publication in American Society of Civil Engineers Division of Irrigation and Drainage, the Journal of Soil and Water Conservation; and the American Society of Civil Engineers Journal of Water Resource Planning and Management.

Brendan Kelly and Beth Mathews, Juneau biology, will give presentations on research at the Alaska Native Harbor Seal Commission in Angoon on April 19.

Carol Comolli, Juneau adjunct sociology, will attend the Literacy 2000 conference in Ottawa, Ontario to present "Cultural Issues in Correctional Education." She is the education coordinator for Gastineau Human Services and their program was selected as a "world best practice".

Alexis Easley, Juneau English presented "Reimagining Autobiographical Writing in the Feminist Classroom," at the Conference on College Composition and Communication in Minneapolis on April 14.

Barbara Burnett and Diane Meador, Juneau financial aid, attended the annual conference of the Western Association of Financial Aid Administrators in Anchorage April 15-18. Burnett is now president-elect and will serve as president of the Alaska association and as a member of the Executive Council of the regional association during the 2001-2002 academic year.

Timi Hough, Juneau housing, made two presentations at the Western Association of Financial Aid Administrators on "Diversity in the Workplace" and "How to Deal with Difficult People."

Cultures honored

May is Asian/Pacific Islander Month. P.E.A.C.E. and Global Connections have organized several events. An Asian/Pacific Islander Heritage Festival begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Lake Room April 26 and will include ethnic food, art, songs, poetry, a student discussion and exchange opportunities. Former Peace Corps volunteer George Smith will show slides about Thailand and Cambodia at noon in the Mourant Lounge, April 28.

IT survey

UA's information Technology Services (ITS) has contracted with the Gartner Group to conduct a User's Customer Services Satisfaction survey. To take part go to <http://gartner18.gartnerweb.com/>. The user ID to log in is UNI1156 and the password is Alaska. Completing the survey on the web should take no longer than ten minutes.

Books

The UA Press has 75 books in print and has won several national and regional awards. Among these titles are Ronald H. Limbaugh's work, John Muir's "Stickeen" and the Lessons of Nature, an examination of the evolution of Muir's famous story in the context of some of the major concerns of the era. For information see: www.uaf.edu/uapress.

JUNEAU CAMPUS

Friday, April 21

- Board of Regent meet in Egan Library all day
- "Bad Lunch," and movie, Global Connections, 12:30 p.m. Mourant Student Lounge
- Student art reception, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Arts and Humanities, 206 N. Franklin.
- "Three Men and a Cradle," with English subtitles, will be shown at 7 p.m. in Hendrickson 113.
- Transcending gender films, 7 p.m. Lake Room
- Earth Day dance, 9 p.m. SAC

Saturday, April 22

- Advanced fly casting, 10 a.m., UAS dock.
- Easter egg hunt, noon, Mourant Courtyard
- Transcending gender potluck 5:30 p.m. and panel at 7 p.m., Lake Room.

Sunday, April 23

- Housing Easter egg hunt for adult housing residents, 1 p.m.

Monday, April 24

- Family night at SAC, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26

- Asian/Pacific Islander Events, 11:30 a.m., Lake Room

Friday, April 28

- Thailand and Cambodia slides, noon, Mourant Student Lounge.
- All campus year-end BBQ, 4 p.m. Mourant Courtyard.



Saturday, April 29

- Litter Cleanup Day, 9 a.m. SAC.

Monday, May 1

- University Singers Spring Concert, 7 p.m. Aldersgate Methodist Church, Cinema Drive.

May 2-6

- Finals week

Sunday, May 7

- Commencement begins at 2 p.m. in Centennial Hall.

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