

# University of Alaska Southeast Soundings

Faculty and Staff Newsletter

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## \$25,000 Sitka grant

John Carnegie, Sitka campus director, has been awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency under a program to develop innovative ways to educate the public about the environment. The Sitka campus project will create instructional kits based on the their Rural Alaska Sanitation Education program for students in grades 11 - 14. The project is to increase knowledge and skills relating to wastewater and solid waste disposal.

## UAS students from 170 Alaska communities

Students at the three UAS campuses represent more than 170 different Alaska towns, 40 different states and 16 different foreign countries. The figures, based on fall 1999 opening data, were compiled by the UA Office of Institutional Research and include on-campus and distance students.

Not surprisingly, most student are from Juneau, Sitka and Ketchikan. The towns with the next highest UAS student populations are Anchorage, 90; Fairbanks, 48; Petersburg, 39; Haines, 36; Bethel, 36; Eielson Air Force Base, 29; Homer, 28; Wrangell, 30; Soldotna, 28; Kodiak, 28; Craig, 26; North Pole, 24; Fort Wainwright, 22; Wasilla, 21.

UAS students represent 40 states. The top states are Washington, 25; California, 23; Oregon, 20; Colorado, 14, and 10 each from Idaho and Montana.

Foreign countries represented by UAS students include Australia, Canada, Finland, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Japan, Netherlands, Romania, Russia, South Korea, Soviet Union, Sudan, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

## AA degrees up

The total number of AA degree completions at the three UAS campuses is up 43percent in academic year 1999 vs. 1998. During the same period the Juneau campus was up 76 percent. Robert Sewell, a Juneau Student Resource Center advisor, said, "Students are increasingly finding the value in earning an AA degree." The SRC has made special efforts to help students consolidate their university credits into the AA degree program and continue their bachelor degree.

## Book published

Jason Ohler's book, "Taming the Beast: Choice & Control in the Electronic Jungle" published by Technos Press will be available November 17. The book examines our love-hate affair with technology. It also explores issues to understand the impact of technology on people, social structures, and the environment. Ohler's book will be available in Juneau at the campus bookstore and Hearthside Books.

## Emergency procedures on the Juneau campus

For police, fire, or ambulance call 9-911 (the first nine is needed to get an off-campus line). There are public phones in the top floor of Hendrickson, Novatney, and Mourant.

Yellow call boxes are located around the Juneau campus. Press the face of the box to be connected with the UAS contract dispatcher who will take the information and appropriate action including calling the fire department, police, ambulance, Physical Plant, etc. Callers may use these boxes for any perceived safety or security reason even to notify physical plant they left their keys inside the building according to Bob Green, Physical Plant director.

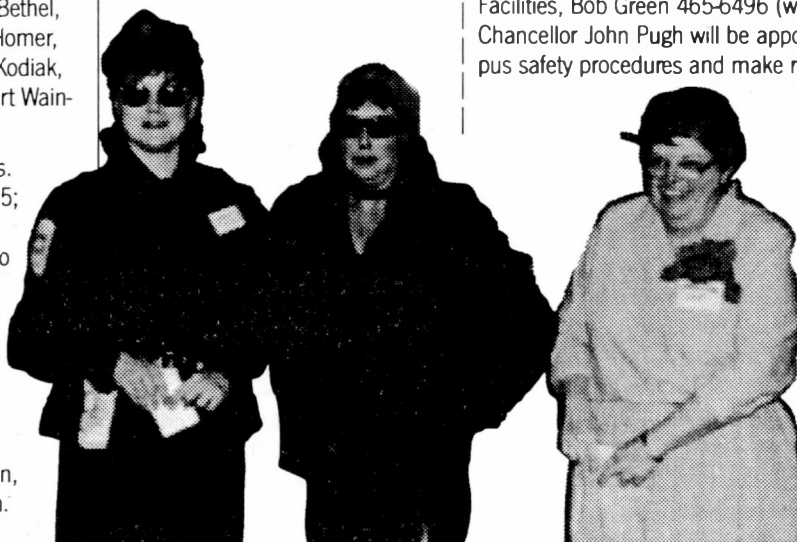
Call Boxes are at the following outside locations:

1. Egan Library: main entrance 2nd floor
2. Mourant Bldg.: entry closest to Egan-2nd floor
3. Whitehead Bldg.: entry closest to Novatney 2nd floor
4. Hendrickson Bldg.: main entry- 2nd floor
5. Student Housing Lodge: 1st floor by entry to laundry
6. Anderson Bldg.: 2nd floor main entry
7. Marine Core Bldg.: 1st floor main entry
8. Bill Ray Bldg.: 1st floor main entry by largest lot

In case of a fire alarm, evacuate the building to a safe area and remain off roads to allow emergency vehicle access. Faculty should take roll sheets to determine if all students have exited the building. Supervisors should check that all staff has safely exited.

### For other emergencies contact:

Housing, Timi Hough 465-6389 (work), 790-2180 (home)  
Students, Tish Griffin 465-6529 (work), 790-2372 (home)  
Bruce Gifford, dean of students, 465-6457 (work), 364-2169 (home)  
Carol Griffin, Vice Chancellor 465-6426 (work); 790-3415 (home)  
Faculty, Mary Lou Madden 465-6531 (work), 586-2110 (home)  
Facilities, Bob Green 465-6496 (work), 789-0698 (home)  
Chancellor John Pugh will be appointing a committee to look at campus safety procedures and make recommendations.



Michele Moslak, Karen Cummins, and Shirley Grubb won the Halloween costume contest.

## Faculty/staff

**Mike Dunning**, Ketchikan history, has his reference on the origins of the expression "Rain Follows the Plow" published in the upcoming Montana Magazine of History.

**Carol Liberty**, Sitka HIM, completed her professional development certificate in Distance Education from UW- Madison.

**Thor Ryan**, Juneau computer center, and **Sue Ryan** had a baby girl, Isabelle Ariana Ryan, on Nov. 1 at 5:30 a.m.

**Luann Yanuz** and **Diane Meador** have been hired as financial aid technicians in Juneau.

**Camille Koska** is the instructional technician in Ketchikan.

**Doug Cooper** and **Ulysses Bohulano** have joined the custodial staff in Juneau.

**Scott Clark**, business, and **Carrie Rose**, cashier, have resigned on the Juneau campus to accept other positions.

## Brown bag series offered

"Holiday Stress: Tips for a Safer, Saner Holiday" is the first in a series of brown bag programs to be presented on the Juneau campus by Magellan Behavioral Services, the UA Employee Assistance Program provider. It will be presented Wednesday, Nov. 17 at noon in the Lake Room. Other programs will include cabin fever, quitting smoking, and improving the quality of life.

## Juneau special events:

**Swing Dance:** SAC Friday. Lessons begin at 9 p.m., and the dance at 10 p.m. Collette Costa, Food Service, and the band Pastor Lunchmeat the Pimentos perform. Free to SAC members. \$5 for faculty/staff. The band also performs Nov. 6, at the downtown Elk's Lodge at 9 p.m.

**Tingstad and Rumbel:** Acoustic guitar and woodwinds, 8 p.m. Nov. 12, Chapel by the Lake. \$10 Student, \$16 general admission. Tickets: UAS cashier and Hearthiside Books.

**Theater:** Juneau actress Pat Denny presents a free, public performance of her one-woman show, "Mary Joyce in Her Own Words," at the Housing Lodge Monday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m.

Mary Joyce was a woman adventurer and Juneau personality.

**UAS Songwriters Concert:** "An Evening of Original Music" talented faculty and staff perform 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 19 in HB 113. free. Faculty performers include Rick Bellagh and Todd Walter. Contact Activities by Nov. 15 to get on program.

**UAS Millennium Ball:** (Tuxedo Junction-Dec. 31), and other Millennium activity tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13 at the Mendenhall Mall.

## Wildlife website honored

The Alaska Wildlife Series website was awarded the Medaille d'Or award. Judging criteria included first impression, conveying enthusiasm, usefulness, content, etc. The site is at [www.uas.alaska.edu/uas/wildlife](http://www.uas.alaska.edu/uas/wildlife) During October, the Wildlife website averaged 68 hits per week, and fall 1999 enrollment is up 22 percent over last year.

## Staff Council

The next Staff Council meeting is in both the BRC and Novatney conference room Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m. Sitka and Ketchikan will join by audio conference. A Staff Council potluck takes place on the Juneau campus Nov. 9 from noon to 1 at the BRC conference room. Vans leave the Auke Lake campus at 11:50 a.m. and return at 12:50 p.m. Participants are asked to bring a dish. Contact Tish Griffin, 6529, if you can drive.

## Boiler work

Seven of the eight, 700 pound, cast iron sections of the Soboleff boiler have been installed. The project is expected to be completed in a few weeks. After that Physical Plant will do a similar replacement in the Novatney Building.

## UAS in the media

Brendan Kelly interviewed by KTVA on walrus studies in the Chukchi Sea and by Arctic Science Journeys radio about ringed seal research in the Arctic. KTOO-TV taped a Biological Seminar presentation and interviewed graduate Shannon Crawley. Adjunct Emily Wall's first place poem was published in the Empire Oct. 24. The MAT program is described in the Nov. issue of the Alaskan Southeaster.

## Juneau events:

**Study abroad:** Applications are available for Summer/Fall 2000 and Spring 2001. Contact Elizabeth Schelle, 6457.

**Training:** Orientation for supervisors to the new Employee Assistance Program will be Nov. 15 at 1 p.m. in Egan 105 presented by Magellan Behavioral Health, the company that provides counseling services to university employees.

**Book orders:** A "Last call" for spring semester book order by faculty is being placed by the Bookstore. Linda Snyder says, "If there Y2K problems, you may not have a book to teach from. Also, late orders cost us all."

**Conference:** Two days of meetings for those using the Global Positioning System begin Nov. 9 in the Lake Room. Contact Carl Byers, 465-6616.

**Eagle Festival:** Housing and Humanities is sponsoring a trip to the Haines Eagle Festival, Nov. 11-14.

**Tax class:** An accounting class teaching tax preparation and tax planning, ACCT 193, meets Friday night and part of Saturday for two weekends starting Nov. 12.

## Employees contribute

More than 50 UAS employees raised more than \$300 for breast cancer research during Lee National Denim Day in October. The Sitka campus was the biggest single unit contributor.

## Nominations

Undergrads excelling in scholarship and leadership, USA Today. Due Nov. 30. Edith Bullock Prize for Excellence, \$15,000 to outstanding UA supporter, due Dec. 1. For applications, contact Scott Foster, 465-6530.

## Juneau campus events

### Friday, Nov. 5

- Global Connections, Peace Corps applications, 12:30 p.m. Mourant Lounge.
- Student government, 1 p.m., Mourant conference room
- Special Greek diner, 4 p.m., Mourant cafe
- French movie, "My Father's Glory" 7 p.m., HB 113, \$5.
- Swing dance, Student Activity Center, 9 p.m. lessons, dance at 10 p.m.
- Ultimate Frisbee, DzH, 9:15 p.m.

### Saturday, Nov. 6

- Amnesty International film, 3 p.m., SAC
- Volleyball, 3 p.m., Mendenhall River school

### Tuesday, Nov. 9

- Global Positioning System User's conference, 9 a.m. Lake Room
- Staff Council potluck, noon, BRC, vans leave Mourant 11:50 a.m.
- Biology seminar, Beth Mathews, "Pinniped Studies in Glacier Bay," noon, Anderson 221.

### Wednesday, Nov. 10

- Global Positioning System User's conference, 9 a.m., Lake Room
- Staff Council, BRC and Novatney Conf. room, 2 p.m.
- Film series, "Run Lola Run," 7 p.m., JDHS
- Crafts Corner, 8 p.m., Housing Lodge

### Thursday - Sunday, Nov. 11-14

- Housing students attend Haines Bald Eagle Festival

### Friday, Nov. 12

- Global Connections, 12:30 p.m., Mourant Lounge
- Tingstad & Rumbel concert, 8 p.m. Chapel by the Lake
- Ultimate Frisbee, DzH, 9:15 p.m.

### Saturday, Nov. 13

- UAS Millennium Ball and other tickets on sale, 10 a.m. Mendenhall Mall.
- Gay & Lesbian club film series, 3 p.m., SAC

### Sunday, Nov. 14

- Global Connections international dinner and movie, 6:30 p.m. Schaible House. Contact Elizabeth, 6455.

### Monday, Nov. 15

- Alumni meeting, 5:15 p.m. Lake Room
- Performance, "Mary Joyce in Her Own Words," Housing Lodge, 7 p.m. free.

### Tuesday, Nov. 16

- Biology Seminar, Lauri Jemison, "Harbor Seal Population Studies," noon, Anderson 221.
- Ice cream social, free, 2 p.m., Mourant Cafe

### Wednesday, Nov. 17

- "Holiday Stress" program, noon, Lake Room
- Woch Eem, 2 p.m., Novatney 213

### Thursday, Nov. 18

- Board of Regents meeting, Fairbanks

### Friday, Nov. 19

- Last day to withdraw from classes
- Board of Regents meeting, Fairbanks
- Global Connections, 12:30 p.m., Mourant Lounge
- UAS Songwriter's Concert, 7 p.m., HB 113

### Saturday, Nov. 20

- GRE test, Learning Center, call 465-6348