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UAS prepared for Y2K

Because the campuses will be closed for the holiday and because Computer Services and Physical Plant have checked equipment and facilities, UAS officials do not expect any Y2K problems at New Years.

Bob Green says Physical Plant has checked with all campus utility services and also checked elevators, lock systems, and the automatic heating/air and ventilation systems.

Joe Sears of Computer Services has been working since July checking the critical systems on campus. "Generally there's not much that has been a problem," Mike Ciri says. All the computer equipment in the Whitehead Building is on back up. In addition, an anti-virus software package has been licensed. A message will appear on campus computer screens in the near future. Just click OK to load it.

About 50 people are expected to be living in student housing apartments over the holiday. In case of significant problems, the housing lodge has a back-up generator, a fireplace, and will stockpile extra blankets and water.

Knight Watch Security will be patrolling campus during New Years. Ciri will check computers New Years morning. Bob Green and Bob Etheridge will be in town and available by phone in case of emergencies.

Before leaving for the holiday closure, faculty and staff should turn off their computers, leave a message on their answering machine that the campus is closed, and water their plants.



The Tlingit Drum Dancers performed at SAC

Native American potluck held

UAS instructors were honored at a potluck celebrating Native American Heritage Month held Nov. 30 in the Student Activity Center and sponsored by Wooch. Een, P.E.A.C.E., and Global Connections.

The theme was "Bridging the gap between academic and cultural education." The following UAS instructors and staff were recognized: Ken Austin, Tlingit language; Ronald Cadiente, cultural standards; Delores Churchill, basketry; Janice Criswell, basketry; Nora Dauenhauer, Tlingit language; Richard Dauenhauer, Tlingit linguistics; Vesta Dominicks, Tlingit orthography; Dolly Garza, fisheries; Wally Olson, anthropology; Florence Sheakly, Tlingit language; Sasha Soboleff, multicultural education; Alice Solle, computers; Tom Thornton, anthropology; Rosita Worl, anthropology; and Pattie Adkisson, Whooch. Een advisor

Millennium Ball tickets available

Tuxedo Junction/Millennium Ball tickets for the UAS New Year's Eve celebration are available from the cashier in the bookstore. The Centennial Hall event features a national comedian, two bands, live video of events from around the world, champagne at every reserved seat, hors d'oeuvres, party favors, commemorative photos and more. A Caribbean cruise for two will be the door prize and is sponsored by Holland America Westours. Proceeds fund UAS scholarships.

Help during finals week

Free massages and acupuncture will be provided to students to help relieve the stress of finals week. The relaxation aids are offered at different times in the Mourant Building starting Dec. 6. Other stress relievers include 40-cent candy bars at the Bookstore, an ice cream social, and, on designated days, free pop or free coffee/tea in the cafe.

Juneau campus events

Gallery Walk: UAS students show their art at the Mt. Roberts Tramway building during Gallery Walk starting Friday.

Alaska Films: The Freshman Seminar will show two early Alaska movies, "Spawn of the North" with Henry Fonda and "Goldrush" with Charlie Chaplin, along with a potluck, that is open to all, 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 5 at the SAC.

Global Connections: Clive Thomas talks about "Studying Abroad: Much More than an Academic Experience" at 12:30 p.m. Friday in the Mourant Student Lounge. On Dec. 5, the club holds a Scandinavian dinner and Ingmar Bergman movie beginning at 6 p.m. at the Schaible House. Sign up for the dinner by Friday with Elizabeth Schelle in Novatney 204.

Crafts Corner: Gingerbread houses will be made at 8 p.m. Dec. 8 in the Housing Lodge. Prizes will be given.

Care Packages: Exam Week care packages are being sold for housing students. The \$15 packages will be delivered Dec. 10. Contact Timi at 6398 to purchase packages for a student.

Bookstore Sale: The 12 Days Before Christmas (break) sale runs through Dec. 17. A different department will be featured each day. Used book buy-back runs Dec. 13-16

Glory Hole: Donations are being accepted in the annual campus drive to help the Glory Hole. Collection boxes are located around campus.

Gay Straight Alliance: The UAS club holds a regular meeting noon, Dec. 7, Novatney Conference Room. Open to all. The club hosts a free movie night at 9 p.m., Dec. 11 at the SAC.



John Bowman and his Construction Hands-On class completed a restroom facility for Skateboard Park on Glacier Highway. The project is the first under a five year agreement with the City and Borough of Juneau.

Faculty/student news

Tim and Stella Fullam, Juneau CIOS, thank all who have sent their kind thoughts and good wishes to Stella during her hospital stay. She is recovering well from a small stroke and expects to be out of the hospital soon. She is looking forward to greeting and thanking well wishers in person.

Jean Hannon, graduate student in the Early Childhood Ed Masters degree program) had an article published in the November issue of *The Reading Teacher* journal. The article was based on classroom research done by the Fairbanks kindergarten teacher as part of the ECE graduate program.

Jason Ohler, Juneau education, will sign his new book, "Taming the Beast: Choice and Control in the Electronic Jungle," from 1-3 p.m., Dec. 4 at the Nugget Mall Hearthside Books.

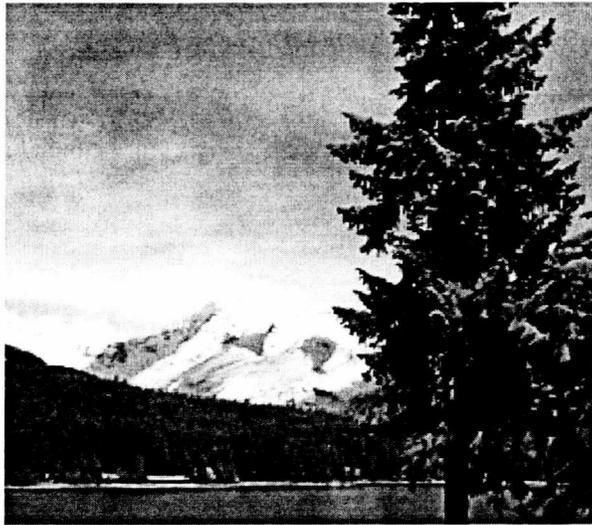
Marilyn Knapp, Sitka history, was an invited participant at the recent Asia Pacific conference in Portland, Oregon. Conferees from 12 countries considered the role of higher education within the Asia-Pacific Region.

Students seek work

The Juneau campus Career Center is recruiting for four State of Alaska college intern positions for now and spring semester. The postings are outside the Career Center office in the Novatney Building. Karen Waldrip reports that 189 student inquiries regarding campus and community jobs were made between late August and the end of October. About 50 students have taken advantage of the career counseling and assessment program that helps students decide on majors and learn about the occupational outlook, and job availability. Appointments may be made with Waldrip at 465-2963.

Sitka HIM

Jan Mahlum, RHIT, from Laramie and a 1998 graduate of the HIM program successfully wrote the national registered health information administrator examination according to director Carol Liberty. Newly credentialed HIM graduates for 1999 include: Melinda Byrd, Sitka; Karla Duckett, Wasilla; Talli Gouker, Sitka; Carolyn Lowrance, Sitka; Sheryll MacDonald, Fairbanks; Suzanne Overmyer, Wisconsin (formerly Anchorage).



The snowline moved down the mountains and to the Juneau campus on November 28. Photo by Russ Pagenkopf

United Way drive

Contributions from UAS faculty and staff are still being accepted for the 1999 United Way campaign. Coordinator Lawrence Lee Oldaker says the current UAS donations are about 70 percent of the \$6,500 contributed last year. Donation cards are available at the personnel offices.

Technology forum

TLTR is sponsoring a forum featuring Tom Thornton who will describe using technology to analyze and preserve Native place names in Southeast. He speaks at noon, Dec. 9 in the Lake Room. Cookies and coffee will be served.

Faculty development

"Teaching for a Change: The Heart of Learning" is the topic for a June 14-17, 2000 conference in Colorado. It is designed for educators wanting to improve or reenergize their teaching. For information see: <http://www.teachingforachange.com/>

Regents

The Board of Regents' homepage: includes minutes of the Sept. 30 meeting and a summary of actions from the Nov. 18 meeting. The URL is: <http://www.alaska.edu/bor/>



Todd Walter, Juneau environmental science faculty, was among the performers at a student/faculty songwriters concert.

JUNEAU CALENDAR

Friday, Dec. 3

- Global Connections, Clive Thomas, 12:30 p.m. Mourant Lounge
- Frisbee, 9:15 p.m., DZ.
- Gallery Walk, evening downtown.

Saturday, Dec. 4

- Tree trek, van leaves 9:30 a.m. from the flagpole.
- Hollywood Nights, semi-formal dance, 9 p.m. SAC.

Sunday, Dec. 5

- Two early Alaska films, 5:30 p.m., SAC.
- Scandinavian dinner and movie, Schaible House, 6 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 6

- 40 cent candy bars, Bookstore all week.
- Ice cream social, 2 p.m. Mourant.
- Acupressure, 5-8 p.m., Lake Room.

Tuesday, Dec. 7

- Gay Straight Alliance meeting noon, Novatney Conf. Room.
- Free student massage, 1-4 p.m., Mourant

Wednesday, Dec. 8

- Free coffee/tea for students all day, Mourant Cafe.
- Free student massage, 10 a.m.-1p.m. Mourant Cafe
- Crafts Corner, 8 p.m. Housing Lodge

Thursday, Dec. 9

- Technology Forum with Tom Thornton, noon, Lake Room.
- Acupressure, 2-5 p.m., Student Lounge.
- Alaska Scholars reception, 7 p.m., Lake Room.

Friday, Dec. 10

- Free student massage, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Mourant Cafe.
- Final exam care packages delivered to housing students.
- Off-campus faculty, staff, alumni holiday party, Buoy Deck.

Saturday, Dec. 11

- Free film sponsored by the Gay Straight Alliance, 9 p.m. SAC.

Monday, Dec. 13,

- Finals week begins.
- Free student massage, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Mourant Cafe
- Alumni meeting, 5:15 p.m., Goldbelt Hotel
- Acupressure, 5-7 p.m., Lake Room
- Used book buy-back, Bookstore, Dec. 13-16.

Tuesday, Dec. 14

- Free student massage, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Mourant Cafe
- Free 16-oz pop for students 1-8 p.m., Mourant Cafe
- Acupressure, 5-7 p.m., Lake Room.

Wednesday, Dec. 15

- Free student massage, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Mourant Cafe.
- Chancellor's Holiday reception, 4-6 p.m., Lake Room.

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