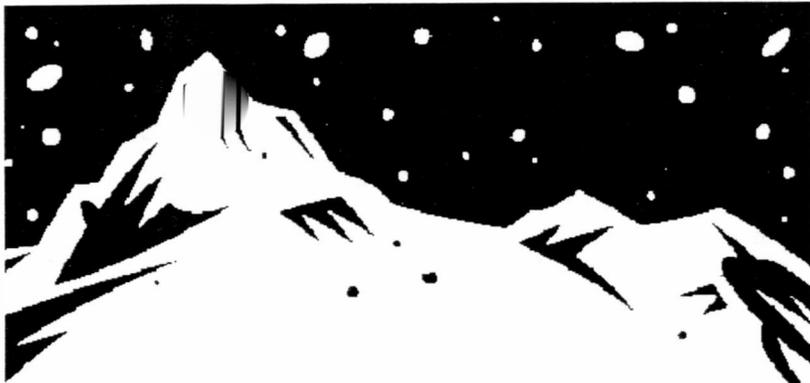


Soundings

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Winterfest '96

The all-campus Winterfest takes place February 7-11 on the Juneau campus. Students, faculty and staff are invited to take part in five days of activities:

Wednesday, Feb. 7:

Noon: Winter driving tips in the Mourant Student Lounge.

5 p.m.: Fire and Ice Bonfire with hot cider, Chapel By the Lake.

Thursday, Feb. 8:

All day: Ice skates available at Student Activities.

3 p.m.: Back country awareness with tips on skiing, equipment, where to go and safety, Mourant Student Lounge

5-9 p.m.: UAS night skiing (weather permitting) at Eaglecrest with half price lift tickets, rentals and free refreshments for students with current ID.

7 p.m.: Glaciers in the Juneau area slide show by the Juneau Alpine Club, HA 105.

Friday, Feb. 9:

All day: Auke Lake ice skating with skates available at Student Activities.

11 a.m.: Wellness approach to weight loss, Mourant Student Lounge.

8:30 p.m.: Joe Louis Walker and the Bosstalkers, blues concert and dance, Centennial Hall.

Saturday, Feb. 10:

10 a.m.: Snowshoe introduction, Auke Lake dock.

10 a.m. to noon: All-you-can-eat pancake breakfast for \$4, Mourant Cafeteria.

11 a.m.: Eskimo Games demonstration of the high kick, knuckle hop, one arm reach, stick pull and more, Mourant Cafeteria.

1-4 p.m.: Cross-country ski instruction for beginners, Auke Lake dock.

8 p.m.: Movie night for all UAS students, Housing Lodge.

Sunday, Feb. 11:

10 a.m.-noon: Snow board group lessons (\$16 for lift/lesson) limit ten, sign up at Student Activities, Eaglecrest.

4 p.m.: Murder mystery game, must sign up in advance at Student Activities and come in character, Schaible House.

Underwater diving in Southeast slide show by Dennis Russell, HB 113

9:30 p.m.: Winter bowling, with mittens, Channel Bowl.

Visitor industry partnership

UAS, Goldbelt, Inc. and the Tlingit & Haida Central Council have joined together in a visitor industry training program for Goldbelt shareholders in preparation of the 1996 summer season. The UAS participation is being coordinated by **Karen Polley**, interim director of Career Education.

"With the technical expertise of UAS permanent and part-time faculty," Polley said, "we were able to design a job specific training program."

Polley has appointed **Susan Favro** to coordinate the UAS effort. Favro, has been a UAS adjunct faculty member in BIS and is currently project coordinator for the COMTECH conference.

The UAS training program will consist of a core curriculum of tourism industry orientation and general preparation for entry level positions. In addition, participants will select job-specific training for positions such as hosts/naturalists, passenger service coordinators, and/or travel/ticket agents. UAS will have the primary responsibility for tourism industry instruction.

The visitor industry training program begins the first week of March and continues through the end of April. Classes will be held at the Marine Technology Center.

"We're enthusiastic about working with Goldbelt, Inc. and the Tlingit & Haida Central Council," Chancellor **Marshall Lind** said. "Offering a series of short term, specialized classes such as this is just one way to use the university's expertise to help the community's economic needs."

In a related development, UAS officials will attend a Goldbelt jobs fair at the ANB Hall on February 10. Polley, Favro, and Visitor Industry Program director **Lorene Palmer** will take part in the fair which will include other Goldbelt business partners and other agencies involved in the visitor industry.

Candidates visit Ketchikan

Three candidates for the Ketchikan campus tenure-track business administration faculty position visited Jan. 26-Feb. 2.

Kenneth Morse is an assistant professor of international business at SUNY in Geneseo, N.Y. **Jon Frankel** teaches at Broward Community College and Florida International University in Miami. **Bill Tapp** of Orlando, Fla. has an MBA and a doctorate in educational administration. He was recently the head of faculty development at Valencia Community College in Orlando.

Gallagher presents workshop

The first of two workshops on "Cross-Cultural Aspects of Management" was presented by Juneau BPA faculty member **Tom Gallagher** to Forest Service employees in Petersburg on January 26. The second workshop will be held in Ketchikan in March.

Thornton lectures in Taiwan

Assistant professor of anthropology **Tom Thornton** lectured on contemporary Alaska Native subsistence issues at the Institute of Ethnology at the Academia Sinica in Taipei. During the UAS winter break, Thornton also visited Juneau's sister city Chiayi and met the mayor, former students of the UAS summer intensive English program and faculty members of Chung-Cheng University. Thornton's wife, Patricia who is a Fulbright scholar, is living in Taiwan this academic year.

Faculty assistance sought

The Americans with Disabilities Act ensures equal access to education for those with disabilities. Faculty who suspect a student may have learning disabilities or physical challenges that are effecting their school work should contact **Judy Andree** at 465-6437 or **Rita Bowen** at 465-6439.

Faculty members are also asked to fill out early academic intervention forms on students who might benefit from a contact with an advisor. "We aren't getting complaints from faculty about students not showing up in class," Rita Bowen says. "But we hear from some students that they're not coming to school." Bowen says if students are having problems in class advisors need to know so they can offer help.

Publication available

The winter edition of the Alaska Primary Network publication is being mailed to Alaska K-3 teachers. The bulletin includes articles about teaching insights written mostly by graduate students from across Alaska who are taking the UAS early childhood endorsement and masters program primarily by distance delivery. The publication is supported by UAS and edited by early childhood teacher education coordinator **Marjorie Fields**.

Regional writing contest

Greg Beck of Juneau won first place in the 1995 UAS Regional English 111 Writing Contest. Beck, who is a student of **Don Cecil** and **Susan Koester**, won \$100 for his essay "Broken English, Broken Faces, Broken Lives."

Anne Reynolds of Ketchikan won second place and \$75 for "Battle with Time." She's a student of **Judy Andree**.

Honorable mention, in the order ranked, went to Juneau students, **Melinda Pascual**, **Tina Racy** who are both students of **Karleen Grummett**, **Susan Harper**, **David Maat's** student; **Annette Nelson-Wright**, **Susan Cellier's** student; and **Isaac Peterson** a student of Don Cecil and Susan Koester.

Student Outcomes Assessment

About 25 Juneau faculty participated in the Student Outcomes Assessment workshops January 8 and 9. A panel of Juneau business employers discussed the kinds of competencies and skills they look for in potential employees. In addition, Dr. **Don Farmer** from King's College, assisted faculty discussions about building competencies into the UAS curricula and program goals.

The Assessment Committee is currently drafting a university-wide assessment model and seeks comments from faculty. Faculty focus groups will soon be organized to continue the planning and development of the UAS assessment program. Initially it will focus on writing, critical thinking, and informational literacy competencies. Faculty interested in participating in an assessment work group should contact **Janet Dye** at 465-6346 or **Jo Devine** at 465-6411.

AAUW award deadline

An untenured woman scholar in any field who has a record of exceptional early accomplishments may be nominated for the 1996 American Association of University Women Recognition Award.

The award has an honorarium of \$3,500. Nominees must have a Ph.D. received after December 15, 1990 and be untenured. The deadline for nomination is February 9. For information contact **Robbie Stell** at 465-6472.

The Joe Louis Walker and Bosstalkers blues concert and dance starts at 8:30 p.m. February 9 at Centennial Hall. Reduced rate student and other tickets are available at the UAS cashier.



Juneau Calendar

Thursday, February 1 -

Saturday February 3

- Alaska COMTECH 96: Centennial Hall

Friday, February 2

- Faculty Senate: 3-5 p.m., CCR

Tuesday, February 6

- Deans and Directors Meeting: CCR, 1 p.m.

Wednesday, February 7

- Chancellor's Cabinet Meeting: CCR, all day

- *Double Happiness*: 7 p.m. JAHC/UAS Film Festival, JDHS Auditorium, \$6

Thursday, February 8

- Juneau Campus Council

Wednesday, February 14

- UAS Staff Council: Time and Place TBA

Thursday and Friday, February 15-16

- Board of Regents: Juneau, Baranof Hotel

Tuesday, February 20

- Ketchikan Campus Council

Winter squeeze

At least one Juneau staffer has been frustrated by the crowded parking lot.

"I drove around three times before someone finally left," he said. Because snow covers the painted parking spaces he noticed extra space between cars. "Please, park closer together," he pleads.

Folders available

Recycled regular and legal hanging files and file folders are available from Facilities Planning and Construction. Contact Carolyn at 6484.

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