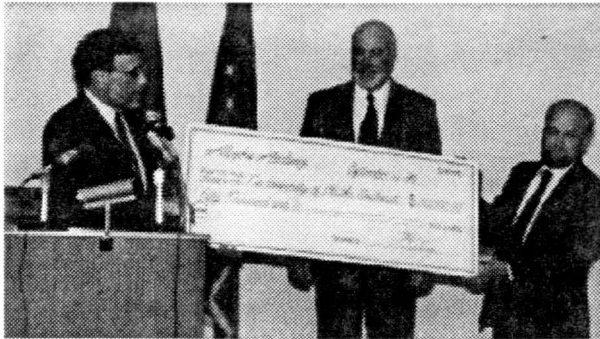


Soundings

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Alaska Airlines donates to UAS



Chancellor Marshall Lind and UA Foundation board member Chip Wagoner receive a \$50,000 check from Lou Cancelmi of Alaska Airlines.

UAS received a \$50,000 check from Alaska Airlines that represents one-fourth of the company's \$200,000 contribution to the University of Alaska statewide system.

UAS will utilize its share to develop programs designed to extend tourism opportunities to small towns and villages across Alaska. UAF also received \$50,000 for the tourism project and another \$50,000 in support of the UAF museum project. The aviation training program at UAA

also receive \$50,000.

Lou Cancelmi, Alaska Airlines assistant vice president for corporate communications, said the total contribution, which was given to the University of Alaska Foundation, is the largest single donation in the company's history. He made the presentation to UAS Chancellor Marshall Lind and the UA Foundation Board member Chip Wagoner at the regular Friday luncheon meeting of the Juneau Chamber of Commerce.

Annual bulb planting October 5



The "Thousands of Flowers" bulb planting campus beautification takes place Oct. 5.

More than 3,000 bulbs will be planted in the annual Thousands of Flowers beautification project now in its fourth year on the Juneau campus. Students, faculty, staff and community volunteers are invited to take part starting at 9 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 5. A lunch will be served following the planting.

Julie Ross, who is coordinating the planting, said 3,000 crocus bulbs will be planted in the lawn on the main campus and near the new student housing. "Crocus are the first to flower," Ross said. The crocus should bloom in mid-April of next year. They'll be followed in May by tulips, gladiolus and daffodils that were planted last year.

UAS Sexual harassment awareness training

The executive director of the Alaska State Commission For Human Rights will spend four days in October offering sexual harassment training awareness sessions to UAS employees.

Paula Haley will offer sessions on understanding and preventing sexual harassment in the workplace and in the classroom. As director of the Human Rights Commission, Haley is the top official in the state regarding workplace discrimination matters, including sexual harassment.

Haley's training schedule for UAS is as follows:

Oct. 7, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Hendrickson 205. Staff session.

Oct. 7, 6-9 p.m. Hendrickson 205. Faculty and adjunction instructor session but staff welcome.

Oct. 8, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Hendrickson Annex 108. Faculty and adjunction instructor session but staff welcome.

Oct. 8, 7-10 p.m. Hendrickson 113. Faculty and adjunction instructor session but staff welcome.

Oct. 9, 6-9 p.m. Main Campus Building Room 133, Sitka campus. All staff are encouraged to attend.

Oct. 10, 2-5 p.m. Paul Building Room 301, Ketchikan campus. All staff are encouraged to attend.

Alumni plan activities



Chris Phillips is UAS Alumni Association president.

The UAS Alumni Association will promote the university and their organization during two different events. On October 4 the alumni will answer phones during the KTOO-FM membership drive. On October 5th they take part in Community Awareness Day at the Nugget Mall between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Alumni president Chris Phillips said, "We're starting to emphasize membership." Alumni will also promote UAS license plates, display UAS stickers and pamphlets, and have alumni membership forms available. Alumni wanting to take part should contact Phillips at 465-3786.

Benefits chief talks to employees

Mike Humphrey, statewide director of benefits for the University of Alaska, met with Juneau staff alliance Sept. 19 to begin discussions on the future options for the university's benefit programs and to review the basic elements of a "flexible" benefit program. No decisions about any changes have been made.

A "flexible" benefit program refers to a health care plan where employees can choose between certain levels of benefits to fit their individual circumstances.

The university needs to explore cost-saving options since the current \$17.5 million health care plan is expected to increase in cost to nearly \$23 million per year by the year 2000, Humphrey said.

Humphrey's visit was the first of many employee information and discussion meetings that will be held prior to making any decisions on changes to the benefits program.

Statewide award to Schulte

Ketchikan campus professor **Priscilla Schulte** has received statewide recognition by the USDA Forest Service as a leader in cultural awareness and public education. Schulte received the federal agency's Windows On the Past award. The honor most often goes to a Forest Service staff member, but Ketchikan-area colleagues nominated Schulte for the Alaska Region tribute this year.

The Forest Service's **Paul Brewster** commended Schulte for leading programs valuable in Southeast and beyond as a model for heritage preservation and public education.

Schulte, professor of anthropology and sociology, has worked with the Forest Service on projects linked to Native culture and heritage. Schulte has also supervised production of a video documentary on Tlingit elder **Esther Shea** and a touring show on Southeast's karst and caves.

Schulte and Ketchikan campus sciences professor **Karalynn Crocker-Bedford** are presently completing curriculum and materials on karst and caves for public-school teachers.

Sitka credit hours increase

Sitka Campus students are taking more credit hours. There are 105 more full-time student credit hours and 210 more part-time credit hours being taken now than one year ago.

The Department of Continuing Education shows 42 more students in non-credit workshops than at this time last year. The total headcount for the Sitka Campus as of September 25, is 1082.

Art exhibits

Todd Turek, assistant professor of art, has works in two exhibitions. His black colored clay is in "National Teapot Show III" at the Cedar Creek Gallery in Creedmoor, NC and in the "Ceramics USA 1996" at the University of North Texas in Denton.

Medicine broadcast

"The Future of Medicine" is the topic of a live satellite broadcast by the University of Alaska Distance Education Office. Dr. **Andrew Weil** will be featured on LiveNet Saturday (Sept. 28) from 7 to 9 p.m. on cable channel 37 in Juneau. Weil is a Harvard trained medical doctor and founding director of the Program of Integrative Medicine at the University of Arizona.

Exchange and Internship Office established

A new office to coordinate student exchanges and serve as a clearing house for internships has been established on the Juneau campus. **Clive Thomas** directs the office, **Elizabeth Schelle** is assistant director, and **Rita Bowen** manages the office.

The office will coordinate national and international student exchanges and develop exchange agreements with several foreign universities. "These kinds of experiences change people's lives for the better," according to Schelle.

Thomas says the internship part of the office has several goals. "We're trying to centralize requests. We want to develop common standards and procedures. We'll keep a list of internships available. Our ultimate goal is to offer better service to students and the community."

The office will also distribute information on Fulbright awards and assist faculty seeking exchanges and temporary teaching positions abroad and at other U.S. universities. The office is located in Novatney 204. For information contact 465-6455 or 465-6439.

Thornton chairs Native geographies discussion

Tom Thornton, assistant professor of Anthropology, convened one of the sessions during the 47th Arctic Science Conference in Girdwood Sept. 19-21. Thornton chaired the session titled "Alaska Native Geographies: What's in the Place Names?" He also made a presentation on "Alaska Native Place Names as Containers of Cultural and Environmental Knowledge and Wisdom."

UAS Calendar

Saturday, September 28

- Live satellite broadcast "The Future of Medicine": 7-9 p.m., LiveNet cable channel 37

Sunday, September 29

- Gay, lesbian, and friends organizational meeting: 7 p.m., Schaible House. Students, faculty and staff welcome.
- Hike: Van leaves housing at 9:30 a.m. or meet at Amalga trailhead (mi 28) at 10 a.m. Sign up at Student Activities Office

Friday, October 4

- UAS Alumni Association answers phones for KTOO membership drive
- Comedy try outs: 8 p.m., HB 113. Winners will open for Steve Landesberg.

Saturday, October 5

- Bulb Planting: 9 a.m., Students, staff and faculty invited to volunteer. FREE lunch served afterwards
- UAS Alumni Association at Community Awareness Day: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Nugget Mall

Monday, October 7

- Sexual Harrassment Awareness Training
- 1:30-4:30 p.m. HB 205, Staff session
- 6-9 p.m. HB 205 Faculty session

Tuesday, October 8

- Sexual Harrassment Awareness Training
- 1:30-4:30 p.m. HA 108, Faculty session
- 7-10 p.m. HB 113 Faculty session

Wednesday, October 9

- JAHU/UAS Movie "I Shot Andy Warhol": 7 p.m., JDHS Auditorium
- Sexual Harrassment Awareness Training
- 6-9 p.m., Main Campus Building Rm 133 Sitka campus. All staff encouraged to attend.

Thursday, October 10

- Sexual Harrassment Awareness Training
- 2-5 p.m., Paul Building Rm 310 Ketchikan campus. All staff encouraged to attend.

Friday, October 11

- Oktoberfest Celebration: 9 p.m. - 1 a.m., Nugget Mall

Saturday, October 12

- Comedy Nite: 7 p.m., JDHS

Sunday, October 13

- Mozart at the Mountain: 2-4 p.m., Tram building

Ketchikan web site

The Ketchikan campus will soon establish two sites on the World Wide Web. Launch date is Sept. 28 for the campus's comprehensive Web page. It will provide an outline of programs and faculty, enrollment information and answer common questions. Long-term plans are to post each semester's course roster on the Web and provide on-line forms.

Ketchikan Career Center staff are a couple of weeks away from putting up a Web site with information on continuing education, technical and maritime courses and workshops. The University Center Web page will run from an on-campus server.