

Soundings

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More than \$3 million in UAS student aid

More than 1,200 UAS students on all three campuses received a total of \$3.2 million in financial aid in the year ending June 30, 1995. That's more than a million dollar increase from the \$2.1 million in financial aid disbursed in FY 94. Some students received more than one source of aid.

Barbara Carlson Burnett, UAS financial aid director, said the increases were due to several factors including less restrictive loan requirements, a new non-needs based loan program, increased scholarship moneys, new university programs, and increases for cost of living and tuition.

Alaska Student Loans accounted for the largest amount of money and the greatest number of recipients among UAS students. More than \$1.6 million in aid went to 443 students.

Pell Grants amounted to nearly \$300,000 and provided aid to 117 students. Miscellaneous scholarships provided nearly \$270,000 to 184 students. BIA funds provided nearly \$190,000 to 127 students.

There are five different aid categories. State aid provided \$1.6 million for 449 students. Federal aid amounted to nearly \$790,000 for 392 students. Native aid totaled \$262,000 to 194 students. UAS student scholarships totaled more than \$400,000 for 302 students. Miscellaneous aid amounted to \$155,000 for 121 students.

Jerome Edwards to be honored during bulb planting Saturday



A plaque to honor UAS groundskeeper Jerome Edwards will be presented Saturday at 11:45 a.m. at the flower planter in front of the Egan Library. Edwards, who helped beautify the campus, died in an auto accident last April.

The presentation is part of the Thousands of Flowers fall bulb planting activities Saturday at 10 a.m. on the Juneau campus. Faculty, staff, and students

wanting to help plant should bring work clothes and gloves. Coffee and rolls will be served in the Maurant Cafeteria starting at 9 a.m. It's the third year of the 10,000 flowers program. **Julie Ross**, who is coordinating the planting said, "Volunteers are needed and Welcome." Volunteers will be treated to a barbecue lunch after the planting.

Out of state students talk about attending UAS

An informal meeting with out-of-state students resulted in praise for the faculty and quality of teaching. They also thought the work load expected of student was OK.

A dozen non-Alaska students on the Juneau campus took part in a "Food For Thought" luncheon last week. Student Services provided the "food" and the students provide the "thoughts" about why they selected UAS.

Reasons given for attending the Juneau campus included low price, small classes, a small community, informality, lack of crime and being located in Alaska. "I wanted to be known and not be a number," one student said. "Other universities don't have a learning center," another volunteered. A marine biology major from the Puget Sound area said, "I wanted to be where the water is clean and there are animals."

Director of Student Services **Bruce Gifford**, who organized the meeting, asked about promoting UAS. The suggestions included descriptions and photos of the outdoor adventures available, more descriptions of student ac-

tivities, how many others from out-of-state are attending, and the size of the town.

Out-of-state students also talked about frustrations. "I was told I didn't need a car, but you have to have a car if you want to get a job," one student said. Several were surprised at Juneau's small size. "I assumed there would be more to do in town since it is the capital city," one student from Miami said. Others said there was no place to go dancing for those under 21. Several in the group wanted longer weekend hours at the library, computer center, and student lodge. Several expressed frustration over problems transferring credits and dealing with portfolio requirements particularly for juniors transferring to the campus.

The students praised the recruiting office and **Greg Wagner**. "He sent me something every week," one said. "He always called back."

"We learned a lot from these students," Gifford said. "I want to have more of these mini-focus groups. It's another setting for us to listen to students, and we can never do enough of that."

Staff "deals" successful student party

Students played the cards dealt by staff at the Prohibition Party last week on the Juneau campus. The party, sponsored by Student Services, was held on the last day before state law prohibiting gaming went into effect.

"Everybody had a great time," **Gwen Lloyd**, student body vice president said. "All I've heard is it was wonderful, and it's too bad we can't do it again."

The Thursday night party raised more than \$800 for student scholarships.

The top winner was **Venietia Caruso** who won the Alaska Airlines round trip plane ticket. However, she's not going to use the tickets.

"I'm going to give them to my mother," Caruso said. The 22 year old freshman from Watertown, Conn. said her mother will visit during Christmas vacation.

Staff dealers included **John Pugh**, **Bruce Gifford**, **Tish Griffin**, **Rita Bowen**, **Dee Dawson**, and **Linda Rugg**. Also assisting were **Brian King** and **Mike McGree**.

NEW UA VICE PRESIDENT

UA President **Jerome B. Komisar** has announced the appointment of Dr. **David K. Creamer** as vice president for finance and planning for the university. Creamer is currently senior vice president for business of Shawnee State University in Portsmouth, Ohio. He succeeds **Brian Rogers** who resigned earlier this year. Creamer will administer the university's annual authorized budget of more than \$400 million.

Ketchikan campus

Priscilla Schulte worked on the Juneau campus this summer with Juneau teacher **Paul Berg** remaking videos for the Multicultural Education class. Newly hired history professor **Eric Karolak** met with Juneau faculty and Alaska historians during the recent Alaska State Historical Society meeting in Juneau. **KaraLynn Crocker-Bedford** and **Nancy Siemon** will be attending the Alaska Math/Science conference with a team of Ketchikan teachers and administrators as part of the Eisenhower grant. The grant was awarded to a joint proposal from the campus and school district to help improve science and math teaching in Ketchikan schools.

Sitka campus

A day long, all-staff retreat will be held Oct. 17 in the Community Health Services building starting at 8 a.m. Retreat facilitator **Mary Therese Thompson** said, "The primary objectives will be to understand each other's work and communication styles."

Sheldon Jackson Museum will honor its centennial and dedicate a plaque designating the museum as part of the National Historical Register at an Alaska Day ceremony Oct. 18 at 3:30 p.m.

New Hires:

Marian Estelle, grant coordinator.

Angie James, administrative clerk

Kari S. Gabriel, information services manager

Sandra Burgess, one year appointment as accounts technician

Abbey Cropley, who has been with the Sitka business office for 10 years, will be on leave for the next year.

Juneau campus

Writing and Italian culture class: A course exploring how theater, poetry and philosophy affect writing and the Italian culture begins Oct. 16 in room 201 at the Bill Ray Center. Italian playwright and professor of philosophy **Andrea Malpeli** will teach. The American premier of his new play "The South Wall" takes place in Juneau. Students will attend one of the performances. The class is available for credit or non-credit. To register contact **Sue Harper** or **Roxy Maurant** at 465-8745.

Art Sale: The family of **Rita June Albrecht** is having a sale of her artwork at the Mendenhall Mall Oct. 21 and 22 to raise money to fund an art scholarship in her name. Rita June was a long time UAS student and supporter of the arts who took part in many UAS art exhibits. She died July 27 in Juneau. For information contact **George Parker** at 465-6438.

International Meeting: Faculty, staff and students with international experience are meeting each Friday in the Maurant Cafeteria student lounge. The meetings are to discuss opportunities and challenges in learning, living, and working overseas. The meetings are sponsored by Global Connections and the International Student Exchange Program. For information contact **Elizabeth Schelle** at 465-6455.

Mystery Dinner: **Dennis Russell** is hosting the first faculty/student event night this Saturday at Schaible House. It's a pot luck murder mystery dinner. Eight students will be issued roles and be asked to come in costume and ready to play their part.

Alcohol Awareness: Two campus-wide events are planned as part of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness week Oct. 16-20. During a Know Your Limit demonstration on Oct. 18 two State Troopers will monitor drinking by two over 21 year old students and then simulate an arrest. Activities director **Tish Griffin** said, "We hope to demonstrate the procedures as well as help students define legal limits in alcohol usage."

On Oct. 20 at 4 p.m. UAS will have a special tour of the Alaskan Brewery. Alcohol education materials will be distributed during a brief presentation following the tour.

Bowling: Free Bowling Night takes place Sunday, Oct. 15, from 9:30pm -11:30pm at Channel Bowl.

Children's Carnival: A Family Carnival of Fun Children's Performance takes place Friday, Oct. 20, at 7 p.m. at Centennial Hall. UAS co-sponsors this annual event. The cost is \$5 each. The Children's Carnival runs Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 21-22, at Centennial Hall from 10-5. Tickets are \$6 each.

Musical Performance: The Tingstad and Rumbel Quartet returns Saturday, Oct. 21, at 8 p.m. at Chapel by the Lake. The recording artists sold out during their 1993 visit. Tickets are \$8 for full-time students, \$12 for general admission, and \$15 at the door. These Narada recording artists play acoustical guitar and woodwinds.

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Calendar

Monday, October 16

- Academic Restructuring Committee: 8:30-10 a.m., CCR
- Committee on Assessment: 1:30 -2:30 p.m., CCR

Wednesday, October 18

- Classification Committee: 9-11 a.m.

Wednesday, October 25

- Chancellor's Cabinet: 10 a.m. - Noon, CCR

UAS SERVICE AWARDS

Wayne Roberts, BPA faculty, 20 years.

Carol Griffin, director of administrative services, 15 years.

Susan Warner, media services, 10 years.

Barbara Carlson Burnett, financial aid director, 10 years.

Abbey Cropley, Sitka business office, 10 years.

June Sage, library assistant, 5 years.

Jan Trigg, student government, 5 years.

Amy Carroll, graphic artist, 5 years.

TUXEDO JUNCTION

Tickets for "Juneau's Evening of Elegance" are on sale at Hearthside Books, Martha's Flowers, the Wedding Shoppe and the Juneau campus cashier. Reserved seating tickets are available from the campus cashier and will be sold at the Mendenhall Mall on Oct. 21. The elegant evening, which helps raise scholarship funds for UAS students, takes place Nov. 4.

