

# Soundings

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## Accreditation team to visit Juneau campus next month

An accreditation team from the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges will visit Juneau October 27-28 to assess UAS compliance with seven general recommendations made five years ago by the organization.

Institutions are reviewed by the NASC on 10-year cycles, with interim progress visits midway between the full review visits.

The members of the accreditation team are: Dr. James Brooks, Professor Emeritus and President Emeritus, Central Washington University; Dr. Susan Schaefer, Professor of Business and Economics, California State University - Hayward; Dr. Richard Solbert, Associate Vice-President for Academic Affairs, Emeritus, University of Montana.

They will be assessing UAS progress in such areas as:

- Establishment of an administrative structure with clear lines of authority.
- Appointment of a chief academic officer.
- Review of graduate programs.
- Assessment of student achievements.
- Coordination and sharing of UAS library collections among three campuses.
- Articulation of academic freedom statements.

The visit will include a trip by one team member to Whitehorse to review distance delivery of graduate programs by UAS.

Copies of the written response to the recommendations are available from deans and directors and are on reserve at the Egan Library. Comments are welcome. Contact Sherry Taber at 465-6467 for further information.



## Entrepreneurial Institute set for Oct. 26-29

The First Annual Entrepreneurial Institute to be held in Sitka October 26-29 aims to provide business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs with the tools they need to succeed. Workshops will focus on developing skills and confidence to start or improve a business.

The conference will feature three main presenters: Gary Parr, director of the Juneau Small Business Development Center; Chellie Campbell, president of Cameron Diversified Management of Pacific Palisades, CA.; and Dr. James Murray, media and marketing specialist from Ohio University.

Topics of discussion at the institute will include business start-up issues, goal setting, entrepreneurial skills, defining a business, getting started, creating a business plan, financing, the importance of networking, contracting with government, business law, writing advertising copy, hiring employees and much more.

A business fair on the last day of the conference will feature information from a number of resources available to small business, including Alaska Employment Service, Career Transition Center, Chamber of Commerce, banks and local state and federal agencies.

## Check out the new residence hall at the mall this weekend

Are you curious about what the proposed new residence hall looks like? Stop by the Mendenhall Mall this weekend to see a sculpture of the new hall - made out of cans of food.

Community organizations will be building sculptures made out of canned food as part of

CANstruction '94, a promotion for the Southeast Alaska Food Bank.

In addition to the sculpture, the UAS entry will include promotional information about the proposal and why it's needed. Campus architect Jack Wolever is serving as adviser for the CANstruction project.



## Reminders...

### Faculty evaluation deadline: Oct. 3

The deadline for faculty not covered by a bargaining unit to submit evaluation files, including an annual activity report, has been extended to 5 p.m., October 3.

According to UAS faculty evaluation policies and procedures the deadline is October 1. But it was extended because October 1 falls on a Saturday.

Bargaining unit faculty who are scheduled for a mandatory retention review this year or who request a sabbatical should also submit their files, including activity reports, by the October 3 deadline. Other bargaining unit faculty have an option of submitting their activity report by October 3 or waiting until a deadline date is negotiated between the university and their union.

### Curriculum reminder for faculty:

Proposed curriculum changes should be prepared and ready to present to the Academic Curriculum Committee or the Graduate Committee prior to the end of Fall semester. The deadline is necessary for changes to be included in the next academic catalog.

Proposals at all three campuses must be reviewed at the school level and necessary signatures must be obtained prior to submitting a request to one of the curriculum committees.

### Petty cash closed for six days

Petty cash reimbursements will not be available from Thursday, October 13 through Friday, October 21.

### CPR Training

There are still a few openings for the second CPR training class on October 12. CPR certification training will be conducted at the Bill Ray Center, Room 152/153, from 1-4:30 p.m.

There is no cost to employees or departments to participate in this training; Personnel Services is sponsoring this important training program.

Interested employees should check with their supervisors first, then contact Jan Marie Ferrell in Personnel Services at 465-6473.

## Sitka News

### Sitka campus receives Carl Perkins grant

The Department of Education has awarded a two-year Carl Perkins grant to the UAS Sitka campus to support the Sitka Educational Consortium. The award provides \$77,000 annually to the consortium, which focuses on technical-preparatory curriculum development for students, starting in high school and continuing through associate degrees.

The money will be used to fund the full-time consortium director, as well as secondary and postsecondary faculty time for curriculum development.

### Americorps literacy program headed to Sitka

The Sitka Adult Education Program at the UAS Sitka campus has been selected to serve as one of seven Americorps Literacy Volunteer Programs in Alaska.

The Americorps Program is part of the National Service Program that was sponsored by the Clinton Administration and recently passed by Congress. Volunteers are placed in service positions across the country and receive college tuition stipends in return for service.

The Sitka Americorps volunteers will work with the Adult Education Program in community outreach. Responsibilities include developing and promoting family literacy programs as well as outreach activities and life skills workshops.

### Professional accreditation team reviewing HIM program

Representatives of the American Health Information Management Association and the American Medical Association are visiting Sitka this week to review the Health Information Management program for professional accreditation. Since most HIM students are taking courses at a distance, a special audio conference will be conducted with students in their home communities.

The Associate of Applied Science in Health Information Management was approved by the Board of Regents in February, 1993. The first graduates are expected to earn degrees next Spring.

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## Calendar

**Thursday and Friday, Sept. 29-30**  
• Board of Regents: Fairbanks

**Monday, October 3**

• Faculty evaluation deadline: Non-union only.

**Thursday, October 6**

• John Nilson in Concert: 7:30 p.m., Chapel by the Lake. \$10 General Admission, \$6 Student (with I.D.)

**Saturday, October 8**

• We're doing it again! 10,000 Flowers: 9 a.m. - Noon, Mourant Building. BBQ Lunch. Don't forget your shovel.

**Wednesday, October 12**

• CPR Training: 1-4:30 p.m., Bill Ray Center, Room 152/153.

**Thursday & Friday, October 13-14**

• UALC Meeting: Anchorage

**Friday, October 14**

• JAHCUAS Film Series: Samba Traore. 7:30 p.m., JDHS Auditorium. \$6

### Fundraising efforts snare about \$13,000 for scholarships

Three fundraising events in August and September netted about \$13,000 for UAS scholarship funds.

- A golf tournament helped kick off the school year and brought in about \$2,000.
- A \$150-a-plate dinner hosted by former University of Alaska Regent Don Abel and his wife, Lois, raised about \$5,200. The black-tie event was held at the Abel's new home and included student waiters and valets - all volunteers.

- The annual fundraising auction for scholarships held at the Southeast Conference meeting in Ketchikan raised about \$6,000.

