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UAS License plates on sale

This week UAS license plates went on sale at the State Department of Motor Vehicles Office. The license plates replace your existing license plates and are updated each year by applying date stickers in the corner. UAS receives a portion of the fee, so your plate purchase helps support UAS programs and provide unique advertising for the university. Just take your registration to DMV. The cost is \$50 plus a \$5 transfer fee. The plates have a blue background with gold numbers and have the university's seal in the center. Get your plates fast as the limited number is expected to go fast.

UA Board of Regents to meet in Juneau

The University of Alaska Board of Regents is scheduled to hold regular meetings of its standing committees and the full board beginning at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 21, 1991, and continuing through Friday, February 22, 1991, in Rooms 205 and 206 in the Hendrickson Building on the UAS Juneau Campus.

Topics for discussion will include:

Faculty research obligations, honors programs, developmental education, assessment, transfer of coursework between institutions, land exchange proposals at UAF Seward and UAA Kenai Peninsula College, UAS classroom additions to the Egan Library, FY91-92 operating and capital budgets, Master's program in Northern Studies, program changes, honorary degree and meritorious service award nominations, consultant and site selection for several UAF projects, design concept approval and authority to sell bonds for UAF student recreation center, FY93 planning assumptions, tuition and student fees, land development plans, and selection of external auditors.

The meetings will be open to the public. Agendas will be available for public inspection at all campus libraries approximately five days prior to the meetings.

New development coordinator welcomed to UAS

J. Allan MacKinnon was hired this week as Coordinator of Institutional Development and External Fund Raising at UAS and will be based in the Chancellor's Office in Juneau. MacKinnon will be responsible for fundraising, grants procurement, and alumni relations in his new position. MacKinnon served as executive director for the Southeast Alaska Tourism Council during 1989-90 and for ten years he was information officer for the Alaska Department of Labor.

He is secretary of the Southeast Conference Board of Directors and serves on that organization's Alaska Marine Highway Committee. He is president of the Juneau Rotary Club and chairman of the Westmark Hotel Community Advisory Board for Juneau. In his capacity as coordinator, MacKinnon will work closely with the UA Foundation and facilitate the UAS Regional College of Fellows. MacKinnon may be reached at UAS by calling 789-4472.

NEWS BRIEFS

Williams to head new ACT Plan

Bonnie Williams has been selected to institute the newly created Advance College Tuition (ACT) Plan at the university. The Alaska Legislature established the plan last session. This plan allows people to designate, with a simple checkoff, half of the Permanent Fund dividend to cover future tuition costs at the University of Alaska for themselves, their children, or a designated beneficiary.

Under the plan, 50 percent of the Permanent Fund dividend would be used to purchase university credit hours at today's prices. Those credit hours could then be used at UA at anytime in the future without further costs, regardless of tuition increases. Funds collected under the plan are placed in the Alaska Educational Trust Fund and invested by the Permanent Fund investors of the State of Alaska Department of Revenue. For more information call Williams at 474-7469.

Alaska Teleconference Network rates reduced

The University of Alaska Telecommunications Director Alex Hills has announced that the Alaska Teleconference Network is reducing its rates, effective February 14, 1991. The 10% reduction is the result of the work done by ATN Manager Alys Orsborn to negotiate lower long distance telephone rates for the network.

Novatney/Whitehead under construction for remodeling

The construction period for the Novatney/Whitehead remodeling project extends through July 7. We will make efforts to minimize any inconvenience to faculty, staff and students. However, we must ask for the cooperation of those same individuals.

Access to the lower level floor of the Novatney and the upper floor of the Whitehead Building is prohibited, except for the computer center which will remain in operation. The closure is necessary both for safety and productivity reasons. Anyone needing access to the construction sites must first obtain permission from the Office of Facilities Planning and Construction. Call 789-4484.

More music

On February 10, The Mel Flood Big Band will perform at the Penthouse from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. On February 23, the Juneau Symphony Light Classics Concert, conducted by Mel Flood, will perform at the High School Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. Watch for the Spring 1991 Fine Arts Calendar soon to be hot off the press!

New Year's Day Concert was well done

Linda Rosenthal, UAS Professor of Music and virtuoso, performed in concert with the University of Alaska Anchorage Sinfonia chamber orchestra in late December in the Discovery Theatre of the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts. The concert received a very upbeat review in the January 3, edition of the Anchorage Times and Linda's violin performance was touted as spiffy, secure and exciting!

International Activities and Exchanges Committee to meet

The International Activities and Exchange Committee will meet Tuesday, February 19, from 3-4 p.m. The committee is charged with exploring and developing educational opportunities for exchanges and international programs with particular emphasis on the Pacific Rim nations and Canada. Anyone wishing to make suggestions or add agenda items should call Professor Wally Olson at 789-4420 or Dean Robbie Stell at 789-4424.

Check your W-2

Please check your 1990 W-2 Statement to see if it is legible. If you cannot read any portion of it, please call Payroll at 789-4479 for assistance.

A warm welcome

Ted Burke is our new property clerk in the Juneau Campus Business Office. Stop by to say hi; he's in the lower level of the Mourant Building.

Scholarships and grants application periods are currently open

Two packets of information on 1991-92 scholarships and grants, one for entering freshmen (deadline March 30, 1991), and one for continuing/transfer students (deadline May 15, 1991), are available from the Financial Aid Office: 789-4463.

Student job opportunity

A live-in sitter is needed who can provide 20 "flexible hours" a week caring for a 9-year old and doing light housekeeping. Salary is negotiable. Call Dr. Sarah Isto at 586-8992 evenings or weekends if you're interested. Salary is negotiable.

Cello Recital

Cellist Alice Volwiler and pianist Sue Kazama will present a recital Friday evening, March 1, 1991 in Hendrickson Hall. The performance will include Suite No. 1 in G major for unaccompanied cello by J.S. Bach, Beethoven's Sonata in F major, Op. 5, No. 1 for piano and cello, Sonata in e minor for cello and piano, Op. 38, No. 1 by Johannes Brahms, and the Rumanian Folk Dances by Bela Bartok, played here in arrangement for cello and piano by Luigi Silva.

The program begins at 7:30 p.m.

CALENDAR

February

- 8** Graduate Committee
3:30 - 4:30 p.m., Novatney
Conference Room
- 15** Curriculum Committee
3 - 4:30 p.m., CCR
- 18** Academic Dean/Directors
and Chancellor's Cabinet
Meetings, All day, CCR
- 19** Regional University Council
All day, CCR
University Relations, Egan
Conference Room, all day
International Activities &
Exchange Committee
3 - 4 p.m.,
- 21 &** Statewide Assembly
- 22** Executive Committee
All day, CCR
- 22** Faculty Senate
2 - 4 p.m., HA 102

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