

# SOUNDINGS



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## First lady visits high school students at UAS

Alaska's first lady, Mrs. Ermalee Hickel, and Marilyn Patterson, director of Constituent Relations in the Governor's Office, visited the University of Alaska Southeast Juneau campus Thursday, June 13, to talk with twenty high school students from around Southeast enrolled in the 1991 Educational Enrichment Program. Mrs. Hickel talked to the class about the coursework the students are taking during the three-week program, the communities they live in, and the importance of having goals in their lives and using education to get there.

The students are chosen by the Tlingit and Haida Council to attend the program now in its 5th year. It is funded by the Council and the University of Alaska Southeast. The Cultural Enrichment Program is designed to give at-risk students a feel for what it is like to be in college in an effort to encourage them to attend and to help them to succeed when they do.

The students will publish an anthology at the end of the program which will be a compilation of the students' writings. For more information about the program call UAS at 789-4582.

## Teaching teachers: UAS Summer Sessions II

Dr. Bob Ramonda, a faculty member at San Jose State University since 1959, is teaching a UAS Educational Research class for graduate students that is currently underway and beginning July 1, he will be teaching **Introduction to Diagnosis and Correction of Reading Deficiencies** as well as an upper division class on the same topic. The classes are offered as part of UAS Summer Session II and are for students working toward teaching certificates or Master's degrees.

Ramonda's enthusiasm for the subject is obvious and when asked why it is important for students to learn to read and why teachers need to be skilled in teaching their students to read, his thoughtful reply is "the joy."

## CLASSIFIED ASSOCIATION NEWS

UAS Classified have been busy lately! An emergency Classified meeting was held on Tuesday, June 11. Chancellor Lind joined the meeting to discuss the university budget and positive steps the members can take to help the governor understand how important the University of Alaska is to the people, business, and industry in the state.

In other news, President Donna Chantry and Vice President Lowell Ellis travelled to the Ketchikan campus to hold the regular Classified Association meeting. A seminar on working with the legislators was held, also.

President Donna Chantry is in Fairbanks at the Board of Regents meeting Thursday and Friday, June 13, 14.

Reminder: don't forget to vote! Ballots must be submitted to Karen Cummins at the Bill Ray Center by June 21st. The Classified Association officers for '91-92 will be announced June 28th.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Board of Regents meet Thursday and Friday

The University of Alaska Board of Regents is scheduled to hold regular meetings of its standing committees and the annual meeting of the full Board beginning at approximately 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 13 in the John Butrovich Building and continuing through Friday, June 14 in the Globe Room of the Elvey Building, located on the Fairbanks campus. Agenda items of interest to UAS are FY92 Student Government Budgets, a Report on Student Housing, and the Acceptance of the FY92 Operating and Capital Budgets.

### Welcome to UAS!

This summer we have many new faces on the Juneau campus. We have our second of six Elderhostel groups on campus this week and through June 30, students in the Educational Enrichments Program are on campus.

In July, UAS will host public school teachers from Chai Yi City who will be studying English as a Second Language for four weeks.

**UAS**  
**Juneau Campus**  
**Summer Sessions II**  
**Starts July 1**

## UAS helps out with RV parking

Twenty-five spaces in our side parking lot closest to physical plant have been dedicated to handle an overflow of recreational vehicles (RVs) this summer. The agreement between UAS, the City and Borough, and the Auke Bay RV Park allows for RVs to park in our lot from mid-May to mid-September for a maximum of three days. No water or electrical hookups are provided, however, guests may use the library and cafeteria services.

"It was with the understanding that we would have little involvement beyond providing the space. We're not interested in being in the business or collecting fees or anything like that, it's just the university's attempt to be a good citizen," says Bob Green, Physical Plant Director.

The Auke Bay RV Park will collect \$5 per day for the parking, which will be given to the City and Borough at the insistence of Vivian Kirkevold, park owner.

## Professor Olson's research published in book

Professor Wally Olson's twenty-plus years of research and study of the Tlingit Natives has resulted in the book, **THE TLINGIT: An Introduction to Their Culture and History**, to be released June 14th. Covering many aspects of Tlingit cultural heritage, chapter topics range from origins and environment to language and material culture, as well as social culture. One particularly interesting chapter talks about shopping for Tlingit art, and a list of recommended reading is included by the author. Charts on social structure and Tlingit crests accompany a wide range of photos. Suitable as a high school or college text, or for pure enjoyment, this eighty-page book will be available at the UAS Bookstore and the Alaska State Museum.

## New bus stop shelter

A new bus stop shelter has been built by the UAS Physical Plant at the Juneau Auke Lake campus. The bus stop was partially funded with the proceeds from UAS recycling efforts.

## English instructor publishes poetry

Ann Douglas, a part-time English instructor on the Sitka campus, has written her first collection of poems entitled **After**. Ann attended Columbia University and the University of Washington, she received the Vogelstein Award for Poetry in 1987, and taught at Seattle University. Ann's poems have appeared in many magazines, and now in her own collection published by Breitenbush Press.

## Petty cash deadline

If you want your petty cash expenditures processed in FY91, June 24th is the deadline.

Submit your vouchers to Scott Clark in the Chancellor's Office. Any vouchers submitted after this date will be processed in FY92.



## CALENDAR

### June

**25** Academic Deans & Directors  
All Day, Chanc. Conf. Rm.

**26** Chancellor's Cabinet  
All Day, Chanc. Conf. Rm.

### July

**4-5** Independence Day Holiday  
UAS closed

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**Personal Holiday:** Eligible non-exempt permanent employees have until June 30 to use personal holiday. Please call Irene if you have any questions at x473.

**DID YOU KNOW** it is possible to start, stop or change optional benefit plans, including reimbursement accounts, supplemental health, AD&D, and supplemental survivor insurance during the year if you have a life event. The definition for a life event is:

- Employment status change from temporary to permanent position or change in employment percent. Promotion/change in salary does not qualify as a life event.
- Marital status changes (marriage or divorce)
- Birth or adoption
- Termination of your spouse's employment
- Death of spouse or child

If you have further questions of what constitutes a life event please call Irene at x473.

**Next desk over...** It's funny. When you talk to people about themselves, most of them think they are uninteresting. However, usually, within five minutes, they expose a solid gold nugget. For Barbara Hyde, that nugget is her energy. She teaches aerobics three nights a week, and hits the trails for hiking and mountain biking, her favorites being Mt. Roberts and West Glacier. She shares her energy at work as an Administrative Assistant in Continuing Education where the majority of her duties pertain to the budget. October will mark Barbara's ninth year with the University.

"Once is not enough"...Soundings is copied onto white paper stock so you may recycle it.