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Vote November 8

On November 8, voters will be asked to decide a number of issues in addition to voting on a slate of candidates. One ballot issue of great interest to the University of Alaska is Ballot Measure No. 3, which would establish an independent community college system.

The University challenged this initiative in court. Although the university's position was upheld in Superior Court, an appeal to the Alaska State Supreme Court resulted in the measure being placed on the ballot. The court conceded that "...the initiative leaves out a vast amount of detail. For example, it sets up no governing body...nor does it explicitly set forth the function of the new system. However, it does mandate action." The court does not clarify what that action might be. The initiative, if passed, will be law, and no one, including proponents of the initiative, is able to explain how the new system would be organized or funded.

A group called Friends of Higher Education has formed a political Action Committee to support the University of Alaska in its present form during the upcoming election. Cochairs of the group are state senators Arliss Sturglewski and Willie Hensley.

Attached to this issue of Soundings is a copy of Ballot Measure No. 3 as it will appear on the ballot. Statements by the Community College Coalition of Alaska in support and by Friends of Higher Education in opposition, which appear in the Official Election Pamphlet published by the State Division of Elections, are also included. Be sure to cast your vote on Nov. 8.

Tuxedo Junction time

On Saturday night, November 5, all of Juneau will once again don the tuxedos and the function is named for and make their way to Centennial Hall. Plans are well under way to offer an **Evening in Paris** fraught with grandiose entertainment. Continuous music by Mel Flood's **UAS Dance Band** and the rock band **No One Famous**, a casino, a fashionable floor show and the Janice Holst Dancers, food and drink, and over 200 prizes will fill the bill that evening. The Grand Prize of two round-trip tickets to San Francisco was donated by Alaska Airlines. Tickets, at \$35 per person, are on sale at both locations of Hearthside Books and at the UAS Cashier in the Maurant Building. UAS students with I.D. may purchase tickets for \$20 at the UAS Cashier only and must be 21. The fun begins at 8 p.m. and will go until 1:30 a.m. **All tickets will be sold in advance**, so buy your tickets early and help support UAS scholarships.

Governor's Cup Tournament

On November 11 and 12, UAS will play host to the UAA, UAF, and APU Men's basketball teams in the third annual 1988 Governor's Cup Tournament, which is also the tipoff for the 1988-89 UAS Basketball season.

On Friday night, APU will play UAA at 7 p.m. at the Juneau Douglas High School Gymnasium. At 9 p.m. UAS will square off with UAF. Play on Saturday night will start at 7 p.m. with the consolation game and wrap up with the championship game starting at 9 p.m.

Tickets for the entire tournament will be \$12 or \$7 each night at
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Employee Benefits Fair October 28

Have a question on your health benefits, pension plan or retirement? Now is your chance to ask questions in person. UAS Personnel Services is hosting an employee benefits fair on Friday, October 28 in
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Lady Whales challenge media

Don't miss the Lady Whales in their first game of the season this Saturday, October 22, at the Juneau-Douglas High School Gymnasium. The action begins at 7 p.m. Don't miss it.

Governor's Cup (from front page)

the door. Students and youth under 12 years can purchase tournament tickets for \$6 or for \$4 each night at the door.

Tickets are on sale at both locations of Hearthside Books, Juneau Drug, and the UAS Cashier in the Mourant Building.

Gordon Evans, University of Alaska Regent, will serve as honorary tournament director. Evans and Lt. Governor Stephen McAlpine will participate in a Friday luncheon banquet and the opening ceremonies. The Governor's Cup logo was designed by UAS employee Kevin Araki.

Fair (from front page)

the Hendrickson Theater from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Employees can drop by to meet representatives for various plans, including AETNA, University of Alaska Pension Plan, TRS/PERS, Risk Management, Social Security, Alaska USA Credit Union, and tax shelter annuity companies. You may bring any AETNA explanation of benefits letters, pension plan or retirement statements that you have questions about. UAS Personnel Services staff will be on hand with information and enrollment forms for supplemental benefits and reimbursements accounts.

Personnel Office closure

The Personnel Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 2, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and all day Thursday, November 3, for staff training.

News from Marine Technical Center, Juneau Campus

Coming November 21, will be a course called **Passengers for Hire Licensing**, that prepares people to take the Coast Guard Operator Uninspected Passenger Vessel license exam (the old six-pack test). Students should meet requirements for seatime and have a current CPR card. The class will run November 21, through December

2, from 6 - 10 p.m. in Rooms 139 and 216 at the Marine Technology Center. Call the center at 789-4428 for more information.

On November 12, from 1 to 5 p.m. the staff at the center will be hosting an open house to give everyone a chance to visit and to tour the Marine Core Building and Welding Lab. Plan to stop by.

Olson presents slide show on art collections

Dr. Wally Olson, UAS professor of Anthropology, Juneau campus, recently traveled to Madrid, Spain to view and photograph the exhibit **El Ojo Del Totem** (Eye of the Totem). Featured were Indian art of the Northwest Coast found in museums and private collections around the world, including the Alaska State Museum. While in Madrid he was given special permission to photograph much of the **Malaspina** collection obtained in trade along the coast and in the Yakutat vicinity. At the present time, the collection is in storage while the Museo de America is being renovated for the celebration of the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the Americas to be held in Spain in 1992. Olson has recently made two presentations of his photography, one at UAS Student Housing and another at the Alaska State Museum.

Fields authors new book

Marjorie Fields, UAS professor of education, Juneau campus, has authored **Literacy Begins at Birth** which is being published by Fisher Books. Fields said the book is aimed at parents and is for the popular market. It is designed to help parents understand how children learn to read and write and what they can do to help. It is also meant to help parents understand what teachers are doing when

teaching students to read and write with the whole language approach, a philosophy currently gaining in popularity. The philosophy entails teaching reading, writing, and oral language together and using real materials and real situations rather than materials made primarily for teaching.

Fields said she finished the book this last summer and expects to see it in print this month or next.

W. Lloyd Gallagher Memorial Scholarship awarded

Dixie Boggs is the recipient of the W. Lloyd Gallagher Scholarship created for baccalaureate and masters degree students in the field of Public Administration at the UAS Juneau campus. She receives \$1,000 each semester for the 1988-89 academic year.

Gallagher devoted his life to the management of public works projects, and was a developer of the Alaska Power Authority legislation. His son, Sterling Gallagher, is an affiliate assistant professor of finance at the UAS Juneau campus.

Welcome

The Office of Continuing Education announces the following staff additions/changes:

Terese Knight, Administrative Secretary; Barbara Moultrie, Clerk Specialist III; and Patty Leonard, Graphic Artist II.

And this from the library

The following titles have been placed on the "Ready Reference" shelves at the UAS, Juneau campus library:

1. **UA Compensation Methods and Practices: a Futures Approach.** Final report of the SW Assembly Ad Hoc Committee on Compensation Methods and Practices, June 8, 1988.
2. **Final Report of the Ad Hoc Committee of Grievance Council Chairs,** June 3, 1988.
3. **Views on Alaskan Higher Education, Pre-primary Survey of Legislative Candidates: Report of Results.** The transition Committee of UA General (Statewide) Assembly, August 23, 1988.