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American Bald Eagle Institute Articles of Incorporation signed at UAS

Eleven years in the making, the founding fathers of the American Bald Eagle Research Institute recently signed Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws to empower the institute to organize and execute research, educational, veterinary science, and library programs designed to enhance the survival and propagation of the American Bald Eagle. The building that will house the institute is under construction in Haines, Alaska and is being built through an arrangement with the State of Alaska and the Sitka campus of the University of Alaska Southeast.

Founding fathers of the institute are Dave and Charlotte Olerud, who came to Alaska 25 years ago as teachers and who now own several retail businesses in Haines and who first dreamed of creating an institute; Hans Fleuhrer, who was a professor at the University of Montreal and is now a businessman in Canada and long-time friend of Dave Olerud; Herb Eckmann, owner of Alaska Sausage and Seafood in Anchorage; Marshall L. Lind, UAS Chancellor; Dick Griffin, UAS Sitka campus director; Mike Adams, UAS dean of institutional advancement, and Dave Harbour, an Anchorage attorney who drew up the Articles of Incorporation.

The institute's programs are to be designed specifically to provide 1) a world-class research effort enhancing the body of knowledge surrounding the survival and propagation of the American Bald Eagle, 2) educational activities related to the species, including but not limited to university credit classes, course work and seminars; an assembly of

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UAS Commencements in early May for all three campuses

Austin Hammond, a commercial fisherman from Haines; Cliff Taro, owner of Southeast Stevedoring Corporation in Ketchikan; and James King, waterfowl consultant and field biologist from Juneau will receive Honorary Doctorate of Humanities degrees at UAS commencement exercises this year. Karl Ward, an educator and historian in Haines, and Margaret Bell, an author of juvenile books depicting Alaska who now lives in Ketchikan, will receive Meritorious Service Awards. Taro and Bell will receive their honors at the Ketchikan campus commencement scheduled for May 11, while the others will be presented their honors at the Juneau commencement on May 5. Sitka's commencement is set for May 18.

In Juneau, the commencement address will be given by Don Abel. Student response to the occasion will be given by Nancy Barto, a student in the School of Business in the B.B.A./Accounting program, and Valerie Banaszak, a student in the School of Education, Liberal Arts and Science in the elementary education program. A public reception will follow the ceremony, hosted by the University of Alaska Southeast Alumni Association. Faculty who plan to march during the ceremony should arrive at 6:30 p.m.

NEWS BRIEFS

Help keep the spirit up

A computer mail message from L. J. Evans, a part-time instructor at Prince William Sound Community College who is helping out at the bird rescue center in Valdez, was received at the UAS Computer Center in Juneau, April 11. Her message was that the animal clean-up is a positive aspect of the oil spill but volunteers need encouragement from Alaskans. She is putting postcards up on the wall near the break room. Send encouragement to:

Bird Rescue Center	Otter Rescue Center
P.O. Box 2384	P.O. Box 2256
Valdez, AK 99686	Valdez, AK 99686

Summer Sessions

Registration is underway for Summer Sessions '89 and classes begin for the first session May 15. The second session begins July 15, but registrants are urged to sign up early since classes for both sessions tend to fill up quickly. Once again this year a number of courses in Northwest Coast Arts are scheduled and a number of general education requirement courses have been added at the request of students. Other classes offered are statistics, history, math, psychology, speech, English, accounting, education, biology, business, economics, computer information and continuing education classes.

Assessment Update

A set of twelve recommendations has been produced by the Chancellor's Committee on Student Assessment which was created this year and includes representatives from all schools and campuses. Its recommendations constitute a starting point on how UAS should approach assessment and start to develop a program for which the faculty as a whole is responsible for creating and supporting. A memorandum detailing the recommendations recently went out to all faculty and staff. Ron Seatter, UAS assistant professor of mathematics, is committee chair.

Call for Nominations

For the fifth year, the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) is requesting nominations for the AASCU/Christa McAuliffe Showcase for Excellence Awards competition, highlighting exemplary teacher education programs at state colleges and universities throughout the country.

Awards will be given to a maximum of ten institutional programs, and nominations must be received by June 2, 1989. Programs will be evaluated by a panel of five (5) judges, and awards will be announced in summer 1989. Winning papers will be published in a booklet describing the Showcase Competition, together with abstracts of all programs submitted in the competition. For a set of guidelines and application forms write AASCU at One Dupont Circle/Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20036-1192.

Third Annual Juneau Jazz to Classics Set for May 12-21

Classical and jazz artists from around the country will gather in Juneau May 12 through 21, for the third annual Juneau Jazz and Classics, a festival that includes evening concerts, free noon concerts, and a host of performance workshops and master classes. University of Alaska Southeast Professor of Music Linda Rosenthal is the founder and music director of the festival. She is well known for her violin performances around the state and world.

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Bald Eagle presentation (continued from front)

veterinary science references regarding techniques of surgery, rehabilitation and other factors related to the biological health and survival of the species; and the development of a world-class library of reference materials related to the American Bald Eagle.

Construction of the facility in Haines is nearly complete with plumbing and electrical work to be donated by two Juneau unions (the International Union of Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 262 and the Juneau membership of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers) under an arrangement made by Lt. Governor Stephan McAlpine. That work will get underway as soon as approved drawings are produced. Last fall, the Sitka campus of UAS offered classes in construction technology whose student work helped to finish the structure when the institute was low on construction money and needed to find a way to complete the project. According to Dick Griffin about 10 people signed up for each session. "They did all the exterior work including siding, doors, windows and trim." He says the campus plans to offer at least six more courses which will help with the interior work such as sheetrock, painting, and fixture installation.

The university's interest in the project is in using the institute as a research center and to generate grant money for research. Griffin said they are near an agreement with the Alaska Raptor Rehabilitation Center in Sitka that would give the center use of some of the university's 17 acres where the institute is located. And the Juneau campus may soon offer an electronically delivered course on eagles that will include an option for a laboratory practicum where students study in Juneau, Sitka and Haines.

A strategic plan is yet to be worked out for the institute and election of officers, budget, personnel and program matters will be on the agenda for the next meeting to be held in late April.

Hokkaido/Alaska Conference Special Presentation

On the third and final day of the Hokkaido/Alaska Conference on Northern Development Professor of Anthropology Wallace Olson and UAS Chancellor Marshall Lind presented a six-volume set of Alaska Regional Profiles to Masayuki Nakaseko, director of projects division for the Northern Regions Center in Hokkaido. Nakaseko was pleased to receive the volumes saying the center lacked accurate information on Alaska. These volumes each cover the various regions of Alaska and were published by the UA's Alaska Environmental Information and Data Center for the State of Alaska, Office of the Governor while Jay Hammond was in office.

Open Forums on Accreditation Self-Study

UAS Steering Committee on Accreditation Self-Study will be conducting open meetings to solicit input from employees and students of UAS on the current draft of the accreditation self-study document as follows:

Ketchikan Campus	April 24, 1989	Location and time posted on campus
Sitka Campus	April 25, 1989	Location and time posted on campus
Juneau Campus		
<i>Auke Lake</i>	Tuesday, April 25, 1989	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Location: Hendrickson Annex, Rm 103		5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
<i>Bill Ray Ctr</i>	Wednesday, April 26, 1989	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Location: Room 110		5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
<i>Auke Lake</i>	Thursday, April 27, 1989	10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: Hendrickson Annex, Rm 103		4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Copies of the draft are available in the Ketchikan and Juneau Libraries and from Kathy Etulain on the Sitka campus. Each steering committee member has a copy as well as Terry Dean, Academic Affairs, Maurant Building. Anyone wanting to have a copy of specific sections should contact one of these individuals.

- Steering Committee Members:
- Terry Bills, Ketchikan
 - Karen Cummins, Bill Ray Center, Juneau
 - Bruce Gifford, Admissions & Records, Juneau
 - Bob Green, Physical Plant, Juneau
 - Mike Herbison, Library, Juneau
 - Dutch Knight, Student Government, Juneau
 - Margaret Lynne, Ketchikan
 - Wally Olson, Ed., Libr. Arts & Science, Juneau
 - Kathy Etulain, Sitka
 - Robbie Stell, Chair, Academic Affairs, Juneau

Jazz Classics '89 (continued from front)

Many prominent classical and jazz artists will be performing as well as conducting the workshops and masters classes at the UAS Juneau campus. This year's classical artists are Michael Newman and Laura Oltman, guitar duo; Candace Goetz, soprano; Theodore DeCorso, clarinet; Philip Lewis, violin; Robert McCoy, piano; Jungshin Lim Lewis, cello; Russell Guyver, piano; Anthony Elliott, cello; and Linda Rosenthal, violin. Jazz artists are Rob Thomas, violin; John Handy, saxophone; Nancy King, vocalist; Chris Lee, drums; Jerry Hahn, guitar; and Dan Schulte, bass.

Four evening classical concerts, two evening jazz concerts and a children's concert round out the weekend activities of the nine-day event. At noon beginning Monday May 15, through Friday, May 19, free lunch-break concerts sponsored by ARCO are planned at the State Office Building.

Workshops are scheduled for each Saturday and also during the week in the evenings at the UAS campus, and musicians of all levels and ages are encouraged to attend.

Festival series tickets are available for \$45 that include the six evening concerts. Workshop fees are \$15 with an additional \$15 fee if taken for credit, and private lessons may be arranged. Tickets may be purchased by writing to Juneau Jazz to Classics, P.O. Box 22152, Juneau, Alaska 99802. And they are available in Juneau at Big City Books, Hearthside Books, or the UAS Bookstore. Tickets will also be sold at the door. For workshop information call (907) 586-1934.

Children's Center needs donations for sale

The UAS Children's Center will hold a fund-raising garage sale on Saturday May 13, at the Nugget Mall. Donations of household items, clothing, toys, and furniture are needed. Call Rhonda at ext. 554 or Barbara at ext. 463 to arrange for donations.

CALENDAR

- Apr 20-
 - 21 Board of Regents--Baranof Hotel
 - 21 Academic Advising--CCR
 - Whales Day Barbecue--Parking Lot
 - 24 Flute/Piano Recital--HB 110, 7:30 p.m.
 - University Singers Concert--Chapel-by-the-Lake, 8:00 p.m.
 - 26 Chancellor's Cabinet--CCR, 8:30 a.m.
 - 28 Curric. Committee--CCR, 2-5:00 p.m.
- May 2 Assembly, 2:00 p.m.
- 5 Commencement--Centennial Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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