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UAA Fulbright Scholar to speak

A member of the family that westernized Japan's industrialization and banking during the Meiji restoration during the late 1800s and early 1900s will visit Juneau next Monday and Tuesday and be made an honorary citizen of Juneau by Mayor Bruce Botelho. Masahide Shibusawa, grandson of Eiichi Shibusawa who was the "man who built Japan's business community," is now a Fulbright Scholar-In-Residence and Governor's Distinguished International Scholar at UAA. He is considered to be a global and regional expert in political, economic and social events. The World Affairs Council will hold a reception for him Monday night at the Courthouse at 5:30 p.m. He will also speak at a reception hosted for him by UAS at noon on Tuesday, at the new Egan Library. Mayor Botelho will present him with honorary citizenship to Juneau. Students and staff of UAS as well as the community of Juneau are invited to attend.

Astronomer Shipman to present program

Harry Shipman, professor of physics at the University of Delaware, will present a program to a number of groups in Juneau outlining recent developments in the field of astronomy and the way that teachers at all levels can bring modern astronomy into their classrooms. He will present "The Search for Life in the Universe" on Monday, November 13, at UAS in Room 205 of the Hendrickson Building. His talk is open to the public. His visit is sponsored by the American Astronomical Society.

It brings out the best in us

Within the next month, all UAS faculty and staff will have the opportunity to give to the 1990 United Way of Southeast. United Way provides partial funding for 29 organizations within southeast

Alaska. A suggested amount is to give the equivalent of one hour per month of your income for the year of 1990 through an automatic payroll deduction each month beginning in January of 1990.

Please give your consideration to this worthwhile activity and be prepared to make a commitment on November 17. The goal of the United Way of Southeast is \$350,000.

Let's help make that possible by reaching our UAS goal of \$5,000 and topping last year's \$4,700. Robert Purvis is the UAS United Way Coordinator.



Tuxedo Junction is this Saturday night

The fun starts at 8 p.m. Saturday night at Centennial Hall. Dance the night away as you help support UAS Scholarships. A large number of really great prizes are lined up in addition to the Door Prize, round-trip tickets for two to Haines onboard Wings of Alaska and two nights at the Halsingland Hotel. The Grand Prize is two round-trip tickets for two to San Diego compliments of Alaska Airlines.

NEWS BRIEFS

Search for new UA president begins

A nationwide search will be underway soon to find the person to replace University of Alaska System President Donald D. O'Dowd, who announced late last month that he will retire on July 31, 1990, after serving as president for six years. Eleven individuals who represent a cross section of university employees and groups have been selected to serve on the Presidential Search Committee:

- Herb Lang, chairman, Regent 1979-85;
- Ann Parrish, Board of Regents, immediate past president of the board;
- Tina DeLapp, Faculty, UAA, Assoc. Dean of Nursing;
- Peter McRoy, Faculty, UAF, Prof. of Marine Science;
- Lee Haugen, Faculty, UAS Asst. Prof. of Education, Ketchikan Campus;
- Rosemary Hagevig, Alumni, State Board of Education, Douglas;
- Samuel Demientieff, College Councils, executive director, Fairbanks Native Association;
- Ralph Gabrielli, Statewide Assembly, UAF Assoc. Prof. of Education;

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Board of Regents to discuss UAS Self-Study Report

Roberta Stell, assistant to the chancellor for academic affairs, is attending the Board of Regents meeting in Fairbanks on November 2 and 3, to discuss with them the UAS Self-Study. The discussion will center on degree programs, enrollment patterns, degrees awarded and academic expectations for the future.

Excellence has its rewards

The Edith R. Bullock Prize for Excellence, a \$15,000 check to be used at the recipient's discre-

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Search Committee (continued)

John Pugh, Staff, dean of the UAS School of Education, Liberal Arts and Science;

James Nutty, Students, president of the UAA Union of Students;
Ann Secrest, Statewide Administration, administrative assistant to the V.P. for university relations.

Executive director of the Search Committee is Robert Warren, the university's vice president for human resources. The Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges, represented by Clark Ahlberg who visited UAS last week, will provide consulting assistance to the committee and the Board of Regents which will make the final selection. The Board of Regents will officially approve the search committee membership during regular meetings in Fairbanks this week. They will also give a charge to the committee and hold a discussion on presidential qualifications.

Ahlberg will visit UAA and UAF in addition to UAS to gather from faculty, staff and students their opinions on presidential qualifications.

Reward (continued)

tion, will be awarded to individuals who have demonstrated excellence in their work in support of the University of Alaska. Excellence is defined as superiority, surpassing goodness and merit, a particular virtue. Faculty, staff, students and alumni are all eligible for nomination, however, nominees need not be associated with the university but they must have accomplished the extraordinary in support of UA. A brochure on the prize is available at Information Services; call 7894472 for more information. Nominations must be received by December 1, 1989 by the UA Foundation which will select a recipient.

Computer Advisory Committee created

Early in October a group convened on campus which is charged with the task of advising the chancellor on matters relating to academic and administrative computing, and to submit a computer plan for UAS. The committee will also advise and assist the director of computing, Richard Meeker, in carrying out the computer plan once it has been approved by the chancellor. The committee formed two subcommittees, one for academic and the other for administrative computing. Attending the October 4, meeting were Jason Ohler, Larry Stevens, Tim Fullam, Bruce Gifford, Jeff Whittaker, Michael Jaenicke, Janice McClean, Richard Meeker, Michael Ciri, Bob Green, and Terry Bills.

It may change school as we know it now: Ohler expounds on distance delivery

The October issue of *Tech Trends*, a magazine for those in education and training, has a lengthy interview with Jason Ohler, UAS assistant professor of education, on distance education. The interview which was done via BIT-NET, was an offshoot of his well-received keynote speech at the AECT Professional Seminar last summer.

From Personnel

The month of November is an open enrollment period for optional employee benefits. Forms and information are being distributed with today's payroll. Completed forms must be returned to Personnel Services no later than December 1. If there is sufficient interest, information sessions on supplemental benefits and reimbursement accounts will be scheduled prior to the end of the month. Call 789-4536 if you are interested.

A Matter of Timing

A Matter of Timing, by UAS Director of Composition Joey Wauters, was recently chosen as the first place winner in *Redbook* magazine's Short Story Contest for 1989. The story, part of her sabbatical work from last year, was selected out of 6,500 submissions from across the country. The award is \$2,000, and the story will be published in *Redbook* sometime next spring.

CALENDAR

November 1989

- 2-3 Board of Regents, Fairbanks
- 3 Faculty Senate, CCR, 3 - 4:30 p.m.
- 4 Tuxedo Junction, Centennial Hall, 8 p.m.
- 7 UAS Assembly, CCR, 3 - 4:30 p.m.
Shibusawa Reception, Egan Library, noon
- 9 Juneau Campus Council, BRC, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- 10 Curriculum Committee, CCR, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
- 11-12 Governor's Cup Basketball Tournament, Anchorage, Whales and Lady Whales
- 13 Astronomer Harry Shipman, HB 205/206, 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Chancellor's Cabinet, CCR, full day
- 17 Visit of Student Regent Buddy Van Hatten
Whales vs. BYU-Hawaii, 9 p.m.
- 25 First Home Game of the Season: Lady Whales vs. Lewis Clark State College, 10 p.m., JDHS Gym
- 28 Chancellor's Council, Fairbanks
- 29 Regional Council meeting, Ketchikan

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