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Officials break ground for the new University of Alaska-Southeast Library during an Aug. 24 ceremony

Phase I of UASE's new 52,000-square-foot Library underway

By JOLIE SASSEVILLE
Contributing Editor

After shedding their suit coats and rolling up their sleeves, a contingent of officials broke ground for a new university library facility during an Aug. 24 ceremony on the Auke Lake campus.

The first phase of construction on the 52,000-square-foot building provides a weather-tight enclosed shell with walls and windows. Dawson Construction Co., a Washington based firm, won the \$6.3 million bid for phase I

construction in July. Interior work on the facility will be completed under a second phase contract, to be bid in July, 1988 for an estimated \$4.5 million. Construction is expected to be completed by October, 1989, with a December, 1989 occupancy target.

Michael Herbison, director of libraries at the University of Alaska-Southeast, said the facility will house the library, an exhibit area, the Learning Center, Media Center, and Micro-Computer Lab.

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The University of Alaska-Southeast?

By DUTCH KNIGHT
Whalesong Staff

This summer the University of Alaska and community colleges throughout Alaska have continued to reorganize in order to try and efficiently use the dollars appropriated by the legislature. In Southeast Alaska that reorganization has been highlighted by the emergence of a region-wide institution most likely to be called the University of Alaska-Southeast.

What has previously been Islands Community College in Sitka, Ketchikan Community College, and the University of Alaska-Juneau will now be referred to as the University of Alaska-Southeast if approval is given by the Board of Regents at their September meeting.

"With three campuses there should be better resource

utilization, a broader base of expertise and talent," said Marshall Lind, chancellor. Presently there are task forces established to deal with concerns such as compatibility and integration of courses and course numbers.

The creation of the new university brings the opportunity and challenge to shape the institution toward the future education needs of all Alaskans, said Lind. This challenge is one for students, faculty, administrative personnel and includes becoming more of a full service university, one that emphasizes and promotes the student.

The chancellor has been able to streamline the administration units of the three campuses and avoid layoffs by not filling vacant positions. Increased efficiency

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Morgan fields UASE Women's Basketball team in two weeks

By ALEXIS ROSS MILLER
Whalesong Staff

Imagine having only two weeks to field a college women's basketball team. That was the task of the University of Alaska-Southeast's (UASE) new woman's basketball coach Sandy Morgan.

Morgan began her job as the new coach at UASE on Aug. 19, less than two weeks before official registration at the university.

When she started recruiting potential players, Morgan had three athletes who were committed to attending UASE this semester and 1 1/2 weeks later she had 13 athletes recruited and registered for fall semester.

Of the 13 women who will be playing ball for UASE this year, eight are from Southeast communities and five are

originally from the Lower 48, although these women have spent the last couple years living and working in Juneau.

The 13 women are: Mercedes Angerman, who played four years at Wrangell High School; Lori Grant, a Juneau-Douglas High School four-year letterman; Dawn Thompkins Carlson, who also played four years at Juneau-Douglas; Dana Zimmerman, who played her freshman for Juneau-Douglas; Elaine Bell, a two-year letterman at Juneau-Douglas; Alberta Nelson, a four-year letterman from Sitka High School; Jody Johnson, a Hoonah High School four-year starter and Kathleen Murphy, who also played four years for Angoon.

The five women who did not play high school basketball in Southeast include A.T. McIver, who played high school



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Sandy Morgan

said, but I know that won't happen for some time.

The late practice times are also a problem because all of Morgan's athletes are attending school full-time, working part-time and playing ball. And all our paying their own way, she said.

To assist the athletes in paying for tuition, Morgan
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LETTERS

Chancellor welcomes students

Dear Students,

I sincerely want to welcome you to our new University of Alaska-Southeast. I also want to share with you some of the excitement I sense about this university.

First, there may be some confusion about what we call ourselves. The Institutional Restructuring Advisory Council, which has had the responsibility of developing a name that identifies the combined Juneau, Ketchikan and Sitka campuses of the University of Alaska, is recommending that we be called the University of Alaska-Southeast. This recommendation will be acted upon by the Board of Regents at their upcoming meeting and then, with Board concurrence, the new name will be official.

While I'm sure you may have read or heard about major cuts necessitated by restructuring, I want to point out to you that those cuts have come in administration. No academic programs and no

faculty have been cut because of the restructuring process. We are doing everything possible to ensure the academic integrity of this university.

At this point I need to emphasize that this restructuring is a process. We are not finished with our task. Although we have accomplished much over the past year, we cannot be satisfied to sit back and say we're at a good resting point. We are not. And I would hope that we never reach a point where we are not reaching, not working to improve. And I emphasize that this is a joint effort. You, as students, need to take pride in your education. You need to help us recognize areas that need changes or improvements that make this a better place. I believe that you can and must be a vital component in the decision-making process. I can guarantee you that we do listen to what you have to say.

As chancellor I will continue to direct the efforts of this institution to meet the diverse needs of students through stronger, better coordinated, academic offerings. At the same time, it is critical to make sure we do not neglect all the other important aspects of student life.

As we begin the year

A hot summer at the University of Alaska-Southeast

Summer is the time when many college campuses idly witness the silent passage of summer solstice, the 4th of July, and the shrinking daylight hours of August.

In sharp contrast to the typical academic summer lethargy, the University of Alaska-Southeast saw a flurry of energetic activity throughout the summer months.

A task force of members from Juneau, Sitka and Ketchikan met several times during the summer months to coordinate the transition to a regional university. A new mission statement emerged that includes a commitment to outreach education in rural Southeast communities. The mission statement also calls for increased cooperative efforts with local school districts and the Department of Education.

In Juneau, the 4th of July saw a first-time float entry by the University. The 50-foot blue humpback whale won the Governor's Award in the Juneau parade, as well as second-place in the most-humorous category and took the prize in the Douglas parade. With its moving

mouth and flukes, the whale did more than entertain parade-goers; it was evidence of the university's eagerness to be involved in the community.

Groundbreaking for the new 52,000-square-foot library facility further illustrated the dynamic period of growth we are entering. The library

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construction is a result of (and a monument to) the support our legislative delegation and municipal officials have given the university.

Faculty, staff and students from the newly assimilated Sitka and Ketchikan campuses attended a convocation gathering in August, meeting with their colleagues from Juneau and reaching agreement on some of the lingering restructuring issues. New issues were raised, but most importantly, a sense of unity in which to resolve problems was forged through convocation.

USUAIJ Welcome

By Sonia Varga
President USUAIJ

Welcome new and returning students from Ketchikan, Islands (Sitka), and Juneau, to

there are several other very positive notes that I want to share.

As you may have noticed construction crews are hard at work on our 50,000-square-foot library/media center which, when completed, will certainly be an outstanding addition not only to this university but to this community and the region. Phase one will provide us with a superstructure and phase two, which we anticipate beginning next year, will complete the basic center.

We are also initiating our women's basketball team this year. The men's sport has

a new beginning! Each campus of the University of Alaska-Southeast (Proposed name to the board of Regents) will be holding its student government elections sometime in September or October. There are many exciting positions. For example, the Juneau

proven to be extremely popular since its inception and I'm sure the women's team, as it builds its competitiveness, will prove equally popular among our students and other supporters.

There are other programs in the planning stages. We are, for example, making efforts to play a greater role in utilizing one of our great natural laboratories -- the Juneau Icefield. We are working toward developing an Auke Lake campus radio station, and the Center for Management and Public Administration promises to be an exciting asset to the

Elderhostel, an educational program for visiting senior citizens, proved to be a popular and marketable means of using the university's resources during the summer months.

Students, too, were a part of the summer's enterprises, participating in the task force, in convocation, in new student orientation, in the 4th of July float and in the efforts of a new and dynamic student group called Pro-Act.

Pro-Act (for Promotional Activities) sponsored a barbecue for Elderhostel visitors, hosted a crab feed during convocation, and held a raffle to purchase a new mascot for the Whales' sports program. The group's next effort is to initiate Student Recognition Week, Sept. 28 - Oct. 4. A series of events is planned during that week for students.

The summer has indeed been an active and full one. The energy level can only spill over into the regular academic year, instilling students, staff and faculty that they have chosen to be in the right place at the right time.

campus will be having elections for secretary, two upper division representatives and two lower division representatives.

The secretary must be able to take accurate minutes at student government meetings.
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entire university community.

As you can see, there's a lot going on. We've covered a lot of ground and we still have a long way to go. I look forward to hearing from you and I wish each of you success in your college career. I encourage you to make the most of this important time of your life.

Sincerely,

Marshall L. Lind,
Chancellor

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Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs welcomes new and returning students

Dear Students,

I take great pleasure in welcoming you to another academic year at the Juneau campus of our university. Some of you I am welcoming to our campus for the first time while still a greater number I am welcoming back.

The academic, activity, and social calendars of the campus are full and promise to provide a memorable year. Our enrollments are again strong, particularly among our full-time students. Another important indicator of our academic activity is the growth of our campus. I know you cannot have helped noticing that our new library is going up and will be ready for you to have a look inside next April.

Occupancy is slated for December of 1989.

Activities, too, are on the increase. In addition to Whales men's basketball, you can look forward to a season of women's basketball. Add to these the activities planned and being generated by the alumni association and your student government, particularly the efforts on the part of the student "Pro Act" group. Many events are in store, such as activities at Eaglecrest, dinners, the annual Christmas party, dances and the anticipated legislative public affairs forum in January. Of course, add to this list the premier social event of the year for all of Juneau, the annual gala, Tuxedo Junction, an event in support of student scholarships.

New friends among students, faculty and staff as well as new and challenging experiences will come your way, all making for that nebulous thing called a university education. With your

full engagement, the education you are pursuing here has the same high quality as the education you could receive anywhere. In fact, in at least one major way, this education will be superior because at most universities you could not possibly benefit from the personal attention you receive from our diverse and seasoned faculty and staff nor from the relatively intimate classroom atmosphere.

Again, welcome to your university. We are proud of our faculty, staff and campus, and I know; that you will be in for a significant installment on your education, one of the most life-enhancing experiences yet to come your way. I am very pleased that you have joined or rejoined us and am looking forward to our association with a great deal of pleasure.

Sincerely,
Beverly Beeton,
Vice Chancellor for
Academic Affairs

Basketball...

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hopes to establish a booster club that will raise money for the women's basketball team. Next year this money will be used for basketball scholarships.

"Next year we need to raise some money because it will be difficult for the athletes to pay their tuition fees because next year they will be playing 24 games," Morgan said.

Morgan hopes to accomplish a number of goals with her first-year team this season. She said she hopes to give her athletes some collegiate level experience.

Morgan acknowledges that next year "we will be in a much better position to be competitive.

"It will be an interesting season. The community and the university have been very

supportive," she added.

"We have had a late start, which is a little bit of a handicap, but we are making up the difference."

Another goal and one she is very adamant about is to center her search for potential players in Alaska, mainly Southeast. "If I can recruit top athletes from Alaska we can be very competitive."

Of her new post Morgan said that she couldn't be happier with her position as UASE's first women's basketball coach. "When you are a female, as an basketball at Southern California; Cecil Elliotte, a four-year starter in Chicago; Susan Beckerman, who played four years in Washington; Barbara Seatter, a four-year letterman in Pennsylvania, and Karen Emberton, who also played high school ball down south.

None of these women have played at the collegiate level,

but most were excellent high school players, according to Morgan. Some of the women have played in Juneau's city league for many years.

Morgan did not have to go far to recruit her team. She found 12 of the 13 players in Juneau, the other was from Angoon.

This year the women's team will be competing as a team sport due to the short time Morgan has had to organize her team. Next year they will be affiliated with NAIA-Division 1, like the men's team.

The women will play a 16-game schedule, 8 home games and 8 road games. The first game will be on the road, Nov. 13-14 in Anchorage, where the women will be competing in the Governor's Cup Tournament. The first home game will be against Sheldon Jackson College on Dec. 4.

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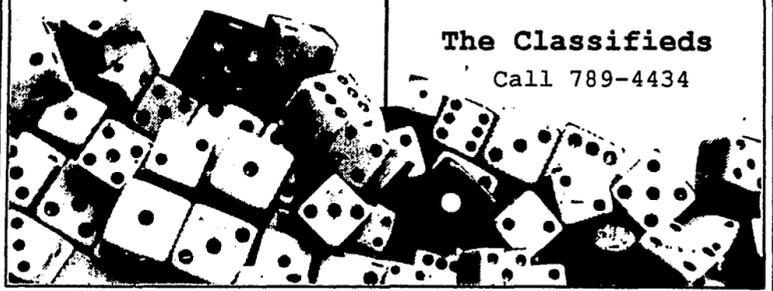
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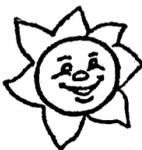
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A recent agreement between the university and the City and Borough of Juneau provided \$500,000 toward the construction. The funds are in return for the use of university-owned waterfront land in downtown Juneau by the city for a dock facility.

Chancellor Marshall Lind was joined at the groundbreaking ceremony by Juneau's legislative delegation. Sen. Jim Duncan, D-Juneau, and Reps. Fran Ulmer, D-Juneau, and Bill Hudson, R-Juneau, lobbied extensively in last year's legislature for the capital funding for the library project.

Local members of the University Board of Regents, Don Abel and Gordon Evans also participated in the

groundbreaking, as did Juneau Mayor Ernie Polley.

Lind commented during the ceremony that the construction is evidence of a new phase of growth for the university. Maintenance of the campus's accreditation is in part contingent upon adequate library facilities.

Restructuring...

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in operations was especially noted during fall registration. There were no long lines to stand in as in previous years.

As the university restructuring has continued to evolve student activities have increased steadily. More students are voicing their opinion and becoming involved. For example, Pro-Act, a new student organization was formed this summer to promote activities and services for fellow students.

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maintain an orderly filing system and be available on a regular basis for processing correspondence and paperwork generated by student government. The secretary shall also be required to sit on at least one major University committee and at least one UASE, Juneau Campus, Standing Committee.

The upper division representative must have a class standing of junior, senior or graduate while lower division representative must have a class standing of freshman or sophomore. Each upper and lower division representative shall sit on at least one of the Juneau Campus standing committees.

Presently, there is an

elections Standing Committee and an Entertainment Standing Committee. The elections committee helps out during election time; once in the fall, spring, and when the need may arise. The entertainment Committee is more active on a regular basis.

Other than student government positions, there will be student appointments. There are many committees blossoming out of the restructuring process and other committees that are still in existence. They include the Housing Committee, Academic Council, Assembly and other

committees that are still being formed. Student input is vital on these committees--remember these committees are vehicles for student input.

If you are interested in any of the student appointments, please call me at 789-4537.

Remember, Ketchikan and Islands (Sitka) also will be having student government elections. Check-out positions and duties by contacting your local student government. Good luck this semester.

Sonia Varga,
Student Government
President

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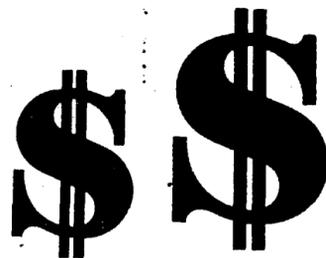
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