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STORIES OF IMPACT Chancellor's Report on Philanthropy

Dear Seawolf Nation,

What an exciting year it has been at UAA. Our university is growing, vibrant and actively engaging in our communities. In looking back, we give thanks to you – our community of alumni, donors and partners. Your commitment advances our university, our mission and makes a difference in the lives of students.

Recently, we celebrated commencement and the conclusion of the spring semester. This exciting event marks the culmination of years of work by our students in achieving their degrees. This academic year, nearly 1,800 students graduated from our university. Your support for UAA plays an important role in student success. During the graduation ceremony, student speaker Tuan Graziano captured the spirit of our institution and the impact of your contributions when he said, "Let's appreciate and celebrate all the people who believed in us and loved us." Your generosity empowered the Class of 2023, providing 70% of the graduates with scholarship and financial awards in total of \$1,973,724. Thank you!

During the spring, UAA held several events showcasing students, faculty and alumni. In March, the UAA Alumni Association hosted the Alumni of Distinction celebration – an annual event recognizing extraordinary individuals who have made positive impacts in their communities. Honorees included Kenneth McCoy '96, an advocate for justice; Maggie Winston '13, a compassionate humanitarian; and Marie-Sophie Boggasch '16, an emerging leader in aviation and UAA gymnastics coach. Their stories exemplify service and are an inspiration to our university.

This year's Celebrity Chef Invitational marked the 50th anniversary of the UAA Culinary Arts program. The event featured the exceptional talents of alumnus Chef Nate Bentley of Altura Bistro, as well as UAA's culinary faculty and



students. The annual fundraiser delighted attendees' taste buds and raised over \$100,000 for the program, including a special \$25,000 challenge gift from the Linford family. This generous do-

nation has endowed a scholarship in memory of Sue Linford, CEO and owner of Linford of Alaska Wholesale Foods for over 35 years. This fund will ensure aspiring chefs can continue to pursue their passions and make their marks on Alaska's culinary map.

UAA also welcomed leaders from Alaska's energy industry to campus as part of the ConocoPhillips Arctic Science and Engineering Endowment Award. Since its creation in 2008, ConocoPhillips' endowment has awarded more than \$2.6



million for arctic science and engineering research at UAA. Through innovation and creative discovery, UAA faculty are helping address issues such as infrastructure corrosion, road safety and health. Our university's work helps meet real world challenges with real world solutions in Alaska. This applied research mission entails more than \$45 million in research, public service and sponsored training at UAA annually.

Celebrating the generosity of the UAA community



One of our most exciting initiatives at UAA is our growing partnership with the Ted Stevens Foundation. Recently, we announced that Catherine Stevens signed a deed of gift to bring the congressional papers of Senator Ted Stevens to UAA. This achievement will pave the way for UAA to be at the forefront of developing Alaska's future generations of leaders. In April, I visited Washington D.C. to brief the Alaska Congressional Delegation on this exciting project. Additionally, we hosted a community reception welcoming alumni and business partners from the beltway to announce this initiative.



The Alaska Leaders Archive will be the center of civic history and leadership education in Alaska. Improvements to the UAA/APU Consortium Library will modernize the archive facility, preserving and allowing us to share the records of elected officials, Alaska Native Corporation and tribal leaders, as well as business and community leaders. The Archive's planned interactive exhibits and leadership programs will allow Alaskans to see, hear and engage with the history that created our state. It is an exciting step to preserve the records of Alaska leaders and harness their legacy to prepare our state's future leaders. I look forward to sharing more with you about this project in the near future.

Because of your support and belief in UAA's mission, our university has a bright future ahead! Thank you for helping us create opportunities for Alaskans through education. We look forward to seeing you on campus soon!

Sincerely,

Sean Parnell

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UAA Chancellor



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Alaska CHARR Scholarship

Alyeska Pipeline Service Company

Alaska Native Science & Engineering Program General Support

Alyeska Resort Operations LP

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Bristol Bay Native Corporation

Alaska Native Science & Engineering Program General Support

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Ted Stevens Foundation gifts full archive collection to UAA

The Ted Stevens Collection is truly an Alaska-sized archive. It contains over 4,000 boxes of the senator's memorabilia, with 8 million pages of records and thousands of photos and audio-visual pieces representing his more than 40 years of public service to Alaska. It is one of the largest documented congressional collections in history.

The collection spans a half-century of Alaska history – and tells the story of our state and its people. It features Stevens' work on landmark legislation, including Indigenous land claims, sustainable fisheries, telecommunications, education, energy, aviation, education, public health, national security and the Arctic.

Senator Steven's service to our state is truly remarkable and a legacy that all Alaskans should know and appreciate. Much more than just boxed records, the Ted Stevens Collection is a window into policy decisions and leadership that helped build Alaska.

Ted Stevens knew his job was to work in partnership for Alaskans. We remember Stevens' work to ensure rural communities had a health clinic, a post office and safe water and sanitation. His work in health care helped create the Alaska Native Medical Center. He also improved our roads and ports, military bases and the Ted Stevens Anchorage International



Airport. His is a bipartisan legacy of doing what's right for Alaska to address the issues facing our state.

UAA is dedicated to making Alaska's history accessible for all. Making these records available to Alaskans will inform students, scholars, policymakers and citizens with insights to help solve problems facing our state. At UAA, Alaska's leaders of tomorrow benefit from the legacy of Alaska's past leaders.

Working with the Ted Stevens Foundation, we are advancing pathways for civic engagement through the creation of an Alaska Leaders Archive to preserve and teach the legacy of leaders who have served our state. Facility renovations to the UAA/APU Consortium Library will create a modern archive to preserve and present the archival papers of Sen. Stevens, as well as records of Indigenous leaders, elected officials and business and community leaders.

Here at UAA, we are honored to become the home for the Ted Stevens Collection. Along with Catherine Stevens and the Stevens family, we look forward to sharing this wonderful history with you on our campus in the near future.

Read stories of impact and continue to check back for updates highlighting the Anchorage campus and community campuses.

