

Dear Board of Regents,

Campus-wide programs highlighting UAA's Hispanic, Filipino, Alaska Native and American Indian and veteran communities have done a great job of engaging and drawing the public to our Anchorage campus.



We are seeing the lasting impact of UAA this fall as we open the new Health Sciences Building and mark 50 years of Engineering programs, 50 years of the Institute of Social and Economic Research, 40 years of the Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho and University of Washington School of Medicine (WWAMI) program, and School of Nursing anniversaries including the A.A.S (40 years), B.S. (35 years) and the M.S. (30 years).



Regent Cowell thanks UAA's leadership donors at a recent event at our Aviation Center.



With student headcount and credit hours up and our UAA cross country runners sweeping the West Region for the second year in a row, we have much positive momentum to report.

Thank you for all you do to support the faculty, staff and students at UAA.

Best Regards,

Tom Case

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Chancellor



The Tina DeLapp room

was established to honor a distinguished emeritus professor in the School of Nursing. This naming is in honor of a \$1.5M contribution from Providence Alaska.



The Atwood Foundation donated \$1.4M to endow the Robert B. Atwood Chair of Journalism, bringing the total the Foundation has contributed to \$2.4M.



The 2nd Annual Green and Gold Gala was held Oct. 1 and raised more than \$50,000 for scholarships. The Gala is organized by the all-volunteer UAA Alumni Association.

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Faculty, staff and students take leading roles: Bill Hogan, former commissioner of the Alaska Department of Health, is the new interim dean of the College of Health (COH). Acting Dean Susan Kaplan will take the new role as administrative dean within COH.

Orson Smith is interim dean of the School of Engineering.

UAA student Marcella Dent has won a White House internship and will be working in the Office of Public Engagement and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Anchorage campus student body president Ryan Buchholdt will travel to Russia in November as part of the Open World Leadership Center's Kremlin Fellows program.

Lolita Brache, Kenai Peninsula College's Kachemak Bay Campus Adult Basic Education/GED instructor, was awarded the 2011 Educator of the Year award by the Alaska Adult Education Association.

Promoting innovation: The new program "INNOVATE" will provide financial support for promising research and entrepreneurship. Formerly known as the "Chancellor's Fund," INNOVATE provides up to \$200,000 to support grants to faculty and researchers.

UAA received a \$225,000 Rural Cooperative Development Grant from the USDA-RD to improve economic conditions in Alaska by working to establish and assist cooperatives.

National Science Foundation (NSF) awarded Professors Bogdan Hoanca and Kenrick Mock \$126,000 to provide eye tracking equipment to further support their research that has led to a patent providing a new method for computer authentication.

Leadership in health care: The UAA Center for Human Development in the College of Health received a \$2.5M grant to establish a Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) program.

The Center for Behavioral Health Research and Services Arctic FASD Regional Training Center, one of only four regional training centers funded by the Centers for Disease Control, has been refunded through September 2014.

Using resources effectively: Over the last year, the Justice Center received \$400,000 in state funds for research and secured or maintained \$1.1M in funded research projects. For every state dollar invested, \$2.21 was raised.

UAA Parking offers three new alternative transportation programs at little to no cost to ease parking on campus: Hertz on Demand provides hourly car rental; Valley Mover allows valid Wolfcard holders to ride free, and Zimride provides a social networking carpooling program.

Supporting prospective students and their workforce goals: The U.S. Department of Education approved a five-year, \$1.8M grant to support counseling and information to prospective adult students.

A consortium led by UAA's Community and Technical College received \$2.5M from the U.S. Department of Labor for its "Beyond Anchorage: Expanding Developmental and Workforce Education" project.

National prominence: The Low-Residency MFA Program in Creative Writing, which just graduated its first class in the newly-redesigned delivery model, was recently ranked 13th out of the top 50 low-residency programs in the country by *Poets & Writers* magazine.

Mat-Su College received a 2011 Davey Award for its 30-second "Day In The Life" commercial. The Davey is an international creative award focusing on work from the best small firms worldwide and received 4,000 entries.

Grants, research and public policy benefiting Alaskans: "High Oil Prices Give Alaskans a Second Chance: How Will We Use This Opportunity," by Scott Goldsmith was featured in the *Anchorage Daily News*. www.iser.uaa.alaska.edu.

UAA's Environment and Natural Resources Institute (ENRI) has 14 NSF-funded research projects and has expanded formal collaborations with major federal and state ecological research agencies, regional research centers and land stewardship agencies.

Elizabeth Downing, Kenai Peninsula College Title III project director, received \$399,000 from the U.S. Department of Education. The funds are a portion of a larger \$1.6M five-year instruction grant to better incorporate eLearning education into their overall program.

On the horizon: UAA is undergoing its first major branding process in partnership with the Nerland Agency. The goal for brand launch is 2012.



William Klatt of Eagle River is an AMC Engineering Scholarship Recipient, one of 339 students to receive a scholarship last year. **More than \$500,000 was raised for student scholarships in FY11**, 470 awards were made and 21 new scholarships were created.



The Pebble Limited Partnership, Donlin Creek, Kiska Metals, International Tower Hill and Millrock Resources have contributed \$180,000 to support a new Economic Geology faculty position. **Dr. Christian Schardt**, an internationally known expert in economic geology, was hired in October.

Highlights of FY11 development include:

- ◆ UAA raised \$10M in private support, 69% higher than the last year.
- ◆ Total contributed by individuals who were not alumni increased by 260% due to a one-time gift.
- ◆ UAA had a 20% increase in the total number of donors.
- ◆ The student-run Phonathon raised more than \$152,890, a 23% increase over last year.
- ◆ The 19th Annual Celebrity Chef Invitational raised an estimated \$32,000 in scholarship funds.