



UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SOUTHEAST

ALUMNI & FRIENDS

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Hello!

This has been an exciting year for the UASAA Association. We not only held a number of events for members and guests, but we were able to award seven \$2,500 scholarships to UAS students. We started off the year with a very successful (and fun) banquet and auction in April, and raised \$15,921. We held our annual golf tournament in Haines in May, and we hosted several 101 events - Gardening, Home Firearms Safety, a Tidal Walk, and Elections. Our annual Gingerbread Magic event is coming up in early December.

Once again we rented two box seats at a Mariner's game, and watched the team beat the Texas Rangers on a beautiful evening in July!! Earlier that week we had hosted a get together in Portland that was very well attended. Our annual Wine and Beer Tasting at the Prospector was also well attended, and we got to sample all sorts of new and interesting beverages. The participating distributors all donated items for our door prize baskets, so three lucky attendees got very nice prizes. Our sincere thanks go to our very generous distributors! We helped Ketchikan with a fund raising cruise to raise money for the Carroll Fader Endowed Scholarship, and have been working to start several new UASAA Chapters. We have even more planned for 2013 - including group seating at the Anchorage Concert Association's production of Mary Poppins on June 1st. What keeps this organization going is the vitality and enthusiasm of its members. We try to offer a wide assortment of events to appeal to the interest to everyone, but we need your help to carry this off. We strongly encourage you to renew your membership (or extend your membership and become a lifetime member) and to bring your friends with you as you participate in our many events. In addition, if you have ideas for other activities, let us know - we're always interested in expanding our offerings. Together we can build and expand our network of members who not only have a great time together socially, but who continue to promote UAS and financially support its students.

I'm sincerely looking forward to seeing you at one or more of our events in 2013!

Barbara

Barbara Burnett, President
UAS Alumni & Friends Association
MPA Class of 2008

Notes and News on Alumni & Friends

*News is mined from various sources,
but the best source is YOU!*

*Please send updates and information on yourself or your classmates to
alumni@uas.alaska.edu*



Arlo & Oksana Midgett (Arlo: BLA '99,
Oksana: BBA '03, MBA '08)

Writes Arlo, "Oksana and I left Juneau on July 1, 2010 on a 1-year backpacking trip around the world... that turned into something more. 18 months, 31 countries, and five continents later, we found ourselves at the end of our trip in Australia where Oksana found a job in Brisbane with her Work and Holiday Visa. We're currently at the end of our stay and taking the last month to travel around and see the sights. We have a

5000km+ road trip planned that will culminate in witnessing a total solar eclipse in Cairns and a week-long diving trip on the Great Barrier Reef. We plan to return to the States before Christmas, but can't quite make ourselves go back to Alaska in the middle of winter. By the time we get home in July 2013, exactly three years will have passed. We're still planning what to do with our spring. Try to hit all 50-states on our drive back? Take a cruise to Antarctica out of South America? Or sit on a beach in Central America?

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2012-2013 Calendar of Events

UAS Alumni &
Friends
and the Office of
Development &
Alumni Relations

Mark your calendar and
plan to attend

DECEMBER 8 -

Gingerbread Magic 101

Bring the kids and decorate
your very own gingerbread
house! - now taking
registration by email and
phone
alumni@uas.alaska.edu and
907-796-6569.

FEBRUARY 15 - Rotary Wine Auction -

Fundraiser for UAS Scholarships

*Tickets available by
invitation from Juneau
Rotary members*

APRIL 5 - Spring Dinner & Auction

*Live, Silent and Dessert
Auction to benefit Alumni
Scholarship Fund*

MAY 19 - Golf

Tournament in Haines

*Cruise on a Catamaran and
play an 18-hole scramble
for prizes*

JUNE 1 - Mary Poppins
*in Anchorage Alumni Group
Seating -- get on the list
now!*

JULY

Alumni & Friends Group
Suite at the Mariners Game
in Seattle

*Date TBD - stay tuned for
more info!*

*... and more to come check
your email and mailbox!*

(Notes and News on Alumni & Friends, Continued)

I guess we'll know when we get there. We have tons of photos, videos, stories, and thoughts about our travels (with many more to come!) on our travel blog at www.postcardvalet.com."

David Lederman (MAT '10)

Writes David, "I am teaching the 5th grade at the American School of Asuncion in Asuncion, Paraguay. This is after I spent last year teaching the third grade in the Vietnam American International School in Hanoi, Vietnam. I am now engaged to a lovely woman I met in Hanoi and who will be joining me here in Asuncion."

Jacob Hodges (MPA '93)

Known as 'Jake from Adak,' Jacob Hodges recently completed a two-year Mobile Learning Environment (MoLE) Project that focused on evaluating the effectiveness of using mobile technologies to support Medical Support Operations (MSO). The MoLE Project was sponsored by the Department of Defense Coalition Warfare Program and involved over 20 nations with representatives from academia, commercial and government institutions. Jacob was responsible for managing project activities, providing oversight on five science and technology (S&T) projects, and acted as the subject matter expert for all research protocol activities. The "MedAid" mobile app, which was the outcome of the project, is available in the app stores. Additional information on the project is available at www.mole-project.net. For additional information, Jacob can be contacted at jhodges@qapltld.com.



Emily Lockie (BA '10) has started a new business, [Dancing Moonlight Studio](http://DancingMoonlightStudio.com), often partnering with Pavitt Health & Fitness to offer dance parties and classes, including exciting options like Merenge and East Coast Swing. Keep an eye on the Dancing Moonlight FaceBook page for details on upcoming events. Emily began her instructional experience in 2002 teaching Swing for the UAS Swing Dancing Club and gradually added to her repertoire. Her favorite teaching experience was during her International Student Exchange to Idaho State University when she taught Ballroom, Latin and Swing dancing for Community Education. She looks forward to bringing more dancing

opportunities to the community of Juneau and hopes to start a performing Dance team someday. She is currently slated to start classes again in January on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 6:30-9:30pm at Pavitt Health and Fitness. Keep an eye on the Dancing Moonlight Studio FaceBook page for more details on upcoming events.

New Dean Appointed to Head School of Management



Juneau, AK, May 17, 2012

by Katie Bausler

University of Alaska Southeast Provost Rick Caulfield has announced the appointment of John Blanchard as the new Dean of the UAS School of Management (SOM), effective June 3, 2012. Blanchard has served as a faculty member since January 2011 and took over as interim dean in July 2011.

"Deans, staff, and faculty across the UAS three campuses (Ketchikan, Sitka and Juneau) who've worked with John admire his strong management skills, collegial leadership style, and commitment to building quality programs," said Provost Caulfield. Blanchard's new assignment as

dean includes teaching accounting courses.

According to his bio, most recently Blanchard was the President of All God's Children International of Portland, Oregon, an international adoption service provider. Prior to joining AGCI, he worked as the Director of Operations for The Nature Conservancy of Oregon, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Oregon State University Foundation and served as the Vice President for Administrative Services at Umpqua Community College located in Roseburg, Oregon. He also taught as an Associate Professor in the College of Business and Public Administration for the University of Guam; as an Associate Professor of Business for the School of Professional Studies at Eastern Oregon University; and as an Assistant Professor of Accounting for Adrian College.

John Blanchard holds a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Toledo and a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Dayton. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant.

In Memoriam: David Stone



UA graduate and Friend to UAS David Stone passed suddenly on November 20, 2012. Stone was a former Juneau Assembly

member, Deputy Mayor and he was the current Deputy Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Mr. Stone was also a guest lecturer for several UAS Alumni 101 events, including a guided walk of the Treadwell Mine trail on Douglas. He was an avid Juneau historian. Chancellor John Pugh writes, "David was a great friend of UAS and, particularly, of our mining program. He will be missed as a UAS Council member and as the Deputy Commissioner of Labor."

Now Accepting Nominations for the Alumni Board

Interested in being on the Alumni Board?

We are currently in the nomination process.

As an active member you can nominate yourself or another individual.

Nominations are reviewed by the Board Development Committee

and forwarded to the ballot through them.

Nominations are due by 5 pm on Nov. 30.

To nominate, please email alumni@uas.alaska.edu with the name and contact information of the nominee. Board seats run for 3 years. This upcoming election will be for seats that will begin in January 2013 and expire at the end of 2015.

Chapters in the Works

Currently UAS Alumni & Friends has two chapters: SAA and Ketchikan. Chapters in development include regional chapters in Sitka, Anchorage, and Fairbanks, as well as affinity chapters for School of Management Alumni and PITAAS alumni. If you are interested in taking the lead in starting up one of these chapters, please contact the alumni office.

To get started, a chapter needs at least 10 people with active membership. A chapter can be based Regional, Professional, a Shared Interest, or Cultural/Heritage. An application for Chapter Formation can be obtained from the UAS Alumni Office.

We are also in the process of reviving our **Ketchikan Chapter**. Anyone located in Ketchikan who joins UASAA is automatically a member of that chapter. In the past the Ketchikan chapter has hosted fun events like the Cruise Back to College, Wine Tastings & Food Pairings, and 101 events like "Yule Fuel" (a cooking class), and "Dress for Success" (an image workshop). Recently Ketchikan has taken a step back, due to changeover in campus administration, but the chapter is working to make itself more active again, and is seeking individuals to sit on its local board of directors. If you live in Ketchikan and are interested in being more involved in UASAA activities there, please contact the alumni office at (907) 796-6569 or by email at alumni@uas.alaska.edu.

What's happening at UAS?

From the December 2012 Chancellor's Report:

Glenn Wright - Political Science Faculty Glenn Wright spent Summer 2012 in Uganda, preparing the groundwork for a study on forest conservation in developing countries.

David Walker - Facilities carpenter and wearable art artist extraordinaire David Walker received the Wellington International Award at the World of Wearable Arts international competition this year in New Zealand.

Ernestine Hayes - UAS Faculty Ernestine Hayes was recently appointed to Alaska Humanities Forum board of directors.

Learn, Engage, Change at UAS



from the [UAS Public Relations Website](#) - Learn, Engage Change is the key component of the branding for the University of Alaska Southeast.

This trio of iconic, open-ended words resonates with prospective students, current students and alumni.

The guiding principles of Learn, Engage, Change represent the journey of every UAS student - residential or e-Learning, arts and sciences, career education, management, or education.

These words signify an investment in the total UAS experience, from the first semester to graduation and beyond:

- learning in small classes in a place of unparalleled natural beauty
- engaging in the university community and the surrounding Juneau, Sitka, and Ketchikan communities through service, research and creative expression
- changing by studying the sciences on a glacier or the coast, the arts in the studio or on the stage, education in the classroom, business or administration through internships or training for careers and job placement.

[UAS Facilities Planning and Construction](#)

Visit the website to about the plans for all three campuses, including the Anderson Pedestrian Connection, Auke Lake Way Reconstruction, the **New Freshman Dorm**, and the U.S. Forest Service Research Laboratory on the Juneau Campus; the Career and Technical Education Remodel on the Sitka Campus, and projects at the Ketchikan Campus.

http://www.uas.alaska.edu/facilities_services/fpc/index.html

[Mission of UAS Alumni & Friends](#)

UASAA is an open membership organization whose purpose is to serve as a vital connection between the alumni and the University. The UASAA communicates and advocates the goals and program of UAS, and fosters a continuous sense of community by establishing relationships and networking among alumni.

The University of Alaska Southeast Alumni Association assists the University in remaining a vital and dynamic institution through financial support and community awareness, and provides an opportunity for alumni to help shape the future of the Alaskan educational experience.

Current board members:

Barbara Burnett,
President
Mary Lou Madden,
Vice President
Nathan Zierfuss,
Treasurer
Tanya Howard
Karen Polley
Kristy Smith
Roberta Stell
John Svensson
Rick Wolk

[Read more about board members](#)

Plans for New Freshman Dorms on Juneau Campus



Visit YouTube to take a [virtual walking tour](#) of the plan for the new Freshman Dorms on the main campus at Auke Lake in Juneau. Read about the [Schematic Design](#) and other plans from UAS Facilities Planning and Construction's website.

**Your membership makes this possible.
Not a member yet?
Join today!**

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