

News **NOTES**

UAS SITKA CAMPUS

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About 25 students came out on a bright, sunny Sitka day to take advantage of assistance being offered to complete Free Application for Fwederal Student Aid (FAFSA) documents during College Goal Sunday, February 11.

Students are also attending the short writing workshops being taught by Sitka's Learning Center to prepare for scholarship application essays.

Sitka campus is gearing up for the two-day World of Work conference to be held February 27 and 28 at Centennial Hall. This was a very successful event last year and faculty and staff are hoping to have even more to offer this year.

Good News!

The GERIATRIC EDUCATION CENTER funding has been restored by the legislature so we will be able to continue with our Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD) trainings and our Care of the Elderly Conferences.

A HOSPITALITY TRAINING PROGRAM will be offered by UAS Sitka Campus in cooperation with the Sitka Education Consortium and the Alaska Hospitality Alliance the week of March 12-17.

This is an introductory curriculum that gives students the real-world knowledge and skills needed for a career in the lodging industry. Soft skills such as guest service, professionalism, and career exploration are important components of this program.

SCHOLARSHIPS will be available for participants between ages 16 and 24.

Welding Lab Gets Final Touches



The welding shop is targeted for completion by March 1. In addition, the Art Department's kiln porch has been undergoing some upgrades and should be ready for use by the end of February.

Student Governance Legislative Conference in Juneau



Sitka delegation at the Q&A session with legislators. Also present were Pete Kelly, Director, UA State Relations and UAS Chancellor John Pugh.



UAS Sitka Student Gov't chant this year's Coalition of Student Leader's slogan: "Fund the University, Educate the State, build Alaska's Future, The University is the Pipeline." Legislators watched from above in their capitol building offices as the students erected their own pipeline representing all major MAUs and branch campuses.



Members of UAS Sitka Student Gov't attended a UA Alumni Ice Cream Social in the House Speakers Chambers.

THE UAS SITKA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION traveled to Juneau on February 2 - 6 for the Coalition of Student Leader's Legislative Conference. This annual event allows students access to their local legislators in order to lobby for the university as a whole and to lobby for the specific needs of their campuses. The highly anticipated event allows UA students to develop their leadership skills while learning about the legislative process and giving them a hands-on opportunity to advocate for higher education in the State of Alaska.



Community Education and Professional Development

Sitka's COED department has been designated as the regional headquarters for continuing education and professional development training for the University of Alaska Southeast. Jill Hanson is the Community Ed Coordinator. Businesses and organizations that have specific training needs can contact the COED office at 907-747-7733 to discuss their objectives.



Sitka SGA members pose in front of the capitol building.