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## CAMPUS INSIGHTS

FROM TIM BARNETT

VICE CHANCELLOR FOR STUDENT AND ENROLLMENT SERVICES

### The Early Warning Committee

Retention of students is one of the most important challenges that we face as a university. One method to help retention is to identify students early in the semester who are struggling, whether inside the classroom, outside the classroom or both. We have formed the Early Warning Committee so that members of our university community can work together to address the individual needs of students. Based on promising practices at other universities and incorporating a wide spectrum of staff members, the Early Warning Committee seeks to address their ability to complete their educational aspirations.

Faculty and staff refer students to the committee, and the committee then contacts the students to identify their individual needs. These needs are then discussed and an action plan is determined. A member of the committee follows through with the student to ensure a FERPA guidelines.

Since the program started in January, the committee has already received more than 30 universities and is an indication of its initial success. It is also a testament to the dedication of our faculty and staff.

Please join us in helping ensure individual student success at UAF. If you are interested in helping an individual student, refer that student to the committee by contacting Tim Lower at www.uaf.edu/ses/ and clicking on the Early Warning Committee link.

## HEADLINES

**The Nanook rifle team** won a ninth national Octe j";/33kp v j g Rcw { 'Egpgvtl' WCH' u j qqvgtu' vqpm' Ltuv' rnceg' y kv j 'c'eq o o cp fkp i '3 : / r qkp v' lead over second place Army. The team also j c f 'ukz' o g o dgtu' pc o g f 'Cnn/ C o gtkecpul' Fairbanks showed its support for the Nanooks with more than 900 tickets being sold, a record etq y f' hqt' c'eqmg i kcvg' tk l g' g' xgp v' Hqt' o qtg' information visit www.alaskanook.com.

**Pramod Karulkar, OEM,** was an invited speaker at NASA in Greenbelt, Md. Karulkar presented a lecture on "Chip Scale Packaging and Three Dimensional Electronics for Space Applications."

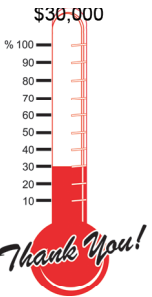
**Alaska Volcano Observatory** employees contributed to an article for the journal *Science* describing research that shows lightning is a good indicator of volcanic activity. Research used for the article was collected fwtkp i v j g Lcpwct { '4228' gtw r vkqp' qh' O qwpv' Augustine.

**Milo Adkison, SFOS,** spoke at the American Association for the Advancement of Science annual meeting in San Francisco in February. Adkison spoke about the need for quality data to accurately assess the health and r q r wncvkqp' qh' xctkqwu' Lu j g tku' l'

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Poker Flat Research Range** launched the Lpcn' tqemgv' qh' v j g' 4229' ugcqup' Hgd' 0' 490' V j g' tqemgv' ecttkg' f' v j g' eqttgnc' vkqp' qh' j k i j / htg/ quencies and auroral roar measurements instruments to study radio frequencies produced by the aurora.

UAF is gearing up for the American Heart Walk May 19. Many university teams are already gp i c i g f' kp' v j ku' eq o o wpkv { / ykfg' effort. If you would like to join an existing team, form a new team or make a contribution, visit the American Heart Walk Fairbanks website at www.heartwalk.kintera.org/fairbanksak/.



**Read about** how Bristol Bay Campus unlocks opportunities and helps local students succeed in the latest online feature story at y y y l wch' g f w l p g y u l h g c w t g f l 29 l d d e l l

**Dave Atkinson, IARC,** was featured in an article about coastal erosion published in *Alaska Business Monthly*.

**Terry Chapin, KCD,** "eq/cwv j qtg f' o' k' pvg t/ actions and Linkages among Ecosystems during Landscape Evolution" in the March issue of the journal *Bioscience*.

**Michael Krauss,** professor emeritus, spoke during a session on the dynamics of extinction of language at the American Association for the Advancement of Science annual meeting in San Francisco in February.

**Brandon Newbould,** music graduate student in trombone, is a featured soloist on the CD *Progressions* by the Messiah College Wind and Symphonic Winds Ensembles.

**Facilities Services** has begun installing parking permit kiosks at the Thompson Drive pullout and the Nenana, Taku and U Park parking lots to allow easy purchase of u j qtv' vgt o' rctmkp i' rgt o' kvu' l'

**The last day** hqt' hcewv { / 'cpf' uvw' fgpv/ kpkvkcvgf' y kv j ftc y cnu' ku' Octe j '450' Hqt' o qtg' information visit the academic calendar at www.uaf.edu/catalog/.



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## EVENTS

UAF is celebrating the International Polar Year with a ceremony and reception to mark the beginning of IPY at UAF, along with a lecture by Dava Sobel, author of *The Planets*, *Galileo's Daughter* and *Longitude* March 19 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom. Admission is free. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/ipy/](http://www.uaf.edu/ipy/).

The Office of Information Technology is hosting training opportunities throughout the year. Registration is required. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/oit/training/](http://www.uaf.edu/oit/training/).

March is Women's History Month. The UAF Women's Center and other UAF departments are hosting several events to celebrate including: "Famous to Forgotten: The Legacy of Ella Flagg Young, Foremost Educator" 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom; "The Power of Women's Words: Saga Iceland" by David Koester, ENC 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom; a reading by Gerri Brightwell from her latest novel *The Dark Lantern* 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom; BeJae Fleming featuring Jackie Blunt March 16 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom; Women Who Make a Difference featuring Tiquanqua McPhee 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom; Egon 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom.

The UA Museum of the North presents "The Little Things that Run the World" by F. G. Truitt. Admission is free. For more information visit [www.uaf.edu/museum/](http://www.uaf.edu/museum/).

The UAF Staff Council will hold a public meeting 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom. Part of the meeting will be a Parliamentary Procedures training workshop. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/staffcouncil/](http://www.uaf.edu/staffcouncil/).

The Student Drama Association presents Winter Shorts featuring *Power Lunch* by

Alan Ball and *Danny and the Deep Blue Sea* 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom. Tickets are available at the Wood Center or at the door and are \$3 for students, \$5 for UAF employees, alumni, military and veterans. For more information visit [www.uaf.edu/theatre/](http://www.uaf.edu/theatre/).

The UA Museum of the North presents the play *The Impresario*, starring Vanessa Ez. Admission is \$30 and registration is required. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/museum/](http://www.uaf.edu/museum/).

The UAF Opera Workshop presents Mozart's *The Impresario*, starring Vanessa Ez. Admission is \$5. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/operaworkshop/](http://www.uaf.edu/operaworkshop/).

The Department of English Research Colloquium presents "Hollywood and the Idea of North" by Leonard Kamerling, museum, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom.

The UAF Steel Drums group present a concert directed by UAF music student Egon 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom. Admission is free.

Career Services is hosting Career Expo 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom. Employers will be recruiting for internships and employment from a variety of fields. For more information visit [www.uaf.edu/career/](http://www.uaf.edu/career/).

The UAF Staff Longevity Awards ceremony takes place March 30 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom. For more information visit [www.uaf.edu/uafhr/](http://www.uaf.edu/uafhr/).

The Great Cover Up, a Literacy Council fundraiser, takes place March 31 at 8 p.m. in The Pub. For more information visit [www.uaf.edu/activity/](http://www.uaf.edu/activity/).

*The Wild Boar Forest*, a Chinese opera 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom. Admission is free. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/theatre/](http://www.uaf.edu/theatre/).

## GRANTS &amp; AWARDS

The UAF Department of Music had several students competing at the National Association of Teachers of Singing Classical Competition. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/music/](http://www.uaf.edu/music/).

The Keith B. Mather Library's brochure won second place in the Alaska Library Association's library brochure contest.

Mary Matthews, Center for Health and Counseling, won the Blueline Press competition for her poetry chapbook *The Judge of Ice*.

## SCOREBOARD

Nanook skiing had a great showing at the PECC. Marius Korthauer took bronze in both the 32/30 and 42/30 mass start classic. For more information visit [www.alaskanook.com](http://www.alaskanook.com).

## DEADLINES

March 19, 2007: Nominations for the Staff Make Students Count award are due. For more information visit [www.uaf.edu/uafgov/staffcouncil.html](http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/staffcouncil.html).

March 20, 2007: Proposals for the People's Endowment grants are due. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/endowment/](http://www.uaf.edu/endowment/).

April 1, 2007: Proposals for the People's Endowment grants are due. For more information contact Tiquanqua McPhee 696/2222. Yvonne Duggan 696/2222. Visit [www.uaf.edu/endowment/](http://www.uaf.edu/endowment/).

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