

# SES CONNECTION



This newsletter is a bimonthly publication of UAF Student & Enrollment Services.

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE CHANCELLOR



Student and Enrollment Services is responsible for student recruitment, and also collaborates with the academic departments to increase student retention. This spring has been another example of the success

of the division and is a direct result of the hard work of each staff member. Enrollment at UAF is down slightly, from 8,407 in Spring 08 to 8,375 in Spring 09, but credit hours are up by almost 1,100. The Fairbanks campus enrollment is up approximately 70 students and 739 student credit hours. New student numbers are up as well, with 8 more UA Scholars enrolling at UAF than last spring and 5 of them are students who graduated in Spring 2008. Our new enrolled freshman are also up from last year, with 256 compared to 241 last January. Overall, new undergraduate enrollment is up with 872 for Spring 09 as compared to 819 for Spring 08. Additionally, graduate students are up with 141 compared to 101 last year.

The programs offered through SES play a significant role in student retention. This

year we have seen a retention rate of 93.7% fall to spring, which is 2% higher than last year and almost 4.5% higher than two years ago.

Residence Life's numbers are up as well, with 59 more students staying in the residence halls this spring over last spring.

We have also seen an increase in the number of programs offered through the Wood Center. As noted in the last newsletter the number of students using Disabilities Services has increased, as has the number of student interactions with the Career Services Office.

The Financial Aid Office has seen an increase in a number of its projects as well, including the number of participants in College Goal Sunday which had 157 participating this year compared to 75 last year.

Staff and student workers in SES are working very hard to recruit and retain students. I want to thank each of you for your hard work, which sometimes may go unnoticed but your efforts are definitely making a big difference for our students.

## UPCOMING DATES

March 9 - 13: Spring Break

March 13: UAF Spring Holiday, UAF Offices Closed

March 25: Career Expo (Career Services)

March 27: Last Day to Withdraw

March 30: Inside Out and Major Mania (Admissions)

March 31: Silent Auction (Heart Walk fundraiser)

April 1: Student Job Fair (Career Services)

April 11: Science Potpourri

April 16: I'm Going to College (Financial Aid)

April 18 - 19: Anchorage Registration Event (Admissions)

April 20 - 21: Fairbanks Registration Event (Admissions)

April 22 - 25: SpringFest

April 30: Bake Sale (Heart Walk fundraiser)

April 30 - May 2: Counselor Visit Weekend (Admissions)

May 5: Financial Aid: What You Need to Know Now Workshop (Financial Aid)

May 10: Commencement

May 11 - 22: MAYmester (Summer Sessions)

May 11: Staff Appreciation Day

May 25: Memorial Day, UAF Offices Closed

May 26: Summer Sessions Begin

**STUDENT AND ENROLLMENT SERVICES**

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- Dr. Tim Barnett**, Vice Chancellor
- Kevin Huddy**, Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Services
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**ASUAF**

119 WOOD CENTER  
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 Sabra Phillips, Executive Officer

—**Student Services**—

**DISABILITY SERVICES**

208 WHITAKER BUILDING  
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Mary Matthews, Director  
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**RESIDENCE LIFE**

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 474-7247  
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Kevin Huddy, Director  
 Jody Toll, Personnel/Payroll Assistant

**NEW PEOPLE IN YOUR DEPARTMENT, SCHOOL OR COLLEGE?**

If you have new people in your department, please make sure they have the appropriate access to OnBase and Banner.

**Trainings**

Frequently the Office of Admissions hosts trainings for all users interested in an OnBase refresher and any new users in your department. The trainings are held in the Micro Lab, which is located on the third floor of the Rasmuson Library. If you would like to attend a future training session, please contact Lael Oldmixon at [fnlmc2@uaf.edu](mailto:fnlmc2@uaf.edu).

The training sessions will cover how to log into OnBase, running the Banner SAR2ADM Report, and other tips and tricks for using OnBase.

Please let other departments know about these trainings and encourage them to sign up on the

UAFOnBaseWebUsers listserv. As always, please feel free to contact Lael Oldmixon at 474-6679 to schedule an individual training if you cannot attend a scheduled training session.

We are available to answer any lingering questions you might have about OnBase. Lael Oldmixon can be reached at [fnlmc2@uaf.edu](mailto:fnlmc2@uaf.edu) or 474-6679, and Caty Oehring can be reached at [fncl@uaf.edu](mailto:fncl@uaf.edu) or 474-6570.

Please make sure that new members of your staff who need access to OnBase complete the form and mail to the Office of Admissions, Box 757480. It may also be faxed to our department at 474-5379, to the attention of Lael Oldmixon.

Contact: Geri Wilda, 474-1161,  
[fngaw@uaf.edu](mailto:fngaw@uaf.edu).

**TOASTMASTERS**

Career Services and the Office of Multicultural Affairs and Diversity are co-sponsoring the new UAF Toast of Alaska Toastmasters Club.

**How Toastmasters Works**

At Toastmasters, members learn by speaking to groups and working with others in a supportive environment. A typical Toastmasters club is made up of 20-30 people who meet once a week for an hour. Each meeting gives everyone an opportunity to practice:

- *Conducting meetings*  
 Members learn how to plan and conduct meetings.
- *Giving impromptu speeches*  
 Members present one to two-minute impromptu speeches on assigned topics.
- *Presenting prepared speeches*  
 Two members present speeches based on projects from manuals in Toastmasters' proven communication and/or leadership program. Projects cover topics such as speech organization, vocal variety, language, gestures and persuasion.
- *Offering constructive evaluation*  
 Every prepared speaker is assigned an evaluator who points out speech strengths and offers suggestions for improvement.

**The Tools You Use**

Upon joining a Toastmasters club, each new member receives a variety of manuals and resources on how to become a better speaker and a more confident leader. Members also have access to other books and educational resources. They also receive the award-winning *Toastmaster*, a monthly magazine that offers the latest insights on speaking and leadership techniques.

**Toastmasters and Leadership**

Leadership cannot be learned in a day. It takes practice. In Toastmasters, members learn leadership skills by organizing and conducting meetings and by completing projects in the leadership manuals. Projects address such skills as listening, planning, motivation and team building, and give members the opportunity to practice them. Just as Toastmasters members learn to speak by speaking, they learn leadership by leading.

**UAF Toast of Alaska Toastmasters Club meets every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 in Wood Center room C/D.** Come check us out. Guests are always welcome.

For more information contact: Jackie Debevec at 474-7596, [fnjmd2@uaf.edu](mailto:fnjmd2@uaf.edu), or Ana Richards at 474-7300 [fnamr@uaf.edu](mailto:fnamr@uaf.edu).

## REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

### Strategic Goals and Objectives

The Registrar's Office has been busy working on our strategic goals and objectives. One of the objectives was to streamline registration procedures. To help us accomplish this, we recently surveyed students who came to the front counter for help.

Some preliminary examples:

*Question:* Were you satisfied with the registration process?

93% said Yes, 7% said No.

*Question:* If not, how can we improve the registration process?

- Nothing, rock on.
- Nothing, you guys do a wonderful job by being quick, and very helpful.
- Less paper work.
- I feel I shouldn't have to talk to my advisor about signing up for basic classes.
- Start earlier in the month.
- Except that it was hard to find a biology advisor to allow me to register online. I found someone in Bunnell though.
- Perhaps a TV to watch while we wait.
- Wonderful experience.
- A change machine in the building to get quarters for parking.

- Maybe have a printable computer closer by.
- Nothing, everything was good.
- Discontinue advisor approval and signature requirement. It creates one more necessary step.
- Registered late because I was on vacation. (Can I register via phone/fax?)
- Please specify exactly what forms are required for certain things on your website with a live link to the form.
- Allow students access to special permission forms.

In the future, we are planning to assess our services through a CAS self audit.

### Staff Updates

Colleen Abrams is now telecommuting. Colleen can be contacted by AOL IM at Colleenfncla, by e-mail at [fncla@uaf.edu](mailto:fncla@uaf.edu), and by phone at (425) 967-3831.

Rachael Billups is our new temporary Graduation Coordinator. Rachael worked in our office for a few years as a student worker. We are very glad to have her now as a staff member.

Contact: Enola Bowers, 474-6046, [fnegb@uaf.edu](mailto:fnegb@uaf.edu).

### —Enrollment Services—

#### ADMISSIONS

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474-7500

[www.uaf.edu/admissions/](http://www.uaf.edu/admissions/)  
Lael Oldmixon, Acting Director  
Valerie Rickards, Office Manager

#### FINANCIAL AID

101 EIELSON BUILDING  
474-7256

[www.uaf.edu/finaid/](http://www.uaf.edu/finaid/)  
Deanna Dieringer, Director  
Angela Jones, Office Manager

#### FRESHMAN & TRANSFER SERVICES

Megan Allen, Coordinator

#### REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

102 SIGNERS' HALL  
474-6300

[www.uaf.edu/reg/](http://www.uaf.edu/reg/)  
Tim Stickel, Registrar  
Mae Del Castillo, Office Manager (effective 3/30/09)

## HEALTH AND COUNSELING

### Electronic Health Records

The Center for Health and Counseling ushered in a new era when we converted to electronic health records on January 27. We had one week to take advantage of the training team sent from the vendor. The team members were from Boston and Flagstaff, Arizona. They experienced true Fairbanks wintertime, as the temperatures dropped to -25. The conversion still has some bumps to even out, but overall our staff was open and receptive to changing the way they work and are happy with the change. Students love the self check-in kiosks!

Contact: BJ Aldrich, 474-7043, [fnbj@uaf.edu](mailto:fnbj@uaf.edu).

### —Student Life—

#### CAREER SERVICES

110 EIELSON BUILDING  
474-7596

[www.uaf.edu/career/](http://www.uaf.edu/career/)  
Patti Picha, Director  
MarySue Dates, Office Manager

#### UPWARD BOUND

218 EIELSON  
474-5685

[www.ub.uaf.edu](http://www.ub.uaf.edu)  
Andy Angaiak, Director  
Rita Harris, Admin Assistant

## CUSTOMER SERVICE INCENTIVE PROGRAM

SES employees have until May 1, 2009 to participate in the Customer Incentive Program by completing one, 5-hour customer service course on SkillsSoft. Once you have completed the course (The Customer's Voice; Customers, Confrontation and Conflict; The EXCEL Acronym; Instilling Service Excellence; or Service Teams and Service Stars) with a 75% or greater score, print the completion sheet, have your supervisor sign it, forward it to the VC SES office and you will

receive a \$25 gift card.

SES employees who participate in the Customer Service Incentive Program may receive only one \$25 gift card, regardless of how many courses you take. However, if you take and pass three or more of the above courses, you will be entered into a drawing for one of three \$100 gift cards.

For more information, please contact Ali Knabe, 474-5497, [ali.knabe@uaf.edu](mailto:ali.knabe@uaf.edu).

#### WOOD CENTER

101 WOOD CENTER  
474-7037

[www.uaf.edu/woodctr/](http://www.uaf.edu/woodctr/)  
Lydia Anderson, Director  
Julene Lowdermilk, Admin Assistant



## RESIDENCE LIFE NEWS



### Continuing Student Room Selection

Residence Life is currently gearing up for our “Room Selection” process where residents decide the building and room they want to live in for the 2009 - 2010 academic year! To make sure our residents can select a space that best fits them and their lifestyle, we provide several activities to help them through the process.

*Residence Hall Open House, March 24, 7 - 10pm*

Continuing student residents who want to find out more about the variety of living facilities on campus will have the chance to take a tour of each residence hall and talk with the staff and residents of the buildings.

*Homesteading, March 26 - 31, 9 - 10pm in the Hall Offices, March 27 and March 30 - April 1, 8am-5pm in the Residence Life Office*

Residents can take this opportunity to select the same room they are currently in for the next academic year.

*Room Selection, April 2, 10am - 7pm*

Residents come to the Hess Rec Center during their designated time to select a room on campus for the next academic year.

### Guest Housing

Conference Services now has an online reservation form! People interested in guest housing on campus can go to <http://www.uaf.edu/reslife/guest/reservationform.html> to submit their request for a room.

Contact: Amber Cagwin, 474-5846, [fnacc@uaf.edu](mailto:fnacc@uaf.edu).

## COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY

On February 8 Alaska held the 5th annual College Goal Sunday event in over 20 locations across the state. College Goal Sunday is held each year to help students and parents complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). UAF staff participated in events in Dillingham, Kotzebue, Bethel, Nome, Unalaska, Tok, Fort Yukon, and Fairbanks. The Fairbanks site had 170 participants, making it the largest site in the state. Kim Schreck, a representative from EDFund, came from Washington to be the

presenter at the Fairbanks site. Staff from the Office of Admissions, Academic Advising, Tanana Valley Campus, Rural Development, UA Student and Enrollment Services and Financial Aid volunteered to assist with the event.

Thank you to all who helped make this event a success.

Contact: Ashley Munro, 474-1934, [fnakm@uaf.edu](mailto:fnakm@uaf.edu).

### TVC Advisor

There is now a financial aid advisor at Tanana Valley Campus. Shaun Sowell works part-time at TVC while she is finishing her Master’s Degree. She can be reached at 474-2869 or [fnsms3@uaf.edu](mailto:fnsms3@uaf.edu).



College Goal Sunday volunteers hard at work.



Shaun Sowell, Deanna Dieringer and Jackie Alleyne-McCants

## WOOD CENTER

### New Changes on the Horizon for New Student Orientation!

Starting with the fall 2008 semester, New Student Orientation was mandatory for all first year baccalaureate degree seeking students entering UAF with less than 30 credits, in addition to EDGE students (less than 20 years of age entering with less than 20 credits), incoming international students and UA Scholars. Due to these changes, the UAF Wood Center New Student Orientation staff, along with several others, have been meeting to assist in making New Student Orientation the best it can be for our new UAF students.

One of the first results from this committee will be an Orientation Leader five-week training seminar. Orientation Leaders (OLs) will attend 1-2 hour sessions, once a week from March 23 - April 23, 2009. These sessions will include personal, professional,

and leadership development; group facilitation; and other key topics related to being a successful OL at UAF. This five-week seminar will replace the hectic three-day training that occurred directly before the four-day New Student Orientation program in past years. This seminar will allow the OLs to focus on preparation items well before the four-day session begins in the fall and, hopefully, be much more rested and energized to welcome the new UAF students.

We expect other exciting changes for the next academic year, and will keep you posted as they develop. If you have a presentation or activity you feel would fit within this five-week training seminar, please contact the Office of New Student Orientation at [orientation@uaf.edu](mailto:orientation@uaf.edu) or 474-1103.

Contact: Dayna Mackey, 474-1978, [fdmm2@uaf.edu](mailto:fdmm2@uaf.edu).



### Staff Council Blogsite

The blogsite has been updated with the latest of meetings from Staff Council, Staff Affairs, and the Staff Appreciation committees. The link to the blogsite to find out the most current news is <http://www.uafstaffcouncilinfo.blogspot.com/>.

MarySue Dates and Ashley Munro, our SES Staff Council representatives, encourage everyone to post comments or questions you would like addressed. Their goal is to represent each of us!

## SATURDAY INFORMATION SESSIONS BEGIN!

The Office of Admission will be offering Saturday information sessions from 9am - 12pm on the following dates:

**MARCH 21:** UA Scholars

**MAY 16:** College of Natural Science & Math with Admissions Office

**MAY 30:** Career Services Office with Admissions Office

**JUNE 13:** College of Engineering & Mines with Admissions Office

**JUNE 27:** Financial Aid with Admissions Office

**JULY 11:** Tanana Valley Campus with Admissions Office

**JULY 25:** College of Liberal Arts with Admissions Office

**AUGUST 8:** Registration with Admissions Office

The session will give incoming students the opportunity to ask questions about the admissions process and take a tour of campus at a time that might be more convenient for them. Students are asked to call ahead and reserve a spot.

Contact: Jessica Bennett, 474-5142, [fnjlr3@uaf.edu](mailto:fnjlr3@uaf.edu).

## FEBRUARY FAFSA FRENZY

During the month of February, the University of Alaska celebrated February FAFSA Frenzy. The purpose of February FAFSA Frenzy is to encourage students to complete financial aid applications early. The goal was to receive 2000 FAFSAs between all MAUs during the month of February in order to save "Freddie the FAFSA Fish." The UAF Financial Aid

Office sponsored a total of 22 workshops and had a daily booth at the Wood Center. In total, we had 319 participants in workshops and 279 visits to the Wood Center booth. UA did receive enough completed FAFSAs to save Freddie!

Contact: Ashley Munro, 474-1934, [fnakm@uaf.edu](mailto:fnakm@uaf.edu).





## SPRINGFEST APRIL 23 - 25, 2009

The tradition of All Campus Day dates back to the late 1950's. The tradition is an inseparable mix of both "the day" and the events that go with that day. The earliest cited mention is in the 1958 - 1959 'A' Book. Listed as a day "... that classes are dismissed and the whole campus gets out ..." for a variety of activities - recreational, social and service oriented. While the name has changed, All Campus Day had become Meltdown and now Springfest weekend; overriding the theme of the weekend has not changed at all. It is a day that our students use for rest and relaxation in a variety

of ways. Like many traditions, Springfest has been woven into the fabric of UAF culture.

A committee will be composed in early March to begin planning SpringFest 2009. This year activities will include: the traditional Mud Volleyball, SpringFest Service, Lottanobooza and many more activities. If you would like to be a part of this great tradition, contact Cody Rogers at 474-6026 or [fnabr@uaf.edu](mailto:fnabr@uaf.edu).

### FINANCIAL AID: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW NOW

The Financial Aid Office has invited all high school juniors, seniors and their parents to attend a financial aid night on May 5, 2009 at 7pm. The event will be held in Schaible Auditorium and will include break out sessions. Anyone planning to attend college in the next two years is encouraged to attend. We will offer the following break-out sessions: Completing the FAFSA, FAFSA Follow-up, and Financial Aid 101.

Contact: Ashley Munro, 474-1934, [fnakm@uaf.edu](mailto:fnakm@uaf.edu).



### Save the Date

This year's Heart Walk is Saturday, May 16. The SES team is named the "SES Golden Hearts," and Enola Bowers and Angela Jones are our co-team leaders. Additional planned fundraising events are a Silent Auction on March 31 in Wood Center, and a Bake Sale on April 30 in Wood Center. Additional information will be sent out soon.

Contact: Enola Bowers, 474-6046, [fnegb@uaf.edu](mailto:fnegb@uaf.edu) or Angela Jones, 474-7647, [fnaj@uaf.edu](mailto:fnaj@uaf.edu).

### ASUAF

ASUAF recently held electronic elections for the positions of UA Student Regent and for the Student Commissioner to the Alaska Board on Postsecondary Education. Adrian Triebel and Ashton Compton are two nominees for Student Regent, and Jennifer Chambers is a nominee for Student Commissioner. These names will be forwarded to Governor Palin with the nominees from other UA campuses for her selection. Let's hope that UAF's students are chosen for these prestigious appointments! ASUAF's contingent of 16 students, along with 15 students from other campuses, returned from a lobbying effort in Juneau in high spirits. They were in Juneau February 20 - 24 lobbying for the UA budget and also for HB 94, commonly called AAIP, the Alaska Achievers Incentive Program. HB 94 is a bill aiming to create a needs/merit based postsecondary scholarship program. The rising cost of higher education in Alaska is making the choice more difficult for students

as to whether or not they stay in college or even consider attending college at all. This bill would create a new scholarship program directed at college ready high school graduates and non-traditional students so that they have more accessibility to higher education in Alaska. HB 94 was initiated by students at UA last year who saw their friends and classmates drop out or not go on to college after high school due to financial need.

Other ongoing events are the awarding of spring semester's club funding to the many UAF student clubs, and the request for proposals from students to our Travel Award Program. In April we will have our elections for the ASUAF president and vice president, along with 10 of the 20 seats that comprise our student senate.

As with all departments that make up UAF, spring is a very busy semester!

Contact: Sabra Phillips, 474-7355, [fnspd@uaf.edu](mailto:fnspd@uaf.edu).

## ADMISSIONS

### Prospective Graduate Students in Process

As of February 18, our reports show that we currently have received 488 applications to graduate programs, an 11% increase over this time last year (439 applicants).

Admitted: 38  
 Admissions Review: 42  
 Canceled or Withdrew: 6  
 Denied: 2  
 Departmental/Committee Review: 213  
 Incomplete Application: 134  
 Applied on Web Admissions Processing  
 Pending: 49  
 Applied on Paper Admission Processing  
 Pending: 4

### Departmental Review

As you can see, many of the applications have been sent to Departmental Review. When a file is ready for Departmental Review, an email is sent to the admin or designated contact from one of our admissions reviewers indicating that the file is ready for review and that a Graduate Admissions Recommendation Form (GARF) is in the student's file. Admissions no longer sends out paper files out for Departmental Review. For your convenience and ease, the files can be retrieved by accessing the OnBase Document Imaging System ([ddi.alaska.edu/appnet](http://ddi.alaska.edu/appnet)). Additionally, the Student Application Report (SAR2ADM) in Banner ([Banner.alaska.edu](http://Banner.alaska.edu)) will give you a complete list of all students who have applied to your program, their admissions status,

and any pending items.

**Note:** If you are the designated contact for your department and you have never received notification from our office that the GARF is available, please notify us as soon as possible.

### Incomplete Files

Student files with an incomplete status are viewable in OnBase but will not be issued a GARF until their file is complete. When a student's file is coded "incomplete" the student is notified via US Mail once, then via e-mail 30, 60 and 90 days from the original date that the file was made incomplete. Students who remain incomplete after 120 days will be called by one of our admissions counselors. Departments are also strongly encouraged to contact applicants with an incomplete status. You will find contact information for applicants to your program on the Banner SAR2ADM report.

**Note:** We frequently receive questions about why information is viewable in OnBase which may not yet be in Banner. The reason is that we send all paperwork through a workflow, which includes a mail queue. When you search for a student in OnBase you can see all of the mail we have received, regardless of whether or not we have "processed" it yet in Banner. Typically mail is processed in order of date received.

Contact: Lael Oldmixon, 474-6679,  
[fnlmc2@uaf.edu](mailto:fnlmc2@uaf.edu).



## TROUBLE LOGGING IN?

Those of you returning to OnBase after a long break will need to know the following:

1. Your AUTHSERV (EDIR) password which you would use to log into MyUA or edir.alaska.edu. If you have never logged into an application via AUTHSERV (EDIR) before, OR if you are experiencing problems logging in please first use the ELMO (Easy Login Maintenance Option) to reset your password. The link to ELMO is <https://elmo.alaska.edu>.
2. Your UA ID number is located on your Polar Express Card.
3. If you have tried to log into OnBase Thin Client already and are experiencing difficulty please try the following steps:
  - A. Open the START menu of your computer and select CONTROL PANEL.
  - B. In the CONTROL PANEL click on ADD or REMOVE programs.

- C. When the ADD or REMOVE programs window opens Select the ADD NEW PROGRAMS ICON from the left-hand tool bar of you window. (The other options are "Change or Remove Programs," "Add/Remove Windows Components," and "Set Program Access and Defaults.")
- D. The ADD NEW PROGRAMS window will show you all of the new programs available within the NETWORK. Select OnBase 7.2 ActiveX Installation from the options. (Note: This will not work unless you are an administrator on your computer. If you are not an administrator, please contact your departmental administrator or contact OIT for assistance.)

If you need the OnBase Thin Client User manual, the departmental access form, or have any questions please contact Lael Oldmixon at 474-6679 or [fnlmc2@uaf.edu](mailto:fnlmc2@uaf.edu).

### Financial SENSE Workshops

The Financial Aid Office will be offering weekly financial workshops through the spring semester. Workshops will be held every Thursday from 1 - 2pm in Gruening 413. For a schedule of topics, please visit [www.uaf.edu/financialaid/workshops](http://www.uaf.edu/financialaid/workshops).

## SES STAFF SPOTLIGHT: OUR ADMISSIONS COUNSELORS!

**Joe Alloway** - While Joe was originally born in Canada, he has spent enough time in Fairbanks to consider himself a native. Joe graduated from Lathrop High School in 2003 (Go Mutes!), and graduated with a BA in Theatre in 2007 and with a BA in Japanese Studies in 2008. He starting his MEd in Counseling in the Fall of 2008. Joe has done most everything that UAF has to offer, from living in the dorms to traveling to Japan! He lives here in Fairbanks with his lovely wife Erin and two ferrets, Hawkeye and Alfador.

Joe's territories are: Fairbanks' local high schools, military students and AHEAD students. Contact Joe at 474-5129 or [fnjaa@uaf.edu](mailto:fnjaa@uaf.edu).



**Jessica Bennett** - Jessica came to UAF in 2001 from Service High School in Anchorage and fell in love with the Fairbanks community. In 2005 Jessica earned her degree in foreign languages (German and Japanese) from UAF and then moved to Orlando, Florida for a year while her husband finished his degree. In August 2006 Jessica eagerly returned to Fairbanks with her husband and two cats, Nanook and Denali. Recently Jessica has added a new Great Dane puppy to the family; her name is Sinder. Jessica and her husband love Fairbanks winters and plan to stay in Fairbanks for many more years. During the summer the couple enjoy roller-blading, hiking and camping.

Jessica's territories are: All UA Scholars, all students in southeast Alaska, out-of-state students in the mountain and central time zones, and diversity. Contact Jessica at 474-5142 or [fnjlr3@uaf.edu](mailto:fnjlr3@uaf.edu).

**Carrie Coxon** - Carrie was born and raised in Fairbanks and graduated from West Valley High School in 2001. In 2006 she graduated from the University of Alaska Fairbanks with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Justice. Carrie truly enjoys living in Fairbanks and plans to be here for several more years. In her free time she enjoys going to hockey games, spending time with her friends and family, and playing with her beagles Max and Molly. She also enjoys traveling and recently went on a tour of Europe with her boyfriend Edward in July 2008.

Carrie's territories are: Athletic liaison, home school students, Anchorage and Southeast area schools, and out-of-state students in the Eastern time. Zone. Contact Carrie at 474-6086 or [carrie.coxon@alaska.edu](mailto:carrie.coxon@alaska.edu).



**Brandon Ilgen** - Brandon came from the high mountain deserts of western Colorado to embark on his educational adventure in the Far North – an adventure which still has not ended. He graduated from the University of Alaska Fairbanks with a BA in Linguistics and a minor in Natural Resources Management in 2006, when he was named UAF's Outstanding Graduating Senior Man. He went on to earn a BA in English in 2007. Brandon is a graduate of the UAF Honors Program, and also participated in the National Student Exchange Program. He has had a wide range of experiences at UAF, and is more than happy to share his stories and is excited to hear yours. Both Brandon and his wife Anastasia, a PhD candidate in the department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, love Fairbanks and call it home. He is always excited to welcome new (and returning) students to UAF.

Brandon's territories are: Rural Alaska (except UA Scholars), communities along the Parks and Richardson Highways, out-of-state students in the Pacific time zone, Hawaii, and all International students. Contact Brandon at 474-5129 or [brandonilgen@alaska.edu](mailto:brandonilgen@alaska.edu).

### Newsletter Committee

- Ashley Munro, Chair
- Enola Bowers
- Geri Wilda

*UAF is an affirmative action/  
equal opportunity employer  
and educational institution.*

Admissions counselors can always be found at <http://www.uaf.edu/admissions/info/index.html>.