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Doyon Limited generously supports Troth Yeddha' Legacy



Doyon Limited announced its gift of \$250,000 to the Troth Yeddha' Legacy initiative at the 2015 Alaska Federation of Natives convention in Anchorage on Oct. 17. Doyon's gift represents a powerful endorsement of plans for this one-of-a-kind park and indigenous studies center on the Fairbanks campus.

Doyon President and CEO **Aaron Schutt**, pictured alongside fellow

initiative chairs Professor Emerita **Miranda Wright** and Adm. **Tom Barrett**, said, "This initiative aims to do more than celebrate the past. It will build upon a legacy of researchers and students working on Alaska Native studies and rural development, tribal management and Native arts in a robust academic center."

Reinforcing the bond: Alumni Association renews its partnership with UAF

The UAF Alumni Association and UAF signed a cooperative and operating agreement that affirms the long history of collaboration between the two entities, more clearly defines roles and responsibilities, and creates a synergy that will carry them into the university's next century. The goal is a mission-focused, integrated alumni relations program to serve UAF and its alumni.



This newly signed agreement was inspired by an Alumni Task Force, led by **John Davies '70, '75**, and signed by UAFAA President **Sam Enoka '95** and Chancellor **Mike Powers**.

Rogers' retirement boosts support for new Centennial fund

In August 2015, **Brian Rogers** retired as chancellor after seven years in the post. During Rogers' tenure at UAF, more than \$100 million was raised in philanthropic support. In retirement, Rogers and his wife **Sherry Modrow '72, '85** continue to advocate for UAF. They asked friends to consider supporting the new Centennial Cornerstone Scholarship and Fellowship Endowment in lieu of gifts. Their request resulted in over \$22,000 in gifts to the university.

"Even though I will no longer be an official employee of the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Sherry and I will always be Nanooks," Rogers said. Many thanks to Rogers and Modrow for all of their contributions to UAF.

Achievements

INDIVIDUAL

Jane N. Holt made an additional planned gift of \$25,000 to support the John L. McAllen Scholarship.

Grace Berg Schaible made a gift of \$10,000 toward the renovation of the UA Museum of the North Gallery of Alaska.

Dennis and Janet Vasey made a planned gift of \$100,000 for the Schaible Geophysical Institute Fellowship.

The Estate of Alene R. Christiansen added over \$37,000 to the Edward K. and Alene R. Christiansen Music Scholarship at the College of Liberal Arts. Alene passed away last April.

An **anonymous** donor made gifts totaling \$75,000 to support KUAC and the departments of Theatre and Music.

Judie and Don Triplehorn made a gift of \$20,000 to the Geophysical Institute's Science for Alaska Lecture Series Support Fund.

Jacqueline Thies Wallace and retired U.S. Coast Guard Rear Adm. Sidney A. Wallace, along with **Victoria Bennett Wallace**, made a gift of \$10,000 in memory of **Wesley K. Wallace** to provide scholarships for graduate student field work and research in Geology.

The Estate of John Robert and Mary Claus made a gift of \$18,864 to support the areas of greatest need at UAF.

Drena McIntyre and the Brooks family made a pledge of \$22,800 to complete their \$25,000 gift to the Troth Yeddha' Legacy to become a Nauta donor. This gift is in the memory of **C. Bradford Brooks** and **Bernice M. Joseph**.

Marianne Guffey of Fairbanks donated a toolbox and a large variety of tools to the UAF Community and Technical College for use at the Hutchison Institute of Technology's diesel shop.

Elizabeth Zabielski gave \$25,250 to create the John and Betty Zabielski Rifle Scholarship for students on the Nanook rifle team.

Rex Fisher, a Fairbanks historian, started two new endowments at UAF. He gave \$55,000 to start the Rex Fisher Scholarship to support students who want to be history teachers, and he gave \$25,000 to start the Rex Fisher Endowment to support KUAC. Fisher passed away in August.

Eleanor Ketchum made a gift of \$11,339 to support scholarships for students at the UAF Native Arts Center.

Brian Rogers and Sherry Modrow made a pledge of \$15,000 to complete their \$25,000 gift to the Troth Yeddha' Legacy, becoming Nauta donors to this important initiative.

James D. Pruitt made a gift of \$14,141 to The Green Island Scholarship. This scholarship supports students in the School of Management and in the Western Undergraduate Exchange program.

Joe Usibelli and Peggy Shumaker gave \$145,000 to the UA Museum of the North and its Gallery of Alaska. This is their second contribution toward their generous pledge of \$1 million.

Jessie O'Bryan McIntosh Trust gave \$13,0191 to the Jessie O'Bryan McIntosh Scholarships Fund. The fund, started in 1994, provides scholarships to students at UAF.

The Estate of Dorothy M. Jones made a gift of \$15,922.85 in memory of **Bob "Sea Otter" Jones** to the Ornithology Endowment, which provides funds for activities involving the bird collection at the UA Museum of the North.

Horace and Dianne Nagley of Washington gave \$12,000 to the David C. Edmunds Memorial Scholarship for students in the Geology and Geophysics Department at the College of Natural Science and Mathematics.

David and Alexandra Sonnenborn made a gift of \$15,000 to the Ornithology Endowment, which provides funds for activities involving the bird collection at the UA Museum of the North.

CORPORATE

Holland America Line gave \$10,000 to the National Ocean Sciences Bowl and \$20,000 in support of the Marine Advisory Development Fund.

Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. gave gifts of \$37,000 each to support the Rural Alaska Honors Institute and the Alyeska Pipeline Native Fellowship. Alyeska also made a \$25,000 gift to the Troth Yeddha' Legacy, becoming a Nauta donor.

The North Slope Borough donated \$20,000 to support the GeoFORCE Alaska program in the College of Natural Science and Mathematics.

Shell Exploration and Production Co. made a gift of \$50,000 to support the GeoFORCE Alaska program in the College of Natural Science and Mathematics.

Dr. Cary Keller of Sportsmedicine and Orthopaedics Fairbanks gave \$15,000 to the Jake Poole Family Student-Athlete Summer Scholarship, as well as \$10,000 to the Dr. Cary Keller Scholarship.

The Pollock Conservation Cooperative gave three gifts in 2015 to date totaling \$375,000 to support the Pollock Conservation Cooperative Research Center and the Ted Stevens Distinguished Professorship of Marine Policy at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences. The PCC companies that made this generous contribution are **American Seafoods Co., Starbound LLC, Glacier Fish Co.** and **Trident Seafoods.**

BP gave \$105,000 to support the College of Engineering and Mines students and programs, the GeoFORCE Alaska program at the College of Natural Science and Mathematics and the process technology program at the Community and Technical College.

The Consortium for Oceanographic Research and Education of Washington, D.C., contributed \$10,000 to support Alaska's participation in the National Ocean Sciences Bowl.

McKinley Capital Management made a gift of \$18,440 to the School of Management to support Bloomberg terminals.

In My Element, a Fairbanks boutique, donated professional clothing and shoes to students at the School of Management.

CoBank of Colorado gave another \$25,000 to the CoBank Alaska Young Fishermen Summit Support Fund at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, toward its pledge to support programs within the school.

Sumitomo Metal Mining Pogo contributed \$20,000 toward its \$50,000 commitment to the School of Management's emergency management program.

Nammo Tactical Ammunition furnished ammunition to support the Alaska Nanook rifle team.

Usibelli Coal Mine made a \$324,000 gift toward its \$500,000 pledge for the College of Engineering and Mines Engineering Learning and Innovation Facility.

Great Bear Petroleum gave \$50,000 to support the GeoFORCE Alaska program at the College of Natural Science and Mathematics.

Kinross Fort Knox gave \$330,000 toward its \$1 million pledge for the Mining Engineering Research Endowment. This is the second time Kinross has provided this level of pledged support to this endowment.

First National Bank Alaska gave \$10,000 to the UAF Community and Technical College for student financial aid, \$5,000 to the Rural Alaska Honors Institute, and \$5,000 to the Kuskokwim Campus for the Best in West Small Business Competition.

Totem Ocean Trailer Express Inc. gave \$20,000 toward its renewed \$60,000 commitment to the UA Museum of the North as a sponsor of Family Days events.

Flint Hills Resources Alaska made a gift of \$25,000 to the UA Museum of the North to support multiple programs, such as the Directed Discovery field trips and Homeschool Day.

FOUNDATION

The Rasmuson Foundation gave \$11,970 to the UA Museum of the North for upgrades to the popular installation "The Place Where You Go to Listen," \$15,000 to the UAF Native Art Center to support an artist residency program, and \$2,500 for the College of Engineering and Mines Engineering Learning and Innovation Facility.

The **Liz Claiborne and Art Ortenberg Foundation** gave \$45,900 to complete its multiyear pledge of \$250,000 to support the Institute of Arctic Biology's George Schaller Fellowship in the resilience and adaptation graduate program.

The Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation gave \$20,000 to UAF for the Alaska Crab Research Fund at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

The Outdoor Foundation, a subsidiary of The North Face company, presented a check for \$14,827 to the Girls on Ice program.

The Caterpillar Foundation of Caterpillar Inc. supported the UAF Community and Technical College with another gift of \$10,000 for the diesel-heavy equipment program.

LEGACY SOCIETY

The Legacy Society recognizes donors who have made provisions to include UAF in their estate plans. New members include **Donald H. Eynick**, and **Steve and Cynthia Holmberg.**

Of Note

Save the Date — Join us for the Chancellor's Gala in the Westmark Fairbanks Hotel's Gold Room on Saturday, Feb. 13, 2016! If you are interested in sponsoring the 2016 gala, please contact Maggie Hess with UAF Development and Alumni Relations at maggie.hess@alaska.edu or call 907-474-2619.

Alaska Center for Energy and Power initiative — Nearly 30 guests representing industries and corporations from across Alaska gathered for an exclusive dinner and presentation on the UAF Alaska Center for Energy and Power initiative at the home of **Janet Weiss**, BP Alaska president, in late September.

Weiss co-chairs the initiative with **Ethan Schutt**, Cook Inlet Region Inc. senior vice president of land and energy development.

To date, the initiative has raised more than \$1 million, including generous support from the Usibelli Coal Mine and ConocoPhillips Alaska.

Pick.Click.Give. — Friends, alumni and community members demonstrated their regard for UAF by donating over \$41,000 through Pick.Click.Give. This was an eight percent increase from last year. Because of this generosity, **ExxonMobil** also contributed over \$23,000 to UAF as part of its matching program.

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