RSS welcomes Frank Chythlook, Academic Advisor

Always the master of reinvention, Frank Chythlook is a Yup’ik actor and broadcaster turned educator and is now a new advisor at Rural Student Services.

Frank has been with the University for four years and comes to RSS from the Interior-Aleutians Campus where he was a media technician producing educational content for the instructors there. Previously, Frank was with the Alaska Native Heritage Center’s After School Program, as a media instructor where students got high school credit while making videos relevant to their lives.

Frank currently is the advisor for the UAF-AISES Chapter, dedicated to increase substantially the representation of American Indian and Alaskan Natives in engineering, science and other related technology disciplines. This semester Frank is organizing an Indigenous Student Film Festival, where student-made videos will be highlighted March 27th. Students will have a chance to work on videos at RSS over Spring Break, and have their works shown a few weeks later. All types of student entries are welcome, from comedic shorts to full-length dramas or documentaries.

Join a club!

February Schedule in the RSS Gathering Room

AISES: 2/5, 2/9 1-2pm
ANESA: 2/13, 2/27 4-5pm
Inu-Yupiaq Dance Group: every Tues. 6:30pm & Sat. 4pm
NABL: 2/12, 2/27 1-2

Visit the complete list can be found at:
http://www.alaska.edu/woodcenter/leadership/organizations/active/
Peer Advisor Spotlight: Catherine Moses

Catherine is from Hooper Bay, Alaska and is a senior attending UAF. She is currently the Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP) Student Liaison and can be found assisting students at RSS from Tuesday thru Friday. She is majoring in Elementary Education and hopes to fulfill her goal of becoming a teacher at her hometown. Catherine is an active participant and president of the Alaska Native Student Education Association on campus.

Visitor Industry Job Fair 2009

WED February 4th

UAF Wood Center

10:00AM to 3:00PM

Students, alumni and community members are hired for summer and full-time jobs with Alaska’s visitor industry employers.

Positive Connections at RSS

Spring 2008 semester students and staff at RSS started Friday Night activities, dinner and just great fun. We want to keep that momentum going and invite you to join us!

Every Friday Night Spring 2009

5:00 PM

RSS Gathering Room

This semester includes Native games, Easter egg hunt, raffles, board games, and much more. Bring a friend and make those positive connections!
The RSS Gathering Room hosts the following tutor groups:
AISES math and science tutors—Every day...stop by to see the schedule
UAF Writing Center tutors—Monday thru Thursday 2:00-4:00PM

February 2009 at RSS!

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All events in the Gathering Room are open to the public and we encourage all students to attend. Stop by for more events posted every day at RSS!

ANSWA=Alaska Native Social Workers Association
ANESA=Alaska Native Education Student Association
FNA=Festival of Native Arts planning committee
AISES=American Indian Science & Engineering Society
ANSEP=Alaska Native Science & Engineering Program
NABL=Native American Business Leaders
BUSINESS CAREER WEEK

Feb. 16-20
Meet Employers
Career Info
Internships
Jobs

EVENTS

GUEST SPEAKER
Bud Fackrell, Pres. Denali Alaska Gas Pipeline
Tues. 2/17, 7pm Schaible Auditorium Bunnell

JOB FAIR
Wed. 2/18, 11am-5pm, Wood Center

EMPLOYER PANEL
Wed. 2/18, 6 pm, Wood Center Ballroom

INFO SESSIONS & INTERVIEWS

More info…
Career Services: 474-7596    www.uaf.edu/career
Sch. of Management  474-7461    www.uaf.edu/som
Visit your profile on UAFCareerConnect
See you in JULY Gab!
Gabrielle will be going on maternity leave beginning Feb 6th. We wish her well and we will be excited to meet her baby. If Gabrielle is your advisor please see Frank, Carol, Colleen, Debbie or one of our student employees for help.

“Under the great moon, we dance together as one”
Festival of Native Arts
UAF Davis Concert Hall
Thursday, Mar 19th,
Friday, Mar 20th and
Saturday, Mar 21st

The Festival of Native Arts is still in need of volunteers! Volunteer activities include: Safety/Crowd Control, Hospitality, Transportation, Potluck Volunteers, Information and T-Shirt Sales, and Stage Set Up!
If you are interested in helping, please sign up at RSS!
Or

Contact Festival Planning Committee:
Festival@uaf.edu or call: (907) 474-7181
**Guest Speaker!**

Rick Mueller will be the guest speaker at the **Feb. 12 NABL meeting** at RSS from 1-2.

Mr. Mueller is the Development Manager at the First Alaskans Institute. He coordinates and manages the Leadership Summer Internship, Legislative Internship and the Washington D.C. Internship and Elders and Youth Conference. Mr. Mueller has worked for Cook Inlet Tribal Council, the State of Alaska, and the South East Regional Health Consortium. Everyone is invited to attend this event!

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**FREE MATH TUTORING VIA THE TELEPHONE!**

Math Hotline Hours
Spring 2009
866-823-6284 (866-UAF-MATH)

- Sunday 5:00-10:00 p.m. (Amy)
- Monday 5:00-10:00 p.m. (Ben)
- Tuesday 5:00-10:00 p.m. (Amy)
- Wednesday 5:00-10:00 p.m. (Ben)
- Thursday 5:00-10:00 p.m. (Amy)

*NOTE: The Math Hotline tutors now offer tutoring utilizing Whiteboard as well*

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**AISES: is proud to send Carla Nelson and Pauline Nay to the 2009 Annual Leadership conference in Albuquerque, NM.**

**AISES Meeting Information:**
- February 5–Graduate student shares her experiences in her program.
- February 19– Carla and Pauline presents on the leadership conference experience.

AISES (American Indian Science and Engineering Society) meets every other Thursdays in RSS Gathering room with lunch provided!

For more information contact Advisor Frank Chythlook at 474-7871 or email fnf@uaf.edu

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**In honor of Elizabeth Peratrovich Day, RSS will celebrate with cake and a game of Alaska Native Jeopardy in the RSS Gathering Room. Monday, February 16, 2009 @ 4pm.**

Mrs. Peratrovich was born in Petersburg on July 4, 1911. She was an active member in the Alaska Native Sisterhood. The year Mrs. Peratrovich appeared before the 1945 Alaska Territorial Legislature, she was the Alaska Native Sisterhood Grand President. The Alaska Native Sisterhood worked to overcome discrimination against Alaska Natives. The Anti-Discrimination bill was introduced in the 16th Legislature and the bill passed by a vote of 19 to 5. Mrs. Peratrovich was able to contribute to the debate about this bill. "As Elizabeth stood before the all-male Legislature, the packed gallery was tense with expectation. ‘I would not have expected,’ said Elizabeth in a strong steady voice, ‘that I, who am barely out of savagery, would have to remind gentlemen with five thousand years of recorded civilization behind them of our Bill of Rights’” (Ruario, 2006). The Senate passed the bill 11 to 5 on Feb. 8, 1945. The Anti-Discrimination Act was signed on Feb. 16, 1945, which is now Elizabeth Peratrovich Day.


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INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Internships & Scholarships
ANTHC offers (5) undergraduate and (5) graduate scholarships of $5000 for full-time students who are Alaska Native or American Indian permanent Alaska residents. Also summer internships! The 2009-10 applications are available online at www.anthc.org or at Rural Student Services. **DEADLINE: March 28, 2009**

American Indian Graduate Center Fellowships & Financial Assistance
These are monetary awards made to American Indian and Alaska Native graduate or professional degree-seeking students. **Applications available in mid-January** by calling 1-800-628-1920. Mark your calendar to request one and check out their programs at www.aigcs.org.

Morris K. Udall Foundation 2009 Scholarship Program
The Scholarship Program awards eighty $5,000 merit-based scholarships for college sophomores and juniors seeking a career in tribal health, tribal public policy or the environment. Scholarship recipients participate in a five-day Orientation in Tucson, AZ, to learn more about tribal and environmental issues. The deadline for the 2009 academic year is **March 3, 2009**. See www.udall.gov for info and contact Dr. Jim Gladden at UAF email ffjng@uaf.edu.

University Scholarships
There are TWO sources of scholarships that students can apply to for UAF student scholarships.
1. **UAF Privately Funded Scholarships** are administered by the UAF Advancement Services office and students can apply online at [https://ssl.uaf.edu/giving/forms/scholar_app.html](https://ssl.uaf.edu/giving/forms/scholar_app.html). **DEADLINE: FEB 15th**
2. **UA Foundation Scholarships** are administered by the statewide university system for all UA students and students can apply online at [http://www.alaska.edu/foundation/scholarships/](http://www.alaska.edu/foundation/scholarships/). **DEADLINE: FEB 15th**

Harvard Medical School Four Directions Summer Research Program
Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women’s Hospital hosts undergraduate/graduate Native American students who are interested in medicine or biomed research. Dates: June 16-August 7th. For more information: Elena Muench at info@fdsrp.org; (617)525-7644 and website [http://www.fdsrp.org](http://www.fdsrp.org) **DEADLINE: February 20, 2009**

National Park Service
The Heritage Documentation Programs, a division of the National Park Service, is seeking applications from qualified individuals for summer employment opportunities documenting historic sites in the U.S. For more information, visit [www.nps.gov/history/hdp/jobs/summer.htm](http://www.nps.gov/history/hdp/jobs/summer.htm), **Applications due February 17, 2009.**

Pull together your 2008 tax information now and go online to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to do your Free Application for Federal Student Aid as soon as possible. Although there is no hard deadline, it is best to have it completed by February 15th to be considered for UAF need based scholarships.

If you have any questions, see your RSS Advisor.

The FAFSA determines your tribal grants, PELL and SEOG grants and all student loan options for attending college.

UAF is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and educational institution.
Catching The Dream Scholarship
Formerly the Native American Scholarship Fund is open to Native American students in multiple fields of study. Application and information is online at http://www.catchingthedream.org/Scholarship.htm
DEADLINE: MAR 15, 2009 for Summer and APR 15, 2009 for Fall semester

Indian Health Service Scholarship
The Indian Health Service is accepting applications for its scholarship program, which encourages Alaska Natives and American Indians to enter health professions. This year applicants must apply online at www.scholarship.ihs.gov. For more information contact Krista Hepworth at 907.729.1348 or khepworth@anthc.org. DEADLINE: March 28, 2009.

First Alaskans Institute 2008 Summer Intern Program
First Alaskans will place approximately 30 Alaska Native/American Indian and rural students into organizations around Alaska to provide leadership development experiences. These paid internships are 10 weeks in length, from early June to mid-August 2009. For more information or an application, visit www.firstalaskans.org, call 907.677.1700, or e-mail info@firstalaskans.org.
DEADLINE: February 27, 2009.

Stanford Graduate School of Business Summer Institute
Applications are currently being accepted for the General Management program, a four-week residential program designed for college juniors, seniors and recent graduates with majors in non-business fields. The program will be held June 21 - July 18, 2009. For more information, visit www.gsb.stanford.edu/si or contact 650.724.7409 or ng_lin@gsb.stanford.edu. DEADLINE: March 9, 2009.

Summer Medical Dental Education Program (SMDEP)
SMDEP is a six week enrichment program for freshman/sophomore undergraduate college students who are interested in medicine or dentistry. June 22 - August 2, 2009. The application is available at www.smdep.org and more information about U Washington SMDEP site is available at www.depts.washington.edu/omca/SMDEP/ The UW SMDEP has an 19 year proven record of success among our graduates and 795 of the SMDEP graduates have gone on to medical or dental school. Deadline: March 1, 2009.

AEA Summer Training & Fellowship Program
UC Santa Barbara is hosting the American Economic Association Summer Training Program and the Minority Scholarship Program to increase minority students pursuing a Ph.D. in economics. Open to undergraduates or recent graduates. Information and application: http://www.econ.ucsb.edu/aeastp/ DEADLINE: March 15, 2009.

American Bar Foundation – Summer Research Diversity Fellowships in Law and Social Sciences for Undergraduate Students 2009
ABF is an independent non-profit research institution dedicated to the study of law, legal institutions, and legal processes; it conducts empirically based research on a broad range of civil and criminal justice issues. Students will assist a Research Fellow/Mentor in design and conduct of research and also take part in field visits to various legal institutions. Phone: 312-988-6560 Email: fellowships@abfbin.org Website: http://www.americanbarfoundation.org/index.html Deadline: February 13, 2009

REMINDER: Many of the ANCSA regional corporation education foundations have EARLY deadlines and often require OFFICIAL transcripts (which take time and money to request). Start applying NOW for these competitive scholarships so that you have a timely, professional looking application packet. Reference letters should be current (within the past year) so that they reflect your current progress.