

Chancellor's Report

on Philanthropy

BP equipment donation fuels process technology program at UAF

A \$4 million equipment donation from BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc. makes the UAF Community and Technical College (CTC) one of the few programs in the nation to offer a working wellhead in the classroom, and will undoubtedly play a role for future students and the workforce. "The wellhead and equipment gives students in our process technology program the opportunity to train on the same equipment in a classroom environment that they will encounter in the field," said Brian Ellingson, CTC program coordinator. John Mingé, president of BP Exploration (Alaska), said, "Training and hiring qualified Alaskans is critical to our business, and we believe this investment will help the excellent program at UAF be even better."



Chancellor Brian Rogers (left) with John Mingé and Brian Ellingson.

Alaska mines generously support UAF mining engineering students

Thanks to the significant generosity of two prominent Alaska mines, the UAF College of Engineering and Mines (CEM) has established the Mining Engineering Research Endowment fund. This fund will help CEM provide advanced training for mining engineers and establish a steady source of research funding. Both mines were able to utilize the Alaska Education Tax Credit with their gifts to UAF.

In August, Kinross Fort Knox pledged \$990,000 (\$330,000 in each of the next three years) in support of this fund. Doug Goering, CEM dean, said "UAF prides itself on working closely with industry to produce the type of engineering graduate who can be effective right out of college. We



UA President Patrick Gamble (left); Doug Goering and Rajive Ganguli, UAF CEM; Lauren Roberts and Lorna Shaw, Kinross Fort Knox; Dan White, UAF CEM.

couldn't do that without active partnerships like the one we have with Kinross." Lauren

Roberts, Kinross Gold regional vice president of North America, noted that, "UAF is conducting research and making gains in important areas that will pay dividends for the industry, Alaska and Fort Knox."

In addition, in September, Sumitomo Pogo JV supported this fund with a pledge of \$1,059,000, over three years. "The mining industry constantly struggles with finding knowledgeable, talented and experienced employees," said Chris Kennedy, Sumitomo Pogo general manager. "Pogo has several engineers working on site who have attended the UAF engineering program and, with time spent in the field, are now some of Pogo's shining stars because of the knowledge and training they gained at UAF"



Rajive Ganguli, UAF CEM, with Chris Kennedy and Toshihito Toyoshima of Sumitomo Pogo JV; Doug Goering and Chancellor Brian Rogers.

Rotary Club Service Fund honors the legacy of Dorothy Sugg

The Rotary Club of Fairbanks Service Fund, with Chancellor Brian Rogers and Sherry Modrow, hosted a fundraising celebration in support of the Dorothy Sugg Rotary Scholarship at UAF. The service fund provided a generous incentive to donors by matching all gifts made to support the scholarship, up to \$15,000. The event was a tremendous success, and more than \$32,000 was raised for the scholarship, which supports students in the UAF Honors Program. The fund honors the late Dorothy Sugg and helps continue her legacy of giving. Chancellor Rogers thanks the generous supporters who attended the event (photo right).



Achievements

Individual

UAF alumni **Thomas Albanese '79, '81** and **Mary Albanese '80** made an unrestricted gift of \$10,000 to UAF. In May 2010, Tom was awarded an honorary doctorate of science and gave the keynote address at UAF commencement.

The **Bentley Family Trust** made a gift of \$35,120 toward its named endowment.

Dale A. Durrwachter made a gift of \$56,091 to establish the Dale A. Durrwachter Elementary Education Teachers Scholarship Endowment.

The **Calvin J. Lensink estate** made a distribution of \$115,364 to the Calvin J. Lensink Endowment, which supports graduate students and research in wildlife and ecology programs at UAF.

Ruth E. McHenry '67 donated \$10,000 to the Ted McHenry Biology Field Research fund to support graduate student research.

The **Wilma Morrison estate** made a gift of \$81,269 to UAF. Morrison graduated from UAF in 1940 with a bachelor of education degree. She passed away in February 2011.

Thomas C. Royer made a pledge of \$25,000 to establish the Susan Royer Memorial Scholarship. Susan was a founder of the Alaska Math Consortium and taught mathematics at UAF for 27 years.

The **Seattle Foundation** facilitated a gift of \$16,629 from the estate of John R. and Mary G. Claus in support of UAF.

The estate of **Charles B. and Marguerite L. West** made a gift of \$200,000 to support UAF.

Phil Younker '72 donated \$10,000 in support of the Younker Family Scholarship, which benefits non-traditional sophomore students at UAF.

Kenneth Zonge '62 and Kim Zonge made a gift of \$25,000 to the Dr. Kenneth L. Zonge Scholarship fund, which supports students studying electrical engineering and/or mining at UAF. They established the scholarship fund in 2008 and have donated more than \$136,000.

Corporate/Foundation

Akvaplan-Niva made a gift of \$10,000 in support of a research publication in the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

Alaska Aerospace Corp. gave a \$25,000 gift in support of the Alaska Space Grant program.

Alaska Credit Union League donated \$14,000 to Alaska Business Week, a pre-college program hosted on the Fairbanks campus each summer.

Alaskan Leader Fisheries LLC made a gift of \$15,000 to support Alaska Cod research in the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. made a pledge payment of \$25,000 to support the Geophysical Institute *Science for Alaska* lecture series.

Alzheimer's Disease Resource Agency of Alaska Inc. donated \$27,000 to the Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska Research Fund at UAF. This is the first time that the agency has invested in research taking place in Alaska.

American Chemical Society made a gift of \$12,000 to the ACS-Hach Scientific Foundation Scholarship fund.

Greg Whisenant of **Beaver Sports** donated \$10,000 to the Beaver Sports Whisenant Ski Scholarship to provide scholarships for members of the cross country ski team.

Douglas Island Pink and Chum donated \$10,000 for Alaska Salmon research in the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

Siemens Industry Inc. made a gift of \$10,000 to support student research opportunities at the UAF Alaska Center for Energy and Power.

Totem Ocean Trailer Express Inc. completed its pledge payment of \$20,000 to the UA Museum of the North to support its community events. TOTE has since renewed their support of the museum with an additional pledge commitment of \$60,000 over three years.

Usibelli Coal Mine donated \$64,000 in support of the Usibelli Coal Mine diesel/heavy equipment certificate program.

John Zarling of **Zarling Aero and Engineering** made a gift of \$11,000 in support of the Zarling Family Hockey Scholarship. The Zarlings have donated \$70,000 to date toward the goal of a \$100,000 endowed scholarship.

In-Kind Support

Husky Logwork made an in-kind gift totaling \$21,330 to UAF in support of the log cabin construction workshops at the Palmer Center for Sustainable Living.

Of Note

In Memory: Robert L. "Bob" Lathrop 1923--2011

The late Robert "Bob" Lathrop and Margaret "Petey" Lathrop were longtime friends of UAF. Bob established the Lathrop Ethnology Support Fund at the UA Museum of the North in 2004, contributed more than \$300,000 to the fund, and generously donated many items to the museum's ethnology collection. Bob was a dental officer in several villages, and after retirement they spent many summers in in Kotzebue. Petey passed away in 2003. Bob will be missed by many, including his friends at UAF.



The **Pollock Conservation Cooperative (PCC)**, which includes American Seafoods Company, Arctic Storm Inc., Glacier Fish Company, Starbound LLC and Trident Seafoods Corp., has partnered with the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences for more than ten years to support research on Steller sea lions, salmon, pollock, Pacific Ocean perch and jellyfish. Since that time, they have donated more than \$10 million, including \$750,000 this year. Gifts also supported the Ted Stevens Papers at the Rasmuson Library and a Ted Stevens Distinguished Professorship of Ocean Policy.

Doyon, Ltd. supported UAF's SMART Academy with a \$15,000 gift. The month-long summer program, hosted by UAF Summer Sessions & Lifelong Learning, is for students entering seventh, eighth or ninth grade to develop math skills, reading comprehension, and physical fitness.



Last year over 3,600 donors gave more than \$4.8 million to UAF! A special "thank you" postcard was mailed to all supporters. The annual donor event to celebrate and honor UAF donors takes place on November 16.

The **second annual UAF fall phonathon** begins on October 30. Over the course of six weeks, student callers will contact alumni and friends to talk about their UAF experience and invite them to make a difference in the lives of current UAF students. As a result of the overwhelming success of last year's phonathon, the program is expanded to include an additional six-week program in the spring of 2012.

Alumni who updated their contact information this fall were entered in a drawing for an iPad. Over 1,500 responses were received, and Qinugan Roddy '11, was the lucky winner. Congratulations, Qinugan!



This list reflects gifts of \$10,000 and above made to the University of Alaska Fairbanks between May 21, 2011 and October 12, 2011.

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