

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT *on Philanthropy*

Sumitomo renews \$1 million support of College of Engineering and Mines

Mining engineering graduate students will continue to receive a steady source of research funding thanks to Sumitomo Metal Mining Pogo's renewed gift of over \$1 million to the Mining Engineering Research Endowment in the College of Engineering and Mines. This recent gift augments the company's initial three-year, \$1 million pledge in 2011. According to Rajive Ganguli, chair of the mining and geological engineering department, the stable funding allows students to pursue longterm and more complex projects. Sumitomo Metal Mining Pogo has hired graduates from the UAF program, and general manager Chris Kennedy, said "UAF is an important contributor to Alaska's — and the world's — mining industry. The research and mining challenges tackled by UAF have real-world applications, and the UAF graduates we have working at Pogo are some of our best and brightest." Partnerships like this keep UAF programs on the cutting edge and inspire our students.



Rajive Ganguli and Chancellor Brian Rogers, UAF; Lorna Shaw and Chris Kennedy, Sumitomo Pogo Mine; CEM Dean Doug Goering. Photo by JR Ancheta.

Rasmuson Foundation exemplifies a culture of philanthropy



The Rasmuson family has been a model of philanthropic giving both through their personal giving to UAF and through grants from the Rasmuson Foundation. The extent of the family's philanthropy is inspiring: Elmer Rasmuson made a personal gift to the SFOS Rasmuson Fisheries Research Center and the Rasmuson Foundation made the largest single gift to the UA Museum of the North expansion. Recent gifts include helping to establish the Dirk Tordoff Scholarship Endowment to support students studying Alaska history and utilizing the library's Alaska film archives, a \$15,000 gift to the College of Liberal Arts Alaska Native Arts program for a visiting artist-in-residence, as well as \$19,840 for the Chukchi Consortium Library. Above and beyond this support is the Rasmuson Foundation's \$5 million pledge for ANSEP programs at UAA which will also benefit ANSEP students at UAF. Ed Rasmuson leads the foundation as chair, following the vision of founder Jenny Rasmuson and son Elmer in the tradition of "supporting nonprofit organizations which strive to improve the quality of life for people throughout the state."

Industry partners making an impact at UAF



Tyson Waligorsk and Abe Christenson, CTC graduates and Kinross Fort Knox employees; Mike Sfraga, UAF; Eric Hill, Kinross Fort Knox; Michele Stalder, CTC dean; Clint Nebeker and Anna Atchison, Kinross Fort Knox. Photo by JR Ancheta.

the shipping of the dozer. Bridging industry partnerships with UAF programs helps to build a well-educated workforce with highly marketable skills.

The generosity and commitment of local industry has given a tremendous boost to UAF students and programs. Kinross Fort Knox recently donated a Caterpillar D10 dozer valued at \$87,500 to the UAF Community and Technical College diesel/heavy equipment program, in addition to their initial three-year commitment in 2011 of \$1 million to the College of Engineering and Mines. Several gifts of \$10,000 were made as a result of the dozer donation, including NC Machinery, whose gift was matched by the Caterpillar Foundation. Usibelli Coal Mine also made a \$10,000 gift, and Alaska West Express donated

Douglas Island Pink and Chum gift honors founder

Douglas Island Pink and Chum recently donated \$175,000 toward an endowment for graduate students at the SFOS Lena Point Fisheries facility in Juneau. The fellowship was established in memory of DIPAC founder Ladd Macaulay. Research has always been an integral part of DIPAC, and utilizing their capabilities and capacity to support research was a passion of Macaulay's. His commitment is especially highlighted by including a research laboratory for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Lena Point Fisheries division in the design of the Macaulay Hatchery.

Donor highlight

Donor **James Pruitt** epitomizes individual philanthropy. Jim, a '73 BBA alumnus, was part of the Western Undergraduate Exchange Program. Jim has been giving to UAF and the alumni association since 1974. He began donating through the Annual Giving program in 2008 and has progressively increased his support. In 2013, Jim made an unrestricted gift of \$10,000, and additionally established the Green Island Scholarship to support students in the School of Management. The gift was inspired by Jim's personal experience at UAF. We celebrate donors like Jim for their continued support and commitment to helping students attend college debt-free!

Achievements

Individual

David Argetsinger donated \$12,121 to establish the Paul Boutet Memorial Scholarship at the UAF Community and Technical College.

Dolly Dieter made two \$25,000 gifts supporting the The Dieter Family Marine Science Research Scholarship and the National Ocean Sciences Bowl.

Mary A. Jones donated \$50,000 to establish the George W. and Mary A. Jones Scholarship.

Lawrence '72 and **Nancy Katkin** donated kayaks and accessories valued at \$16,875 for the Department of Recreation, Activity and Wellness.

Leslye '86 and **Richard Korvola** completed their \$25,253 pledge to the Korvola Award for Yakutsk.

William and **Carelyn Reeburgh** donated stock valued at \$30,167 to support the William S. and Carelyn Y. Reeburgh Fieldwork Endowment.

Joseph E. Usibelli '59, '96 and **Peggy Shumaker** made a \$20,000 gift to the Alaska Literary Series. They established the fund in 2011 and have supported it annually.

John and **Fran Zarling** gave two gifts of \$10,000, to the Zarling Engineering Scholarship and the Nanook Fund.

Corporate/Foundation

Alaska Communications donated office modular units to the GI valued at \$80,000.

The **Alaska Credit Union League** made a \$16,250 gift in support of Alaska Business Week.

The **Alaska Fire Chiefs Association** donated \$14,615 to the Loren "Bud" and Vicki Rotroff Scholarship.

The **Alzheimer's Disease Resource Agency of Alaska** made a \$30,000 gift to the Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska Research Fund, continuing their research support.

BP Exploration donated \$120,000 supporting UAF Community and Technical College and the College of Engineering and Mines, as well as giving \$30,000 to the Alaska Business Week program.

The **Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation** donated \$10,000 for Alaska Crab research.

Bering Straits Native Corp. and **Sitnasuak Native Corp.** each gave \$85,000 for research support to the Alaska Center for Energy and Power. In addition, **White Mountain Native Corp.** made a \$20,000 gift to ACEP.

ConocoPhillips Alaska made an in-kind gift to the College of Natural Science and Mathematics valued at \$33,000.

ExxonMobil Corporation donated \$20,000 and **Statoil** made a \$25,000 gift to the GeoFORCE Alaska program.

First National Bank Alaska donated \$10,000 for student support at the UAF CTC.

Flint Hills Resources Alaska renewed their \$25,000 gift for the museum tour program, as well as \$110,000 supporting CEM, CTC, SOM, ASRA and the Nanook Fund. They also made a \$15,000 gift to their School of Management fund.

The **George Horner Trust** made a \$25,253 gift to their named hockey scholarship.

Grainger donated \$10,000 for student scholarships in the industrial trades.

The **Jessie O'Bryan McIntosh Trust** made gifts totaling \$24,278 to their named fund.

The **Mary C Langan Estate** made a \$50,000 distribution to its named scholarship.

The Pollock Conservation Cooperative made gifts to the PCC Research Center totaling \$407,565. Members include **American Seafoods Co.**, **Arctic Storm**, **Glacier Fish Co.**, **Starbound LLC** and **Trident Seafoods**.

The **Seattle Foundation** facilitated a \$17,149 gift from the **estate of John Robert and Mary Claus**.

Shell Exploration and Production Co. made a \$20,000 gift to CEM's new Student Enhancement Fund and a \$25,000 gift to the GeoFORCE Alaska program.

Usibelli Coal Mine donated \$103,000 to establish their first endowment in the School of Management. The Usibelli family and **Usibelli Coal Mine** have been generous supporters for decades, investing in every aspect of the university, from student scholarships to faculty incentives and capital projects, and the museum expansion project.

Verizon donated \$40,000 to the UAF Giving Green Sustainability Initiatives.

Wells Fargo made a \$50,000 gift to the Rural Alaska Honors Institute. Since 2003, Wells Fargo has supported the UA Museum of the North's military appreciation events.

Of note

In Memory. UAF friend and long-time supporter, **Jane Behlke** passed away recently, as well as lifelong resident **Evolyn Melville**. Our condolences go out to their families and loved ones - they will be missed.

Holland America Line Inc. and **Princess Cruise Lines Ltd.** joined forces to pledge \$1 million to the University of Alaska Foundation for research and education, with \$255,000 benefiting programs in the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, including an educational exhibit at the UA Museum of the North about the Research Vessel *Sikuliaq*.

Pick.Click.Give. Thanks to efforts by the Rasmuson Foundation and the Foraker Group, Pick.Click.Give allows Alaskans to share their Permanent Fund dividend with qualified nonprofit organizations, including UAF. Last year, more than \$11,000 was donated to UAF campuses. A generous match from ExxonMobil doubled the impact of these gifts.



This summer, the **Rotary Club of Fairbanks Service Fund** donated \$12,000 for the new UAF Terrain Park and hosted a fundraising event that raised a total of over \$30,000. The event celebrated the park's naming as the **Hulbert Nanook Terrain Park**, in honor of local donor **Linda Hulbert** and her family, who pledged \$180,000. This unique partnership demonstrates the Rotary Club of Fairbanks Service Fund's support of students and programs at UAF.

Longtime UAF supporters **Joe Usibelli Sr.** and **Peggy Shumaker** received the prestigious 2013 Eugene R. Wilson Award from the Association of Fundraising Professionals on Alaska Philanthropy Day. The award recognizes those who have made significant contributions to developing a culture of philanthropy in Alaska. They have led by example and have inspired others through their generosity.

In November, **UAF Annual Giving** begins the employee giving campaign, with staff making personal thank-you visits to every employee on campus who has given to UAF in the last year.

Staff news. **Samara Kinkki '06** is the new annual giving coordinator. Her previous development experience includes the National Tropical Botanical Garden in Hawaii. **Bambi Nelson**, formerly the CRCD assistant to the vice chancellor, is the new assistant to the director; **Jessica Danielson** joins as the new events specialist. She previously worked in UAF Procurement and Contract Services.

Save the date for the **Chancellor's Gala** on Feb. 8, 2014. This year's event will benefit the Alaska International Piano-e-Competition at UAF and the With All Your Heart campaign for the Harry and Sally Porter Heart Center at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. See more at www.uaf.edu/chancellor/gala/.

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