

Chancellor's Report

on Philanthropy

Fairbanks foundations contribute to UAF's mission

During his lifetime, **Bill Stroecker '42**, was extremely generous to UAF. He demonstrated his support by contributing more than \$250,000 to a journalism scholarship, his named jazz endowment and the UA Museum of the North, as well as other programs. The university and Alaska lost a dear friend in 2010 when he passed away at 90. Bill's passion for the university continued in his estate plans, and the **Bill Stroecker Foundation** carries on his philanthropic legacy. In December, the foundation gave over \$32,000 to establish the Bill Stroecker Scholarship Fund at the School of Management.

Bill's late sister, Marion Weeks, was also a long-time supporter, and the **Marion G. Weeks Charitable Foundation** recently contributed \$15,000 to Bill's scholarship fund as well as \$12,500 to KUAC and \$5,000 to the Helen Van Campen Journalism Scholarship. Together their legacy continues to help sustain the university's mission.



Photo by Monique Musick

Local supporter advocates for UAF

Linda Hulbert, a local New York Life representative, is committed to education. A former educator, she has a long personal connection to UAF. Her late husband, John, taught at UAF, her son Erik was a student here, and her daughter and son-in-law are alumni. A passionate advocate, she established a memorial scholarship honoring John to support single-parent students attending UAF's Community and Technical College. The Hulbert family recently made a generous six-year commitment totaling \$180,000 for UAF's new outdoor terrain park. The park is unique for a university, and will offer an exciting array of outdoor activities for students.

Linda is committed to giving back on both a personal and corporate level, and has been instrumental in building a philanthropic partnership between **New York Life** and UAF. NYL gave an enormous boost to two successful college preparation programs at UAF, making multi-year commitments to the Alaska Summer Research Academy and the Rural Alaska Honors Institute. NYL recently donated more than \$238,000 to the programs, as part of a three year commitment of \$900,000 to the UA system. NYL's funding to UA has exceeded \$1.7 million since the company's first gift in 2007. UAF is grateful for Linda's and NYL's generosity.



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Celebrating philanthropic giving

Two annual events help to acknowledge and support philanthropy at UAF. The annual **Celebration of Giving** celebrates and honors UAF donor who are vital to the university's continued success. The Nov. 1, 2012, event recognized individual donors, **Dr. and Mrs. Jeffery Zuckerman**; corporate donors, **Sumitomo**



Helga and Bill Watterson at the 2012 donor celebration. Photo by Todd Paris.

Metal Mining Pogo and **Kinross Fort Knox**; annual giving donors, **Helga and Bill Watterson '64**; and **BP**, for donation of a state-of-the art working wellhead for the classroom in the UAF Community and Technical College process technology program. Last year more than 3,800 donors gave over \$13 million to UAF.

The **Chancellor's Gala** brings together supporters who jointly contribute to UAF and a community program.

The Feb. 2, 2013, event hosted more than 300 people and nearly \$85,000 was generated that evening. Guests enjoyed live music, auction activities and great company. Proceeds will help support UAF Community and Technical College dental programs and the Greater Fairbanks Community Hospital Foundation Circle of Hope Breast Cancer Project.



Achievements

Individual

An [anonymous](#) gift of \$20,200 was made in support of graduate students in Northern Gulf of Alaska applied research at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences. [Anonymous](#) gifts totaling \$17,500 were given to support the Nanook Club Cheer Team.

[Marilyn Engle](#) donated \$13,100 and endowed the Kevin Engle Memorial Scholarship.

[John J. Goering](#) continued his support of the Goering Family Fellowship with a gift of \$29,000, providing support for graduate students in the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, the College of Engineering and Mines, and the School of Management.

[Raye Ann](#) and [E. Thomas Robinson](#) gave \$11,800 to their named scholarship and \$11,200 to support student athletes.

[Brian Rogers](#) and [Sherry Modrow](#), '72, '85, donated \$27,000 to the Chancellor's College Completion Scholarship, which supports upper-level students demonstrating financial need.

[Helga](#) and [Bill Watterson](#) '64, made a \$15,000 annual gift to support the area of greatest need at UAF. The Watterson's are also members of UAF's Legacy Society.

Corporate/Foundation

[Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation](#) donated \$10,000 for Alaska crab research at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

[BP](#) made a \$12,000 gift to the School of Management to support the 2013 Arctic Innovation Competition.

The [Charles Koch Foundation](#) donated \$15,000 to the Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation Fund supporting the School of Management.

The estate of [Mary Louise Rasmuson](#) made two \$50,000 distributions - one will support the Rasmuson Library and the other created the new Elmer and Mary Louise Rasmuson Fisheries support fund at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

[Flint Hills Resources Alaska](#) renewed their \$25,000 support to the UA Museum of the North school tour program.

[Icicle Seafoods](#) made two \$25,000 gifts, to Alaska Business Week and for Alaska Region National Ocean Science Bowl scholarships. They also donated \$15,000 to the Icicle Seafoods Bristol Bay Student Scholarship fund.

The [Jessie O'Bryan McIntosh Trust](#) donated \$18,779 to its named scholarship.

The [Liz Claiborne and Art Ortenberg Foundation](#) donated \$37,500 for the George Schaller Fellowship in the Resilience and Adaptation graduate program.

[Northrop Grumman](#) made a \$20,000 gift to support STEM outreach programs at UAF.

The [Pollock Conservation Cooperative](#) (PCC) made gifts to the Pollock Conservation Cooperative Research Center at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences. The PCC member companies, [American Seafoods Company](#), [Arctic Storm](#), [Glacier Fish Company](#), [Starbound LLC](#) and [Trident Seafoods](#), made gifts totaling \$350,000.

The [Rasmuson Foundation](#) donated \$75,000 to establish the Mary Louise Rasmuson Undergraduate Fisheries Endowment at the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

[Santa Monica Seafood](#) donated \$10,000 for Alaska crab research at the school of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

[Seisa Group](#) made a \$22,289 gift to the Seisa Science fund at the International Arctic Research Center.

[Sumitomo Metal Mining Pogo](#) completed their \$1,059,000 pledge with a final gift of \$353,000 to the Mining Engineering Research Endowment at the College of Engineering and Mines.

[Teck Resources Alaska](#) donated \$50,000 to the Teck Alaska Scholarship.

[The Glosten Associates](#) made their second \$20,000 payment toward their original \$60,000 pledge for an educational exhibit about the research vessel *Sikuliaq* planned for the UA Museum of the North.

Legacy Society

The UAF Legacy Society recognizes donors who have made provisions to include UAF in their estate plans. There are currently 96 members. Recent additions include [Dirk V. Derksen](#) and [Margaret R. Peterson](#).

Of note

In Memoriam. Board of Trustees member [Ted Fathauer](#), former National Weather Service forecaster and recent UAF MS graduate, passed away in January. Alaska and UAF lost a friend, volunteer and long-time supporter. We also send heart-felt condolences to the families and loved ones of lifelong Alaskan and retired professor [Earl Beistline](#) '39, '47, '69 LLD (Hon); artist, [Enid Cutler](#); former Board of Trustees member [Peter Schust](#) '58; and emeriti director of the Cooperative Extension Service, [James Matthews](#).

[First National Bank Alaska](#) made two \$10,000 gifts, for financial aid to students at the UAF Community and Technical College, and to help establish a new student investment fund at the School of Management. They also made a \$12,000 gift for student scholarships at the Kuskokwim campus. FNBA was a lead sponsor of the 2013 Chancellor's Gala.

For the fifth year, Alaskans can support UAF and help make a difference by making a gift through the Alaska Permanent Fund dividend charitable contribution program, [Pick-Click-Give](#). In addition, [ExxonMobil](#) will again match gifts made to UAF (and other Alaska educational institutions) dollar-for-dollar up to a total of \$100,000.



[Wells Fargo](#) recently made a \$50,000 gift to support the 2013 Rural Alaska Honors Institute. They also renewed their \$25,000 gift to the UA Museum of the North for military appreciation events.

Long-time UAF supporters [John and Fran Zarling of Zarlino Aero and Engineering](#) made gifts in November and December totaling \$14,000, and reached their \$100,000 goal to the Zarlino Family Hockey Scholarship.

Nanooks are calling you! The second annual [spring phonathon](#) runs from Feb. 24 – April 11. UAF students are calling alumni and friends in an effort to build lasting relationships and raise philanthropic support for UAF's mission. Last spring, callers raised more than \$17,000 for UAF. The phone program's efforts have helped raise nearly \$145,000.

Save the date! The [16th annual Scholarship & Award Breakfast](#) takes place Tuesday, April 16. Donors can get together with students and see the impact of their scholarship gifts. Annually, over 400 privately funded scholarships provide more than a million dollars to students in the form of scholarships and awards.

This list reflects gifts of \$10,000 and above made to the University of Alaska Fairbanks between Oct. 16, 2012 and Jan. 25, 2013.

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