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The Fairbanks Heart Walk to benefit the American Heart Association will take place on Saturday, May 15, 2010. The College of Rural and Community Development will again be participating, and we are hoping to have as strong a showing as last year. Altogether, the CRCD team raised \$1,766 for the 2009 Heart Walk.

Below is a link to the CRCD Heart Walk team website. Visitors to the site are able to join the team, make a donation, or both! If you cannot join the team but wish to donate, you may do so by selecting 'General Team Donation' in the 'Team Members' box. Donations can also be made by sending a check payable to the American Heart Association to Bambi Nelson, PO Box 756500, Fairbanks, Alaska 99775.

Raffle tickets are also being sold. Grand prize is a 7-day Holland America cruise for two to your choice of Mexico or the Caribbean. Second and third prize is 25,000 Alaska Airlines miles. Tickets are 1/\$5, 3/\$10 or 7/\$20. The drawing will take place at the Heart Walk in Fairbanks on May 15 but you don't have to be present to win. Please contact Bambi Nelson at 474-5860 or bnnelson@alaska.edu if you are interested.

April 16 Dennis Demmert nominations due
April 23 Spring Fest picnic @ RSS

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!

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

Different Student Clubs:

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 Alaskans Business Leaders

IYDG= Inu-Yupiaq Dance Group

CRCD Team Page: <http://heartwalk.kintera.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=315940&lis=1&kntae315940=646B7C925A004606B912432E81A977ED&team=3649759&tteam=3475017> <<http://heartwalk.kintera.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=315940&lis=1&kntae315940=646B7C925A004606B912432E81A977ED&team=3649759&tteam=3475017>>



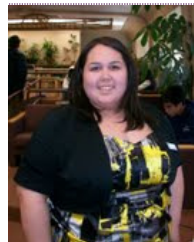
RSS Welcomes Theresa Springer (Binky), ANSEP Peer Advisor

My name is Theresa Springer, more commonly known as Binky. I am originally from Hooper Bay, but have been residing in Bethel for the last 4 years. I have attended KUC/UAF for 3 years and am majoring in Communications. My educational goals include graduating from UAF with a bachelors degree in Communications and eventually a bachelors degree in Culinary Arts. I chose Communication, because I enjoy speaking, and communicating with others around me. I hope to one day get a job as a Radio/Television director, or to work for a Public Relations firm.

I just got hired as the ANSEP Peer Advisor and am proud to be a part of this group of friendly people. This job gives me the opportunity for me to utilize my communication skills and to gain more experience working with others around me.

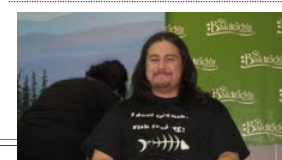
Thank you UAF and RSS for all you do.

RSS Welcomes Janelle Fritze, RSS Peer Advisor



Janelle Fritze is from Dillingham, Alaska. She is a Senior here at UAF. She will be graduating from UAF this coming spring with her Bachelors Degree in Rural Development: Rural Health & Human Services Management. Janelle has transferred from being the BBNA Student Liaison for the past three years to the RSS Peer Advisor. Its a pleasure to have Janelle employed with RSS, welcome!

RSS Welcomes Bryan Fritze (Boo), BBNA Student Liaison



Bryan Fritze is from Dillingham and New Stuyahok, Alaska. He is in his fourth year at UAF as an Alaska Native Studies Major. He

PCN=Positive Connection Night

RSS is looking for students who are currently General Studies majors, or who are not fully committed to their declared major. We would like to connect you with a local professional for a job shadowing experience. This will include going to work with a mentor for at least half a work day, and meeting with the mentor after the job shadow to talk about the experience and future opportunities. After your job shadowing experience, we ask that you participate in an online survey, and we will be inviting all mentors and students to get together towards the end of the semester to share their experiences and meet each other.

If you are interested in participating in Job Shadowing, please contact RSS at 907-474-7871 or talk to your advisor to find out how to apply. Students will be selected and matched with mentors over the summer, so apply by May 14th to be sure you can participate in this fabulous opportunity!

Quick Links...

<http://www.uaf.edu/ruralss>



currently participates in the Inu-Yupiaq Dance Group. His family and friends give

him the support and motivation to do well in school. Procrastination has been a challenge but he has overcome it by self motivation. Bryan applies for scholarships to assist with college expenses. Bryan shares "It is free money for our education, it doesn't take much time to apply for scholarships." We welcome Bryan to RSS as the new Bristol Bay Native Association(BBNA) Student Liaison!

RSS Student Spotlight ~ Agnes Wasky



Agnes is from St Marys, Alaska, she is in her second year at UAF as an Elementary Education major. She currently participates in ANESA, Future Teachers of Alask (FTA), and Inu-Yupiaq Dance Group. She gets her motivation to do well in school from her parents, RSS advisor, and friends. One challenge faced while attending UAF is video games, but she forces herself to do the work and get it done. Currently she pays for schooling through scholarships. Agnes shares

"I really encourage students to apply for scholarships because it sucks paying for school out of your own pocket or taking out loans. Also scholarships are easy to fill out and there are a lot of scholarships out there, you just have to reach out for them."

RSS Alumni Spotlight~ Sonta Hamilton Roach

Sonta is from Shageluk, Alaska. Her parents are Rudy and Joyanne Hamilton, paternal grandparents are the late Adolph and Margaret Hamilton, maternal grandparents are Harlan and Delores Knauf. She earned her degree in Rural Development: Land, Resource and Environmental Management. Her first encounter with RSS was during the Tanana Chiefs Conference Youth Employment Services(YES) program. The group toured RSS and listened to a student panel. Later after graduating from high school and applying to UAF, she received a phone call from an advisor who helped her greatly in scheduling classes, financial aid, and since then she have always gone to RSS first for advising services. While on campus, RSS was space where she felt comfortable, so she spent many hours there working on homework, visiting with other students, or attending workshops and presentations. RSS helped her throughout the duration of her college experience and she would recommend their services to everyone! During her college years, Sonta participated in the Native Student Organization club and ANESA. Sonta faced many challenges while going to college, ranging from

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homesickness to navigating the UA system(financial aid, class scheduling, etc.). Her motivation came from home first and foremost. Her family has always been very supportive of her educational goals. She also connected with other students, became involved, and knew that she was in control of her education- she was the only person who can make the most of her college experience, so she embraced the challenges. Sonta shares about scholarships and grants "Each student should seek scholarships and grants BEFORE going for loans. Students should draft personal essays ranging from 500 to 1000 words, work on their resumes, focus on their GPA and make a list of scholarships available to them. A future student's number one goal should be financing their education and learning how to do that." Earning a college degree has been beneficial for Sonta's employment career. It doesn't mean that she is employable for environmental resource management only, it is beyond that scope and network. Her focus was on rural development, but she have been heavily involved in tribal management, resource management, and the education field. Sonta's overall goals and plans have always been to help Tribes and to return back to her hometown, Shageluk. She feel strongly about educated Alaska Native people giving back to their communities. Academically, there will be a time she will finish here BA degree in Elementary Education and teach in Shageluk, then eventually earn her Masters Degree.

Fall 2010 Course Registration

Fall 2010 registration begins Monday, April 5th. Class schedules are on UAonline and the printed class schedule booklets are scheduled to arrive in April. Look over the Fall schedule and make an appointment to meet your advisor.

RSS Spring Fest Picnic

Join the staff and peer advisors at RSS for a Spring Fest Picnic! Friday, April 23rd at 12 noon in the Gathering Room. Come and join the fun!

INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Bristol Bay Native Corporation Education Foundation

2010-11 academic year scholarships are available. Be reminded that one must be an eligible shareholder of BBNC in order to apply and the Education Foundation selection committee reviews only once a year for these scholarship categories. (There is one exception and it is for the "Pedro Bay Scholarship" category where one must be an eligible Pedro Bay Corporation shareholder; see eligibility criteria for details.)

Applications have to be *complete and received* (not postmarked) by the deadline date of April 2, 2010.

The scholarship program is competitive and limited by budget, therefore some eligible applicants may not be awarded a scholarship and there is no guarantee of funding.

You may also want to contact the *Bristol Bay Native Association* Higher Education Program to request an application for their scholarship program. Write to them at P.O. Box 310 Dillingham, AK 99576 or call them at 1-888-285-2262 (in-state) or 907-842-2262.

American Indian Graduate Center Fellowships & Financial Assistance

These are monetary awards made to American Indian and Alaska Native graduate or professional degree-seeking students. Check out their programs at www.aigcs.org or call toll free 1-800-628-1920.

Deadline: June 1, 2010.

ROBERT J. ERICKSON KAISER PERMANENTE SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE

The Erickson Scholarship is intended to encourage the higher education of students of color who are underrepresented in the college system. The scholarship is intended to provide a substantial portion of the tuition, room, board and books for a student who otherwise would be financially unable to attend the University of Oregon. The scholarship amount may vary from year to year. The scholarship is renewable for up to four years provided the recipient continues to meet its criteria. The recipient will be required to work with the University's Office of Multicultural Academic Success (OMAS) for academic advising and support.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

You are eligible if you:

- Will be a first-time Freshman entering the University of Oregon in the Fall of 2010
- Are a U.S. citizen
- Are African-American, Hispanic, or Native American
- Are able to demonstrate financial need
- Are interested in contributing significantly to the improvement of his/her community
- Are academically strong enough to graduate in four years, and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications are available at:
Office of Multicultural Academic Success
164 Oregon Hall
1255 University of Oregon
Eugene, OR 97403-1255

or online at <http://www.uoregon.edu/~omas/>
You may call the Office of Multicultural Academic Success at
(541)346-3479 for more information

UNITED UTILITIES, INC/GCI SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships available for 2010-2011.

Eligibility:

* Live in a location where United Utilities, United-KUC provides communication services.

* Are a senior who will graduate in Spring 2010 or already have a high school diploma.

* Will be a full time or part time student at college, university or vocational/trade school.

To apply, please fill out the UUI Scholarship application available at www.unicom-alaska.com

Mail or fax application to:

Scholarship Committee

United Utilities, Inc

5450 A Street

Anchorage, Alaska 99518

Fax Number: 907-563-3185

For more information, call 1-800-478-2020 ext 5214

DEADLINE: April 9, 2010

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