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### Academic & Multicultural Student Services Division

- AHAINA student peer mentor Shayla Compton received the 2005-06 UAA Student Diversity Action Council Award for service, involvement, and contribution to diversity at UAA.
- Disability Support Services presented information during faculty training sessions at the Kachemak Bay College and the Kenai Peninsula College. The trainings were part of the College Access Project for Rural Alaska (CAPRA).
- AHAINA student employee and peer mentor Tafilisaunua Toleafoa's project was selected for *Anchorage's Diverse Voices* project, *Exploring Generational Differences among Samoan Fa'afafine*.
- Native Student Services, served as the PBS Producers of KTOO *Alaska College Track* program. Willy Templeton, Director of Native Student Services was interviewed and the episode is scheduled to air in the spring.
- AHAINA retention coordinator, Liz Posey, was awarded the Mayor's Individual Diversity Appreciation Award at the Mayor's Diversity Award Banquet.
- Educational Opportunity Center's Garrett Jackson and Rod Hopkins are adjunct faculty for Technically Ready (basic computer) UAA credit classes at the Gateway Learning Center through an Alaska Housing Finance Corporation grant.
- AHAINA Student Programs and the Office of the Dean of the College of Health & Social Welfare sponsored Charles Lee-Johnson from the National Family Life and Education Center and Ten Steps Rites of Passage Program. Over 20 community partners attended the presentation with representation from the Mayor's Office, United Way, Senator Bettye Davis, Polynesian Association, Historically Black Fraternities and Sororities, and the Alaska Court System among others.
- Willy Templeton has been appointed as a community member to the Anchorage School District (ASD) Budget Review Team developing the ASD general budget for the 2007-2008 school year.
- Student Support Services' freshmen cohort is participating in the "Controversy in the Classroom Project" by presenting the book, *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down*, as a part of the Guidance 150 course.
- Over 100 Educational Talent Search students and family members as well as 50 Upward Bound students and their families enjoyed the Family Night activities that included spaghetti dinner, an orientation to upcoming program activities and student academic progress reports.

#### Upcoming Events:

- New Student Orientation is hosting *Paperback Chat*, a discussion of Anne Fadiman's book *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down* October 12, November 9, and December 7 from 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. in Student Union 101
- Center for Human Development and Disability Support Services at UAA are planning train-the-trainer sessions will take place October 19 -20 for the Mat-Su, Sitka, Ketchikan, and Juneau campuses.
- Native Student Services will be coordinating UAA exhibit table outreach efforts to the Native community at the National Indian Education Association and Alaska Federation of Natives Youth and Elders conferences on October 19-24.
- New Student Orientation spring registration will be held January 9, 2007 from 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

### Enrollment Management Division

- Applications for first time freshmen for fall 2006 increased by 13% over the fall of 2005.
- The student information advisors answered 6,646 phone calls with an average answer time of 23 seconds and a 3.5% abandon rate.
- Over 400 students accessed free services of National Clearinghouse during the month of September for enrollment certifications (This was only used 986 times in FY 06).
- On-Base imaging system is set to go live on October 25.
- Financial Aid is transitioning to the UAOnline Scholarship application system for the 2007-08 school year.
- A customer tracking system is being worked on to get better data on students served and services provided the Kiosk.
- Registration saw an increase of 18% of students during late registration this semester.
- Enrollment Services will be hiring a credentials evaluator and a publications technician.
- Six financial aid staff attended the annual state association conference. Training on cash management, the newest/latest HERA information, retention, Electronic Loan Management network, Veteran Affairs as well as updates from National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators Chair Janet Dodson and Western Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators President Tami Sato were highlights.
- Ted Malone, Student Financial Aid Director, attended the *On-base Training and Technical Conference* in Las Vegas.

## Student Development Division

- The State of Alaska General Election is November 7. UAA serves as an absentee voting poll for all registered Alaskan voters. Voting polls are located in the Student Union and hours are: Monday, November 6, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, November 7, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. There is a polling station in the Diplomacy Building, too.
- The Dean of Students Office provided a voter's registration table as participation in the first annual U/Med Health Fair and for the Seawolves Exhibition hockey game.
- Kristina Hurlburt is the new USUAA Government Relations Director. She recently returned from a legislative internship in Juneau where she worked with Eric Croft.
- Liquor law violations are down by 20% across campus and in the residential community from the same period last year.
- The continuation of Guidance 150 in North Hall has been successful.
- The *2006 Campus Security Report* will be distributed across campus to inform and educate students, faculty, and staff for personal safety awareness and provide available campus community resources. For more information, please visit: [www.uaa.alaska.edu/safety](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/safety).
- Career Services Center would like to know if your department is planning an event that is career or employment related. The Center can provide useful information to employers and students. The Center has contact with employers who would like to reach students with information on internships or careers within their companies.
- Career Services Center's Law School Fair hosted seventeen law schools that distributed information about admissions.
- Wednesday Health Education events sponsored by the Student Health and Counseling Center during September included: *Watch your Back*, *Getting the Most Out of Winter*, *Hypothermia and Winter Survival* and *How Not to get Run Over by Your Sex Drive*.
- Karla Booth, ANROP Coordinator, collaborated with student, Crystal Bushkin on the implementation of a new Alaska Native student dance group
- Student Activities completed a month of culturally diverse programs with the El Combo Tropical Latino Salsa Night, Bikari Kitwana Hip Hop and the Constitution lecture and student roundtables, Bearfoot Bluegrass concert, and the Deaf Awareness Week presentation of CODA Alan "Abababa" Arbarbanell.
- The Concert Board collaborated with UAF to block book the Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre of Improv All-Stars. The group contracted with both schools at a reduced rate by scheduling two back-to-back Alaska appearances.
- *The Northern Light* newspaper coordinated and presented a retrospective art exhibit of past photos and newspapers in the Student Union Gallery. Almost 400 visitors viewed the exhibit what went back to the first editions of the current *The Northern Light*, as well as the former Anchorage Community College paper *The Accent* and the former UAA paper *The Voice*.
- KRUA 88.1 FM collaborated with the UAA Athletics Department to broadcast the UAA women's volleyball home and away games.
- Student Union student managers planned and implemented their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual overnight retreat that promotes teambuilding.

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- Upcoming Student Health and Counseling Center educational seminars are: *Is Someone Else's Drinking Bothering You?* Will be held October 18; Domestic Violence will be presented by AWAIC on October 25 and a Halloween Health Fair on October 31. For more information, call x64040.
- National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week (NCAAW) is October 12-19. Barbara Markley, Counselor Educator, in collaboration with Diane Kozak, Student Leadership Coordinator, and with the assistance of many UAA departments, will provide numerous activities in support of NCAAW.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Annual A Cappella Festivella will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 12 in the Williamson Auditorium
- Saul Williams, high priest of Hip Hop, will present his intellectual, avante garde spoken word and slam poetry on Friday, October 13 at 7:30 pm in Arts 150.
- The following accounting firms will interview UAA accounting students during Accounting Week October 16-20 in the interview rooms at the Career Services Center, RH 122: Air Force Audit Agency; Alban & Company CPAs; Altman, Rogers & Co.; Defense Contract Audit Agency; Deloitte & Touche; Division of Legislative Audit; KPMG; Liberty Financial Services; Mikunda, Cotrell & Co.; Thomas, Head & Greisen.
- In cooperation with the Anchorage Concert Association, Student Activities will present Grammy award-winning members of Ladysmith Black Mambazo in a one-hour demonstration of Zulu dance and music, followed by a presentation of the South African culture. The workshop will be 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 14 in Fine Arts 150. Admission is free.
- USUAA will hold a legislative fair on October 17 in the Student Union cafeteria.
- Greek Council will host "Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>" Block Party, October 13 at the front entrance of North Hall.
- Club Council will host a club fair October 17 in the Student Union upper hallway.
- *Creating and Maintaining a Climate of Civility on Campus* audio conference will be held October 19 to address the issue of campus civility and classroom climate. Contact the Dean of Students Office at 61214 for more information.