

### Academic & Multicultural Student Services Division

- **Advising and Testing**, in collaboration with the Center for Faculty Excellence, presented the “**Professional Development Seminar in Advising for Faculty.**”
- **One hundred twelve (70%) Student Support Services** spring 2008 participants re-enrolled for fall 2008.
- **Stephen Washington**, Director of AHAINA Student Programs, was appointed as the **Vice President for the Black Chamber of Commerce in Anchorage.**
- During **Howl Days 2008** (New Student Orientation), 147 students registered to vote.
- Native Student Services will be hosting an outreach/recruitment table at the Alaska Federation of Natives Youth and Elders conference.
- **UAA FUSION** shuttled UAA students to various agencies within the Anchorage community for volunteered hours of service. Nine events and 54 students registered to participate.
- **Disability Support Services** is offering **on-demand training** in accommodation process, universal design, working with American Sign Language interpreters, and other topics as requested. In addition, there are workshops covering no cost/low cost technology and opportunities to participate in webinars covering topics such as accessible distance education.
- **Fall 2008 Answer Desks** served **1,111 students** during the first week of classes.
- The **Native Student Services mentors/tutors** received training to become **State of Alaska voter registrars.**
- **New Student Orientation** hosted its first outdoor orientation, **Big Wild Orientation.** Ten students from around the nation and three guides participated in a week long Alaskan excursion on the Kenai Swan Lake canoe trail.
- **78 TRIO Upward Bound** and **Educational Talent Search high school students** attended a presentation by **Barrington Irving**, the youngest person and the first African American to fly solo around the world. Professor Mark Madden from the UAA Aviation Technology Program also provided a video and information about UAA’s nationally recognized aviation program.

### Enrollment Management

- The **27th Annual College and Career Fair** was hosted by the UAA's Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) and co-sponsored by EOC, UAA, APU and the Anchorage School District at the Egan Civic and Convention Center.
- The **Study Abroad Fair** was a great success with many students attending.
- The **International Student Association** held a very successful “Passport Series” event in cooperation with the UAA Bookstore in September featuring a student from Armenia. Students, staff, faculty, and members of the community were in attendance.
- UAA welcomed **96 new F-1 and J-1 students** for fall 2008 semester, compared to 66 for 2007 fall semester.

#### *Upcoming events:*

- The **Mérida, México short-term study abroad** program **application deadline is October 15.**
- **UAA Fall Preview Day** to recruit Alaskan high school students is planned for October 24.

### Student Development Division

- The Dean of Students Office published the **2008 Campus Safety and Security Report** which reports crime data from calendar years 2005-2007. The report is viewable online at [www.uaa.alaska.edu/safety](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/safety).
- Upcoming scholarship and grant application due dates: **USUAA Leadership Scholarship** - October 17, **Seawolf Community Service Scholarship** - October 27, and Fall Leadership Honors - October 31. Go to [www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentleadership](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentleadership) for more information.
- During the 2008 fall semester, **Residence Life** has enhanced Guidance 150 courses held within the residence halls with peer mentors and weekly study sessions. Each week, there are 12, three-hour study sessions, each with a different emphasis of study, i.e., ANSEP, business, economics, dental hygiene, etc. available to residential students. These sessions highlight Residence Life’s commitment to the academic success of UAA students.
- **Career Services Center** placed summer students interns with: ConocoPhillips, Merrill Lynch, Alyeska Pipeline, CH2MHill, DOWL Engineering, McKinley Capital, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Air Force Audit Agency, Thomas, Head, and Greisen, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska Air National Guard, Veterans Health Administration, and Kachemak Bay Natural Estuarine Research Reserve.

- Applications are now available for **UAA Concert Board Special Projects Fund**. Students can apply for grant funding to support their campus projects. **Applications for fall semester are due November 7.**
- **Club Council recognized 61 clubs** this semester, more registrations are expected during October. Newly recognized clubs include: the Ping Pong Club, Students for Social Equality, and Circle of Cinema Crafters.
- **The Cama-i Room celebrated its 3rd birthday.** The Cama-i Room coordinator, Karla Booth, cooked dinner. This celebration highlighted the importance and the purpose of the Cama-i Room and encouraged students to continue building a community in the Cama-i Room and to continue to keep in touch with their culture while attending UAA.
- **The Northern Light celebrated 20 years of publications** with a wonderful reception where former editors, faculty, and staff looked back on the paper's accomplishments and forward to the future.
- **Annual 2008 Law School Fair** was held in the Student Union. Students met with prospective law schools such as Chapman University School of Law, Drexel University College of Law, Golden Gate University School of Law, Gonzaga University School of Law, Hamline University School of Law, Lewis and Clark, Law School, Roger Williams University School of Law, Seattle University School of Law, University of Idaho College of Law, University of the Pacific-McGeorge School of Law, Willamette University College of Law, University of Oregon School of Law, and St. Thomas University School of Law.
- **Nancy Felton**, Mental Health NP, **received her Family Nurse Practitioner license**, making her the third "dual degree" nurse practitioner working at the Student Health and Counseling Center.
- The Student Union voter registration station registered over 120 people this year.
- 800 people attended the **Aasif Mandvi talk in the Wendy Williamson** co-sponsored with *The Northern Light* and Student Activities with ticketing support from Concert Board.
- UAA sorority rush ended in September and 8 women pledged **Alpha Sigma Alpha** and 15 pledged **Sigma Sigma Sigma**.
- USUAA hosted the **2008 Homecoming Dance** at the Alaska Native Heritage Center on October 3. Student chairs, Christina Gaina and Braxton Bundick worked with USUAA senators and volunteers to make this year's dance a great success.
- The **2008 UAA Student Showcase Journal** was released on October 7, 2008. Applications for the 2009 Student Showcase are now available online and students are encouraged to apply:  
[www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentlifeandleadership/showcase](http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/studentlifeandleadership/showcase).

*Upcoming events:*

- **A Cappella Festivella 15** will be held Thursday, October 9 in the Williamson Auditorium. Don't miss it!
- **Outdoor Gear Swap** will be held in the Student Union cafeteria October 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This semi-annual event typically attracts up to 500 students, staff, faculty, and community members looking to swap or sell their outdoor gear.
- **Accounting Week** is October 13-17. Students will have the opportunity interview for entry-level positions and internships with local and national accounting firms at the Career Services Center in Rasmuson Hall.
- UAA Student Health and Counseling Center **Health Fair** is planned for October 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Rasmuson Hall Lobby.
- **Builders and Butchers concert** on October 17 in the Student Union cafeteria. Tickets are \$3 to \$20.
- **National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week** hosted by the Dean of Students Office on October 19-25.
- **Breast Cancer Awareness Exhibit** in Student Union October 21 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and in Gorsuch Commons 5-7 p.m. and on October 22 in Rasmuson Hall lobby from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Business Expo** is on October 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Union. Students majoring in business or public policy are invited. Companies such as Target, ConocoPhillips, the FBI, First National Bank of Alaska, U.S. Census Bureau, Anchorage Community Mental Health Services, Social Security Administration, Halliburton, Sea Alaska Corporation, Victaulic, The Arc of Anchorage, Wells Fargo Bank N.A., Enterprise, Nordstrom, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, and many others will be attending.
- **Human Services Expo** will be held on November 13 students in the Student Union. Employers will be available to talk with from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **The Roots** will perform November 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Egan Center. UAA student tickets available at the Student Union information desk only, all other tickets purchased through Ticketmaster.com.