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Faiks: reevaluate UAJ

By JOLIE SASSEVILLE
Whalesong Staff Reporter

The University of Alaska Board of Regents is unlikely to act on Anchorage Sen. Jan Faiks' suggestion that they re-evaluate the four year campus status of the University of Alaska-Juneau, according to Juneau Regent Don Able, Jr.

Faiks' statements, made in November, shook the UAJ campus as well as the community of Juneau.

"It's time to be accountable, and nothing is sacred -- not even a campus in Juneau," Faiks said at a November student leadership conference. The statement was made in response to a question by USUAJ Legislative Affairs Coordinator Steve Cole regarding UAJ funding.

In a Jan. 22 prepared statement of response to criticism from the Juneau media and university community, Faiks explained her earlier statement.

"In essence, I responded by explaining that because the State is experiencing a decline in revenues, it no longer will be able to afford to simply provide more dollars to solve a problem," Faiks said. "Instead, it may be time for the Board of Regents to assess the cost-effectiveness and cost-efficiency of UAJ, as well as all of its other campuses. The answer may be that UAJ should be re-established as a community college instead of a four-year institution."

Faiks had earlier said that UAJ does not have enough students to qualify as a full-time university.

Able, one of two members of the Board from Juneau, voiced his concern that UAJ remain a 4-year institution.

"The Regents never anticipated UAJ becoming a large campus," Able said.

"It was intended to serve Southeast and to meet the special priorities of the region, such as fisheries, forestry and government service," he continued.

Able reported that at the time the Regents were considering merging the Juneau-Douglas Community College with the University of Alaska system, in 1980, it was expected that by the year 2000 UAJ might have 1,500 to 2,000 full time students.

Seven years ago the Regents had an extensive workshop to decide whether to retain UAJ's 4-year status, Able said.

After intensive evaluation, it was decided that UAJ is a viable institution and a valuable asset to the state and to the university system.

Again during the accreditation process in 1983, an accreditation team looked at where UAJ had come from and where it is going, according to Able. The team noted dramatic improvement and was impressed with the community's acceptance of UAJ.

"That kind of support does not come unwarranted," Able commented.

He also expressed his faith that in a year or two, UAJ could be just as good a campus as Anchorage, and perhaps more cost-effective than the Fairbanks campus.

Because of the disproportionate number of educated, white-collar people in Juneau, Able said UAJ must offer a four year program to meet the needs of the community.

Able said he did not anticipate the Board of Regents even bringing up the matter of re-evaluating UAJ's status at their February meeting.

Faiks concluded her Jan. 22 statement by elaborating her budgetary concerns.

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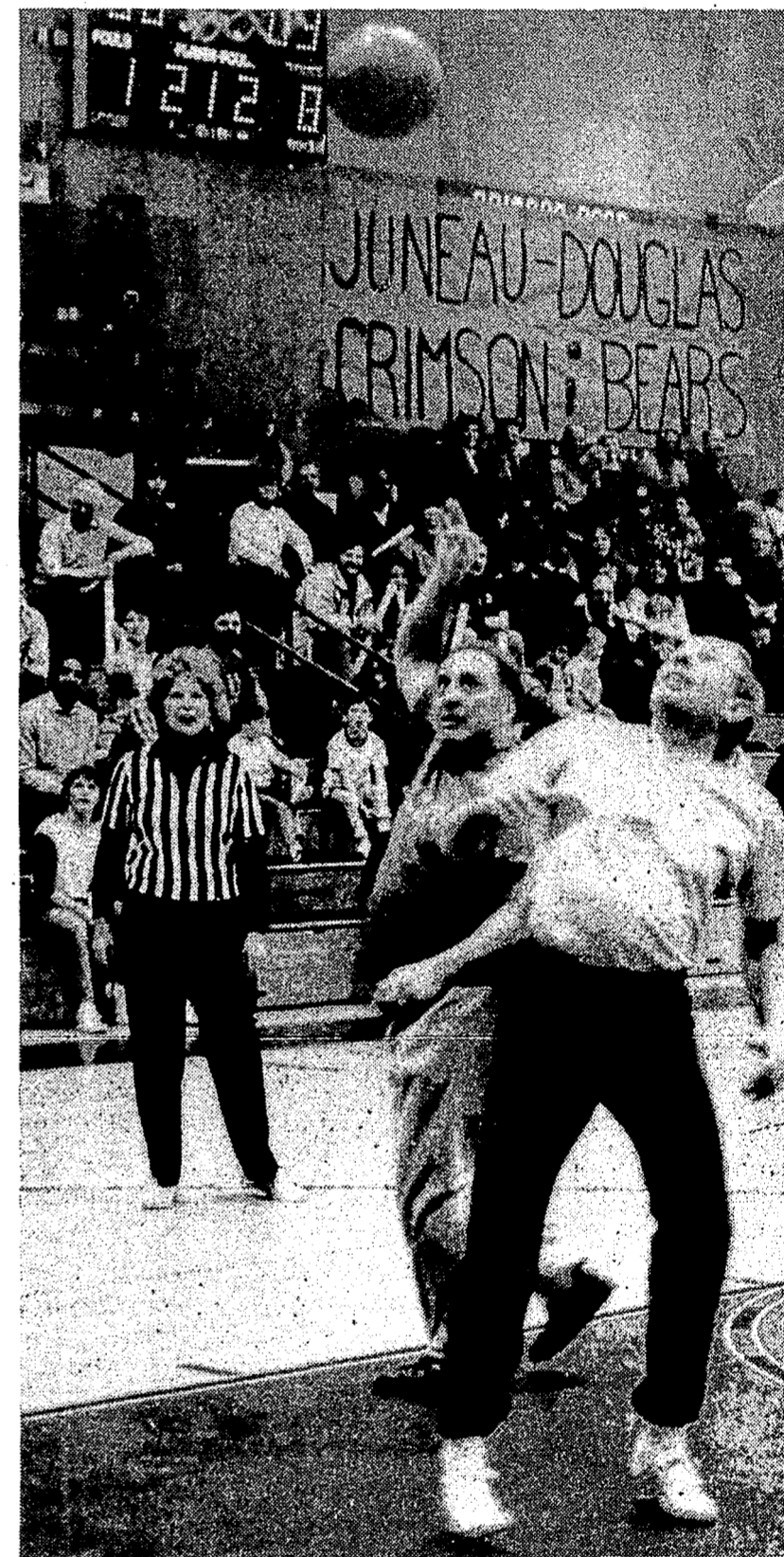


Photo by Frank Wilson.

Alaska Billyball: Gov. Bill Sheffield and Sen. Bill Ray (D-Juneau) battle it out on the maple courts during halftime at the Lewis and Clark-UAJ game.

The governor pressed hard and scored five points. The senator came up empty handed.

Alternative student loan proposals formulated by UA student leaders

By JEANINE SPENCE
Whalesong Staff Reporter

Spurred by bills introduced by legislators this session, a group of Alaskan students recently held an emergency conference in Juneau to formulate alternative student loan proposals.

Bills before both houses propose changes in the operations of campuses all across Alaska.

The January 8-10 meeting, organized by Michael Smith president of the United Students of the University of Alaska-Juneau, (USUAJ) addressed these two pending concerns. The agenda for the student representatives from across Alaska covered instruction on legislative procedures, meetings with legislators, and lobbying.

Smith is optimistic that students and legislators have learned more about

each other. At the meetings the two parties discussed priorities in efforts to reconcile the many needs and responsibilities under the burden of funding cuts and continually rising costs.

Unanimously opposed by the group are the proposed Alaska Student Loan modifications found in House Bill 161. Smith is optimistic about the results of the conference.

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Letters...

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and buy my textbooks for the 1986 Spring semester. I made a necessary stop at the bank and then headed for the UAJ bookstore. At the bookstore everything was going fine until I picked up a booklist to see what texts I would be required to buy. A quick scan of the list and a rough tally on my toes made me realize that I couldn't begin to make a dent in my book purchasing. The books were just too expensive. The cost of the least expensive book was enough to keep me in groceries for a week! The sum total of all my required texts is about 40% of my tuition. I think something is wrong.

I realize that you are not responsible for the cost of the books but I would like to know-Who does set the prices? I would also like to know why there are never any used books for sale at the bookstore. Is there a policy against buying back student books? Who would I talk to about such a thing? Once again I would like to state my opinion that the book prices at UAJ's book store are just too high. I hope there is some way that this can be remedied or at least be explained.

Sincerely,

Patricia S. Sampson

Dear Editor,

In this, the first Whalesong column of the semester, I welcome to Juneau all of the new and returning students. I have many things to say, and so I will try to be brief.

We hosted a very successful legislative information conference here at the Bill Ray Center on January 9, 10, and 11. This conference was attended by about 30 students from Ketchikan, Anchorage (both ACC and UAA), Fairbanks, Sitka, and Valdez, as well as a few from Juneau. We also had Lynn Shaver, the current student regent, Rick Helms, the student who represents us on the Postsecondary Education Commission, and Wendy Redman, the University lobbyist.

We held question-and-answer sessions with Rep. Mike Miller, Lt. Gov. Steve McAlpine, Rep. Ben Grussendorf, Rep. John Binkley, Sen. Bettye Fahrenkamp, Rep. Max Gruenberg, Sen. Don Bennett, and Sen. Arliss Sturgelewski. The information and feelings exchanged were very valuable, as we began the process of knowing each other.

We also spent some time organizing ourselves into a new statewide group which we titled United Campuses of Alaska. I will leave it to Steve Cole to tell you more about this organization.

Everybody went home praising the con-

ference, UAJ, and the city of Juneau. A good time was had by all. We also managed to recruit a few more students who will be here next fall, now that they know what a great campus we have. This is the kind of thing that will enhance our reputation and credibility on a statewide level, the sort of even that UAJ is uniquely positioned to do. By hosting events such as this, Juneau may finally take its place as an equal in the University of Alaska system.

Moving on to other subjects, we first have daycare. Questionnaires are about to be circulated (if not already) in an attempt to prove the need for daycare at UAJ. If you are a potential user of a campus daycare facility, PLEASE take the time to sign the sheet. It's important! I've asked that the issue of campus daycare be taken up at the Statewide Assembly meeting in Fairbanks, February 21-22.

Next we have faculty evaluations. In Fairbanks, the evaluation forms are computerized and the results are available to the students. We are about to begin work on changing and improving our evaluation system here. I've also asked that evaluations be considered at the Statewide Assembly meeting. Anyone who is interested in working on this, please contact me.

Now the Bookstore. The Bookstore is doing well financially, if the reports from the University business office are accurate, but the students on the board of directors are experiencing burnout. They are discouraged by the general lack of enthusiasm shown by the business students in utilizing the bookstore as a learning resource. What can be done about this? I don't know, perhaps the thing to do is to admit that the administration was right, that only a handful of students really cared anyway, and drop it back into their laps to dispose of if they wish. There is a student vacancy (perhaps two by now) on the board, and if there is a student who is interested in getting involved, please see me.

Next we have grade release. Several students voiced complaints at the student government meeting last Friday that their grades were withheld so long that it caused them hardships in housing contracts and athletic eligibility. In my preliminary investigation, I found that some instructors did not submit grades until well past their deadline. We are working on a solution to that problem so that it doesn't happen again, but for now I would like to hear from ALL students who had problems associated with late grades, so that we can find out just how many students were affected.

To wrap things up on a positive note I have a report on HB 161, the student loan bill. Our friend, Jan Faiks, had refused Sen. Fahrenkamp's request to send the bill back to the HESS (Health, Education, and Social Services) committee for further review/revision. Bruck

Bruckman (president of ACC students) and I went to Rep. Binkley (who wrote the bill) and told him of the student dissatisfaction with the bill, giving him specific complaints and suggesting alternatives. He then went to the Senate Finance hearing on HB 161 and requested Sen. Faiks to send the bill back to HESS, which she did. That's where it sits, and if you desire further information or want to put in your two cents, please contact Steve Cole, your Legislative Affairs Coordinator, at the student government office.

I haven't set firm office hours yet, as I have several practicums to arrange, and do not know my new schedule. My interim hours are going to be Jan. 29, noon to 2 p.m., Jan. 28, noon to 3 p.m., an audioconference on HB 161 on Jan. 27, and on Jan. 30 a Statewide Assembly audio conference. By the following week, my schedule should be stable. Audioconference locations and times will be posted on the door of the student government office. The office is located in the Mourant Building, near the library. Phone numbers are 789-4537, and 789-4434. There are typewriters and free phones for students.

Food cures hunger, study cures ignorance,....ancient Chinese proverb. Have a good semester.

Mike Smith

USUAJ President

Dear Editor:

This school is an equal opportunity employer. Now don't get me wrong. I'm all for that, believe in it with my whole heart. But I think that letting Helen Keller design the student housing driveway was a big mistake. I am of the firm conviction that there will be serious and dreadful repercussions for a good long while. I want to say now, before the incident, that I am not real big on Christmas so when you see my truck making like an ornament on one of the trees at the bottom of housings driveway remember, it's not because I'm celebrating the season.

I hate to complain without offering even a possible solution. This problem, it seems, is fairly well established, seeing as how the road is already put in. Maybe though, if we could sand just a little more often. Now I know that if you sand while it's snowing then the snow just covers it up but sometimes even after the snow we are a long time in getting our dirt. I wonder if maybe too, during a light snow, on top of packed snow, we could arrange for some sand?

Honestly now, I'm not all that much of a hand when it comes to airing a gripe, but I was on the editorial page so I thought I'd give it a whirl.

If the truth were out, I think that Mr. Bob Etheridge does a mighty fine job

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Bigfoot sighting a possibility, according to UAJ prof

By RAY HESSEL
Whalesong Staff Reporter

A University of Alaska-Juneau professor is studying the possibility of Bigfoot having moved to Juneau after a rash of local sightings in recent weeks.

According to Lyle Hubbard, an associate professor of biology at UAJ, at least several of the sightings appear to have some validity. Some, however, do not.

"I think that there was someone running around in a monkey suit but I think there was also something else running around, too," Hubbard said.

Hubbard describes the sightings as a couple of different events. He stated, a woman who made one of the sightings is a reliable witness; she saw something and her description is accurate.

"The description was seen as interesting from the standpoint, either someone went to a lot of trouble to learn the peculiarities of how one of these animals would walk or it is a genuine sighting," he said.

However, according to Hubbard, "Everybody that's seen this phenomenon, whatever it is, comes way short of what a Sasquatch or Bigfoot is in terms of size. There are some tracks and a plas-

ter cast has been made of a foot print."

Hubbard feels that after he has a chance to examine the casting he will be able to make a determination whether someone, "is playing games."

"I feel there are still some unanswered questions to sort out and I would be interested in talking to anyone that has new information," he said.

"I won't be displeased if this is found to be entirely a hoax, because this is an interesting way to begin a semester."

Hubbard can be reached at his campus phone number 789-4598.

Is large scale mining still a possibility in the Capital City? Only time will tell.

By ED SCHOENFELD
Special to the Whalesong

More than a century ago, a Tlingit chief hoping for trade showed two drunken prospectors a handful of gold-bearing gravel from a stream that runs through what is now downtown Juneau.

That event led to the development of a multi-million dollar mining industry that dominated the economy of Alaska's future capital city for more than 50 years.

For most Juneau residents, the local mining industry exists now only in museum displays and the rusty ruins that litter local parks and beaches.

But two and a half years ago, an internationally-backed resource development firm showed a strong interest in financing an attempt to reopen the mines. Exploration of the old mining properties has just begun. But if plans are followed through and certain economic factors turn out right, Juneau could once more become a mining town.

HISTORY

The city that became Juneau began with an influx of miners attracted by the discovery of gold in 1880. Early mining activities were small-scale operations, harvesting nuggets of gold-bearing rock from gravel taken out of streams or small pits.

But within a few years, the development of major gold mines had begun. Tunnels were drilled, mills erected and hundreds of workers employed.

Dozens of mines were started in what is known as the Juneau Gold Belt. But most of the activity centered around two major ore bodies. One, located near present-day downtown Juneau, provided ore for the Alaska-Juneau or A-J mine and the Alaska-Gastineau mine. The second ore body, located across the Gastineau Channel on Douglas Island, was the location of the Treadwell, Ready Bullion, and associated mines.

During more than half a century of operation, the mining industry dug up and processed more than \$150 million in gold. This, according to local historian David Stone, author of "Hard Rock Gold," made Juneau "the lode mining capital of the world."

The mines and related milling operations provided the industrial base for the growth of Juneau, Douglas, Treadwell, and Thane, four boom towns that eventually became the unified city and borough of Juneau.

But the big mines did not last forever.

The Treadwell mine was largely underground and located near the Gastineau Channel shoreline. The continual collapse of internal walls and ceilings resulted in a massive cave-in and flood, shutting down the mine in 1917.

The Alaska-Gastineau mine closed in 1921 when the gold content of its ore became too low to allow a profitable operation.

And inflation and a World War II labor shortage led to the shutdown of the A-J mine in 1944.

INTEREST

The closure of Juneau's gold mines did not signal an end of interest in mineral development in the area. A number of attempts were made to restart the mining industry until the combined A-J, Treadwell, and Alaska-Gastineau properties were sold to the Alaska Electric Light and Power Company and the City and Borough of Juneau in 1972.

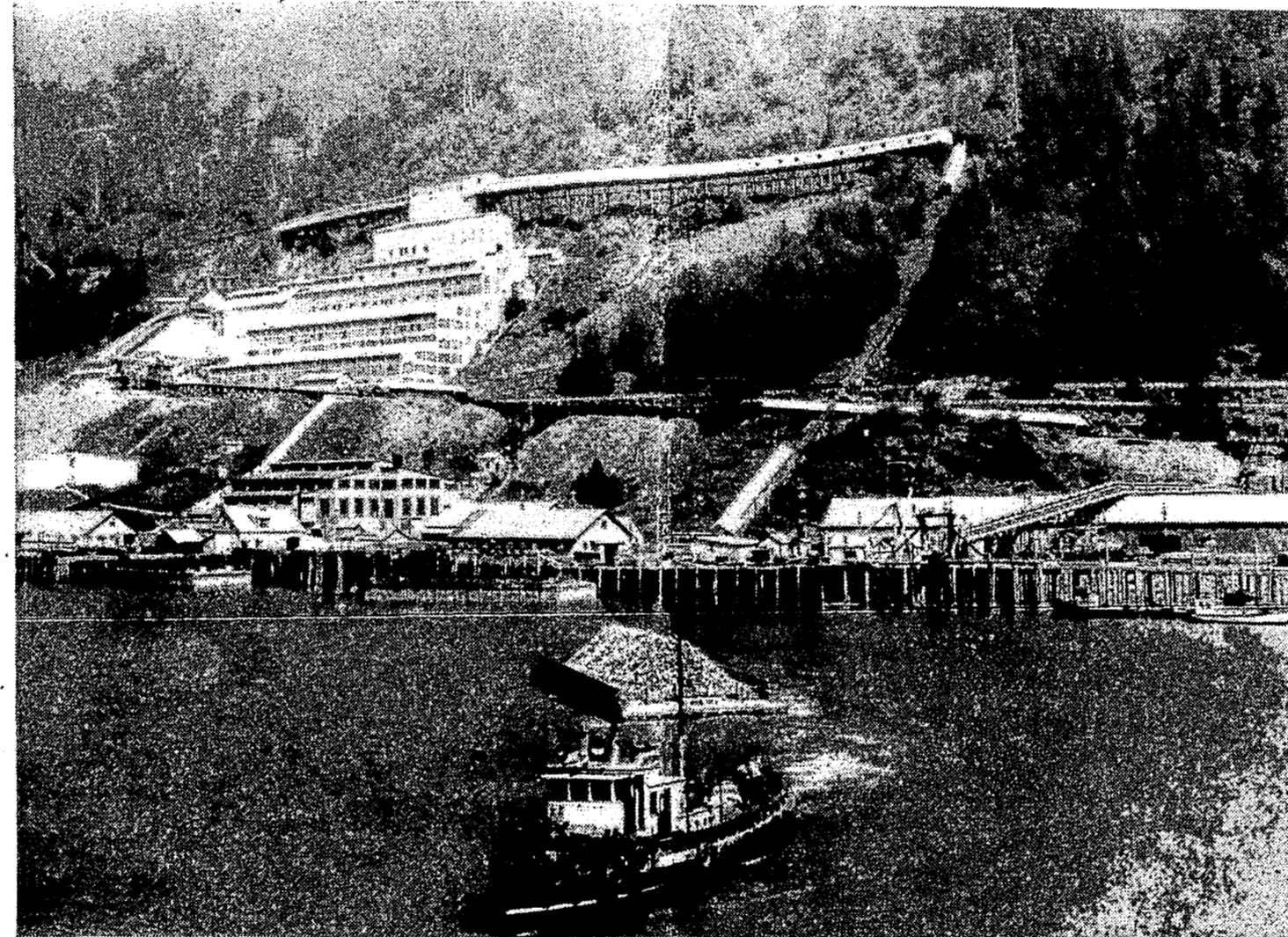
AEL and P took over ownership and operation of hydroelectric generating facilities that once powered the mines and the city-borough decided to use an old tunnel as an underground water reservoir. There were occasional inquiries into the potential for reopening the mines and even one attempt at exploration. But despite the fact that gold valued at \$50 million at a time when it sold for \$35 an ounce was known to remain

Whether Juneau's once-active gold mines will ever reopen is a question to be answered by those currently studying ore samples and the price of gold. According to one source, "Gold

in the A-J mine alone, there were few serious attempts to pursue recovery of the valuable ore.

In 1980 Juneau celebrated its centennial year and heritage as a mining town. Jubilant residents dressed up in turn-of-the-century outfits to dance at a miner's ball. And a variety of public and media events encouraged an awareness of the community's industrial past.

It seemed appropriate that three years later, after almost four decades of inactivity, serious discussion of reopening the mines began.



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Photo courtesy of Alaska Electric Light & Power.

LEASE CONTROVERSY

In the summer of 1983, city-borough and power company officials released news that they were negotiating a major lease agreement with a Canadian engineering firm interested in reopening the mines.

Capital city residents quickly learned that W.G.M., Incorporated, a subsidiary of the Toronto-based mining and engineering firm, Watts, Griffis, and McQuat, was interested in investigating the possible reopening of the

Nine picked to serve on board of UAAA-SE

Nine individuals have recently been elected to serve on the board of directors of the newly formed University of Alaska Alumni Association-Southeast (UAAA-SE).

Those elected include: William Allen, Candace Cloud-Perry, Zrinka Dzinich, Laraine Glenn, Donna Jones, Scott McPherson, Judy Mulnix, Darlene Wicks, and Rosemary Hagevig.

The alumni association was formally organized at a meeting held December 10 at the University of Alaska-Juneau, according to Michael Mulnix, assistant to

the chancellor at UAJ. The association was formed following a decision by the UA statewide alumni association to dissolve. Thus, instead of a single University of Alaska alumni group, each college and university campus now has the opportunity to develop its own alumni association.

UAAA-SE has been organized to serve all UAJ alumni as well as other alumni living in Southeast Alaska who attended classes or graduated from other University of Alaska campuses, Mulnix said. The only requirement for becoming a charter member of this new organization

is that an individual has completed at least one class at any of the University of Alaska campuses, has filled out an application and sent it to the Office of University Relations at UAJ, and has paid a \$10 annual membership fee.

Those joining the new association will receive a UAAA-SE lapel pin, a free "Whales" poster, and a wallet membership card which qualifies members to receive discounts on tickets to Whales basketball games.

For more information on UAAA-SE, contact Mulnix at 789-4525.

mines. The company, backed by an international development firm, Barrick Resources, spoke of an exploration process taking more than a decade and costing millions of dollars before any actual mining would begin.

In the fall of 1983, a lease agreement was reached among all parties and was awaiting final approval by Juneau's city-borough assembly. But some residents questioned terms of the lease, fearing that a quick resurrection of the local mining industry might destroy valued aspects of local life, lowering water quality, polluting the air, and tearing up popular recreation areas.

Those residents succeed in delaying the lease agreement until it could be examined by a citizen panel. An assembly-appointed committee studied the document, held public hearings, and came up with a series of recommended changes.

The city-borough assembly accepted some of the changes and entered final negotiations. And in the spring of 1984, a contract was signed.

In approving the lease, Juneau's assembly agreed that there was a need to draft a new mining ordinance to cover a number of the citizens concerns raised during public hearings.

Since last spring, a nine-member citizen committee has been working on such a law. In cooperation with the municipal planning department and a special consultant with experience in resource policy, the committee is creating regulations to plug gaps in existing local, state and federal law.

EXPLORATION

W.G.M. staff have spent the time since the signing of the lease investigating the mineral content of the A-J and Treadwell ore bodies. Much of that work involved researching what experts believe is an extremely accurate set of records from the two mines. Part of the work involved transferring the records from the mines into a computer so it

could be analyzed. Actual samples of gold-bearing ore were also taken and sent to mining laboratories for analysis.

Rick Fredericksen, the W.G.M. staff member in charge of investigating the information, said it will be some time before an estimate can be made about the chances for a successful reopening of the mines. He said material from the records' search and testing will soon be combined with information on the cost of opening and operating the mines and predictions about the future price of gold.

"We're trying to nail down costs," said Fredericksen. "We want to determine if it is economic to reopen the mines."

Fredericksen said it is much too early to make a statement about the chances of reopening one or all of Juneau's abandoned gold mines. But he admits there is "a feeling of mild optimism about the project."

A development beyond the research may have contributed to that optimism. Last summer, Echo Bay Mines, a Canadian resource development firm, joined Barrick as an investor in the project. And Oct. 30, Echo Bay bought out Barrick's interest in the lease agreement while retaining W.G.M. to continue investigating the mining properties. Echo Bay, based in Edmonton, is one of the largest and most successful gold mining companies in North America.

Whether Juneau's once-active gold mines will ever reopen is a question to be answered by those studying ore samples and the price of gold. And some Juneau residents, concerned about the environmental impacts of industrial development, hope resurrection of the gold mines will never take place.

But many residents look forwards to any chance for reactivation of the mines and the economic growth it would bring.

According to mining ordinance committee member Randy Wannamaker, "Gold is the industry that founded Juneau. If it happened here once, it can happen here again."

Whales drop two to top-seeded Lewis and Clark

By JEFF MILLER
Whalesong Sports Writer

The Whales, University of Alaska, Juneau's basketball team, dropped two games to league leading Lewis-Clark St. last Monday and Tuesday. Just back from a sun and surf six game road trip to Hawaii and California, the UAJ team may have been a little travel weary in losing 93-73 the first night and 93-81 the second.

Monday the Whales held an early eight point lead but trailed by five at halftime. Cold shooting and a generous defense from the Whales helped the Warriors of L-C St. to a 15 point advantage in the second half. Although the final margin was 20 points, the UAJ squad fought back at one time to within ten before having to foul and rush shots at the end. Steve Coleman led UAJ's offense with 23 points.

Tuesday night the Warriors showed why they lead the conference in field goal percentage by hitting 12 of their first 14 shots and shooting 71% for the first half. The Whales were down 16 points: 52-36. UAJ outscored L-C St. 45-41 in the last half, coming as close as seven to tie, but lost by twelve.

Pete Easaw led UAJ with 20 while Coleman added 19. Big Mike Mastelotto had 11 points and several blocked shots coming off the bench for the Whales.

HAWAII

The biggest opponent "mainland" teams have may be the islands themselves. Sun, sand, surf (and Waikiki Beach strip) are hard to beat. Hawaii Pacific College didn't need any edge as they are ranked by some polls #2 in the nation for NAIA division. With two seven footers (one at 285 lbs.) and 6 or 7 players at 6'5" or better, HPC dominated the smaller Whales in winning 115-63. UAJ got 17 from Malcolm Whitfield and 14 from Doug Daut.

BYU-Hawaii was not much smaller and although UAJ trailed by only seven at the half and stayed within 10 or 12 most of the second, the final was 96-73 BYU. UAJ got 22 from Steve Coleman on 9/12 shots. 4 of 4 from the line.

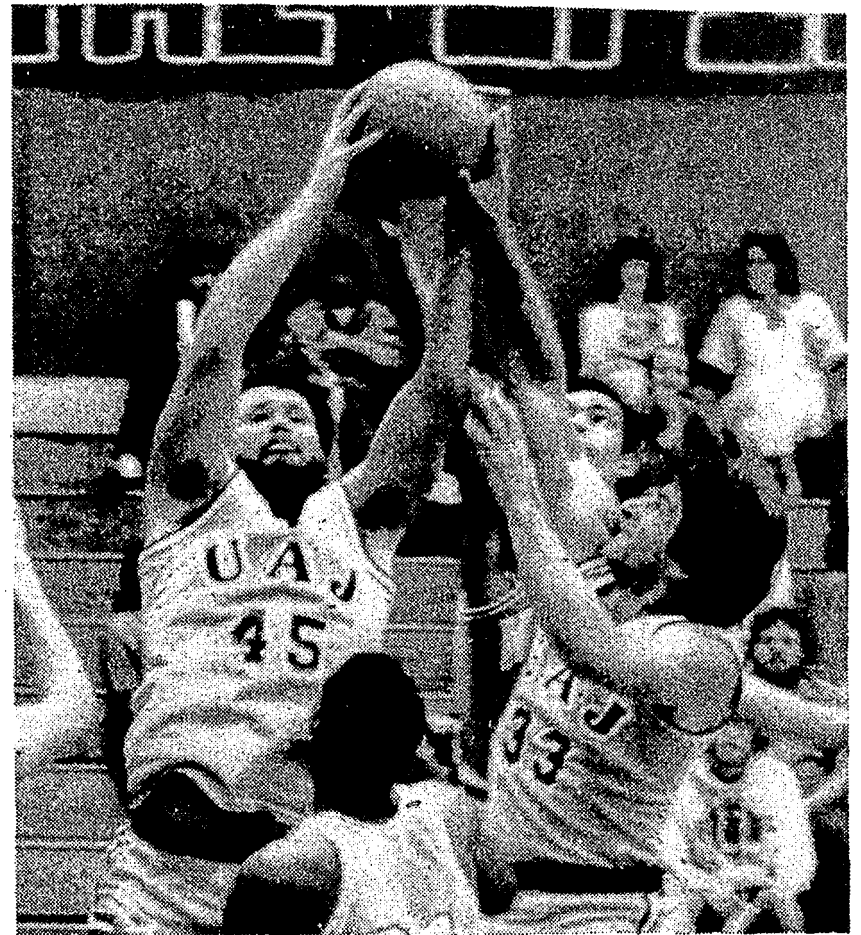
Hawaii-Loa was again taller than the Whales but not as talented. Mike Mastelotto came off the bench to spark the UAJ team to victory with 16 points. Daut had 21 and Coleman 15. The Whales controlled the boards by a 34 to 24 margin. Easaw, Coleman, and Whitfield--7 rebounds each. Loa tied it at 75-75 but the Whales pulled away in the final 3 minutes to win 90-82.

Hawaii-Hilo beat UAJ 98-77 before a crowd of 1,700 at Hilo Civic Center. UAJ was again in the game until the final minutes when Hilo put them away. The Whales were lead by Rick Beachum with 18 points. Rick was eight of 12 from the floor with several two-handed dunks. Coleman added 15. Mastelotto grabbed eight rebounds.

CALIFORNIA

The Whales won two in the "Golden State" which made them three and three for the entire trip. They beat University of California at Santa Cruz 72-63. UAJ had UCSC by ten at the half but could not add to their lead. Steve Coleman led UAJ with 19 points and Pete Easaw 18.

Bethany Bible College was as the Whales would be at HPC--overmatched. UAJ trounced BBC 133-79. Doug Daut led with 26, Jeff Miller had 25, Whitfield 18, Beachum 18, Lecharn Rawls 10. Everyone scored.



The Whales in Action.


Photo by Frank Wilson.

The Whales are now 7-10 on the season overall and 1-6 in conference play. In December they were three and three in a six game homestand that saw Northwest College of Kirkland, Wash., St. Martin's and Western Washington come to Juneau for two games each.

UAJ took two from Northwest, lost both to Western Wash., and split with St. Martin's. The Whales came from seven down at halftime in the second game with St. Martins to win going away 71-59. The scoring leaders were Easaw 15, Coleman 14 and Doug Daut 13. Tommie Wilson dished out six assists.

The first St. Martins game was a heartbreaker. The Whales fought back (after blowing a 10 point halftime lead) from a 10 point deficit with some three minutes left to one point with :10 seconds. In the final seconds of this "barn burner" the Whales had two good shots at winning but neither shot fell, leaving UAJ's last gasp rally a bucket short.

Final score: St. Martins 81, UAJ 80. Steve Coleman led the Whales with 15, Doug Daut had 13, and "Tyrone" Tom Wilson had 13 points with six assists. Pete "Gila" Easaw pulled in nine rebounds.

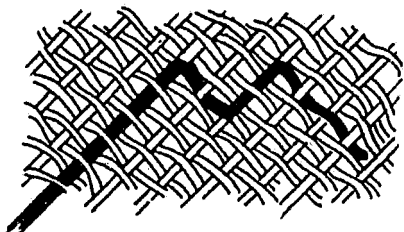


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"We Won't Pay" scores a hit at Perseverance Theatre

By JOLIE SASSEVILLE
Whalesong Drama Critic

Uproarious comedy may seem an unlikely mode for expressing political outrage or disgust over the social inequity in contemporary Italy, but "We Won't Pay, We Won't Pay," currently at Perseverance Theater serves up generous portions of laughter and enlightenment.

The play was written in 1974 by Italian playwright Dario Fo as a spoof of Italy's Communist Party and the imminent crisis Fo anticipated when the workers finally would refuse to pay the price of a government run by corrupt bureaucrats.

Bill C. Ray exhibits a rare talent for comedy in his role as Giovanni, an assembly line worker in Milano. This hapless man with his moralistic ranting and arm-waving barely gives the audience time to catch their breath before the next burst of hilarity.

Giovanni's wife, Antonia, is played with appropriate Latin gusto by Debby Holbrook. The play opens as Antonia comes home with the groceries. We soon learn the origins of these ill-gotten goods, and from there a series of mis-begotten adventures begins.

Hungry as Giovanni may be, he would not hear of eating food he had not paid for, nor of his wife joining forces with the radical "provocateurs" who take the law into their own hands by striking and looting.

He fiercely believes the system will work to eliminate injustice and to meet the needs of the people.

Giovanni has swallowed the Party's propaganda just as he swallows his wife's story about bird seed soup for dinner and their neighbor Margherita's sudden pregnancy. If this is beginning to sound at all confusing, you can imagine how poor Giovanni feels when faced with police at his door, no food on his plate, and an

hysterical woman in premature labor on his bed!

Ray and Holbrook are joined by Lisa Weissler as Margherita, Steve Slater as her husband, Luigi, and Jack Cannon as the many faces of authority in this slapstick comedy.

Kate Bowns directed, smoothly implementing R.G. Davis' North American version of the play, with its adaptations for the American audience.

"We Won't Pay, We Won't Pay," is as much a comedy about domestic confusion as about political unrest. We see that when lies cover unpleasant truths, all parties are driven further from understanding those truths.

The situation on stage is pregnant with the seeds of change. Fo light-heartedly reminds us that righteous indignation is an ineffectual impostor for inherent dignity.

"We Won't Pay" continues with performances at Perseverance Theater each weekend through Feb. 2.

New Directions: an exhibit of contrasts, exotic images

By JOLIE SASSEVILLE
Whalesong Staff Reporter

"New Directions: California Painting 1985" represents the works of 35 contemporary California artists in this exhibit on view at the Alaska State Museum until March 2.

Lush colors and images of exotic flowers and skies bespeak a familiarity with sunshine and sultry warmth which an Alaskan artist might find alien and would be unlikely to express.

This regional association is one of few similarities among these works. The show is an eclectic mixture of "ism's," encompassing elements of expressionism,

symbolism, and surrealism.

This is an exhibit of contrasts, from Amy Sollins' light, airy "Merrythought" to the sharp anguish of "Calla Negra," an aluminum and mixed media construction by Jacqueline Dreager.

Pamela Hammond, curator of this exhibit, will speak in Juneau at the State Museum on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

"Quite simply," Hammond writes in the exhibit catalog, "stylistically, directions are varied, conceptual choices are numerous, and change has lost its punch."

Once the avante-garde becomes accepted by the majority, Hammond writes, it loses its impact. Therefore, contemporary

artists are viewing and interpreting the world in new ways; "deconstructing to reconstruct" and replacing "the new" with renewal.

Each of the artists in this exhibit express this renewal in their unique interpretations and personalized execution of their artistic orientations.

The exhibit was organized through the Coordinated Exhibits program, which brings current art to Alaska from important art centers in the lower '48 as well as internationally. The State Museum established the Coordinated Exhibits Program in cooperation with the Visual Arts Center of Alaska in Anchorage and the Fairbanks Art Association in Fairbanks.

FYI

Linda Rosenthal, with three of her musical friends, have set the stage for an afternoon of extraordinary music, Feb. 9, at the Alaska State Museum. The stringed and woodwind performance, with an accent on chamber music, opens with refreshments at 2 p.m.; the music flows at 3.

The Rosenthal and Friends performance is a continuation of a series of Sunday afternoon concerts at the museum begun last year. Joining the University of Alaska-Juneau violinist for the first performance of this year will be Paul Rosenthal with his violin; Mel Flood and his flute; David Austin playing the cello and Sue Kazama on the piano.

In addition to chamber violin literature, the artists will mix and match for solo and duet performances.

Admission is \$15 or \$10 for students and senior citizens and are available at the door. Rosenthal and Friends is sponsored by the the University of Alaska-Juneau, Friends of the Museum, and Alaska Arts Southeast provided assistance for artists travel.

The Juneau Arts and Humanities Council will hold its annual auction at Centennial Hall, Saturday, February 1.

Those interested may preview the art objects beginning at 6 p.m. The auction itself begins at 8 p.m.

Admission is \$5.

In addition to the sale of quality objects d'art, various "experiences" will also be sold, according to spokesman Rick Bundy.

Need more information? Call the Juneau Arts and Humanities Council office.

A basic first aid class will be held Wednesday, Feb. 5, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Whitehead Building, Room 203, on the Auke Lake campus.

It is recommended that interested people take the CPR class prior to taking this course. CPR will be offered Wednesday, Jan. 29. Completing both the CPR and the first aid class will entitle an individual to an OSHA basic first aid card. For more information, contact Jane Albee at x560.

What you should know about AIDS. Barbara Krugier, a public health nurse, will give a talk on AIDS, what is it, how to decrease your risk, and how to deal with concerns about it.

Be informed! Come to the Whitehead Building, Room 203, on Feb. 4, from noon to 1 p.m.

Students leaders. . . .

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USUAJ's lobby efforts sent that bill out of the Finance Committee back to the originating committee, Health, Education and Social Services. The proposals of the Post-Secondary Education Commission also face a majority opposition from the students.

USUAJ did support the local hire bill and requested funds for the legislative intern program.

United Campuses of Alaska (UCA), the sponsoring organization, was formed out of the remains of a six-year-old student organization at a meeting in Anchorage last Nov. This new group is set up to be an informational network among all of the public schools in Alaska.

Smith said that the group is still reacting to the funding crisis that has faced all of the state supported schools for the past two years. Cutbacks last year were 10 percent more than the year before and Smith's best forecast for next year is flat funding. This is in effect a reduction of the available funds in the face of rising energy and maintenance costs.

Primary focus for UCA, according to Smith, is to function as an informed and outspoken connection between the students and those bodies that hold a controlling edge in the university system--the Board of Regents, the PostSecondary Education Board, and the Legislature.

Previously missing from policy

decisions was a significant roll for the students. Instead, Smith feels was a lack of understanding about who the students were and their needs and interests.

The UCA is still in its formative stage and its goals are very specific. They will hold an open teleconference on Jan. 27 with school representatives around the state. The purpose is to propose modifications and/or alternatives to HB 161 before the house HESS committee discusses the bill on the 28th.

Still in front of UCA is the ratification of their charter in Feb. and developing a selection process for representation in the future in order to insure UCA's growth and stability.

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"Any decision to change the status of a community college or four year college will be made by the Board of Regents, not the Legislature and most of all, not me," she wrote. "Changing UAJ's status is not my issue or cause. Responsible expenditure of public dollars is."

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down at the physical plant. I wouldn't mind seeing a tad more sand though, please?

Glen R. Grove
Student

Delta Steamers begin statewide Alaska tour

The Delta Steamers, a swinging jazz and blues five-man band, will blend their musical talents with comedy at Centennial Hall on Thursday, Jan. 30, at 7:30 p.m. This band, with lead vocalist and banjoist Greg Mowris, is not just content to play music, but offers a memorable evening of entertainment through the history of the music they play: reminiscing the songs many people knew while growing up.

The Delta Steamers are a part of 1985-86 Arts Alaska's STARoster, the Statewide Touring Arts Roster, funded in part by the Alaska State Council on the Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts, Arts Alaska's pARTners, and support from CHEVRON, USA.

Campus daycare: the debate continues

By CHRIS DEAGEN
Whalesong Staff Reporter

On campus daycare is still a hot topic which is not resolved. Judy Mangold, a student and mother, is spearheading an effort to get daycare at the University of Alaska-Juneau.

Mangold hopes to open up daycare by next fall '86. Her vision is to take her kids to a daycare and have her children learn while she's learning. Mangold says Jim Dumont, director of athletics and student services, has been supportive, yet the responsibility is in the hands of students.

Mangold has stated student government has not been helpful as far as distributing questionnaires to the student body.

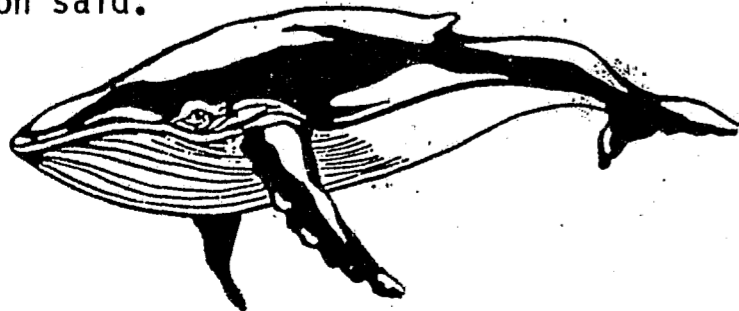
The administration at UAJ is offering support, yet the responsibility again is in the hands of students. Chancellor Michael Paradise is looking at suggested daycare facilities and hopes to find one by next month.

Dr. Beverly Beeton, vice-chancellor of academic affairs, spoke for the chancellor who was out of town.

"The chancellor has looked at a number of sites suggested by students. Bob Green, acting vice-chancellor for administrative services, is helping to look at the different possibilities," Beeton said.

Mangold, in an effort to organize students has asked us to print her address and phone number so students in need of daycare can organize:

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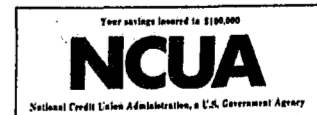
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