

Eagle Totem Campaign Accepts Goldbelt Donation

Goldbelt Incorporated has presented a check for \$5,000 to the University of Alaska Southeast Eagle Totem Campaign. To date the campaign has raised \$140,917, including Sealaska's \$40,000 in-kind donation of the red cedar log. The Eagle Totem project is to erect a pole on the UAS Juneau campus to provide balance with an existing Raven pole. The fundraising effort is being led by the student Wooch.een club.

A raising ceremony for the Eagle Totem will take place in the UAS Courtyard, Auke Lake Campus on Saturday, April 24, between 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. The event will include a dance and remarks by Haida carvers Joe and TJ Young, a catered reception and dance performances by several local dance groups.



March 10, 2010, Presentation of \$5000 from Goldbelt Corporation to UAS Eagle Totem Campaign. (L to R): Gary Droubay (Goldbelt President & CEO), Joe Kahklen (Goldbelt board member), Wooch.een Chair Ralph Wolfe, Wooch.een Council Members Charles McKenry Jr., Crystal Rogers, Davina Cole, Native and Rural Student Center Coordinator Kolene James, Chancellor John Pugh, PITAAS Director Jacque Tagaban, UAS Admissions Director Joe Nelson

Eagle Totem Campaign Donations include:

\$43,100	Sealaska Corporation (includes \$40,000 in-kind donation of the log)
\$25,000	The Rasmuson Foundation
\$14,300	Wooch.een/UAS Native Student Club
\$10,520	UAS Faculty & Staff
\$5,000	UAS Alumni Association
\$5,000	Goldbelt Inc.
\$2,500	First National Bank Alaska
\$1,000	Elgee Rehfeld Mertz LLC
\$1,000	Huna Heritage Foundation

Gayle Hammons Golden Gift

Gayle Hammons, Adjunct Faculty in the English Department for the Sitka Campus, has been awarded the Golden Gift, from Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, which now has 17 member countries.

"The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International" is a professional honorary society of women educators. The Society promotes professional and personal growth of its members and excellence in education.

Established in 1929, Delta Kappa Gamma has attained major objectives in improving opportunities for qualified women employed at every level of education as well as in advancing the status of women educators.

Membership is by invitation and is extended to those women educators whose distinguished contributions and achievements in the field of education and to their communities are identified as outstanding.

Every two years, the society offers the Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar, a leadership/management/communications two-week training seminar, and interested members must apply for one of 30 spots available. Consideration is based on experience, awards, society and community involvement, and society and community leadership. Two recommendations are necessary, and a personal essay is also required.

This is one of the most sought-after scholarships in the Society, and participants are pledging a life-time commitment to the Society with acceptance of this scholarship/gift. It is worth about \$5000, as all travel, housing, and meals are provided to the lucky 30 women. The seminar will be held in Austin, Texas, the home of the Society, for two weeks beginning at the end of June, before the International Convention, to be held in Spokane, Washington this year. Gayle has been a member of Iota Chapter in Sitka since 1995.



Gayle Hammons

Gladhart Article Published

The Journal of Postsecondary Education and Disability (JPED), the journal publication of AHEAD (Association on Higher Education and Disability) recently published an article by Marsha Gladhart, PhD (School of Education), *Determining Faculty Needs for Delivering Accessible Electronically Delivered Instruction for Higher Education.*

Students Recognized for Accomplishments During National Student Exchange

March 11 two former National Student Exchange students at the University of Alaska Southeast received Student Achievement Awards at an annual NSE conference in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Lacie Richardson and Keith Underkoffler are winners of the Bette Worley NSE Student Achievement Award. The award recognizes students who demonstrate the best use of their participation in the National Student Exchange.



Lacie Richardson

Underkoffler and Richardson were on exchange during the academic year 2008-2009 from Iowa State University and Western State College in Colorado (respectively) to the University of Alaska Southeast. The winners were selected from among the nearly 3000 students who participated in NSE for the 2008-20089 exchange year. They are receiving cash awards of \$500 each.



Keith Underkoffler

able to accomplish, and I am honored that NSE chose to recognize my achievements with the Bette Worley Student Achievement Award."

Keith became involved with Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) and set up a project that would address energy/cost issues in rural Alaska. The project resulted in furnishing every home in the rural town of Port Alexander with 5 CFL bulbs, which are estimated to reduce energy bills by as much as 15%. Keith was able to facilitate distribution and a collection center that will ensure the bulbs are disposed of in a safe manner.

Keith completed an intensive study on the culture of the

Tlingit people, who welcomed him into their lives by sharing many stories and inviting him to their rituals and ceremonies. As a result, he was invited to present his project at the annual meeting of the Alaska Anthropology Association (AAA) in Juneau.

In addition to those projects, Keith was accepted for an internship program that allows students to work as full-time employees in the Alaska State Legislature in the office of a State legislator.

Lacie Richardson rallied English professors and a handful of interested students to form the Beatniks English club. Soon after that, monthly open mic nights organized by the Beatniks became the hot place to be, allowing artists from all over Juneau to get involved with UAS.

Lacie was the UAS representative to the 2009 Republican Convention commemorating Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday. In addition, she became involved in an on-going debate over bike lanes along Egan Drive. She took full advantage of the wilderness in Alaska through skiing, sea kayaking, backpacking, snowshoeing, fly-fishing and camping.

"The National Student Exchange honor is the first thing I've ever won," said Richardson. "It's pretty awesome to win an award for something I had so much fun doing!"

The National Student Exchange (NSE) provides exchange/study opportunities at a reasonable cost among member colleges and universities across the United States and Canada. Students can spend up to one year at another college or university without having to pay non-resident tuition. NSE provides a network of colleges and universities through which students have access to resources otherwise not available at the home campus and provides an opportunity to experience living in a different environment.

Gala Mardi Gras Celebration Marks Provost Roberta Stell's 40+ Years With the University



The guest of honor at the March 6, 2010 celebration, Dr. Roberta Stell. Stell was roasted and toasted on her years since UA-Juneau days.