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Third Annual UA Academy Focuses on How University Addresses State Needs

Brian Rogers, chair of the University of Alaska Board of Regents, will keynote the third annual University of Alaska Academy which will feature three days of presentations by university faculty on programs designed to meet high-priority state needs.

Rogers will speak during a noon luncheon on Tuesday, Feb. 4, in the ballroom of the Captain Cook Hotel in Anchorage where all sessions of the Academy will be held. Sessions will begin each day at 8 a. m. and end at 4:30 p. m.

Attending the Academy will be about 140 university faculty and administrators. Regents, legislators, state commissioners and other government, industry and community leaders have also been invited to participate.

Last year's academy featured state leaders presenting their ideas for how the university could better meet Alaska's needs in areas such as health care, education, humanities, natural resource development, communications and information technology, transportation and construction/engineering. This year university faculty will make presentations on university programs designed to meet state needs in each of the identified areas.

More information may be found at the UA Academy web site at <http://www.alaska.edu/academy>

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The three-day agenda follows:

February 4, 2003

8:00 – 8:15

- Opening Remarks

Ballroom – Plenary Session

Mark Hamilton

8:15 – 8:45

- The Hex Program: NASA and UA Partnership

Ballroom – Plenary Session

Mark Conde and Roger Smith

8:45 – 10:15 Education**Ballroom – Plenary Session**

- Introduction John Pugh
- Distance Education and Instruction: An Investigation of Impact and Success Lynne Schrum / Jason Ohler
- Statewide Educational Leadership Program John Monahan
- Implementation of High Stakes Testing in Alaska Jerry McBeath / Maria Elena Reyes
- Improving K-8 Mathematics Teaching in Alaska: A Statewide Partnership Larry Foster / Deborah Narang / Jan Parmelee

10:15 – 10:30 BREAK**10:30 – 12:00 Construction and Information Technology Ballroom – Plenary Session**

- Introduction Lee Gorsuch
- Building Project Management Education and Training Capacity for the Pacific Rim Region Jang Ra / David Haugen / Roger Hull / Ken Moss / Maynard Tapp
- Volcanoes as Stepping Stones in the North Pacific John Eichelberger
- The Geographic Information Network of Alaska (GINA): An Integrated System-Wide Approach to Data Services Buck Sharpton
- Capstone Safety Initiative in Partnership with Industry and Government Leonard Kirk

12:00 – 1:30 Lunch**Ballroom****1:30 – 3:30 Business Development****Ballroom – Plenary Session**

- Introduction Jim Collins
- Transportation, Logistics, and Global Supply Chain Management – Alaska's Next Steps Thomas Case
- Small Business Development Center Jan Fredericks / Jean Wall
- Alaska and North Slope Natural Gas: Development Issues and U.S. and Canadian Implications Doug Reynolds
- Consortium model of Industry, Labor, and Education partnership for a process industry sector focus on worker need assessment, standard setting, and curriculum development H.R. "Ky" Holland
- Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP) Herb Schroeder

3:30 – 3:45 BREAK

3:45 - 5:00 Breakouts

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| • Education | Aft Deck |
| • Construction and Information Technology | Endeavor Room |
| • Business Development | Adventure Room |

February 5, 2003

8:30 – 10:15 Natural Resources

Ballroom - Plenary

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| • Introduction | Craig Dorman |
| • Climate Change in Alaska: Detection and Assessment Activities at UAF | John Walsh |
| • Partnerships in Natural Resource Management | D. Brad Griffith / Stephen Murphy |
| • Regional Resilience and Adaptation Graduate Studies at the University of Alaska: UAF's New IGERT Program | Gary Kofinas / Terry Chapin |
| • Study of Transportation of GTL – Products from ANS to Markets | Godwin Chukwu / Sharish Patil |
| • Partnerships between the University of Alaska Fairbanks and Industry and Government, to address Alaska's Marine Needs | George Hocutt |

10:15 – 10:30 BREAK

10:30 – 12:00 Health & Human Services

Ballroom - Plenary

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| • Introduction | Karen Perdue |
| • CANHR, etc | Jerry Mohatt |
| • Expanding Enrollments to Meet State Needs for Registered Nurses: Partnership in Action | Jaquie Pflaum |
| • Out of the Ivory Tower: Distance Delivery of Professional Social Work Education in Alaska | Randy Magen / Judy Shepherd |
| • Alaska Small Public Water System Training and Technical Assistance Center | John Carnegie / Craig Woolard |

12:10 – 1:15 Lunch

Ballroom

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| • Commonwealth North
The University of Alaska: A key to Alaska's future, A time for ALL to invest | Duane Heyman / Steven Rieger / Jonathan Kumin |
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1:15 – 3:00 Arts & Humanities

Ballroom - Plenary

- Introduction Phylis Morrow
- Knowles Administration Interviews: A Glimpse at the Recent Past – With a Hopeful Eye Toward the Future Paul McCarthy / Charles Fedullo / David Donaldson
- Writing Alaska’s Future: The Role of English Studies in a Thriving Alaska Daniel Kline / Jeannie Babb
- The Edward Albee Last Frontier Theatre Conference: An Exemplary Partnership Between the University, Business and Industry Jo Ann McDowell
- Developing Ethics Resources for the Community James Liska / Tom Buller / Jennifer Everett
- Mission Incredible: Engaging Communities Through the Art of Music Scott Deal

3:00 – 3:15 BREAK

3:15 - 4:30 Breakouts

- Natural Resources Endeavor Room
- Health and Human Resources Aft Deck
- Arts and Humanities Adventure Room

February 6, 2003

8:15 – 8:45 Opening Remarks

Ballroom - Plenary

8:45 – 10:10 Rural Alaska

Ballroom - Plenary

- Introduction Marshall Lind
- CRA Responds to the Health Training Needs of Rural Alaska Larry Roberts / Janet Schichnes
- Sea Gull Egg Contaminants Research: A Partnership with Rural Alaska Dolly Garza / Lianna Jack
- Research in the UAS Department of Natural Sciences Cathy Connor / Sherry Tamone
- PITAS: Preparing Indigenous Teachers for Alaska Schools Rhonda Hickok

10:10 – 10:30 BREAK

10:30 – 12:00 Breakout

- Rural Alaska Aft Deck

12:00 – 1:30 Lunch

Ballroom

- Next Steps / Wrap Up Mark Hamilton

1:30 – 5:00 Open Meeting Space