

Announcements:

The Office of Rural, Community and Native Education announces the call for nominations for the [2011 Margaret \(Peggy\) Wood Award](#). The deadline for receiving nomination letters is April 25, 2011. The award recognizes outstanding staff working with rural students throughout the College of Rural and Community Development. The award is open to all staff at Bristol Bay Campus, Chukchi Campus, Interior-Aleutians Campus, Kuskokwim Campus, Northwest Campus and the UAF Community and Technical College.

Our next **Brown Bag Tour** will be on April 21st from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. We will tour the International Arctic Research Center, headquarters for scientists studying arctic and global climate. There will be a hands on demonstration of a Touch-Table Google Earth and Art Globe Demonstration and we will see a panoramic view of the Tanana Valley from the fifth floor conference room. We will meet in the Akasofu Building lobby. This is a tour you do not want to miss.

2011 Staff Council Meeting Schedule:

March 23rd

April 20th

May 18th

June 22nd

Meetings are held
in the Wood Cen-
ter Carol Brown
Ballroom and
begin at 8:45 a.m.
unless
otherwise
announced.

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Due to the drastic changes to our [UAF Health Plan](#), all employees must fill out a new enrollment form this year during the open enrollment period. The open enrollment period will begin April 15th and go to May 16th.

Items covered in the March Staff Council Meeting:

- Among the resolutions passed was one in support of the motion by Staff Alliance requesting that non-represented staff be allowed two opportunities per fiscal year to cash in up to forty hours of annual leave for a total of eighty hours per year.
- Megan Damario and Annette Freiburger presented the annual [Employee Giving Initiative](#), encouraging us to support the University program of our choice through payroll deduction.
- Gary Newman of the Master Planning Committee announced construction has begun on the [Life Sciences Facility](#). Be on the lookout for new traffic patterns and detours.

Open Health Care Forums with Mike Humphrey

April 12 - Wood Center Room E/F, 12-1 p.m.
April 14 - CTC Room 119, 3:45-4:45 p.m.
April 14 - Globe Room, GI Elvey Bldg, 2-3pm
April 15 - Globe Room, GI Elvey Bldg, 2-3 pm
April 18 - IARC Room 401, 10-11 am
April 19 - IARC Room 401, 10-11 am

Flyers to download, audio conference info and contact info for these upcoming meetings can be found on the [UAF Staff Council](#) website.

Mike Humphrey attended the meeting and talked about the decisions the administration has had to make regarding our health care plan.

Talk to your Staff Council Representatives. They want to know what you think. They work hard for you. [UAF Staff Council](#) is your voice.

UAF Staff Council meetings are open to the public. Public comments are scheduled at 8:50am for every meeting. All meetings are held at the Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom.

All meetings are audio conferenced.