

# Alaska Anthropological Association Newsletter

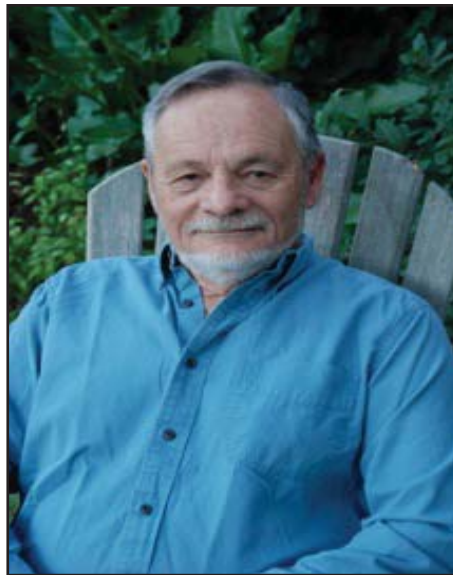


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## **BRIAN FAGAN IS COMING TO TOWN!**

The banquet speaker for the meetings in Anchorage will be Brian Fagan, Professor Emeritus of the University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB), and well known author of numerous books of interest to academics as well as the general public.



**Photograph by Leslie Newhart**

Dr. Fagan will also be giving a public lecture on March 25, 2010, at the Wendy Williamson Auditorium on the University of Alaska Anchorage campus at 7:00 pm, thanks to the sponsorship of College of Arts and Sciences at UAA.

Professor Fagan has the rare ability to tell exciting, factual stories about a wide variety of topics, including climate, floods, famines, food, and ancient civilizations. He is considered to be an expert in communicating archaeology to students and general audiences. As an undergraduate at UCSB during his earliest years of teaching there, I witnessed his dynamic style of lecturing. He walked the aisles of an enormous lecture hall and stopped in front of individual students to address them personally. Everyone came prepared and nobody ever fell asleep in Dr. Fagan's Anthropology 103 class (Ed. note).

**37th Annual Meeting  
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## Archaeological Collections Seminar at 2010 Meetings

Monty Rogers

Alaska Anthropological Association Board

A seminar at the 2010 Meeting of the Alaska Anthropological Association will examine current issues with archaeological collections. The Archaeological Collections Seminar will consist of a few presentations, general discussion, and possibly a hands-on lab focusing on labeling and packaging methods. Topics of discussion include, but are not limited to:

1. common problems with incoming collections that museums encounter and potential solutions to these problems;
2. differences between proper curation supplies and substandard ones (i.e. white-out and fingernail polish);
3. museums and repositories in Alaska;
4. addressing artifact and sample collection in research designs; and
5. faunal collections and curation (this will be coordinated with the curation discussions at the zooarchaeology sessions).

The date and time for the seminar are not finalized yet. There will be no sign up fees and registration will not be required to attend the Archaeological Collections Seminar. If anyone has suggestions for other topics to address or if you have questions, please contact Monty Rogers (mjr@lavabit.com).

*Have a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year*



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*The purpose of the Alaska Anthropological Association is to serve as a vehicle for maintaining communication among people interested in all branches of anthropology; to promote public awareness and education of anthropological activities and goals; to foster sympathetic appreciation of the past and present cultures of Alaskan peoples; to encourage Alaskan Natives to participate in the elucidation of their respective cultures; and to facilitate the dissemination of anthropological works in both technical and non-technical formats. Membership is open to any individual or organization indicating interest and concern for the discipline of anthropology. The Association holds its annual meeting during March or April of each year and generally publishes four newsletters each year.*

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**Friday Banquet** (March 26, 2010) Speaker: Brian Fagan  
Cost: \$34.00 (mark your meal selection)

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**PUBLICATIONS 2009-2010**

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<b>Aurora Monograph Series</b>			
When Our Bad Season Comes by Ann Fienup-Riordan	\$28.00	\$22.40	____/\$____
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**ALASKA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL ELECTIONS**

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**

There are two Board seats up for election. Each member is allowed to copy this form **once** to cast a vote. Please cast your vote for **two** candidates for the Board positions. Biographies for Board nominees are on the following page. Please return this form no later than **March 1, 2010**.

**BOARD**

Joan Dale \_\_\_\_\_

Karlene Leeper \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (write-in) \_\_\_\_\_

**Current President and Board Members:** Aron Crowell (President); Joan Dale, Karlene Leeper, Dan Monteith, Monty Rogers, and Amy Steffian. Joan Dale and Karlene Leeper have each served one term and are eligible for a second.

**Instructions for mailing:**

Copy this sheet, vote for Board members, and then mail to the Elections Committee in a stamped envelope.

**Elections Committee  
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## Biographies for Board Nominees

### **Joan Dale (Current Board Member)**

I have been working in archaeology for the past 28 years, starting as a field assistant on a salvage excavation at Fisherman Lake in the Northwest Territories, Canada. I received my MA in Anthropology from the University of Alaska Fairbanks in 1980, and most of my experiences have been in CRM. Since May 1987, I have worked for the Office of History and Archaeology. Many of you may know me as the keeper of the Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (AHRS). I have seen the changing nature of archaeological work in Alaska from a more research oriented focus to a more CRM focus. I am active in public outreach, and was one of the founding members of the AAA Public Education Group. Public outreach, one of the main missions of the AAA, needs to be brought to the forefront by the organization. I have experience in working with non-profits and have served as Secretary and President of Willow Crest Elementary PTA.

### **Karlene Leeper (Current Board Member)**

I am currently employed with the US Air Force, 611th Air Support Group (611 ASG) as an archaeologist and cultural resources manager. The 611 ASG manages remote radar stations and air stations throughout the state of Alaska. I previously worked as an archaeologist for the National Park Service throughout the parks and preserves of Alaska. Having been so lucky to work in virtually all parts of the state, I am a genuine geographic generalist. I was schooled in the northeastern United States, where I earned a MA in Anthropology at Binghamton University. Because I have been active in many regions and many communities, I have always encouraged local residents to record and preserve histories of their own localities and memories. More and more, I have been presented with opportunities to share archaeology and issues of heritage resources management with diverse audiences throughout Alaska, at remote US Air Force sites, in villages and rural settings and among military and civilian audiences in the cities. I enjoy sharing some of the challenges and issues of rural Alaska work and cultures with colleagues from around the United States. I would enjoy serving on the board to advocate for sharing heritage and anthropology education concerns with diverse publics and our professional community through many possible and creative means.

## All Sorts of Reminders.....

**ALL MEMBERS:** The only form which is not available on-line is the official ballot (page 6). Please remember to vote and mail in your ballot. It is hard to change gears, but please remember to register for the meetings and renew your membership on-line. For anybody who is unable to access the on-line forms, we have provided registration and membership forms in this newsletter for your convenience. Please print these forms and submit via US mail only as a final option. *This reminder brought to you by Treasurer, Rita Eagle.*

**STUDENT MEMBERS:** Every year the Association offers three students scholarships and two student paper awards. Go to <http://www.alaskaanthropology.org/index.cfm> and navigate to Awards & Scholarships for all information. There is also an Alaska Consortium of Zooarchaeologists (ACZ) student scholarship that can be accessed at <http://www.akzooarch.org/news.html>. **All of these awards have deadlines in February**, so mark your calendar now. *This reminder brought to you by your mother.*

**SYMPOSIUM ORGANIZERS AND PAPER PRESENTERS:** Please visit the Alaska Consortium of Zooarchaeologists web page ([www.akzooarch.org/](http://www.akzooarch.org/)) and click on the aaa 2010 tab for forms to submit to the conference organizers. **Deadline for symposium submission forms is December 30 and the deadline for paper abstracts is January 30.** *This reminder brought to you by your intrepid meeting organizers.*

**MEMBERS INTERESTED IN OLD BOARD MEETING MINUTES:** Board Meeting minutes will no longer be published in the newsletter. You can view them on-line at <http://www.alaskaanthropology.org/index.cfm> and then to "About Us" and "Association Officers and Board Meetings." *This reminder brought to you by your friends at Trivial Pursuits for Your Spare Time.*

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## Recent Publications of Interest

*Richard Stern, Northern Land Use Research*

The purpose of this column is to bring recent publications in the field of Alaska anthropology to the attention of newsletter readers. Anthropology is defined broadly to include the traditional four field approach to the subject matter. The Alaska region is similarly broadly defined to include Alaska, neighboring Canada, the Northwest Coast, Siberia, and more generally, the circumpolar North. Publications include published books, journal articles, web pages, unpublished reports ("grey literature"), or other information that may be of interest. Readers are urged to share publications which come to their attention with this column's compiler. The electronic format of the *aaa* Newsletter allows for inexpensive dissemination of this information. Richard Stern (DStern8107@aol.com)

Betts, Matthew W.

2008 Subsistence and Culture in the Western Canadian Arctic: A Multicontextual Approach. Mercury Series, Paper no. 169. Canadian National Museum of Civilization, Ottawa, Ontario. (paper, 298 pages)

Braund, Stephen R. and Jack Kruse, editors

2009 Synthesis: Three Decades of Research on Socioeconomic Effects Related to Offshore Petroleum Development in Coastal Alaska. OCS Study MMS 2009-006. USDO, Minerals Management Service, Alaska OCS Region, Anchorage, AK. (paper or CD-ROM available from MMS, or downloadable from website at [www.mms.gov/alaska/ref/akpubs.htm](http://www.mms.gov/alaska/ref/akpubs.htm))

Enk, J. M., David R. Yesner, K. J. Crossen, Douglas W. Veltre and D. H. O'Rourke

2009 Phylogeographic analysis of the mid-Holocene Mammoth from Qagnax Cave, St. Paul Island, Alaska. *Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology* 273:(1/2)184-190.

Fall, James A., David Koster and Michael Turek

2009 Estimates of Subsistence Harvests of Pacific Halibut in Kodiak and Sitka, Alaska, 2006. Special Publication 2009-06. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Anchorage, AK.

Frink, Lisa M.

2009 The Social Role of Technology in Coastal Alaska. *International Journal of Historical Archaeology* 13:282-302.

Haakanson, Sven Jr. and Amy Steffian

2009 *Giinaquq: Like A Face*. University of Alaska Press, Fairbanks, AK. (\$26.95, paper, 272 pps, color, maps, notes, index; ISBN 978-1-60223-049-1)

Kiriyak (Dikova), Margarita Aleksandrovna

2007 *Early Art of the Northern Far East: The Stone Age* [translation from Russian *Drevnee iskusstvo Severa Dal'nego Vostok kak istoricheskii istochnik (Kamennyi vek)* (Magadan: SV KNII SO RAN, 2003). Translated by R. L. Bland. USDO, National Park Service, Shared Beringian Heritage Program, Anchorage, AK. (313 pps.)

MacDonald, S.O. and Joseph A. Cook

2009 *Recent Mammals of Alaska*. University of Alaska Press, Fairbanks, AK. (cloth, \$55.00; 387 pps, illus, maps, index; ISBN 978-1-60223-047-7)

Molnia, Bruce F.

2008 *Glaciers of North America - Glaciers of Alaska*. *Satellite Image Atlas of Glaciers of the World*, edited by J. Richard S. Williams and J. G. Ferrigno, pp. 525. Professional Paper 1386-K. U.S. Geological Survey, Washington, D.C. (Available online at: [http://pubs.usgs.gov/pp/p1386k/pdf/1386K\\_complete.pdf](http://pubs.usgs.gov/pp/p1386k/pdf/1386K_complete.pdf)).

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## Recent Publications of Interest

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Okladnikov, Aleksei P., N. A. Beregovaya and foreword by Elena A. Okladnikova

2008 The Early Sites of Cape Baranov. (translation from the Russian Drevnie posele-niya Baranova Mysa (Novosibirsk:Nauka 1971). Translated by Richard L. Bland. USDO, National Park Service, Shared Beringia Heritage Program, Anchorage, AK. (181 pps.)

Robinson, Brian S., Jennifer C. Ort, William A. Eldridge, Adrian L. Burke, Bertrand G. Pelletier  
2009 Paleoindian Aggregation and Social Context at Bull Brook. *American Antiquity* 74:(3)423-447.

Stein, Gary C.

2009 "The Old Man is Good and Drunk Now": Captain Michael A. Healy and the Cruise of 1889. *Alaska History* 24:(1)17-44.

Thompson, Victor D. and John A. Turck

2009 Adaptive Cycles of Coastal Hunter-Gatherers. *American Antiquity* 74:(2)255-278.

Thornton, Thomas F.

2008 Being and Place Among the Tlingit. *Culture, Place, and Nature - Studies in Anthropology and Environment*. University of Washington Press, Seattle and London. (247 pps. paperback, \$24.95)

Tremayne, Andrew

2009 Tent Ring Archaeology in Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve. *Alaska Park Science* 8:(1)10-19.

Turvey, Samuel T. (editor)

2009 *Holocene Extinctions*. Oxford University Press, Oxford. (352 pp)

## Other Meetings of Interest

*Dave McMahan*

*Alaska Office of History and Archaeology*

On August 18-22, 2010, Sitka National Historical Park (SNHP) and the International Association of Specialists on the Study of Russian America (IASSRA) will co-sponsor the 4th International Conference on Russian America at Sitka, Alaska. The conference will include three full days of papers, workshops, and optional site tours -- with the possibility of an optional trip to a more remote site on the last day. The conference follows those held in Sitka in 1979 and 1987, and in Irkutsk, Russia in 2007. A formal call for papers will be issued soon, with titles and abstracts due by April 1. Please help spread the word by forwarding this information to your colleagues who may be interested in Russian America.

Links to more information, including a printable announcement and draft agenda, may be found on the SNHP website at <http://www.nps.gov/sitk/anniversary-august-2010.htm>. Be sure to check back for periodic updates and additions.

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**Alaska Anthropological Association  
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**The Alaska Consortium of Zooarchaeologists  
Presents its 11th Annual Workshop  
Wednesday, March 24, 2010  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Millennium Hotel, Anchorage**

**The Osteology of Common Extinct Pleistocene Mammals  
from Alaska**

**Dr. Greg McDonald  
Senior Curator of Natural History  
National Park Service, Fort Collins, Colorado**

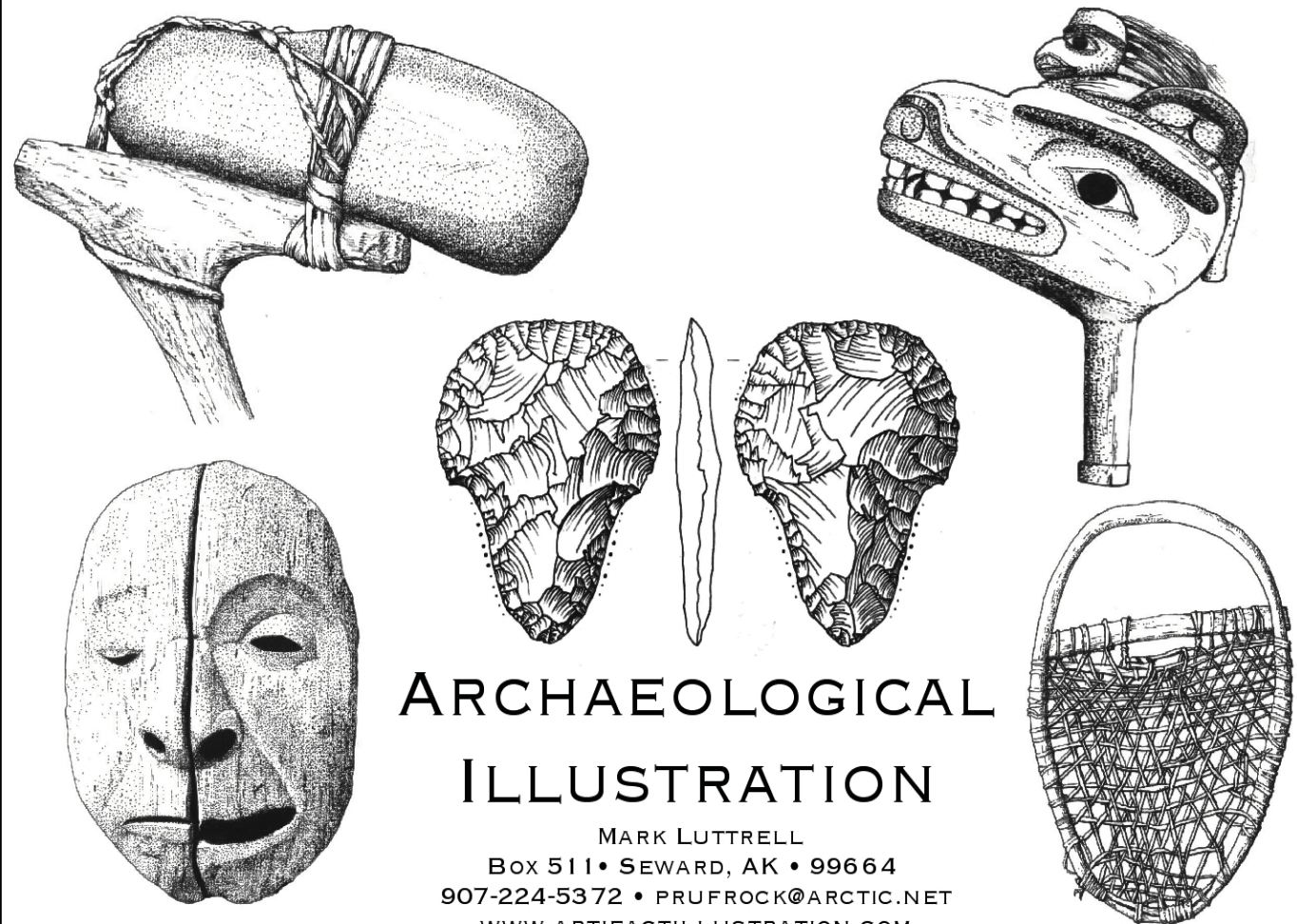


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**Dr. McDonald is a vertebrate paleontologist whose research interests are the Pleistocene mammals of North and South America, particularly the extinct giant ground sloths and their relatives. The workshop will include both lecture and lab, with an emphasis on the hands-on lab.**

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