

Alaska Anthropological Association Newsletter



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Kerry Feldman, Association President

When members of our association contacted me about being willing to run for the office of president, I asked what skills were needed in their view. Their response was the ability to be well-organized and willingness to put the time in, as needed. Implied in their answer, perhaps, was being bipedal. Seriously, I look forward to working with our continuing and newly elected members of our board of directors to maintain the wonderful momentum provided by two terms of office by outgoing president, Aron Crowell. We gave him and our outgoing board members a well-deserved ovation at the conclusion of our business meeting in Fairbanks.

Our finances are in good shape, we corrected our gap in filing the paperwork needed to be a recognized non-profit organization, improved our website, and are looking at an innovative offer by Ben Fitzhugh of the University of Washington, Department of Anthropology, to hold our first annual meeting outside of Alaska

or Canada, in 2012, in our gateway city to places south: Seattle. We are looking at possible venues for that meeting now and should have a complete proposal package to consider even as I write. The *Alaska Journal of Anthropology* issues from 2010 should be out soon. Please consider offering papers to editor Owen Mason, who continues providing us with quality volumes at less cost. We will work to expand our subscriptions by academic and other libraries.

The 2011 conference hosted by UAF was one of the best organized, attended (outside of Anchorage) and anthropologically satisfying we have ever held. Many thanks to Ben Potter and his crew, and to the organizations providing coffee and more for our meeting. I tried to attend some parts of all the sessions to get a flavor of our numerous interests, and was richly rewarded (I only missed a couple). It seemed strange to be at a conference without being able to talk with Tiger Burch, whom I've known and admired for over three decades, as a scholar and gentleman. The sessions in his honor would

have pleased him immensely, although knowing Tiger, he would have had optional interpretations and asked where's the data if such seemed scant to him. I hear they are searching for a publishing outlet for those papers, and am quite certain it will be found. I was especially interested in our student session papers, and in other papers by students scattered throughout the conference. They were cutting edge papers, I thought, especially in the use of innovative research technology. The technology employed was clearly serving a research purpose, not just bells and whistles and gee whiz technology. Kudos to their professors and mentors. The future of anthropology in Alaska is ultimately in their hands, as we know. We should continue to encourage student research at the graduate and undergraduate levels, in academic and other settings, mentor students in preparing papers for conference presentations, and give them the needed confidence to speak at a conference attended by others whom they hold in high regard (and cite in their papers). I will make sure this possibility for student papers or posters continues at our meetings.

New board members include Jenya Anichtchenko and Robin Mills; Monty Rogers was reelected as a board member. Many thanks to retiring board members Amy Steffian and Dan Monteith for providing such a great service over the last four years. We are fortunate to have Karlene Leeper and Joan Dale continuing board service in 2011. We will hold our first board meeting in late April, 2011.

Sincerely, Kerry Feldman

Early Bird Notice
regarding the
2012 Alaska Anthropological Association (aaa) Conference in Seattle, Washington.

Call for papers, conference theme, notice of featured speakers, will occur in the **Fall, 2011**
aaa Newsletter.

Details about ROOM RESERVATIONS at the HOTEL DECA, Seattle, can be found on page 6 of this Newsletter.

ALASKA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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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.

The membership cycle begins each year on January 1. Annual membership dues include a subscription to the Alaska Journal of Anthropology. Dues are \$40.00 for student members and \$75.00 for regular members. Checks or money orders, in US dollars, should be made out to the Alaska Anthropological Association. To become a member, send a membership form and payment to the Alaska Anthropological Association at P.O. Box 241686, Anchorage, Alaska 99524-1686, USA. Items for the newsletter may be sent to the editor, Pat McClenahan, at the above address, attention "Newsletter Editor," or to plmcclenahan@gci.net.

REPORT ON THE 2011 ALASKA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Dr. Ben A. Potter, Organizer

The organizers of the 2011 AAA Conference in Fairbanks would like to thank everyone involved for a successful meeting. In terms of numbers, we had 238 conference attendees, which we believe makes it the largest Fairbanks turnout. We had 136 presentations (121 papers, 13 posters, and 2 films) in 16 sessions. We hope attendees found the extra activities enjoyable. We were novices at event-planning at the start, and have all received quite an education, for which we are appreciative. Those who have sponsored these meetings know what we mean.

In terms of lessons learned, we would suggest that attendees please register earlier, and participants submit abstracts earlier. We calculate that about 85% of the papers were received on the last day or up to several days past the deadline, leaving us with a narrow window to schedule everything and provide these data for the newsletter. More lead-time will help the organizers for subsequent meetings. We hope everyone was satisfied with the overall schedule.

The presentations were wide-ranging across the field of anthropology, and provided stimulating new data and interpretations on these topics. We were particularly pleased at the turnout for the keynote speakers, Dr. Richards and Dr. Thornton. The organizers would like to take this opportunity to thank the many individuals that helped make the conference run as smoothly as it did: especially the student volunteers, Briana Horwath (AV support), the Westmark staff (headed by Tricia Rowles), and the AAA board, particularly Aron Crowell and Rita Eagle. We are pleased to have been the host to the AAA conference this year, and look forward to the 39th annual meetings next year.

Ben Potter
Charu Uppal
David Fazzino
Patrick Plattet

Department of Anthropology, University of Alaska Fairbanks

ALASKA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Saturday March 12, 2011

Submitted by Karlene Leeper, Secretary

I. Welcome The membership was welcomed to the annual business meeting in Fairbanks at the Westmark Hotel on 12 March 2011.

II. Resolutions, Additions and Approval of Minutes of the 2010 Business Meeting.

There were no resolutions or additions. The minutes of the 2010 business meeting were approved

III. Election Results

President Aron Crowell announced that Jenya Anichtchenko and Robin Mills had been elected as the new members of the board. Monty Rogers was reelected to his board seat for 2 more years. Joan Dale and Karlene Leeper will remain on the board for one more year. Kerry Feldman has been elected as the new President of the aaa.

IV. President's Report

Herb Anungazuk passed away in November 2010. An indigenous climate change conference will be named after Herb.

The aaa has accomplished a lot within the past several years. We reincorporated as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation. We streamlined accounting so that there are fewer checking accounts. The position of treasurer has taken on greater responsibilities and has become a partially paid position. The treasurer is also responsible for maintaining the website. The newsletter has become a web-only publication. Subscriptions to the Alaska Journal of Anthropology have been linked to aaa membership, greatly increasing its distribution and making it more cost effective/solvent. Membership has increased within the last year

from 202 to 263. Monty Rogers in particular has been working on marketing institutional memberships/subscriptions. Rita Eagle is doing a wonderful job in her role as treasurer. The annual meetings were held in Anchorage in 2008 and 2010, in Juneau in 2009 and in Fairbanks in 2011.

V. Financial Report

The Financial Report was provided by Aron Crowell in Rita Eagle's absence. Total non-vestment income in 2010 was \$72,173.86 and non-vestment expenditure was \$62,971.33, for a net income of \$9,202.53. The aaa checking account has \$47,498 as of February 23, 2011. The Vanguard investment account has \$94,213. As of December 31, 2010, total current assets are \$141,711. In comparison, the net income for 2009 was a deficit of \$1785.00, with a checking account balance of \$23,678, the Vanguard account valued at \$84,199.00, and total assets were \$106,368.00. Of course, the value of the checking account fluctuates quite a bit depending on cycles of payment for registration and payment of services for the annual meeting.

VI. Conference Report (Annual Meetings)

Conference chairman Ben Potter delivered the conference report for the very successful 2011 annual meeting. Over 240 people registered for the annual meetings. Dr. Potter had a few suggestions to improve the logistics of future meetings, including leaving more time between the abstracts submittal deadline and the submittal deadline for the newsletter so that there is more time to prepare the preliminary program for the newsletter. Also, the deadline for pre-registration needs to be moved back to better coordinate catering services. The Alaska Journal of Anthropology sold well in the book room. About \$400.00 in donations were received for scholarship funds during the annual meetings. The aaa realized a number of savings/discounts from the Westmark when their services were not up to the standards that they usually provide. Given that the conference made money, Ben suggested providing honoraria for the dance groups who

performed on Thursday evening. Northern Land Use Research, Cultural Resources Consultants, Beta Analytic, Institute for Arctic Biology, National Park Service and SWCA donated funds for coffee breaks and other expenses.

VII. Alaska Journal of Anthropology

Owen Mason reported on the journal. Subscription rates have increased since subscriptions are now tied to association membership. Costs for printing have gone down over the years. The association is working to increase institutional memberships. Volume 8 (1) should hit members' mailboxes shortly. Volume 8 (2), about "Displaced People" is ready to go into production. Distribution of volume 8 is tied to 2010 membership. Volume 9 is being funded by the National Park Service and includes Brian Hoffman's report about the archaeology of Aniakchak National Park. Mark McCallum is preparing a journal issue to focus on southeast Alaska. Igor Slobodin would like to publish an article by Ernest "Tiger" Burch. Dr. Mason encouraged members to submit manuscripts.

VIII. Aurora

Rick Reanier reported that the Shemya issue was published in 2010. Dr. Reanier has one manuscript in review which may be accepted for publication in the Aurora series. Dr. Reanier encouraged members to submit monograph-length documents for review and potential publication.

IX. Newsletter

Pat McClenahan is the newsletter editor. The newsletter is now a wholly electronic document and is posted on the aaa website at <http://www.alaskaanthropology.org/index.cfm?section=news&page=Newsletter>. Please submit articles and information to Pat at plmcclenahan@gci.net.

X. Public Education Group (PEG)

Karlene Leeper reported on the progress of PEG. PEG invites participation from new members and would especially encourage

participation from students and anthropologists specializing in cultural, biological and linguistic anthropology. For the 2010 meetings focused on public education, so we were very involved with a public archaeology symposium and workshop for hands-on educational activities. We are looking for anthropologists who would like to present talks and other activities about archaeology in their communities, primarily during April, which is Alaska Archaeology Month. Contact Becky Saleeby if you would like to sponsor educational activities as part of Alaska Archaeology Month. The Archaeology Month poster this year is aligned with the Anchorage Museum's current exhibit on Mammoths and Mastodons. The PEG poster theme is Mammoths and people in late Pleistocene Alaska. Maureen Howard volunteered to create the artwork for the poster which illustrates an encounter between people and mammoths north of the Alaska Range circa 12000 years ago. Additional photos and text provide educational points about archaeological contexts for mammoths in Alaska. The Alaska Department of Natural Resources is providing support for format and design of artwork, photo and text elements. The Bureau of Land Management is sponsoring the 2012 poster on the theme of the 150th Anniversary of the Homestead Act and its importance in Alaska history.

Richard VanderHoek continues to work on implementing the Project Archaeology program and curriculum. Dr. VanderHoek encourages teachers to learn and teach the Project Archaeology curriculum modules and works with partners who would like to develop modules about different Alaska cultural groups.

Becky Saleeby seeks others to partner on the mentorship program, to teach high school students, primarily from Alaska about archaeology, including participation in an archaeological excavation. Dr. Saleeby has also applied for grant to help sustain the program.

PEG implemented grants from the Alaska Humanities Forum and the aaa to fund public speakers and the mentorship program.

Karlene Leeper and Jenya Anichenko are co-chairs of the PEG.

XI. Alaska Consortium of Zooarchaeologists (ACZ)

Monty Rogers is the new president of ACZ, Kelly Eldridge is the Vice President and Tiffany Curtis is the secretary. The ACZ is developing a small field guide about zooarchaeology in Alaska. The ACZ website continues to develop as a great resource <http://www.akzooarch.org/>. The ACZ Facebook page can be reached at http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk=group_194560767238684&ap=1. ACZ is calling for all interested assist in clean out the freezers this spring.

XII. Annual Meetings

Ben Fitzhugh, the University of Washington Department of Anthropology and the Burke Museum have submitted a proposal to hold the 2012 annual meetings in Washington. The board needs to closely review and try to find ways to make the meetings more economical for the membership and the association.

XIV. New President

Kerry Feldman was introduced as the new President of aaa for the next two years. Dr. Feldman has been involved with the association since it was founded 38 years ago.

GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS

Spring 2011	\$6,865.00
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Rita Eagle, Treasurer

Conference Sponsorship

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SPECIAL EARLY BIRD HOTEL RATES FOR THE 2012 aaa MEETINGS IN SEATTLE

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Kerry Feldman, President

Hosts/sponsors of the 2012 Meetings are the University of Washington Department of Anthropology and the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture.

The Meeting dates are February 29 (check in and reception) and March 1 through March 3, 2012 (conference).

The venue for the Meetings will be the Hotel Deca.

<http://www.hoteldeca.com/>

4507 Brooklyn Avenue Northeast
Seattle, WA 98105

Room reservations can be made now for the Meetings.

Hotel rooms

Book early to get the discounted rate of \$135/night plus tax for a Deluxe Guest Room or \$155/night for a Junior Suite. No student rate is available, but room sharing is expected. The University of Washington is working on identifying local homes for students to throw a sleeping bag, but students should book Deca Hotel rooms to be certain of *aaa* discount rates.

Reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at 1.800.899.0251 between the hours of 8a.m. – 7p.m (PDT) Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. – 4p.m. (PDT) on Saturday and Sunday, or by faxing reservations to 1.206.545.2103, or emailing requests to reservations@hoteldeca.com. To guarantee rate and room type, mention that you are attending the Alaska Anthropological Association conference and indicate your arrival and departure dates, and room type. Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Pat McClenahan, Newsletter Editor

Professor David R. Yesner

Professor Yesner has been appointed as the new Associate Dean of the Graduate School at the University of Alaska Anchorage. Yesner, a Professor of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences, specializes in Archaeology. He has been a faculty member at UAA since August 1991. He was also past coordinator of

the Graduate Program in Anthropology at UAA
(Source: ADN).

Doctor Katie John

Athabascan Elder Katie John has received an honorary Doctorate of Laws Degree from the University of Alaska Fairbanks on May 14, 2011. The 95-year-old Athabascan Elder from Mentasta Lake was honored at a reception by the Interior-Aleutians Campus. John is a lifelong teacher of culture and language who helped create the Ahtna alphabet. She is also known for a landmark subsistence case
(Source: ADN).

MEET THE WORKMANS

Pat McClenahan, Newsletter Editor

Editor's note: This is the second in a series of interviews with past Association Presidents, with a goal of providing recognition of their service, and of introducing them to newer Association members and students.



Karen Workman, M.A. Archaeology, is an accomplished archaeologist who has been a pivotal member of the Alaska anthropological community since the 1960s. Karen served as the fourth President of the Alaska Anthropological Association.

Karen grew up on Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana, home of the Assiniboiné and Sioux. Fort Peck was a social experiment in acculturation. The Great Northern Railroad runs parallel to the Canadian Border approximately 80 miles north. Karen's mother's parents, who were from Iowa, tried homesteading in the 1910s. Her father's parents were part of a large Norwegian wheat and cattle ranching community from Minnesota. During the recession of the 1930s farm and ranch consolidation took place. Her father went to work on Fort Peck Dam and continued to follow construction in the buildup to World War II. The family was living in Baraboo, Wisconsin when her father was drafted. The family returned to Poplar, Montana, a Sioux town on the reservation. They moved to Wolf Point, an Assiniboiné town, for schooling.

Karen graduated one or two years before Bob Shaw, who lived only 50 miles away but a world apart. CRM professionals may be aware of the special status which Fort Peck holds in the nation, but growing up, Karen was not. She did know that the rules which worked for her community did not apply to the Fly Boys who ventured there.

Karen went to Montana State University (now U of M) in Missoula where she received her B.A. in Anthropology. She also attended college in Jamestown, North Dakota. She received a Master's of Arts in Archaeology from the University of Wisconsin.

Professor Bill Workman, Ph.D.

Anthropology, who has had a central role in the development of Alaskan archaeology, has spent his career teaching and exploring the prehistory of the Canadian and Alaskan arctic and subarctic. Bill was born in Madison, Wisconsin, where he grew up. Bill's father

taught German at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. Madison was a very pleasant environment that provided opportunities for a young boy growing up to play basketball and pursue outdoor activities. They lived two blocks from the lakes, where Bill spent endless hours fishing, with modest returns.

Bill attended the University of Wisconsin at Madison, where he received his degrees in Anthropology, culminating in the Ph.D. in 1974. Because Bill's father was a professor, Bill was familiar with the academic environment. A teaching career in the field of Anthropology with a specialization in Archaeology provided an enjoyable blend of the opportunity to work outdoors and enjoy camping, to do useful work, and to be involved in interesting stuff. Sharing one's time among the library, the classroom and the tent made for a pleasant combination. It also provided a



certain freedom which was appreciated. The academic world also offered interesting, worthwhile people, including students who were fun to work with.

Karen and Bill married and in the fall of 1969 they moved into an apartment in a building designed by Edward Durrell Stone on the wooded campus of Alaska Methodist University just outside the city limits of Anchorage, a small, grimy, frontier city. One bad road (Providence Drive) passed a boggy construction site that would become Anchorage Community College and a small Providence Hospital. Thus began 40 years of living in a construction zone for Karen and Bill. The archaeological community in Alaska consisted of two people---John Cook at the University of Alaska and Fred Hadleigh-West. Fred hired Bill and has Bill's and Karen's undying gratitude for bringing them North to live, although Karen didn't come to appreciate that right away.

The 1970s were busy years because of the construction of the pipeline from the North Slope to Valdez, the new Federal legislation regarding historic preservation (including NHPA 1966), Bill's unfinished Ph.D. dissertation and Karen's lack of a Master's thesis (her fluted point distributional study fell prey to a re-defining of glacial moraines in the state of Wisconsin).

Fred West and John Cook had split the pipeline duties between them; Fred took charge of the southern quarter from Hogan's Hill to Valdez. Unfortunately, because of delays, by the time construction got going, Fred had departed for the east coast, leaving Bill with the contract. While this had a negative effect on Bill's research in the Yukon Territory, it had a most positive effect on their social lives. Alyeska or the TAPS project brought in eight or nine of the famous old guard in Arctic Archaeology who were chosen by the Arctic Institute of North America (AINA) to oversee archaeological surveys by John and Bill. Thus, several times a year Karen hosted and was a guest of these eminent archaeologists when they passed through Anchorage. Far from being at the very edge of the world, she found

herself at its center. What a life it was. For reasons that are not entirely clear, Karen is a Fellow of AINA. When the Journal *Arctic* arrives, the (F) is still sometimes thought to stand for Female.

Because of the Wisconsin background, they knew Arctic researchers from other countries, some of whose crews stayed at the Workman house, sometimes when the Workmans were in the field themselves. Bill reports that from time to time people still come up to him at meetings to mention that they had once stayed at his house.

The hiring of archaeologists by State and Federal agencies in the early 1970s brought another source of colleagues. These years were adventurous and they were stressful. Much of the stress was good, but it was there.

Karen was part of (and the cook for) the infamous Afognak expedition where she lost 20 pounds. She denies that others lost weight because of her cooking. It was the cold. She returned in good shape for the first Copper River survey in advance of pipeline construction with Bill.

Afognak was the last lengthy expedition Karen participated in for the next four years because she went to work for the State as its first State Archaeologist. The Office of History and Archaeology (OHA) was just one year old and the Division of Parks was not much older when Bill Hanable offered her the job that he couldn't get anyone else to take. All students with any archaeological interest had fled to pursue graduate degrees and Karen was the most experienced person that could be found. She was the Alaska State Archaeologist, an appointed position (however, Governor Egan never appointed her because he saw this as a hindrance to construction of the pipeline), for three years, from 1972 until 1975. She was the only archaeologist hired by the State.

Karen hired Doug Reger, who subsequently hired two more staff.

With a certain lack of enthusiasm, she tackled DOT with the Federal Highways Act of 1956

and the Department of Aviation under the new State legislation. She left supervision of the pipeline under the capable guidance of AINA, John and her husband. Over the next three years she traveled widely south of the Brooks Range and learned to love helicopters and small planes with Viet Nam era pilots. She took a landing craft to Port Moller (and was severely chastised for that), her helicopter was wind whipped in the canyon of the Skagway River before the Klondike Highway was built, and she tried to participate on weekends with Bill's Kachemak Bay work, walking several times into the Cottonwood Creek site in 1974.

Although slightly more ocean experienced after Afognak, the memory of being alone on the beach with the incoming tide still frightens her as do other memories of Cook Inlet tides. She has always considered archaeology a land based job, preferably with a warm sun on the shoulders. Her early experiences in Alaska and the Yukon did not fulfill her expectations weather wise, and she has been jealous of field workers in the 1990s and early 2000s who have experienced warmer conditions. The Kachemak work did, however, provide her with a thesis on Chugachik Island which she finished in 1977.

After she resigned at the State OHA, Anchorage Community College (ACC) faculty (Linda Ellanna, Jack Lobdell, and others) started the Alaska Anthropological Association in 1974. The original idea for the function of the Association was fairly simple, to spread the news via a newsletter and to arrange a yearly conference, to be held alternately in Anchorage and in Fairbanks. Alaskan anthropology snowballed at this time. Anchorage had roughly 50 new hires in both Federal and State agencies. The community college and UAA hired. Zorro Bradley became head of the Cooperative Parks Studies Unit at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. In 1975, the National Park Service in Anchorage added 13 archaeologists, one for each Native Corporation, and three administrators.

G. Richard Scott was the first Alaska Anthropological Association President. At that

time, duties of the President included organizing practically everything.....editorship of the Newsletter, Treasurer, and keeper of the membership list, to name some.

Bill served as the Alaska Anthropological Association President for the 1976-1977 term, and as a Board member from 1979 through 1981, from 1984 through 1987, and during the 1993-1994 term.

Karen was president from 1979 to 1980. Doug Reger, Ann Shinkwin, Linda Ellanna, Bill, and Doug Veltre were her Board members. At their instigation, a non-profit status was initiated for the Association. Karen subsequently served as Newsletter Editor in 1986 and 1987, and as Secretary in 2001 and 2002.

Bill's 41-year career, and to some extent Karen's shared activities with him, were recently recorded in two *Alaska Journal of Anthropology* articles. Although it doesn't say so, Volume 6 (1&2) is a festschrift volume for Bill (2008).

Karen's archaeological field experience includes Hell Gap, Wyoming under Cynthia Irwin-Williams and Henry Irwin; Salmon River Canyon, Idaho, the Shoop site under Earl Swanson; the Aishihik site in southwestern Yukon Territory of Canada; Afognak River, Kodiak Island group with Bill and Don Clark of the (then) National Museum of Canada; Copper River and Kachemak Bay. In the latter, the historic Seal Beach site on Chugachik or Indian Island was most interesting. They came as close as possible to total excavation of the historic component.

Earlier, Karen's graduate advisors were Chester S. Chard and James B. Stoltman at the University of Wisconsin. Karen translated several of Hans-Jurgen Muller-Beck's articles from the German.

While at the OHA, State of Alaska, Karen compiled the first and second approximations of the Bibliography of Alaskan Archaeology. She also organized a symposium at the SAA in Washington D.C. on the Problems of

Archeology on Public Lands in Alaska (1973). This was when Federal agencies were preparing to hire their own archaeologists and do their own surveys of lands under their control as per the 1966 Historic Preservation legislation related to the construction of the Trans-Alaska pipeline. Karen presented a paper at the first meeting of the Alaska Anthropological Association titled "Historic Preservation in Alaska: The Role of the Alaska Division of Parks". There was less to say in those days.

Karen and Bill continue to be deeply involved with the anthropological community, participating in archaeological projects, lecturing, attending meetings and hosting a wide variety of friends, colleagues, and students. Bill is glad that various improbable events allowed them to come up to Alaska and spend 41 years here. He is happy to see the Association become such an active organization. His two favorite annual meetings have been those of the Alaska Anthropological Association and the Canadian Archaeological Association.

ALASKA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING Thursday March 10, 29, 2011 Yukon Room, Fairbanks Westmark Minutes

I. Meeting called to order at 12:05pm on March 10, 2011 at the Yukon Room at the Fairbanks Westmark Hotel.

II. Present: Aron Crowell (President), Joan Dale, Karlene Leeper, Monty Rogers (board members). Jenya Anichenko and Robin Mills (new board members). Kerry Feldman (new president). Owen Mason (journal). Ben Potter (Annual meetings). Monty Rogers was re-elected to serve for another two years.

III. Minutes of the previous meeting from September 27, 2010 were approved.

IV. Additions to the agenda. Add to old business: Alaska Humanities Forum Grant and Archiving old records. Add to new business: awards.

V. Reports and discussion

A. President's report (Aron Crowell) The aaa has accomplished a lot within the past several years. We reincorporated as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation. We streamlined accounting so that there are fewer checking accounts. The position of treasurer has taken on greater responsibilities and has become a partially paid position. The treasurer is also responsible for maintaining the website. The newsletter has become a web-only publication. Subscriptions to the Alaska Journal of Anthropology have been linked to aaa membership, greatly increasing its distribution and making it more cost effective and solvent. Membership has increased within the last year from 202 to 263. Monty Rogers in particular has been working on marketing institutional memberships/subscriptions. The board moved and voted to set aside up to \$1500.00 to market the journal. Rita Eagle is doing a wonderful job in her role as treasurer. The Public Education Group and the Alaska Consortium of Zooarchaeologists continue to provide excellent outreach opportunities to members and the public. The annual meetings were held in Anchorage in 2008 and 2010, in Juneau in 200 and in Fairbanks in 2011.

B. Financial report (Aron Crowell for Rita Eagle) Rita Eagle produced an accounting of the association's gains and losses for the time period of January through December 2010. The association had a total income of \$72,173.86 and expenses of \$62,971.33 for a net income of \$9,202.53.

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VI. Old Business

A. Board members discussed a spring cleaning project to take place this spring to clean out the storage unit, organize files and prepare some files for entry in to the collection at the UAF Archives. Kathy Arndt from the UAF library had previously sent a files showing the structure of the aaa files in the UAF archives for us follow when preparing new files for the archives. The details of this task are tabled for the next meeting.

VII. New Business

A. Welcome new board members Jenya Anichenko and Robin Mills and new President Kerry Feldman. Monty Rogers was elected to serve on the board for another two years.

B. Committees The aaa board solicits association members who are will serve on committees, such as the nominating, scholarship, student paper and professional awards committees.

C. Awards. The board tabled the topic of how to administer the Stefanie Ludwig award. No professional awards were granted this year. The John Lobdell Undergraduate award went to Yoko Kugo, from UAS. The Beginning Graduate Award went to Aimee Ely (UAF). The James Van Stone Advanced Graduate Award went to Natalia Slobodina (UW). The Edwin S. Hall Jr. Student Paper Competition was won by Kelly Monteleone (University of New Mexico). The ACZ scholarship went to Rhea Hood.

D. 2012 Meeting. Review of the plan for the 2012 meetings was tabled.

VIII. Adjourn

Alaska Consortium of Zooarchaeologists (ACZ) Report

Submitted by Monty Rogers, ACZ President

Hello All,

Since the last aaa Newsletter, the ACZ has been busy. At the aaa Annual Meeting, the ACZ hosted two workshops. Dr. Sue Ware led the first workshop discussing skeletal pathologies and injuries, tools and techniques employed by paleopathologists, diagnosis of disease and injury in faunal remains, and how paleopathology can enhance the work of the zooarchaeologist. Dr. Mike Etnier, leading the second workshop, discussed the role of online databases for zooarchaeology in examining climate change. In coordination with Dr. Jeanne Schaaf, they want to start by creating a database of archaeofaunal collections from southwest Alaska. The online database will be hosted by www.Neotomadb.org and will have online mapping capabilities to show distributions of various taxa for different cultural or climatic time periods. You can contact Dr. Ware at paleoflatline@earthlink.net or Dr. Etnier at metnier@u.washington.edu if you have any questions regarding their research.

The ACZ also awarded two Christina Jensen scholarships to students this year at the aaa meeting. Rhea Hood, a University of Alaska Anchorage graduate student, received one scholarship for her research on marine faunal remains from Amalik Bay on the Katmai coast of the Alaskan Peninsula. Molly Odell, a University of Anthropology doctoral student received the other award for her research on stable isotopes of shellfish remains from Kodiak Island

On May 14, ACZ volunteers spent the day processing mammal, bird, and fish carcasses to further expand the faunal comparative collection housed at the University of Alaska Anchorage. It was an interesting day full of odd textures, decomposing bits, and interesting smells. If you were not there, you missed out.

As President of the ACZ, I would personally like to thank all of the ACZ volunteers who organized the workshops, reviewed scholarship applications, processed specimens, and generally make the organization run. Without your efforts the ACZ would not exist.

Feel free to visit the ACZ webpage at <http://www.akzooarch.org/> or our Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/#!home.php?sk=group_194560767238684&ap=1. As always, the ACZ is looking for new members and volunteers. Membership is free; you just have to sign up at <http://www.akzooarch.org/contact.html>. I also encourage you to sign up for our discussion list at <http://lists.uaa.alaska.edu/mailman/listinfo/akzooarch-l>.

Also, members outside of Anchorage have a greater chance to participate in meetings and the organization as a whole via SKYPE. If you would like to participate, **please contact me directly** at mjr@lavabit.com.

Student Section Report

Submitted by Monty Rogers

Hello All,

The aaa Board now has two student representatives, Jenya Anichenko, a University of Southhampton doctoral student and me, a University of Alaska graduate student.

The aaa board would like to remind tribal organizations, professors, agencies, and CRM consultants to encourage college and high school students they know to consider becoming members of the aaa. By becoming members, students can:

- Apply for aaa student scholarships. The aaa offer four student scholarships:
 - James W. VanStone Advanced Graduate award (Ph.D. level)
 - Beginning Graduate award (M.A. level)
 - John E. Lobdell Undergraduate award
 - Stephanie Ludwig award
- Participate in the annual Edwin S. Hall, Jr. Student Paper Competition
- Discounted membership
- Reduced Annual Meeting registration costs
- Presentation of research at the Annual Meeting
- Publish in the peer-reviewed Alaska Journal of Anthropology
- Keep up to date on Alaskan Anthropological news

Please encourage students you know to present on aspects of their fieldwork and research at the 2011 aaa Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington. The Annual Meetings always have a student session that provides an invaluable experience in a low pressure setting.

aaa Student Fact

As of the March 2011 aaa Annual Meeting in Fairbanks, students represent 26 percent (n=59 of 227) of the current aaa membership and accounted for 29 percent (n=37 of 238) of the registrations. As a goal for this year, let's

increase student membership by 10 percent by next year's Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

Monty Rogers

aaa Board Member

RECENT PUBLICATIONS OF INTEREST

Submitted by 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. Alaska anthropology is defined broadly to include the traditional four field approach of anthropology 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 which 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)

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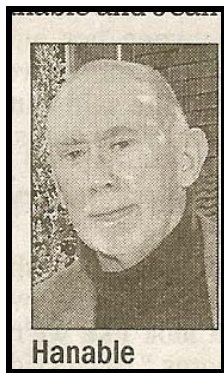
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In Memory

William Hanable
December 16, 1938 – May 17, 2011
(Source: ADN)



William Hanable

William Shannon Hanable died in Salem, Oregon, on May 17, 2011. Bill grew up in Sewickley, Pennsylvania, where he graduated from High School in 1956. He then began a 12-year tour of duty in the U.S. Air Force. He served primarily in USAF Security Service units in Alaska and Washington, D.C. He also taught for three years at an Air Force Technical School in Greenville, Mississippi, where he met and later married Eloise.

After marrying in 1967, Bill and Eloise traveled to Anchorage, where they stayed a few months after Bill left the Air Force in January 1969. Eloise continued to work at First National Bank of Anchorage while Bill completed degree requirements at Alaska Methodist University. While attending school, Bill started a Naval Reserve career that began in 1969 as a Petty Officer Second Recruiter and ended in 1994 with his retirement as a Commander (Special Duty Officer: Intelligence).

Bill earned a B.A. at AMU, a Master of Arts Degree at AMU, and a Ph.D. in History at

Walden University. Bill taught public history courses at APU, sharing his experience and knowledge gained over 30 years of public history work. He taught part time at the University of Alaska, Western Oregon University, and American Public University.

Bill was hired as a historian at Alaska State Parks in 1970. His importance to the development of historic preservation in Alaska cannot be overstated. Over the next 10 years Bill worked to develop Alaska's statewide historic preservation program. In 1980 he was appointed executive director of the Alaska Historical Commission. In 1987 he left state service and worked as historian for the National Park Service and then the Air Force before relocating to Westport, Washington in 1994. Bill researched and wrote extensively on Pacific Northwest and Alaska history. A partial list of his articles, books and projects can be found at

<http://www.behance.net/NWHC>

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, William Thomas Shannon Hanable and Jean Wilson Morrison Hanable. He is survived by his wife, Eloise Wasson Hanable of Salem, his daughter Amy Shannon Hanable Balzer, son-in-law Ben Balzer, and grandchildren William and Ty. Bill's dogs, Jack and Curly, miss him.

A celebration of life was held at the Historic Deepwood Estate in Salem Oregon, followed by private interment with full military honors at Willamette National Cemetery. Donations may be made to Westport Maritime Museum of Westport, Washington and Willamette Humane Society in Salem, Oregon.



LIGHTHOUSE TUGBOAT "KILAUWA" WAY
AFTER DELIVERING FUEL SUPPLY TO KILAUEA STATION
1911 - 1912
(photo: courtesy Carol Hagesteh Brown)

Oscar Kawagley

November 8, 1934 – April 24, 2011

(Source: ADN)



Angayuqaq Oscar Kawagley died in Fairbanks of renal cancer at the age of 76. Over the course of a prolific career, he explored how the Yup'ik concepts he learned as a boy on the tundra could work in concert with western education and he became a pioneer in the field of indigenous knowledge in the academic world at large.

Kawagley was born in Bethel to David Kawagley of Akiak and Amelia Oscar of Bethel on November 8, 1934. His parents died when he was two years old, and he was raised by his grandmother, Matilda Oscar. As a child he spoke Yup'ik and was trained in traditional Native lifeways in the lower Kuskokwim region. His grandmother insisted that he also learn the western ideas taught in the government schools.

In 1956 he became a research assistant at the Arctic Health Research Center. In 1958 he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Education at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He served on active duty as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army Medical Services Corps, taught elementary and high school in Tok, Glennallen and Anchorage, and received his Master's Degree in Education at UAF in 1968. He received Superintendent Certification in 1987.

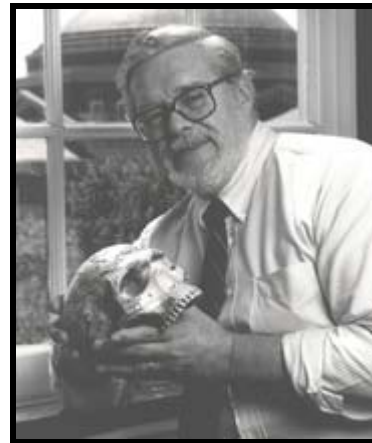
In 1991, while working on a doctorate degree in social and educational studies at the University of British Columbia, he published an extremely influential paper, "Yup'ik Ways of

Knowing," that set a new course in the study of indigenous knowledge systems. The paper was expanded into a book, "A Yupiaq Worldview: A Pathway to Ecology and Spirit" (Waveland Press, 1995).

His honors included serving on the executive committee of the Inuit Circumpolar Conference, receiving the Governor's Award for the Humanities and the Distinguished Service Award from the Alaska Federation of Natives. A televised memorial service was held for him. His ashes will be scattered on the tundra in the lower Kuskokwim.

Lewis Roberts Binford

November 21, 1930 – April 11, 2011



(Sources: SMU, S. Rajendran, *The Hindu*)

Lewis Roberts Binford was born in 1930 in Norfolk, Virginia. He is best known as the leader of the "New Archaeology" movement of the 1950s and 1960s. He was University Distinguished Professor *emeritus* at Southern Methodist University.

Professor Binford had been suffering from heart-related problems for several weeks and he died at his country home at Kirksville, Missouri April 11.

Professor Binford was one of the archaeologists who influenced the change of a descriptive study of antiquities to a scientific discipline devoted to anthropological understanding of ways of life of ancient societies. His

Lewis Binford

'archaeology as anthropology' proposition emerged as a dominant paradigm in contemporary archaeology.

The trend popularly known as New Archaeology laid emphasis on a regional approach to archaeological sites, method of hypothesis testing; and culture as a system of inter-related components serving as means of human adaptation. These concepts have now become central tenets of modern archaeology.

His contributions to ethnoarchaeology included conducting prolonged investigations of the Nunamiut Eskimos of Alaska.

Some of Binford's early work was prepared in collaboration with then-wife Sally Binford. Their best-known collaboration is the influential anthology *New Perspectives In Archaeology*.

For more details about Professor Binford, visit the Southern Methodist University website.

RESEARCH AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Call for Proposals

The Coastal Marine Institute, in partnership with MMS, is announcing their FY11 call for proposals. Funding is available to conduct environmental and socioeconomic studies needed for the assessment and management of environmental impacts on the human, marine, and coastal environments which may be affected by oil and gas, renewable energy, or other mineral development (particularly in Chukchi and Beaufort regions).

Synopsis and application can be found at <http://grants.gov> as [CFDA 15.421](#), closing date September 7, 2011.

Download [Full Announcement \(50KB PDF\)](#)

Shared Beringia Heritage Program Announces a Grant Opportunity Here is the link:

<http://www.nps.gov/akso/beringia/projects/howtoapply.cfm>

The National Park Service's Shared Beringian Heritage Program (Beringia Program) is pleased to announce the 2012 Request for Proposals.

Projects funded under this program may be either scientific research projects or local, community-based educational, cultural or conservation projects that fulfill some or all of the goals of the Beringia program. **The application deadline is August 1, 2011.** Selection results will be announced in late October 2011.

The amount available for this funding cycle is around \$170,000. The ideal range of requested Beringia funds for a project is \$20-40,000. No projects will be considered that request more than \$50,000 annually from NPS.

Organizations that have smaller projects in the \$5-20,000 range are encouraged to apply.

Funding is available only to American organizations. Russian organizations or projects must have an American partner to be considered for funding.

Professional Opportunities for Women in Research and Education (POWRE)

Information on past and current POWRE competitions can be found on the [POWRE home page](#), located on the NSF Web site (<http://www.nsf.gov>) under the title "Crosscutting Programs." Specific questions about the POWRE program may be addressed to the POWRE Coordinating Committee Chair, Priscilla Nelson (703-306-1361, pnelson@nsf.gov) or to the members of the NSF POWRE Coordinating Committee, listed below with their directorate/office affiliations:

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International Programs: Jeanne Hudson, 703-306-1702, jhudson@nsf.gov

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Newsletter section, "Research and Funding Opportunities "

will be expanded beginning with the September 2011 Newsletter. Please submit any information you would like to share to plmcclellanahan@gci.net

OTHER MEETINGS OF INTEREST

Global Climate Change and the Polar Archaeological Record Workshop

Submitted by Anne M. Jensen, Maribeth S. Murray, and Max Friesen

A workshop on "*Global Climate Change and the Polar Archaeological Record*" was held February 15-16, 2011 at the Institute of Archaeology and Social Anthropology, University of Tromsø, Norway. The workshop was designed to catalyze a growing concern among polar archaeologists about global climate change and attendant threats to the polar archaeological and paleoecological records.

Archaeological sites contain the irreplaceable record of the complex histories of the many societies that have lived in the circumpolar North over the past millennia. In addition, the associated paleoecological record holds a system. They provide a wide range of data which allow the understanding of human ecodynamics in a broad spatial and temporal perspective. Such an understanding is vital as modern societies seek to support sustainability and increase resilience in northern socio-ecological systems in the face of environmental changes which appear to be inevitable.

Workshop attendees identified a number of wide-spread global change-related threats, including, increased coastal erosion (due to sea level rise, possible increases in number and/or strength of storms, and diminished sea ice), increased riverine erosion (due to increases in precipitation amount or intensity, and increases in glacial melting), drying of waterlogged sites and bogs (due to hydrological changes), and changes in land use which result in greater ground disturbance (due to changing conditions for agriculture or displacement of populations from more threatened areas). In northern areas, thawing of permafrost is a major threat to the

archaeological and paleoecological records. Several attendees presented information on efforts to develop threat assessment matrices (mostly focused on coastal erosion) through survey and modelling, and on various preliminary attempts at preservation and mitigation. Needs for sample archiving, prioritization of research locations, and international collaboration within and beyond the archaeological and paleoecological research communities were also discussed. Attendees are currently working on a position paper to be publicly circulated.

The workshop was attended by representatives of most circumpolar nations, as well as several other scholars with expertise in related issues such as coastal erosion. It was organized on behalf of the international Polar Archaeology Network (PAN), with partial funding from the International Arctic Science Committee (IASC).

For additional information, contact Hans Peter Blankholm (hans.petter.blankholm@uit.no), Anne M. Jensen (anne.jensen@uicscience.org) or Maribeth Murray (msmurray@alaska.edu)

Arctic/ Inuit/ Connections: Learning from the Top of the World, October 24-28, 2012

The 18th Inuit Studies Conference, hosted by the Smithsonian Institution, will be held in Washington, DC. The conference will consider heritage museums and the North; globalization: an Arctic story; power, governance and politics in the North; the "new" Arctic: social, cultural and climate change; and Inuit education, health, language, and literature. For more information, please email Lauren Marr [<mailto:marl@si.edu>]

7th Congress of the International Arctic Social Sciences, June 22-26, 2011

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The 7th Congress, "Circumpolar Perspectives in Global Dialogue: Social Sciences Beyond the IPY," will be held in Akureyri, Iceland.

13th Arctic Ungulates Conference (AUC), August 22-26, 2011

The theme of the conference will be "Challenges of Managing Northern Ungulates." The theme addresses the difficulties of managing ungulate populations that are faced with the unpredictable effects of climate change and an ever-increasing human presence on the land. The conference will also focus on the challenges associated with developing recovery actions for declining caribou and reindeer populations that are an integral part of Aboriginal cultures and ways of life.

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Lowell Wakefield International Fisheries Symposium, September 14-17, 2011

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scholars, fishery managers, fishing families, and others to explore the human dimensions of fishery systems and growing need to include social science research in policy processes. The conference is part of the University of Alaska Fairbanks Sea Grant program.

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MEMBERS INTERESTED IN OLD BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Meeting minutes will no longer be published as a matter of course in the newsletter. You can view them on-line at <http://www.alaskaanthropology.org/index>



NOTICE
May 25, 2011

Beginning July 1, 2011 the Office of History and Archaeology has new guidelines for Integrated Business System / Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (IBS/AHRS) access.

Please see: <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/ahrs/ahrs.htm> for details.

All users must complete all the applicable forms found at the above web site to continue accessing the IBS/AHRS.

An OHA Litigation Disclosure Form and an AHRS Data Request Form must be completed for each project; the user agreements are renewed annually.

In addition, non-agency personnel and contractors are required to:

- (1) demonstrate a legitimate business or research need,
- (2) attend an IBS/AHRS training course,
- (3) submit proof of completion of a B.S. or B.A. degree in archaeology, and anthropology, architectural history, history, or historic preservation.

Please note that contractors working for a federal, state, or local agencies are **not** considered agency users.

The IBS/AHRS Orientation Workshop is a half day training that is offered at OHA on the second Thursday of each month. For individuals outside Anchorage training is offered via the web as needed. The training provides IBS/AHRS users with the basic skills needed to effectively and responsibly use the digital and paper resources of the Office of History and Archaeology.

Some of you in the Anchorage area may be interested in this course which I will teach at UAA in the fall 2011 semester:

Anthropology 436: Aleut Adaptations 3 credits (undergraduate)

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-2:15 p.m.

(First day of class is Tuesday, August 30, 2011)

Beatrice McDonald Hall, Room 211

This course covers the entire human history of the Aleut/Unangax region, from its initial occupation thousands of years ago to the present day. Some of the topics covered include the first peopling of the region, the relationships of Aleuts/Unangax to other Alaska Native peoples, pre-Russian cultural adaptations, the Russian and American periods, the history of the Pribilof Islands and the fur seal industry, and issues of importance in the region today.

UAA registration information may be found at <http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/records/registration/index.cfm>. If you would like more information about this course, please don't hesitate to contact me via email, phone, or mail.

Cheers,

Doug

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Douglas W. Veltre, Professor Emeritus, Department of Anthropology
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Southwest Alaska National Park Service



Call for Presentations

Science in Southwest Alaska: Crossing Boundaries in a Changing Environment

November 2 - 4, 2011
Dena'ina Center
Anchorage, AK

The National Park Service invites submissions of oral presentation and poster abstracts for the upcoming 2011 Southwest Alaska Science Symposium. "Science in Southwest Alaska: Crossing Boundaries in a Changing Environment," will focus on research and inventory and monitoring in national parks and adjacent areas in Southwest Alaska.



Session topics will focus on the following:

- Freshwater ecosystems
- Marine ecosystems
- Terrestrial ecosystems
- Landscape dynamics
- Geology, glaciology, physical science and climate
- History, ethnography, anthropology, and archaeology
- Interpretation, education
- Emerging management issues

Organizers seek to bring together diverse audiences to encourage dialog among scientists, natural and cultural resource managers, interpreters, land managers, educators, students, and other stakeholders with interest in Southwest Alaska.

Abstracts should be limited to 300 words and submitted electronically as Word documents (.doc, .docx, .rtf) or PDF files (.pdf) to the email address below. Submissions should also include name, contact information, affiliation, presentation type (oral or poster), and title.

Submission deadline: May 24, 2011

Submission email:
SWAK_ScienceSymposium@nps.gov

For more information, contact
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Call for Papers
A Special Issue of *Polar Geography*

ARCTIC COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DURING INTERNATIONAL POLAR YEAR

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Special Issue Description

The 2007-2009 International Polar Year (IPY) directed a surge of resources to internationally coordinated, interdisciplinary research activities in both the Arctic and Antarctic. The fundamental concept of IPY emphasized scientific research and observation at the Earth's poles, and included as a crucial theme for investigation the human dimensions of circumpolar regions. The "human face" of IPY, however, consisted not only of research on social, historical, and cultural issues. It was also comprised of education, outreach, communication, and partnership activities with Arctic communities. Initiatives within communities have taken shape in many ways: school programs, material, and curriculum have been developed; data and research outcomes have been communicated to the public in accessible and innovative ways; community researchers facilitated locally derived understanding and documentation of social-cultural processes; and research training and capacity building among northern residents has been encouraged. Thus, one of the key outcomes of the 2007-2009 IPY, is the development of research relationships among natural scientists, social scientists, scholars in the humanities, and Arctic communities. This convergence of approaches has resulted in more complete understanding of social and ecological change at local and global scales, awareness of the complementary aspects of traditional ecological knowledge and science, increased capacity and possibility for community-driven research, and improved methods for communicating science in communities and to the general public.

This special feature of *Polar Geography* focuses on Arctic community engagement during IPY. Community engagement is conceptualized broadly to include the diverse education, outreach, and communication activities of IPY science and social science in Arctic communities, and also the participatory, collaborative, and leadership roles assumed by

Arctic residents or community representatives. The purpose of this special feature is to synthesize a collection of interdisciplinary and international research centered on the theme of Arctic community engagement during IPY. Specific objectives of the special feature include:

- To encourage interdisciplinary research and knowledge translation among natural and social scientists working in the polar regions;
- To build connections among researchers and residents of Arctic communities;
- To report on the variety of ways that northern communities have led, participated in, contributed to, or benefited from IPY research;
- To expose methodological best practices for involving northern communities in science and research, and for enhancing interdisciplinary understanding of the fundamental links between ecosystems, economies, and cultural diversity;
- To critically examine the possibilities, challenges, and future opportunities associated with engaging northern communities in science at local and international scales;
- To enhance understanding of the research capacities and partnerships established between northern communities and universities, governments, industry, and other stakeholders during IPY.
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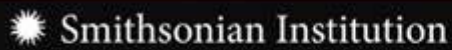
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