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"Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow!"

Archaeologists get snowed on in August at the Delta River Overlook site in 2015. We wish we had more snow this winter, but we'll take what we can get, when we can get it. Photo by Heather Hardy.

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Do you know of any upcoming conferences, workshops, exhibits, funding or job opportunities, calls for papers, or other events that are of interest to aaa members? Please submit news items and photographs to the editor at sfcarraher@gmail.com.

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Deadline to submit materials for the next newsletter is 15 March, 2017!

President's Letter

Bill Hedman, Association President

Well everyone, it's time to vote....again. It looks like we've got some really good folks stepping up to participate on the Board.

I'm as pleased to see Julie and Shelby are willing to continue their good work for us, and I am also pleased to see some new names on the ballot. Vote by 20 December!

In this issue, please note that the Office of History and Archaeology is asking for assistance with getting the word out about the Alaska Historic Preservation Plan. The current plan is expiring soon, and needs to be updated with public in put.

In addition to the upcoming annual meeting of the Alaska Anthropological Association in Fairbanks, please also there are several other events that could use the support and participation of our membership. These include:

On 18 February, 2017, UAA is hosting World Anthropology Day activities at the University Center in Anchorage. They are looking for any volunteers from the area to help run booths, schmooze with the public, and pass out informational materials. Individuals as well as representatives from federal, state, Alaska Native, non-profit, and other agencies are all encouraged to come and volunteer.

The deadline for submitting abstracts to the Ninth International Congress on Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS IX) has been extended to 16 January, 2017. Please consider attending, as it is important for Alaska anthropologists and archaeologists to have a strong presence at this important gathering. It will be held in Umea, Sweden, from 8-12 June, 2017. ICASS does have some funding available to help off set the costs of travel and registration.

The Public Education Group (PEG) is sponsoring some exciting talks soon. See page 6 for more details.

I wish all of you and your families the happiest of winter holidays - whichever ones you celebrate. Whether your remaining days in 2016 are filled with work, play, house guests, or traveling, be sure to get the most out of our beautiful Alaska winter season. I very much look forward to seeing people in Fairbanks this February!

Finally, remember to get your memberships and conference registration in. Have a happy holiday season!

Sincerely,

Bill

Alaska Anthropological Association



President

William Hedman

Vice President

Julie Esdale

Board Members

Shelby Anderson

Kelly Eldridge

Phoebe Gilbert

Amy Chan

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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 support for anthropological activities and goals; to foster knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of Alaska Native and circumpolar cultural heritage; to work in collaboration with Indigenous communities on all aspects of research and education; and to facilitate the dissemination of anthropological works in both technical and non-technical formats.

Membership is open to any individual or organization indicating an 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 a year.

The membership cycle begins each year on 1 October. Annual membership dues include a subscription to the Alaska Journal of Anthropology. Dues are \$50 for student members and \$100 for regular members. Memberships may be purchased online at www.alaskaanthropology.org.

Please e-mail submissions to the newsletter to the editor, Sally Carraher, at sfcarraher@gmail.com.

aaa Board Elections

Compiled by Julie Esdale,
Association Vice President

This year, the President position, two Board Member positions, and the Student Representative position are up for election.

The current Board positions held are:

President: Bill Hedman.

Bill is at the end of his two-year term.

Board Members:

Julie Esdale, Vice President. Julie is at the end of her two-year term.

Shelby Anderson, publications. Shelby is at the end of her two-year term.

Amy Phillips-Chan, secretary. Amy has another year on her term.

Phoebe Gilbert, awards and scholarships. Phoebe has another year on her term.

Student Rep: Kelly Eldridge, external affairs. Kelly is at the end of her two-year term.

The open positions and nominees up for election are:

Running for President: Julie Esdale

Running for Board Member (2 positions open): Shelby Anderson, Kory Cooper, Crystal Glassburn, Roberta Gordaoff, Joseph Sparaga

Running for Student Rep: Tom Allen, Hilary Huffman, Yoko Kugo

The aaa Elections Committee this year is Phoebe Gilbert and Amy Phillips-Chan. The voting period will be open 7-20 December, 2016.

Nominee Bios

Thomas Allen, BA

Hi I'm Tom Allen and I would like the honor of being the student member of the Alaska Anthropological Association board. I am a second year MA student in Anthropology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks focusing on Archaeology. My current area of research is lithic analysis and technological organization during the early Holocene. I have worked on CRM projects for the past six summers and that has granted me the opportunity to

work in diverse settings in many of Alaska's communities, an opportunity I continue to cherish.

I have been a member of the Alaska Anthropological Association since 2009 and a frequent attendee of the meetings. Alaskan anthropology is currently experiencing great opportunities and significant challenges.

I am of the opinion that we can best meet these challenges with increased engagement with the public and that is what I aim to work on as the student board member. Thank you for your time and vote.

Shelby Anderson, PhD

I have worked as an archaeologist in Alaska since 2004. My professional experience includes working for private consulting companies in the Pacific Northwest, time with the National Park Service in Utah and Alaska, three years as a tribal archaeologist in northwest Washington, and involvement in various research projects in Alaska and the Russian Far East. I am currently an Assistant Professor at Portland State University.

My research interests include past coastal hunter-gatherer societies, human eco-dynamics, evolutionary theory, ceramic technologies, applied archaeology, and archaeology of the Arctic, Sub-arctic and Pacific Northwest. Cross-cutting these interests is a long-term commitment to community engagement and collaborative research in all aspects of my work. If elected I look forward to continuing to work with the Association on publication issues, public outreach, and student engagement in Alaskan archaeology and with the association. I welcome the opportunity to give back to the association.

H. Kory Cooper, PhD

I was born and raised in southern Missouri and the Air Force sent me to Alaska in 1989. I soon realized I wanted to stay

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Board Updates

Vice President's Report

Julie Esdale

alaskaanthrovp@gmail.com

The aaa Board passed the 2017 operating budget that it presented to the Association at the 2016 annual meeting in Sitka.

Given our current level of expenditures, and using a 10-year average interest income on the Vanguard account to estimate our interest profits, we are projecting to operate in 2017 with a loss of \$4,867.90.

Our fundraising team is soliciting industry that hire anthropologists to contribute to our scholarship funds.

Any profits from the 2017 annual meeting will be put towards operating expenses.

It is time to vote for the 2017-2019 aaa Board. You should have received an e-ballot on 7 December, 2016.

If you did not, please e-mail alaskaanthrovp@gmail.com for a copy. The membership will be voting on a new president, two board positions, and the student rep positions.

Please read the candidate bios in the newsletter and vote by 20 December, 2016. You can vote by sending the completed ballot or an email with the subject "vote" to Phoebe at alaskaanthroaward.scholarship@gmail.com.

Make sure you renew your aaa membership prior to voting, or your vote will not be counted.

New aaa Board members will begin their terms in February, 2017.

and eventually used the G.I. Bill to attend the University of Alaska, Anchorage. I first joined the Alaska Anthropology Association in the mid-1990s while an undergraduate at UAA, and also worked as a student intern in the State of Alaska's Office of History and Archaeology during this time. In 1997 I graduated with a BA in Anthropology and a minor in Alaska Native Studies and moved south to start the Master's program in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Arkansas. After doing research in Jordan I finished my thesis in 2000 and then moved to California to live with my partner and worked for a variety of CRM firms over the next two years.

In 2002 my soon-to-be wife and I moved north where I began PhD studies in anthropology at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. I also worked as a seasonal archaeologist in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park from 2001 to 2003 and in 2004 carried out research in the park related to my dissertation on Pre-Contact native copper metallurgy.

I taught anthropology and archaeology at the University of Calgary briefly while finishing my PhD, which I received in 2007. In 2008 I joined the Department of Anthropology at Purdue University as an Assistant Professor and in 2015 was promoted to Associate Professor. Native copper metallurgy is still one of my major research foci but I also supervise material culture-focused ethnographic research.

My research has been funded by the National Science Foundation and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, and been published in *American Antiquity*, *Arctic Anthropology*, *World Archaeology*, *Ethnoarchaeology*, and *Journal of Archaeological Science*. My wife, Michele (also an anthropology professor), and I currently live in West Lafayette, Indiana, where we enjoy attempting to keep up with our 4-year-old son, and when time allows I like to make beer.

The Association has grown significantly since I first became a member, to point out the obvious, and I take great pride being a member. I have no specific goal in mind as a prospective board member but

am grateful for all of the hard work that has been put into this association and wish to do my share.

Julie Esdale, Ph.D.

Thank you for considering my nomination for President of the Alaska Anthropological Association. I would like to return to the AAA board after completing a two-year term in the roles of secretary and Vice President. I have worked as an archaeologist in Alaska and northwestern Canada for 19 years and currently hold a position with Colorado State University as archaeologist for the Army in Alaska. My main research interests are in Alaska Native history and prehistory, geoarchaeology, and lithic technology. I am involved in several exciting projects right now including excavations at the late Pleistocene McDonald Creek site in the Tanana Flats with Texas A&M University, Holocene archaeology and paleoecology at the Delta River Overlook site with University of Alaska Fairbanks, and ongoing surveys of Army training lands in Interior Alaska. I would like to help the association continue to promote public archaeology and to expand opportunities for underrepresented groups in anthropology. I would work to cultivate a sustainable annual budget accommodating the annual meeting, society publications, and scholarship funding. I would also like to support the functioning of the Alaska Journal of Anthropology at its current high level of professionalism.

Crystal Glassburn, MA

I have over nine years of experience in Alaskan archaeology, beginning as an undergraduate lab assistant at the UA Museum. After graduating from UAF with a B.S. in Anthropology, I worked in CRM (with NLURA) for seven years in a variety of roles (fieldwork, GIS, management) for projects ranging from the North Slope to the Southeast. In 2015 I graduated from UAF with a M.A. in Anthropology, where I focused on archaeology and paleoecology. Recently I accepted a position with BLM as archaeologist for the Central Yukon Field Office and am excited to settle into this new role. While my experience has largely been in archaeology, I believe that a four-field approach and interdisciplinary collaboration is essential, es-

pecially as climate and cultural change continue to have tremendous impacts to archaeological sites and traditional lifeways across the circumpolar north. At each aaa meeting I am humbled and encouraged by the amount of collaboration, public engagement, and cultural stewardship efforts that happen each year in Alaska. The aaa plays a large role in promoting this sense of community, and if elected to the board, my goal would be to continue to foster this, as well as seek opportunities for collaboration and public outreach that would benefit the association, Alaska Native communities, and anthropology as a whole.

Roberta Gordaoff, BA

My name is Roberta Gordaoff. I was born and raised in Anchorage. I studied anthropology at UAA for undergrad and grad school. I worked on the Central Aleutians Upland Archaeology project surveys and excavation on Adak Island in 2010-2012. My thesis is on the ADK-00237 excavation in 2011 and I will graduate in December of 2016. I have worked in CRM in Alaska since 2010.

Hilary Huffman, BA

Hilary Huffman is a lifelong Alaskan. Her passion for Anthropology began as a freshmen student at A.J. Dimond High School, which lead her to a B.A. in Anthropology with an emphasis in Archaeology from Brigham Young University and back to her roots as a candidate for a M.A. the in Applied Cultural Anthropology track at the University of Alaska Anchorage. Hilary is a fierce believer in community engagement and the power of knowledge through research to enact positive change in communities. Her research interests include: Multi-disciplinary work, advocacy anthropology, medical anthropology, social construction, gender-based violence, oppression & resistance, and culturally-bound suffering. In her free time Hilary enjoys spending time with her family, volunteer work, travel and reading.

Yoko Kugo, MA

Yoko Kugo is an international student in the Interdisciplinary Studies Ph.D. program housed in Arctic & Northern Studies

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at University of Alaska Fairbanks. Yoko has been an Alaska Anthropological Association student member since 2009. She completed her MA in Anthropology from University of Alaska Anchorage in 2014. Her Ph.D. dissertation research focus is the study of Central Yup'ik geographic knowledge including place names and oral histories in the Iliamna Lake area, Alaska. Yoko has been taking Central Yup'ik language courses at UAF since Fall 2015 to understand Yup'ik place names from a Yup'ik perspective. Besides her studies, Yoko enjoys sharing her Japanese culture with her friends,

weaving Southeast Coast style baskets, cooking, visiting friends, and hiking.

Joseph Sparaga, BA

I am a lifelong Alaskan resident who began my interest in Anthropology through the University of Alaska Anchorage in 2009. I joined the Anthropology Club and became the Vice President and then President before graduating. During the end of my undergraduate degree I began working part-time for a National Science Foundation funded project for several years, which led to an international excavation in Iceland with both City University of New York students and Icelandic

archaeologists. Since then I have worked for a number of cultural resources management firms performing archaeological surveys on different projects. I then went to Western Washington University for graduate school, where I completed my coursework, was a Graduate Teaching Assistant for a year with three difference classes, and am currently nearing the completion of a thesis defense.

I am presently an archaeologist for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and am looking forward to continue working with people throughout the state.

OHA Seeks Assistance with Public Outreach Alaska Historic Preservation Plan to be Updated

Summer Louthan, Association member

The Office of History and Archaeology is asking the Alaska Anthropological Association to assist with public outreach for Alaska's Historic Preservation Plan update. Although Alaska's current plan, "Saving Our Past", will take us through 2017, it is time to begin assessing what has been accomplished so far, address current challenges, and identify new opportunities for preservation in Alaska to guide us through 2023. We would appreciate it if aaa members would assist in outreach, such as by posting about this on your organizations social media or sharing in your organization's newsletters or website.

If you would like to order our free press kit, please e-mail Summer Louthan at summer.louthan@alaska.gov. Additionally, feel free to copy-paste the language below to use on your agency's social media.

Thank you!

Summer Louthan

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Copy-paste this message into social media:

OHA is updating Alaska's historic preservation plan and wants to know what historic places matter to you. Please share your thoughts by taking a short survey that is available online at:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AKHPP>.

Copy-paste, or "share" this Alaska State Parks post on your own FaceBook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/AlaskaStateParks/posts/1013192505469376>.

The Alaska Office of History and Archaeology is updating Alaska's historic preservation plan and wants to know what historic places in your community matter most to you. This is your opportunity to influence the direction of the preservation movement in the state over the next five years. The most important aspect of developing a preservation plan is your opinion! Please share your thoughts by taking our short survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AKHPP>.

Another way you can share the important historic sites in your community is by participating in our [#ThisPlaceMatters](#) Alaska photo sharing campaign. Photo submissions may include historic buildings and structures, residential neighborhoods, downtown streetscapes, historic and rural landscapes, and archaeological sites (please offset the location of archaeological sites for their protection).

Go to <http://arcg.is/1TvORj2> to submit an entry.

Go to <http://arcg.is/1TvQihT> to see previous entries on an interactive map.

Public Education Group News

Jenny Blanchard, PEG Co-chair

World Anthropology Day 18 February, 2017

18 February, 2017 is World Anthropology Day. UAA is organizing an event, similar to Archaeology Day in October. There will be agency/organization booths, performances, and activities for all ages. The event will be from 10am-4pm at the UAA University Center. We would like people to help get the word out, especially to the broader cultural resource community, including Alaska Native Corporations. Please also let Jenny Blanchard know if there are Anthro Day events in your community, so we are aware of all the activities planned for this important day.



Map of the 14 states participating in the MAP project so far. Photo courtesy of <https://preservation50.org>.

The MAP Project

The Making Anthropology Public (MAP) Project is a series of interpretive videos produced by archaeologists across the United States, that are hosted by the SAA as part of their NHPA 50 project. So far, there were 14 states that have released videos, which can be accessed at <http://preservation50.org/mapp/>.

Poster sketches for the next Archaeology Month Poster will also be coming out soon.

NHPA 50 / USFS "49 Sites in the 49th State"

Keri Hicks updated PEG on the National Historic Preservation Act's NHPA50/USFS "49 Sites in the 49th State" project. The 49 Sites in the 49th State website is www.fs.usda.gov/goto/AK49Sites, the Twitter hashtag is #Alaska49sites.

The website will be maintained at least through September, 2017.

The USFS would like to continue to publicize events related to the 49 sites, so please let Keri know if things are planned.

For example, there will be an event for the raising of the restored Yax Té totem in Juneau in Spring, 2017. They are also working on a scavenger hunt related to the project for the State Museum in Juneau. That will be tied to both the "Discovery Agents" app, and a Junior Ranger activity book that is currently in the works.

OHA Updates

OHA has a draft of their new Tangle Lakes Archaeological District brochure. It is currently being edited and will hopefully be out in the near future. They are also working on a website with similar content.

The Project Archaeology, Investigating Shelter Ahtna module is now fully funded, thanks to OHA, BLM, and the Park Service. Yay! They are starting this month to develop content, so that should be moving along in the coming year.

Next Meeting is Wednesday 1/4 at 1:00 pm. See you then!

Upcoming talks

14 December, 2016, 7pm

"Migrations of Indigenous People into the Valley Following Retreat of the Glaciers"

Location: UAF Cooperative Extension Service, Palmer
Speaker: Fran Seager-Boss

18 January, 2017, 7pm

"Arrows, Atlatl Darts, & Gopher Sticks--Windows to Our Northern Past"

Location: Campbell Creek Science Center, Anchorage
Speaker: Richard Vanderhoek

"Charley River B-24: Army Efforts to understand the 1943 Crash and Story of Survival"

Location: Morris Thompson Visitors Center, Fairbanks
Speaker: Major Russ Vanderlugt

Free and open to public

Sponsored by NPS and USAG FWA

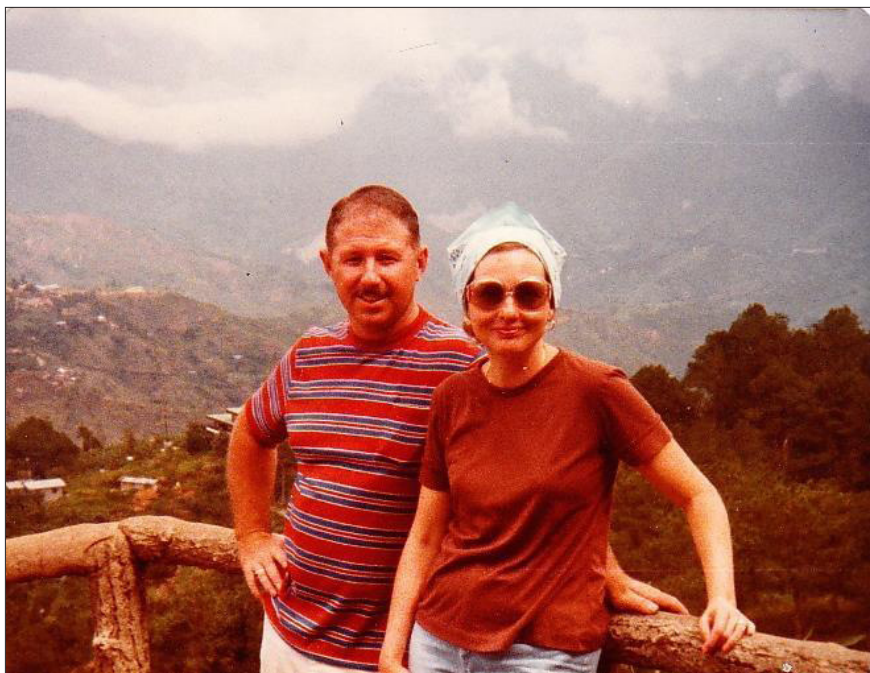
PEG is looking forward to a very productive new year, as well as the 44th annual meeting in Fairbanks. See you all there!

E-mail jblanchard@blm.gov if you would like to hear about upcoming meetings or would like to be added to the PEG email list.

In Memory: Patricia Lee McClenahan

1941-2016

Becky Saleeby, Association member



Pat and her husband pose in front of a mine site in the Philippines in 1978. *Photo reprinted from the Anchorage Dispatch News.*

Pat McClenahan, born in Chico, California in 1941, passed away on 23 October, 2016 at home in Eagle River, Alaska as a result of abdominal cancer. She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Jerry McClenahan, along with two sons and two grandchildren.

Pat raised her children as a Navy wife while following Jerry to exotic places around the world. She taught English as a second language before she and Jerry settled down in Oregon.

Pat embarked upon her second career as an anthropologist with great determination and a unique ability to adapt herself to whatever new situation or new job opportunity came her way. She embraced her graduate studies with "wild enthusiasm," according to Don Du-
mond, her advisor at the University of Oregon.

Pat began her archaeological fieldwork in Alaska as a crew member for UAF compliance on the Susitna Hydroelectric Project during the summer of 1984. She returned to Alaska for survey at Cape Krusenstern National Monument, completing a two-volume report on this fieldwork along with co-author Douglas Gibson in 1990. A lasting contribution to the archaeology of this world-class archaeological district is Pat's overview

and assessment of Cape Krusenstern, published in 1993.

Her next NPS assignment was equally challenging. She served as Chief of Cultural Resources for Katmai National Park and Preserve from 1992 to 1994. She waded into the fray to protect the Brooks River archaeological district while the park focused on developing facilities for visitors.

Pat's efforts included enforcing compliance with NHPA, dealing with the effects of the Exxon Valdez oil spill and fuel leaks at Brooks Camp, and establishing consultation with Alaska Native communities.

Pat is also responsible for the drafting the National Historic Landmark nomination for the Brooks River archaeological district.

By the late 1990s, Pat switched agencies when she took a job with the USFWS Office of Subsistence Management. In her position as anthropologist, she acted as a technical advisor to the Bristol Bay and Yukon-Kuskokwim Subsistence Advisory Councils. She analyzed proposals to change subsistence regulations, made presentations to the Councils and to the Federal Subsistence Boards, and worked closely with SAC members and other rural residents and managers to find positive solutions to subsistence conflicts.

Despite the heavy work load, Pat was also managed to earn a PhD in Environmental Science from the University of Arkansas in 2004. Most recently, she took on the position of Principal Investigator for Pacific Northwest Resources Consultants of Alaska.

Pat was an active member in the aaa, serving on the election committee, as secretary/treasurer in 2000, and as newsletter editor from 2010 to 2012. Her colleague Richard Bland remembers Pat as a selfless, giving person. He says, "The world could do with a lot more like Pat."

All of us who remember her will vouch for the truth of these sentiments. With her passing, our community of Alaskan anthropologists has lost a friend, a strong CRM advocate, and a tireless scholar.

Recent Publications

Richard Stern, Association member

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 encouraged to share publications which come to their attention with this column.

Please submit any recent publications you know of that may be of interest to our members to Richard at ros@north-ernlanduse.com.

Burns, Jennifer M., James M. Van Lanen, David Withrow, Davin Holen, Tatiana Askoak, Helen Aderman, Greg O'Corey-Crowe, Garrett Zimpelman and Bronwyn Jones

2016 Integrating Local Traditional Knowledge and Subsistence Use Patterns With Aerial Surveys to Improve Scientific and Local Understanding of the Iliamna Lake Seals. Technical Paper No. 416. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Anchorage, Alaska.

Bogoslovskaya, Lyudmila, Ivan Slugin, Igor Zagrebin, Igor I. Krupnik and Edited by Igor Krupnik and Rachel Mason

2016 Maritime Hunting Culture of Chukotka-Traditions and Modern Practices. Translated by Marina Bell. US-DOI, National Park Service, Shared Beringian Heritage Program, Anchorage, Alaska.
(available from Rachel_mason@nps.gov)

BurnSilver, Shauna, James S. Magdanz, Rhian Stotts, Matthew Berman and Gary Kofinas

2016 Are Mixed Economies Persistent or Transitional? Evidence Using Social Networks from Arctic Alaska. *American Anthropologist* 118(1):121-129.

Fall, James A. and Garrett Zimpelman, editors

2016 Update On The Status Of Subsistence Uses In Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Area Communities, 2014. Technical Paper No. 412 (Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Project Final Report-Restoration Project 15150112). Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Anchorage, Alaska.

Fall, James A. and Terri Lemons

2016 Subsistence Harvests of Pacific Halibut In Alaska, 2014. Technical Paper No. 414. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Anchorage, Alaska.

Ferguson, Jeanne

2016 Language has a Spirit: Sakha (Yakut) Language Ideologies and Aesthetics of Sustenance Arctic *Anthropology* 53(1):95-111.

Friesen, T. Max and Owen K. Mason (editors)

2016 The Oxford Handbook of the Prehistoric Arctic. Oxford University Press, Oxford.

Hansen, Anne Merrild and Pelle Tejsner

2016 Identifying Challenges and Opportunities for Residents in Upernavik as Oil Companies are Making a First Entrance into Baffin Bay. *Arctic Anthropology* 53(1):84-94.

Hutchinson-Scarborough, Lisa B., Meredith A. Marchioni and Terri Lemons

2016 Chignik Bay, Chignik Lagoon,

Chignik Lake, and Perryville: An Ethnographic Study of Traditional Subsistence Salmon Harvests and Uses. Technical Paper No. 390. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Anchorage, Alaska.

Ikuta, Hiroko, David M. Runfola, James J. Simon and Marylynne L. Kostick, editors

2016 Subsistence Harvests in 6 Communities on the Bering Sea, in the Kuskokwim River drainage, and on the Yukon River, 2013. Technical Paper No. 417. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Fairbanks, Alaska.

Jones, Bronwyn and Marylynne L. Kostick, editors

2016 The Harvest and Use of Wild Resources In Nikiski, Seldovia, Nanwalek, and Port Graham, Alaska, 2014. Technical Paper No. 420. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Anchorage, Alaska.

Lanoë, François B. and Charles E. Holmes

2016 Animals as Raw Material in Beringia: Insights from the Site of Swan Point CZ4B, Alaska. *American Antiquity* 81(4):682-696.

Laugrand, Frederic and Jarich Osten

2015 Hunters, Predators, and Prey: Inuit Perceptions of Animals. Berghahn Books, New York.

Marchioni, Meredith A., James A. Fall, Brian Davis and Garrett Zimpleman

2016 Kodiak City, Larsen Bay and Old Harbor: An Ethnographic Study of Traditional Subsistence Salmon Harvests and Uses. Technical Paper No. 418. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Anchorage, Alaska.

Mikow, Elizabeth, Brittany Retherford, Anna Godduhn and Marylynne L. Kostick

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Meetings of Interest

Sally Carraher, Newsletter Editor

If you know of any upcoming meetings or workshops that would be of interest to our readers, please submit that information to our editor at sfcarraher@gmail.com.

February

Alaska Anthropological Association
44th annual meeting
Fairbanks, Alaska
27 February-2 March, 2017
Web site: <https://www.alaskaanthro.org>

March

Society for Applied Anthropology
77th annual meeting
Santa Fe, New Mexico
28 March-1 April, 2017
Web site: <https://www.sfaa.net/annual-meeting/>

Society for American Archaeology
82nd annual meeting

Vancouver, British Columbia
29 March-2 April, 2017
Web site: <http://saa.org/AbouttheSociety/AnnualMeeting/tabid/138/Default.aspx>

American Ethnological Society
Annual meeting
Stanford, California
30 March-1 April, 2017
Web site: <http://aesonline.org/meetings/spring-conference/>

April

American Association of Physical Anthropologists
86th annual meeting
New Orleans, Louisiana
19-22 April, 2017
Web site: <http://www.physanth.org/annual-meetings/86th-annual-meeting/>

Kenai Peninsula History Conference
Soldotna, Alaska
21-22 April, 2017*

*This schedule is tentative. See updated information in the next newsletter, or e-mail Shana Loshbaugh (below).
E-mail: s.loshbaugh@gmail.com

June

International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS IX)
9th annual meeting
Umea, Sweden
8-12 June, 2017
E-mail: gabriella.nordin@umu.se

November

American Anthropological Association
116th annual meeting
Washington, D.C.
29 November-3 December
Web site: <http://www.anthropology-news.org/index.php/2016/11/22/116th-aaa-annual-meeting-call-for-papers/>

Upcoming conference deadlines



ICASS IX

Abstracts extended to 16 January!



American Ethnological Society

Abstracts are due 20 January



Alaska Anthropological Association

Abstracts are due 20 January



American Anthropological Association

Abstracts are usually due in March/April



The 44th annual meeting
of the

*Alaska
Anthropological
Association*

27 February - 2 March, 2017
Fairbanks

Please check the aaa 2017 Facebook page for the latest updates: <https://www.facebook.com/2015aaa#>

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2016 Exploring the Subsistence Fisheries of Point Lay and Wainwright, Alaska. Technical Paper No. 419. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence, Fairbanks, Alaska.

Monchot, Hervé, Andrea Thompson, Benjamin Patenaude and Claire Houmard

2016 The Role of Birds in the Subsistence Practices of the Dorset Peoples of Nunavik. *Arctic Anthropology* 53(1):69-83.

Naves, Lilana C.

2016 Alaska Subsistence Harvest of Birds and Eggs, 2015. Technical Paper No. 422. Alaska Migratory Bird Co-Management Council and Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division

of Subsistence, Anchorage, Alaska.

Norstedt, Gudrun and Lars Ostland

2016 Fish or Reindeer? The Relation Between Subsistence Patterns and Settlement Patterns among the Forest Sami. *Arctic Anthropology* 53(1):22-36.

Orchard, Trevor J. and Rebecca J. Wigen

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Quakenbush, Lori

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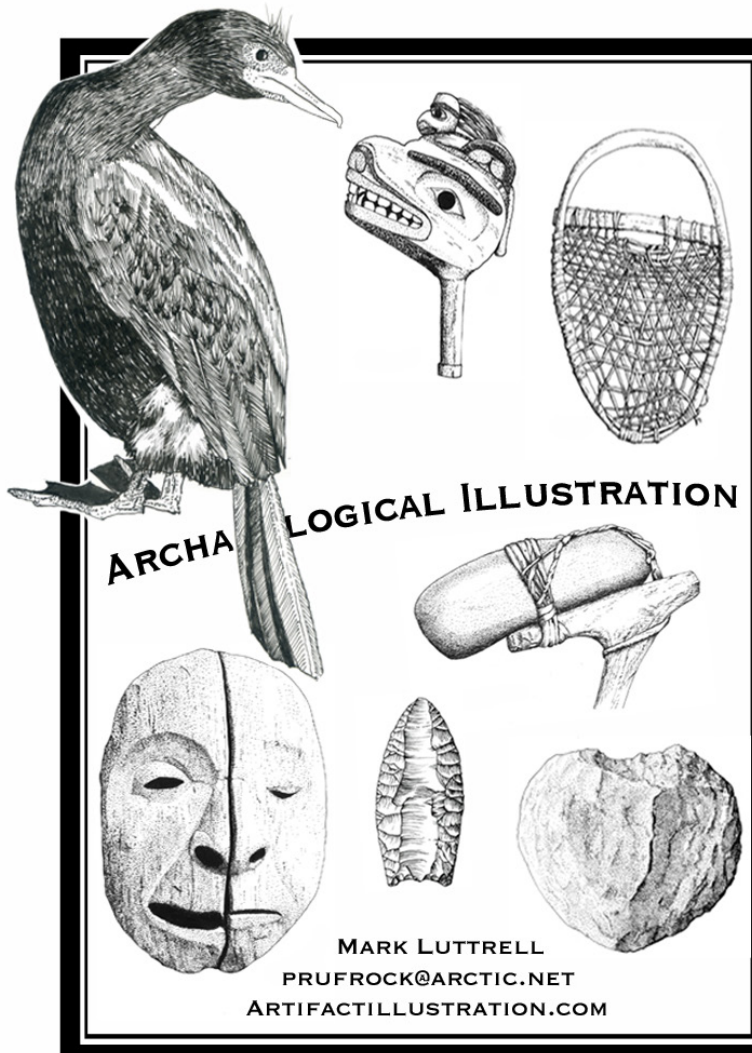
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Compiled by Sally Carraher, Newsletter Editor



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Call for Papers for ICASS IX

The International Arctic Social Sciences Association (IAS-SA) is pleased to announce the first Call for papers and posters for the 9th International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS IX) to be held at Umeå University, in Umeå, Sweden, 8-12 June 2017. ICASS is held every three years, bringing together people from all over the world to share ideas about social science research in the Arctic.

This is their first call for papers and posters. Please submit your paper and/or poster proposals using the ICASS IX Submittal Form available on the ICASS IX website (see page 9).

ICASS IX sessions are divided in themes which all of them are led by one chair. Choose your preferred session in the theme to submit your abstract. You are also most welcome to submit a poster presentation within a theme. Submissions should contain:

- name and contact details of the author(s)
- title of paper or poster
- a 150 words (maximum) summary / abstract

Registration for ICASS IX will open in mid-January, 2017. The early-bird registration fee will be 350 Euros.

Membership to IASSA is required and is set to 100 Euros, with reductions for students, unemployed, retired and Russian participants.

ICASS IX hopes to be able to provide some

travel funding to students, early career researchers, Indigenous participants. Please indicate if you wish to be considered for financial support in the ICASS IX Submittal Form. We anticipate announcing the travel awards in February 2017.

Please note that in addition to the ICASS conference fee, membership in IASSA is mandatory for all ICASS participants – to become a member or renew your membership visit <http://iassa.org/membership>.

World Anthropology Day: Call for Volunteers

World Anthropology Day is sponsored by the American Anthropological Association. It is a day for anthropologists everywhere to do public outreach and education about world cultures, human diversity, and the practice of anthropology.

A free public event will be held in Anchorage on 18 February, 2017, at the University Center, 3801 Seward Highway. UAA Anthropology is hosting the event, and is looking for volunteers from different agencies around the state to help run tables and lead fun activities for all ages. If you would like to volunteer to help at the event, e-mail Sally Carraher at sfcarraher@gmail.com.

If you or your institution is planning a World Anthropology Day event in your town, please tell Jenny Blanchard of the Public Education Group, at jblanchard@blm.gov.

Scholarship opportunity

The Alaska Consortium for Zooarchaeology is excited to announce the 2017 ACZ Christina Jensen Scholarship opportunity! Deadline to apply is 15 February, 2017.

You can find application instructions and past award recipients at <http://www.alaskazooarch.org/scholarship.html>.



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Call for Papers

44th Annual Meeting of the Alaska Anthropological Association Deadline to submit abstracts is 20 January

Compiled by Scott Shirar, Association member

The 44th annual meeting of the Alaska Anthropological Association will be held in Fairbanks, Alaska 27 February-2 March, 2017.

The deadline to propose panels and symposia closed on 2 December, 2016. The deadline to submit paper and poster abstracts is 20 January, 2017. Below are the symposia and special meetings for this year.

Although authors are welcome to submit papers and posters related to any topic within anthropology and archaeology, if you work aligns with any of the below proposed sessions, please consider submitting a paper to the organizer listed for that session. You will still need to submit your abstract to the aaa using their online form too, available at <http://www.alaskaanthropology.org/annual-meeting/abstract-submission/>.



Anthropology of Alaska, Two Minutes at a Time

Session organizer: Jenny Blanchard

To get on the list of presenters, submit a presentation title to: jblanchard@blm.gov.

While at this year's opening reception on Monday evening, come participate in this fun overview of all the work your colleagues have completed this year. We never make it to all the sessions we want to during the conference, but this way you can get a sampling of your colleagues' work.

Brief, 2-minute long presentations may include prehistoric and historic ar-

chaeology, cultural anthropology, and strange tales or amusing anecdotes from the field and the archives, all told beer in hand.

Archaeological Research in the Shaw Creek Catchment Basin, Central Alaska

Session organizers: Charles Holmes, Barabara Crass, Sarah Meitl
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Archaeologists have worked in the Shaw Creek Valley for more than a quarter century. This symposium focuses on current research and the expanding knowledge base. The goal is to provide a forum for researchers to highlight investigations (past, present, and future) and foster communication between projects operating within this small, but archaeologically rich area. We view this as an opportunity to discuss common issues, propose new ideas and hypotheses, and advance our understanding of interior Alaskan prehistory.

Environmental Cognition in the Circumpolar North

Session organizer: Chis Cannon
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The diverse ways that people learn, process, and structure their thinking about the environment has direct relevance for human behavior on or within a given ecological setting. The circumpolar north has much to offer broader debates in environmental cognition, and research related to these processes deserves more attention within the arctic social sciences. The goal of this symposium is to bring together diverse approaches to the study of environmental cognition in the north. Specific topics addressed in this symposium include,

but are not limited to, navigation and wayfinding strategies, conceptualization of arctic landscapes and seascapes, place naming strategies, and relevant mnemonic devices that influence and facilitate cognition of the environment.

The Research Program of Jules Jetté

Session organizers: James Kari, Savid Kingma
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Upon his arrival in Nulato in November of 1898, the Jesuit scholar Jules Jetté (1864-1927) began for Denaakk'e (Koyukon) the broadest, most meticulously detailed language and ethnology research program that has ever been conducted for an Alaska Native language. (See introductory articles in Jetté & Jones 2000, Koyukon Athabaskan Dictionary). Kari and Kingma will present an overview of Jetté's many research interests and creative talents. Jetté's writing styles, line art, cartography, and calligraphy make his publications and original manuscripts highly engaging. Jetté's voluminous papers at JOPA present opportunities for archivists and researchers.

The second topic is on Jetté's 1910 handwritten manuscript "On the Geographical Names of the Ten'a." Since 2015 our group (Eliza Jones, Dave Kingma, Ken Pratt, Bob Sattler, Will Putman, Angela Younie, Matthew O'Leary, and Kari) has been assembling materials for a book tentatively titled *The Geographical Research of Jules Jetté*.

Jetté's methods for documenting place names were of his own invention and may in fact be unprecedented. We will discuss issues such as subsections of the Yukon River where Jetté recorded

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and annotated names and made sketch maps, the consolidation of Jetté's names with some "non-Jetté" names, features of our database and report, and plans for reviewing and mapping our assembled materials. We invite papers on all aspects of Jetté's research program: ethnology, ethnohistory, ethnogeography, photography, grammar, or lexicography. Jetté's work on Yukon River demography and personal names is remarkable and is scarcely being used. Papers may also be on archival or cataloging issues for Jetté's manuscripts and publications.

Health and Healing Research in Circumpolar Societies

Session Organizer: Elaine Drew
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This session will showcase current health promotion and healing studies in Alaska and other societies of the Circumpolar North. Individual papers will cover a diverse range of health topics that consider, from a multidisciplinary perspective, the ways that health research bridges the humanities and the sciences.

Collaborations in Ethnomycology and Ethnobotany

Session organizers: Sveta Yamin-Psternak, Stefanie M. Ickert-Bond, Igor Pasternak
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Ethnomycology and ethnobotany are broadly integrative fields that embrace diverse ways of knowing, practicing, and representing the relationships between humans, fungi, and plants. Such relationships span multiple realms of cultural expression, including food, medicine, spirituality, economics, and art, and often are entangled within greater ontologies that involve animals, sentient landscapes, and other entities and beings. Responding to the growing interest in research on fungi and plant use among the Alaska's scholars, students, communities, and the public, our symposium focuses on the emerging ideas across the disciplines of humanities and social and natural sciences that explores emerging ideas and novel collaborations within the inherently multi-disciplinary fields of ethnomycology and ethnobotany.

Using Oral Sources and Archival Materials in Post-Graduate Research

Session organizer: Leslie McCartney
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In hopes of creating a cultural anthropology focused symposium based on oral sources and archival materials as prima-

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**The aaa Newsletter is
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Opportunities:

Student research/funding opportunities, internships, fieldschools, volunteers wanted, job postings, calls for papers and sessions.

Out and About:

Share updates with the membership about what students, professionals, and organizations are doing in Alaska anthropology and archaeology. Updates from museums around the state about programs, exhibits, or special activities are also encouraged!

Meetings of Interest:

News of upcoming professional meetings and conferences, small and large are welcome.

In Memory:

When our friends, Elders, and colleagues in anthropology leave us, please consider writing a personal obituary and submitting a photo so we can honor them by paying our respects in the Newsletter.

Send submissions to sfcarraher@gmail.com.

The deadline for submissions is always listed on the front page of the Newsletter!

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ry research tools in this, and in future AAA annual conferences, the first year will focus on five UAF post-graduate students who are using these research methods.

From Early Peopling to Modern Communities: New Developments in the Archaeology of the Seward Peninsula Region

Session organizers: *Claire Alix, Owen K. Mason*
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Geographically and culturally, Seward Peninsula has always been an important area in Alaska: a crucial divide or a place of osmosis; a point of transmission and interchange between northern and southern groups; coastal and inland cultural developments. Historically key in establishing settlement and cultural chronologies throughout Alaska, researchers today are following in the footsteps of some “giants” of the archaeological discipline.

In this context, the last decade has been particularly rich in discoveries and new data with many collaborative or individual projects refining local and regional chronologies and paleo-environmental reconstructions, clarifying coastal and inland cultural developments, and renewing our thinking about the way research can and should be conducted. From the earliest occupations of the area to the emergence of the Inupiaq and Yup'ik cultures, the greater Seward Peninsula region provides crucial data and new methodologies for our understanding of Alaskan Prehistory.

The goal of this session is to bring together researchers with active or recent projects in the area in an effort to confront and compare chronologies and interpretations, foster practical, theoretical and methodological discussions about the way forward in our common understanding of the prehistory of the region, and how this past and its narratives may provide responses to

challenges facing communities today.

Isogeochemical and Biogeochemical Studies in Alaskan Anthropology

Session Organizer: *Nicole Misarti*
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This symposium aims to bring together isogeochemistry and biogeochemistry studies in all disciplines of anthropology, from archaeologically-based fauna studies to current human health issues. Alaskan anthropologists and their colleagues are currently using geochemistry techniques to inform anthropologically based questions from past dietary reconstructions to current concerns about contaminants in subsistence foods to past/present environmental reconstructions.

Over the past few decades iso/bio-geochemistry techniques have greatly expanded within their fields and there has been a concurrent growth in use their use in anthropology as they have become more applicable and accessible. Alaskan anthropology is no exception to this and many current research projects incorporate iso/bio-geochemistry. This symposium will showcase Alaskan projects incorporating a wide range of methods and invites participants across all disciplines.

Session in Honor of John Cook

Session organizers: *Ben Potter, Tom Gillispie, Joshua Reuther*
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John Cook has been a pioneer on a broad range of northern archaeological and ethnographic topics and continues to be influential in how archaeologists view many questions on subarctic prehistory. Many of his early hypotheses and interpretations of the record have been borne out by further investigations over the decades.

We welcome papers on topics that John has explored, including Athabaskan prehistory and broader subarctic history, microblade technology, late Pleis-

tocene and Holocene lithic typologies, colonization of the New World, and provenience studies (lithics, beads).

The University of Alaska Museum Discussion Group

Session Organizers: *Scott Shirar, Angela Linn, Joshua Ruether*
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This is an informational session to present and discuss recent happenings in the Archaeology, and Ethnology and History Departments at the University of Alaska Museum of the North. Discussions will cover recent, ongoing, and planned changes; outreach projects; and collections news. Presentations and discussion will focus on two main topics: the migration of cultural collections information into the Arctos database system which is now accessible online and recent collection repatriation efforts under NAGPRA.

Inspirational Women in Alaskan Anthropology

Session organizers: *Julie Esdale, Elizabeth Cook*
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When reflecting on important women in the development and history of Anthropology in Alaska, eminent anthropologists like Lydia Black, Frederica de Leguna, and Margaret Blackman immediately come to mind. However, there are countless women who have worked tirelessly in industry, government, and at universities who fly below the radar, despite the significant contributions they have made to their fields. Women make up an increasingly large part of the Anthropological workforce in Alaska as well as nationally, and current students and young professionals are looking to female mentors from both professional and academic domains.

This session is intended to recognize women who have been integral in the training and development of upcoming

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generations while also paving the way for current research in Alaska.

Please join us in recognizing some of these important women: teachers, field directors, and local informants who come from many different sub-disciplines and have diverse backgrounds. We would like to hold a non-traditional conference session with presentations of variable length (10-20 minutes) about the lives of women who have guided the research of current members of the association. We are looking for personal stories, biographies, audio interviews, or videos about inspirational female Alaskan Anthropologists.

We would like to have a multidisciplinary session that includes anthropologists, archaeologists, local, and Native contributors. If including interviews of living anthropologists, we suggest you take a look at the Story Corps App that allows you to design questions, record your interview, and upload your interview for preservation with the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. This App is available for free download in the IOS App store or through Google Play.

Reconstructing Alaska Native Histories through Oral Tradition and Archaeology

Session organizers: Aron Crowell, Ken Pratt

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Oral tradition (spoken testament) and archaeology (forensic evidence) are complementary, independent, mutually informative, and cross-verifiable sources of information about indigenous history, especially over time frames of a few centuries to a maximum of perhaps 2000 years. However, their conjunctive use requires critical attention to matters of interpretation, and epistemological contrasts and concerns ranging from the variations that arise over time in orally-transmitted stories to issues of sampling and tempo-

ral resolution in archaeology.

This session presents methodologies and results from conjunctive historical studies in Alaska Native warfare, migration, and cultural landscapes.

Alaska's Museums: Resources for Researchers

Session organizer: Angela Linn

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Alaska is the home to approximately 80 museums and cultural centers, which hold vast collections of objects relating to the natural, cultural, and art history of Alaska. These museums provide collections access to source communities and researchers of all backgrounds, in support of collections-based research of myriad types. This session will provide attendees the opportunity to learn from the staff of nine of the institutions representing federal, state, city, and tribal organizations about the differing missions, policies, and programs aimed at serving Alaska's constituents.

Invited participants include:

- UA Museum of the North (Angela

- Linn, Scott Shirar, and Josh Reuther)
- Alutiiq Museum and Archaeological Repository (Patrick Saltonstall)
- Carrie McLain Memorial Museum (Amy Phillips-Chan)
- Alaska State Museum (Ellen Carrlee)
- Arctic Studies Center (Dawn Biddison and Aron Crowell)
- Museum of the Aleutians (Neal Hitch)
- Alaska Office of History and Archaeology (Molly Conley)
- Iñupiat Heritage Center (Kathy Itta-Ahgeak)
- Yupiit Piciryarait Museum (Eva Malvich)
- Ilanka Cultural Center (Brooke Johnson)

Formatted as an open panel discussion, panelists will discuss their individual museum collections, how they provide access to researchers and community members, how staff serve as local resources for researchers, and how museum programs support the needs of diverse users.

This session will rely on a Q&A format to solicit questions, ideas, and discussion from attendees to help Alaska's museums improve our ability to serve our constituents.



A drawer of artifacts collected by Giddings in the 1940s for his Arctic Woodland monograph. Photo courtesy of the Museum of the North.