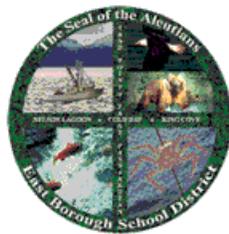
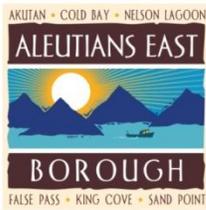
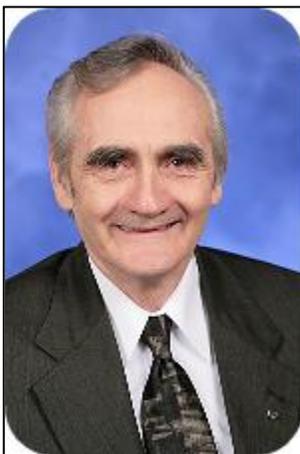


In the Loop



Bringing the Aleutians East Borough, the AEB School District and Eastern Aleutian Tribes together by sharing common goals.

Incumbent Stanley Mack Wins AEB Mayoral Race



**AEB Assembly Borough
Mayor Stanley Mack**

Incumbent Stanley Mack came out on top in the hotly-contested Aleutians East Borough mayoral race. Mack received 401 votes (65 % of all votes cast). Challenger Dick Jacobsen ended up with 159 votes, while Paul Gronholdt received 53 votes.

In other races, Marvin (“Big Shot”) Mack was the big winner for Assembly Seat A, with 409 votes, while challenger John Bruce ended up with 86 votes. Candidates vying for Assembly Seat F will face a runoff, tentatively scheduled for Nov. 18th, because no one received in excess of 40 percent of the vote. William Dushkin, Sr. received 214

votes. Former Assembly member Paul Schaack received 130 votes, followed by Stephen M. Francis and Justine Gundersen.

In school board races, incumbent school Hillary Smith easily won Seat C. Robert Kochuten defeated his opponents for Seat D. Complete election results are listed below.

Aleutians East Borough

October 7, 2008
Regular Election Results

ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH MAYOR

STANLEY MACK	401
DICK JACOBSEN	159
PAUL GRONHOLDT	53
WRITE INS	3



ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY

SEAT A

MARVIN (BIG SHOT) MACK	490
JOHN BRUCE	86
WRITE INS	9

SEAT F

NO ONE RECEIVED IN EXCESS OF 40% OF THE VOTES CAST. THERE WILL BE A RUN-OFF.

WILLIAM DUSHKIN, SR.	214
PAUL A. SCHAACK	130
STEPHEN M. FRANCIS	120
JUSTINE GUNDERSEN	119
WRITE INS	8

ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD

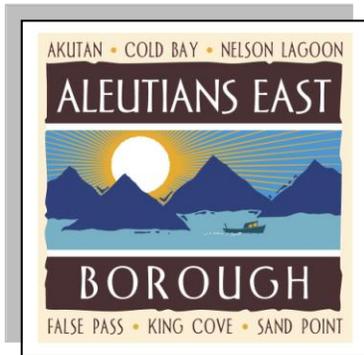
SEAT C

HILLARY SMITH	470
JOHN BRUCE	103
WRITE INS	11

SEAT D

ROBERT KOCHUTEN	336
STEPHEN M. FRANCIS	143
DAWN LYONS	101
WRITE INS	14

Special Borough Assembly Meeting Scheduled for Oct. 20th to Certify Election Results



A special Borough Assembly meeting has been scheduled for 11 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 20, 2008. The main agenda items include certifying the regular election results, calling for a run-off election for Assembly Seat F, appointing election judges and appointing a canvass committee. The meeting will be conducted by teleconference from the Sand Point AEB Building, the Akutan City Building, the King Cove AEB Building, the Nelson Lagoon Corporation Building, the False Pass City Building, the Cold Bay City Building and the Borough's Anchorage office.

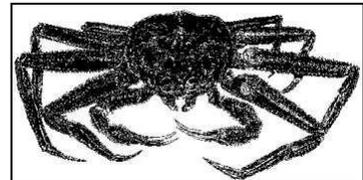
Aleutia Begins First Crab Fishing Season This Week



Aleutia launched into its first crab fishing season this week. Aleutia matched up with five co-ops who began crab fishing when the season opened for Bristol Bay red King Crab at noon on October 15, 2008. Aleutia wants to have all of its King Crab caught and delivered by November 15, 2008.

According to the Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G), the total allowable catch (TAC) for the 2008/2009 season was calculated using an average live weight of 6.42 pounds per legal male crab and is apportioned as follows:

IFQ (Individual Fishing Quota) :	18,327,600 pounds
CDQ (Community Development Quota) :	2,036,400 pounds
Total:	20,364,000 pounds



In March 2008, ADF&G repealed the pot limit and buoy tag marking requirements for this fishery. In addition, the board adopted a new regulation allowing vessel operators to carry and deploy up to 10 groundfish pots during the Bristol Bay red King Crab fishery.

Earlier this summer, Aleutia, a local marketing association for harvested seafood within the Aleutians East Borough (AEB), reached an agreement with Peter Pan Seafoods, Inc. to acquire processor quote shares (PQS) of Bristol Bay Red King and Bairdi Crab. Aleutia owns and manages the PQS, and is having Peter Pan Seafoods in King Cove custom process and assist in marketing the crab.

Aleutia's purchase of the PQS for Bristol Bay Red King and Bairdi Crab provides community protection with tax revenues and jobs, which benefits the AEB and the City of King Cove.

Sand Point Fishermen Highlight Significant Issues for the Borough

In a Sand Point meeting on Oct. 13, 2008, AEB Mayor Stanley Mack, Administrator Bob Juettner, Resource Director Beth Stewart and Public Information Officer Laura Tanis listened to concerns about the past season and what fishermen can anticipate in the months ahead. Stewart briefed the fishermen on issues that will come before the NPFMC during the week of December 8, 2008, such as the GOA (Gulf of Alaska) Pacific Cod sector split.



Fishing boats tied up in the Sand Point Harbor.

Commercial fishermen in Sand Point preferred providing a sector TAC (Total Allowable Catch) allocation to the longline fleet without additional TAC splits between the pot trawl sectors. They hope that would address local concerns regarding the recent increases in catches by the longliners.

Local fishermen also asked that the council restrict CDQ investments and activities to *only* the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands fisheries. Sand Point and King Cove are not CDQ fisheries, and believe that the CDQ groups were given Bering Sea allocations so that they could benefit from the fisheries in their backyards, not the Gulf of Alaska. Gulf of Alaska fishermen must rely on themselves to maintain the benefits of the fisheries in their backyards. Local fishermen believe that competing against well-financed CDQ interests is inequitable.

Stewart reminded fishermen that the deadline for submitting proposals to the Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G) is April 10, 2008. She suggested that local advisory committees consider working on proposals they want the Board of Fisheries to consider. If the committees need assistance setting up meetings with Fish & Game, the Borough will be happy to help. Time is actually quite short since many fishermen will be busy fishing until early next year, so scheduling time will be difficult.

Several fishermen asked whether the Board would be able to take up tabled proposals that would place a year-round 60' vessel size limit in Area M. Beth and Sam will contact ADF&G about getting those proposals scheduled. This issue has become increasingly important since more vessels are fishing inside state waters to get around council rules.

The Sand Point fishermen also expressed frustration at being shut out of the Southeast District Mainland (SEDM). ADF&G maintained the closure this summer because of the low sockeye salmon early run in the Chignik River system. Stewart said if fishermen living near the Chignik River system are allowed to go fishing, the same should hold true for Sand Point fishermen. She



Sand Point fishermen put in a hard day's work in Area M.

suggested drafting proposals similar to what Chignik fishermen drafted in the past.

Some fishermen also said the Borough's newsletters appear to be focusing more on oil and gas issues and not enough on fishing. Fishermen asked the Borough's Public Information Officer (P.I.O.) to devote more newsletter stories and press releases to

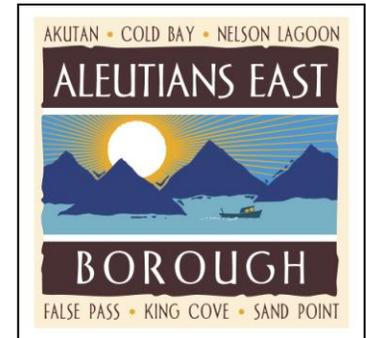
fishing issues. An example could include that local fishermen are looking at other options for processing. The Borough has always encouraged more competition between processors in the area. The Borough's P.I.O. agreed to make fisheries issues a higher priority. In addition to mainstream media, Public Information Officer Laura Tanis will also pitch story ideas to the Alaska Fishermen's Journal and National Fishermen.

On Nov. 6, 2008, Tanis and Borough fisheries consultant Sam Cotten plan to hold a fishermen's meeting in King Cove. Cotten will brief fishermen on upcoming issues, discuss concerns and solicit ideas for proposals and resolutions.

Calendar of Fish Meetings

AEB Meeting with King Cove Fishermen:

Nov. 6, 2008 King Cove – Harbor House



AEB Meeting with Fishermen at Fish Expo:

Nov. 20, 2008 Time & location to be determined

Alaska Department of Fish & Game Board Meeting:

Dec. 1 – 7, 2008 Cordova

[Details on ADF&G Board Meeting](#)

North Pacific Fishery Management Council Meeting:

Week of Dec. 8, 2009 Anchorage Hilton

[Details on NPFMC Meeting](#)



International Pacific Halibut Commission Annual Meeting:

Jan. 13 – 16, 2009 Vancouver, B.C.

[Details on IPHC Meeting](#)



Akutan Hires New City Administrator



Dr. Herman James Tuna Scanlan has accepted the position of Akutan City Administrator.

Dr. Hermann James Tuna Scanlan has accepted the position of Akutan City Administrator beginning November 3, 2008. Dr. Scanlan has a doctorate in Public Administration from Golden Gate University and is uniquely qualified to take the helm in the next few years as the City navigates to complete its capital projects and realizes its Community Plan.

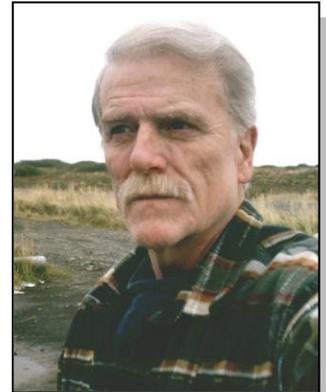
He has been employed for many years as Senior Manager for Cook Inlet Tribal Council creating employment and self-sufficiency opportunities for Alaska Natives and

American Indians with disabilities.

Tuna, his Samoan name, was the director of counseling with the American Samoa Government, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. During his lengthy tenure, he successfully established numerous agricultural, fishery, and animal farms contributing substantially to the welfare of the local economies by creating employment in the villages (cooperative chicken farms, piggeries, fish farms, boat building). His colleagues have praised his practical and applied experience as well as his abilities as a scholar, researcher, and teacher.

Borough Hires New Cold Bay Terminal Manager

The Borough has hired newly arrived Cold Bay resident Monty Martin to fill the position of Cold Bay Terminal Manager. Martin's first day on the job was Oct. 1, 2008. As Terminal Manager, Martin is responsible for providing custodial, maintenance and general support to all tenants who rent space from the Borough in the Cold Bay Terminal Building. Those tenants include the National Weather Service and the Federal Aviation Administration.



Monty Martin is the Borough's newly hired Cold Bay Terminal Manager.

Martin serves as the AEB's representative in the community of Cold Bay, which among other things will include serving as a central point of contact of

the AEB's hovercraft operation. His duties include trouble-shooting and maintenance for the Terminal Building, meter reading and reporting, maintaining records, meeting with tenants, coordinating and maintaining equipment, facilitating movement of supplies and freight, assisting with hovercraft ticket sales and passenger handling, and coordinating with air carrier personnel as necessary to ensure terminal facilities are available when needed to air carriers. In addition, Martin is responsible for coordinating with the AEB's hovercraft crew regarding arrivals and departures and distributing hovercraft schedules as directed.

Martin's previous experience includes airport terminal management in King Salmon and facilities management and repair.



News from Avant-Garde



Avant-Garde Learning Foundation is excited to announce that Shell Oil has decided to fund the Foundation's Native Teacher Preparation Program. Peter Slaiby, General Manager of Shell Oil in Alaska, will make the announcement at AFN on Thursday, Oct. 23, 2008, at 1 p.m. in Room 4, Level 2 of the new Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center in Anchorage.

Avant-Garde is currently leading a collaborative effort to create a student-centered, performance-based, Alaska teacher preparation program for non-traditional students. By increasing the number of Alaska Natives and rural residents who become teachers, Avant-Garde hopes the program will help reduce teacher turn-over, improve student academic performance and decrease the student drop-out rate.

[Link to Avant-Garde Learning Foundation](#)

Free Training for Small Business Owners

Offered Oct. 28 – 30th in King Cove:

News from the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference



The first free training for small business owners and operators in the Southwest region took place in King Salmon in late August. The workshop was informative, engaging and well-attended. **The next workshop will be held October 28-30 in King Cove, followed by Dillingham in mid-November.** The training sessions will be offered in the form of three-day workshops focused on three core areas: general business principles and business plan writing; the business of fishing; and tourism business development. In addition, the workshops will offer participants the opportunity for free one-on-one consultations with the small business trainers in hopes of more in-depth technical assistance.

UAF is offering a full business course credit to those who attend all three days of the workshop. The trainings are made possible by USDA Rural Development through a Rural Business Enterprise Grant. Contact SWAMC for more details at (907) 562-7380 or email: admin@swamc.org.

Two EAT Staff Members to Participate in Dental Health Aide Therapist Training Program in Washington

Two members of the staff at Eastern Aleutian Tribes have been selected for the University of Washington, ANTHC Dental Health Aide Therapist training program (DENTEX). Erik Linduska, raised in King Cove and currently residing in Anchorage, and Chelsea Shoemaker of Sand Point “exhibited the strength and focus necessary to complete the DHAT training program, as well as the potential to become effective dental therapists,” according to the DENTEX Admissions Counselor.



Chelsea Shoemaker

“EAT’s pioneering sponsorship is helping make history in the field of dental therapy,” the DENTEX spokesman noted, adding that. DENTEX “is committed to training Erik and Chelsea for the next two years to the highest possible level of competency in dental therapy.”



Erik Linduska explains good dental procedures to Joe Dean Ludvick of Sand Point.

That commitment is shared by these two exceptional young people who have chosen to dedicate two years of their lives to learning new skills – skills that are badly needed in their home villages. Erik and Chelsea are both enthusiastic about the chance to serve the remote communities of the Aleutian Chain where few dentists have chosen to take up permanent residence. The lack of preventive dental health care often comes with a high price: Native Alaskans suffer more than their share of dental decay and tooth loss.

“Prevention seems to be the core of any healthcare industry,” Erik explained, “and that is what I will be striving to accomplish.”

Erik and Chelsea will begin training in this month with an online anatomy and physiology course which they must successfully pass in order to be admitted for formal study beginning January 2009. After two years of intensive training, the therapists will be allowed to perform routine tooth extractions and fill cavities. They’ll refer more complicated cases, like root canals and complex extractions, to dentists.

King Cove Fire Chief Provides Valuable Lessons for Elementary Students

On October 9th, King Cove Fire Chief Chris Babcock, along with Fire Fighter Joe Calver, visited the elementary students of King Cove School, and taught Fire Prevention and Fire Safety. The month of October has been designated National Fire Prevention Month. It provides a great opportunity for Fire Departments across the country to teach Fire prevention in their communities and schools.



King Cove Fire Chief Chris Babcock discusses fire safety with elementary students.



King Cove fire fighter Joe Calver dresses out in his fire gear.

Mr. Calver dressed out in all of his Fire Gear, including his SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) to help smaller children recognize that he is someone that will be there to help, if there ever is a fire in their homes. To smaller children, firemen dressed in their uniforms can be a bit scary, especially with their masks and flashlights. Mr. Calver did an excellent job explaining why he had to wear each piece of his gear. Chief Babcock then taught them the importance of keeping their smoke detectors working, and about stop-drop and roll. Chief Babcock and the

King Cove Fire Department ordered five special child sized vests that were specifically made to teach the proper way to extinguish fire on clothing to children. Each one of the children had an opportunity to try on the vest, and practice the stop, drop and roll technique.



A King Cove elementary student practices the stop, drop and roll technique.

A couple of Fire Safety tips that the King Cove Fire Department would like to recommend are, installing smoke detectors in all hallways and bedrooms in your home and having an escape plan in place in case of fire. In addition, please test your smoke detectors monthly and change the batteries twice a year.

The Trusty Tusty Brings Halloween to AEB Kids



Ferry crewmembers hand out pumpkins to children in King Cove.

The Great Aleutian Pumpkin Run of 2008 made its way through several AEB communities, thanks to the Alaska Marine Highway System ferry M/V Tustumena. Earlier this month, crewmembers donned capes and costumes and handed out candy and pumpkins to the delight of kids in Sand Point, King Cove, Cold Bay, False Pass and Akutan.

Ferry worker Don Darnell initiated the annual pumpkin run nine years ago after learning that kids in remote Peninsula and Aleutian villages seldom get to carve pumpkins because high shipping costs make them too costly. Darnell has since retired, and now Chief Steward Mark Listberger has carried on the popular tradition.



Jolene Hoblet's niece and nephew proudly show off their pumpkins on the Tustumena in False Pass.

Fill Your Freezer with Delicious Aleutia Sockeye Salmon



Craving premium-quality, all-natural Aleutia sockeye salmon? If your freezer is empty and your mouth is watering for the full-flavored, rich taste of sockeye salmon, Aleutia has 16 boxes left, and they're expected to go fast!

Get 'em while supplies last. Fillets are \$5.99 per pound, and they come in 25-pound boxes.

Call the Aleutia office at (907) 383-5909 or email Tiffany Jackson at Aleutia_Tiffany@arctic.net.

Become an Aleutia Member: 2008 Aleutia Memberships Available

Join the Aleutia fishery in one of Alaska's most beautiful, wild and dramatic regions. Capture the flavor of this treasured resource – Aleutia sockeye salmon.

All permit holders can re-apply for 2008 memberships. Membership forms are available at the office in Sand Point or by

visiting the link below. Those who submit their applications and membership fees will receive a free 2008 Aleutia hat and floating permit card holder.



Driftnet fishermen near Nelson Lagoon.



[Aleutia Membership Application Form](#)

[Aleutia Web site link](#)

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