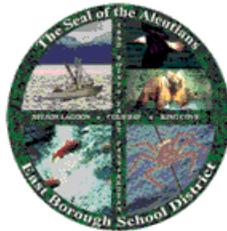
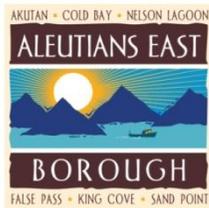


## In the Loop



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

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## **Akutan Projects Provide Expanded Transportation Options to Eastern Aleutians**

**“Airport and Harbor Construction Completed on Schedule”**

*Submitted by the City of Akutan*

After years of planning, and collaboration among the Aleutians East Borough, the City of Akutan, the State of Alaska, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, two important regional transportation facilities are now in place in Akutan. Construction of the Akutan Airport was completed in the fall of 2012. It opened for business on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012, adding a new 4,500-foot paved runway and support facilities to the regional transportation inventory.

In addition, final inspection for the new Akutan Small Boat Harbor mooring basin was completed last month, and ownership of the project was transferred from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to the Aleutians East Borough. The mooring basin was designed to accommodate as many as 52 vessels in support of the Bering Sea fishing fleet.



Final inspection for the new Akutan Small Boat Harbor mooring basin was completed last month, and ownership of the project was transferred from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to the Aleutians East Borough. Photo courtesy: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

While the new harbor enters the next phase of development – construction of floats, dock, and support facilities – the airport has provided land-based air service to Akutan, which replaces decades of reliance on PenAir’s Grumman Goose amphibious operations. Akutan Mayor, Joe Bereskin, praised the hard work of the community as the key to these major transportation improvements.

“I’m particularly grateful that our residents, Trident Seafoods, the Borough and other agencies that all worked together to make this happen,” the Mayor said. In addition, the City Council’s willingness to



Passenger, cargo and mail service to Akutan Airport (located on Akun Island, six miles from Akutan) was initiated by Grant Aviation under an Essential Air Service contract with the federal government. Photo courtesy: City of Akutan.



Airport facilities include a snow removal equipment building. Photo courtesy: City of Akutan.

invest nearly \$3 million dollars of City funds in the projects shows our commitment to improving regional transportation and public safety.”

Passenger, cargo and mail service to Akutan Airport (located on Akun Island, six miles from Akutan) was initiated by Grant Aviation under an Essential Air Service contract with the federal government. The contract requires twelve flights per week between Dutch Harbor and the Akutan Airport. Transportation between the airport and Akutan is being provided by a hovercraft being operated by HoverLink, LLC, under contract to the Aleutians East Borough.



The City owns and operates a lodge, the Surf Bay Inn, which provides food service, laundry, showers, internet access, cable TV and lodging. Photo courtesy: City of Akutan.

Airport facilities include a snow removal equipment building, a passenger waiting facility operated by the City of Akutan, and a City-owned and operated lodge. The Surf Bay Inn and support complex provides lodging, food service, laundry and shower facilities, internet access,

and cable TV. The City has also established a fuel storage and delivery system, supported by hovercraft fuel deliveries.

Next steps for airport development include operation of an



Airport development may also include additional passenger and freight services from Anchorage to Akutan in the future. Photo courtesy: AK. D.O.T.



Next steps for airport development include operation of an automated weather observing system to support air operations. Photo courtesy: City of Akutan.

automated weather observing system to support air operations, identification of off-airport property for storage and facilities development, and additional passenger and freight services from Anchorage to Akutan. Reservations and information for the airport can be obtained by calling 1-888-359-4726, or by e-mail to [res@flygrant.com](mailto:res@flygrant.com). Schedules and reservations for the hovercraft can be obtained through [www.hoverlink.us.com](http://www.hoverlink.us.com).

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## Capturing the Ocean's Energy to Power False Pass's Future



David Oliver of Benthic GeoScience deploying a scanning sonar to assess seafloor suitability for ADCP deployment. Photo by Monty Worthington.

It could be the wave of the future - or in False Pass's case, the city's future could be wrapped up in the tide, specifically with tidal energy.

For several months, researchers have been pouring over data produced by two acoustic doppler current profilers, also known as ADCPs, which measure tidal current velocities. The ADCPs were deployed on the ocean floor at two locations in False Pass. One was deployed near Whirl Point in Isanotski Strait, an area most likely to have the highest current velocities. The other was placed

closer to town. It turns out the data collected is exceeding the researchers' expectations.

"It's panning out, as far as we know, to be the best tidal resource in the country," Bruce Wright, a senior scientist with Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association (APIA), told a group at the recent Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference in Anchorage. "It's a screaming place for tidal energy."



Isanotski Strait in early October 2012. Whirl Point is located to the right of this image. Photo by Monty Worthington.



Monty Worthington of ORPC Alaska deploying an ADCP in Isanotski Strait. Photo by ORPC Alaska.

“False Pass is legendary for its high current velocities,” said Monty Worthington, Director of Project Development for ORPC Alaska, a subsidiary of Ocean Renewable Power Company. “You have a large body of water on either side (of False Pass),” he explained. “The Pacific Ocean is on one side, and the Bering Sea is on the other, with this really narrow pass in between them. It creates very swift current velocities.”

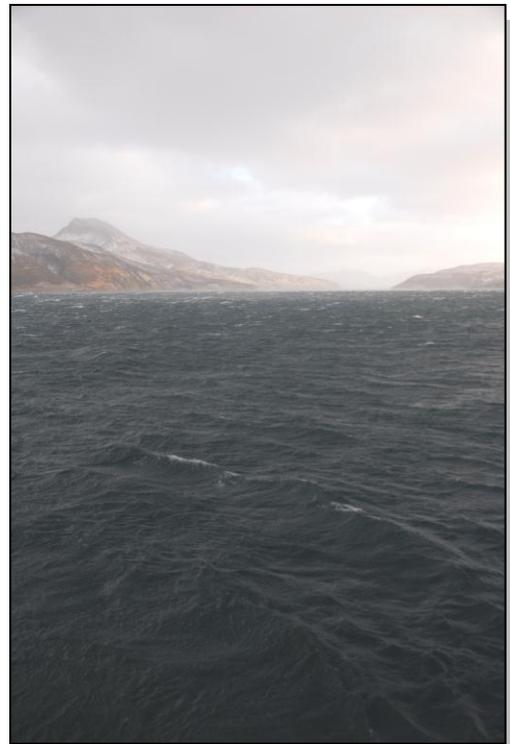
The prospect of being able to locally produce tidal energy is an exciting one for False Pass, especially because the cost of diesel-powered electricity is so expensive. So the remote Aleutian city

was very interested in looking at alternative energy sources.

Worthington became acquainted with the organizations in the False Pass area after Shawn Hansen of the Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association (APICDA) approached him about three years ago following a presentation he made. About a year later, APIA’s senior scientist, Bruce Wright, contacted Worthington.

“He said it would be great if we could work on a tidal energy project,” said Worthington, “and he asked whether there was any way we could find some funding for this.”

Worthington and Wright put their heads together to determine how they could obtain funding to conduct a reconnaissance study of the resource. They were able to identify a potential funding source through the Department of Energy’s Tribal Energy Program. The University of Anchorage Alaska created a circulation model to help determine where areas with high current velocities would likely be located in the False Pass area. Last September, ORPC Alaska conducted a field expedition to measure those current velocities, which included placing the ADCPs on the sea floor and returning one month later to recover them. Since then, the company has learned a great deal about False Pass’s potential for tidal energy. The data demonstrated that the



Isanotski Strait in early November 2012. Photo by Monty Worthington.



An ADCP back on deck after a 30-day deployment near Whirl Point in Isanotski Strait.

resource, closer to town, is marginal. However, the data gathered from the ADCP placed further away, is an entirely different story.

“The data says the place where we suspected the highest currents would be (in the narrowest, straightest parts of the pass) is very strong,” said Worthington. “I would characterize it as a robust tidal energy resource. Of all the sites our company has measured, it’s the strongest resource that we’re aware of, and it has the highest current velocities,” he said. “It’s very promising.”

The project also examined whether there’s enough tidal power potential for Bering Pacific Seafoods, owned by APICDA, to tap into. Worthington said there’s potential to provide for the plant’s power needs, when the currents are flowing. However, even if everything falls into place, False Pass would still have to rely on diesel, but fortunately, to a much lesser extent.

“Tidal energy goes up and down throughout the day,” Worthington said. “So every day, you have four peaks when the currents are flowing fast and four times a day

when they’re slow and no energy is produced. There’s enough energy there to provide for the community’s power, but you still need something to fill in the gap when there’s no tide running.”

The most commonplace way to do that would be to integrate diesel with tidal power, much like other communities have done with wind energy, in Alaska and around the world. Examples in Alaska include Kotzebue, Kodiak, St. Paul Island, Wales, Selawik, Hooper Bay and Toksook. Worthington believes tidal energy has even more to offer than wind because tidal energy has the advantage of being completely predictable.

“You can probably count on the fact that it’s going to blow most of the time in False Pass, but you don’t really know when and how hard,” he said. “As you study the tidal currents, you’re able to very



An example of modern tidal energy technology, ORPC's TidGen™ Turbine Generator Unit (TGU) ready for deployment in Cobscook Bay, Maine in August 2012. Courtesy: Ocean Renewable Power Company.

accurately predict when they will flow and how hard. So you can essentially have a system that's programmed on a schedule to work with what you know is coming."

So where does False Pass go from here? Worthington said the next step is to deliver a report on the field work to APIA. Project partners can then conduct a preliminary assessment of the environmental, community and marine user concerns a potential tidal energy project may involve. In addition, a conceptual budget must be developed to determine whether the project makes economic sense. If it does, the City of False Pass, APIA and APICDA, the project partners, will most likely continue developing the project, potentially presenting an exciting opportunity for False Pass.

"I've worked on a lot of projects in Alaska," said Worthington. "To me, this is the most exciting one. False Pass's tidal resource is unique and has all the ingredients of a successful project. There's also a synergy between the community and the local businesses that could really help to move it forward quickly and effectively."

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## False Pass to Get Community Development Block Grant for Generator



**The City of False Pass will soon receive funds from a community development block grant to purchase a new generator to help supplement the community's aging generators.  
Photo by Chris Emrich.**

The City of False Pass recently learned it will soon receive funds from a community development block grant to buy a new generator. For those living outside of this remote Aleutian city, that might not seem like such a big deal. However, without a replacement for one of its aging generators, the city could face serious problems. The community has been depending on two maturing generators. One of them has more than 44,000 hours on it and has been rebuilt twice. Another has more than 18,000

hours on it, and needs a rebuild soon. The third is too small to handle the city's needs.

"We're in a situation right now that if we have a problem with one of them, we would have no stand-by at all," said Chris Emrich, City Clerk for the City of False Pass. "It would be catastrophic. Everybody would be without power."

Going without power for a short period of time is one thing, but several days could cause a number of difficulties for the community.

"We would have no way to keep our food refrigerated in our homes and in our stores," said Emrich. "The health clinic wouldn't have any power. We wouldn't be able to keep our homes warm. We would be in a real bind."

It could take a couple of days to get someone to fly into False Pass to repair a generator. Then it could take another few days to diagnose the problem and get the necessary parts.

"So you'd be looking at possibly a week until it gets fixed," said Emrich. "It wouldn't be good if an entire community went without power for that long."

Fortunately, with funds coming in for a new generator, that scenario won't be realized. Instead, the city is looking forward to purchasing a new 250-kilowatt hour generator to install in the existing generation house.

"That's bigger than either of the two that we currently have," said Emrich.

Having a new generator will also open up economic opportunities for the community. The City will soon see new construction as Bering Pacific Seafoods (BPS) continues its plans to expand the local seafood plant, hire additional employees and build more housing for their families.

"BPS has a generator for their plant, but if it went down, the City would have the capacity to put them on emergency power," Emrich explained. "This would allow the plant to maintain cold storage for the fish until the generator could be fixed."



False Pass relies heavily on its generators. The City's electric company provides service to 25 residential customers, 13 commercial customers, 11 community structures, 3 federal/state facilities and the harbor, which includes 75 stalls. Photo by Chris Emrich.

False Pass relies heavily on its generators. The City’s electric company provides service to 25 residential customers, 13 commercial customers, 11 community structures, 3 federal/state facilities and the harbor, which includes 75 stalls. Emrich said once the community purchases and puts the new generator to work, the two aging generators can get the overhaul they need while allowing the City to provide uninterrupted service to its customers.

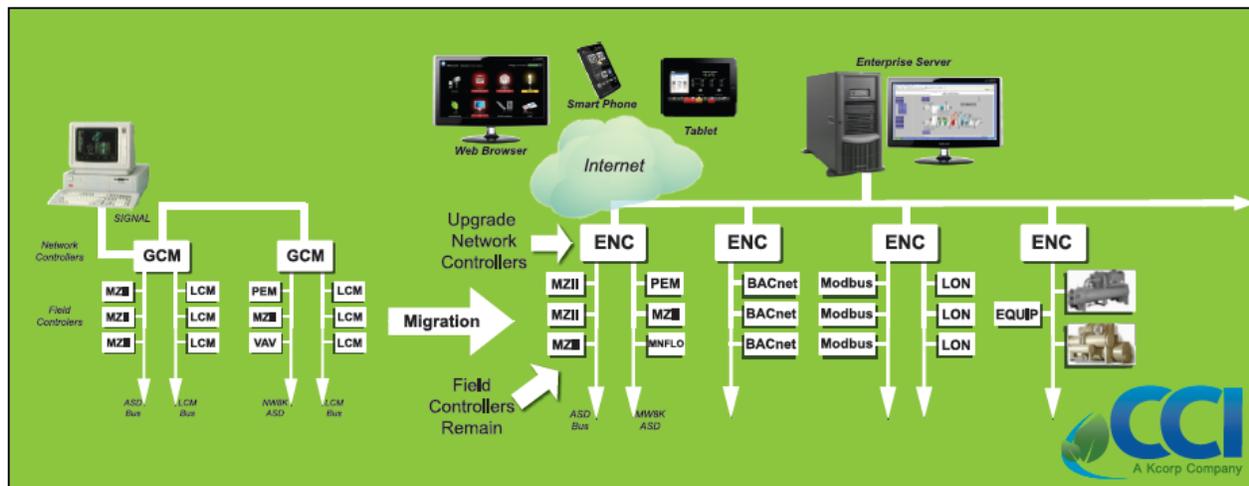
“We’re just excited about it,” said Emrich.

He gives high praise to Aleutians East Borough Community Development Coordinator Anne Bailey for writing the grant that’s providing the funding.

“We’re really grateful for Anne’s help,” he said. “She did a lot of work in a short amount of time and pulled it off. With funds being limited everywhere, we’re just happy to get it.”

## Sand Point School Heating System to Get Major Upgrade

The Sand Point School’s 22 year-old heating system is about to get a much-needed upgrade. Last month, the AEB Assembly passed a motion to approve spending approximately \$230,000 to replace the school’s antiquated heating system.



“The current system does not respond like it should,” said AEB Maintenance Director Jim Brown. “When you try to make a change, it sometimes doesn’t happen. It gives false readings.”

The current heating system was installed in 1991. Five main louvers are rusted out and need to be replaced. Crews will also install new micro zones and rewire everything.

The project is scheduled to begin when the current school year ends. Crews will use a high-powered vacuum to clean out the ducts. After that job is completed, the new system will go in.

The entire job is expected to take about two months. The 22 year-old DOS (disk operating system) will be replaced with a new Enterprise Network Control (ENC), which is a web-enabled global controller.

“It is the brains of the entire heating system,” said Brown.

Once the new one is up and running, Brown expects to see a much more efficient heating system.

“The school building uses a lot of fuel and electricity right now,” said Brown. “We’re trying to cut down on the cost of fuel since the price is so outrageous. We do plan on saving money when this whole thing is said and done. It will also be a lot easier to operate and maintain.”



## Eleven Year-old Starts up Business in Cold Bay



Eleven year-old Rocky Kremer is open for business in Cold Bay. The young entrepreneur started his own company, Rocky’s Dump Run (RDR), last month. Photo by Hap Kremer.

A young entrepreneur in the Aleutians East Borough is getting down to business twice a week after school lets out. If you’re not already a customer, you may be soon, if you live in Cold Bay. Every Tuesday and Friday afternoon, 11 year-old Rocky Kremer can be seen in the pickup truck with his dad, Hap, picking up trash that residents and businesses want taken to the dump.

“His brother did the same thing when he was young,” said Paige Kremer, Rocky’s mom, “so this is kind of a

family tradition.”

Rocky’s Dump Run or RDR for short, was launched last month. So far, his services have been in high demand.

“He’s got quite a few customers, and more people are signing up as they hear about it or see him driving around and doing the job,” said Paige.

Rocky charges \$5 per pickup for residents and \$7 per pickup for businesses. Customers can either opt for one or two days per week. However, picking up trash and making dump runs are only part of the job duties. Rocky is also learning the ins and outs of running a business.

“He has a business license, and he has a bank account that’s been set up for him,” said Paige. “We have a billing system that he uses, and he will pay taxes for the money he makes.”

For Rocky, the new venture is turning out to be a tremendous learning experience.

“It’ll teach him how to save money and he’ll learn how the tax system works,” said Paige. “He’s doing very well.”

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## King Cove’s Biggest Loser Contest Announces Winners in April Final Weigh-in

### Contest Extended Until August

The results from King Cove’s Biggest Loser Contest are nothing short of amazing. Participants lost an astounding 630 pounds! That was the total weight loss tallied from the 29 people who took part in the final weigh-in on April 8<sup>th</sup>. The level of commitment from the contestants was impressive.

“It was great,” said King Cove City Clerk Savannah Yatchmeneff. “People were working out right up to the



The top five winners of the Biggest Loser Contest are Jaclyne Dela Cruz, Esther “Lady” Hamilton, Shannon Dobson, David Bash and Debi St. Jeor. Photo by Kim Newman.

end. Even on the day of the final weigh-in, people were running and walking around. We've heard people say they feel better and healthier."



Jaclynne Dela Cruz (right) won two round trip tickets and a \$3,000 Alaska Airline gift card for taking first place. Esther "Lady" Hamilton (left), the second place winner, received \$2,850 in cash. Photo by Kim Newman.

Those with the greatest weight loss percentages took top honors. Jaclynne Dela Cruz won first place. As the top winner, she received two round trip tickets from King Cove to Anchorage and a \$3,000 Alaska Airlines vacation gift card. Esther ("Lady") Hamilton took 2<sup>nd</sup> place. She received \$2,850 in cash, the amount of entry fees paid. Third place was claimed by Shannon Dobson. She won a \$100 gift card to the A.C. Store. David Bash came in 4<sup>th</sup> place, and the fifth place winner was Debi St. Jeor. Dave and Debi each won a \$50 gift card to the A.C. Store.

Other contests that were part of the Biggest Loser Contest included the Blood Pressure, Participant and Best of the Potluck Contests. The goal of the first contest was for contestants to keep track of their numbers to determine if their weight loss affected their blood pressure. Most people found that it did have an impact. Rita Uttecht won first place in the blood pressure contest. She received a case of cod donated by Peter Pan Seafoods and a \$50 gift card donated by the A.C. Store. Catharine Samuelson won second place and

received a \$50 A.C. gift card. Lonnie Brandell was the winner of the participant contest and received a \$50 A.C. gift card. Jaclynne Dela Cruz and Tanna Lewis won the Best of the Potluck Contest. Jaclynne impressed people with her mini lasagna bites. Tanna wowed people with her spinach dip.

The celebration dinner helped to cap off the Biggest Loser Contest this month. More than 150 people showed up.



More than 150 people showed up for King Cove's Biggest Loser Contest celebration dinner. Photo by Kim Newman.

"It was a good turnout," said Savannah. "We had a lot of

healthy food. Everyone brought low-carb dishes. There were a lot of fruit and vegetables. The City and Peter Pan also supplied healthy food. Everybody was having a good time.”



The King Cove Biggest Loser dinner featured low-carb food. Photo by Kim Newman.

Fortunately, it looks like these good times won’t end just yet.

“We heard a lot of people say they’re going to stick with this because they made such good progress,” said Savannah. “They just want to keep going.”

Those that do will have an added incentive. During the dinner celebration, the City announced the contest will be extended until August 19, 2013. The winner will be announced at the Eddie Mack Scholarship Fund dinner. The prize will be announced at a later date.

“We decided to do that as an incentive to help encourage those who have lost weight to maintain it,” Savannah said. “This will also provide encouragement to those who didn’t meet their goals this time around, to keep going.”

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## Mike Livingston Joins Interior-Aleutians Campus in Sand Point

### Campus to Deliver Opportunities for Higher Education

*By Leona Christensen Long, Interior-Aleutians Campus Marketing Coordinator*

“Study hard!” It is a childhood mantra that has become even more relevant as Mike Livingston simultaneously works towards his second master’s degree and a doctoral degree while balancing his work as a facilitator for Interior-Aleutians Campus’s (I-AC) rural center in Sand Point. The center recently celebrated its grand opening on April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Even though his mother, Anna, never graduated from high school, she understood the value of education and why it was imperative that her three children earn university degrees. When she left the house, her final words to her son, Mike, were always, “Study hard!”

“I think it was her way of saying, ‘I love you, and I want you to do well,’”



Michael Livingston is committed to helping Sand Point residents earn university certificates and degrees from UAF.

says Livingston, who grew up in Cold Bay. “My mom was raised in Prince William Sound and only finished seventh grade, and her mom only finished sixth grade.”

Livingston says that rapidly changing technology makes education even more important for Alaskans. He recently joined I-AC as a facilitator for the rural campus’s Aleutian-Pribilof Center. In this position, he helps Sand Point residents connect with educational opportunities offered by University of Alaska Fairbanks and access student services like I-AC’s free math and English tutoring or comprehensive advising.

“I have probably dropped out of more colleges than the average American has attended,” says Livingston, who attended Kodiak High School and Bristol Bay High School. “It took me 12 years to earn my two-year degree. But, when I got it, it really inspired me and I quickly finished my bachelor’s and master’s degrees. In Sand Point, there are people who want to finish their degrees, and I would love to help them and see them don their cap and gown at graduation.”

Livingston has attended Carleton College (Minnesota), University of Pau (France), University of Alaska (Fairbanks, Unalaska, and Anchorage), Alaska Pacific University, Boston College, the



Livingston is working on his second master’s degree in Alaska Native archaeology and his doctoral degree in education.

University of Louisville (Kentucky) and Idaho State University. He earned a bachelor’s degree in education from Wayland Baptist University and a master’s degree in employee assistance counseling from University of La Verne. Presently, he is working on his second master’s degree in Alaska Native archaeology and his doctoral degree in education.

For more than 35 years, Livingston has taught Aleut sea kayak construction and use. In 2000, he was chosen to build a traditional *uluxtax* (two-hatch Unangan sea kayak covered with sea lion hides) during the Alaska Native Heritage Center’s *Qayaqs and Canoes* project. “The task was intimidating, because no one had built an *uluxtax* and covered it with sea lion hides since the 1800s, plus the museum held to a tight deadline for the kayak’s completion.”

“I called people all up and down the Aleutian Islands and the Alaska Peninsula, but I could not find anyone who knew how to sew the waterproof stitch in sea lion hides,” says Livingston. “I also had difficulty finding properly prepared sea lion hides.”

Livingston finally found three skin sewers in Kodiak, June Simeonoff-Pardue, Grace Herod, and Hope Morris. Although adept at their craft, the women didn’t know how to do the double-blind waterproof stitch necessary for the *uluxtax*.

“Fortunately, the Yupik team from Kwigillingok was getting ready to sew the hides onto their kayak frame,” says Livingston. “So, my team went over and engaged in ‘commercial espionage’, watching how they stretched the hides and then sewing for 12 solid hours. By carefully watching and listening to the Yupik elders, my team of sewers learned how to sew the hides onto the wooden Aleut kayak frame. Had it not been for Noah Andrew Sr. and his Qayanek.com, my uluxtax project would have sunk. It was 13 years ago, but I continue to be grateful for the help from the Kwig Yupiks.”

In addition to his work with I-AC, Livingston has worked as a police officer in southwest Alaska and Anchorage for more than 25 years. His work has been honored by the City of Unalaska, the Mayor of Anchorage, the Alaska Governor’s office, the United States Marshal’s office, the American Lung Association, the International Indigenous Film Festival and the Anchorage District Attorney’s office. For more information, visit [www.michaellivingston.net](http://www.michaellivingston.net).

Since 1989, Interior-Aleutians Campus (I-AC) has integrated lifelong educational opportunities with rural Alaskan and Alaska

Native communities, cultures and ways of life. Our faculty and staff are committed to empowering our students with the tools they need to be successful whether their goal is a certificate for a trade, continuing education units, an associate's, bachelor's or master's degree. For more information about I-AC and opportunities for higher education in Sand Point, contact Mike at [mlivingston2@alaska.edu](mailto:mlivingston2@alaska.edu) or 907-386-6000 or Shawn Dickson, coordinator for I-AC’s Aleutians-Pribilof Center at [sldickson@alaska.edu](mailto:sldickson@alaska.edu) or 907-581-1666.



Livingston is wearing a chigdax (gut parka) that he made and is holding a gudugudax (sea kayaking paddle) made by Wolfgang Brinck.

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## Congratulations to the King Cove

### School’s Class of 2013!



Twelve students from the King Cove School are graduating next month and will soon be entering a new phase in their lives. Here is some information about each one of them, written in their own words:

**Ashlyn Brandell** currently lives in King Cove finishing her last year of school here. Ashlyn has plans to graduate as a junior this year, taking extra classes to get to the credits recommended. She is not involved in any extra-curricular activities, but takes Spanish as an extra class. At the beginning of the year, Ashlyn received three college credits for taking an online college class. Ashlyn plans to attend college after high school, but is undecided on which career she plans to pursue. She wants to go into the medical field, either as a pediatrician or veterinarian technician. On April 19th, after all the hard work for fundraising she and the junior class did, she will be attending the Close Up Junior Trip to Washington D.C.

I, **Trevor Brandell**, am a graduating senior of King Cove School. The accomplishments I have achieved through out school were being able to pass each grade.

I was a teammate of the King Cove T-Jacks during my sophomore and my senior year. My senior year, our team came in first place in our region, which led us to state. We came in 5<sup>th</sup> place in state.

I'm looking forward to going to Washington D.C. and New York for Close Up. I think it is going to be a memorable trip. I can't wait to be in warm weather, instead of being in the freezing, windy, cold.

I enjoyed building projects over the years, being in shop class. I learned how to build projects out of wood and metal. I enjoyed it because it had become a hobby over the years of improving on the projects.



Trevor Brandell

I enjoy being outdoors when I have free time to do so. It might be hard to find me in town in winter because I'm always out on a four-wheeler, hunting waterfowl or big game. There is no place I haven't traveled to around King Cove that is accessible by a four-wheeler. Every year, I travel to Cold Bay on the ferry to hunt birds that migrate there every year.



Christian Christiansen

I'm **Christian Christiansen**. I come from a family of four, and I spent the last four years living here in King Cove, while they lived in Anchorage. I visit them on holidays, and after the summer. I usually go out after summer because that's when I'm through working. I am a commercial seine fisherman. I've completed projects such as, finishing the inside of a house, carpeting, dry walling, electrical, plumbing, and painting. I like to go hunting and fishing, as well.

After high school I plan to go to a vocational trade school, for welding or carpentry maybe even electrical and plumbing. I plan to work very hard and achieve my goals!!

**Glennora Dushkin** is a senior at King Cove High School and will be graduating on May 10<sup>th</sup> with eleven other students. She has been on the National Honor Society since the end of her sophomore year. She enjoys volleyball and the Native Youth Olympics. Glennora has attended the 2012 Close-Up trip, and in February of this year, was able to go back down Washington D.C. to represent King Cove in pleading for the road to Cold Bay.



Glennora Dushkin

After graduation, Glennora plans to continue working at Gould's Store until August. Then she will move to Anchorage and attend UAA, and become an accountant.



Candace Mack

**Candace Mack**, who enjoys playing basketball, will graduate on May tenth, along with eleven of her caring classmates. Candace played as a Rookie all four years of her high school career. While being a Rookie, she received many all-tourney awards. Her senior year, she received two M.V.P awards. She really enjoys playing basketball. After she graduates, she wants to go to college and get a coach's license so she can go back home and coach the Rookies' basketball team. She played other high school sports and got awards for that as well. While playing volleyball, she got all-tourney at a couple of tournaments. Candace enjoyed playing sports while she was in high school. She is also hoping to go to college and get a degree in engineering.

**Devan Mack** lived in Kenai until moving to King Cove during his 5<sup>th</sup> grade year. Ever since then, he's lived here in King Cove. On May 10<sup>th</sup>, he'll be graduating. Devan's accomplishments include cross country for four years wrestling for four years, basketball for four years and NYO for three years. He's been a member of the NHS for three years, student government for two years, attended Close Up, attended a leadership conference and attended an AASG conference.



Devan Mack

His plans after graduation are staying and working in King Cove for the summer. He's going to UAF to earn his general university requirements. So for all the future graduating classes, he gives the following advice, "I

definitely recommend to do everything you can in high school, and have fun while doing it.” In my free time, I like to play basketball, work out, play chess and hang out with friends.

I’m **Josiah Mack** and throughout High School I was awarded many things. While some of them are not actually school awards, I like to acknowledge them. One of the greatest achievements I earned is that during N.Y.O. (Native Youth Olympics). I completed the one and two-foot high kicks. I achieved a 96’ on the one foot and 67’ on the two-foot high kicks, which I thought was a great achievement. During tenth grade, I decided to give Student Council a try, and I was President for a year. During Cross Country, I was awarded a first place medal for districts in Dutch Harbor, and I continued to win first place in districts until my senior year. It was also during my senior year that I went to state for Cross Country adding another great achievement in my books. In basketball, at the end of the year, I was awarded the Most Improved Player, which might not seem like a great achievement to you, but it was very great for me. During my sophomore year for N.Y.O., I went to state, which I thought was awesome and I was just one kick away from getting on the podium for 3rd place. During eleventh grade, I went out for the Close Up trip in D.C.. which was very fun. I met a lot of new people and had a great experience, which I highly recommend. Then, of course, there is twelfth grade, which was the highest point of my high school basketball career. I ended the year with three All-Tourney medals, one of them at state, an M.V.P. (Most Valuable Player) award and also during state, two Player of the Game awards, which I hear is very rare. Other than sports during high school for my senior year, I was a teacher’s aide for a semester and took Spanish as a foreign language. In 10 years after high school, I see myself being successful doing something. I’m not sure what though, but I will succeed!



**Josiah Mack**

**Mikayla Dawn McCallum** is a graduating senior at King Cove High School, alongside her eleven classmates. During her elementary years, Mikayla bounced between Anchorage and King Cove until she finally settled at KCS in 7th grade. The past six years have flown by. In that time, she joined the National Honor Society, she visited D.C. and New York City to learn about the government and various cultures in the Close Up program. She was also involved in volleyball and basketball throughout all of high school, despite a torn ACL in her upper classman years. In her senior year, she photographed the entire school of King Cove for the yearbook and sent out prints to parents, fundraising over \$900 for her class. She was given the UA Scholar award at

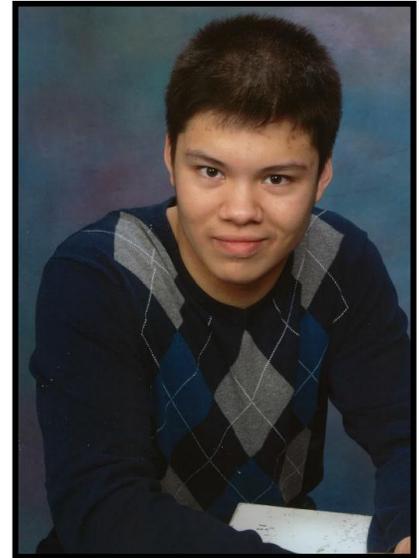


**Mikayla Dawn McCallum**

the end of her junior year, and currently has the title as Valedictorian of the class.

After graduation, Mikayla plans to travel for the beginning of summer to New York and Fairbanks, then hopefully to Mexico. She will be studying French throughout the break and is planning to study abroad in Paris, France through UAA in the fall, then Anchorage in the spring. She wants to continue the pattern of traveling and will come home throughout her college years. Mikayla is an aspiring business major in the area of sales and marketing, and hopes to start her own photography business or land a job, in that area, for a big name company in the future.

**Dalton Uttecht** currently lives in King Cove, Alaska where he was born and raised. He is an easy-going student and a hard worker. Dalton has maintained a 3.5+ average since his freshman year. Throughout Dalton's four hard-working years of high school, he has participated in many activities. He has been involved in basketball, wrestling, cross-country, and Native Youth Olympics for four years! This 2012-13 school year, he placed third in the Regional Tournament and had the opportunity to participate at the State Tournament. He is a member of the National Honor Society and the Student Council, where he filled the Secretary and President positions.



Dalton Uttecht

Dalton is finishing up high school and is expected to graduate May 10th. He hopes to continue his education and attend University of Alaska Anchorage in the fall. He hasn't decided what he wants to do just yet, but he has a few options in mind. Dalton wants to become a pilot or a welder. He has dreamed of flying planes since he was a kid, and since he got into welding class, Dalton wants to certify. So within years to come, he might be flying you to Cold Bay or Anchorage or he could be welding to fix your boat.



Dakota Walker

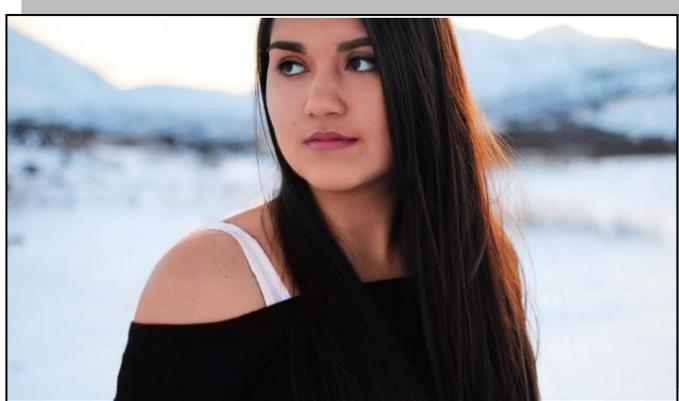
**Dakota Walker** will be graduating from King Cove School on May 10, 2013. So far during her high school career, she has taken two college entry level classes, including physics and computer literacy. She voluntarily taught a guitar class during her sophomore year, has been to Washington D.C., participated in all of class fundraisers, became an ETT (emergency trauma technician), and this year, her senior year, she is being inducted into the National Honor Society.

After high school, Dakota's goal is to move out of Alaska and earn a nursing degree. It is a requirement to be a CNA (certified nurse's

assistant) before she can actually start on an associates or bachelor's degree in nursing. In the fall semester, she will be taking courses for this particular certification.

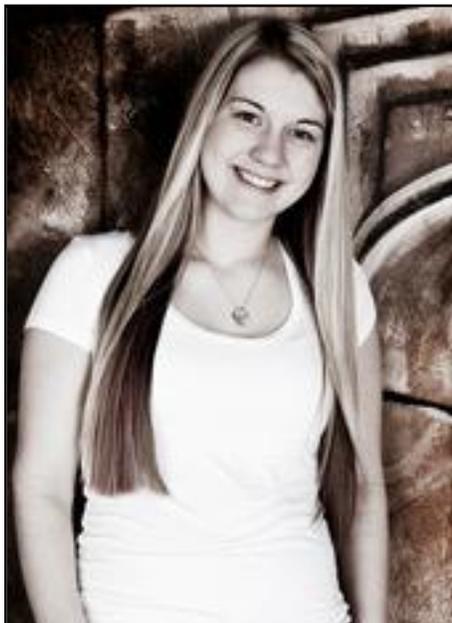
**Shaelyn Walker** is graduating on May 10th. She likes to play volleyball and basketball. She also has participated in cross country, and competed in NYO. She is a member of the National Honor Society. She attended the Close-Up program her 11<sup>th</sup> grade year. She has volunteered for Women's Club events such as Easter and 4th of July.

She is planning on attending an Animal Behavior College in Anchorage. She is planning to be a Veterinary Assistant.



Shaelyn Walker

**Shonna Wheeler** graduates on May 10th from King Cove High School. She grew up and lives in King Cove, Alaska. She likes to hang out with friends, go out on bike rides, fish with family and friends and travel. Shonna is on the starting five on the Rookies basketball team.



Shonna Wheeler

Shonna has earned High Honors and Honors, her entire senior year and Honors for her junior year. In basketball, she got on the All-Tournament team at all three of the tournaments she competed in her senior year. In 2011-2012, school year she went to Washington D.C. for Close-Up. She has been to two leadership conferences and been to one Alaska Federation of Natives Youth Conference. Her junior and senior year, she was a teacher's aide, and helped out junior high and elementary. She has volunteered and helped out with corporations, foundations and clubs.

Shonna is planning on going to college outside of the State of Alaska. She wants to become a radiologist. This summer before she goes to school, she wants to work and hopefully be able to travel before she has to start school.

## **Congratulations to this year's inductees to the National Honor Society from the King Cove School!**



This year's inductees to the National Honor Society from the King Cove School. There were a total of eight new inductees this year. Those in the picture are from left to right: Front row: Ethan Mack (10th Gr., New), Dustin Newman (10th Gr., New), Cameron Samuelson (10th Gr., New), Peyton Kuzakin (10th Gr., New), Kailee Calver (10th Gr., New), Dakota Walker (12th Gr., New), Mikayla McCallum (12th Gr.), Glennora Dushkin (12th Gr.), Jeremiah St. Jeor (10th Gr., New), Mica Nason (11th Gr., New). Back row: Devan Mack (12th Gr.), Dalton Uttecht-Gould (12th Gr.), Jaimen Newman (11th Gr.).

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## **Congratulations to the Sand Point School's Class of 2013!**



Four students from the Sand Point School are graduating next month. That means they will soon be opening a new and exciting chapter in their lives. Here is some information about each one of them, written in their own words:

**Marissa Colene Williams:** This is my fourth and last year attending Sand Point School. In these past years, I have grown in many ways, not just academically. I have received high honor roll and top of my class almost every year. I work hard to make my school a better place, and I enjoy all the new experiences Sand Point has to offer. It's hard to say what my best highlight or memory is because there are so many. If I had to pick one, I would say the moment I finished up the at last minute decorating for prom last year. I stood there, looking around for any imperfections, and this huge sense of accomplishment set over me as I realized it all came together perfectly. The quote I choose to leave behind is "There is a good reason they call these ceremonies "commencement exercises." Graduation is not the end; it's the beginning." By Orrin Hatch.



Marissa Colene Williams

Marissa plan on attending UAA, taking advantage of her UAA scholarship.



Edwin George Gundersen

**Edwin George Gundersen:** Born October 21, 1994 to Arlene and George Gundersen. I attended Sand Point School from kindergarten through 12th grade. I did not receive any awards but had my best memories of high school on the basketball trips with my team. The quote I chose is: "I think the most beautiful thing is that we're not parting because there were problems but we are parting because we are celebrating each other's growth." By

Kelly Rowland.

I am going to go to Bend, Oregon on a two year term to go to school for diesel mechanics and welding.

**Bobbi Jean Dushkin:** Born July 28th 1995, I attended Sand Point School from kindergarten through high school. I received high honor roll marks once in my high school career. My best memories and highlights of high school have been when I was on a basketball trip to Anchorage, Bristol Bay, and the Susitna Valley with my team and the boys' team. The quote I picked is "Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path, and leave a trail." By Ralph Waldo Emerson.



Bobbi Jean Dushkin

Bobbi plans to study Culinary Arts – maybe at AVTECH, in Seward.



Kory Benjamin Cheek

**Kory Benjamin Cheek:** Born to Susan and Ken Cheek on December 23, 1994. I have attended Sand Point School since Pre-school. While I do not have many trophies, I have the realization that I could not have made it to graduation without the help and support of family, friends and school staff. Many of them believed in me when I no longer did – thank you!

My parting remark is “I’m Glad It’s All Over – and, I can’t wait to see what comes next!” My plans for the future are to go to pilot school in Fairbanks, Alaska and become a bush pilot.

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## King Cove School’s New Principal Excited to Get Started

*By Michael Seifert, newly hired King Cove School Principal*

My name is Michael Seifert and I was just hired to become the new principal at the King Cove School. I am anxiously awaiting the start of this new position for the Aleutians East Borough School District. Though I have lived in Alaska previously, I am especially excited to experience a new place and become a part of the King Cove community.

To offer a glimpse at my background, I began my career as an ESL and Bilingual Content area teacher in Colorado. After that, opportunity and adventure presented itself for my wife and I to pursue a dream of living in Alaska. We spent five years on the North Slope. In Atkasuk and Barrow, I held positions of elementary teacher and building principal. The work we accomplished there was an endeavor we became impassioned about. Raising achievement, while learning the intricacies of a new culture were both aspects we were drawn to. With our children entering high school, we returned home to eastern Colorado for our three children to



Michael Seifert, the newly hired principal at the King Cove School.

graduate in their home town. Now we are ready to return to Alaska and continue our work serving the children of your district.

Working and living among varied populations has been the hallmark of my career. Relationship building is my strongest asset as an educator. I have experience teaching elementary through high school age children in the areas of elementary education, Spanish, and language acquisition. As an administrator, almost all of my schools have been K-12 schools, and I enjoy the connectedness of having all grade levels within my building. Through my studies and my expertise in raising students to the next level in their education, I offer a specialized interest and passion for assisting students in reaching their potential. I am a motivator and life coach who seeks to guide students towards their capabilities and engage them in school and in their future.

When asked the question, “How are you feeling about joining the team of AEBSD?” My answer without hesitation is a feeling of excitement. I have lived and worked in many communities, but I am most excited to invest myself in King Cove. I look forward to getting to know all of you.

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## **New Special Education Director Looks Forward to Adventure with the AEBSD**

*By Hilary Seifert, newly hired AEBSD Special Education Director*



**Hilary Seifert, the new AEBSD Special Education Director.**

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Hilary Seifert and I was hired by the Aleutians East Borough School District to become the new Special Education Director. I am an educator with experience as a school counselor, teacher and administrator. It is my sincere desire to bring my skills and talents to the Aleutians East Borough community and serve the children of your district.

Throughout my career I have held multiple roles in schools, but my passion and my heart has always centered on children with special needs. I began my career as a school counselor working with school systems, children and families. I have taught elementary education and special education for many years while raising achievement in reading, writing, and math as my areas of expertise. Most of my career has been spent in rural communities in both Colorado and Bush Alaska on the North Slope.

I am thrilled to be entering the Aleutians East Borough community for the next phase of my educational career.

I have a high level of education and experience that I will share with the district. I completed my Educational Specialist degree in Administrative Leadership with an emphasis on Special Education. At present, I am writing my dissertation for my Doctorate degree in the area of Teaching and Learning. I pride myself in offering high quality instruction to students, effective coaching to teachers and the building of genuine home-school connections with families. I look forward to serving the schools of the Aleutians East Borough and I welcome the opportunity to join your community.

"How are you feeling about joining the team of AEBSD?" There is an easy answer. I am filled with excitement to become a part of the AEBSD team. Becoming involved in your communities and being able to serve your students will be the highlight of my career. I am looking forward to the adventure.

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# "Read a Book - Watch a Movie"

## Fourth Event Scheduled for April 27th

*By Anne Bailey, AEB Community Development Coordinator*

The Aleutians East Borough and Sand Point Library are proud to host the "Read a Book – Watch a Movie" program for young adults between the ages of 14 and 18 in Sand Point. This program is designed to encourage Sand Point young adults to read. Books that have been adapted to feature films have been selected with an evening where they will discuss the book, watch the movie and then follow up by conducting a book/movie comparison. The young adults not only get a night of safe entertainment, but they also get to keep the books they have read, receive a DVD of all the movies, and have a chance to win a Kindle if they have avidly participated in the events. The following books have been read so far: The Hunger Games; Eragon and the Chronicles of Narnia. The kids have liked this program so much that they have requested to do a fourth event on April 27, 2013 at 8:00 p.m. where they will discuss Flipped.

This program is funded by the Aleutians East Borough and the Margaret Alexander Edwards Trust.



## Sand Point After-School Programs Are a Big Hit!

*By Ralph Lindquist*

The third quarter saw the beginning of many new after-school programs at the Sand Point School. We are excited to share the details of those programs with our community.

**Chess Club-** Meets daily (M-Tr) after school, open to students in grades K-12 (Activities Bus) Sponsor: Troy Poage. Starts April 1.

**Gymnastics-** Meets (M-Tr) after school, open to students K-12, with several different classes based on skill level and age. (Activities Bus)

Sponsors: Jerri Nyberg and Erin Nyberg



Gymnastics is a popular after-school program at Sand Point School. Photo by Jerri and Erin Nyberg.

**Photography Club-** Meets once a week (TBA), open to students in all grades (Activities Bus)

Sponsor: Marc Donadieu

**Spring League Basketball-** Games on Tuesday and Thursday (TBA). Starting at 4:15. Open to all High School and Middle School students. Team play starts March 19.

Sponsor: Ralph Lindquist and Troy Poage

**Skateboarding Club-** Meets on Saturday Mornings, after Saturday Study Skills (10:30). Open to students thru 8th grade. Must have helmet to participate.

Sponsor: Dan Reilly

**Jump Start Basketball-** open to grades 2-5. Meets M-Tr after school. Additional time on Fridays TBA. (Activities Bus) Starts: April 2.

Sponsors: Karen McMillan and Ingrid Cumberlidge

**Culinary Arts-** Begins April 15th two days a week open to students in Middle School and High School. Class size is limited to ten students.

Sponsor: Lela Lindquist (Activities Bus)

**After School Study Skills and Tutoring-** Every day (Mon/Thurs), meets directly after school open to all grades (Activities Bus)

Sponsor: Pauloff Harbor and First Alaskans

Instructors: Marc Donadieu and Mike Seiler

**Music Advancement:** Grades 6-12. Meets Monday - Thursday -- Individual schedule and instruction. Meets after school. (Activities Bus)

Sponsor: Michael Balangue



Alex Gilbert enjoys the after-school music program. Photo by Michael Balangue.

**Percussion Ensemble:** Open to Middle Schools and High School. Meets Tuesday and Thursday - after school. Sponsor: Balangue

Possible Additional Class - Hunter Safety (Details to be announced)

After School Bus runs M,T,W,Th -- leaves the school at 4:15.

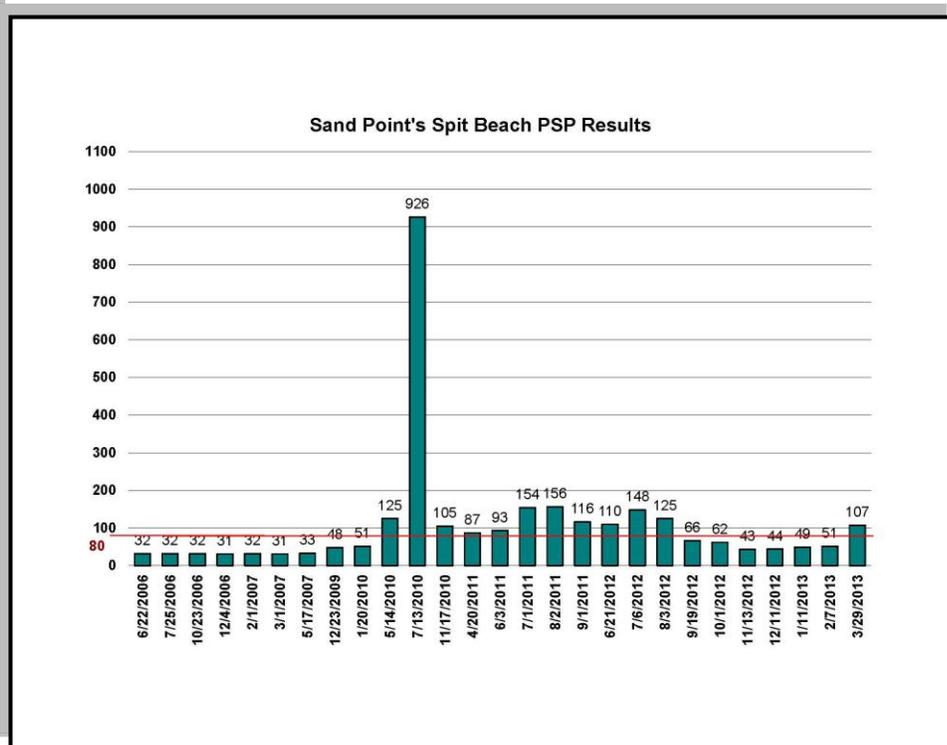
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## PSP Results for Sand Point Released

*By Bruce Wright, APIA Senior Scientist*

The paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP) results for Sand Point, Alaska (butter clams collected 3/29/13 at Spit Beach) had PSP toxin levels of 107 micrograms/100 grams which does exceed the FDA limit of 80 micrograms/100 grams. See the attached graph.

PSP levels will likely be different in adjacent beaches and will change with time. Littleneck clams usually do not reach as high of toxicity levels as butter clams and littleneck clam toxicity levels usually



drop off quicker than butter clams. If you harvest/consume clams from Alaska beaches, you should become familiar with all the clam species. Extreme caution should be taken when consuming any clams, scallops and mussels from Alaska's beaches.

Shellfish harvesters should be advised that paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP) is a serious health risk when consuming personally

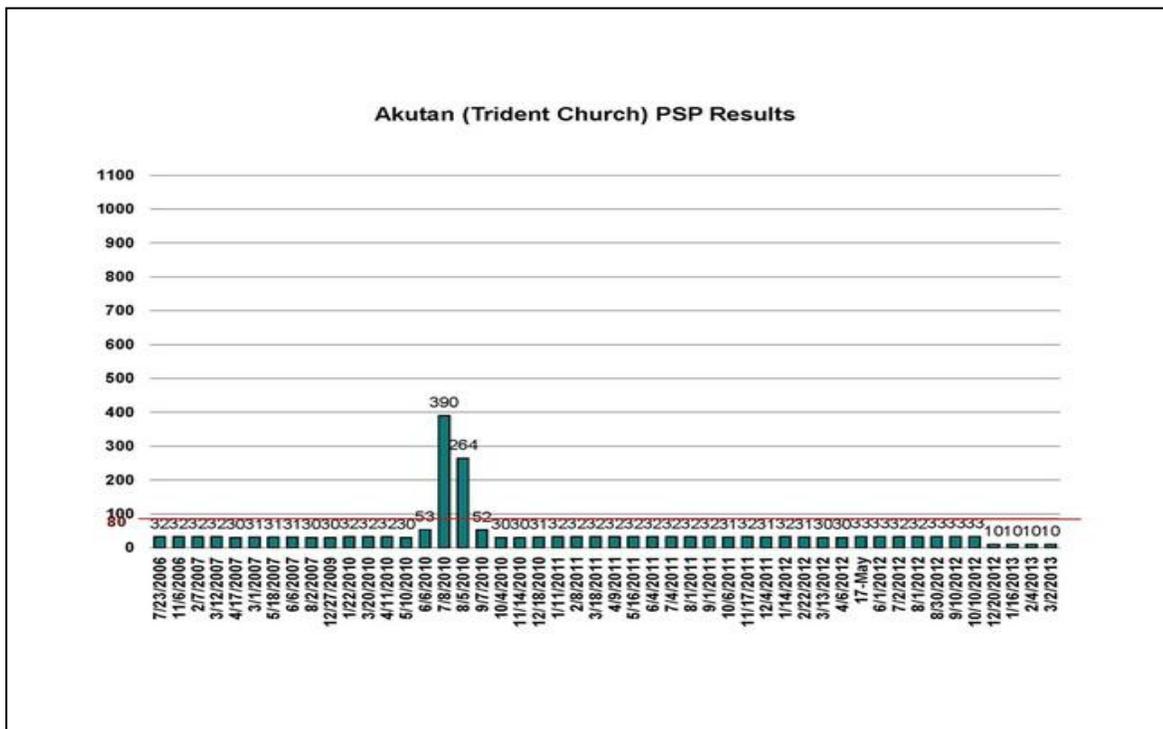
harvested shellfish. Crabs feeding on toxic shellfish can accumulate PSP toxin in their digestive system, so I recommend that before cooking, remove the back shell of the crab and clean out all the dark soft tissues that comprise the digestive system and crab butter. Shellfish sold at wholesale and retail markets require PSP testing and are considered safe for human consumption.

The samples for this project are all analyzed by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation using approved analytical methods. Note that the FDA limit for PSP is 80 micrograms/100 grams, the red line on the graph. The data collection for this project will continue to Fall 2013. Data tables are at <http://environmentalaska.us/paralytic-shellfish-poisoning-in-alaska.html>.

Funding for the PSP project: Alaska Recreational Shellfish Pilot Program, Region 10 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (IGAP), North Pacific Research Board, NOAA MERHAB and the Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association.

## Akutan PSP Results Released

The paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP) results for Akutan, Alaska (blue mussels collected 12/20/12, 1/16/13, 2/4/13, 3/26/13 in front of the Trident Church) had PSP toxin levels of less than 10.0 micrograms/100 grams which does not exceed the FDA limit of 80 micrograms/100 grams. See the graph below.



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## News from Eastern Aleutians Tribes

[April is National Alcohol Awareness Month](#)

[May is American Stroke Month](#)



VA Representatives and Veterans Service Officers will visit our King Cove and Cold Bay Clinics April 22 – 24 for a Veterans Outreach. Potlucks will be held in both King Cove and Cold Bay to introduce community members to

the VA representatives, who will answer questions and assist with enrollment for health care services, filing claims for compensation, pension and burial benefits. All Veterans are encouraged to visit their local clinics to meet via video conferencing with the reps on April 23.

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**The following dental clinics** will be conducted in April and May:

**Adak – 592-8383**

April 15 – 19, Dr. Costa & Erik  
April 22 – 26, Becky

**Akutan – 698-2208**

May 18 – 26, SCF Dr. Popescu

**Cold Bay – 532-2000**

May 20 – 24, Chelsea

**False Pass – 548-2742**

May 6 – 10, SCF Dr.  
Parameswaren

**King Cove – 497-2311**

April 1 – 9, Dr. Costa & Erik  
April 29 - May 17, Dr. Costa & Erik  
May 20 – 31, Becky & Erik



**Nelson Lagoon – 989-2202**

May 11 – 15, SCF, Dr. Parameswaren

**Sand Point – 383-3151**

April 10 – 19, Becky & Chelsea

April 22 – 26, Chelsea

April 29 – May 17, Becky & Chelsea

Provider services:

**Michael Costa DDS**-Dentist: Fillings, most extractions, root canals, full dentures, partial dentures, crowns and bridges

**Becky Howe RDH**-Hygienist: Cleanings, sealants, fluoride application

**Chelsea Shoemaker and Erik Linduska, DHAT**-Dental Health Aide Therapists: Fillings, simple extractions, above the gum line cleanings, sealants, and fluoride application.

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**May is American Stroke Month.** Stroke is the 4<sup>th</sup> cause of death and a leading cause of serious, long-term disability in America. It occurs when a blood vessel bringing blood and oxygen to the brain gets blocked or ruptures and brain cells don't get the flow of blood that they need. Stroke affects people of all ages, ethnicities and backgrounds. Some people--specifically women, African Americans, people with high blood pressure and people with physical or cognitive disabilities--have a higher risk of stroke. Fortunately, most strokes are preventable, and we all can take steps now to avoid having a stroke.

**Know Your Risk Factors – Know Your Score**

Did you know up to 80% of all strokes are preventable? Research has shown that you can reduce your stroke risk by living a healthy lifestyle — controlling high blood pressure; not smoking; eating a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet/being physically active; maintaining a healthy body weight; managing diabetes; and drinking alcohol moderately or not at all.

**Is It a stroke? Act F-A-S-T!**

Learn to recognize a stroke. Time lost is brain lost. There are treatments that may reduce the risk of damage from the most common type of stroke, but only if you get help quickly — within three hours of the first symptoms. Know what to look for:



## FACE

- Does the face look uneven?
- Ask them to smile.

## ARM

- Does one arm drift down?
- Ask them to raise both arms.

## SPEECH

- Does their speech sound strange?
- Ask them to repeat a phrase.

## TIME

- Every second, brain cells die.
- Call 911 at ANY sign of a stroke!



Beyond F.A.S.T – Other Symptoms You Should Know:

- Sudden numbness or weakness of the leg
- Sudden confusion or trouble understanding
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination
- Sudden severe headache with no known cause.



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Dr. Sarah Stienbarger, SCF Optometrist, will be at the **King Cove Community Health Center** May 13 – 17. Call 497-2311 to schedule your appointment.

Dr. Allison Kelliher, SCF Family Medicine Practitioner, will be at the **Sand Point Community Health Center** May 6 – 10. Call 383-3151 to schedule your appointment.

Dr. Ferritha Leoncio, SCF Family Medicine Practitioner, will be at the **False Pass Anna Hoblet Memorial Clinic** May 13 - 15. Call 548-2742 to schedule your appointment.

Dr. Ferritha Leoncio, SCF Family Medicine Practitioner, will be at the **Nelson Lagoon Paul Martin Gundersen Memorial Clinic** May 16 - 18. Call 989-2202 to schedule your appointment.

The **King Cove** Community Health Center is holding a low impact exercise class Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays, and Thursdays at the Rec Center. Please contact Heidi at 497-2311, ext. 404 for further information.

The Anesia Livingston Memorial Clinic in **Cold Bay** is sponsoring a Kid's night each Saturday at the Rec Center. The evenings alternate between movie night and game night. For more information, please call 532-2000.

The Anesia Kudrin Memorial Clinic in **Akutan** is hosting an Open Gym Night each Wednesday from 6 – 8 PM. For more information, please call 698-2208.

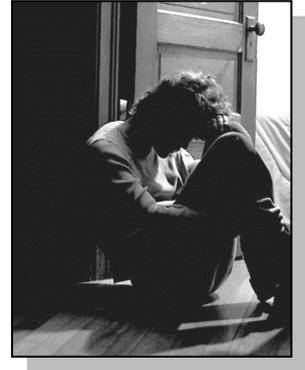
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Eat welcomes new employees Gabby Costa, Janitor in King Cove, and Jack Alcorn, Grant Manager, Anchorage.

We would also like to extend our thanks to Allie Yatchmeneff, interim Clinic Manager in King Cove, and Tara Ferguson, interim Health Services Director. Congratulations to Tara Ferguson and Ruth Hoblet on their ten year anniversaries with EAT!

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If you believe you have a need for Behavioral Health Services, please contact your Community Clinic or call Behavioral Health directly at Emergency COPE Line—800-478-2673  
King Cove Clinic – 907-497-2311  
After Hours –907-497-8203  
Sand Point Clinic – 907-383-3151  
After hours – 907-386-1227



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Are you traveling home from Anchorage? Would you like to carry much needed vaccines to your community clinic for EAT? Please contact Marta Hahn at 1-866-328-4911 or Betty at EAT at 277-1440 to volunteer!

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### **Eastern Aleutian Tribes Offers Interpreter Services in All Clinics**

EAT has established a partnership with Certified Language International. This service provides interpretation services for 23 different languages, ranging from Arabic to Vietnamese. Non-English speaking patients can simply point at their language of choice on a convenient poster, and clinic staff will then connect to the correct translator. All interpreters are sworn to confidentiality and the Interpreter's Code of Ethics. This is a 24/7 service. You can read more about it at [www.certifiedlanguages.com](http://www.certifiedlanguages.com).

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[Click here to check out the open positions Eastern Aleutian Tribes](#)

*All Providers and CHA/P providers may be asked to travel for short term coverage assignments at other clinic sites within Eastern Aleutian Tribes.*

#### Vision

*“Eastern Aleutian Tribes has the healthiest people in the nation”.*

#### Mission

*“Eastern Aleutian Tribes will provide and continually improve quality services in all aspects of health care supporting the well-being of our people”.*

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Please visit our [Facebook](#) Page to learn more about the news items and resources mentioned in this newsletter, and to keep up on the latest and greatest! All comments and suggestions from our community partners and friends are welcome. Please feel free to contact the office at 907-277-1440; Michael Christensen at [MichaelC@EATribes.net](mailto:MichaelC@EATribes.net) or Irene Douthit at [IreneD@eatribes.net](mailto:IreneD@eatribes.net).

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## Job Announcement:



### Communications and Public Relations Director

APICDA Joint Ventures, Inc. is hiring for the position of Communications and Public Relations Director. This is a full-time position located in Anchorage, Alaska. Responsible for marketing, advertising and public relations for APICDA and its subsidiary companies. Duties include but are not limited to, development of APICDA’s marketing and public relations programs, layout, written content and design of company publications, website development, graphic design and media. Position works closely with department managers providing marketing, PR and advertising for their operations.

**Minimum Requirements:**

Bachelor's degree in marketing or advertising with emphasis in public relations with a minimum four years' related work experience. Must demonstrate advanced use in Adobe Illustrator, Dreamweaver, InDesign, Photoshop, HTML and web design. Advanced knowledge of Microsoft office suite is required. Must have advanced understanding of general media design, layouts, publication timelines and technical/journalism writing and reporting. Excellent interview and research skills required, with strong background in advertising and promotional materials. Experience in budgeting required. Demonstrated ability to plan and organize with close attention to detail. Must be professional, reliable, self-motivated, creative, able to work with a team, and work with individuals from diverse backgrounds. Prefer basic understanding of the Aleutian/Pribilof Island Region.

Competitive salary with comprehensive benefit package.

Submit application with cover letter and resume to: [humanresources@apicda.com](mailto:humanresources@apicda.com). Applications available at [www.apicda.com](http://www.apicda.com).

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## Job Announcement:

### Fleet Manager

APICDA Joint Ventures, Inc. is hiring for the position of Fleet Manager. This is a full-time position located in Anchorage, Alaska. Duties include, but not limited to: managing fleet operations, organizing maintenance and repair, harvesting schedules, gear change overs, fish plans, budgets and financials, tender and crew contracts, vessel projections and analysis and procurement.

**Minimum Requirements:**

Bachelor degree in business or related field plus, five years previous work experience in owning or managing a vessel or fleet. Prefer advanced knowledge of vessel operations in Alaska Aleutian/Pribilof Island region and commercial fishing industry. Knowledge of diesel and gas mechanics, fabrication, basic electrical, hydraulic and refrigeration repair and maintenance. Requires travel to remote locations and ability to manage projects in these locations. Must be available weekends and outside normal business hours. Advanced use of Microsoft office and emails, experience with budgeting, excellent communicator, team builder, leader, excellent time management and attention to details.

Competitive salary with comprehensive benefit package.

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**The Qagan Tayagungin Tribe 2013 Sand Point Culture Camp dates have been posted and will be July 15 - 25, 2013.**

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## Updated Information about the Aleut Region Energy Program



To get the latest on energy projects in the region, visit: <http://environmentalaska.us/a-team-energy.html>. The website has updated information on energy projects throughout the region, including Akutan, False Pass, Cold Bay, King Cove, Nelson Lagoon and Sand Point.

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