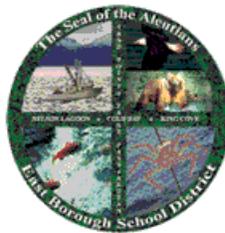
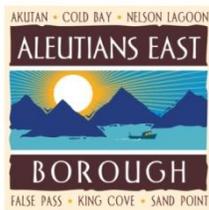


## In the Loop



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

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## King Cove Residents Congratulate USFWS for Moving Forward with Land Exchange & Proposed Road EIS Process



Community and tribal leaders from the City of King Cove and the Aleutians East Borough are congratulating the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) for moving forward with the draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for a land exchange, which could allow construction of a proposed road corridor linking remote King Cove to the Cold Bay airport. On Friday, March 16, 2012, the USFWS announced that the agency has issued the draft EIS.

“This has been a decades-long battle for the indigenous people,” said

Della Trumble, King Cove (Native) Corporation and Agdaagux Tribe spokeswoman. “We are relieved the process is moving forward. Our community has already lost too many lives in the struggle to get access to the Cold Bay airport and the outside world during emergencies. We’re glad the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service listened to us throughout this process and has issued the draft EIS. We hope it will allow this critical matter to be evaluated fairly.”

The City of King Cove, the Agdaagux Tribe, the Belkofski Tribal Council, the Aleutians East



Officials with the USFWS held a government to government consultation with the Agdaagux Tribe and the Belkofski Tribal Council in King Cove last month. Photo by Chris Babcock.

Borough and the State of Alaska are cooperating agency partners in the EIS process. Late last month (Feb. 22, 2012), the USFWS, the lead agency, held a government-to-government consultation with the Agdaagux Tribe of King Cove and the Belkofski Tribal Council in King Cove. About 80 tribal members attended the meeting. Many provided tearful and heartfelt testimony about how the

government created the Izembek wilderness more than three decades ago without any consultation from the people of King Cove.

“These injustices need to be corrected,” said Trumble. “We should be taken seriously by the federal government, and particularly the Secretary of the Interior, who has a trust responsibility to us. We have sacrificed too much already, and it is time to make it right.”

The issuance of the DEIS comes three years after the Izembek National Wildlife Refuge Land Exchange Act was passed as part of the Omnibus Public Lands Package. Pending approval by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior,



Dean Gould, President of the King Cove Corporation, said the fact that the Corporation is willing to give back 20% of the lands the federal government gave them to settle aboriginal land rights “speaks highly to the importance of this issue to our people and to their health, safety and well-being.” Photo by Chris Babcock.

the Enhancement Act would establish a process to increase the size of the Izembek and the Alaska Peninsula Wildlife Refuges by

more than 56,000 acres of pristine land from the King Cove Corporation and the State of Alaska in exchange for about 200 acres of land from the federal government to construct a one-lane gravel road. This small road will be the missing transportation link connecting King Cove to the Cold Bay



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Airport.

“This generous land offer is unprecedented,” said Trumble. More than 45,000 acres of that exchange would be designated as wilderness. Comparable examples of land exchange amounts cannot be found anywhere else in the United States. We understood that our situation requires a creative and unique solution, and that means giving up some of our valuable land.”

“We are willing to give back to the federal government about 20% of the lands that same government gave us to settle aboriginal land rights as part of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act,” said Dean Gould, President of the King Cove Corporation. “That speaks highly to the importance of this issue to our people and to their health, safety and well-being.”

The latest announcement is just the next step in the National Environmental Policy Act process. The EIS has a comment period for the public to weigh in. Public meetings are tentatively scheduled to be held in April or May in King Cove, Sand Point, False Pass, Cold Bay and Nelson Lagoon. The final EIS is scheduled for release later this year. The Secretary of the Interior is expected to make his decision on whether the land exchange and the small road corridor are in the public’s interest once the EIS process has been completed.

Without the proposed road corridor, the community must rely on small plane travel to link them to the outside world. King Cove is surrounded by mountains and is well-known to be treacherous in bad weather. The community is often plagued by gale-force winds and dense fog. Flights are delayed or cancelled about 50 percent of the time.



Flights in King Cove are delayed or cancelled about 50 percent of the time. Photo by Chris Babcock.

Just last year, the community lost its only other transportation option. The Aleutians East Borough



Residents listen while others testify about the need for a road from King Cove to the Cold Bay Airport. Photo by Chris Babcock.

(AEB) began providing hovercraft transportation service in August 2007. However, the craft faced frequent obstacles such as severe and unpredictable weather combined with excessive costs. In November 2011, the AEB announced that it was no longer financially feasible to continue operations, so the Borough suspended hovercraft operations. That leaves the community with only one option when the weather is too stormy for plane travel during medical emergencies -- the U.S. Coast Guard, which is usually based in Kodiak and is about 430 miles away.

“A year ago, I was medevaced from King Cove by the Coast Guard,” said Agnes Gould, a longtime

King Cove resident. “The winds were blowing 70 miles per hour or more. If they did not get me



A Coast Guard crew assists medical personnel in transporting a 63-year-old woman from King Cove to a Coast Guard helicopter on Feb. 7, 2011. Photo courtesy: U.S. Coast Guard.

out, I would have died. Even when I got to Anchorage, they did not expect me to live. I am thankful to be here today and thankful that the Coast Guard was able to make it in to get me. I sincerely hope that the decision for a road between these two communities is the accepted alternative,” she said.

Last winter, on at least one occasion, severe weather delayed the Coast Guard from getting into King Cove during a medevac. Fortunately, the patient survived. However, residents are worried this won’t always be the case.

During the last four decades, eleven people died during unsuccessful medevacs and other plane trips either to or from King Cove. Cold Bay’s airport, located about 25 miles away, has the third largest paved, all-weather runway in Alaska and is the community’s link to the outside world.

“The road (to the Cold Bay airport) is and has always been the only safe, reliable transportation option for the life, safety and health of our residents,” said Aleutians East Borough Mayor Stanley Mack. “It is the only workable long-term solution.”

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## Alaska Supreme Court Orders Redistricting Board to Redraw Election District Plan

Last week, the Alaska Supreme Court ordered the state Redistricting Board to redraw its proposed map of legislative boundaries in accordance with the Alaska Constitution. The decision came just a day after the court heard arguments in the case. The justices cited an earlier case (*Hickel v. Southeast Conference*) in which the Court ruled that even though the federal Voting Rights Act takes precedence over the Alaska Constitution, it should not be given so much weight that the constitution is “unnecessarily compromised.” The decision means the board must design a plan focusing on the constitutional requirements, and then determine whether it complies with federal law.

[Read more - KUCB article](#)

[Read more - Fairbanks Daily News Miner article - March 14, 2012](#)

[Read more - Anchorage Daily News Miner - March 16, 2012](#)

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## Chinese Seafood Buyers' Mission in Seattle Highlights Shipment of Live Crab from Cold Bay

*By Ernie Weiss, AEB Natural Resources Director*

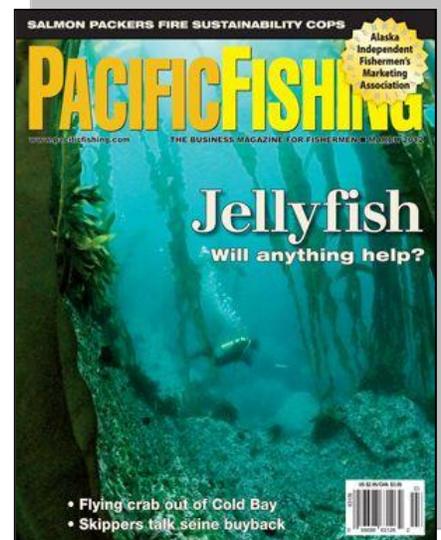
The Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute (ASMI) worked with the USDA Agricultural Trade Office and seafood buyers in Guangzhou, China to coordinate a seafood buyers' mission from South China to Seattle. It was held just prior to the International Boston Seafood Show. I was invited to meet with these buyers on March 8<sup>th</sup> at an event set up by Jim Stone and the Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers (ABSC) to highlight the shipment of live crab to Asia from Alaska. Icicle, Trident, Peter Pan Seafoods, Bering Fisheries and numerous ABSC crab vessel harvesters all had representatives at the meeting.

In preparation for the meeting, I bought multiple copies of the just released March 2012 edition of Pacific Fishing Magazine with the article, "Flying crab out of Cold Bay", on the cover. I also had plenty of Cold Bay, Alaska brochures to hand out. The Aleutians East Borough was the only municipal government with a representative at the event.

I was soon told that the main attraction would not be arriving, as they were stuck in Anchorage. Jim Stone had arranged for live crab delivered to Dutch Harbor and flown to Seattle, to be a main course for the lunch. Ironically, the logistics of that plan didn't work out, and the crab was stuck

on the tarmac at Ted

Stevens International Airport, possibly underlining the need to ship directly from the fishing grounds, via Cold Bay. Luckily the backup plan of frozen crab was ready for the restaurant O'Asian to serve at the meeting



The AEB is hopeful live crab can be transported from Cold Bay to Asia in the near future.

lunch. Both the live crab (attempt) and the backup frozen crab were generously supplied by Bering Fisheries of Dutch Harbor.

On a tight schedule, the Chinese group finally arrived and Jim Stone introduced several representatives of the Chinese buyers group, including Mr. Chen Jimei, President of Fujian Aquatic Products Processing & Marketing Association (FAPPMA). This nonprofit association represents the entire aquaculture industry in the Fujian Province and has over 300 members. Jim then asked the Americans to briefly introduce ourselves, with an interpreter facilitating the intercommunication. At the end of introductions, Jim pivoted back to the AEB, re-emphasizing that the AEB is working to make Cold Bay, Alaska a live crab shipping hub. He then displayed a map of the Pacific Rim, with one line directly from Cold Bay to China. Live crab could leave Cold Bay and enter Guangzhou, China nine hours later. The Chinese group seemed to understand the message very well.

As all the meeting participants welcomed one another, FAPPMA President Chen Jimei greeted me and offered some fishery literature of the Fujian Province, including an invitation to attend the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Fuzhou Fish Expo in September 2012. I traded business cards with all of the Chinese entourage, and soon everyone filled plates with some of the delicious O’Asian Dim Sum specialties and snow crab legs prepared in three different popular Chinese styles. The Chinese seemed grateful to have a relaxed event at this point in their busy trip agenda.



AEB Natural Resources Director Ernie Weiss meets with Chinese seafood buyers in Seattle. Photo courtesy: Mona Stone.

During lunch, I also met with representatives from Aquatic Enterprises, manufacturers of live seafood tanks. The AEB will be exploring the potential for live crab tanks in Cold

Bay. Jim and Mona Stone were great hosts of this lunch event, and the overall meeting was a big success. The AEB gained exposure related to the potential of live crab shipments out of Cold Bay, and meeting participants gained new personal connections to advance this international seafood commerce. For more information on the initiative to ship live crab from Cold Bay go to [www.aebfish.com](http://www.aebfish.com).

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## Cold Bay Airport Master Plan Update & Discussion of Airport Projects



Notice of Public Meeting  
Wednesday, March 21, 2012  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Cold Bay Community Center



### MEETING SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Open House
5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Presentation
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Questions/Comments

### AGENDA

- Draft Cold Bay Airport Master Plan
- 2012 Construction
  - Main runway safety area, north apron paving
- Environmental Document/Design
  - Main runway overlay & edge lighting
  - Proposed new terminal apron taxiway
  - Request for comments

A copy of the draft master plan can be found at <http://dot.alaska.gov/creg/coldbay/>

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## News from SWAMC



The Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference (SWAMC) held its 2012 Annual Economic Summit and Membership Meeting February 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at the Hotel Captain Cook in Anchorage. At their membership meeting, the Conference elected new Board members Layton Lockett, Adak City Manager, to represent the Aleutian/Pribilofs Municipal seat; and Patrick Jordan, Bristol Bay Borough Manager, to represent the Bristol Bay Municipal seat. Other elected Directors are: Shirley Marquardt, Mayor of Unalaska, retaining her Municipal seat for Aleutian/Pribilofs; Paul Gronholdt, commercial fisherman and Assembly Member of the Aleutians East Borough, retaining his Associate seat for Aleutian/Pribilofs; Kathleen Totemoff, Council Member for the City of Ouzinkie, retaining her Municipal seat for Kodiak Island; Trevor Brown, Director of the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce, retaining his Associate seat for Kodiak Island; Lamar Cotten, Manager for the Lake & Peninsula Borough, retaining his Municipal seat for Bristol Bay; Alice Ruby, Economic Development and Brokerage Coordinator for Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation and Dillingham Mayor, retaining her Associate seat for Bristol Bay; and Glen Gardner, President of Shumagin Corporation to represent the At-Large B seat. Not up for election this year but retaining their seats were Joe Sullivan of Mundt MacGregor LLP and Louise Stutes, Assembly Member for the Kodiak Island Borough. Mayor Marquardt remains President of SWAMC, with Mr. Jordan as Vice President and Ms. Stutes filling the role of Treasurer.

SWAMC also passed three resolutions at their membership meeting on February 17<sup>th</sup>. Resolution 2012-03: A Resolution requesting the Alaska Legislature to revisit Alaska Statute 29.45.500, requiring municipalities to match the current prime interest rate set by the Federal Reserve at the time of payment; Resolution 2012-04: A resolution urging the Alaska Legislature to pass HB 250 to extend the renewable energy grant fund; and Resolution 2012-05: A resolution supporting HB 261, granting low interest loans for the acquisition of State of Alaska Limited Entry Permits for new fishermen. Additional resolutions from the conference proceedings will be passed by the SWAMC Board at their March meeting once the language has been finalized.

The SWAMC Membership also outlined support for: the need to have better information on Alaska's natural gas potential; research funds to more fully understand how ocean acidification will affect the State's marine ecosystems and the economies which rely upon healthy oceans; expanding the Power Cost Equalization (PCE) program to raise the monthly kwh limit and include businesses and schools; and the University's Allied Fish Working Group.

SWAMC's 2013 Economic Summit and Membership Meeting will take place next February 21 & 22 in Anchorage, again at the Hotel Captain Cook.

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## SWAMC Seeking Broadband Input via Online Survey

SWAMC is leading a new regional effort to stimulate increased use of the Internet by area businesses, schools, health care providers and residents. Recent investments in fiber optics, new wireless technologies and improved satellite services by a number of Internet providers have created an opportunity for more effective use of technology throughout the region. Community leaders, business owners and technology managers are the target audience for this initial survey. Anyone interested in broadband technology use within the region is welcome to complete the survey at the project website - [www.swakbroadband.com](http://www.swakbroadband.com).

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## APIA Scientist Wins Outstanding Achievement Award for Work on Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning

Paralytic Shellfish Toxin (PST) is a pervasive severe public health problem in Alaska, particularly for coastal Native shellfish harvesters, where illness and fatalities are a regular occurrence. From 1973 to 2008, 168 cases of PST illnesses from personal use or subsistence harvests were reported in Alaska. However, the estimated actual number of illnesses may be 10 to 30 times the number of reported cases.



**Bruce Wright, Senior Scientist, Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, (far right) won the Alaska Forum on the Environment Outstanding Achievement Award for 2011.**

In 2011, Bruce Wright, senior scientist with the Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association (APIA), won the Alaska Forum on the Environment Outstanding Achievement Award for his work on paralytic shellfish poisoning and other PSTs.

In 2006, Wright proposed receiving funding from the North Pacific Research Board to look for

measures of climate change in increased harmful algal blooms resulting in increased shellfish toxicity in the region. The patterns of high toxin levels and weather events such as rainfall are particularly important to understanding the complex and changing factors that create bloom conditions that put subsistence users at risk of poisoning. Most importantly, this project has



Karen Pletnikoff and Bruce Wright display the award in front of a map of the Aleutian Islands.

saved lives by increasing the knowledge about and evidence of lethal levels of toxins found in regional shellfish.

This project would not have been possible without the active participation and commitment to community-based monitoring from many regional partners. These partners include, but are not limited to, Lisa Barnes, LeAnna Bear, Cara Bethe, Reid Brewer, Raymond Dushkin Jr., Tami Rodham, Matthew Forester, Leslie Johnson, Doris Kompkoff, Karen Pletnikoff, Millie Prokopeuff, Raymond RaLonde, AnneDee Roehl,

Antone Shelikoff, Lisa Spittler, Elizabeth Turner, Sue Unger, Erikka Viehman, the Agdaagux Tribal Council of King Cove, the Akutan Tribal Council, the Alaska Sea Grant Program, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point and multiple staff and the State of Alaska Department of Environment Conservation Environmental Health Laboratory. Karen Pletnikoff nominated Wright for the award.

In 2011, Wright and his colleague in Haines, Elijah Donat, studied the Dungeness crab PSP in northern Lynn Canal, Southeast Alaska. Their findings have changed the way the state will be managing the commercial fishery so that crab will be tested and human health will be more important in their management regime. Wright's work has been recognized by state and federal resource managers and has been called the most extensive and progressive work on PSP in the country. He has recently been asked to work with Alaska officials to help design the first state-funded subsistence shellfish testing program.

Since this project ended in September 2011, many people from around the state have asked for its continuation and expansion. Several proposals were submitted in 2011. Wright and his PSP colleague, Raymond RaLonde, give many PSP presentations monthly to various audiences. The interest in PSP will not go away. People recognize the dangers of not continuing the PSP research and monitoring effort.

When this project ended in September 2011, Wright was concerned about the safety of people harvesting subsistence shellfish in the Aleutians, so he developed a guide for sampling and testing of the harvest to reduce the risk of PSP poisoning. The guide is called "How to Eat Cams and Protect Yourself from PSP, Too". The guide is available by contacting APIA at (907) 276-2700 or [brucew@apiai.org](mailto:brucew@apiai.org).

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## Nelson Lagoon Student Wins AEBS Spelling Bee, Goes on to State Bee

A Nelson Lagoon student took first place in the Aleutians East Borough School District Spelling Bee recently. That honor meant sixth grader Thea Chesley went on to represent the District at the state spelling bee at the Performing Arts Center in Anchorage on March 8th. Thea did very well at the state level and placed among the top 27 out of 147 children across the state.



Sixth grader Thea Chesley of Charles J. Franz School in Nelson Lagoon correctly spells "poinsettia" in the 2012 Alaska State Spelling Bee on March 8, 2012 at the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts in Anchorage. Photo courtesy: Erik Hill/Anchorage Daily News.

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## Two AEB Students Enjoy Alaska Young Fishermen's Summit in Juneau



Edwin Gunderson of Sand Point and Nathan Nelson of Nelson Lagoon meet with Sam Cotton during the Alaska Young Fishermen's Summit in Juneau.

Two AEB students took steps in reaching their future goals last month. Nathan Nelson of Nelson Lagoon and Edwin Gunderson of Sand Point attended the Alaska Young Fishermen's Summit in Juneau. Like generations before them, both high school students want to make their living commercial fishing after they graduate. The Borough sponsored the trip for the two boys along with their chaperone, AEBSD teacher "Chip" Sharpe of Nelson Lagoon.

The two-day conference covered several topics, including

the nuts and bolts of managing the financial aspects of a successful fishing business and methods for participating in fisheries regulatory and legislative processes.

AEB Fisheries Consultant and Former Speaker of the Alaska State House Sam Cotten was the key-note speaker for the event. He met with the AEB students during their stay in Juneau.

Acceptance for the AEB-funded travel was competitive, based on scholastic achievement, prior involvement in the fishing industry and a one-page letter of interest to attend the Summit from the students. The Summit was hosted by the Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program.



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## Nelson Lagoon's Towering Snow Berms Dwarf Cars



Some of the snow berms in Nelson Lagoon are up to eight feet tall.

If you fly over Nelson Lagoon, it probably looks as if residents are carving out snow tunnels to get around town. Some of the snow berms are as tall as eight feet. According to resident Mark McNeley, the community probably has about one foot of snow on the ground. But in several places, snow drifts have been transformed into towering snow berms after graders came through and plowed snow off the roads. A road leading to the dump has huge snow berms on either side. Getting to and from the airport has also presented challenges to residents and visitors.

“The road going out to the airport has only one or two turnoffs on a two-mile stretch,” said McNeley. “There’s a bend in the middle of the road, and if you’re driving on it, you can’t see whether someone is coming from the other side. When two cars meet from opposite directions, one of the cars has to back up to let the other pass. It looks like a tunnel without a roof.”



The road to the airport has huge snow berms on both sides.

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## News from Eastern Aleutian Tribes

**Eastern Aleutian Tribes** (EAT) is pleased to announce that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has confirmed funding for its eight community health centers. The Notification of Grant Award extends the contract period through 2017, with an allocation of \$1,858,583 per year.



The HRSA funds will enable EAT to continue providing vital services to clinics such as this one in Cold Bay.

The funds will enable Eastern Aleutian Tribes to continue to provide vital services in the communities of Adak, Akutan, Cold Bay, False Pass, King Cove, Nelson Lagoon, Sand Point, St. George and Whittier, where EAT's federally qualified community health centers provide medical, dental and behavioral health services.

EAT Executive Director Michael Christensen stated, "I'd really like to extend our thanks to Alaska's Congressional Delegation, Senators Murkowski and Begich, and Representative Young, for their hard work on our behalf. This work allows EAT to continue providing these very crucial and vitally important services to our communities".

**Emergency Medical Service** trainings continue to take place throughout the communities EAT serves. During 2011, a total of 99 community members were trained in EMS. Breakdowns by community include: Adak – 34, Akutan – 3, Anchorage – 7, Cold Bay – 10, False Pass – 5, King Cove – 11, Nelson Lagoon – 3, Sand Point – 26. This brings the total community members and staff receiving EMS training, organization-wide, to 99.

Eastern Aleutian Tribes encourages people considering a career as a community health aide to become active in their local EMS, and to talk with their local providers about a career in health. EAT's EMS instructors are Melinda Johnson, Senta Lockett, and Susan Shoemaker. If you are interested in taking an EMS class, please contact Tara Ferguson, EMS Coordinator for Eastern Aleutian Tribes, at (907)277-1440 extension 507.

Dr. Katherine Andre, a Family Medicine Provider with SCF, will be in **Akutan March 26 – March 30**. Family Medicine provides a full spectrum of primary health care for adults and children. Please call the clinic at 698-2208 to schedule your appointment.

**Dental clinics** will be conducted this March in Akutan, King Cove and Sand Point, weather-permitting.

March 19 – 23: Becky and Chelsea will be in Akutan  
March 19 – 30: Dr. Costa and Erik will be in King Cove



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, DHAT-Dental Therapist: Fillings, simple extractions, above the gum line cleanings, sealants, and fluoride application.

Erik Linduska, DHAT - Dental Therapist: Fillings, simple extractions, above the gum line cleanings, sealants and fluoride application.

Please call your clinic to make an appointment: Akutan: 698-2208, King Cove: 497-2311, Sand Point: 383-3151

### Behavioral Health Update



A “**Kick Butts**” day will be hosted March 21<sup>st</sup> in Sand Point at the City Gym by EAT’s Behavioral Health Staff and Aleutians East School District. Join us for presentations and door prizes! Snacks and beverages will be provided. Call Melissa Alford at (907) 383-3151 or George Cromer III at (907) 383-2393 for further information.

A “**Choose Respect**” potluck will be held in Sand Point March 29th at the City Gym. This statewide event is dedicated to ending the epidemic of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please contact Melissa Alford at 383-3151 for more information.

Heidi Wilson, Behavioral Health Therapist, will be in Adak March 3 – 8, and will be doing classroom presentations on Dating, Teen Violence, and Bullying. Please call Heidi Wilson at (907) 497-2311 or Katie Rulapaugh at (907) 592-8383 for more information.

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

EAT's community health centers provide high-quality primary care facilities. EAT provides medical, dental, and behavioral health services in federally-qualified health centers in the communities of Adak, Akutan, Cold Bay, False Pass, King Cove, Nelson Lagoon, Sand Point, St. George and Whittier.

### **Employee News**

EAT welcomes Lydia Vincler, who will be a Behavioral Health Aide/Clinical Information Clerk in Akutan.

Josie Weaver has joined the Anchorage office as our new Administrative Assistant. She replaces Debora Malavansky, who has moved from Administrative Assistant to Purchasing Technician. The Purchasing Technician position is new, and will enable EAT to better control inventory, increase efficiency and tracking, and allow EAT to identify opportunities for cost savings.

Congratulations to Delores Mack, who has completed her Session 1 CHA training.

### **The following positions are currently available at Eastern Aleutian Tribes**



#### **Clinical Services**

**Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant**- Full time – Continuous Recruitment -

Provide preventative, primary and emergency care and work as a team with other health care providers, CHA/P and first response team to ensure continuity and quality community health care.

**Community Health Aide** - Full time - Provides primary (acute, chronic, and preventive) health care and emergency care to those seeking health services in an assigned village. The Community Health Aide/Practitioner CHAP base of operation is in the village clinic.

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

#### **Operations**

**Building Maintenance** - Part Time - [King Cove](#) - Under limited supervision, responsible for routine maintenance and repairs throughout the facility, reporting directly to the Clinic Manager.

**REGISTER FOR DENALI KIDCARE OR MEDICAID SERVICES TODAY THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012. ELIGIBLE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ENTERED TO WIN ROUND TRIP AIR FARE TO ANCHORAGE FOR YOU AND A COMPANION! CONTACT YOUR CLINIC FOR MORE INFORMATION!!**

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# LEAD: Aleutians

## Emerging Leaders Conference

- ⇒ A conference for young leaders who want to be part of a proactive group focusing on the future of the Aleutian/Pribilof region communities.
- ⇒ As a group, participants of LEAD: Aleutians will address issues of concern in the region and identify activities and programs of support for our generation and future generations.
- ⇒ The meeting will create a network of individuals capable of leading our region forward—one community, one young leader at a time. Age group is 18-40 years of age. Open to anyone interested in the future of the Aleutian/Pribilof communities.
- ⇒ The facilitated dialogue will take place in **Unalaska, April 4-6, 2012** at the **Grand Aleutian Hotel**.
- ⇒ This conference is co-sponsored by members of the A-Team; APICDA, The Aleut Foundation, The Aleut Corporation, APIA, Aleutians East Borough and Aleutian Housing Authority. **Scholarships for travel and lodging are available through the A-Team.**

Want to participate? Fill out the application available at [www.apicda.com](http://www.apicda.com) or call (888) 927-4232 for further information.

## Lead: Aleutians

### Emerging Community Leaders Dialogue Application

People all over Alaska are talking about the brain drain and how to pass the torch to the next generation. Emerging young leaders like yourself are furthering your education, establishing your careers, opening businesses and starting families. You're hunting, fishing and going to school. You're busy. But you care about your community and want to have a role in shaping its future.

Help define a vision for your Aleutian/Pribilof community. Identify activities and training to support your generation of leaders. This event is aimed at forming a network of individuals capable of leading our region forward—one community, one young leader at a time. The facilitated dialogue will take place in **Dutch Harbor on April 4-6, 2012** at the **Grand Aleutian Hotel**. **Scholarships for travel and lodging are available from the A-Team**. The A-Team co-sponsors are: APICDA, The Aleut Foundation, The Aleut Corporation, APIA, Aleutian Housing Authority, and Aleutians East Borough.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Organization/Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you require travel and lodging funding to attend the conference?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide one reference from an Alaskan who will attest to your ability to contribute positively and substantively to the dialogue.

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Affiliation and Position: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Name up to three issues you in your community that are of primary concern to you.*

Issue 1

Issue 2

Issue 3

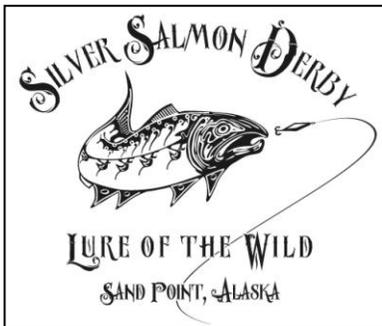
*Answer two of the following short essay questions in 300 words or less (each). Include answers on separate sheet of paper and attach to application.*

- How have you been involved in your community and tried to make a positive difference; how can you apply what you learned in this in the future?
- How has your experience in Alaska or the Aleutian region or your specific community shaped you as a person?
- Where do you see yourself in 10 years? What might you be doing to contribute to your community and Alaska?
- What would a connected Aleutian region look like?
- If you had \$1,000,000 to spend in Alaska's budget, what would you use it for and why?

Submit completed application to: APICDA  
fax to: (907) 646-7741 or email to: [ldelgado@apicda.com](mailto:ldelgado@apicda.com)

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## Sand Point Silver Salmon Derby Fishing for New Logo



2009 Sand Point Silver Salmon Derby logo.

Calling all artists...Sand Point Silver Salmon Derby is looking for a new logo for the 2012 Salmon Derby. Let us know if you are interested in helping us out! Great way to contribute to this wonderful fundraising event.

If you have art logo you would like to submit for consideration, please e-mail it to [rayettemcg@hotmail.com](mailto:rayettemcg@hotmail.com)

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