Comfish Alaska 2015 - Alaska's Premier Fisheries Tradeshows
We are sure looking forward to the Comfish Tradeshows in Kodiak at the Convention Center on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and we hope to see you there. As part of the full and wonderful agenda that the event organizers have put together, our Marine Advisory Program agents will have full presence at the following 3 forums:

**Thursday, April 2nd * 11:45 - 12:45**
**Lessons from Fishing Vessel Energy Audits**
Presenter: Terry Johnson, Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program
In a project conducted with funding secured by the Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation, a certified marine energy auditor collected fuel and performance data from systems aboard several Alaska fishing vessels. The audit illustrated how the vessels were using fuel energy and pointed to areas of inefficiency. This session describes how to use the results of a vessel energy audit and illustrates some lessons learned from the audits conducted in the project.

**Friday, April 3rd * 10:00 - 11:00**
**Supporting Kodiak Through Workforce Development**
Moderator: Julie Matweyou, Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program
The recently developed Alaska Maritime Workforce Development Plan strategizes how to support Alaska's maritime workforce leading to more Alaskans in maritime professions. This session will focus on training for the Kodiak commercial fishing fleet, shore based service providers, and seafood processors. Local industry representatives and educators will explore what is being done in Kodiak to support the current workforce and to encourage the next generation in exploring these careers.

**Friday, April 3rd * 2:30 - 4:00**
**Fisheries Research Highlights from Across the Bridge**
Presenters: Doug Pengilly, ADFG; Julie Matweyou, Kate Wynne and Chris Sannito, Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program; and Robert Foy, NOAA Fisheries, Kodiak Lab

Highlights from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game Westward Region's Marine Fishery Program, the Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center research programs pertaining to commercial fishing and seafood, and the NOAA Fisheries' commercial crab management and research programs, including king crab aquaculture and ocean acidification, will be shared.

Also, don't miss the Processor Competition (a fish filleting and trimming competition) featuring Chris Sannito, our new Marine Advisory faculty member and Seafood Quality Specialist and Alex Oliveira, former faculty member as judges and Julie Matweyou as a score keeper.

See you at Comfish!

For a full schedule of Comfish, visit the Comfish Website.

**KSMSC says farewell and well wishes to Darlene Clark**

Darlene Clark, KSMSC's long time administrative assistant, is moving to Cordova in May. Darlene has been at KSMSC for 14 years and has been the administrative glue holding the building together. Her calm, cheery demeanor has been a steady force as KSMSC helping to keep the apartments rented, the trucks in working order, the chemicals purchased and the information flowing among us. She even adapted to saying "Kodiak Seafood and Maine Science Center" on the phone when the name changed from Fish Tech. However, the pull of grandchildren is strong and the newest one is located Cordova, where Darlene's son serves in the US Coast Guard. We are sorry to see her go but excited for her adventures in retirement. Thank you Darlene, we will miss you!

We are also happy to report that Astrid Rose, former Chief of Staff to Representative Alan Austerman will join KSMSC as a program assistant on a temporary part-time basis while we get a new job announcement ready to go. You can reach Astrid at airose@alaska.edu.
Coming Up

Marine Refrigeration Operator Class
8:30-5:30pm April 6-9 at the Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center
Marine Refrigeration Solutions will be conducting a marine refrigeration operator class at the KSMSC Building. This is a professional Co-Tec Certification Class for RSW, Brine and Blast Freezers geared towards owners, engineers, and crew of commercial fishing vessels. It is designed to promote knowledge of marine refrigeration operation, safety, system components, refrigeration theory, basic maintenance and troubleshooting. For more information, contact Mendi at 907-360-6600 or visit website at www.marinerefrigerationsolutions.org.

HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point) Training in Kodiak
May 7-8 at the Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center
This workshop will be conducted Chris Sannito. The registration fee is $200. HACCP is a process that has been established for seafood processing to prevent food borne illness. This workshop helps Alaska seafood processors set up and carry out this federally mandated program. For more information, contact Chris Sannito at 907-486-1500 or the HACCP Alaska Workshops Webpage.

For more information on trainings visit:
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