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From the Director: Jim Kowalsky

Value Your Gifts!

My gratitude and praise go out to all students and staff for your hard work. Students earn my respect for your willingness to give six weeks of your summer over to the task of sharpening your academic skills and improving your chances for college success later on.

It is also my privilege to have such highly skilled and dedicated staff who teach, tutor, and counsel, and those others who make all parts of RAHI work so well. You are all wonderful people, each and every one of you. The diversity and individual strengths and experience of all of our staff are truly awesome.

I cannot thank you enough students and staff.

To our RAHI '98 students, let me urge you to place a high value upon your personal and academic strengths. Certainly many if not all of you struggled at one time or another – with the course work, with personal problems, meeting others who were total strangers, trying to get comfortable in a strange place and taking yourself over all the hurdles that we purposefully placed in your paths. Learning to jump a little higher, stretching beyond your limits, and all the discomfort that comes with it – these are all experiences that not only mimic the real college experience but that also have caused you to grow this summer.

I recall a young woman at RAHI recently who has some real academic gifts, and skills to go right along with her gifts. She came to us from a very small school and indicated to us that her career goal lay somewhere within the secretarial world. The world probably runs on great secretaries, admittedly, but this 17 year old has what it takes to aim really high, she just did not value her own real strengths in a realistic way. By the end of RAHI, with some encouragement from her math teacher, she looked a little more at herself and proclaimed her goal to be a physician's assistant.

When this potentially exceptional future college student was further challenged to look even more deeply, and after certain further reflection, she announced her interest in the medical field, with an interest in neurosurgery.

My point is, count your strengths and value them. Aim high, then take the next steps toward personal and professional success. Let RAHI help you after you leave the campus. Call us toll free, e-mail us, ask us for follow-up support as you pursue life after high school. We will write recommendations, track down missing information, direct you to good information sources on campus – stay in touch and count on us to help you in your post-secondary pursuits. And . . . when media or anyone else interviews you, please remember to mention your RAHI experience. Pass the word; help us to recruit new future RAHI students.

Good luck!

1998 Students !!!!!



The 1998 RAHI Class enjoying themselves at Twin Bears Camp.

1998 Staff !!!!!



Left to right: Sam Chanar, Kay Thomas, Rick Caulfield, George Guthridge, Bernice Joseph, Greg Owens, Howard Maxwell, Kelly Drew, Jim Kowalsky, Ossie Kairaiuak, Lorrine Nanalook, Roy Roehl, Denise Wartes, Jacob Joseph, Alice Aluskak, Mary Baker, and Shawn Seetomona.

Alicia N. Active (Togiak)

Family Group: Brady Bunch



I am from a village of 900 people, Togiak. I'd like to become a nurse in Togiak. My favorite part of RAHI was Twin Bears, because I got to know people more. Three is my favorite number. I come from a family of six kids. I like going to different places that I haven't been to before. I had a Blast at RAHI!

Cassandra Amouak (Palmer)

Family Group: Rug Rats



I want to be a physical therapist. I have a brother and a sister, three dogs, a cat, five sheep, and eight horses. My favorite part of RAHI hasn't happened yet. I like horseback riding, reading, swimming, and origami. I play the piano, clarinet, and guitar. I collect sayings and quotes. I write stories. (Editor's note: Cassie flourishes with academic challenges such as the Socratic Practice Seminars at her school, meaning of course that this young woman is an awesome student!)

Ishmael Andrew (Kwigillingok)

Family Group: South Park Kids



I think RAHI is all-cool and \$#!T!!! I'm going to miss everyone I met. My career goal is for me to someday become a teacher in the Lower Kuskokwim School District. I think Twin Bears was the best place we've gone to all through RAHI because we got to stay up late, got to throw Alicia in the lake at 12:30 in the morning, and, we didn't have to do any homework. I hope that everyone will take care of themselves. Do well in college!!!

Israel Archuletta (Willow/Sitka)

Family Group: Rug Rats



I belong to the class of 1999. I go to school at Mt. Edgecumbe and am the student body vice-president. My favorite things to do is play sports, especially running. Running is my life. My goal is to win the Alaska State cross-country championship in 1998. I also play basketball. Other hobbies that I have include science, mathematics and computers. I will be an aerospace engineer when I get out of college. I love science and physics. I am the oldest of 10 kids in my family. Because of RAHI, I will be more prepared for college.

Tatiana Askoak (Newhalen)

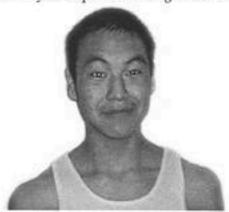
Family Group: South Park Kids



RAHI '98 was a lot of fun for me. Actually it has to be one of the best summers I've ever had. I especially liked meeting everyone and going to Twin Bears. The work is hard, but I actually have two classes that I like: Native Dance and CHEM 100. I am entering my senior year of high school. After that, I will go to college somewhere and become a pediatrician someday. Then I will return to Alaska and work. I hope RAHI was a lot of fun for everyone else, and I hope everyone keeps in touch. Good luck to everyone.

Percy Curtis Avugiak (Chefornak)

Family Group: Ossie's Dog Warriors



Chefornak is located on the Southwest coast of Alaska. I attended Upward Bound a year before RAHI. I graduated from Chaputnguak High School. I am talented in art, but I never took any art classes. I will be attending U.A.F. next fall to major in Art and minor in Coaching. My favorite part of RAHI was at Twin Bears, where every student stayed up until they got tired-playing games around the campfire. My favorite class was the Native Dance class. I kind of liked Rural Development because I was the only guy in the class. I have no sisters, and my classmates were like my sisters for the six weeks of RAHI.

Mique'l Icesis Askren (Metlakatla)

a.k.a: Shgu' goad shgeeg "Devoted Eagle" Family Group: Brady Bunch



I'm 17 years old and I graduated from high school in May. I love my Tsimshian culture more than anything in the world. I hope to do as much as possible for my culture with my college education. I'm going to college in Washington in the fall; I plan to major in cultural anthropology. I want to establish an awesome Tsimshian museum in Metlakatla. My favorite part of RAHI was making a bunch of friends, having a blast hanging out, traditional dancing and laughing a lot.

Cynthia Baldwin (McGrath)

Family Group: South Park Kids



I see myself differently than other people see me. I understand why I do things. My motives would be too long to state. If you want to know who I am, ask someone I know because a person's mind is too complex to write down in a few words, but the way you see someone else can be answered simply. I'm 17 and going to be a senior. I'm going to get my associate's degree as an R.N., work my way through getting my master's in art and, if I still want to, apply for medical school and try to get a degree as a plastic surgeon.

Shaun Bond (Yakutat)

Family Group: Ossie's Dog Warriors



I was born in Anchorage, where I was raised until first grade. My family then moved to Cold Bay, where we lived for four years. We finally moved to Yakutat, where I have lived since. My mother is an electronic technician for the FAA and my stepfather is a fisherman. My father lives in Anchorage and is the maintenance supervisor for Taco Bell. I have one brother, who is in his third year of college working toward a Computer Science major. I also plan to major in Computer Science. In my free time, my main hobbies are juggling and boomeranging.

Eva Burk (Nenana)

Family Group: Ossie's Dog Warriors



My home is Nenana, the den of the mighty, mighty lynx. I have lived in Nenana all my life except for when I moved to Michigan for a year. I don't particularly love Nenana but that's my village. People say I'm crazy because I know how to have fun. I am very blunt, and that is okay, because everyone needs to speak their mind. Everyone should be their own person and that is what I'm doing, so chill. I had a lot of fun at RAHI. I've met a lot of friends and experienced college craziness first hand. Next? I plan to go into the army, and then become an architect or engineer. I also hope to marry Kobe Bryant and live on the beach.

Mariah Bowen (Tanana)

Family Group: Nerd Herd With Pride



RAHI has been an extraordinary experience for me and I'm never going to forget the friends and memories I made here this summer. Alicia Active, Becka, Don, Dawson, Brice, Ishmael, Mike, Percy, Matt, Dave, Monica, Sis, Angelique, Robertaman... I guess I'll just say "to all my friends," You're all cool and I'll never forget that. Hold on to the fun times we had here, and remember to keep a smile on your face; it is the key to success. And laugh with all your heart whenever possible. Maybe you'll see me reporting live for CNN from Ankara-was that Turkey?

Kathleen Busch (Nome)

Family Group: Ossie's Dog Warriors



In a way, I am a writer/poet. I write poetry often, more so if I'm inspired in any way. I've written many stories, one of which won first place in the high school category. One of my goals is to become an actress. Not really a famous one, but one who can get by on it. I've been in the two plays put on at our school; "The Me Nobody Knows"; and, "Much Ado About Nothing." In neither was I the main part, but I was still in a major role. I encourage others to go for whatever, and achieve it all. God is with you always, and an angel of one sort or another shall always keep you from giving up on yourself.

Rachel Chamberlain (Napakiak)

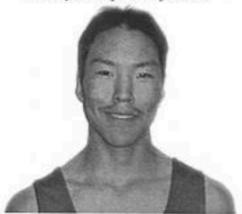
Family Group: Nerd Herd With Pride



I love to play role-playing games, write poems and stories. I am a Magic: The Gathering™ card collector and player, albeit a poor one. I plan to major in either English or Wildlife Biology. I love to take pictures of nature scenes. I read a lot of fantasy novels and stories. I am a daydreamer. I am learning Latin on my own just for fun.

Skye-Michael Chayalkun (Chevak)

Family Group: Brady Bunch



Chevak, Alaska, is the BUSH!!! I plan to earn a master's degree in Accounting/Business Administration. During my summers, I plan to learn about electronics; something to do on the side when I have leisure time. I enjoyed RAHI with all the friends made and good times together. Twin Bears was the most fun part of the program as usual. Just wish I caught that BEAVER!!! Good luck to all RAHI students in your goals in life!!!

Roberta Charles (Emmonak)

Family Group: Rug Rats



I think that this experience here at RAHI will be a memorable one because of all the people I met and friends I made. The classes I took were both challenging and sometimes fun. My favorite class was Native Dancing. I learned Native dances from different Alaskan cultures. My most memorable event would have to be at Twin Bears with Angelique and Alicia, staying up all night, and then waking everyone up before we headed back to the dorms. Fun Olympics was a blast. I will miss my friends when I leave—I hope I will get to see them in the future.

Rainy Diehl (Aniak)

Family Group: Rug Rats



I am a Half-breed from Aniak High School. I will graduate in May, 1999. After graduation I plan on attending college, studying civil engineering, or structural engineering. I would also like to participate in college sports because I am very active. I like running, basketball, and skiing. I also took a swimming class here at RAHI and now that I know how to swim, I love it. I live in a family of five. RAHI has been so much fun that I hardly even miss home. I had the opportunity to run in the Midnight Sun Run., and it was awesome (4,000 competitors!). I suggest that any student planning on attending college apply for RAHI! It's great!

April Douglas (Ambler)

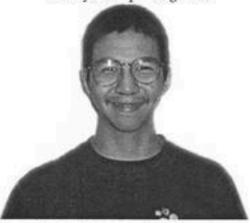
Family Group: Ossie's Dog Warriors



Ambler is a little town on the north bank of the Kobuk River and the mouth of the Ambler River is located there also. My career goals are... to become some sort of technician hopefully computer or auto. But the way I'm working today... I think I'm going to have to join the Army.

Brice Alan Eningowuk (Shishmaref)

Family Group: Rug Rats



I've been playing the guitar for about two years. My home is about 120 miles north of Nome. I play basketball for the Shishmaref Northern Lights, going on four years. I would say that I'm 6' 1." I plan to go to UAF after high school and major in business. My favorite part of RAHI is seeing all my friends and making new ones. My favorite class is Native Dance class, because it is a stress reliever. RAHI is not hard, it just takes time.

Mary Edwardsen (Barrow)

Family Group: Brady Bunch



Barrow is the home of the Mighty Whalers! Mighty Whaler...that's me!! I love playing basketball, volleyball, and cross-country. I am the Student Council President and the NSBSD School Board Student Representative. I have four brothers, two sisters, and a Rottweiler. RAHI has been hard for all of us; but at the same time, it's been fun. I've learned a whole bunch about everything while here, including life. The best thing about it is meeting people from all around the state. We're a total package. We all "got game" and we're smart!

Rochelle S. Ferry (Unalakleet)

Family Group: South Park Kids



Unalakleet is an Inupiaq town where my mother teaches 4th grade and my father is an electrician. At home I spend a lot of time outside, so I thought I would be homesick here, but RAHI isn't as bad as people believe it is. Actually it's awesome! I love everything about it, the teachers, dorm staff, friends, and the cool things we do. I'm going to miss everyone, especially Cindy "Grandma", Sara, Randy, and Dave.

Rebecca Frenzl (Delta Iunction)

Family Group: Nerd Herd with Pride



I hope to become an architectural engineer, provided I keep my head on straight during my math classes. I also want to be a graphic artist, or writer, or actress! RAHI has been awesome! I loved meeting new people and getting prepped for college (I don't know about loving that but it's been good). I like sports, especially volleyball, basketball, and fast-pitch. I do like to eat; I like weird songs on rainy days; I like to sleep. I like the color green, poetry, big shoes, yuraq-ing, and people.

Nadia Gumlickpuk (New Stuyahok)

Family Group: Gravy Train



New Stuyahak is a village in the Bristol Bay Region. I am going to be attending the University of Alaska Fairbanks this fall and majoring in Elementary Education. I then plan to teach in rural Alaska. My favorite class was Alaska Native Dancing. My favorite part of RAHI was camping at Twin Bears. I wish the best of luck to all the students who participated for RAHI '98, especially to my two good friends Totty and Dawson. It was an awesome summer to remember.

Iris M. George (Saint Mary's)

Family Group: Gravy Train



My parents named me after the Iris flower underneath the rainbow (Iris Miranda). I am the first grandchild of 18 grandchildren on my father's side. On my mother's side I am the third grandchild of 25. I hope to graduate from high school with Honors and go to the job corps in Palmer to become a secretary. After achieving that, I want to go to college and major in Psychology or Sociology. My favorite part of RAHI was biking to Twin Bears and running the Midnight Sun Run. What a great stress reliever, fresh air and great scenery.

Dawson Hoover (Kasigluk)

Family Group: Ossie's Dog Warriors



I come from a small village of about 600 people. Everybody loves basketball and so do I! Five sisters! No brothers? That makes me the one and only boy, but I don't mind. Nobody tells me to give up. I may fall back at times but they expect me to bounce back. Who's got game? There is no objective for me except to graduate from high school right now. I will go on to college and graduate. Yet I do not know what I really want to be. Maybe a marine biologist, or an English teacher. RAHI got game!

Frances R. Hugo (Anaktuvuk Pass)

Family Group: South Park Kids



I graduated as valedictorian from Nunamiut High School. My goal is to become a teacher in rural Alaska. Someday, I will be teaching your kids. My roommate was Ava Vent, the loudest person on Earth! But she was pretty cool man! The best thing at RAHI was Twin Bears man! The worst was George Guthridge's jokes! Eva Burk, I swear you are starting to scare me with that pregnancy talk! My advice to '99 seniors is; do everything at the beginning of the year, and know what you want before you graduate!

Samantha L. Jackson (Kwethluk)

a.k.a.: Arrsamqug, Meng'qu or, Sam Family Group: Brady Bunch



Waqaa! Hello! I am from Kwethluk. About 700 people live there. I plan to go to college and become a teacher. Besides the homework, I had fun here at RAHI, and I made that 40-mile bicycle trip out to Twin Bears in just three and a half-hours too! My hobbies are playing basketball and writing letters. (Editor's note: Samantha is always positive and confident in life and she is always the RAHIer with the best stash of Native foods!)

Don Isaacson (Togiak)

Family Group: Gravy Train



My career goals are to go to college and get a degree and to become a teacher, or start my own business. The best part of RAHI is whenever we have free time, because there are lots of fun things to do. Basketball is my favorite thing to do in my free time. You will hopefully see me playing on TV during the month of March. Besides free time there are classes. My favorite class in RAHI is Native dance.

Michael James (Gambell)

Family Group: Nerd Herd with Pride



I am from Gambell. I come from a very big family and I am somewhere in the middle. I like to play basketball and shoot pool. I still do not have any real goals for life, except that I will finish college and get a good job. In ten years I plan to be pulling in some cash doing something I like to do. RAHI was fun, even though it was a little hard (it wasn't that hard, Don). Hello to all '98 RAHI students. I hope you're not working at Macdonald's (If you are contact me, and I will hire you).

Vanessa Jean Joseph (Fairbanks)

Family Group: South Park



I am from Minto, Rampart, but live here in Fairbanks. I want to become a dentist and work at the Tanana Chiefs Conference Dental Clinic. My favorite part of RAHI was Twin Bears weekend! I enjoy running and playing ball (Editor's note: Vanessa is always calm, cool, and collected, even when she was dunked in Twin Bears Lake!).

Alison Kassel (Kasigluk)

Family Group: Gravy Train



This fall I am going to Kuskokwim College to earn a degree in the health field. My favorite class was Alaska Native Dancing. The best experience I ever had began here at RAHI. It is a lot of fun & especially educational. I'm RAHI number two in my family. My brother Wassillie attended in 1987. The worst part of RAHI was when the chemistry teacher asked me a question. Everyone looked at me, my mind was blank and I got really red.

Amber Latham (Akiachak)

Family Group: Brady Bunch



I am 17 years old and I still don't know what my college major will be. I will be a senior this fall and I love playing basketball. RAHI is a lot of fun but there are tons of homework. In five years I think I will have just graduated from college and in ten years I see myself starting a family. (Editor's note: Amber has also lived in Sitka, and worked as a secretary for the IRA Council at home. She loves playing volleyball and basketball.)

Angela McCormick (Chiniak)

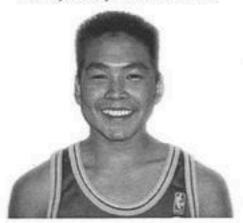
Family Group: Brady Bunch



I live on a little green rock in Southern Alaska called Kodiak Island. When it is not raining, I spend most of my summers with friends cruising on four wheelers or hanging out at the beach. RAHI was a blast! My summer won't be the same without sleep-I mean study hall- and stipends! Take care everybody! Hope you do well in whatever you do! (Editor's note: Angela lives in Chiniak, Alaska, but since her sophomore year, she has continued to commute to Kodiak for high school. "Ang" is of Tlingit and Haida heritage.)

Eric Olson Jr. (Hooper Bay)

Family Group: South Park Kids



Hooper Bay is the home of the Warriors! I come from a family of seven. I have one older brother (Thomas), two older sisters (Cheryl and Lucy Ann), one younger sister (Lois), and two younger brothers (Peter and Daniel). My parents' names are Eric C. Olson Sr. and Stella Olson. My hobbies are playing basketball, hunting birds and sea mammals, four-wheeler and snow machine riding, and hanging out with friends. I plan on being an accountant and opening a small business in Hooper Bay. I also plan on attending UAF.

DoraAnn Phillip (Akiak)

a.k.a: Qassayuli, Gussi, or, Sappie Family Group: Nerd Herd with Pride



Akiak is a small village on the Kuskokwim River with approximately 300 people. I am fluent in the Native and English tongue. I am the oldest child of five. I plan to major in Education and Social Services in college. My favorite part of RAHI was the Twin Bears weekend, for it brought us closer and we had a fantastic time camping. I am into various sports, especially volleyball, basketball, wrestling, and Native Olympics. I enjoy writing poetry and reading novels. I like to help my family and elders. I am honest, weird, and emotional. My favorite class at RAHI was Native Dancing, as it brought back memories of my elders.

Richalene C. Paul (Kipnuk)

Family Group: Nerd Herd with Pride



Waqaa! Hello! My career goals? Hmm... I still can't choose between becoming an elementary teacher or an accountant, but I am leaning toward an accountant. The best part of RAHI for me was the Twin Bears trip! I enjoyed it a lot. Why? Because we didn't do any homework. I don't know how people could remember me but I am a shy person and that's how they might remember me. Well, that's all—I have to say "Bye!"

Sara Rearden (Bethel)

Family Group: Gravy Train



I was born in Bethel, where I've lived all my life except four years in Kotzebue. I have three brothers. I love to play volleyball and occasionally basketball. I also have become pretty good at tying fishing flies, which I learned from my father. I was asked to give a fly tying workshop at the UAF Kuskokwim Campus. I want to become an elementary teacher. My favorite part of RAHI is meeting all the people, and also when Roz can't do simple stuff, like opening doors and sitting in seats. I did not especially enjoy twisting my knee on the Nerland stairway, however.

Kimberly Saunders (Kaltag)

Family Group: Dog Warriors



Hi everyone. I have five brothers, one sister, and a bunch of nieces and nephews. My parents' names are Lawrence and Thelma Saunders and they're cool. My favorite part of RAHI was the studying! I jokes, it was my trip to Twin Bears, even though I got no sleep. I came to RAHI to get a feel for college; it is easier than I expected but so far it's all good. I came here thinking, man, why did I give up my summer vacation to go to school, and what if I fail all my classes? But the experience and the friends you make are all worth one little summer vacation.

Mamie Tinker (Hooper Bay)

Family Group: Gravy Train



I am 18 years old and just recently graduated from Hooper Bay High School. My favorite part of RAHI is hanging out with my friends. My favorite class is Alaska Native Dance because I love dancing and it is a lot of fun plus we don't get any homework. The thing I like about our family group is bothering our family group leader any way I know how. All that matters to me is the thought of bothering Nanalook. She's cool! The thing I don't like about RAHI was getting a lot of homework and all that studying but later on I got used to it and it's not that bad. But that almost changed my mind about coming to college.

Mandy Marie Seville (Nanwalek)

Family Group: Rug Rats



I am going to become an elementary teacher in the near future. When I achieve that goal I will go back and teach in the village. My favorite part of RAHI was camping at Twin Bears. The program was challenging but I'm looking forward to coming back next year, if there is a possibility. The T/C and staff have all been really friendly and very welcoming. I enjoyed meeting new friends, especially Dora, Rachael and Jamie. I think this program will prepare me for college life.

Angelique Ulroan (Chevak)

a.k.a: Naunraq or Uyurucian Family Group: Gravy Train



I am from Chevak. I have five brothers. My parents' names are Lena and Harry, both teachers at Chevak. My bestestestest friend in the world is Panita Pingayak, a '98 grad. My favorite sport is basketball. I came here to RAHI to gain experience of college life, okay, and the free credits too. I think the most memorable part of RAHI was the Twin Bears trip when we had the Fun Olympics, and I was so dizzy I ran into the lake. Even the time that me and Don got tipped over during the canoe race (It was not my fault!). I will miss this place and everyone in it. May God bless everyone. See you, bye!

Ava Vent (Huslia)

Family Group: Brady Bunch



I am a Koyukon Athabaskan. I am going to go to college and major in Computer Technology, Business Management and Elementary Education. I will work as a computer technician, then will teach. When I retire from teaching, I will open up a restaurant in Huslia. When I become an old woman, I will have one of my children take over my business and also take care of me. My favorite part of RAHI was the Twin Bears Camp experience. My hobbies are sewing, sports, child care and music.

Mathew Voisine (Kotlik)

Family Group: Nerd Herd with Pride



My favorite part of RAHI is when we (Nerd Herd), won the Fun Olympics out at Twin Bears. My favorite class here would have to be Study Skills, because it was only an hour long. I enjoy playing basketball, wrestling, and most of all ripping Michael J. (Samson) up on the Ping-Pong table. My future plans are to come to UAF next fall, stay for one year, and then transfer to Oregon. One day I hope to wrestle for the Mighty Ducks as a walk-on. You've heard of Rudy, next it will be Matty. My major is undecided but I am leaning towards becoming a high school teacher. I will miss you RAHIers!—hope to see you guys later in life.

David Voisine (Kotlik)

Family Group: Gravy Train



I plan to get a Master's in Business Administration in the next five years. My favorite part of RAHI would have to be the late nights I spent talking on the phone with my friends. I have had a lot of fun here these past six weeks and I'm going to miss all the friends I made. RAHI reminded me a bit like the school I graduated from, Mt. Edgecumbe, but here I have a lot more freedom and more things to do. In closing I would like to wish everybody at RAHI good luck in the years to come and to keep in touch.

Genevieve Wing (Trapper Creek)

Family Group: Ossie's Dog Warriors



Aside from my immediate family—mom, dad, and my little brother Robert—I have no relatives in Alaska. I've traveled all over the country visiting relatives in other states. I might end up coming here to UAF. I plan to major in electrical engineering. I hope to find a job doing something that I like doing. Some of my favorite things are books and music. I mostly read science fiction or fantasy, but enjoy other genres as well. Most of my piano music is classical, in part because it is the most challenging. At Su-Valley High School, I play the flute and trombone in the band and sing in the honor choir.

Randall J. Yates (Ketchikan)

Monica Diana Zacharof (St. Paul)

Family Group: South Park Kids



I live in Ketchikan with my mom and I have two brothers who are the coolest people around. I have enjoyed almost everything about RAHI. Twin Bears was real fun. I look forward to graduating from RAHI. I think that it is going to be pretty cool. I am going to miss the people that I have met here when I leave. It has been ALL GOOD!!! Family Group: Nerd Herd with Pride

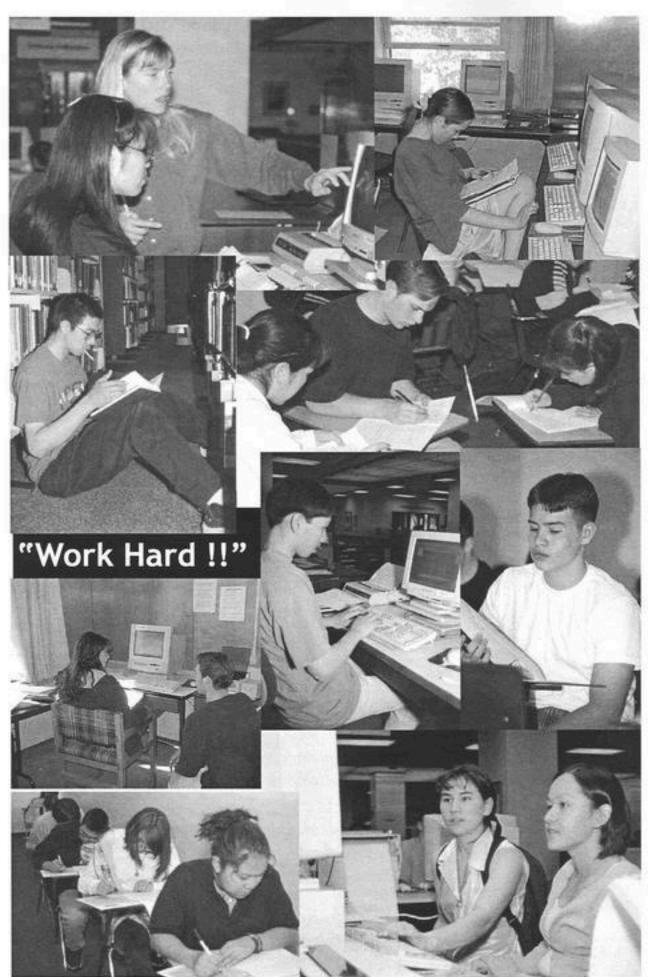


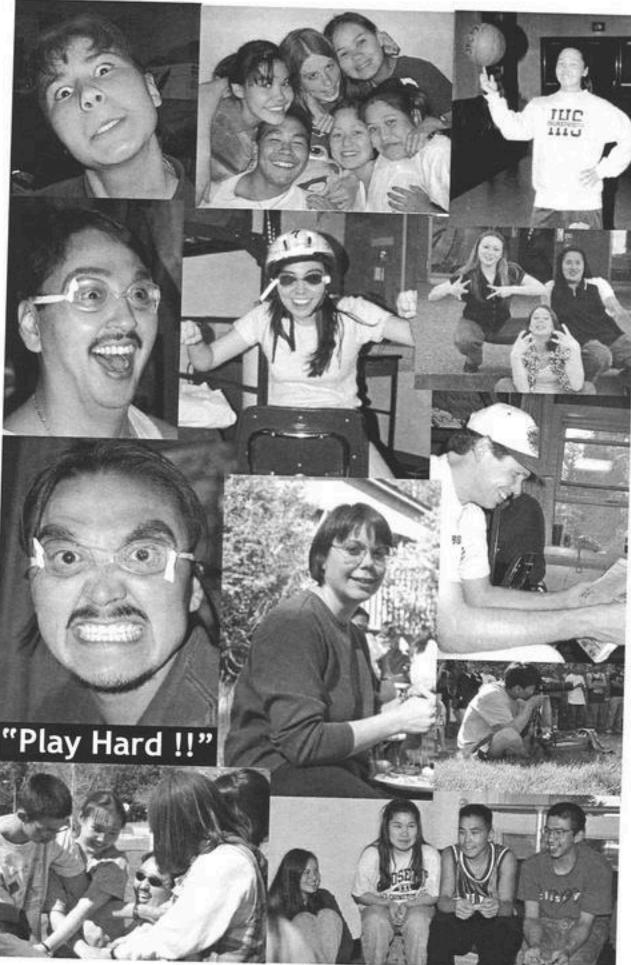
I am 17 years old. I attend high school at Mt. Edgecumbe and very glad to be doing this summer program with RAHI. After I graduate, I plan to join the Air National Guard for three years and become a dentist or a dental hygienist. (Editor's note: now there are very wise observers who also note that Monica, the "Twin Bears Water Baby," is definitely a Saint Paul Island "SEAL!"

Life in Nerland Hall

"United we laugh, divided we do our homework," Michael James summed RAHI 1998 up in one quote. And it is quite true. Life in Nerland Hall was full of laughs, even when we were drowned in math, chemistry, English, study skills, computers, rural development, or business homework. We had our share of stressful all-nighters to turn papers in the next day that we gladly were procrastinating on before. We definitely had our share of fun. Neutral zones were the place to be after study hall; after a long day of attending lectures and studying, relaxing and socializing eased our tension a great DIEHL. Dorm life here at RAHI was a mere preview to college life--late nights,homework, friendships, roomies that keep you up all night snoring. After returning from Twin Bears, Mary Edwardsen said, "This is like home."

-Rainy Diehl-Aniak





From the Academic Coordinator: Greg Owens Find Your Passion!

Dear 1998 RAHI Students,

It seems as if you just arrived and already it's nearly time to pack and head home. It is enjoyable to watch you mature and grow both individually and collectively. As you continue your education, I hope you retain many of the things you learned about your-self this summer. Here are some of the points that strike me.

You are a highly gifted group. For the first time in RAHI history, you are collectively reading above your grade level in school. This is quite a change from the early years of RAHI. Your reading skills are nearly four grade levels higher than the first RAHI cohort. Since reading is such a crucial skill in college success, this statistic bodes well.

I noticed during the selection process that many of you are now taking higher levels of math and science. These courses will serve you well at the post-secondary level. For those of you who still have one year of high school remaining, take the opportunity to challenge yourself during your senior year with rigorous classes. It is far easier to master trigonometry in one hundred and eighty days while working with your peers in high school than it is to conquer the material in forty-two hours while sitting with thirty strangers in college. Plan ahead and make choices that will ease your transition into college.

Take your shots while you are young and strong. I recall when I was twenty three, I was contemplating returning to school to earn a certificate as an athletic trainer. I had just completed two degrees, and at the time I felt too old to start another one. As I look back now, I chuckle at my impatience and wonder how my life would be different if I had continued in school. Instead, I began my career as a teacher and returned to graduate school ten years later. By then I was married and had two children. Courses were offered at night, and weekends were spent doing my reading and writing papers. While I appreciated my perspective as a teacher in my graduate courses, I also dreaded teaching all day and then studying all night in order to complete my course work.

I think I appreciate my sister's model more. She found her passion in chemistry early in her undergraduate career. She went to school for eleven consecutive years, going from high school through post-doctoral work. In addition, all but the first few years were paid for by scholarships. After her studies, she got married and started a family and now lives well off the fruits of her decade of schooling. While not impossible, I don't think she would have the strength to blaze the same path if she were just starting out today.

In whatever you decide to pursue, find your passion, do your best, and enjoy the journey called life.

Take care,

Greg

The 1998 RAHI Classes Six Weeks of Hard Work Pays Off!!!



English 111

Methods of Written Communication, dubbed English 111 for short, runs Monday through Friday at 8:00 every morning. Naturally, it is a genuine challenge for a few sleep-bereft scholars to make it to class on time to catch the daily quiz. But overall, the schedule is not a problem. In fact, lately it has been rather good; in order to maximize our writing time, we have been getting dismissed halfway through the period for the past couple of weeks, sometimes getting out after only five minutes. Engl.111 is a relatively tiny class — there are only nine people. Now, let it be known that participating in class where there seems to be a shortage of students makes the professor seem all that much

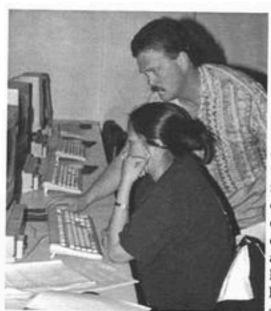
bigger (figuratively speaking, of course). What I mean by this is that upon introduction Prof. George Guthridge can be somewhat of an intimidating figure with his unfathomable cerebral capacities and lectures on the amount of work to be done in class. In addition, a small class also greatly raises the probability of being picked on to answer a question — as in, everyone has to speak up sooner or later regardless of whether the answer is certain. But the size is definitely not a bad thing. The work and involvement are very beneficial, and everything goes into fine-tuning our informative essay-writing skills. The IDPER (Intro, Definition, Proof, Extra, Return) method is heavily stressed, as is attention to grammar essentials and clarity. Most importantly, there is a concentration on well-written thesis statements and efficient, unique subject matter. Five papers were assigned for this course, varying in length from around 250 to a thousand words. We've done a product paper, a process paper, and a problem paper. As I write this, we are currently working on a research paper having to do with the now infamous continent of Africa. Whew! Yes, it gets stressful. I just hope it doesn't mutate into becoming distressful. "Better get cracking!" Written by—Rebecca Frenzl

DEVS 104, University Communication

Before the English class started, every student walked into the class not knowing what to expect. The students had heard that they were going to have to write some big term papers and it would all be hard. After the first week, students learned that it was really not all that bad. For some students it was a difficult challenge. Everyone learned that if they listen to what George has to say, work will be easier, and at the same time each individual will become a better writer. The class assignment was to write only two research papers. One had to do with the Spanish Objections and Columbus' Math on his first voyage. Everyone learned the truth behind the Flat Earth Myth and what factors were really involved. The second research could have anything to do with Africa. Writers chose to write on topics such as: Bola virus, water conservation, AIDS in Lesotho, female circumcision, traditional culture, education, famine in Ethiopia, fertility rates in Ghana, de Beers in South Africa, and so on. Written by--Israel Archuletta

DEVS 108, Study Skills

The Study Skills class is taught by George Guthridge. Through the course of the six weeks, students learn Superlearning techniques, good study habits, instruction on how to plan your first year of college, some knowledge of geography, and a brief overview of world history. Superlearning is a method of memorization that, when used properly, enables the user to memorize more information in a shorter time, and retain it longer, than someone using the standard method of learning. Good study habits involve when to study, where to study, who to study with, and how to study, in order to get the most out of studying. Students also learn how to plan their first year of college. This part of the class teaches students how to determine what classes to take, how many credits to take, and how to set up a schedule for study and play time. Finally, students learn some geography and brief world history. This gives students some of the world knowledge they need to succeed in college.



Computer Survey CIOS 103

There are about 15 students in this year's computer class. Class is held every Monday and Wednesday, at the ungodly hour of 8:15. This class introduces students to Macintosh computers and their applications. Students learned how to work with the E-mail, and also how to use the Internet effectively for their studies. They also helped in constructing the RAHI homepage, which is one of the coolest places on the Web. The man in charge of turning the computer illiterates into computer nerds, and that knows everything about computers, is Howard Maxwell. Mr. Maxwell, or Max, as some students call him, has a way of teaching the students that is direct and effective. It was a lot of fun and

most of us know basically everything we will need to know in this age of technology and computers. Written by Michael James who is from Gambell.

Computer Applications CIOS 105

In computers 105, the students walk out with the knowledge of knowing how to use certain applications, such as Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel. The applications that we learn in this class are essential in getting work done in our other classes, such as, Microsoft Word to

help make our research papers for DEVS 104, or Microsoft Excel to help us make a spreadsheet for our Chemistry elective. The students also get the opportunity to construct their own web pages, which can be viewed by the public. They are well-made portfolios and are examples of our knowledge in this class. We have also learned desktop publishing which made it possible for us to make a yearbook.

Written by--Mathew Voisine





BA F151-F61, Introduction to Business

In this class we are introduced into the basic fields, concepts, and terms used in business by example of...Beanie-Babies!?! Professor Jacob Joseph showed us that the collectable Beanie-Babies apply to every piece of business from supply and demand to market-

ing. His favorite example is how rare and expensive Beanie-Babies are. Professor Joseph taught us the fundamentals of business, such as the economic system; productivity; trade; marketing; taxes; etc. in a very relaxed manner. Although we find that most of the concepts in his lectures are very interesting, it is not hard to fall asleep during the video presentations due to the excessive heat. Everybody in the class has fallen asleep at least once (including the professor). I guess he was a little too comfortable on a hot day and just dozed off. When the video ended, everything got quiet, in the quietness we heard snoring in the background. We all looked back and saw him sleeping, and then we all laughed. We have learned a lot from him at RAHI this year, and we now have a broad and detailed view of the field of business.

Written by-Randy Yates and Brice Eningowuk



Chemistry 100

Ask any student taking chemistry 100 why they decided to take that class and the most likely answer will be, as Lorrine put it, "It's excellent, it's a great learning experience!" However everyone knows 99% of the students took part in the 4 hour labs and lectures about atoms, pH scales, and chemical reactions for the hot air balloon ride!! Actually, the professor, Dr. Drew, gave the class a little zest with her smiles and easy going attitude. Matt Voisine was rewarded by the class because chemistry helped him become aware of the elements involved in our world. Sara Reardon liked the class except for the 4 hour labs. The class was an excellent experience, taking each and every one of us that much further along in our quest for higher education! Written by—Rochelle Ferry

Swimming

The swimming class was a lot of fun. It was also a lot of physical work. One lap in the pool and I was already dead. But we did a lot of cool things too, such as water polo and water basketball.



The main class was broken into two halves, although there was not much difference in skill between the two. We learned a variety of strokes (breast, front crawl, back, side) and later in the program we had relay races. We (most of us anyway) learned how to dive off the floor, and off the board. Overall, swimming was an enjoyable class to be in, and it was a great way to help me and everybody else in the class, keep in shape. Written by—David Voisine



Math DEVM 065

Welcome to math class! This year, the math class is composed of eight students. They learned a lot about synthetic division, graphing inequalities, ellipses, logarithms, or other math stuff with weird names. These are all terms you can find in the pre-calculus class. Some people might call students who are in this class "math nerds," but that isn't the case. It isn't because they are nerds, it is because of Michael James' procrastination. Just kidding. He was caught screaming on a table in Gruening 303 because of problem

number 32 on section 4.5. Do not be surprised if one of your fellow students has the same problem. However, it isn't because they are nerds, it is because they want to challenge themselves. In turn, they shall receive an award. Not the type where you get it on a piece of paper, or on a plaque, but the kind you get inside yourself; the feeling of accomplishment. Yes, there may be a lot of work to be done, but it isn't that hard. Challenge yourself in everything you do like the math class has done in their work, and you shall succeed. Greg Owens is the professor in charge of this class and he is one of a kind. He can explain math problems nobody else in this side of the universe can. He is a great professor and he does a great job at teaching the students here. It is a great experience for all and it is well worth it.

Written by-Michael James from Gambell and Dawson Hoover from Kasigluk

Native Dance, ANS 150

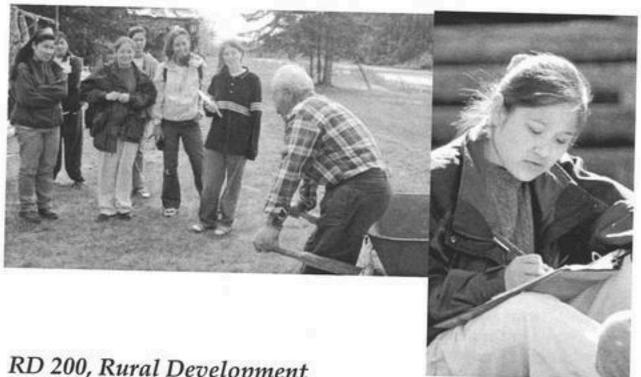
Phillip Kiaraiuak, known as Ossie, began dancing as soon as he could walk. He is a Yup'ik Eskimo from Chefornak. He has been teaching Native dancing for five years. He has also taught Native dancing in the Anchorage school district off and on for three years. He decided to teach Native dancing at RAHI '98 because of a request from Jim Kowalsky. Yup'ik, Tsimshian, and Athabaskan styles of dancing have all been covered. Ossie taught the group Yup'ik dancing. The Peek-a Boo song, Listen to the Drum, the Seal Hunt Song, and the Reindeer Herding Love Song were Ossie's focus. The group quickly caught on to these songs and were able to perform them in front of an audience. Mique'l Askren, from Metlakatla, taught her style of dancing, Tsimshian, to the group. She taught three songs: the Gathering, the Crazy Entrance, and the Happy Song. These were all exciting songs and the group also performed these in front of an audience. Mariah Bowen, from Tanana; Ava Vent, from Huslia; Kimberly Saunders, from Kaltag; April Douglas, from Ambler; and Eva Burk, from Nenana all taught the group Athabaskan songs. Johnny Law, the Twist, and the Seagull Song were all taught to the group. These numbers were also performed. Paul Mountain, from Nulato, also taught the group Athabaskan songs. He



taught UDL and
Goodbye My Sonny.
These were also
performed. The group
performed three times:
once at the UAF
summer fest, once for
the Upward Bound and
Elder Hostel, and once
at the Graduation
banquet.

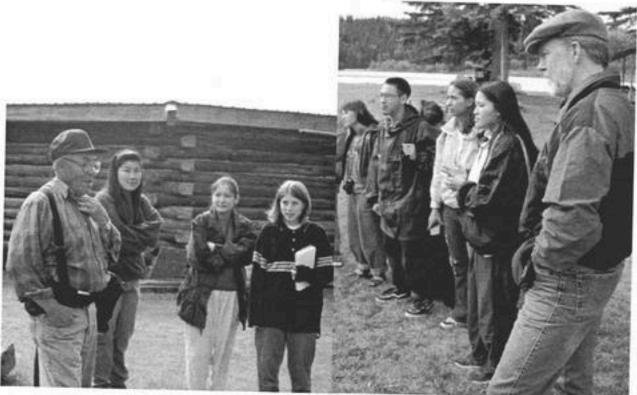
Written by-Eva Burk

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RD 200, Rural Development

Rural Development is a college course that gives information on Alaska's history and the current issues in Alaska today. Instructors of this class were Bernice Joseph and Richard Caulfield. Rural Development gave us important details on Alaskan Natives, such as ANCSA and ANILCA. Some other issues that were studied were subsistence, rural community development, and laws that were passed in the past. We also discussed future laws that are being proposed to the Alaskan and Federal legislatures. In this course the students took five field trips. We went to Howard Luke's Gaalee' Ya Bear Child camp, Yukon River Tours, Doyon Limited, Tanana Chiefs' Conference, and the Chief Andrew Issac Health Center. Rural Development is a great course to take at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. It taught us more about what's going on in our state, and how we can protect the environment of Alaska. Written by-Ava Vent



The Envelope Please!

The Winners of the '98 RAHI
"Bests and Most Likelies" Awards are:

Most Athletic: Cutest Couple:

Mr./Mrs. Congeniality:

Most Photogenic:

Most Likely Sleeping:

Cleanest Room: Messiest Room: Most Injuries:

Original Excuse:

Found Studying: Mr./Mrs. RAHI: Best Attitude:

Biggest Complainer:

King & Queen of Procrastination:

Best Male Roommates: Best Female Roommates:

Late:

Checked out the Most:

Takes longest to get ready:

All around Student:

Water Fight King/Queen:

Always on the Phone: Most quests in room:

Health Nut: Best Camper:

Most likely to get lost: Most into the 1990's:

Caffeine Addict:

First drenched in water fight:

Most Energetic: Biggest Flirt: Best Dresser:

Most likely to become a T.C.:

Worst Camper: T.V. talk show host: Kindest/Most generous: Next Director of RAHI: Next RAHI Math Teacher: Next RAHI Writing Teacher:

Best Native Dancer:

Best Bicyclist: Best Hair: Longest Hair:

Fred Meyer King/Queen:

Rainy and Israel Genevieve and Shaun Mariah and Percy Migue'l and Don

Rebecca/Samantha, and Israel Vanessa/Kim and Israel/Shaun Mariah/Alicia and Ishmael/Percy

Sarah and Ishmael Eva and Mike

Genevieve and Shaun Mariah and Mike Rainy and Percy Eva and Ishmael

Eva and Michael
Don and Brice
Mariah and Alicia
Rebecca and Ishmael
Vanessa and Dawson

Eva/Rebecca and Dave/Randy

Rainy and Dave Dora and Skye

April and Israel/Don/Eric Alicia/Mariah and Don/Brice

Monica and Israel Rainy and Percy Mariah and Brice Eva and Don

Eva and Brice Mariah/Rainy and Eric

Mariah and Brice Eva and Matt Vanessa and Dave Dora and Brice

Shaun/Ishmael and Richalene

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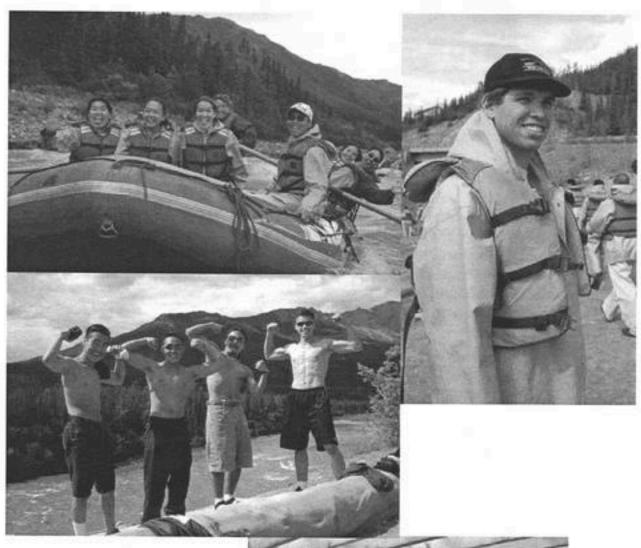
Frances and Dawson

White Water Rafting

White water rafting at Denali wasn't as we thought it would be (like in the movies). But it was definitely worth our stay for the day even though we weren't pulling an Indiana Jones. As we got ready to go down the Nenana River, we all got into our gear and then we were grouped. They explained to us that the water wasn't very rough as it has been some other years. We had a couple of flexible captains, and the students with those captains had a blast! (like Shawn, Lorrine, Skye,

Angelique, Roberta, Ishmael, Tatiana, and Naudia). They were hanging out of their boats like a bunch of monkeys splashing each other. Some of us were holding onto the boats for dear life. Some people sang, like Don, Alicia, Becca, and Monica. Others tried to wave to every single person they passed and tried not to get wet. All in all, everybody had a blast and enjoyed the experience down the cold river. --Monica Zacharof



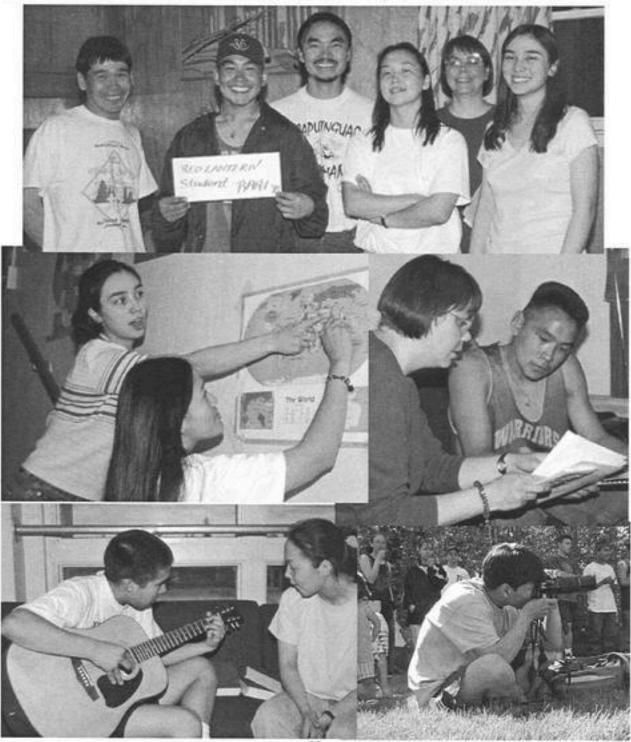


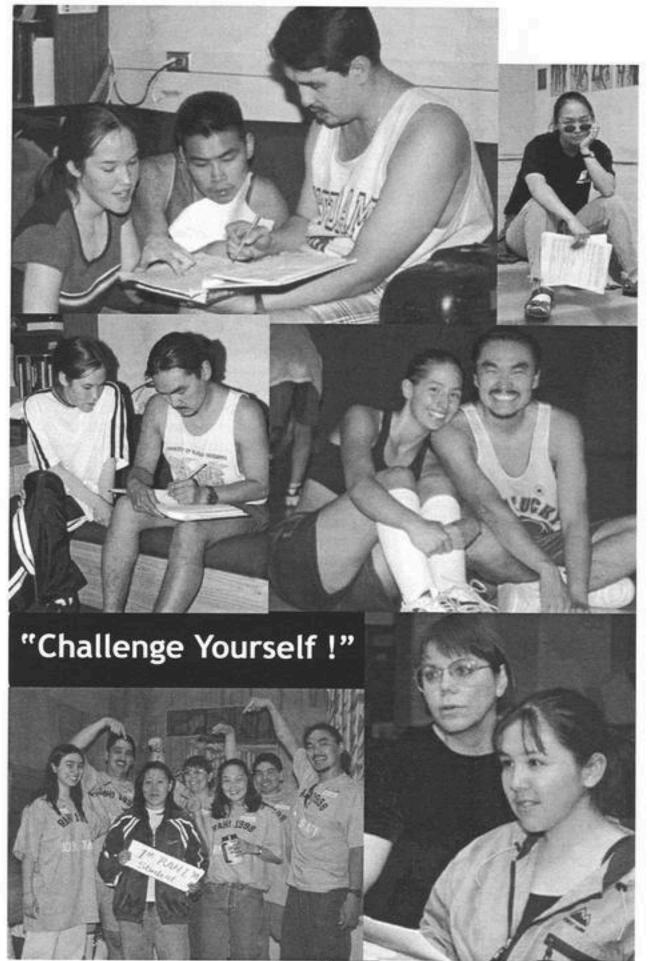




Those Fantastic Tutor Counselors!

The 1998 RAHI dorm staff are Roy, Kay, Alice, Lorrine, Ossie, Sam, and Shawn. If there were no Tutor Counselors (TC's) at the dorms, there would be no rules and we would have a lot of fun. Without the TC's, it would not have been possible to study during study hall. They also made sure that the students were feeling well, not homesick. The TC's kept every student on track, and also tried to keep us out of too much trouble. We did not like it when the TC's went to play ping pong after lights-out, or when they took our telephones away. They also made students wash dishes or vans. The best thing about the TC's is that they are not only your alternate parent, they will also be your lifetime friends. PS. They also give us \$TIPEND\$. Cool, huh? Written by-Nadia Gumlickpuk







"I am planning on attending the University of Alaska Fairbanks to earn my degree in either education or psychology...I like teaching other students younger than myself, and help give them more of an understanding about life...I constantly think about being a teacher or a psychologist...I can do a better job of it if I gain the good education I need."



"As a coach, I would lead a young team to a healthy successful future. After the basketball season, I would do what I love most, which is art...I will never stop learning at art." --Percy Avugiak

--Mamie Tinker

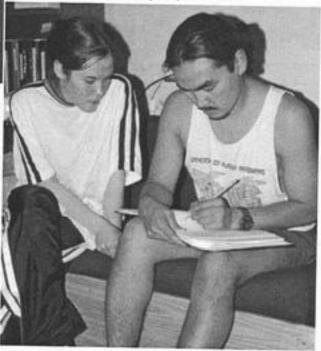


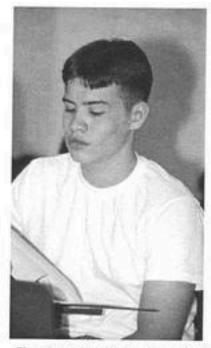
"As soon as my hands grabbed hold of the cold steel of the barbell I knew that this was my destiny. I mean I literally suck at every other sport... There is no pressure. It is just man versus the metal... the more you do it the better you feel, and look. I guess you could say it is part of my personal culture... when I was younger I was a weak, scrawny, nerdy, little kid who could barely curl a five pound dumbbell."

-- David Voisine

"I think I would be a great lawyer because I can manipulate meanings, confuse, and trick people by choosing the right words. I also like to argue for the rights of people, argue just for fun, and to see if the people I am arguing with can get their point across to me."

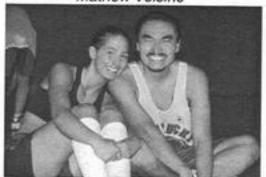
-- Angelique Ulroan





"I enjoy children and would like the opportunity to teach them...both of my parents are teachers and they have taught in rural Alaska for over fifteen years. The lives that they have changed from teaching is simply amazing, and one day I hope I can do the same thing. I see all teachers as role models and as people who are working for the benefit of others."

-- Mathew Voisine



"I want to become a curator of a Northwest Coast Indian exhibit at a museum...my overall goal is to use my college education and experience to start an impressive and elaborate Tsimshian Museum in Metlakatla. This museum will be an important informational resource towards our efforts to educate the tourist who come to our community about the many aspects of the Tsimshian culture."

--Mique'l I. Askren



"I plan on majoring in three different areas in college, which are computer technology, elementary teaching and small business...I will try to get a job as a elementary teacher. When I get too old to be a teacher, I will start my own business and open up a restaurant. When I am too old to do anymore work I will hand the business down to my child." --Ava Crystal Vent

"Trapper Creek is a very unique place. I'm sure I'll never find anywhere else like it. Wherever I end up going, I will always compare those places with this, my first home. One of the only downfalls of living in the woods--snowmachiners drive past the house at ridiculous speeds, making a tremendous amount of noise almost constantly Friday through Sunday. Still the rest of the week makes up for that by being very quiet."

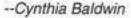
--Genevieve Wing



"Honor is a personal point of pride and when I say I will do something, I try my best to accomplish it. This is the way that my parents raised me and it is the way I will raise my children if I ever have any." --Shaun Bond



"Sometimes I want to be a pediatrician, a registered nurse or a physicians assistant, but at the moment I want to become a surgeon."







"I'm no genius, truth is I can't say I'm the best at anything I do! But, I've got potential and a dream I plan to pursue. Writing is one area in which I excel and love to work, so after completing college, I would love to write novels or have a column in a newspaper...or be a social worker or psychiatrist...I love to help people overcome their problems...my third passion is music, although I don't understand the details of the subject and can't read music, I have become a accomplished fiddle player."

-- Mariah Bowen



"I really appreciate art because I have been drawing for as long as I can remember and I have found that I have a real gift in this area. I enjoy creating my own art and I am very good at it. I have sold some of my art work and I have done a few art projects professionally for people...the book was to be a Christmas gift for her three year old nephew, so it needed to be really personal...I was commissioned to create fourteen pictures, one for each page...since then, I have done a few more projects and I have had different offers to do work for other people either illustrating or doing Alaskan art work."

-- Randall Yates

"The thing I love most about this village is that we are all connected by our culture. We are Sugpiaq (Aleut) people, meaning real people. What makes our culture so special are the traditions, which include winter activities. The Russian Orthodox Christmas lasts from January 7-9...the language is another important part of our culture...subsistence is our way of survival in an isolated village. Subsistence is important to us because, without subsistence, how would we survive?...our culture is our identity. It is a combination of traditions, language and subsistence. Without these we could forget who we really are, the Sugpiaq people."

-- Mandy Seville





"People grow out of many things. Books, on the other hand, are with us all our lives. Lynn Reed Banks was the first of my favorite authors. She came to Nome when I was about in the fifth grade, and I thought I should give her a chance. Back then, though, I did not like to spend the time to read (I can't believe it now, but) I thought of it as a waste of time!"

--Kathleen Busch

"I have always wished to be someone great and someone others can look up to, especially my younger siblings. It is difficult to live in a village and mentally challenge myself...I am interested in the fields of criminology and architecture."

-- Eva Burk





"When life is like an empty school, the best thing to have is an adorable, playable, kissable little baby with the name of Gloria Alexis Lucy Avek'aq Kassel... Today she is so smart, she learns so quickly, when we teach her... She is one awesome friend! I want to be the best older sister to here" --Alison Kassel

"Setting goals' and 'making plans' are not merely nice sociological terms confined to books on self-help motivation. They are the keys to peace of mind and contentment. You may think you don't need them, and at times you may not, but for the most part, they are the keys to happiness in life!"

--Monica Zacharof



"Going to college is one of my goals in life to succeed. I believe that college is something I will need to survive in the outside world and something I can do well for my community of Togiak."

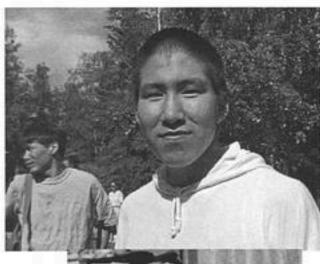
--Alicia Active

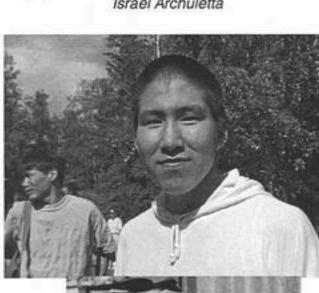


"Fear. Excitement. Uncertainty. Thirst for knowledge. These are a few of the emotions and ideas that flash through my mind when I think of college... college is not only a place I need to go... but a place where I can learn all the things I've wanted to learn."
--Cassandra Amouak

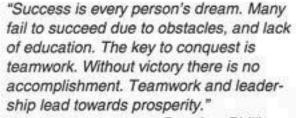


"In eighth grade someone came up and told me that I was going to go a long way in life if I keep pursuing my goals and not ever letting down. Those thoughts still run through my mind that I can and will be successful at whatever I want to be as long as I set my eyes on my goals and believe that I can do it." Israel Archuletta









-- DoraAnn Phillip



"I believe RAHI will introduce me to college and help me get a head start on academics for my senior year and college. I plan to work hard at RAHI so that I can learn as much as possible from the program."

Ishmael Andrew



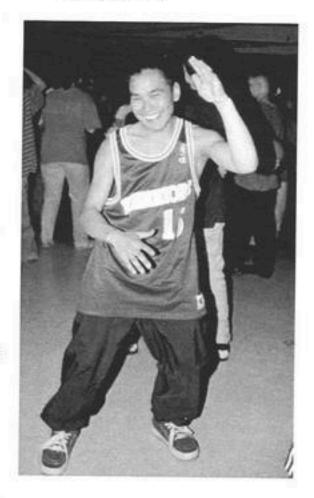
"I've made goals in the health field and thought about becoming a pediatrician. Working with children and people will be a job I'll always enjoy."

-- Tatiana Astoak



"My career goal is to become an accountant. I have dreamed of becoming an accountant since I first entered high school."

--Richalene Paul



"Success is the achievement of something desired, planned, or attempted...Success is from a good education, good job, and a happy family. A person with good hunting skills and survival skills can succeed too."

--Eric Olson, Jr.



"Graduating from college with a degree in hand has always been a very important goal in my life."

--Amber Latham

"The effects of successfully mediating conflict has influenced the way I live my life today... I tend to deal with difficult situations optimistically if not enthusiastically. I look forward to the challenge of resolving problems."

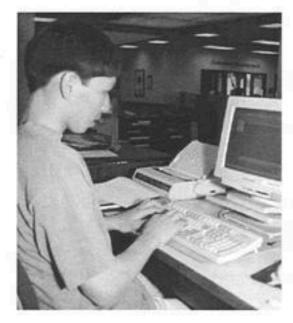
--Angela McCormick



"A ninety-three year old man is someone who has lived a long life, but also grown knowledgeable with age. Harvey Riley from Minto was one of those smart old men....My grandfather, Harvey Riley was the type that looked happy to be alive. His appearance stood out. Riley's white hair was one feature that made him look original."

--Vanessa Joseph



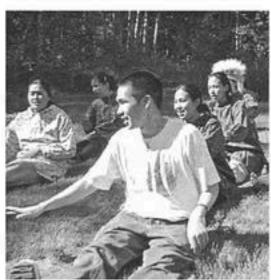


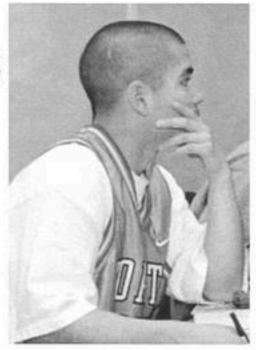
"Where I live we go subsistence hunting all the time. The people here depend on the meat the hunters bring in from hunting. We hunt for different animals and birds depending on the time of the year...We hunt for bowhead whales mainly in the month of April...Walrus and seal are done in May, but some people hunt for walrus in the winter...Subsistence hunting is our way of life."

--Michael James

"My uncle Thomas is the one...who inspired me to become a better person.. He is my basketball coach and he encourages me to do my school work and to always be on time for school.. and he keeps me out of trouble."

--Don Isaacson





"Only a chosen few have a chance to earn a college degree. I'd do anything to earn a college degree. I'd stay up to the wee hours of the night just to earn a college degree."

--Dawson Hoover

"Whom I most admire is my younger brother, William Albert, Jr. Better known as Willie. Willie is fourteen years old and in the seventh grade at Chief Ivan Blunka School...He has Down's Syndrome...I realize that life wasn't easy for him. Willie had heart surgery and he survived... most Down's Syndrome children don't, but his courage and determination to live makes me wonder if I could have gone through what he had."

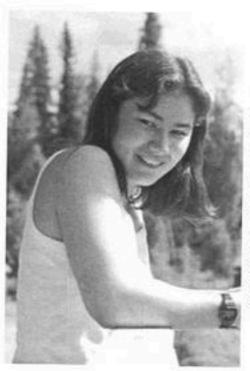
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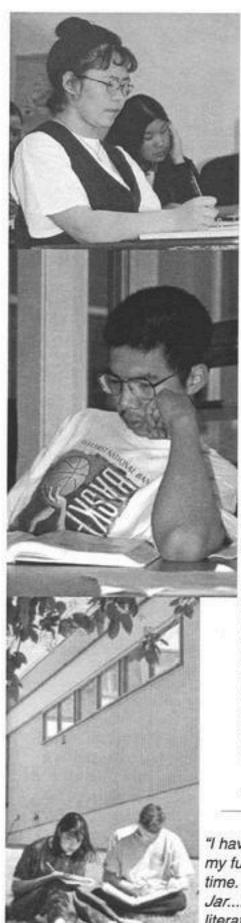


"My dream has always been to become a psychiatrist. I want to work with kids, mainly teenagers in gangs or young mothers and those who have drug addictions including alcoholism. Something that is important to me is getting children out of broken homes...I've seen so many brilliant and bright people waste away because they lived in a broken home with alcoholics or didn't know where to start fulfilling dreams and gave up. Some of these people are years younger than I am." --Rochelle Ferry





"Conservation is essential in order to keep our earth healthy and beautiful. Our world is constantly using nonrenewable materials; without conservation we will eventually run out of these materials. So I recycle aluminum cans...I have made a great effort to keep our earth beautiful and continuous by collecting aluminum cans from the local townspeople...Living in rural Alaska has made it even harder to recycle..but that, nor anything else, will stop me from trying to make a difference in our earth. I am glad I can take steps like this to improve our earth."



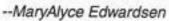
"My goal is to earn a college degree in Psychology...I want to learn more about development of the human mind and emotions. I would like to counsel people on how to solve their problems."

-- Iris George

"Subsistence to me is preparing to go hunting, harvesting, storing, utilizing the skins, learning these skills from our respected elders, and passing the knowledge to the generations that will follow us. With our grandparents and parents as teachers, we go to a school which has no grades or tardies, but has rules to follow...We listen to our elders and keep our subsistence culture alive by passing the information along to future generations."

--Brice Eningowuk

"Will isn't something you can teach or give to someone, it comes from your belief and determination in what you're doing. I have tried to show my peers and teammates that through their beliefs, anything is possible. I hope that others, young or old, will learn to realize how far they can get in life and what it takes to get there."





"I haven't a single clue when I'm confronted with an idea about my future...there are so many paths in which one can walk at a time. I'm reminded of Sylvia Plath's frustrations in the Bell Jar....music and drama, math and engineering. Art and literature...law and medicine, wildlife study, psychology? I can honestly say I am deeply interested in them all."

--Rebecca Frenzl



"'Good, Better, Best. Never let it rest until your Good is Better and your Better is Best.' This is a quote that my father gave me to help me go on in school. He always tells me the importance of having a education and furthering it by going on to college."

--Skye-Michael Chayalkun



"If I were a color I would have to be yellow. This color to me brings out almost everything in a person. When someone wants to be noticed a lot then they would be wearing something bright yellow. I myself like wearing yellow or a bright color when I think I'm being noticed. Being in a good mood and having a great sense of humor would also be a good reason to wear yellow. Wearing bright colors makes me feel like a character."

--April Douglas



"I look up to my mother for not only being a teacher, but also for teaching me how to achieve my goals. Because I enjoy working with children, I hope to make a difference in many children's lives. Coming from a large family consisting of many relatives, I have had a lot of experience with children. Since I have had this experience, it will help me become a better teacher, or child psychologist."

--Sara Rearden



"I find disconcerting that today's young people, have forgotten what being Native is all about. I see my peers shun the old way of life, and get into new styles. Buying things by their image, not their value. We are forgetting how to Eskimo dance, and are forgetting our Native foods in favor of pizza or some other junk food. The new generations are not going off and setting up fish camps along the river, they are traveling to cities to live the way of others."

--Rachel Chamberlain

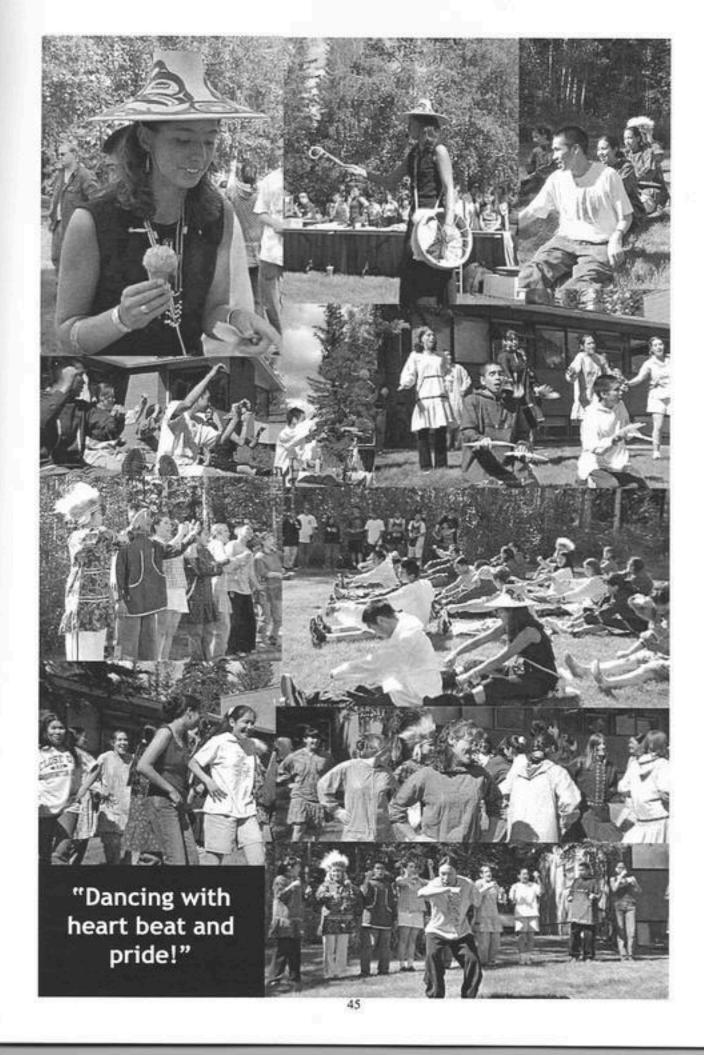


"My interest is in photojournalism...it feels good when you know you shot a good picture and you can write a good story about it. But who knows just a couple of months ago I wanted to be a psychologist, because I was interested in what people are thinking and why."

-KimberlySaunders

"My parents have been a great influence on me...They have taught me principles: how to treat others how I want to be treated respect others and follow rules...respect animals, the environment, and the elders in the community."
--Roberta Charles





The Midnight Sun Run--1998!

This year RAHI students were not scheduled to run in the 16th annual Midnight Sun Run. But with a little persuasion, arrangements were made to take a group of runners from Twin Bears, drive them into town, run, and drive them back out to the Camp. Some of the runners got up every morning at 5:45 a.m. to prepare for the race. There were 12 students total who chose to participate in the run. This year there were 3,800 registered participants, with another 1,000 walk-ons. Everyone did spectacular and put out an awesome performance. Each runner finished the 10K (6.2 miles) run in less then an hour and a half. After all, the quicker you get to the finish line, the more free fruit and juice there is.-Israel Archuletta-



Name			
	Time	Age group	Place in group
Rainy Diehl	47min. 21sec.	Women 15-19	10
Monica Zacharof	54min.	Women 15-19	
Mique'l Askren	55min. 18sec.	Women 15-19	
Mary Alyce E.	58min.	Women 15-19	31
Iris Greorge	1hr. 1min. 30sec.	Women 15-19	40
Genevieve Wing	1hr. 4min. 59sec.	Women 15-19	49
April Douglas	1hr 5min. 30sec.	Women 15-19	
Cassandra Amouak	1hr. 30min.	Women 15-19	53 102
GUYS			
Isreal Archuletta	41min. 58sec.	Men 15-19	20
Eric Olson	45min. 45sec.	Men 15-19	20
Percy Avugiak	53min. 56sec.		31
Skye-Michael C.	55min. 22sec.	Men 15-19	66
	and the second	Men 15-19	75
STAFF			
Phillip Kairaiuak	46min. 36sec.	Men 20-29	60
Shawn Seetomona	1hr. 8min. 58sec.	Men 30-39	62 163



We left Twin Bears after a ton of fun, but our fun was not yet done. Some of us still wanted to run! And boy oh boy did we have fun, when we ran for gold under the midnight sun!



Meet the 1998.

Alice Aluskak, known as Cucuaq to her extended family that consists of brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, grandmother and her mother, is a tutor/counselor at RAHI for the second time and loves it. She was born in Dillingham, Alaska on November 17, 1976 but was



raised in Napakiak, Alaska by her mother with the help of her grandmother. At the age of 18, Alice graduated from the Mt. Edgecumbe High School which is in Sitka, Alaska. She says she hated school until she came to the University of Alaska Fairbanks. For four years, Alice has been taking classes from UAF and she is majoring in history and minoring in anthropology. In the four years she has spent in Fairbanks she misses suluunaq (salted fish) and deptuq (stinkheads) and the smell of fish camp the most. After graduating she hopes to attend graduate school in a state along the west coast.

This is Margaret Baker's third year teaching reading for RAHI. She is known for here excellent success rate in reading with students in the reading-lab. She says, "It is exciting to see the students' confidence increase along with improved reading and writing skills." Her favorite RAHI memory? The bike ride to Twin Bears. Margaret has a Master's degree in English literature, and she graduated last month with a Master's of Fine Arts in poetry. In August, she leaves to spend a year studying in Concepcion, Chile. While she spends time in the Southern Hemisphere, her hope is to finish a book of translations of the poems of Gabriela Mistral.



Bernice Joseph says: "I'm from the gorgeous community of Nulato that is situated on the banks of the Yukon River, approximately 350 air miles west of Fairbanks. Nulato is



home to approximately 400 Koyukon Athabaskans. I've been teaching at UAF for four years and have been absolutely enjoying learning with and from others. I recently completed my MBA with an emphasis in management. I've enjoyed working with the RAHI students and look forward to working with some of them in the future. I'm a firm believer in the Rural Development degree program. Our graduates are definitely on the cutting edge of development and issues in their communities and we're always looking forward to heighten the awareness and the successes of our program. I'm married to a wonderful man from the community of Rampart. We will be celebrating 15 years this September. We have two children, Stewart, Jr. 14, and Alice, 8

years old. I enjoy running, skiing, fishing and spending time with my children. My motto is the same as that seen on the Nike commercials, just do it."

RAHI Staff

Rick Caulfield is an Associate Professor in Rural Development at UAF. He moved to Alaska in 1975 from California, to take a job with Fish and Wildlife doing research in rural



communities. Rick went to the University of California at Berkley and earned his B.A. and B.S. degree in Natural Resource Management and Political Science. From 1976 to 1979 Rick studied subsistence economies in the Upper Yukon of Alaska. For five years Rick worked for the Division of Subsistence for ADF & G based in Fairbanks but worked in Upper Yukon in Arctic Village, Venetie, and Fort Yukon. He earned his master's degree in Cross Cultural Education in 1984. Rick was offered a teaching job at UAF on the Bristol Bay Campus in Dillingham. In 1989-90 he went to England to work on his Ph.D. Rick spent a year with his family in Greenland working on his doctoral dissertation which focused on whaling in

Greenland. Rick returned to Fairbanks, where he currently works with the Department of Alaska Native and Rural Development.

Sam Chanar is 30 years old and from Toksook Bay. He has been a tutor/counselor with RAHI since 1992. He keeps coming back because of the variety of students that come, and

because it's exciting. His hobbies are photography and a little bit of everything. He likes cameras because they give him memories to remember. His interest in photography started when he bought his first 110mm camera; ever since then he's been getting more and more advanced cameras. He is always carrying a camera with him now. He first came to RAHI in 1985. Sam notes that RAHI has changed a lot. Back then, RAHI didn't provide college credits and it wasn't as stressful for the students as it is today. Everything has changed. He enjoys working with Roy,





who is his boss. He went to college for seven years—one year at Bethel and six

years here in Fairbanks. He graduated from college in May of 1997 with a B.A. in Rural Development. He works as a Grant Writer back home. He isn't sure if he'll be back next year. Big Jim wanted him again this year, so he took the trouble and hired him, even though he isn't a college student anymore. Sam works tirelessly to produce literally thousands of photographs for RAHI. Many a night he can be found working on the computer with digital images, or sorting slides for slide shows. Without Sam, RAHI might fall apart!

Thanks Sam for all that you do! ps. He is even getting better at BBQ'ing (only 50% of the hot dogs are burned now!) Kelly Drew is our RAHI chemistry instructor. She was raised in Nebraska, moved to Fairbanks with her family in 1976, and now would never consider living anywhere other



than Alaska. She graduated with a B.S. in psychology from UAF, has a Ph.D. in pharmacology and many, many years of laboratory research experience. Kelly recently became an Alaska-certified high school chemistry teacher and began teaching chemistry at UAF in 1997. When not teaching, Kelly operates a research lab at the Institute of Arctic Biology and tries to spend time with her family. Kelly is married to Dave Covey and has an 8 year old daughter named Amy Covey. Kelly's interests are her family, gardening and her new sport, soccer. Kelly's observations on this year's RAHI students are that they are a sharp group! More familiar with older college students, Kelly is

surprised, by some of the things the RAHI students do; sometimes pleasantly surprised, sometimes not so pleasantly surprised. No doubt it has been a learning experience for students and teacher. Advice from Kelly is to set a goal a go for it. If you are unsure of your passion, pick an alternate goal until your passion surfaces. People have on average five occupations in a lifetime. There is plenty of time to decide; in the meantime take advantage of your opportunities!

This year George Guthridge taught freshman composition, developmental English (research paper writing), and study skills. An Associate Professor of English at UAF's Bristol

Bay Campus in Dillingham, during the regular academic year he also teaches business communications, fiction writing, and multicultural education courses. When not teaching, George enjoys writing fiction — this summer his latest novel, Children of the Dusk, co-authored by Janet Berliner, won the 1998 Bram Stoker Award for year's best horror novel. He also likes camping, karate, watching movies and the opera, snorkeling, exploring caves, and traveling in Thailand with his wife, Noi. She and George were married during RAHI three years ago. This past year he attended Arizona State University while he was on sabbatical; he completed most of his course work for a doctorate in rhetorical theory, and also finished about half of the course work for a master's in applied linguistics.



Denise Wartes (RAHI Mom) does everything for RAHI and she's been with RAHI for 11 years now. Before RAHI, she was the secretary to the Dean of CLA. Her favorite RAHI



memories are all the RAHI graduations. She enjoys spending time with family and friends. Denise sees herself as a wife, mother, friend, and secretary. During her leisure time she is often reading and occasionally eating one of her favorite foods, turkey or caribou. Sometimes she enjoys watching Forest Gump. Hopefully by the year 2000 she will have her bachelor's degree.

Howard E. Maxwell is currently the teacher of both of RAHI's computer classes. Howard has been working with the RAHI program for seven summers now, starting in 1989. In addition to teaching computers, Howard coordinates the lab in Nerland Hall, and generally



"puts out fires" regarding computer software and hardware problems. His schooling includes a Bachelor's degree in anthropology at the University of Minnesota, in 1981. From there, Howard moved to Alaska and received his master's in anthropology at UAF in 1987. Howard's interest in computers grew during his time at UAF, explaining his beginning of a computer consulting business. After graduating from UAF, Howard went to work in Barrow for Ilisagvik College teaching anthropology. In 1990 he moved back to Fairbanks and married his wife Jeri. Howard and Jeri now have a five year old daughter named Mackenzie, and a two year old son named Andrew.

Howard is currently teaching anthropology, archaeology, and computer classes at UAF. He is also a middle school history teacher for the North Star Borough School District in Fairbanks. Howard's favorite sports are hockey, soccer, and golf. He says he has the most loving and understanding family in the world and can't wait to spend some quality time with them after RAHI!

Jim Kowalsky, aka, "Big Jim", the RAHI Program Director, has done many things. He taught public school and college music for 16 years, played trumpet professionally, worked

as a professional environmentalist, and directed the subsistence program for the Tanana Chiefs Conference. He then returned to education, now in his 13th year, heading up RAHI. He has bachelor's and master's degrees in music from the University of Wisconsin in his home state. He has lived in Alaska 27 years with his wife Suzanne and three children: Monte, 11; Kirstin, 18; and Christopher, 21. He still teaches, practices, and plays the trumpet. Jim is an admitted "bicycle junkie," reveling in the joy of year-round daily human selfpowered travel to almost everywhere. "Going on 62, I've got to stay in shape," he says.



Roy Roehl is the dorm director for RAHI. He teaches at West Valley and also coaches track and field, and football. He is now the UAF assistant coach for men's basketball. His



wife's name is Pamela and his kids' names are Sky, Chelsea, and Jesse. He loves to fish and spend time with his kids. He also likes to work with Sam. This is his sixth year working at RAHI, and he still has the same favorite memory, the day RAHI students leave. His second favorite memory was when Kenny Mills knocked Greg's first king salmon off his pole. His favorite food is T-bone steak, medium rare. His favorite movie is "The Jericho Mile." He likes working for RAHI, and he loves and misses his wife.

Written by-Roberta Charles

Jacob Joseph has taught on and off for RAHI since 1992. Jacob received his bachelor's degree from the University of Calgary and his master's and PhD from the University



of Iowa. He hails from that much talked about sunny tropical island, Singapore. So, needless to say, he has no aversion to caning unmotivated students. As the instructor for the business specialty, he will be remembered for his discussions on cornering the Beanie Baby market. For someone who berated and complained about the food at McDonald's, he certainly spoke at length about their management practices and even showed videos on McDonald's. He is rumored to bring French fries and burgers to staff meetings that look and smell a lot like those from the "Golden Arches."

Wendy Klinker, the swimming instructor, has had the privilege of teaching RAHI students for the first time this year. Her hobbies include diving, swimming and reading.



Her favorite music is anything by the Doors. She is scheduled to graduate in May of 1999 with a BA. Since her junior year in high school, she has been a lifeguard, and has also been the diving coach for Lathrop High School, as well as West Valley. You ask "how did she get the chance to work with a bunch of awesome people?" Well, she met the previous year's swimming instructor and he said that working with RAHI would be an awesome experience She knew she would love it, and she did. She hopes that RAHI students walk away with something, because she has. She hopes to see many of us around UAF in the future. Written by—Rochelle Ferry & Vanessa Joseph

Kay Thomas..."Your papers are due at 12:00." "Where's Kay?" "Kay!!!" Kay is one of the best helpers you can find if you are having a problem with your English paper that is due in 20 minutes. She is helpful.

in 30 minutes. She is helpful, caring, and wonderful as a tutor counselor. Kay is one of the TC's that is most respected. This year was Kay's first year with RAHI. The reason why she wanted to work as a TC is because she wanted to work with students before their first year of college at UAF. Kay is a helper for freshman students who come to UAF for college. Kay is originally from Dillingham, but has been living in Fairbanks since she started attending UAF. Kay was born April 29, 1956. She hopes to see all the 1998 RAHI students at UAF these next two years.

Written by—Ishmael Andrew



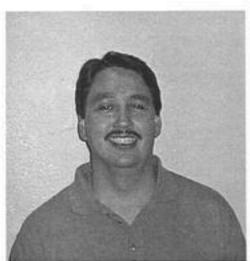
Greg Owens is our RAHI math instructor and academic coordinator. He was raised in Nebraska, Iowa, and Wisconsin. He's married with four children. Greg has coached and



taught math and English for the past 18 years. Former places that Mr. Owens taught are in St. Mary's, AK, Missoula, MT, American Samoa, and UAF. Nickname he picked up while living in Samoa was "three diamonds" a fine quality of tuna in the South Pacific. Mr. Owens' interests are fishing, biking, and reading. The observations on this year's RAHI students are that they are gifted, but need to make sure they utilize their gifts. Advice from Greg is to find your passion and pursue it. But, no slackers allowed. Greg willingly gives his time and expertise to RAHI leadership throughout the fall and spring of UAF semesters, as a willing consultant in the planning for the next RAHI year. He also serves on the RAHI Admissions

Committee. Since 1983, Greg has had 14 years as an associate with RAHI, missing only two sessions. RAHI is most fortunate to have such a dedicated guy who both teaches and helps steer the program. Who else can keep us all laughing in those tense moments plus his positive outlook? Friends, these are his trademarks.

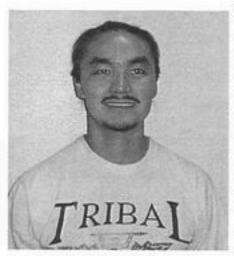
Shawn Sagoonick Seetomona was born on January 9 sometime in the 1960's in Anchorage, Alaska. He is half Inupiat Eskimo and half Caucasian. Shawn attended East High School in Anchorage. While there, he played basketball, baseball, hockey, and contended in the



traditional native games. He graduated in 1984. After high school, Shawn pursued a B.A. in Justice at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where he graduated in 1994. His hobbies include such things as hunting, dip netting, camping, biking, roller blading, snow boarding, cross country skiing, and hacky sacking. He also enjoys spending time with his family. In his spare time, he likes to take long walks, read a good history book, and eat native food. His pet peeves include smelly feet and cheaply made movies. Shawn comes to RAHI as a tutor counselor from the Alaska Pacific University in Anchorage, where you will find him hard at work. His favorite thing about being at RAHI '98 is meeting new people and working with young aspiring natives from across the state of Alaska.

Written by--Mary Edwardsen, Barrow

Phillip Kairaiuak is his bureaucratic name and his Yup'ik name is Aassanaq (named after his maternal uncle), but most people call him "Ossie" for short. He was born in Bethel,



and raised in Chefornak (82 air miles from Bethel). Ossie is '85 RAHI-er, went on to study art at UAF, with a minor in secondary education. He graduated in May '91 with his brother and sister. He grew up Yup'ik dancing. He renewed his interest in dancing when he worked in Anchorage, where he dances with a traditional Yup'ik dance troupe called "Kicaput" (Our Anchor). He is owner of "Ossworks", a Native arts business, specializing in custom designs for Native owned businesses, and organizations. He is also member of Pamyua, an accapella singing/dancing group. They released an album called Pamyua "Mengluni" (The Beginning) this past spring. He traveled with Pamyua to South Korea, NW States, all over Alaska, and he is going back to Denmark and Greenland

for the third time this summer. His future plans include studying to become a research engineer. Written by-Kimberly I. Saunders

Lorrine Nanalook is from Togiak, Alaska. Her native name is Iqugpak. She as born on March 24, 1976. She is the baby of her family. Lorrine is pursuing a degree in history and



a minor in aviation. She just completed her first full year at UAF, and she also spent three semesters in APU. She attended RAHI in '94, now she is back as a TC with us. She says that the most fun part of RAHI '98 is getting to know all the students and learning to play the guitar. The toughest part of RAHI for Lorrine is the fact that she stayed away from home for six months, and not being able to see her boyfriend Rob, who is 3,000 miles away in Missouri. At home she leaves behind her mom Emma, daddy Dan, six brothers, seven sisters, and over forty nieces and nephews.

Lorrine is a fun person to talk to; she can make you laugh if you let her. She is really fast when driving

vans. Lorrine won the award as the BARBER OF THE YEAR. Congratulations! Her favorite gift for people she really cares about is chocolate with hidden coffee beans inside. She is also the captain of the GRAVY TRAIN Family!

Written by--Angelique Ulroan, Lorrine's brat

And, that's it!! Thank You 1998 Staff! What a fantastic dedicated group of Humans!

RAHI Cruises to Twin Bears for Weekend Fun

The RAHI students headed out to Twin Bears for a weekend camping trip. First everyone had to get their English work done in order to go camping; everyone had their English done so everyone got to go. There were a few students who decided to bike out to Twin Bears, a 37 mile ride. On Friday night some people put on a dance in the Rec Hall while some played hack with the life guard, and some swam. Everyone was either playing basketball, playing cards, eating cherries, or canoeing. The best part on Friday night was when Alicia was thrown into the lake. On Saturday the Fun Olympics took place. These are the events that took place: orange pass with the neck, balloon popping, egg toss, relay race, a no paddle canoe race, and canoe swamping. Each team came up with a skit and did it in front of everyone. The winners of the whole Fun Olympics were the Nerd Herd. After the Fun Olympics everyone gathered around the campfire and just relaxed. Some people were still wide awake and were canoeing, hunting for beavers. Percy was squirrel hunting with a marshmallow attached to the end of a fishing pole. There were other people who stayed up all night like, Angelique, Alicia, Roberta, Percy, Brice, and Sam, to mention a few. The next morning everyone loaded up the vans and headed back to the University. I'm sure everyone would agree that camping at Twin Bears was a blast! The weekend trip was our first real break from attending classes and doing homework, and it was well worth the wait! Written by--Roberta Charles

Most of the RAHI students are known their flexibility and agility. Some of the extremely agile students are pictured here stretching before Fun Olympics.:-)



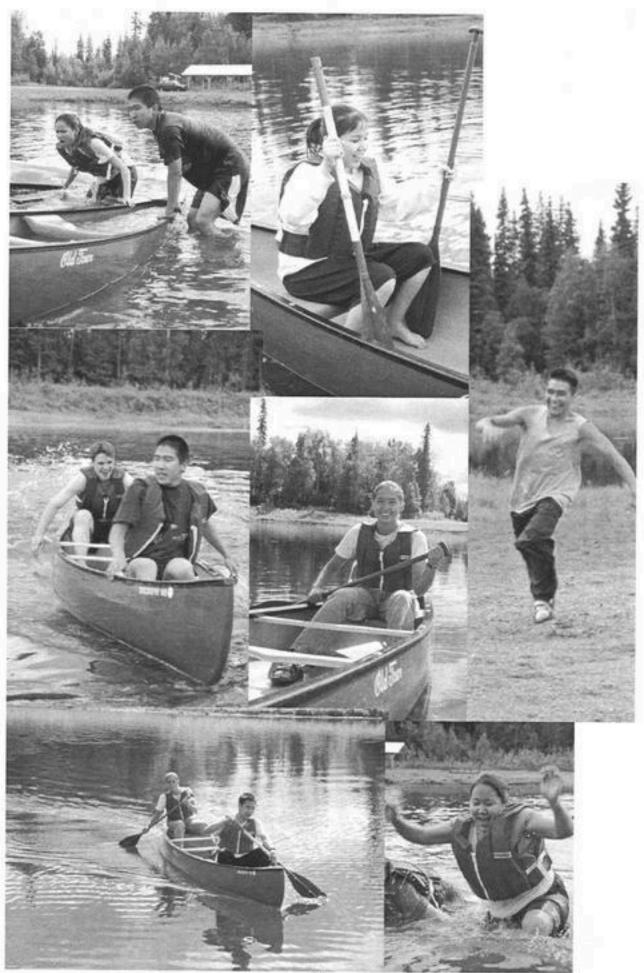
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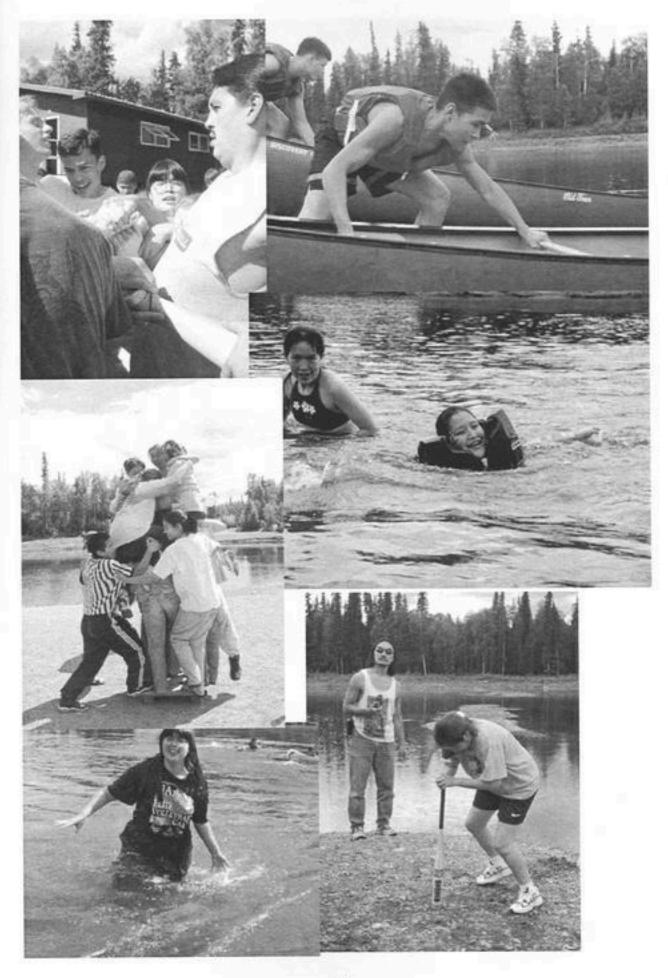
Written by--Rachel Chamberlain

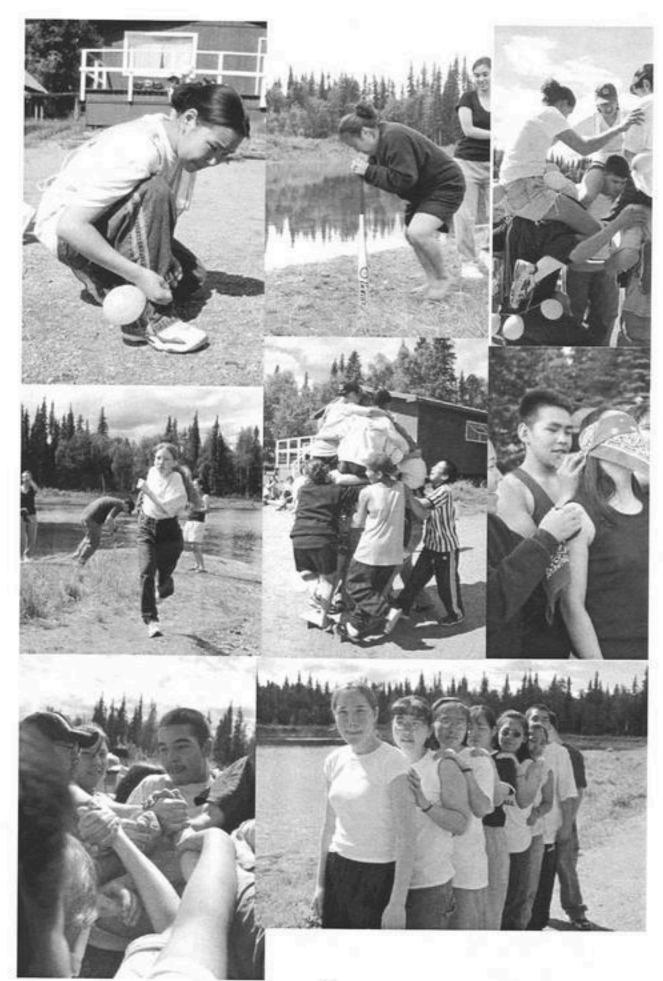
Camping at Twin Bears was an unexpected boost to the morale of a majority of the RAHI students. Sure, many came back feeling ill from the excess of junk food and fruit consumed, but that did nothing to spoil the wellbeing of their minds.

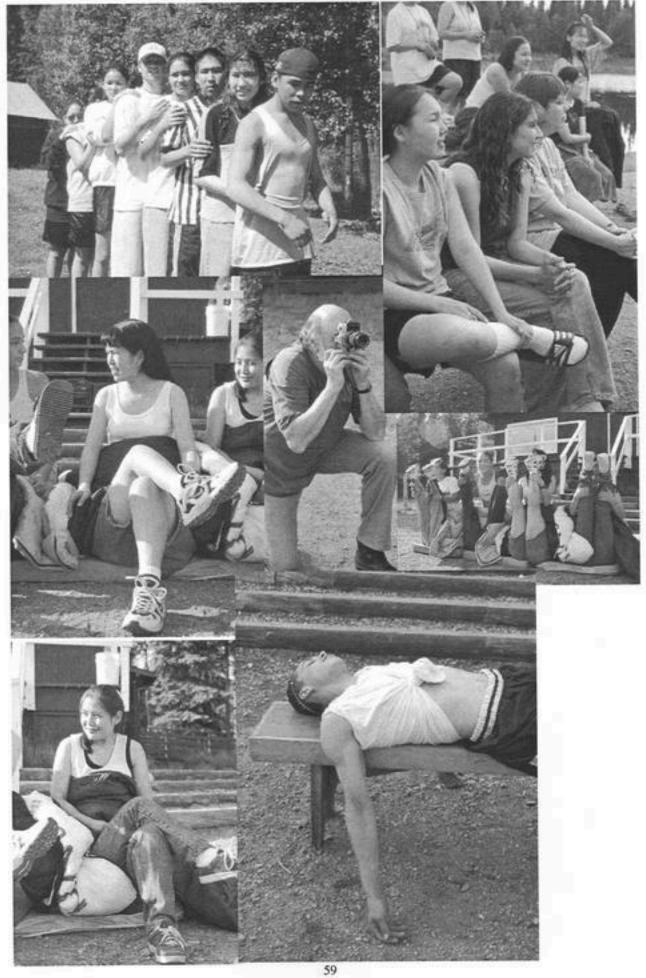
The days were packed with activities such as the Fun Olympics. The nights were spent talking, eating, and swimming with friends. As a result of all of this, the students came back to campus feeling refreshed, and a little sleepy. The camping trip provided a much needed break from campus life, and many were grateful for it.

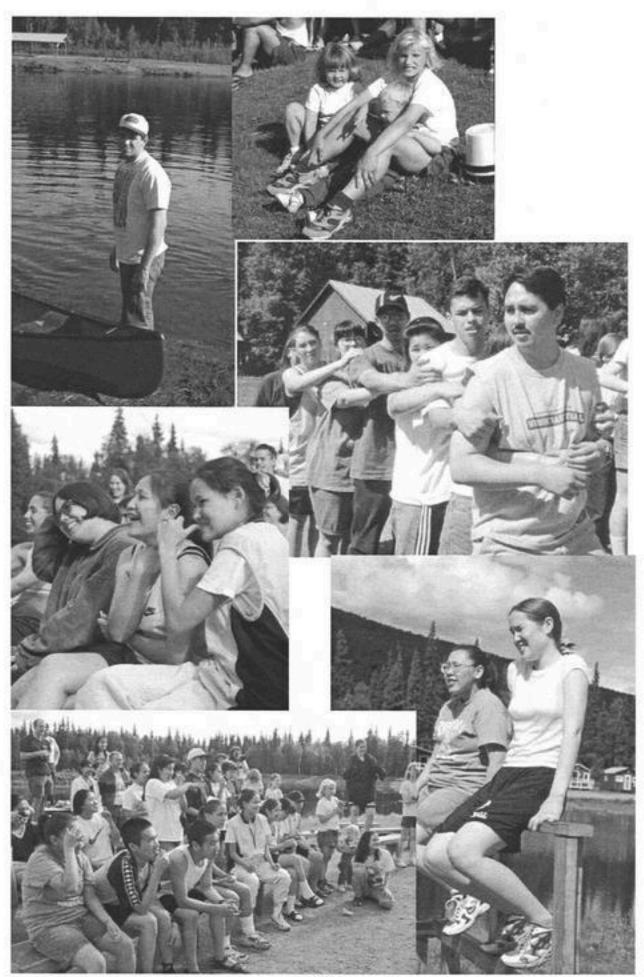


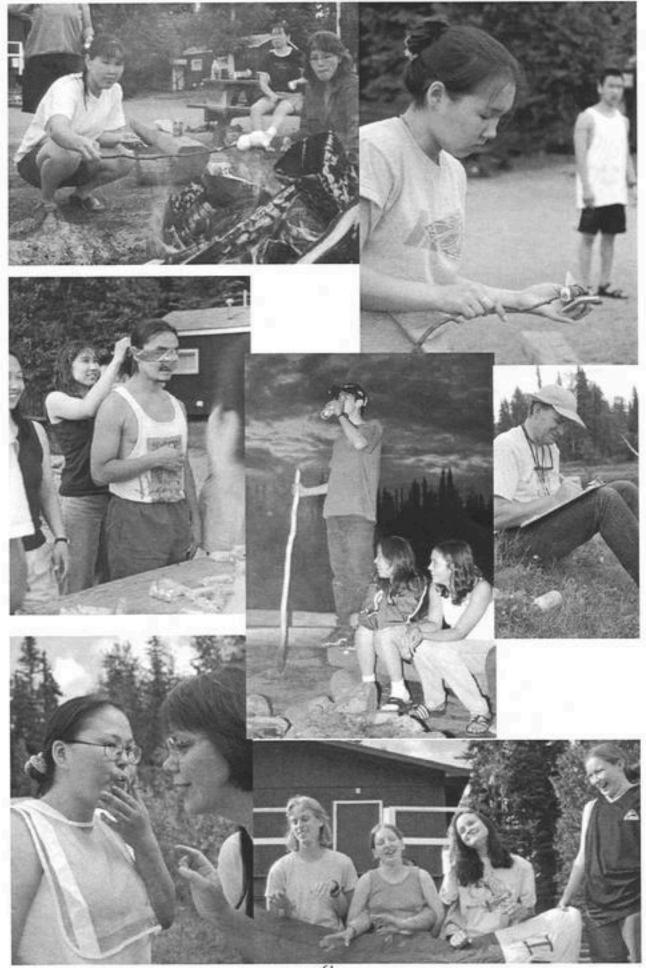


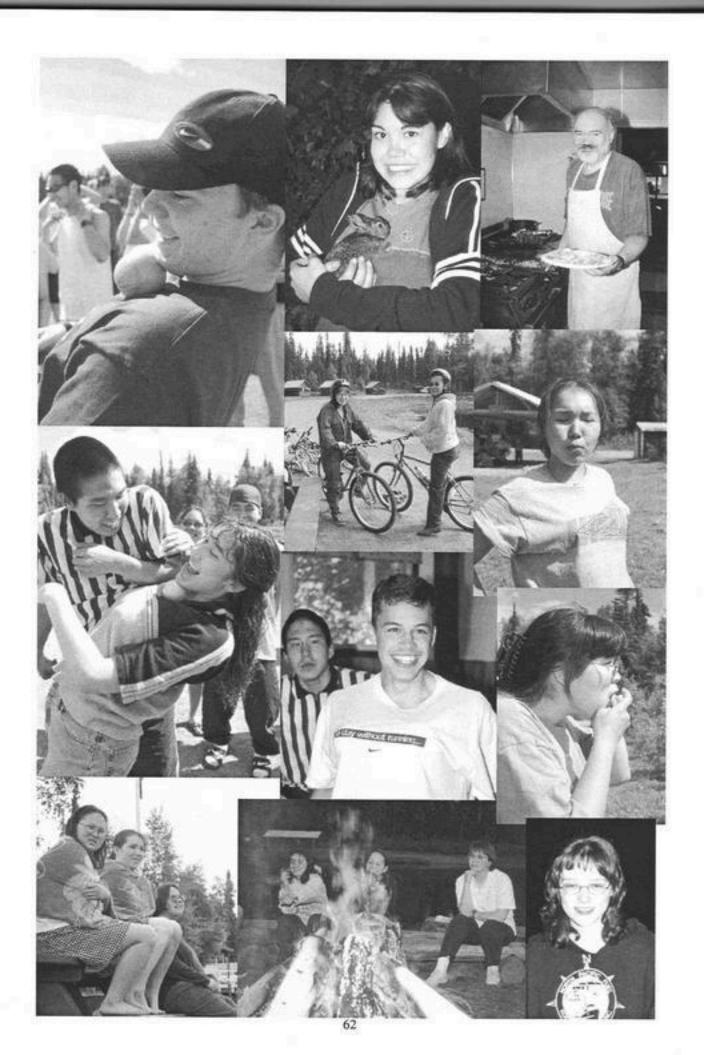


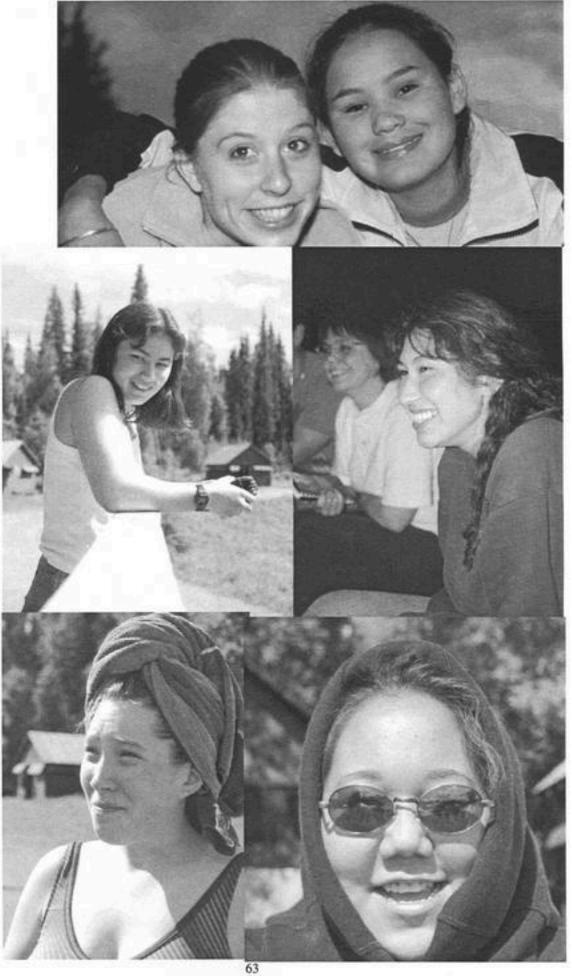




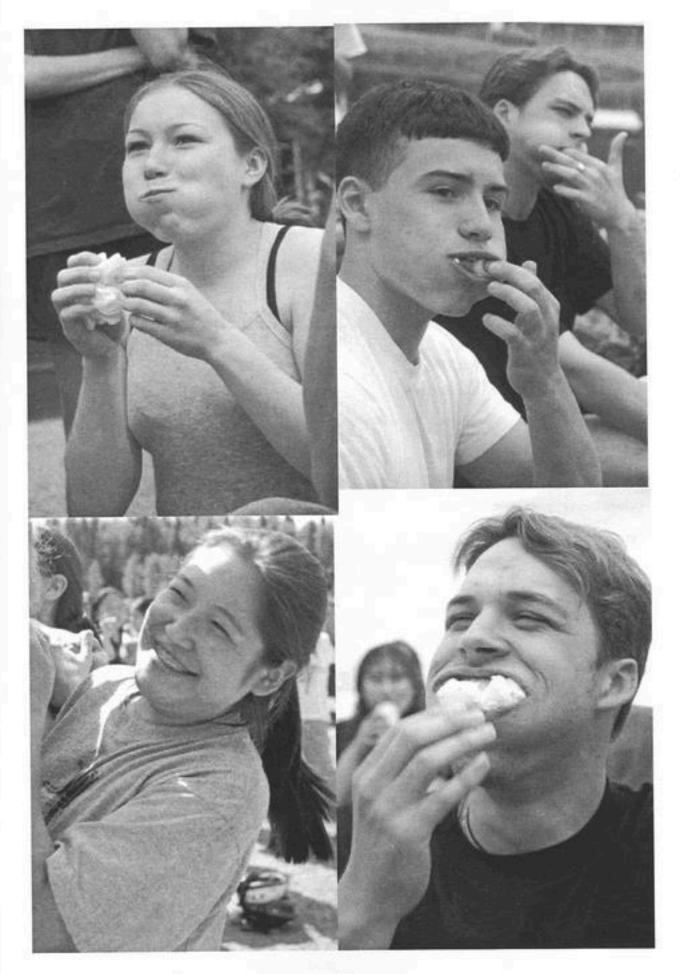














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