



University of Alaska Fairbanks
Rural Student Services

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REACH OUT Newsletter



In honor of Elizabeth Peratrovich Day (Feb 16th)

Mrs. Peratrovich was born in Petersburg on July 4, 1911. She was an active member in the Alaska Native Sisterhood. The year Mrs. Peratrovich appeared before the 1945 Alaska Territorial Legislature, she was the Alaska Native Sisterhood Grand President. The Alaska Native Sisterhood worked to overcome discrimination against Alaska Natives. The Anti-Discrimination bill was introduced in the 16th Legislature and the bill passed by a vote of 19 to 5. Mrs. Peratrovich was able to contribute to the debate about this bill. "As Elizabeth stood before the all-male Legislature, the packed gallery was tense with expectation. 'I would not have expected,' said Elizabeth in a strong steady voice, 'that I, who am barely out of savagery, would have to remind gentlemen with five thousand years of recorded civilization behind them of our Bill of Rights'" (Ruaro,2006). The Senate passed the bill 11 to 5 on Feb. 8, 1945. The Anti-Discrimination Act was signed on Feb. 16, 1945, which is now Elizabeth Peratrovich Day.

Ruaro, Dana. "News Article." [Remembering a civil rights leader](http://www.anbgrandcamp.org/News%20Articles%20article_elizabeth_peratrovich_ruaro_empire_2006.htm) . 02/15/2006 . Juneau Empire. 30 Jan 2009 <http://www.anbgrandcamp.org/News%20Articles%20article_elizabeth_peratrovich_ruaro_empire_2006.htm>.

RSS Student Spotlight ~ Carla Nelson

Carla is from Kotzebue, Alaska. She is in her senior year at UAF as a chemistry major student. She completed an internship at Dr. Barbara Taylor's Lab on the Fairbanks campus. During her internship, Carla learned the different effects of drugs on the human breathing and their purpose was to try and find out why SIDS happens to children and why there is such a higher rate in Alaska. Her advice to students interested in applying for an internship is to ask friends and other interns on the experience and to make sure the internship is relevant to your degree. Carla is currently involved with ANSEP and AISES. Carla states it is hard to find motivation to do well in school due to lack of sunlight and the bitter cold. To be successful, she suggests creating study groups amongst classmates and to hold each other accountable. Carla's biggest challenge while attending UAF is time management. She is a full time student and works, finding the balance to be successful in both is very challenging. Carla uses scholarships and personal income to assist with her college expenses. Her suggestion for applying for scholarships is to find the scholarships that apply to you, speak to your advisor, and complete the application before the deadline.

**The RSS Gathering Room hosts the following tutor groups:
 AISES math and science tutors-Every day...stop by to see the schedule
 UAF Writing Center tutors-Monday thru Thursday 2:00-4:00PM**

February 2010 at RSS!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 2-5pm Doyon Foundation	2 1pm ANSEP	3 7pm IYDG practice	4 1pm AISES	5 5pm PCN: Netsilik Film Series	6 4pm IYDG practice
7	8	9 1pm ANSEP	10	11	12 5pm PCN: Valentine theme	13 4pm IYDG practice
14	15	16 Elizabeth Peratrovich Day 1pm ANSEP	17	18 1pm AISES	19 12-2pm First Alaskans @ RSS 5pm PCN: Video Game Potluck	20 4pm IYDG practice
21	22	23 1pm ANSEP	24	25	26	27
28					5pm PCN: attend win- ter carnival	4pm IYDG practice

All events in the Gathering Room are open to the public and we encourage all students to attend. Stop by for more events posted every day at RSS!

ANSWA=Alaska Native Social Workers Association
 ANESA=Alaska Native Education Student Association
 FNA=Festival of Native Arts planning committee
 AISES=American Indian Science & Engineering Society
 ANSEP=Alaska Native Science & Engineering Program
 NABL=Native American Business Leaders
 IYDG= Inu-Yupiaq Dance Group



(Native Alaskan Business Leaders)

Become a member of Native Alaskan Business Leaders! NABL supports Native Alaskan and American Indian students interested in business, rural economic development and other related areas.

For information, contact Carol Murphrey, NABL Advisor <cmurphrey@alaska.edu> or 474-6616



(Alaska Native Education Student Association)

The Alaska Native Education Student Association is a student club where Native students who wish to earn their degree in Education are welcome.

ANESA holds meetings twice a month to discuss educational issues in Alaska and what suggestions may be brought up to settle them. It also provides its members the opportunity to participate in study groups and peer tutoring that pertains to subjects in the field of education. ANESA is a wonderful tool to get native students started in the direction by introducing and establishing relationships with professionals already in the field, as well as students who are in their internship year who have already experienced the Educational program with the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

For any additional information, contact ANESA by e-mail at anesa_1@yahoo.com or contact Colleen Angaiak at (907) 474-6623 or Beth Leonard at (907) 474-1588.



(American Indian Science & Engineering Society)

Annual Regional Conference

Fairbanks March 4 & 5

AISES chapters from Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington have been invited to attend!



To help plan the conference, contact Frank, AISES advisor with Rural Student Services 474-5152 facythlook@alaska.edu



(Alaska Native Social Work Association)

The Alaska Native Social Worker's Association is a group dedicated to community service and enriching the lives of social work students. The group works towards improving community relationships and giving students a chance to make valuable contacts, and learn about valuable resources. We have teleconference capability and students from all over Alaska call in to be a part of the student group as a way to bridge the connection between rural and urban areas. Contact Jordan Lewis, Vice President at jplewis@alaska.edu

ANPsych

(Alaska Natives into Psychology)

The primary purpose of ANPsych is to increase the number of Alaska Native and American Indian Psychologists and other behavioral health professionals.

Our Objectives

- To recruit, retain, and mentor Native students in the field of Psychology.
- To provide outreach to high schools, rural campuses of UA, and Native Corporations and communities.
- To provide student support
 - ~Cultural
 - ~Social
 - ~Academic
 - ~Networking

To support Native Doctoral Students in the Joint Ph.D. program in Clinical-Community Psychology with Rural, Indigenous Emphasis

Contact: Ashley Woods, fyanspy@uaf.edu

FNA

(Festival of Native Arts)

“True Identity: Proud of Our Heritage”

Festival of Native Arts
UAF Davis Concert Hall

**Thursday, Mar 4th,
Friday, Mar 5th and
Saturday, Mar 6th**
6pm to midnight

For More Information, call
907-474-6889 or festival@uaf.edu

Inu-Yupiaq Dance Group

Practice: Saturday 4pm &
Wednesday 7pm
Rural Student Services
Gathering Room
Brooks Building



Native Games

**Interested in starting a Native Games student club at UAF?
Contact Gabrielle Russell at Rural Student Services
garussell@alaska.edu
474-6615**

INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Morris K. Udall Foundation 2010 Scholarship Program

The Morris K. Udall Scholarship is awarded to college sophomores and juniors pursuing careers related to Tribal Public Policy, Native Health Care, or the Environment. In addition to the \$5,000 financial award, Udall Scholars also get to attend the Udall Scholar Orientation and are immediately plugged into a growing and active alumni network. Tribal public policy includes fields related to tribal sovereignty, governance, law, education, justice, natural resource management, cultural preservation and revitalization, economic development, and other areas affecting Native American communities. Native American health care includes health care administration, social work, medicine, research, and other disciplines. The Foundation must receive application packets by **March 2, 2010**, but individual institutions may have earlier deadlines. Interested students can contact their campus' Udall Faculty Representative for more information.

We encourage you to visit our website at www.udall.gov to learn more about the internship and scholarship opportunities. On the website, you'll find videos about both programs, tips for applying, and Alumni Mentors you can contact with any questions you might have.

Interested students may contact Colin Ben, Internship Contractor, at crben02@yahoo.com or Mia Ibarra, Scholarship Program Manager, at ibarra@udall.gov.

Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. Internships for 12-weeks next summer. Fields include engineering, business, IT, project management, safety, process technology, law & natural sciences. See <http://www.alyeska-pipe.com/Employment/InternshipOpportunities.asp> for full information.

Deadline: February 15, 2010.

Golden Valley Electric Association Scholarships

GVEA household members can apply for scholarships at www.gvea.com. **DEADLINE: February 5, 2010.**

University Scholarships

There are TWO sources of scholarships that students can apply to for UAF student scholarships.

1. **UAF Privately Funded Scholarships** are administered by the UAF Advancement Services office and students can apply online at https://ssl.uaf.edu/giving/forms/scholar_app.html. **DEADLINE: February 15, 2010.**
2. **UA Foundation Scholarships** are administered by the statewide university system for all UA students. Students can apply online at <http://www.alaska.edu/foundation/scholarships/>. **DEADLINE: February 15, 2010.**

Bristol Bay Native Corporation Education Foundation

2010-11 academic year scholarships are available. Be reminded that one must be an eligible shareholder of BBNC in order to apply and the Education Foundation selection committee reviews only once a year for these scholarship categories. (There is one exception and it is for the "Pedro Bay Scholarship" category where one must be an eligible Pedro Bay Corporation shareholder; see eligibility criteria for details.)

Applications have to be **complete and received** (not postmarked) by the **deadline date of April 2, 2010**. The scholarship program is competitive and limited by budget, therefore some eligible applicants may not be awarded a scholarship and there is no guarantee of funding.

You may also want to contact the *Bristol Bay Native Association* Higher Education Program to request an application for their scholarship program. Write to them at P.O. Box 310 Dillingham, AK 99576 or call them at 1-888-285-2262 (in-state) or 907-842-2262.

American Indian Graduate Center Fellowships & Financial Assistance

These are monetary awards made to American Indian and Alaska Native graduate or professional degree-seeking students. Check out their programs at www.aigcs.org or call toll free 1-800-628-1920.

Deadline: June 1, 2010.