



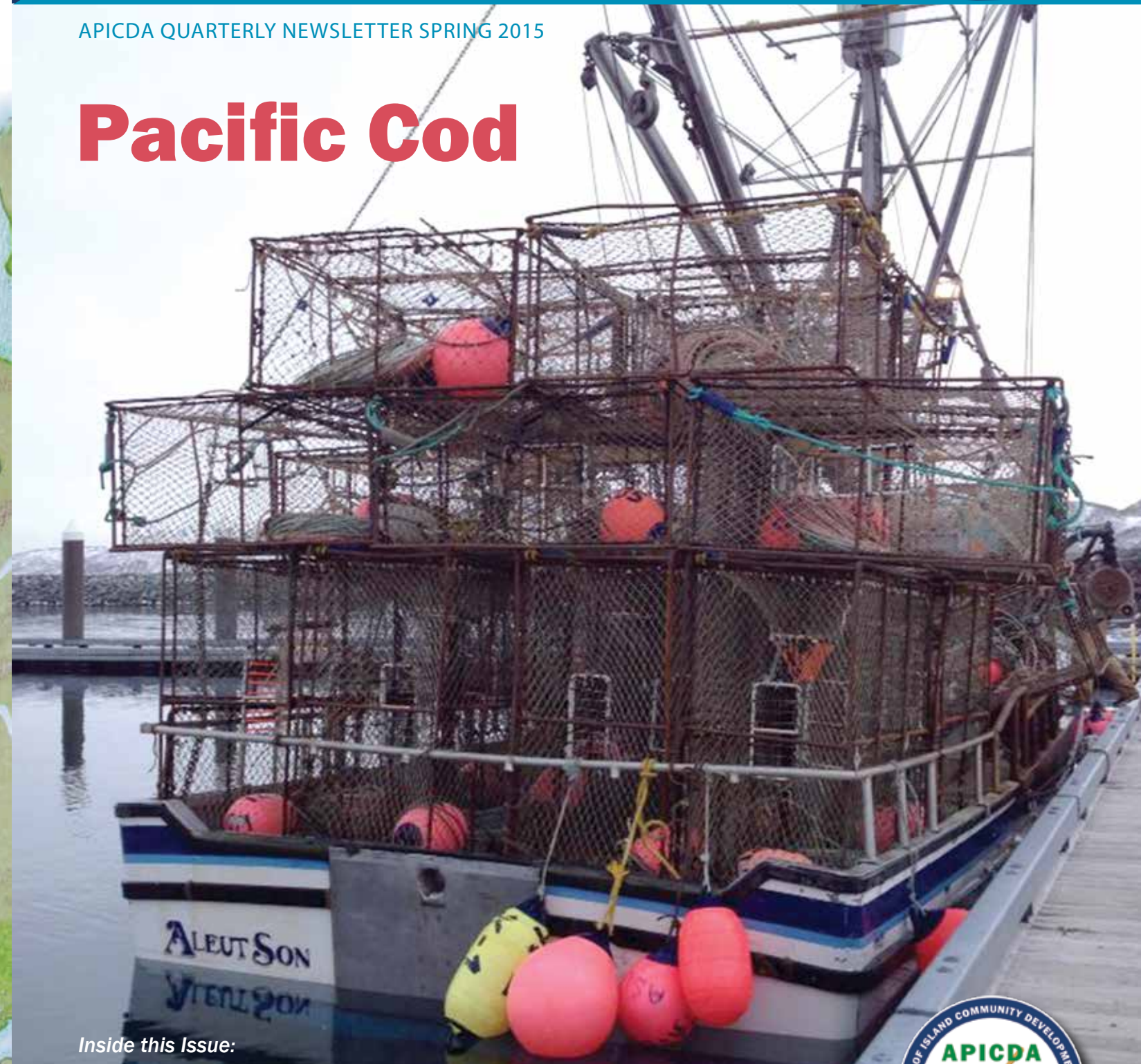
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Russian Orthodox Easter is April 12, 2015



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ON THE COVER:
F/V Aleut Son at the False Pass dock.
Photo by Shane Hoblet, owner/skipper.



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Message from the CEO



Larry Cotter
Chief Executive Officer

Dear APICDA Communities and Stakeholders,

Alaska is a great state and a wonderful place to live. We are truly blessed. But, as a state, we now face a very uncertain financial future as both the amount of oil we produce and the value per barrel falls. Really, there is no place to hide. There is no way that each of us, and our communities, can avoid absorbing our share of the inevitable spending reductions rapidly approaching.

The big questions are how bad is it going to get and when will we start to feel it. As I write, the current price of West Texas crude is \$50.32 per barrel. The state needs \$140 per barrel to break even this fiscal year. We currently face a FY2015 deficit of \$3.5 billion.

We have approximately \$12.6 billion in savings (not including the Permanent Fund). There are two savings accounts: the Statutory Budget Reserve (SBR) and the Constitutional Budget Reserve (CBR). By the end of this legislative session the SBR will be done and we will likely have in the vicinity of \$9.6 billion remaining in the CBR.

“There is no way that each of us, and our communities, can avoid absorbing our share of the inevitable spending reductions rapidly approaching.”

Looking forward there are two schools of thought. The first, and most optimistic, assumes that the price of oil will be about \$66 per barrel in FY2016 before rebounding to \$93 in FY 2017, and then back over \$100 per barrel thereafter, gradually increasing to \$134 in FY2024. Under that scenario our savings reserves decline to \$6.6 billion at the end of FY2016, \$5 billion in FY2017, and then slowly reducing until they are exhausted at the end of FY2022. Zero savings left at that time. Seven years from now. And that's the optimistic scenario.

The scenario no one likes to talk about, and the one that appears to be more realistic, assumes that oil does not rebound in 2017 as predicted and remains low. For illustrative purposes, if the price of oil remains at \$50 per barrel our entire savings reserves will be gone in FY 2017. That's three years from now.

So, please put that into perspective: in less than four years we could likely use up \$12.6 billion in savings. And then what?

We might as well start talking openly about reality. We will not be able to cut ourselves out of this situation. The results would be devastating, particularly for rural Alaska. It must be a combination of cuts and revenue generation. Revenue generation means taxes. And the wise use of earnings from the Permanent Fund must also be on the table. Think about it. Talk about it.

Lastly, cuts must not fall disproportionately on rural Alaska. We simply don't have the same financial resources and capabilities as urban Alaska. In that regard, we are particularly fortunate to have as our representatives Gov. Walker, Lt. Gov. Mallott, Sen. Hoffman, and Rep. Edgmon—all of whom have a profound understanding of small communities and rural Alaska. ▴

Larry Cotter, APICDA Chief Executive Officer



False Pass, January 2015.

False Pass Winter Fishery

APICDA's Bering Pacific Seafoods (BPS) facility, located in False Pass, opened in January to process Pacific cod in the winter fishery. Operating BPS and the False Pass Fuel Company throughout the winter positively impacts commerce, and helps to fulfill APICDA's purpose to develop stable local economies in the region. We purchased and processed over 2 million pounds of cod by the end of February, while employing over 40 individuals at the plant. ▴

Nikolski Tourism

We are happy to report that Nikolski residents and Aleutian Adventure guides Vincent Lestenkof and Josh Stamm have received their United States Coast Guard 100-ton Captain licenses. Vincent and Josh were eligible for APICDA's Supplemental Education Scholarship program which paid for 100% of the course and the test. Investing in vocational training for residents is a key component in building economic growth and development in the region, and allows Aleutian Adventures to utilize their expertise by providing fishing charters out of Nikolski.

ALEUTIAN ADVENTURES worked three popular and well attended travel industry trade shows this winter and bookings are strong. We have some of the most experienced guides in the state and our clients frequently comment on the excellent guiding experience they receive and book additional trips. The Tourism Division anticipates growth in client numbers and overall revenue for 2015. ▴



Josh Stamm



Vincent Lestenkof

APICDA is a strong supporter of the United States Coast Guard's mission and makes an annual donation to the United States Coast Guard Foundation. The foundation supports Coast Guard families with college scholarships for dependents of enlisted personnel, education grants for spouses and family relief funds in a tragedy. APICDA deeply appreciates the sacrifices the brave members of the Coast Guard make for their country and our region. Established in 1790, the Coast Guard served as the nation's only armed force on the sea until Congress launched the Navy Department eight years later. The Coast Guard has been dedicated to protecting the United States and its citizens throughout its long history. (Source USCG)



Welcome New Staff



HAVEN HARRIS is APICDA's new Director of 8(a) and MBE Development. Haven is a shareholder of the Bering Straits Corporation and a lifelong Alaskan. Haven has nearly ten years of experience in various leadership and business development roles, most currently as the Subsidiary General Manager for Bering Straits Native Corporation.

Haven is a University of Michigan alum and also holds a MBA from UAA and volunteers on multiple boards and Alaska working groups.



MATT HOLSINGER is our new Fuel Farm Manager in False Pass.

Matt brings over 30 years of supervisory, engineering and construction experience to his job in False Pass. Matt also carries multiple certifications, ranging from CDL to Excavation. Matt has worked in various remote locations and loves the False Pass scenery.



DAVE DECK is our new Financial Accountant in the Juneau office.

Dave comes to us from High Liner Foods where he recently worked as a Cost Accounting Manager. He has also worked at Orion Seafood where he was the Inventory Accounting manager. Dave brings accounting experience at a corporate level with additional experience in the seafood industry.



GREGORY NAATZ is our new Purchasing Specialist for APICDA Joint Ventures in Anchorage. Greg is a retired Air Force veteran and brings 28 years of experience in materials management, leadership, and mentoring. He worked the last seven years at Providence Alaska Medical Center in shipping, receiving and inventory control. Greg has an AAS degree in Logistics Management.



LOREN ABBEY has been hired as our new Human Resources Director. He comes to us from ACCESS ALASKA where he was the HR Director, and previously worked as HR Manager with AWAIC (Abused Women's Aid In Crisis).

Loren has a BA in Criminal Justice from Washington State University along with the PHR certification.

RICK GRANBOIS, our former Human Resource Director has moved on to become the VP of Compensation and Benefits with an organization in Colorado Springs and to be closer to family. We wish Rick all the best on his new adventure. ▴



ANGELA MARTINEZ was hired as Office Administrator for APICDA/Cannon Fish Company in the Seattle office. Angela manages the front desk and helps assist the accounting department. Angela's background includes support for manufacturing facilities.



Cannon would also like to welcome Victoria Popa and Todd Greenwood to the Cannon sales team.

VICTORIA POPA



APICDA/Cannon Fish Co.

CANNON FISH COMPANY has had an extraordinary start to the year! Sales continue to grow with the addition of Pacific cod being produced in False Pass this winter and we opened our new plant and moved our offices to the same location in Kent, Washington. We are very pleased to be able to have our offices at the same facility where the bulk of our production will take place.

Formerly known as the International Boston Seafood Show, Seafood Expo North America is the largest seafood trade event in North America and Cannon is planning to attend in March. The event attracts over 20,000 buyers and suppliers of fresh, frozen, packaged and value-added seafood products, equipment, and services. Attendees travel from more than 100 countries to do business at the exposition and we will be there meeting with current and potential customers. This show is the leading trade event for seafood buyers in every market category including retail, restaurant, catering, foodservice and processing (source seafoodexpo.com).

Cannon Fish Co. closed its Ballard location in February and has moved the offices to the new Kent processing facility at 1025 6th Ave., Kent, WA 98032. Their contact phone numbers will remain the same. ▴

Gilda Shellikoff Retires

Gilda Shellikoff was born in Morzhovoi, a village located across Isanotski Strait from False Pass. Her Unangan parents, John and Nellie Shelikoff, lived a subsistence way of life in that area when it had a population of over 200 people. Her father was born in the Aleut village of Sanax (Sanakh or Sanak). Sanak Island has an archeological record of Aleut occupancy of over 6,000 years.

The Shellikoffs were the last family to migrate to False Pass in the early 1960s, when the village of Morzhovoi was finally abandoned.

Gilda is the youngest child of three brothers and two step-sisters. She attended the False Pass School until eighth grade and faced going away for high school at Mt. Edgecumbe in Sitka, Alaska, a traumatic event for many rural children. Instead, she relocated to Anchorage as a boarding student and graduated from West High School.

Her summers were spent back home in False Pass. From 1965 until 1980, Gilda worked for Peter Pan Seafoods, Inc. She said, "At fourteen I started off in the 'egg house,' putting up fish eggs that were sent to Japan. Then I worked various positions on the canning line. My main job was in the warehouse. I ended up being the bookkeeper and eventually became the unofficial foreman for the warehouse." Gilda also worked for the Peter Pan Company store for 10 years, starting as the store clerk and eventually holding the position of store manager. The Peter Pan Seafoods Cannery which had been in operation since the early 1900s, burned

down in 1981. The bunkhouses, mess hall, store and fuel facility were untouched and these shore buildings were used as a "fish camp" that also supported the fishing fleet. (That fish camp was closed in 2004.)

Gilda was the first trained Health Aide in False Pass after attaining certification from Alaska Native Medical Center



Gilda Shellikoff with boss Ken Smith, Purchasing Mgr.



Gilda (right) was honored for her years of service to the APICDA Board during the 2014 Community Conference, by CEO Larry Cotter and board member Justine Gundersen.

(ANMC) in Anchorage. At that time, there were no phones in False Pass, only a radio phone through Cold Bay that closed at 5 pm each day. ANMC wanted to hire Gilda as an instructor, but she did not want to live in Anchorage.

Gilda pursued a degree in Rural Development with an emphasis on Small Business Management from the University of Alaska through teleconferencing while working as Administrator and President of the False Pass Tribal Council, and Community Liaison Officer for APICDA. She has served on numerous boards over the years including False Pass City Council, Aleutian School Board, Fisheries Development Association, Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, Kodiak/Aleutian Subsistence Advisory Council and the Isanotski Corporation. In 1992 the APICDA CDQ was formed and Gilda spent the next 22 years serving as Chair of the Board of Directors. She did homework in airports while waiting for flights, eventually earning her degree. She never missed a meeting and said even though

"it got pretty thick sometimes," in spite of differences, compromise was always reached through discussion.

On the personal side, Gilda adopted her niece and nephew, Tammy and Billy, and raised them while also taking care of her mother, Nellie. Gilda has also helped to raise her granddaughter Nikkita. They chose to move to Anchorage so Nikkita could attend West High School rather than enroll in a boarding. Nikkita graduated in 2013.

In the spring of 2014, Gilda completed her work on the APICDA Board and joined the Anchorage office team as Administrative Assistant to Ken Smith, Purchasing Manager. Her knowledge and history has been a tremendously valuable asset to the company.

Gilda loves photography and in summertime returns to her home in False Pass to put up fish and harvest berries where the greens of summer and lush wildflowers carpet the hill-sides. One memorable evening, she followed a bear trail and filled a 3-gallon bucket with salmonberries in 20 minutes, returning every night to fill the bucket again.

Gilda retired this February and we wish her all the best. ▴



Gilda Shellikoff received her Health Aide certificate from Roy Huhndorf, CEO and President of CIRI in 1973.

Nikolski



17th Annual Community Conference Set for April 28-29



APICDA is pleased to announce that we will be hosting our annual Community Outreach Conference in April 2015. This will be a two-day conference for community leaders. The purpose of the conference is to create an opportunity for the APICDA Board of Directors, management team, and the leaders of the communities to meet and discuss the needs and desires of the APICDA communities and the overall APICDA program.

A conference agenda will be available in early April. APICDA will describe its progress to date, give an overview of the CDQ program, and outline the potential investments we are examining in each eligible community. ▲

The community conference will be held on April 28 and 29 at the Anchorage Hilton. For more information please contact: Chantae Kochuten, Conference Coordinator at ckochuten@apicda.com or by phone: (907) 929-5273 or toll free at 1-888-927-4232.

CONDOLENCES



DORA MARIE JOHNSON
June 1, 1955 - Feb. 12, 2015

Dora Johnson, 59, passed away from complications from ALS at home in Anchorage. She was born in Nikolski.

Dora received an education from the University of New Mexico and was affiliated with the St. Innocent Russian Orthodox Church. A funeral service was held at St. Innocent Russian Orthodox Church in Anchorage with Father John Zabinko officiating. Dora was laid to rest at Angelus Memorial Park Cemetery.

Dora was President of the Chaluka Corp. in Nikolski and helped facilitate a study on subsistence food use in Unalaska and Nikolski for the Institute for Circumpolar Health Studies published in 2003.

Her family said, "Dora was passionate about her family and friends. Her straight honesty and forwardness will be missed but will also be carried forward through her friends and family." She is survived by her husband, Dwight A. Johnson of Anchorage; mother, Pauline D. Dushkin of Nikolski; brothers and sisters-in-law, John and Chris Bezezekoff and David and Jan Dushkin all of Seattle, Wash.; sisters, Marsha Graham of Anchorage, Clara (Mike) Kelsay of Anchorage and Susan (Rod) Rushing of Dutch Harbor, Alaska; sons, Dwight E. (Carrie) Johnson of Bremerton, Wash., Duane Johnson of Dutch Harbor, Dean Johnson of Anchorage and Daniel Johnson of Anchorage; daughters, Valerie Ellis of Anchorage, Shirley Ellis (Nodar) Mirgatia of Austin, Texas, and Katie (Clayton) Sexton of Anchorage; grandsons, Josh Taniquchi of Anchorage, Nicholas Johnson of Long Beach, Calif., and Andrew Valenzuela of Wasilla, Alaska; granddaughters, Crystal (Aaron) Peacock and Mari and Lena Mirgatia all of Austin, Texas; and four great-grandchildren in Rangle, Colo. Dora was preceded in death by her father, Valentine Dushkin; and uncle, George Bezezekoff. ▲



ANNA GALANIN
Jan. 19, 1970 - Jan. 10, 2015

St. George resident, Anna Galanin was born to Ferman and Anfesia Galanin and had two siblings, Sally and Jack.

At the time of her passing, Dimitri Philemonof, APIA President/CEO said, "It is with a heavy heart that I share the news that our long term Community Wellness Advocate in St. George, Anna Galanin, passed away at her home. The loss of Anna is certainly felt by APIA, her family and the entire community of St. George. On behalf of the APIA board, staff, myself and my wife, Victoria, we send our deepest sympathies. God bless. Memory Eternal."

Her sister, Sally Merculief said, "Anna was a happy person and enjoyed working with Elders. She loved the outdoors, bonfires and riding her 4-wheeler. She was an avid reader."

The St. George community celebrated the end of the 40-day memorial for Anna with a tea party. ▲

THOMAS EARNEST STEPETIN
Oct. 15, 1960 - Feb. 20, 2015



Thomas Stepetin passed away at his Anchorage home at the age of 54. He is survived by his daughters, Haliehana and Robin Stepetin; his grandson, Jordan Demoski; his siblings, Agnes Holmberg, Alice Duvall, Jennie Webster, Florence Anderson, Jacob Stepetin, Anita Pelkey, Vera Pelkey and Arthur Stepetin Jr. and their spouses; his great-uncle, Chris Tcheripanoff; ex-wife, Annette Senger; numerous nieces and nephews and many friends.

Thomas was born and raised in the Eastern Aleutian village, of Akutan. He was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur and Matrona Stepetin; as well as his sisters, Pauline Shelikoff and Anna Oaksmith; and his brothers, Peter and Sam Stepetin. Thomas grew up living a traditional subsistence lifestyle in the beautiful Aleutians and began commercial fishing as a young man in his teens. Thomas worked as a crab fisherman throughout the Chain into his early 30s, when he became ill with a seizure disorder. Thomas survived his illness for more than 20 years, while mentoring his closest family and his two daughters. He was beloved to many, including his large extended family and his medical caregivers. His main interests were family, the ocean and fishing. Thomas was deeply devoted to his two daughters and was extremely proud of their accomplishments. His remains will be returned to his home community of Akutan, and the family respectfully requests that memorial bequests be made to the Akutan Traditional Council higher education scholarship fund. ▲

—Excerpted from Alaska Dispatch News



False Pass

Photo by Michael Vickers, February 2015

APICDA Training & Education Programs

APICDA offers higher education and supplemental scholarship programs to support and encourage the education and training goals of community residents. The programs enable our residents to have access to college and university programs and to qualify for jobs within the region that may otherwise be filled by non-CDQ residents.

To Apply:

Applications must be completed, submitted and RECEIVED in the APICDA office by:

- APRIL 1 for the summer term(s).
- JULY 1 for the fall and spring semesters award.
- NOVEMBER 15 for the spring semester award.

For Information about application instructions and requirements:

Please contact APICDA's Training & Education Coordinator Anfesia Tutiakoff education@apicda.com or www.apicda.com



Emil William Berikoff Sr.
1944 - 2012

Emil Berikoff, Sr. served on the APICDA board for 15 years. His contributions as a trusted board member and to the APICDA community were invaluable.

Emil Berikoff Sr. Memorial Scholarships – Spring 2015

APICDA is very proud to announce the Emil Berikoff Sr. Memorial Scholarship recipients for spring 2015. This semester 49 students received scholarships for a total of \$85,808.67 in awards. We congratulate these students for their hard work and dedication in pursuit of their educational goals and wish them luck with their studies!

Name:	Community:	School:
Darling Anderson	False Pass	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Jessa Anderson	Unalaska	Humboldt State University
Shasta Anderson	False Pass	University of Alaska, Anchorage
Matthew Barron	Unalaska	Spokane Community College
Noah Betzen	Unalaska	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Nikka Dirks	Atka	University of Alaska Anchorage
Karina Garay	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Christina Gordon	Unalaska	Carroll College
Rachell Gulanes	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Bethany Hladick	Unalaska	Willamette University
Kevin Huynh	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Angela Johnson	Nelson Lagoon	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Jacob Jones	Unalaska	Central Washington University
Kailyn Kashevarof	St. George	University of Alaska Anchorage
Georgia Kashevarof	St. George	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Michelle Kashevarof	St. George	UAA Mat-Su College
Chantae Kochuten	False Pass	University of Alaska Anchorage
Douglas Krukoff	Unalaska	George Washington University
Janice Krukoff	Unalaska	Alaska Career College
Jana Lekanoff	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Jesse Lestenkof	St. George	University of Alaska Anchorage
Leilani Lestenkof	St. George	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Ally Lestenkof	St. George	University of Alaska Anchorage
Alec Magalong	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Austin Magalong	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Vicadel Magalong	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Derick Magnusen	Unalaska	University of Massachusetts Boston
Dylan Magnusen	Unalaska	New Mexico Military Institute
Rainier Marquez	Unalaska	University of Southern California-Chico
Bobbie McNeley	False Pass	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Desiree Merculief	St. George	University of Alaska Anchorage
Tommy Nguyen	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Joshua Prokopiof	St. George	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Nikita Robinson	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Taytum Robinson	Unalaska	University of Hawaii at Manoa
Axel Rowland	Unalaska	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Raven Samuelson	False Pass	Pacific University
Gage Schaack	Nelson Lagoon	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Shayla Shaishnikoff	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage

Haliehana Stepetin	Akutan	University of Alaska Anchorage
Jacob Stepetin	Akutan	Stanford University
Robin Stepetin	Akutan	University of Alaska Anchorage
Sarah Stepetin	Akutan	Skagit Valley College
Claudine Tungul	Unalaska	University of Alaska Anchorage
Amber Vernon	Unalaska	Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Asia Vernon	Unalaska	Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Levi Vernon	Unalaska	University of Alaska Fairbanks
Rachael Yatchmeneff	False Pass	University of Alaska Anchorage

GPA Scholarships

The following students earned the GPA Scholarship by receiving a 3.5 GPA or higher for the term.

Darling Anderson	False Pass	\$ 500
Noah Betzen	Unalaska	\$ 750
Christina Gordon	Unalaska	\$ 750
Bethany Hladick	Unalaska	\$ 500
Angela Johnson	Nelson Lagoon	\$ 500
Jesse Lestenkof	Akutan	\$ 500
Bobbie McNeley	False Pass	\$ 500
Derick Magnusen	Unalaska	\$ 500
Tommy Nguyen	Unalaska	\$1,000
Nikita Robinson	Unalaska	\$ 500
Haliehana Stepetin	Akutan	\$1,000

Work Invest Now (WINS) Scholarship

The \$2,000 WINS Scholarship is for students who complete a summer internship with APICDA and its subsidiaries.

Darling Anderson, False Pass
2014 APICDA Health & Safety Intern

Fall 2014 Graduates

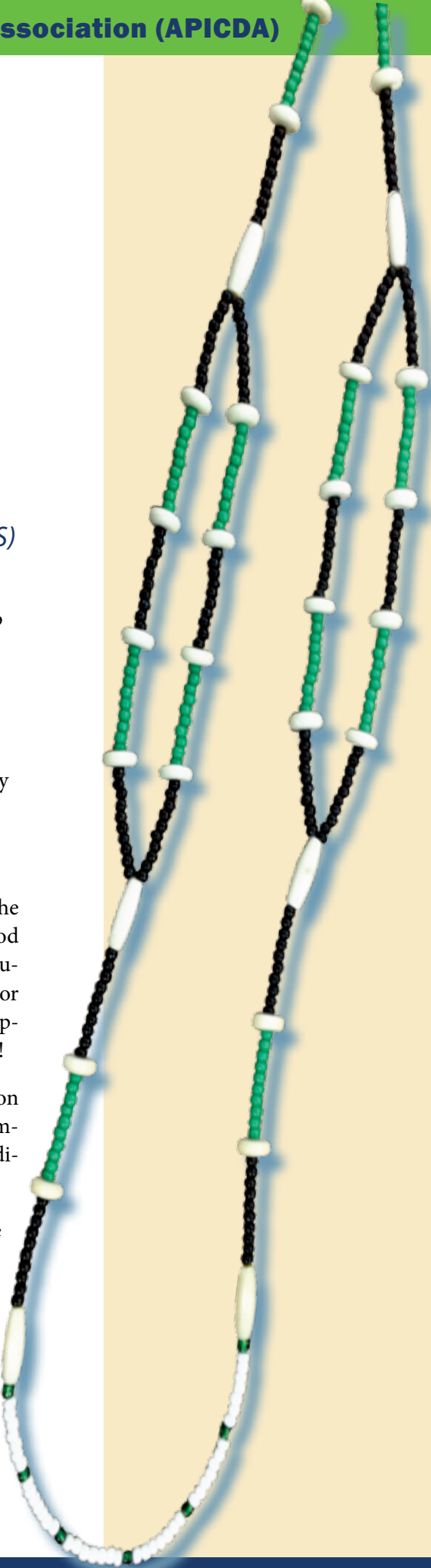
SAMANTHA MIERZEJEK, from St. George, graduated in December 2014 from the University of Alaska Anchorage with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education. Samantha has interned at APICDA for the past four summers, gaining valuable work experience by serving as an Administrative Assistant and Tourism Expeditior during her tenure. APICDA would like to congratulate Samantha for being an exceptional employee and student. We wish her all the best as she pursues her career goals!

DANRICK TRINIDAD, from Unalaska, graduated in December 2014 from Renton Technical College in Washington State with an Associate of Applied Science in Computer Network Technology. APICDA would like to congratulate Danrick for his dedication and effort in receiving his degree.

DESIREE T. MERCULIEF, from St. George, graduated in December 2014 from the University of Alaska Anchorage with a Master of Business Administration. Desiree has received a number of degrees from UAA, and continues to attend this spring to receive an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing.

VINCENT LESTENKOF and JOSH STAMM, from Nikolski, received their 6-Pack Coast Guard Capitan's License from the Alaska Nautical School. In early January, both Vincent and Josh flew to Anchorage for two weeks of training to receive their captain's license; they also received their CPR/First Aid certificate and their TWIC (Transportation Worker Identification Credential) card. Vincent and

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APICDA Training & Education Programs *(continued)*

Josh are seasonal guides for APICDA Joint Ventures at the Ugludax Lodge located in Nikolski. We are very pleased to have awarded this scholarship to Vincent and Josh, and we look forward to seeing their 6-Pack Coast Guard Capitan's License put to use!

Supplemental Education Scholarship Increase

The T&E Committee and Board of Directors have approved an increase in funding for our residents from \$3,000 to \$4,000 per year for the Supplemental Education Scholarship. The increase was suggested because residents have not been taking sufficient advantage of our traditional scholarships. In addition to the increase of training funds available, we would like to make it known that APICDA is committed to seeing that our residents utilize the scholarship to their full advantage. This consists of getting the training they need to secure a job within their chosen career field, or to advance within their current career. The Supplemental Education Scholarship has not been increased for some time, and it was appropriate to reevaluate the award to better meet the needs of today's students.

Student Loan Repayment Program

APICDA would like to announce the Student Loan Repayment Program to the residents of the APICDA communities. This program repays a specific dollar amount (up to \$5,000 per year) of a graduate student's loan as long as the program requirements are met. This program was created because APICDA no longer awards scholarships to students who are pursuing graduate degrees or higher. The main focus is to encourage graduates of the APICDA region to return to the region for employment and career opportunities.



Aleutian/Pribilof students attending university in Anchorage met recently for an evening of food and fellowship at the Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association building (APIA).

The program went into effect on Jan.1, 2014, and will only include students who are enrolled in a degree program on Jan. 1, 2013, or later. To be eligible an applicant must have maintained full-time residency in one of the APICDA communities before attending school and must intend to return to, or work for the benefit of, the APICDA region upon award of degree.

If you have any questions, please contact APICDA's Training & Education Coordinator: Anfesia Tutiakoff at education@apicda.com; or see the APICDA website for the application, instructions and requirements at apicda.com.

APICDA's Community Liaison Officer (CLO) Program

Each APICDA member community has a Community Liaison Officer (CLO). The CLO is your local contact for information about APICDA. Each of our CLO's is dedicated to giving you information on our Training & Education programs. Please don't hesitate to contact your local CLO for information and referral. Thank you!

Have questions? Here is what a CLO can assist you with:

- Employment openings with APICDA and our fishing partners
- Scholarship applications and information
- Enrollment in local training sponsored by APICDA
- Internship applications and information
- School Grant information and application assistance
- APICDA Miscellaneous Grant Program
- A resource for information when you are looking to further your education

2015 APICDA CLO's:

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Russian Easter Bread

Baked in coffee cans to achieve the traditional cylindrical (church-tower) shape, these frosted loaves are an important part of the Russian Orthodox Easter celebration. The Russian Orthodox Church is on the Julian calendar and this year Pascha falls on April 12, 2015.

KULICH *Kulichax* (Unangan)

Adapted from a recipe by Mary Bourdukofsky

Ingredients:

(makes 4-6 loaves)

- 6 eggs
- 4 pkgs. yeast
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1 c. warm water
- ½ lb. butter, melted
- 2 Tbsp. shortening, melted
- 4 cups sugar
- 4 cups warm water
- 1 cup milk
- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1 ½ cups raisins
- 1 cup nuts, chopped
- 1 cup mixed candied or dried fruit
- 2 Tbsp. vanilla extract
- 1 Tbsp. lemon extract
- 12 cups flour



Mix, knead, rise, punch, rise, bake, glaze.



Kulich by Gilda Shellikoff



Kulich by Marii Swetzof

Directions:

Sprinkle yeast in 1 cup warm water with one teaspoon sugar. Beat eggs until thick. Melt butter and shortening. Add rest of sugar and beaten eggs, yeast water, plus rest of water and milk, salt, nuts, fruit, flavorings, flour and mix well. Add enough flour so it won't be sticky. Turn dough around in an oiled bowl, cover with plastic wrap and let rise until doubled, about 1½ hour. Punch down dough, knead a few times and divide into 4-6 pieces. Press dough lightly against the bottom of tall, round coffee cans, greased and floured.

Cover cans with a cloth and allow dough to rise to the top of the cans, about 45 minutes.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees, place a cookie sheet into the oven; place cans upright on baking sheet. Bake until Kulich are risen and lightly browned, about 45 minutes to an hour.

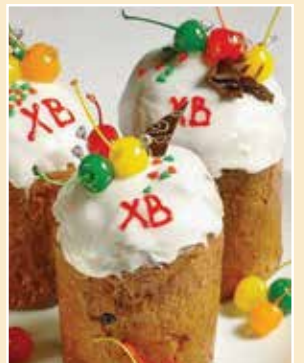
Let the Kulich cool for 15 minutes, then carefully remove it from the can.

Glaze: (each loaf)

- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 3 Tbsp. heavy cream
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla

Mix the the powdered sugar, cream and vanilla together in a small bowl.

Pour the glaze over the top of the kulich while it is still a little warm, letting it drizzle down the sides. Use the raisins or candied fruit to decorate the top with an Orthodox cross or with the Cyrillic letters (Христос Воскресе) XB, which stand for "Christ is risen." ▲



"What I do remember is Easter bread and some of the Native foods they ate. I like them all and the Easter bread is the one that stuck with me throughout my life. I was always away from home, I never went back. I was raised in boarding schools and went to Mt. Edgecumbe, but I always had this Easter bread in the back of my mind."

—Alma Helena Bolton, Sand Point, 2009.

(From the book, Qaqamiigux with permission from APIA (Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association))

APICDA Community Dividends

Last year APICDA distributed dividends in the amount of \$600,000 to our communities of:

- City of Akutan
- City of Atka
- City of False Pass
- Nelson Lagoon Tribal Council
- Native Village of Nikolski
- City of St. George

The APICDA Board of Directors determined that “each community may spend the funds as they see fit, providing it is for the betterment of the community and its residents.”

In February the APICDA board approved a 2015 community dividend again valued at \$600,000. The following are examples of how these funds have been used in the past:

2013 Uses of Funds—

Akutan:	Household fuel subsidies, fuel and daycare construction project.
Atka:	Atka Culture Camp, Post Office, subsidize water/sanitation/electrical services, road maintenance and general maintenance.
False Pass:	Purchased fuel for city generators from Peter Pan Seafoods.
Nelson Lagoon:	2013 funds went towards the Enterprise (fuel company) loan with the state.
Nikolski:	Community water tank project.
St. George:	Fuel to homes, 8th grade donation, school supplies, Delta Fuel charges, bulk fuel payment to Dept. of Commerce. ▲

A Grateful and Prepared Akutan

Community Liaison Officer, April Dawn Pelkey, posted the following thank you message on FACEBOOK on Feb. 6, 2015:

“I would like to thank APICDA for their miscellaneous grant. With additional funding from Akutan Fisheries, Akutan Corporation and the City of Akutan, we were able to purchase 72-hour emergency supply kits to cover every household/person in town. I handed them all out yesterday! Again, I'd like to say THANK YOU! —It's best to always be prepared!” ▲

APICDA Vision Statement:

The Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association (APICDA) will develop commercial and sport fishing industry related opportunities to enhance the long-term social and economic viability of the coastal communities and their residents in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands.

APICDA will optimize benefits to its member communities and their residents through the development of infrastructure and fishery support services in the communities, the acquisition of seafood related businesses, including fishing vessels and/or processing facilities and support service industries at economically beneficial prices, and the acquisition of harvest and processing rights. By enabling the communities to participate in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Island fisheries,

APICDA will:

- Promote and participate in business opportunities with capital investment funds;
- Relieve chronic social problems through the creation of jobs, and encourage individual growth through educational and vocational opportunities;
- Promote community control over their individual economic and social destinies; and,
- Continue to assist each community as they make the transition from reliance upon a CDQ allocation to economic and social self-sufficiency.



Who We Are

APICDA (Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association) is a vertically integrated seafood company responsibly harvesting, processing and marketing wild Alaskan crab, pollock, cod, black cod, halibut and salmon from the Bering Sea and Pacific Ocean in a sustainable manner. We maintain the highest standards of quality for our wild Alaskan seafood from the icy ocean waters to the table.

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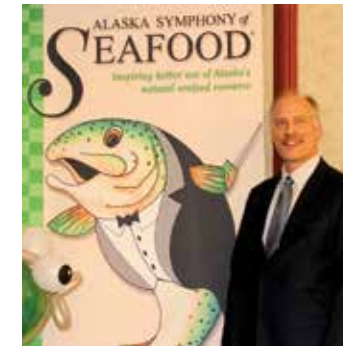
About APICDA

APICDA (Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit incorporated in the state of Alaska. Our charitable purpose is to develop stable local economies in our member communities of Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski and St. George.

Our focus on community development sets us apart from the typical seafood company. The region's seafood resources have provided for families in our communities through many generations. By doing business with APICDA, you assist our work to better the lives of people in the communities throughout the Aleutian and Pribilof Islands.

Symphony of Seafood 2015

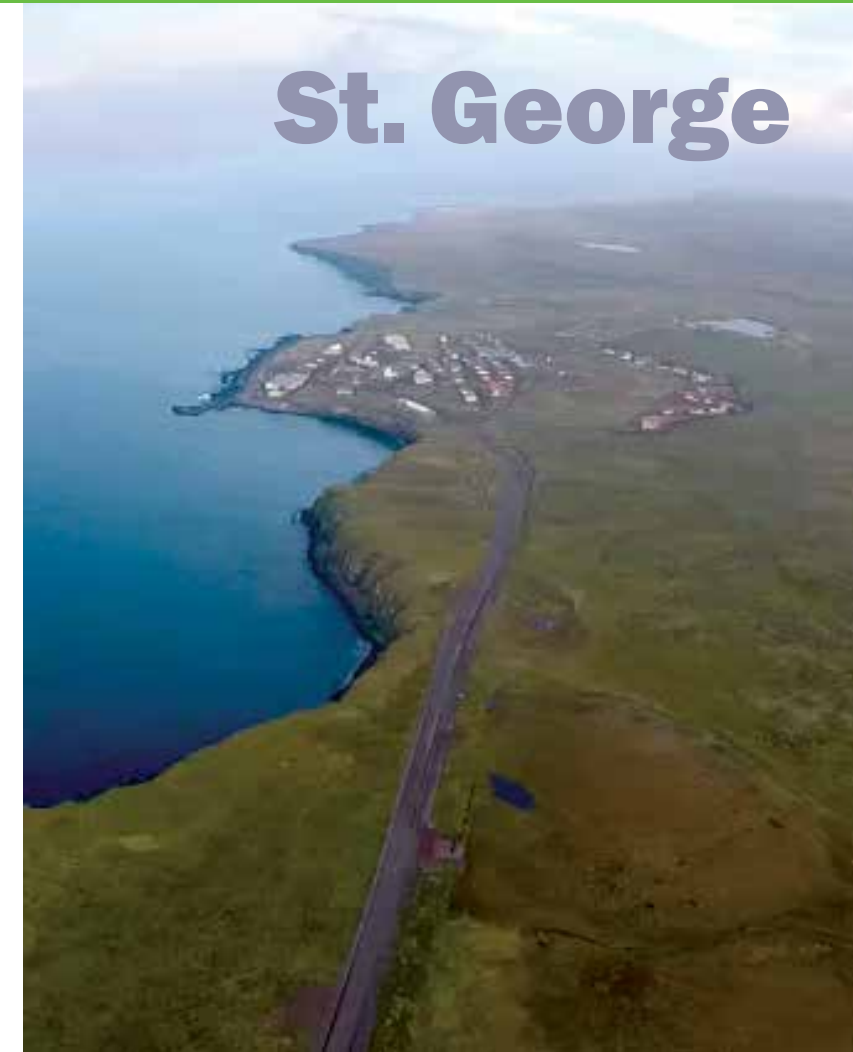
APICDA supports the annual Alaska Symphony of Seafood events hosted in Juneau, Anchorage, Seattle and at the Boston Seafood Show in March. Senator Lisa Murkowski attended this year's event in Juneau and posted the following comments on her FACEBOOK



In attendance at the Anchorage event was Chris Mierzejek, APICDA Director of Administration and former St. George resident, along with four staff members from the Anchorage office.

page, “Had a great time at the Alaska Symphony of Seafood event in Juneau tonight where Alaskans showcased delicious seafood creations. One that really captivated me was a fish broth made from salmon heads, spines, fins and tails—rich in collagen. Also, I was fortunate to have a few minutes to share how I'm fighting against genetically engineered fish, because why on earth would you mess with Mother Nature's perfect brain food?”

APICDA Staff attended the Alaska Symphony of Seafood events in both Juneau and Anchorage. ▲



Aerial view over St. George Island taken with a GoPro by Aaron Merculief, 2014.

Look who's reading the *Aleutian Wave*... And it tastes good too!



Baby Waylon visits with his Dad David Heimes, Sales and Marketing Coordinator for APICDA Tourism Division.

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2015 Photo CONTEST

It's not too early to think about next year!

We are looking for images from the APICDA communities of:

Atka, Akutan, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George and Unalaska.

All original photos must be maximum resolution for quality reproduction use in APICDA's 2016 Calendar and/or 2015 Holiday Card. Begin now to capture winter 2015, including holiday traditions, cultural events, people at work, children at play, wildlife and scenics.

Click often and send us your best shots when the contest begins in June 2015!

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