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- Thomas Johnson, Jr., Member

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Chairman's Message

There has been a great deal of activity this year—even though it seems not much time has passed.

Thanks to all who participated in the election in December! We had a good turnout, not only in voters, but candidates as well. I hope that we can continue having a high level of Tribal members running for a seat on the Tribal Council and that many of us keep voting. Our vote is very important not only in Tribal elections, but local, state and federal government elections as well.

We are glad to welcome to the Sun'aq Tribal Council; newly elected Iver Malutin, re-elected John Reft, Olga M. Malutin and Gary Watson. Tommy Johnson Jr. was appointed to a seat for one year.

This Tribal Council is very engaged in a great number of issues, but insisted that we need to hold a retreat to lay down a plan for the future. We covered some near term ideas and some that will take several years to see results from.

Short term goals include working to improve our inter-governmental relation-

ships with local, state and federal governing bodies. Further reaching goals; include working out an economic development plan, which will help improve the Tribe's ability to continue to expand our programs availability. This is important in today's shrinking budgets at the federal level. Education was a theme that ran through all of the topics that were discussed. We want to develop programs that improve the passing of knowledge from our Elders to our youth. Also, very important, ways to help our youth become successful in their academic pursuits.

The Sun'aq Tribal Council spends many, almost countless, hours representing Tribal Members. While they address many issues that have the potential to become contentious; they maintain a great respect for each other and their ideas. Their bottom line on any issue is—What is in the best interest of the Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak's membership? I want to thank them for their generous gift of their time and ideas.

Tribal Staff continues to work at a high level. It is a good reflection on our Tribal



Administrator to have such a great staff available for the Tribal membership. There are a few new faces in the office; as well as some changes in positions. Stop by and check out what is happening. Programs that are being run by the Staff have become too numerous to mention here. It is important to note that even though there has been a rather large expansion of Staff in the past couple of years; they continue to work as a great team and as individuals to serve the membership.

As our programs expand and change, please take the time to let the Tribal Council or Staff know what you think. Your feedback will help us determine if we are headed in the right direction.

Chris Helms, Council Chair



Bob Polasky, Tribal Administrator

***All our dreams
can come true
if we have the
courage to
pursue them.***

- Walt Disney



Teen Group working together

Tribal Administrator's Message

With the New Year well underway we have filled some new key positions and are positioning our selves for steady and stable growth. You will see elsewhere in this issue the addition of an economic development planner position and a social services position. In the near future we will be adding a youth specialist to our staff.

On a sad note, we have made a decision to close the Camai' café'. The final day of operation was March 17, 2006. With our lease expiring and insufficient foot traffic downtown, it was decided to close until and if a new business plan placing the café in the tribal building is developed and shows significant potential for financial success. We enjoyed operating the Camai' the past 2 ½ years and there were many positive results includ-

ing training several young ladies about holding a job, customer service and the retail business.

At the same time we are struggling with soaring constructions costs as we try to move our renovation project ahead. Construction costs have increased over 30% since we reached our fundraising goal of \$620,000. (This means that \$620,000 dollars worth of work a year ago will only provide the equivalent of about \$414,000 today). Rather than go back out there and raise additional money we've decided to approach renovations in two phases and move forward addressing lighting and electrical issues and concentrating on the upstairs office area first. With the huge increase in staff we are concerned with the age of the building's electrical and lighting sys-

tems. In addition, the back wall (facing Wells Fargo) needs reinforcement because it takes a beating with the prevailing winds.

We will be seeking bids from local contractors in the next month and will proceed with initial renovations sometime this summer if all goes as planned. At the same time we have put the breaks on any non-essential spending in order to prepare for additional work including a new floor downstairs, completion of a large conference/Council chamber and a face-lift for the exterior.

Finally, if there's anything I or Sun'aq staff can do to better serve you drop by or give us a call. Your ideas are important to us and we are committed to providing the highest level of service possible. Thank you.

Native American Teen Group

All middle school and high school students are invited to come to the Native American Teen Group (Together as One) meetings. The Teen Group meets on

Monday at the Career Center at the High School at 3:00pm and Wednesday nights at the Tribal Center at 7:00pm. The group would love to have you join in on

the fun. Call the tribal center for more information.

NEW EMPLOYEES

Two new positions have been filled in recent months, an Economic Development Planner and

Social Services Director. The Sun'aq Tribal Council approved adding both positions to the

organizational chart late last year in efforts to provide additional services to Tribal Members.

Economic Development Planner

Dave Monture (Mohawk) accepted the economic development planner position following an extensive recruitment process. Dave has a long career of service to Native peoples in Canada and throughout the circumpolar north, serving for many years as a policy analyst in Ottawa, Canada, an intergovernmental affairs consultant and as staff director to Indigenous Survival International, Canada. Dave also served as an economic

development planner for the Council of the Haida Nation and Old Massett Village Council on Queen Charlotte Islands, both timber and fisheries based tribes. He continues serving as a board director of Kenue'entwec Development Corporation of the Shuswap Indian Band in British Columbia. He was born on the Six Nations reserve in Southern Ontario and attended the University of Western Ontario and the Banff School of Management.

As Sun'aq's economic development planner, Dave will be crafting a long-term economic development strategy for Sun'aq, researching and recommending possible tribal enterprises. Dave is also available to assist tribal members interested in their own business and others in business for themselves wishing to improve or expand.



Dave Monture,
Economic Development
Planner

***The highest
reward for a
person's toil is
not what they
get for it, but
what they
become by it.***

- John Ruskin

Social Services Director

Christopher Polasky (Athabaskan) accepted the Social Services Director position following an extensive recruitment process. (Because Chris is also the son of Sun'aq's tribal administrator, the recruitment process was conducted by an independent staff committee with final approval of the selection by the Tribal Council).

Chris has over six years of experience as a social services worker and deputy social services director for the Sitka Tribe of Alaska (STA). His experience includes direct responsibility for the Indian Child Welfare Act program and STA's Foster Care program. At STA he had supervisory responsibilities for a staff of 6. STA serves over 3,000 tribal mem-

bers in Sitka and has a well developed tribal court. Chris also served as Vice-President of the Alaska Native Indian Child Welfare Association and represented Sitka Tribe on the Tribal-State Collaboration Group (T/SCG). He attended the U of A - Southeast and Haskell Indian Collage in Lawrence, Kansas. He also holds a 100 Ton



Chris Polasky,
Social Services
Director



**Rebecca Skinner,
Environmental
Program**

**We don't need
more strength
or more ability
or greater
opportunity.
What we need
is to use what
we have.**

-Basil S. Walsh



Fishing is a healthy fun family activity.

Katurkiyukut—We are gathering things

Native peoples throughout Alaska have a tradition of great respect for their environment, not only adapting to, but excelling in extreme conditions. Respect was necessary because day to day survival depended on one's awareness and knowledge of the environment and resources available for food, shelter and clothing. Native cultures and technologies developed in response to local environmental conditions, and Native languages developed to describe each individual's relationship with self, other and the immediate environment.

Today, traditional harvesting practices have evolved as a result of Western influence and other factors, but many Alutiiq families continue to hunt and fish the same species that their ancestors relied upon. Some common species that continue to be traditionally harvested around Kodiak include sea otters, harbor seals, octopus, fish, shellfish, migratory birds and eggs, and bears. In addition to indigenous wildlife a number of species introduced to Kodiak after American contact are currently relied upon by Alutiiq families today. Sitka black-tailed deer, brought to Kodiak Island in 1924, is perhaps the most well-known and most hunted species not native to Kodiak.

Kodiak Island provides wild plants that supplement the abundance of animals, birds, and fish that Alutiiq people continue to harvest today. Historically, Alutiiq people harvested a surprisingly large range of wild plants native to Kodiak Island, taking advantage of the distinct growing areas on the island, including the beaches, forests, tundra, and alpine areas. Today many Alutiiq people still use plants for traditional medicines, food and seasonings, raw materials for

construction, natural dyes, basket-making, and carving. Wild berries, such as salmonberries, crowberries, cranberries, and blueberries, also continue to be an important traditional source of food on Kodiak Island.

Kodiak beaches are a unique ecosystem unto themselves, including tide pools, tidal flats, and mixing zones where fresh and salt water meet. These areas are especially rich in edible plants, sea life and seaweed. Alutiiq people used at least seven types of seaweed for food and fishing gear. Low tides provided access to many sea species regularly consumed by Kodiak Natives, including *bidarkies* (chitons), snails, clams, sea cucumbers, and sea urchins. A common saying among Kodiak Elders is, "When the tide is out, the table is set," illustrating both the dependence of Native people on seafood resources and the wide variety of marine plants and animals available for consumption.

Alutiiq culture, like all cultures, continually evolves and changes as survival needs of the people change. Over the past 250 years Alutiiq culture has experienced many impacts, including Russian and American colonization, sudden changes in technology, introduction to global markets and pressure to adopt western language and ways of thinking. All of these factors combined to produce vast changes in the Alutiiq way of life.

Prior to Russian contact in the late 1700s Alutiiq people lived what we now call a subsistence lifestyle, directly dependent on local resources for their day-to-day survival. While they did engage in trade with other communities outside of Kodiak, their primary economy was characterized by

harvesting local resources for local use. The Alutiiq people therefore had an intimate knowledge and respect for the environment and land they lived with, because without its resources they could not survive. Knowing what to eat and how to get it was but a small part of the knowledge passed down from generation to generation. Practical teachings of hunting techniques were supplemented by stories and ceremonies evidencing the spiritual connection between the Alutiiq people and their surrounding environment. Respect for the earth, and acknowledgment of the sacrifice that animals and fish make in order for people to survive, were a common thread in Alutiiq teachings.

Russian and later American contacts brought new ways of thinking and extended connections with a commercial market economy already operating on an international scale. Local sea otter pelts were prized luxury items in China, and efficient Native hunters in Kodiak soon became part of the supply chain. For the first time Alutiiq hunters had a reason to harvest more sea otters, fish, and other species that they needed to feed their local communities.

New external demands on local resources were intensified by introduction of new technologies, allowing Alutiiq people to become even more efficient hunters and changing the way they related with and depended on their surrounding environment. Over time use of traditional skin boats, or *qayaq*, and later use of oar-powered wooden dories, has largely given way to motorized skiffs and larger fishing vessels. Tools made of wood, bone, antler, ivory, or kelp made way for more durable and convenient synthetic

Katurkiyukut Cont.

materials, such as polyethylene and nylon plastics in fishing gear. New technologies made harvesting more efficient, but pressure to acquire them also brought a greater dependence on the external commercial markets and cash economies.

Recognizing significant changes to the Alutiiq way of life tribal leaders today are actively reincorporating traditional ways of thinking into modern day life. Native Elders provide a connection between the past and the present, and culture bearers are organizing efforts to pass on their knowledge to our youth. The

Woody Island Tribal Council and Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak are partnering on several cultural enhancement initiatives to continue traditional values. The Woody Island Tribal Council designed its Environmental Education Project to reconnect tribal members to traditional value systems, using education and interaction with Elders. The program's goal is to pass down traditional harvest practices and knowledge of local resources, including fish, wild plants and marine life. In addition, the program will incorporate a gardening component, in recognition of the beautiful

gardens for which Woody Island is famous. The Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak plans a resource mapping project to document traditional use areas and resources, and will incorporate traditional harvest practices into the Healthy Families Initiative, fostering a holistic approach to family wellness. Both Woody Island Tribal Council and Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak remain committed to ensuring that future generations know where they belong in this world, and feel connected to Alutiiq traditions and culture.

Submitted by Rebecca Skinner



Picking berries and gathering eggs can be a fun family activity.

Alaska Native Women's Coalition Facilitates Training in Kodiak

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 17-19, 2006, the Alaska Native Women's Coalition will host a two and a half day training session in Kodiak on "Coordinated Community Response and Tribal Court Development addressing Domes-

tic Violence, Sexual Assault & Stalking". The purpose of the training is to provide information to the Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak that can assist the Native Community in responding to domestic violence & sexual assault. We are inviting our

members to participate in the training. For registration and additional information contact Aksana Mather - STOP Violence against Native Women Grant Coordinator/Women's Advocate at 486-4449.

**Work joyfully
and peacefully
knowing that
right thoughts
and right efforts
inevitably bring
about right
results.
- James Allen**

Adult Vocational Training

The purpose of the vocational training program is to assist Alaska Native/ American Indian's to acquire the job skills necessary for full time satisfactory employment. This program provides for full time institutional training in

vocational or trade school. Examples are: Culinary Academy, Pipe Welding, Power Plant Operation, Information Technology, Automotive Technology and Certified Nurses Assistant. You must be Alaska Native/

American Indian and live in service area, Kodiak or on the Kodiak road system. If you are interested please come by the office at 312 W Marine Way or call 486-4449 to talk to Kippy.



Students working during a Coast Guard class offered in Kodiak



Aksana Mather,
Women's Advocate

**Domestic
Violence in all
its forms is
serious and it's
NOT OK!!**



It is better to enjoy
and have fun with your
partner!

STOP Domestic Violence Against Native Women

Domestic Violence is a pattern of abusive behavior in order to gain power and control over another family member.

It can be the occasional slap or push. It can be threats of physical harm or even death. It can be control over the lives of others – the refusal to let someone work or go to school or leave the house. It can be insults and curses. It can be threats to take away one's children, ruin one's reputation. It can be emotional, verbal, sexual, or economic abuse.

We need to remember that Domestic Violence in all its forms is serious and it's **NOT OK.**

Denying or ignoring domestic violence gives the message to the abuser that it's okay. All of us can get involved in excusing the abuse: "He/she (the abuser) is under a lot of pressure", "he/she can't find a good job", "but he's a good provider", "he just was too drunk and didn't know what he was doing"... All of us can get involved in blaming the victim for the abuse:

"It's her fault; she should be a better mother/wife/girlfriend...", "she provoked him", "she deserves it"...

But it doesn't matter, who she is or what she did – she does not deserve to be beaten up! She does not deserve to be abused or raped! The abuser is responsible for domestic violence – not the victim/survivor. The abuser's choice of vio-

lence is a crime, and he should be held accountable for his actions without any excuses.

In the process of addressing domestic violence it is important to realize, that only the abuser can change abusive behavior. The primary focus of intervention should be on stopping the assailant's use of violence, not on fixing or ending the relationship.

What causes the abuse? Abusers learn from their families and from society that they must have power and control in their relationships and families and that violence and other forms of abuse are ways to keep power and control. Abusers have the opportunity for abuse because many believe that abuse is acceptable in a relationship or family, that abuse that takes place within a relationship or family is nobody else's business, or that the person being abused somehow deserves to be abused. Abusers choose to abuse.

People stay in an abusive relationship for many reasons. It is always difficult to leave a loved one, even when that person is violent and abusive. Or fear may keep us in relationship. Your husband or intimate partner may be your only means of financial or emotional support. Concern for your children may keep you in an abusive relationship. Furthermore, you may fear losing face and bringing shame to your fam-

ily if you choose to disrupt the family unity. These are understandable reasons for staying in a relationship. **No matter what your reasons, remember that nothing is more valuable than your life and the lives of your children.**

Domestic violence always hurts children. Children who witness violence learn that violence is a part of family life, and believe that is normal. They are at much greater risk of repeating violence as adults or getting involved in violent relationships when they get older. Children need safety and trust to grow up to be healthy adults. Threats of violence create insecurity for children, and they often blame themselves for living in families which are unhappy and unsafe.

If you or someone you know feels hurt, please call us. We will help you to gain your power back. We will teach you healthy relationship skills and will help you to understand your rights, we will provide you with advocacy and support, but you have to make a first step – please contact us.

Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak,
STOP Violence against Native Women Grant,
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Kodiak Alutiiq Dancers

The Dancers are continuing to practice on Tuesday's and Thursday's each week. The group is getting along well and is continuing to teach and learn from each other. There are just under 30 youth in this group. The youngest dancer is about 6 years old and he loves to sing and dance in Alutiiq.

The Dancers performed at the Annual Tribal Christmas Party Potluck. This performance gave the tribal members a chance to see their advancement.

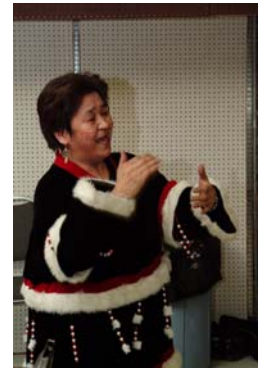
In January the Dancers performed for the Praznyk Celebration. This was a great opportunity to showcase in front of the whole community. The Dancers performed new songs that they had just learned.

In February, the group performed at the Power House for the party for Rita Stevens.

In March the Dancers performed for the Alaska Anthropology Association Convention at the Golden

Anchor on the 3rd and at ComFish on the 16th at the drama pod.

The parent advisory committee held a meeting on March 1st which was attended by 6 of the dancer's parents. The Dancers are planning on having a booth at Crab Fest and are organizing for this. The parents who attended are very enthusiastic and willing and this should be a great start to our fund raising efforts.



Carolyn Kelly,
Dancers Coordinator

Social Services

The Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak Social Services Department offers General Assistance, Community Service Block Grants, Burial Assistance, Indian Child Welfare Act services, and our new Healthy Families Initiative Program Services.

Our new Healthy Families Initiative program (funded through the Administration for Native Americans) offers services to assist native families in the Kodiak Borough to develop healthy relationships and lifestyles by providing culturally consistent counseling

services.

Our program will offer marriage and relationship counseling sessions for up to 20 couples per year. Five to six families will be able to participate in two intensive family retreat weekends per year. These retreats will offer 24 hour available counseling, and relationship skills building for families who qualify. Some individuals may be funded for substance abuse and alcohol counseling to help them engage in family relationship counseling.

The program will also

offer relationship classes to native youth, and provide healthy family gatherings throughout the year to draw interest in our program and just get out and have fun together in a healthy way. Watch for future announcements about this program and fun family activities. If you have questions and would like to learn more about Sun'aq Tribe's Healthy Families Initiative programs, please call the Sun'aq Tribal offices. Chris Polasky would be happy to explain how you and your family could get involved.

*Cherish your
visions and your
dreams as they
are the
blueprints of
your ultimate
achievements.*

-Napoleon Hill

Craft Nights for Kodiak Women

Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak (STOP Violence against Native Women Project) and Kodiak Area Native Association invite Kodiak Women to join us for **Craft Nights.**

**Alternate Thursdays:
April 13, 27
May 11, 25**

**June 8, 22
at KANA Wellness Center
@ 6 pm.**

**Knitting, crocheting, bead-
ing, quilting, embroidery or
any other art projects.**

Bring your artwork with you and if you don't have any, come anyway, we will help you to

start one. We will talk, laugh, share and have a good time.

**FILL UP YOUR LIFE
WITH THE GOOD
STUFF!**

Call Aksana Mather



**Craft Night is a fun
time to share with
other women.**



Kippy Robbins,
Program Services

**The
indispensable
first step to
getting the
things you want
out of life is
this:
Decide what
you want.
- Ben Stein**



Education can only improve your ability to provide for yourself and your family.

Program Services

“The Sun'aq Tribe is committed to offer programs to the members that will result in

self-sufficiency. The staff will work with applicants to identify all resources that are available in the

community to help off-set the financial impact of attending an educational institution”.

Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak's Higher Education

Higher Education Grants – The Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak has Higher Education Grants available for eligible tribal members. Following is information on eligibility and general procedures.

Eligibility:

1. Student must be an enrolled member of the Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak
2. Be able to establish financial need.
3. Enrolled in a two year academic degree program at an accredited institution.

Note: Students are required to provide documentation to verify eligibility

General Procedures:

1. Contact accredited institutions of your choice and request:
 - a. School catalog and application for admission;
 - b. Information on financial aid (School Scholarships)
 - c. Information on areas of interest (majors and minors)
 - d. Housing information
2. Apply for admission to college and establish financial need through Financial Aid Office by completing and submitting an Application for Federal Financial Aid. The earlier this is done the better your chance of financial aid. You can apply for financial aid on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

3. It is important for you to make sure that your Financial Aid Officer signs off on your financial need sheet and mail or fax it to the Sun'aq Tribe. Although you may not be eligible for Pell grants, you must establish financial need before you receive a BIA Grant.
4. Apply to other sources of funding (i.e. Alaska Student Loan, Native Corporation scholarship, etc.).
5. Submit the documentation listed on the Higher Education Checklist.

For more information, or for help to accomplish these steps, please call 486-4449 and talk to Kippy.

The Cost of Attending School

The cost of attending college or other post-secondary education schools is made up of several expenses for which student financial aid may be available. They include the following:

Direct Education Costs:

- A. Tuition
- B. Fees for registration, parking, lab fee & time

- requirements, etc.,
- C. Books, and
- D. Supplies

Indirect Education

Costs:

- A. Room Rent,
- B. Meals,
- C. Personal expenses including expenses such as childcare, living expenses, etc., and
- D. Transportation, long

distance travel to the school and/or the cost of getting to and from school on a daily basis by car, taxi, bus, or train.

Special Costs to consider are:

- A. Child care and
- B. Ongoing medical expenses.

Planning for Success Takes Time and Commitment

There are many questions that arise when considering going to college. How will I fund my education, where will I go to college, how will I get to college and where will I live when I get there? Following is some information that may help in making your decision.

Is it worth it?

- A person with a higher education degree increases his/her earning potential and job opportunities.

A person who graduates from college earns 35% to 44% more than those who have only a high school diploma.

- The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the fastest growing jobs will be those requiring high levels of education and skill.
- People with a higher education are less likely to be unemployed than those without one.
- The person develops a certain skill

or talent.

- The ability to think critically and analytically is improved.
- An expanded understanding of the world and its people enhances a person's character.
- A greater sense of accomplishment and enhanced self-esteem contributes to personal self-fulfillment.

So the answer is "YES" college is worth your effort.



Plan to Succeed!

A higher education increases a persons earning potential and job opportunities.

Economic Development

Having had the benefit of two days of creative brainstorming during the February Board Retreat and participation in the Comfish Alaska forum, I cannot help but be reminded of my experience in establishing an Office of Economic Development and Heritage Resources for the Old Massett Village Council, on the Queen Charlotte Islands or, Haida Gwaii. Indeed, one could see Alaska from the Island on a clear day.

The issues are uncannily similar. There was a crisis in the fishery. The Haida were in conflict over securing a sustain-

able economic future for their lands and waters. They found themselves on the losing end of a commodities pipeline from which they and their non native neighbors did not receive a fair share of the benefits - which were going to the Lower Mainland of British Columbia. It was the beginning of "Rationalization" of the fishery. In this case the Canadian Forces Station Massett was pulling out - obsolete at the end of the Cold War. The forests were not being managed sustainably. Subsistence was being challenged. Uncertain times for sure.

Today, in Kodiak there will be challenges but I can see there are many opportunities.

It is quite a privilege to work with a strong hands-on Board and empowering management. I have been made to feel most welcome and equal to the challenge.

I wish to offer my sincere Thanks to the Alutiiq People and the Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak for this wonderful opportunity to build an Economic Development and Planning capacity for the Tribe.

Submitted by Dave Monture

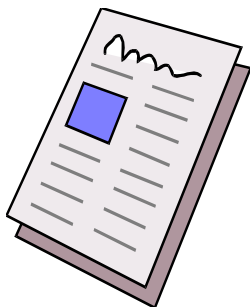


Fisheries is so vital to our community.



Where in the world
are you??

**Keep in touch
with the Tribe
so that we can
keep you
informed of all
Tribal
happenings and
opportunities.**



Tribal Newsletters
keep the membership
informed.

William F. Apalone, Jr.
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Missing Tribal Members

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G. Alexander Hartman
Allen N. Heitman, Jr.
Richard S. Henson
April E. Hobus
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Aaron D. Parker
Christopher J. Parker
Donald R. Parker
Tera L. S. Peterson
Taluah M. Pride
Gregory A. Pullar
Catherine R. Reft
Cheryll C. Reft
Jenna M. Rudio
Desiree' D. Shaw
Veja A. Showalter
Corbin G. Shuravloff
Richard E. Simeonoff
Daniel A. Smith
Charlene M. Stanton
Dawn M. Strom
Shawn S. Suydam
Virginia K. Suydam
Timothy W. Swensen
Barbara A. Thornton
Ronda L. Truman
Timothy N. Turnipseed
Nina Weatherly
Charlene M. Welch
* If you know where
these members
are, please have
them update their
address with the
Sun'aq Tribe.

Tribal Enrollment

Tribal Enrollment is important for all native families. You need to have proof of tribal enrollment in order to access Indian Health Services off-island and to receive other BIA services.

Tribal enrollment is available at any time, though there is a process to complete. The application form is one page and needs to be accompanied by a family tree, a birth certificate and a

Certificate of Indian Blood. An adult applicant also needs to include a statement that they are not enrolled to any other tribal entity. Once these items are received, they are reviewed by the enrollment committee before going to the Tribal Council for approval.

The tribal office does have the forms available to order an Alaskan birth certificate as well as

the BIA application for the Certificate of Indian Blood.

The application can be picked up at the tribal offices any day during business hours.

Any member may stop by the tribal office any time during the day to have their hard card photo ID created. This will help you to have a picture ID that you can use to board an airplane or a ferry or for a photo ID when out fishing.



**Iver Malutin,
Tribal Council
Member**

New Tribal Council Members

The recent election found Iver Malutin elected to a three year seat on the Tribal Council. There was also a one year vacant seat open that was created when a Council member resigned in early December. The Tribal Council, at its December 27, 2005 meeting, appointed Thomas Johnson, Jr. to that seat.

Iver is a life-long resident of Kodiak. He is currently employed at KANA as the Elder Public

Relations Advocate. He is a member of the Alaska Commission of Aging, the Alaska Native Advisory Health Board, the Elks, and a representative for the Alaska Consumer Direct Elders Assisted Living program. He is the KANA rep. for protection of traditional foods, lifestyle, culture and land. Iver strives to protect and promote a healthy native lifestyle.

Thomas is a life-long resident of Kodiak.

He is a local fisherman and a self-employed laborer. He is involved with the local youth and has been the assistant coach for the Native Youth Olympics since 1999. Thomas enjoys bowling, city league basketball, 4-wheeling and sport fishing. Thomas likes to continue to learn about his native heritage. He has a great understanding of a traditional subsistence way of life and its hardships.

**Welcome to the
two newest
Tribal Council
Members!**



**Thomas Johnson, Jr.
Tribal Council
Member**

Join the Native Women's Advisory Committee

The Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak is currently recruiting new members for the Native Women's Advisory Committee.

We are dedicated to empower or Native Women for a healthy and happy life without Violence.

Call 486-4449 and ask Aksana how to join us.

The more we share, the more we have!!

Proudly representing the members of the Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak

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**Tribal Council meetings
are held monthly on the
4th Tuesday evening of
every month.
Public is welcome!**

DO YOU OR A FAMILY MEMBER NEED HELP WITH A STUDENT?

The Sun'aq Tribal Council in conjunction with the Tribal Court Program is instituting a tutoring/mentoring program for tribal membership families. The Tribal Council has made the achievements of our children one of its highest priorities. In addition, this project will include healthy

“diversionary” activities for our Youth.

Teresa Stutes will be assuming the role of Youth Specialist beginning April 3rd. She will be assisting in identifying academic needs and personal strengths of each student referred and will work closely with the

School District and Sun'aq staff to help ensure academic success and the necessary life skills for achievement.

Please contact JoAnn Holmes, Tribal Court Administrator at 486-4449 or email: joholmes@ak.net