

EKLUTNA VILLAGE NEWS



Summer 2024

Indigenous Place Names Signage Project

Aaron Leggett has been working with the Anchorage Parks Foundation on the Indigenous Place Names Signage Project since 2005. The first projects were named the Cook Inlet Tribal Council Natu Building and the Dena'ina Convention Center. The larger project includes interpretive signage around

the Anchorage area. The Alaska Native Heritage Center helped develop the artwork on each pole. The first set of poles marked popular locations like Ship Creek – Dgheyaytnu, meaning Stickleback Creek; Chester Creek – Chanshtnu, meaning Grass Creek; Earthquake Park – Nen Ghilgedi, meaning Rotten Land; and Eklutna Lake – Idlu Bena, meaning the two hills – two girls, lake monster; Mount Baldy – Qintali meaning Wide Ridge; Flat Top – Qin Cheghitnu meaning Crying Ridge Creek; Potter's Marsh - Hkaditali meaning drift lumber – stuff washed up in this area from shipwrecks; Point Woronzof – Nuch'ishtunt meaning place protected from the wind and Point Campbell – Ulchena Bada Huch'ilyut meaning Where we pulled up the Aleutic's boat-battleground.



Native Village of Eklutna Tribal Council Members

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Mission Statement

To empower Idlughet Qayaht'ana (Eklutna Village People) and strengthen our Nation.



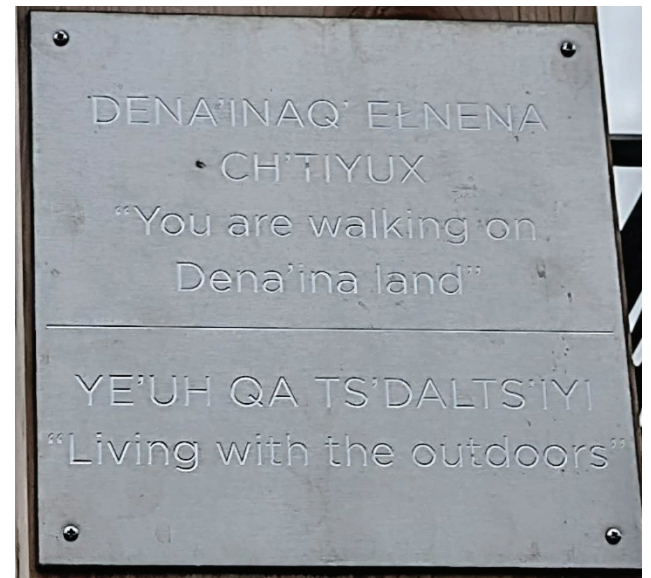
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Installation and dedication of the obliques.



After a new infusion of funding from the Mellon Foundation, the Indigenous Place Naming Project went on to the Level Two place names. Three of them are in Eklutna: Eklutna Village—Idlughet, the Dena'ina name for Eklutna Village; Idishla, the smaller of Eklutna's two hills near the village; and Idika'a, the larger hill of the plural objects Eklutna is named for. The poles were dedicated during this year's Powwow on August 3, 2024.





The Three Place Name Obliques

One for the Little Knob (*small plural object*) -
Idlishla

One for the Large Knob (*large plural object*) -
Idlika'a

And one for Eklutna - Idlughet





TA Notes

From Brenda Hewitt



What a successful 2024 Culture Camp and Powwow. Congratulations, and thank you to all who were involved. Especially Chair Angeleen Waskey and elder Eleanor Wilde. People came to Eklutna and celebrated our land, our people, and our Alaskan Indigenous heritage. Where the River Meets the People. We dedicated three new Indigenous Place Name Markers as well.

Amanda Adams and the Rural Youth Students learned skills this summer such as how to write a resume, money management from Edward Jones, they toured MTA to learn about telecommunications and the job opportunities available to them and they raised money at the Powwow for future activities.

A Multicultural Celebration in Anchorage on July 27th began with our Eklutna Dena'ina Dancers and a land acknowledgment. The Eklutna beading group continues to meet monthly on the second Friday, and it seems we submit grants and grant reports weekly.

This morning was another meeting of the ROSSIA group responsible for rehabilitating the old St. Nicholas church.

Social Services has been providing emotional and financial support to members struggling with personal issues, and we are constantly reminded of how much people need people. How lucky we are as a tribe to know each other and to have resources to help one another.

Our staff is out conducting fish surveys, digging grave sites, preparing a garage foundation, and developing unique techniques to clean polluted lands. The garden grows, and the harvest is shared through our food bank. Our clinic is growing in terms of services and the number of people we serve.

I'm reminded of a quote attributed to President John F Kennedy. "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country." When I think of that, I think of Eklutna. Ask not what your tribe can do for you; ask what you can do for your tribe.

Think of ways you can contribute to your tribe. Some do that by being on the Tribal Council; some by leading dance troupes, volunteering time at the cemetery, donating food to the food bank, teaching at the culture camp, cooking at the powwow, beading thank you gifts, housing children, or just picking up trash on the side of the roads and making our home look the best it can be. Know that everyone else appreciates everything you do.

I am proud to be your Tribal Administrator.





Native Village of Eklutna

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Need Help with Applications and Resources?

Family Health Resources are available through Southcentral Clinics (SCF). The team can screen and assist community members and beneficiaries to apply for additional insurance coverage and resources over the phone that may be available to them including:

Medicaid/ Medicare, Social Security, Veterans Health Benefits, TSHIP, food stamps and other assistance programs.

For assistance please call, Inga Moe 907-631-7352 at Valley Native Primary Care Center or Call the direct number at Alaska Native Medical Center 907-729-4470 and ask to speak to a Health Benefits Specialist.

Enrollment Drive Ongoing

NVE Enrollment office is conducting an Enrollment Drive, which is now extended to six generations! If you know of someone who has not got their enrollment paperwork submitted or needs to update or complete an application packet, please have them contact 907-688-6020 or email enrollment@eklutna.org. Enrollment applications can be found on the NVE website under the Forms tab.

NVE Food Bank

The NVE Food is open on Wednesdays at **1pm and closes at 4pm**. We are asking recipients to call the main office Tuesday or Wednesday morning before noon to place an order for a food box. The food bank is located beside the main office.

If a food box is needed outside of Food Bank Hours, please contact the office to arrange a pickup.

For more information or to order a food box, call
907-688-6020

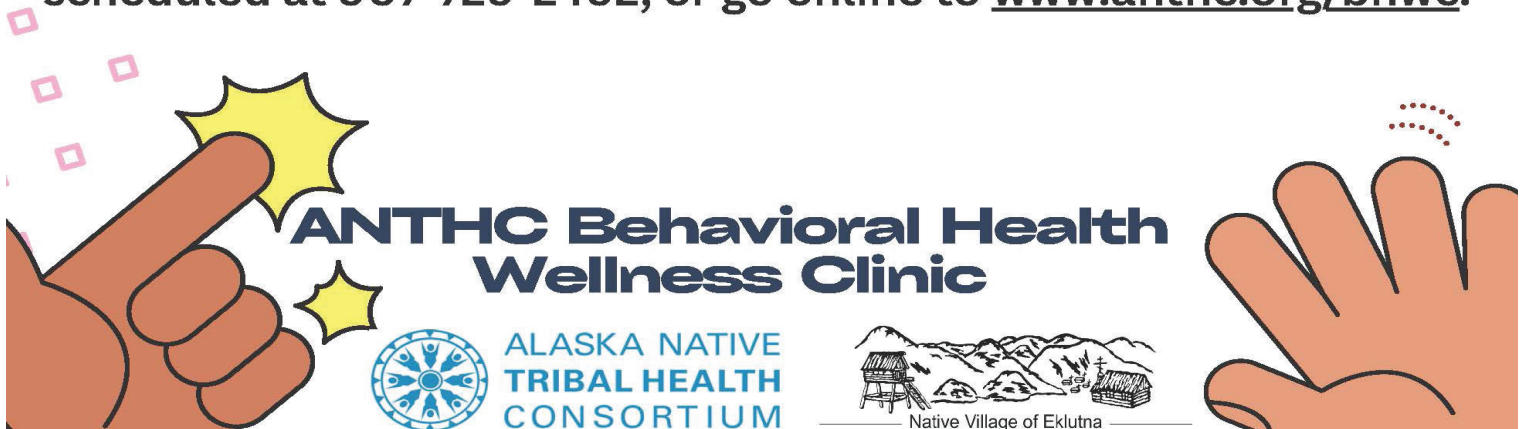
www.eklutna-nsn.gov





The ANTHC Behavioral Health Wellness Clinic (BHWC) currently has no waitlist and is available to complete same-week mental health and substance use assessments for adult tribal beneficiaries.

If you or another tribal member want an assessment and can attend telehealth appointments, you may contact the BHWC to get scheduled at 907-729-2492, or go online to www.anthc.org/bhwc.



NVE Assistance Programs

Below is a list of assistance programs Native Village of Ekluntha offers. Assistance programs are offered to enrolled tribal members only. We have staff that will assist in filling out forms. If you would like more information on the programs listed below, or need assistance in filling out forms, please contact the main office at 907-688-6020 during business hours. Most forms can also be found on our website under the forms tab. www.eklutna-nsn.gov

- **Funeral** - Assistance with funding for funerals \$1500 limit
- **Housing Assistance Fund** - Assistance with mortgages, utilities, etc. Excludes phones. \$5000 limit
- **Housing Emergency** - Assistance with utilities, rent, etc. Excludes Phones
- **Food Bank** - Weekly service for those who need it. For emergency boxes call the main office.
- **Home Rehabilitation Assistance** - for exisiting homeowners for emergency repairs, \$5000 limit.
- **Social Services Department** - They connect, strengthen, and maintain healthy family relationships. For any assistance involving family, youth, or elders.

Tribal Member Assistance Update

NVE's pandemic related tribal member assistance funds have been depleted now. However, NVE continues to have HUD funds available to low income enrolled tribal members, Alaska Natives, or American Indians within NVE's tribal jurisdiction who are experiencing a housing emergency. This assistance can be used for rent or utility payments or other situations where a family may become homeless. Families are eligible only once every 3 years for these funds and the maximum amount was recently increased by the Tribal Council to \$1,500.

NVE's HUD program offers two more forms of assistance: (1) Down payment/closing cost assistance to encourage home ownership for tribal members who are first time home buyers. Eligible tribal members could receive up to \$5,000 in closing cost or down payment assistance with this program; and (2) Rehabilitation assistance for existing homeowners to improve substandard living conditions for low-income family homes. Up to \$5,000 is available to assist in improving the substandard living conditions of the homes of eligible families. There is \$19,450 remaining in this year's budget for rehabilitation assistance.

If you would like to apply for these funds please call the office (907-688-6020) and Whitney can assist you in finding the correct form. The forms are also available on the NVE website under the Forms tab and then the Member Services Forms section.

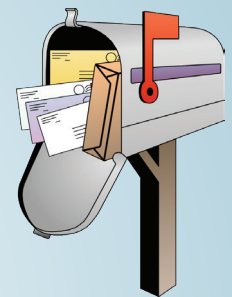
If you need help of any kind, please reach out to NVE Staff. Collectively we are a wealth of information and may have directions to get assistance.



Has your contact information changed?

Please take a few minutes to make sure your current contact information is available to the Enrollment office. This is where all mailing lists come from for sending out newsletters, important information, and information for the annual meeting and elections. We would like to keep addresses, emails, and phone numbers up-to date.

The Address Change form can be found under the forms tab on the NVE website (www.eklutna-nsn.gov/forms/) or contact the main office and a form can be emailed or mailed to you.



Tribal Member Assistance Update

We are going to be homeowners!

Many times a family is dedicated to their goal, in our case, home ownership, but still aren't able to afford it. Currently, we live in a rental home and our landlords refused to fix our bedroom floor when it caved in and refused to fix our kitchen floor where tiles were broken, they didn't fix our bedroom heating in the middle of winter but then just recently our gas oven wouldn't ignite too! I mean, it's 100 degrees in Colorado right about now so we really didn't need our oven, but still! We knew we had to get out.

In 2024, average rent in Colorado is \$1000-3500 a month. We were already paying \$2200 for our rental. How could we sustain that while trying to get ahead? We decided to apply for a tribal loan and qualified. We work hard and save every penny possible so why not. We got a mortgage loan pre approval and thanked the Lord above. Then we were told our down payment was \$7425.00. We chose to proceed knowing it would clear our bank account out.

In steps the Native Village of Eklutna (NVE), and not only were they extremely kind and supportive but also wanted to know and understand the real story behind why we were asking for down payment assistance. Faith told me initially that we didn't qualify for the down payment assistance but she would help us apply anyway. My husband and I make too much money to receive assistance but considering the life altering injury I sustained recently which came with huge medical expenses and my concurrent enrollment in college (more expenses) while trying to better our circumstances, NVE chose to move forward with our application.

Ultimately NVE overtly yet unassumingly, wrote a check to the title company of the home we chose, as a gift, in the amount of \$5000.00. Wow!

We'd like to express sincere gratitude involving our down payment assistance from NVE. We have personally experienced the dedication to NVE's efforts to strengthen their engagement with tribal members. We want to assure you that they are committed to reducing the racial home ownership gap for underserved populations, including individuals and families my husband and I represent.

In closing, amassing the funds for a down payment is one of the most significant barriers to home ownership for many households, particularly in historically underserved communities such as Native Americans and Alaskan Natives. This is why the down payment assistance we received plays such an important role in my familial link to the Eklutna Tribe.

The Cordova's, wholly, recognize that the NVE providing the majority of our down payment was the critical piece needed for two otherwise well qualified home buyers to achieve the stability and wealth building that comes along with home ownership and for that we are eternally grateful!

Respectfully, Michael and Janea Cordova

COMMUNITY NEWS

The community news is submitted by the community to showcase their family and loved ones. If you would like to submit news or a photo, please send to nve@eklutna.org or snail mail to 26339 Eklutna Village Rd, Eklunta AK 99567



Congrats to all that graduated in the spring of 2024.



Nuntnghel'it

"I will see you again"

We would like to take a moment to remember our elders and community members who have passed this past year. All will be remembered with love in our hearts.

Memories



Do you have a memory that you would like to share with everyone?
A story, a photo, a saying or a song? Submit it to nve@eklutna.org
and we will place it here!





NVE Job Postings can always be
found online at
www.eklutna-nsn.gov/jobs/

NVE Land and Environment Department Coordinator.
Salary DOE, open until filled. Send letter of interest and
resume to marcl@eklutna.org



Up-coming events will be posted to both the Native Village
of Eklutna's and the Tribal Members only facebook page.
If you would like to get on our email list for events, please
reach out to Whitney at wwaskey@eklutna.org

Beading classes will be held the second friday of each month
at noon. These are held in the Eklutna Community Clinic
Conference room. All ages welcomed to attend.

October 13th - October 15th - Elders and Youth Conference
October 16th - October 18th - AFN
November 20th - November 26th - Turkey Basket Distribution
November 22nd and 23rd - FY 24 4th Quarter Meeting
December 3rd - December 5th - BIA Providers Conference

NVE Office will closed on:

- October 3 - Staff Retreat
- October 14 - Indigenous Peoples Day
- November 11 - Veteran's Day
- November 28th and 29th - Thanksgiving Holiday



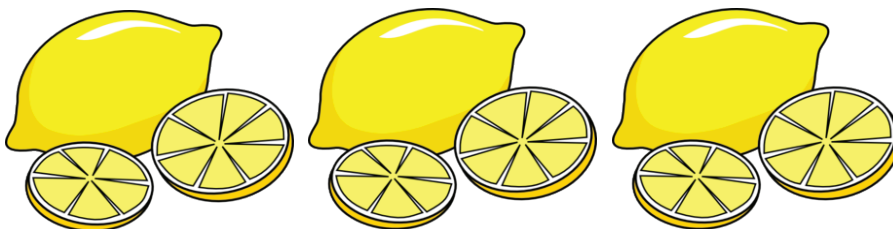
HEALTHY EATING

Lemon Chicken

- 1 4-5 pound whole chicken, fresh or thawed
- 1 small lemon; thinly sliced
- 2 1/2 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs (sage, thyme, etc)
- 2 cloves garlic; peeled and crushed
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter; softened
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- Original recipe makes 8 Servings



1. Pre-heat oven to 450 degrees. Rinse the chicken inside and out with cold water. Dry with paper towels. Place the chicken in a roasting pan.
2. Mix the butter, herbs and garlic together in a small bowl. Place the herbed butter inside the body cavity of the chicken, along with the lemon slices. Rub the olive oil over the skin of the bird.
3. Roast for 15 minutes per pound, or until internal temperature reaches 165 degrees.
4. Drain the buttery juices and slices of lemon and pour over chicken.
5. Let chicken rest for 20 minutes before carving.



We would love to post some local or traditional foods!

If you have a recipe that you would like to share with everyone please submit it to NVE via email at nve@eklunta.org or snail mail at 26339 Eklutna Village Rd., Chugiak, AK 99567.



NVE Directory

NVE has updated the phones and staff members now have direct lines. The department direct lines and emails are listed below. For general information contact the main office at 907-688-6020 or nve@eklutna.org.

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**Offices are open from 9am - 5pm
Monday - Friday**



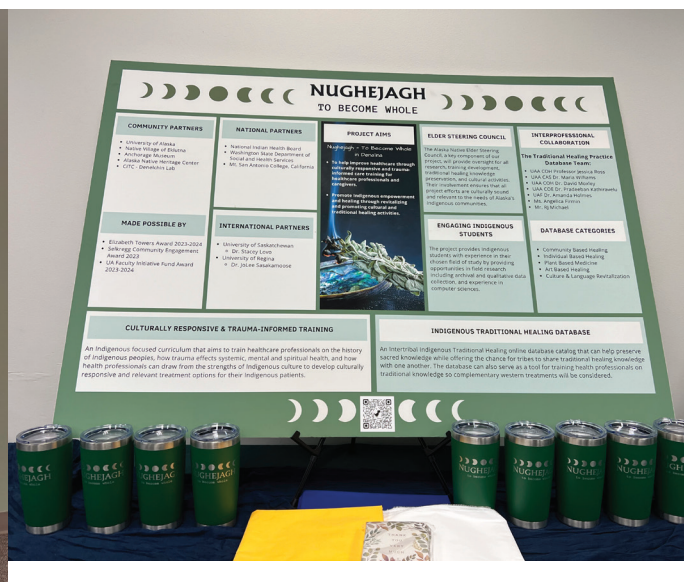
Nughejagh

Eklutna Health Board Co-Chair Jessica Ross, Native Village of Eklutna Council Member Eleanor Wilde and Eklutna Health Board member Adam Leggett recently participated in the first Face to Face meeting of the Nughejagh Elder Steering Committee.

The Nughejagh, which translates in Dena'ina to 'to become whole' is a Project at the University of Alaska Anchorage which focuses on transforming the health and well-being of Indigenous communities. Its key initiatives include providing culturally responsive and trauma-informed training for health-care professionals, revitalizing cultural practices through sacred site preservation, and empowering Indigenous peoples by reclaiming traditional healing practices. Central to the project is the Alaska Native Elder Steering Council, which oversees the efforts to ensure they align with the cultural needs of Alaska's Indigenous populations.

As the founder and lead researcher of the Nughejagh Project, Professor Ross facilitated the meeting that the University of Alaska Anchorage hosted on their campus. After a potlatch lunch that included traditional foods including moose soup, a variety of salmon dishes and delicious fry bread made by Tribal member Bille-Jean Koso, Professor Ross provided an update on the project which brought together partners both in person and virtually from across the country.

For more details, visit [UAA's Nughejagh Project](#) page.



HOW TO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF DURING YOUR GRIEVING PROCESS



Physical well-being which can include simple things like getting enough rest, eating well, and exercising. When you are grieving, it is very easy to get so busy that you forget to get the rest that your physical body needs. Pay attention to your body's signals and rest when necessary.

Emotional well-being when you are going through a grieving process it is essential to allow yourself to experience and express your emotions through crying, yelling or any other form of self-expression. Link up in activities that will have you mingling with people, because it will help to support your mood and emotional well-being.

Mental well-being remember that our mind is very powerful, and utilizing meditation, mindfulness and engaging in activities that challenge your brain has beneficial attributes that will have you to relax and unwind. Engaging in putting a puzzle together, reading or learning a new skill or watching a movie, listening to music or spending time in nature is very therapeutic for your mental well-being.

Spiritual well-being this part of us as human beings is usually neglected. Everyone has a time to be born and a time to die. The more time that you spend praying or meditating will have you to re-focus on your life and you will give you great appreciation for the fact that your life is valuable. The more that we show appreciation of the life that we were entrusted with by our Creator, the more we will feel validated as a person and fulfill our purpose in life, and that is to be a blessing to others.

THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF-CARE DURING GRIEF:

Accept your feelings. Sadness, loneliness, fear, confusion, anger – these are among the many feelings you may experience, and all of these are completely normal for someone who is grieving. Feelings are often raw early in the grief process, but it is important to express them. Indigenous belief of losing a loved one to death is compared to a fresh cut on the flesh, and it will hurt during the healing process. Do not put a bandage over your feelings because not giving yourself permission to feel your feelings will lead to an emotional outburst at an awkward time that will make it hurtful for you and/or your loved ones. The covering up with a bandage will make it get infectious, your grieving needs open air to heal.

Be patient with yourself. Grief is an extremely personal process. Accept that everyone is different, and their processing of grief will be unlike anyone else's. Think of the care you would extend to a friend in the same situation of loss and allow yourself that same kindness.

Pay attention to physical need: Your physical well-being is very easy to neglect while grieving. However, this is a time when taking good care of yourself is critical. As difficult as it may seem, making every effort to get adequate sleep, eat nutritionally balanced meals and getting regular exercise and intentional relaxation can do wonders. Do not get so busy that you take on responsibilities beyond what is practical. In the Indigenous cultures individuals that have lost a loved one are told "you need to sit, rest and heal." Take this advice and take care of yourself.

By pursuing a healthy routine of slowing down, you are preparing yourself to take on the new challenges facing you during this difficult time. Connect with one person that you trust to be honest with you and who will be there to remind you to take care of yourself.

Accept the help of others. Understand that grief is hard work. It requires a great deal of energy and can be exhausting. Even though we place a high value on self-sufficiency, it is important to ask for, and accept, help from those close to us. Remind yourself that others care and genuinely want to be of support, but usually do not know what to specifically offer. It is important to know who will listen and be supportive.



OLD ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH RESTORATION PROJECT

By Charleen Shaginaw

Russian Orthodox Sacred Sites in Alaska (ROSSIA) is a non-profit whose mission is to restore the historic Russian Orthodox churches in Alaska. ROSSIA works together with a parish, the Orthodox Diocese, Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations, and the National Park Service to restore and preserve these historic treasures. Last year, ROSSIA was awarded a \$350,000 historic preservation grant from the federal government to restore the Old St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church in Eklutna.

The first public meeting was held on July 10, 2023, at the Eklutna Community Clinic. Dorothy Gray and Jobe Bernier, ROSSIA, introduced the project to numerous NVE tribal members and staff in attendance. Tribal members were invited to join the steering committee. After the meeting the Old St. Nicholas Church was unlocked and a brief tour made available.

Entities partnering with ROSSIA on this project include engineers, architects, archeologists, anthropologists, and carpenters who must meet strict requirements during the restoration project, be diligent in fulfilling their services plus required reporting. NVE continues to collaborate with ROSSIA on this project.

The phased restoration project includes interior and exterior work and has begun with a full investigation of the history of the building to determine the time period of "significance" to guide the design of the restored building. In collaboration with NVE tribal members, a survey was conducted and the collected votes selected the 1915-1965 period of significance, long shingles on roof and a mid 20th century bell tower (original tall design).

On October 13, 2023, at 9:00 am Phase 1 of the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Restoration began with the church bell tower removal. The Right Reverend Bishop ALEXEI began the ceremony with a blessing and ;ater closed the event with a prayer. Alaska Daily News and Alaska Public Media reported the story and highlighted the work.

On January 27, 2024, ROSSIA hosted a special event, an Elder's Luncheon at the Eklutna Community Clinic. Fr. Simeon led with the opening prayer, Dorothy Gray provided a program overview, Aaron Leggett highlighted the Eklutna history, and special guest speaker Jim Kari summarized the heritage of Eklutna, especially his work with Mike Alex. A historical photo presentation and restoration plan was provided by Peter Schnurr, Cultural Alaska. Knik and Eklutna elders in attendance shared their memories of Eklutna, Knik, the Old St. Nicholas Church, cemetery, family history and memories. Additionally, Tom Pillifant, videographer, recorded this luncheon. Judy Bittner, State Historic Preservation Officer, was in attendance gathering information. Closing prayer by Fr. Simeon.



OLD ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH RESTORATION PROJECT

(continued)

The steering committee meets every two weeks. During these meetings progress reports are presented. This includes ongoing grant applications, future plans for the function of the restored church, new foundation, heating system, developing bid documents, completing project drawings for permitting, and being in compliance with the permitting requirements. The Bishop approved moving icons to a heated storage unit during restoration. Nicole Peters, professional conservator working for the National Park Service in Anchorage spent one day assessing the icons and their condition. This will be followed with a more complete assessment over the winter. Peter Schnurr, an archaeologist intern with Monty Rogers of Cultural Alaska, is beginning to update the church history on the National Register of Historic Places. The steering committee is also applying for an Alaska Historic Preservation Fund grant award. A donation box has been installed on the temporary sign at the church and has garnered well over \$500 to date in donations.

Since July 2023 ROSSIA and their partners continue in their dedication and commitment for the successful completion of this historic restoration project. Next spring we will see the beginning of the visible exterior work, the crawl space, roof, and then bell tower. Interior work will be completed as applicable with a projected completion date in 2026. A special thank you to the NVE tribal members and staff for your generous support!

ROSSIA invites any comments, questions or compliments you may have. Please direct your correspondence to the NVE Tribal Office and it will be forwarded to Dorothy Gray, ROSSIA.



A joint resolution passed by both Native Village of Eklutna and the Anchorage Assembly on Thursday September 5th. Quite the historic day .

The press release can be found on the Municipality of Anchorage webpage or by following the link below.

[Press Releases Municipality and Native Village of Eklutna Speak with One Voice on Eklutna River](#)



Land and Environment Department



Summer is the busiest time of year here in Alaska, and that is certainly true of the Land and Environment Department!

The LE Department offered several educational opportunities throughout the summer, including an Introduction to Birding Day at Reflections Lake, several field days with the Rural Youth Services interns, and of course the big one- NVE's Annual Culture Camp.

In addition, we stayed busy performing salmon surveys in the Eklutna River, assisting with the Educational Fish Net, readying the Pow Wow grounds, and applying for new grant opportunities to fund additional studies and restora

tion on the Eklutna River, energy development, and contaminated site remediation. Progress continues to be made at the Eklutna Garden- additional plantings and mulch layering was performed, and the moose fencing is nearly completed. This month the greenhouse should be finished, just in time for winter. This will allow us to grow our own plant start for the next growing season. Things are coming along!

Soon the field season will be drawing to a close, and we'll be switching gears to start on our annual grant reporting and continuing to develop new programs and opportunities to serve the Eklutna community. Keep an eye out for announcements from the department regarding volunteer and educational opportunities in the near future!



Scan the QR code to go to
the NVE L&E Webpage.





2024 NVE Culture Camp

The 2024 annual NVE culture camp was held the last week of July, and ran Monday through Friday. The weather was not perfect, with heavy rains at the beginning of the week, but we made do and the participants had fun. This year was unique as the pow wow was the weekend following culture camp. Part of our activities for the kids was to assist in setting up for Pow Wow. In between sessions the youth helped remove large rocks from the grounds, helped with preparation of food, and helped set up tents and the layout for the pow wow. We were fortunate to have a salmon skin leather class this year. Our teacher, Karen McIntire of Creative Native, showed the participants how to make salmon leather for jewelry making. Eleanor Wilde assisted in teaching many of the activities. She prepared salmon and smoked strips, made jellies, and prepared food for the Pow Wow. Youth assisted in all of these activities. ADF&G came out to teach bear and moose safety. This is a class we have had every year for the culture camp, and it is a requested class. Due to rain, we were unable to practice with the bear spray canisters. The Alaska Zoo brought out a porcupine for the youth to view. They talked about porcupines in Alaska, how they live, and what they were used for. And as requested by our youth participants, we had beading this year. All participants had fun making beaded necklaces.

We averaged 45 participants daily, with 3/4 being youth 18 and under. Our elders were also represented in our participants. We would like to thank everybody who assisted during culture camp, both in the coordination and planning ahead of time and during the camp itself. The culture camp could not have gone on without you.





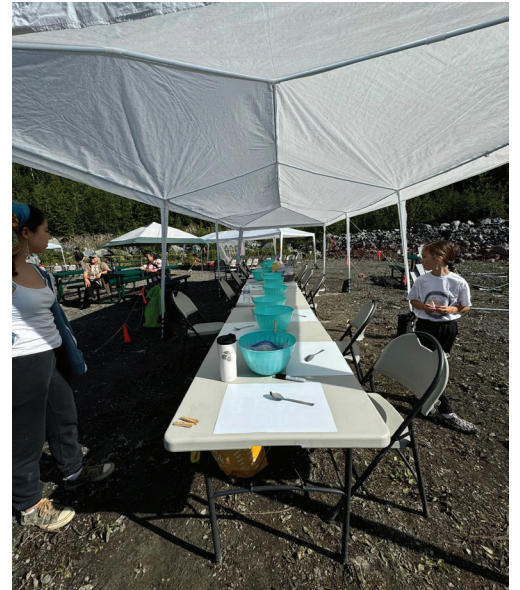
Upper left: Drumming Upper Right: National Weather Service with Cloud in a Bottle Activity Bottom left: porcupine from Alaska Zoo Bottom right: ADF&G with Bear/Moose Safety

Below: President Leggett talking. Anchorage School District's Summer Program joined us for this day





Fish Skin Leather
Making during
Culture Camp







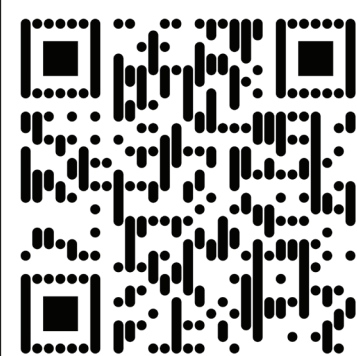
What is a Brownfield?

Brownfields are generally contaminated sites which could be targeted for cleanup and reuse or redevelopment. According to the EPA, a 'brownfields site' is defined as real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant or contaminant. Another Brownfields site qualification is that there is no solvent responsible party.

Examples of potential Brownfields:

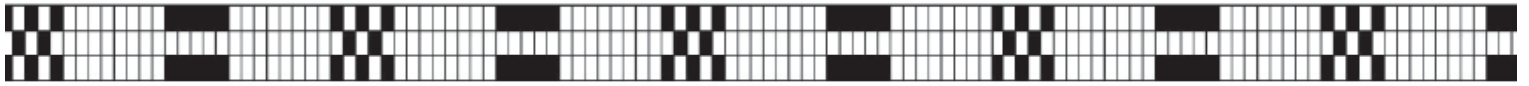
- Old or Illegal Dumps
- Petroleum Spills
- Old fuel storage areas
- Abandoned structures with lead paint, asbestos, or other hazardous materials
- Mine scarred lands

How to report a potential Brownfield site or to report a site you would like NVE to look into, please fill out the form on our website or scan the QR code below.



NVE Brownfield Reporter





Łiq'a nagh qinqtudet

We are hopeful the salmon will return to us



WWW.EKLUTNARIVER.ORG



Dena'ina words for the season

Moose rutting season – nił uhu tazdatl'

Game lookout – nunahq'a

Harvesting game, hunting skill – kununi

Moose dog – k'uhda'I lik'a

Small skin bag, travel bag - duneyes





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