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Kimberly Antoghome by Sophie Sergie

I'm sitting here calmly, trying to describe Kimberly Antoghome. Kim has short, wavy, dark brown hair and dark brown eyes. Her complexion, in a medium tone, hasn't been altered by the sun, yet. She is tall and slim, with an easy stride as she crosses the room to sit at another desk. She has a face that expresses honesty, and when she smiles, a face of mystery. I feel that she is lucky, for she does not wear glasses. When we met, there was hesitation, but now we talk and laugh. Friendship is around the corner.

Kim, a Siberian Yup'ik, comes from Gambell. I am sure she is satisfied with her family. Being the oldest, she rules over her three brothers.

While sitting here next to her, she laughs to jokes I haven't been paying attention to. That means she has a good sense of humor, and I should be paying attention.

Kim is going to be a senior at Gambell next year. Her school's mascot - the King Polar Bears. She is interested in writing and science. She would like to study journalism in college, possibly at UAF or UAA.

She likes volleyball, swimming, roller skating, and riding ATV's. Her hobbies are writing poems, collecting rocks and relaxing to a couple of video games, not to mention shopping. Lilac, baby-blue, black, white, and other interesting colors are her favorites. Kim also likes to read romantic novels. She has no favorite book or novelist.

I think the most interesting part of Kim is that she has relatives in Russia, and will be visiting them during the first two weeks of August. She and her parents will leave for Provadinya, Russia, 38 miles from Gambell, by ferry. She sounds very excited. They were supposed to leave last year in August but her parents weren't ready to make a trip with so many things to do. So just before school starts, Kimberly Antoghome will be in a country of communism, but with only one thing on her mind, to meet her cousins. I am sure being in a different country won't interfere. After family is important.

Now that I have made friends with Kim, I can say that I know someone who went to Russia.

John "Gus" Andrew by Dave Ringle

John Andrew, a Yup'ik from Kwethluk, has sports on his mind. Wearing a Kwethluk T-shirt, sweat pants, and gym shoes, he is as comfortable in the gym as in the classroom. When in the classroom, he reminds himself that he is not in the gym by untying his shoes so he will trip over them if he tries to slam dunk the teacher.

But John is not that type of guy. Short, well-trimmed hair and wire rimmed glasses (not destroyed by too much rough sports) give him a scholarly appearance. A sly grin gives away his sense of humor. John likes to have fun by being with friends. He has come to RAHI to get a taste of what college is like. Time will tell whether he enjoys the classroom or the gym.

Sophie Sergie by Kim Antoghame

I am about to describe a friend I have just met. Her name is Sophie Sergie from Pitkas Point, which is located on the Lower Yukon River.

She is seventeen years old. She was born on the month of June 4, 1972. She has long brown beautiful hair with curly bangs that reach her forehead. She wears a pair of glasses and has pierced ears. Her height is four feet and nine inches. She is three eighths Yup'ik Eskimo, and five eighths caucasian.

Her interest as a college student is oceanography. She would like to study hard in oceanography to gain her knowledge as a navy oceanographer. Sophie's favorite classes are mainly science and world history. She enjoys school work and studying. Her types of music are soft rock, country, and some hard rock. She attended R.A.H.I. because she wanted a challenge and she also wanted to know what college life would be like. Sophie's favorite colors are gray, burgundy, white, turquoise, teal, and black.

I know Sophie is a unique and friendly person, and she's fun to be with.

Sharon Thompson by Dave Ringle

Ask Sharon Thompson a question about herself. If this friendly person doesn't have the time to answer it, she'll tell you to read all about in her latest essay. Sharon needs to keep track of where she's been in writing.

Sharon is a very interest and attractive person. Her current home is Kaktovik, but she goes to school at Mt. Edgecumbe. Her parents have lived in many places throughout the state including Fairbanks, Anchorage and Lake Minchumina. When she finishes high school, she want to become a flight attendant to earn the money she will need to go to college. In college she will study business to help work with her regional Native Corporation, Doyon. Sharon's interest in her corporation comes from her father, a man she greatly admires.

Sharon is an attractive person who can be told by her fashionably styled shoulder length dark brown hair. Her blue shoes and matching blue socks show her individuality while her faded blue jeans are fashion conscious but do not stand out in a crowd. Slender and sleek, Sharon has an assertive manner which indicates she takes strong efforts to reach her goals.

Karen Paul by Felicity Rivers

I am about to describe Karen Paul from my point of view. Karen is from Kwigillingok which is located on the Southwest part of Alaska near Bethel. To be more specific, the village is ten miles from Kongiganak. She is a seventeen-year old, brown-eyed young woman in medium height. With black straight hair and bangs that reach her forehead, she wears a nice pair of glasses with a little red heart that is stuck at the bottom left corner of her left lens. Karen has pierced ears who dresses very appropriately like that of the modern teens.

I've noticed three things just now. She is left-handed, she speaks another language besides English, Yup'ik; and she likes to play with her long hair, twisting and unwinding it with her fingers when she is bored; could be a habit.

To know a little more about Karen, she has two sisters (one adopted), and two brothers. Her favorite hobbies are listening to music, meeting and talking with friends, writing, writing letters, traveling, and playing basketball. Her favorite colors among all the colors of the world are grey, turquoise, blue, white, and black. From just looking at her, Karen is very friendly, a wee bit shy because she speaks quietly, and fun and enjoyable to be with. Although she is a very quiet person, she looks as if she is bright, smart, and intelligent. This is a definitely true statement because she wouldn't be in the RAHI program if she weren't.

She also looks as if she can understand. What I mean by this is, if a person were to talk to her about his/her problems, she would understand. I also see that she would help in any way she can with a well-mannered behavior along with plenty of patience.

This is Karen's first time here in Fairbanks and her first time experiencing the program like most of the RAHI students. She enjoys staying here in hot, beautiful, sunny Fairbanks like everyone else and definitely wants to learn more about college and knowledge.

Felicity Rivers by Karen Paul

As a Yup'ik, Felicity Rivers is from Stebbins and she talks in English. I guess she doesn't speak in Yup'ik from the way I talked to her. She is 16 years old and about 5'0". She has short, brown curly, hair and she is fit.

Felicity is a person whom I can talk to and she is friendly and fun to be with. When I talked to her she reminded me of a friend back home. Felicity seems to be a responsible and considerate person. For example, she is a person who is responsible for complete her homework and accepting the challenge. That's why she came to the RAHI program. She is a considerate person in a way that she respect my thoughts and listens to me when I talk to her.

When I asked her how many people were in her family she said she had 2 brothers and 3 sisters and including her parents. She has a boyfriend back home and she just got a newborn puppy from him. She is still thinking up a name for the puppy.

In her spare time she likes to play basketball, write, travel to places and meeting new friends. She doesn't like to stay in one place. For example, staying in a class room for a long time like we do here in Fairbanks, she gets homesick very easily. Felicity loves summer season, especially here in Fairbanks. Felicity is enjoying the RAHI program just as the other students are enjoying the program.

I just met her here in Fairbanks and I hope I get to know her better during this RAHI program. By the end of the program I guess I will say that she has been a good friend and I am glad I met a friend like her.

Ricky Echuk by Bill Wallace

Ricky was wearing a black T-shirt, regular Levi blue jeans and a pair of Reebok tennis shoes. He was sitting in his chair, with his back slightly hunched over the desk writing in his journal. Both of his feet were tucked beneath the chair, with toes pointing toward the floor. After a few minutes had passed, he crossed his legs beneath the chair, then shifted them out in front, and then placed

them back underneath the chair. Another five minutes had passed, then he placed his right foot over his left foot and positioned them back underneath the seat.

At first, he seemed to be thinking of what he could write about in his journal. He stopped writing for a while, and began to skim through what he had written down on his paper. Ricky stopped writing in his journal for a few more minutes, probably to think again, or to do more observations.

While sitting in his chair, thoughts of going hunting and fishing may have been passing through his mind. Ricky might have been reflecting back on a game of basketball that he played with his friends, or he could have been visualizing his favorite foods: akutaq (Eskimo ice-cream), spaghetti and hamburgers and French fries, while his hungry stomach growled. Overall, Ricky have the impression that he put a great deal of thought and effort into what he was writing on his sheet of paper, and was concerned about the way in which he organized his thoughts onto his paper.

Ester Jensen by Dawn Wilson

Ester Jensen, a native of Nuuk, Greenland can speak three languages, Greenlandish, Danish, and English. She is about medium height with brown eyes and brown hair. She wears a cute little pony tail at the top of her head and glasses. Ester has a shoe size of 7.

To speak of this witty person's character is very easy. Caring, nice, and fun to be around are just a few words that I can use to describe Ester. She likes to laugh and keep everybody cheerful and happy. Sometimes you can hear her and Johanne laughing in the dorms.

When I asked Ester what her favorite sports were, she replied "I don't have any". Sometimes, you can see her playing volleyball with the other RAHI students out on the lawn. Do You have a favorite color? "Pink!" was all she said. As for pets, a bird.

Ester's birthday is April 19, she is 21 years old and still attending school. The schooling in Greenland is very

different than the system that the United States has. They don't have High School, but they have other sorts of schools that are equivalent to our high schools. She has taken courses in Psychology and Journalism, those are her main interests.

Joyce Evon by Jolene John

Joyce Evon is seventeen years old, raised at Akiachak, Alaska with a population of about 480. Her hometown is located 15 miles north of Bethel.

As I have gotten to know Joyce better, I think that she is quite intelligent. I enjoy being with her because she is very talkative and so friendly. Her ability to play wonderful tunes on the guitar and piano brings warmth and joy to everyone. As she sings along, her voice sounds as of those who sing country or gospel music. I really admire her singing. She also has the ability of acting in a video. It has always been her dream of becoming an actress. Her experience in acting has expanded while acting in a show about four teenagers experiencing subsistence abuse called "My Choice". That has been a great opportunity for her to have experienced something she has dreamed of becoming.

Her family consists of 6 people; mom, dad and 3 brothers. She is the second eldest of four Yup'ik children. Joyce, along with her 3 brothers, seem to be well taken care of by their parents, Harry and Minnie Evon. She is a responsible, young lady and very helpful to her mother on taking care of the family.

After she graduates from Akiachak High School, she plans on extending her education her at the University or APU. Her interest is getting certified in Education as an English and Language Arts teacher in high school. Joyce is a very respecting person. Knowing her, I think that she will succeed in everything she wishes to do.

Kathy Milligan by Cheryl Nicolai

Kathy Milligan is about 5'5 in tall. Her age is 17. She has light shoulder length brown hair. It is in a regular braid. Dark hair and skin reveal to me that she is half-breed. The clothes that she is wearing are light colored clothes: pink jeans and a white sweatshirt that has Mickey Mouse on it.

She is very friendly and considerate. Getting along with her is very easy, I know that because she's my roommate. The personality of this young woman is just like a small kitten, happy all the time and always looks on the bright side of everything, no matter how gloomy the situation may be. When she is busy doing something she listens to music. 50's music is what she likes, but recently she just listens to the radio. On her free time, she usually grabs a book and starts reading intently. Horror books are the kind of books that she's read so far.

Kathy's hometown is Kotzebue. She is the only child in her family. Her mother is a teacher at her school. This past year she almost had her mother as a teacher, but she arranged it so that she could take another class. She has many friends at home. This coming year she will be a senior in high school. One sport that Kathy likes is baseball, but she hardly plays it back in Kotzebue. The school she comes from has about 150 students.

There many good qualities that Kathy has, that I haven't mentioned. If you want to know more about this person, just go up to her and ask her what you want to know.

Diane Hildebrand by Mary Jacob

Diane Hildebrand is 5'6" tall with brown curly hair and has big brown eyes that attract attention wherever she goes. She lives in Nulato, Alaska, with her family, which makes her an Athabaskan Native. She has three ear holes on her earlobe. She wears size seven and a half shoes.

Her likes and dislikes are that she likes talking on the phone, and she dislikes people who chew gum too loud. Diane would greatly appreciate coming back as a hawk in her after-life. One of Diane's interests is how to operate a helicopter because she is that type of adventurous person. Becoming a registered nurse in Anchorage, Alaska, is Diane's career goal.

Diane has a very nice smile, and is fun to be with. So if you are bored, visit her and she will make you laugh. Her humor is what makes people laugh.

Dawn Wilson by Ester Jensen

Dawn Wilson is 16 years old. She has brownish hair that is permanented. She has a medium height of about 5'4", her eyes are blue-gray, and her race is white. I nearly forgot to tell you that she is freckled.

Dawn is from Unalakleet where she lives with her mother and stepfather. Her parents were divorced when she was 9 and she has four brothers, two from her father and two from her stepfather. When Dawn's parents were divorced she was supposed to stay with her father but she insisted on staying with her mother.

Dawn is a girl who travels often. She visits her father during vacations. Dawn likes to play basketball which is her favorite sport. She likes to sing, too, and she can sing very loudly if she is having a great time.

When Dawn goes to the University, she wants to study law and be a lawyer. Two of Dawn's favorite courses are psychology and journalism.

Thomas Julius by Dominic Oyoumick

Thomas Julius is a Yup'ik Eskimo from Toksook Bay located on Nelson Island that is approximately 120 miles west of Bethel. Toksook Bay has a population of 400-450 people in the community. Thomas is 5 feet 6 inches tall with short black hair and brown eyes. Thomas was born at the Alaska Native Health Service Hospital in Bethel on March 13, 1971 to a family that would eventually include his 2 parents, 2 sisters, and 4 brothers. That totals up to 9 family members including himself.

He appears to be a accomplished person who enjoys himself, and he gets along with most of the RAHI students. Thomas is a smart person who was selected into RAHI based on his academic achievements in high school, and his ability to show leadership. Day after day I've bumped into him and he appears to dress neatly for another day of work or free time. Thomas enjoys a number of things: basketball for fun and competitive reasons, being with friends, traveling, and cross country running in which he took 4th in Regionals and 30th in state with many other competitive runners. Thomas is a good person to be around with, and that makes the RAHI program one step better for the student's stay here in Fairbanks.

Bill Wallace by Ricky Echuk

Bill Wallace, an Inupiat from Ketchikan, is here attending the R.A.H.I. program on the U.A.F. campus. Bill stands 5 ft., 5 in. high, weighs 125 lbs., and has curly brown hair.

Bill's interests are 1; to attend college at U.A.F. and major in either business administration, or education, 2; to get married, and 3; to work on Wall street.

Bill Wallace is 17 years old, and is trying to graduate from R.A.H.I., and so far the outlook for Bill looks pretty good.

Cheryl Nicolai by Kathy Milligan

Welcome. My name is Kathy, and I am here to introduce you to my roomy and friend, Cheryl Nicolai.

As you can see, Cheryl is approximately 5'5" tall, and has several distinguishing features. Her hair is very dark, and has grown to about the middle of her back, and is curly on the ends. Her skin is medium colored, such as others of the Yup'ik breed. She is thin, and is in very good shape. Cheryl is 18 years old, and her life has been filled with every emotion imaginable.

Cheryl comes from a small community of about 500 people called Kwethluk. Everyone there is related to everyone else in some sense or another. My friend is very close to the people in her community, and shows deep concern and interest in everything that happens there. Cheryl speaks her native Yup'ik tongue very fluently, as well and English. She has recently graduated from Kwethluk High School, and misses it greatly.

In her years at Kwethluk High School, Cheryl has played volleyball and basketball a great deal. She has also won various awards for her volleyball playing, and plays every chance she gets. As a result, this caring young lady has developed a great sportsmanship-like attitude.

That is all I have to say for now on my roomy. If you have any more questions or would like to meet Cheryl personally, just feel free to ask.

Mary Jacob by Diane Hildebrand

Have you ever wanted to meet that right person who could be your close friend the minute you laid your sorely awaited eyes on them? Well I have and her name is Mary Jacob who is a Yup'ik Eskimo originally from Oscarville (near Bethel) where both her parents, two brothers and two sisters live. But Mary lives in Napaskiak with her widowed grandfather, where she takes on all the responsibilities. Mary has medium sized brown eyes, long, straight black hair, respectfully stands 5'6", wears size 10 shoes, wears a pair of pink glasses, and has two holes in her earlobes.

A couple of her hobbies include playing basketball and reading. She likes to spend most of her free time with her friends, and she dislikes racism. Her greatest interest is to travel around this great, huge world to see the different cultures, standard of living, and the weather. Everyone has a dream to accomplish a goal in their lives, Mary's is to become an elementary teacher and work somewhere in the lower Kuskokwim area.

In Mary's afterlife she would like to come back as an elephant. As you can tell Mary is quite an outgoing, imaginative and very humorous. One of her greatest assets is her smile, it makes you want to smile.

Dominic Oyoumick by Thomas Julius

I interviewed Dominic Oyoumick. He is from St. Micheal, located approximately 51 miles Southwest of Unalakleet. The population is 300 to 350. St. Micheal is a flat, marshy island.

He is seventeen years old, and has straight brownish hair covering his ears. He is 5'6" in height, medium built and bold. He has 2 sisters and 2 brothers and both of the parents. The language at the village is Yup'ik and English, but most of the younger people speak in English. And the older people still speak in Yup'ik.

In his spare time he likes to go hunting geese and moose hunting. The sports that he likes to play are wrestling,

NYO, track, and basketball.

I asked him why was he interested in RAHI he said, "He wanted to have a taste of college life and what would be expected out of him. He also added "that RAHI is lots of fun but the homework is harsh and the teachers give out too much homework. he thinks that Fairbanks is a good place to go to college to.

Jolene John by Joyce Evon

When I first met Jolene John, she was a very hyper person. At the airport, she was excited and couldn't stay still. She had a lot of energy and I was impressed.

Only knowing Jolene for a few days, I have noticed that her attitude toward education is very positive. She has a goal of completing college with a bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education. Jolene plans to teach at a rural school as a certified educator in math and science then go back to her hometown in Toksook Bay.

Jolene doesn't always spend her time preparing for the future, she also keeps up with the present as well. Jolene is active in sports. For a start, she is the co. captain of the Toksook Bay basketball team. Her hometown team made it to the state championships this year and there she made the highest percentage of successful free throws on her team. She also plays volley ball and in that particular sport, Jolene has achieved the "most valuable player" title. In addition, Jolene runs cross country and competes in Native Youth Olympics

I really admire Jolene's abilities. She has the potential to do what she wants. I hope to get to know Jolene John better and our friendship continues to grow.

Shirley Wasuli by Jennifer Wentz

Who is Shirley Wasuli you may ask. Well let me tell you a little about her and what she is really like.

You see I met Shirley at R.A.H.I. '89, and since I was her roommate, there is no other person who would know her better than I. When you are someone's roommate you get to know the real person you're rooming with. Everything from what size underwear they wear, to who they have the hots for. Since Shirley will probably read this, she will kill me if I tell you her deepest secrets. Oh well, this is for you Shirley.

Shirley Wasuli is a 17 year old, who like all girls her age, enjoys having fantasies about guys. Her ideal hunk is someone who can show her a good time. Just to keep it clean, and so I won't get in trouble I'll tell you about one of her fantasies that is somewhat clean. First of all he has to be tall, good looking, muscular, romantic, and doesn't have to be as smart as Einstein. They would start their evening with him picking her up in his limo and going to a Fine Young Cannibals concert. Then after this awesome concert he would take her to an awaiting cruise ship where they would take a long cruise to some beautiful white beach on the coast. They would end their evening with dinner on the beach. Afterward, well I'll let you guess what happens. Come on campers, use your imaginations!

Believe it or not there is a serious side to Shirley, but I couldn't tell you it because I haven't found it yet. In the room she is a completely different person then you all know. She does the weirdest things that I can't even

begin to describe. One thing I can tell you about her is that she listens to music all the time in the room, to groups such as Bobby Brown, Paula Abdul, Neneh Cherry, and Waterfront.

She has traveled throughout Alaska, Washington, Chicago, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. Shirley is not sure where she would like to go to school, but she would like to attend a four year private college and major in computer programming or educational psychology. She would like all of us to live our lives to the best of our abilities.



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**TEENS UNDER
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CALIF.-85334-L: Paces widow, 60, 5'4", overweight, green eyes, practicing psychic, smoker, social drinker, educated, good sense of humor, no dependents. Seeks secure, Christian metaphysician. Recent photo first left.

ALASKA-8525-L: 1929 Capricorn model, 5'5", blue eyes, strawberry-blond hair in Alaska three years (two more to go for retirement), enjoys hugs, reading, sewing, garage sales, boating, acting since she came to this no single men paradise. Seeks fisherman's correspondence. No gentleman for correspondence. No smoker or substance abuser please.



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N.J.-6258-G: Lonely single male, 31, 5'7", 160 lbs., emotionally and physically fit, professional, intelligent, romantic, kind, honest, very sensitive, has sense of humor, enjoys movies, music, dining out, new adventures, amusement parks, bowling. Looking for woman for friendship, permanent relationship. Photo if possible, phone please.



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**He Was Just a Teenager in
Trouble With the Law When
He Moved Into Our House**





Two of the most dangerous things in the American
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wife's a gossip. If you can't say something nice
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OF THE '89 WEIO GAMES

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On Friday, Wayne won the silver medal in the double foot high kick. On Saturday, in spite of a pulled leg muscle, he won the silver medal in the single foot high kick. All this while maintaining his course work at RAHI.

In addition, Wayne received one of WEIO's highest honors. He was voted by the participating athletes as the Outstanding Athlete of the '89 Games. Congratulations to Wayne...an athlete and a scholar!



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I GOT IT,
I GOT IT!!



Don't be discouraged with a teenager just because he's lazy, rude and sloppy. Maybe he's just trying to be like his father.
— Nancy Woods



"I would never run for President. Some people have skeletons in their closets, but I have a graveyard."

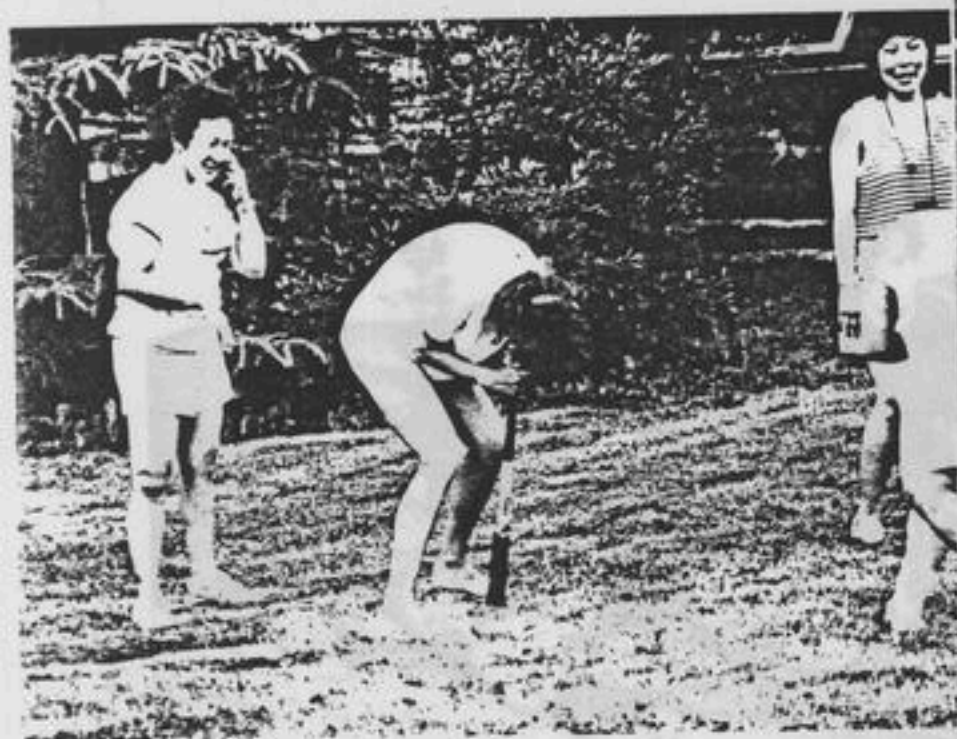
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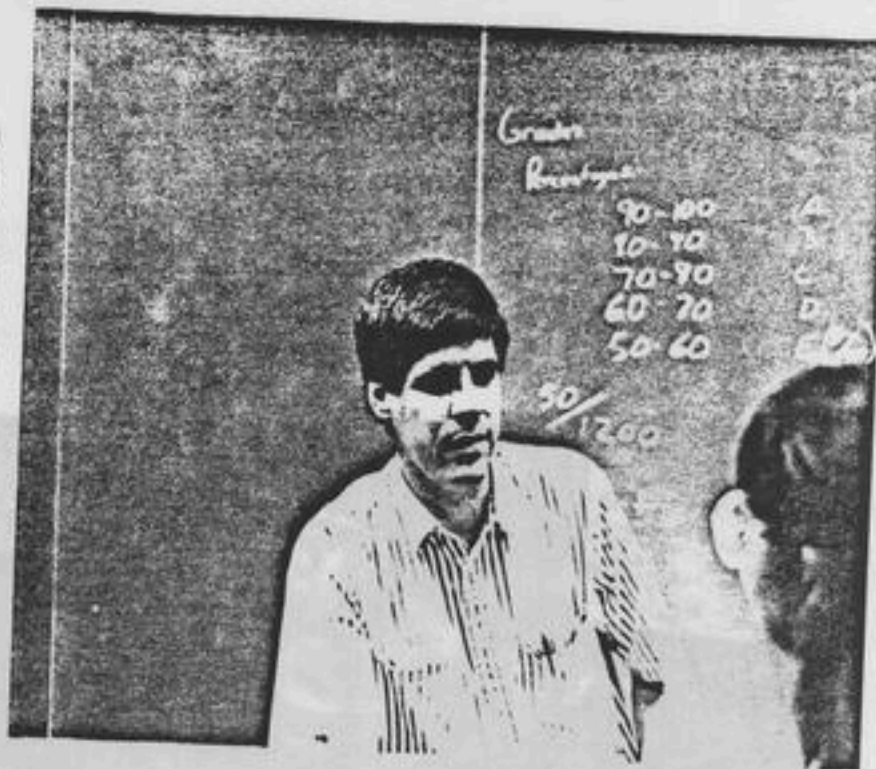


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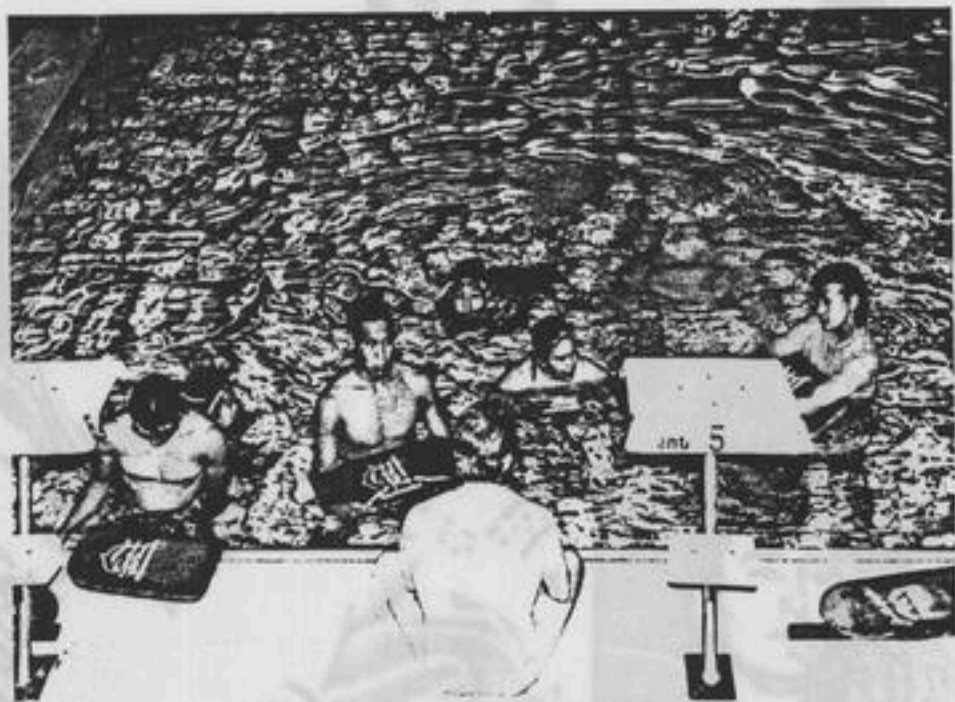




Pondering Thoughts



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Forbidden Fruit



Because roaches are more than just pests.

They All Laughed
When I Said I Was
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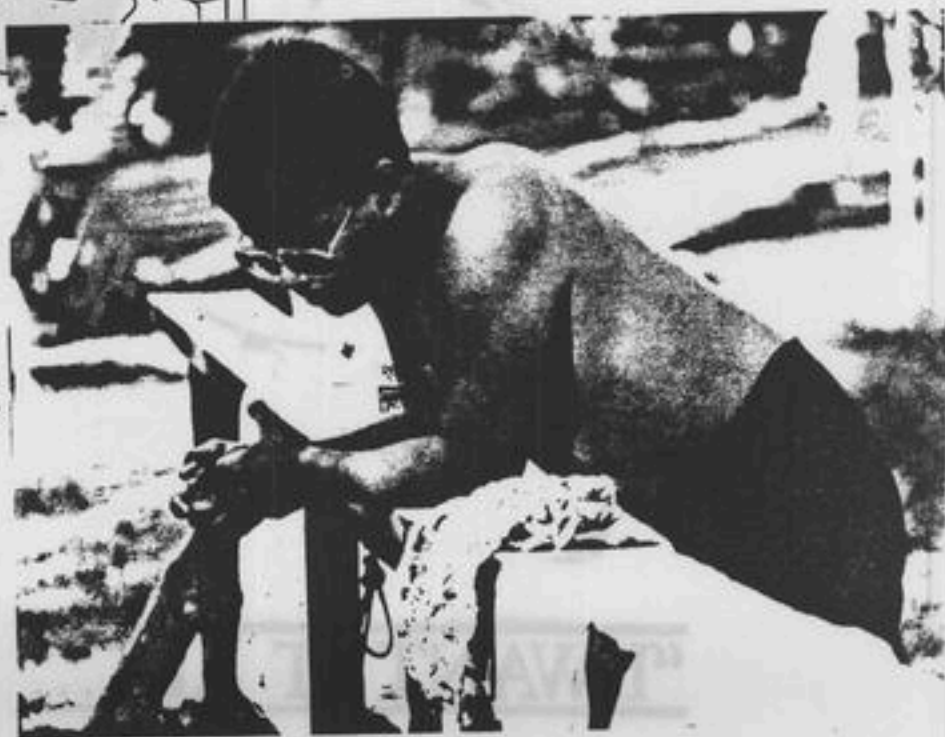


OH DANNY!!

... And How Princess Grace's Dress Popped Open at a Dinner Party



LIFE WITH LUCKY



A bore tells the same stories you do, but insists on telling them first.

— Wyoming Trucker

Royal Sex Scandal

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"I WANT IT ALL..."



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What You Should Know About Athlete's Foot



All good things come to those who wait if they work hard while they're waiting.

"Why waste your time — you can't say anything in 25 words or less!"



Dear RAHI Students,

I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your help during my summer here at RAHI. As you know, I have been gathering video footage and interviews of students and staff for a future public television program on RAHI. The program will present the transition from rural native life to an urban university campus and will be told in the words of students and staff.

The fastest and least expensive portion of such a program is the actual recording. The rest of the work takes at least six months. With luck, Jim Kowalsky and I will be able to secure the remaining funding and complete the program within a year. We'll keep you posted via the RAHI newsletter on the progress. Again, we are most grateful for your willingness to be open and to share your experiences of RAHI.

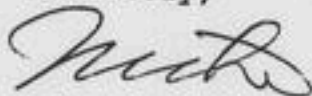
What you may not know is how privileged I feel to have met you and learned a little about you. You are each exceptional students and people. Sooner than you realize, you will be involved in and exercising leadership in Native and Alaskan affairs. I am personally very moved by the commitment of many of you to preserving your native culture while learning the ways of the western world.

We all felt the touch of death either directly or indirectly this summer. Nothing, however, is sadder than the death of a culture. The entire world becomes deprived of ways of looking at the world and its problems that can benefit people everywhere.

By committing yourselves both to a western education and continuation of native culture and values you make the world a richer and healthier place. The peoples of the world have much to learn from each other. You have much to share both from your perspectives or world view (Thanks, Oscar) and your talents.

Good luck living in one world or the other, or with one foot in each, or jumping back and forth. It can be a joyous dance of life!

Sincerely,



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