



RAHI

Rural Alaska
Honors Institute

RAHI 2014
Challenge Yourself!

From The RAHI Program Manager

Congratulations!

Students from the Rural Alaska Honors Institute (RAHI) have made the choice this summer to go to college. They have worked hard and earned between seven and eleven credits at UAF, giving them a head start on college.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) Rural Alaska Honors Institute honored the accomplishments of 52 RAHI students at a graduation ceremony in the Reichardt Building. Agatha “Gusty” John-Shields, RAHI 1986 from Toksook Bay, was the keynote speaker. Gusty received her Bachelor of Education degree from UAF, her Masters in Education from UAA, and is presently working on an Indigenous Ph.D. from UAF. She is presently a professor at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

The RAHI program is aimed at rural and Alaska Native students who have completed their junior or senior year of high school with at least a 3.0 grade point average. Begun in 1983 by the University of Alaska and the Alaska Federation of Natives, RAHI emphasizes a challenging university curriculum and a residential program to acquaint students with college life and expectations.

RAHI attempts to build a supportive community in which students participate in a rich academic setting, build a university transcript, and develop a long-term supportive network with peers, staff, and instructors.

RAHI curriculum includes university courses funded in part by New York Life, Wells Fargo, Alyeska Pipeline Services Company, ConocoPhillips, Arctic Slope Community Foundation, NANA Management Services, Boeing Corporation, and the National Science Foundation’s Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) program. RAHI is sponsored by UAF’s College of Rural and Community Development and Rural Student Services.

After the program ends, a group of RAHI students will continue their education this summer. Beginning the day after graduation, they will fly into a remote archaeological site at Healy Lake, Alaska, to spend the two weeks learning how to perform archaeological excavations. Funded by the National Science Foundation, the dig is a collaboration of Tanana Chiefs Conference archaeologists and UAF’s Rural Alaska Honors Institute.

Congratulations RAHI 2014 students on a job well done!

Yours Truly,
Denise Wartes



A Message from your Academic Coordinator

Money Matters!

Tuition rates at state universities have risen over 1100% nationwide since I attended college over three decades ago. At the same time, federal financial aid in the form of Pell Grants, has decreased significantly. I remember receiving a tuition bill for \$480 for my first semester at the University of Wisconsin. Currently, that won't even pay for a three-credit class in the University of Alaska system. Fortunately, there are still several ways an Alaska student such as yourself to make college affordable.

As Chancellor Brian Rogers pointed out during his presentation to the study skills class this summer, Alaska has the second lowest tuition rate for in-state students of any state in the country. Furthermore, the state and university have financial aid programs to help Alaska high school graduates. The UA Scholars program awards up to \$11,000 (\$1,375 per semester) to students graduating from Alaska high schools in the top 10% of their class. This scholarship can be renewed up to eight semesters over five years, provided you maintain a 2.5 grade point average and carry a full load of at least twelve credits. Check out their website at www.alaska.edu/scholars.

Another way to pay for college is the Alaska Performance Scholarship. It awards three levels of financial support (\$4755, \$3566, or \$2378 annually) based on 1. high school course work, 2. high school grades, 3. college entrance scores, and 4. completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This scholarship can be used for unmet financial need for up to eight semesters, but must be used within six years of high school graduation. For more information, google Alaska Performance Scholarship.

Let's do the math. You being the best and brightest students from rural Alaska, many of you will qualify for both the UA Scholars and the Alaska Performance Scholarship. For the purposes of demonstration, let's assume you earn the top award in the Alaska Performance Scholarship. The UAF website estimates the annual cost of schooling (tuition, room and board) at \$13,462. The UA Scholars and Alaska Performance Scholarship would provide \$7,505. This leaves you with roughly \$6,000 in annual expenses. This number would need to be padded to include travel and spending money. While this sounds daunting, UAF also offers hundreds of privately funded scholarship through the UA Foundation that can further reduce this debt.

The Alaska Commission of Postsecondary Education recently found that in the next decade, over 70% of the newly created jobs in Alaska will require a college degree. By attending RAHI this summer, you have taken a large step on that journey. Take the time to fill out all the necessary scholarship applications so that when you earn your degree, you can enjoy the fruits of your labor without being saddled with onerous college debt. While the cost of college has risen dramatically since the late '70s, the payoff for earning that degree is now almost twice as large as it was back then.

All the best,
Greg Owens



Academic Life!

RAHI emphasizes academic rigour above all other aspects. The best and brightest from through out Alaska are pushed to the limits during the six week program. Courses offered at RAHI include RAHI Research, English 111, English 109, Reading Class, Computers, Study Skills, and elective classes: Business, Process Technology, Chemistry, or Math. Native Dance and Karate are also offered three times each week. Students are put into an English class, the reading class (if needed), computers is optional. Study Skills is mandatory for everyone except RAHI Research students. Study Skills is a class that provides information students will need in the near future (such as filling out resumes and preparing for interviews), and practicing studying techniques for college (note taking, listening, time management, etc.). RAHI Research is slightly different from RAHI. Students in RAHI Research do not take any of academic classes listed above except one of the physical classes, Native Dance or Karate. The research program is based more on research and scientific studies. In the Dorm, Sunday-Thursday, study hall is required from 7:00-9:00 pm to encourage students and provide required time for them to keep up with their studies. Tutor Conselors and Professors are available for help during the study hall sessions as well.



From left to right, Andy Nguyen, Robert Kanayurak, Kate McWilliams, and JR Carpentero study for math.



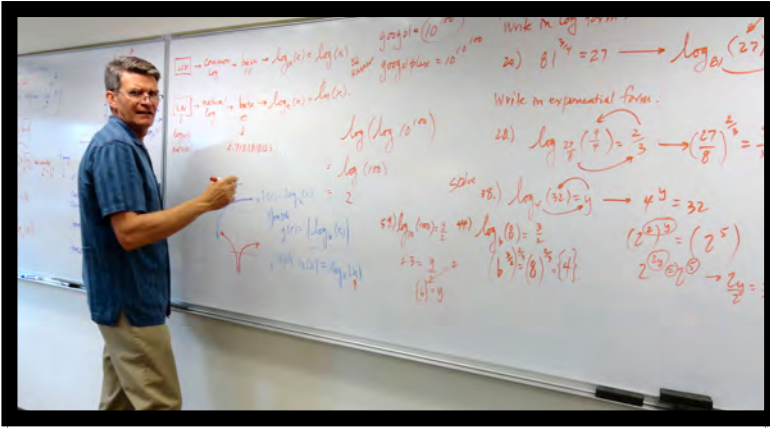
***Dacia Mitchell
working hard
during study
hall.***



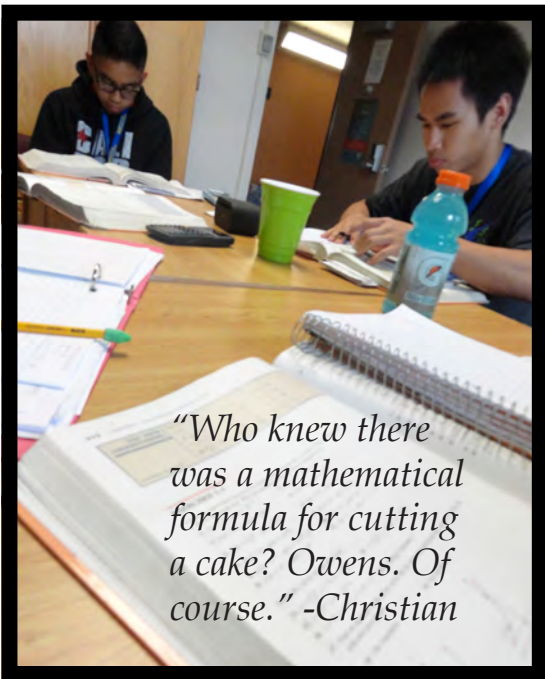
Above, Piiyuuk is helping Isaiah Sage with his homework.

Algebra DEVM106

Around 2 or 3 o'clock on any particular day of the week, you'll hear the alto voice of Mr. Greg Owens pouring from the top floor of Brooks building through a window propped open with a calculator. Presumably, the College Algebra students are soaking up his enthusiasm for abstract operations while occasionally nodding off to stories of prehistoric mathematicians.



*"It's
desirable
torture!"
-Robert*



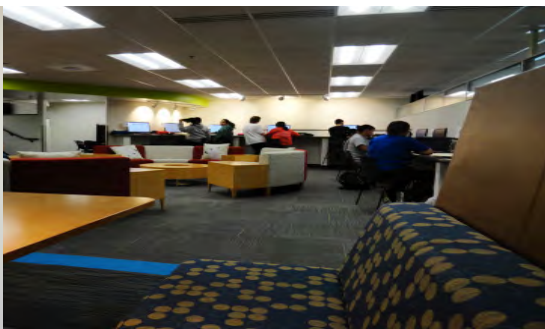
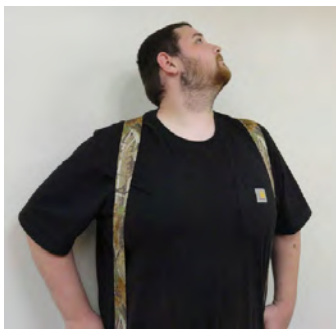
What does it take to pass this guy's class? You must have an edge for hard work. According to Owens, those nasty radical equations and logarithmic graphs are "tasty as a red velvet cupcake with cream cheese frosting."

Greg Owens is the College Algebra Instructor, RAHI Academic Coordinator, and Fun-olympics head honcho. This year is his 30th with the RAHI program.

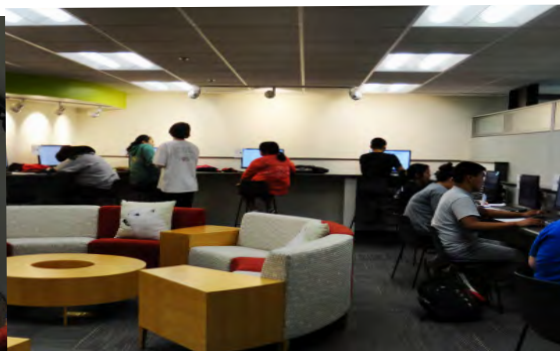


"I get very excited about helping students achieve their academic dreams, especially when they are math related."

Business



^^WORKING IN
THE NOOK!!



"C's get degrees." -Mattias

"C's do not get degrees you fool." -Mrs.Ross

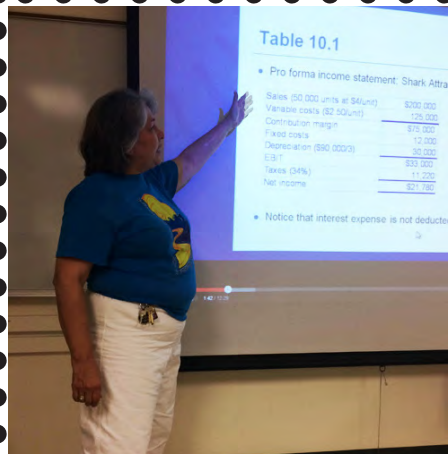


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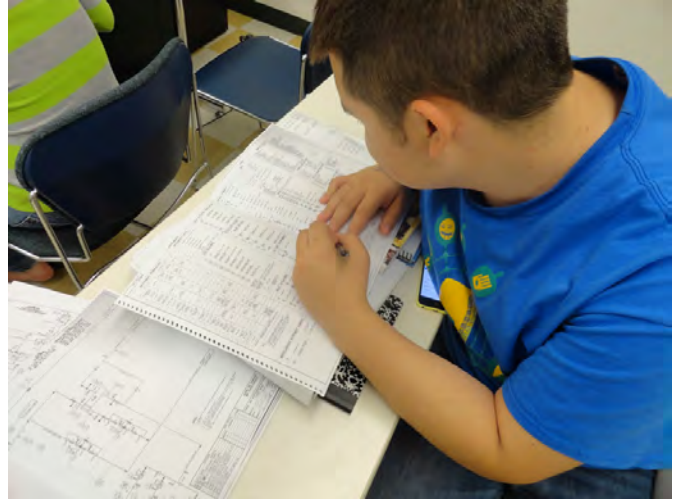
Sales (50,000 units at \$4/unit)	\$200,000
Variable costs (\$2.50/unit)	(125,000)
Contribution margin	\$75,000
Fixed costs	(12,000)
Depreciation (\$80,000/5)	(16,000)
EBIT	\$47,000
Taxes (34%)	(16,020)
Net income	\$30,980

• Notice that interest expense is not deductible

Mrs. Liz Ross teaches the Introduction to Business class for RAHI. She has worked for RAHI for many years now. Mrs. Ross's enthusiasm for business is contagious! She also has a family in Fairbanks and teaches the Karate course as well. Mrs. Ross was strict in the beginning of the program but gradually changed to a more relaxed environment. For example, after a few weeks Mrs. Ross decided to have "Tooty Fruity Tuesdays" and "Munchy Mondays." With days like that each week, the students couldn't wait to go to Business class, which is probably what Mrs. Ross intended. Sometimes the students even got Rock Strars if they were rock stars in class!

PROCESS TECHNOLOGY

Brian Ellingson is the instructor for Process Technology, with assistance from Ricky Lind. It is a class that allows students to get a basic understanding of how to operate and maintain a process through both hands-on and lectured learning. Every other day, those who chose to take the class traveled to UAF Process Technology training facility where they practiced what they learned on scaled down and less dangerous processes. Each day the students go over basic safety tips that can be hazardous on the work site.



Brian Ellingson majored in process technology and education during his time in college. He had spent 17 years at a North Slope refinery as an operator and a ship supervisor. Today he is the program coordinator for process technology at UAF. He either wants to continue teaching at UAF or return to training in process technology. he is very happy at the fact that RAHI had decided to include an intro to process technology course and wants to help the students explore in the jobs/carrers that process technology can offer.

CHEMISTRY 100

For the past 35 years, Lawrence Duffy has been teaching Chemistry. He is currently the Chemistry teacher at RAHI and enjoys working with students from all over the state. He said that he first moved to Alaska because he was interested in studying the broad range of wildlife. Dr. Duffy admits that he has a green thumb and loves gardening, as well as reading books, in his spare time.



During the school year, Linda Nicholas-Figueroa lives in Barrow and works at Ilisagvik College where she teaches chemistry, anatomy, and micro-biology. This is her fourth year teaching at RAHI. Ms. Linda is a co-instructor for the chemistry class and works alongside Dr. Duffy. She is in charge of organizing labs and field trips for the students. Her favorite part about teaching is when students finally understand the material and say, “Oh, now I get it!” Outside of school she enjoys outdoor roller skating and is planning on starting a derby team in Barrow soon.



This year, there are thirteen juniors and seniors enrolled in Dr. Duffy’s Chemistry 100 class. Every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Mr. Duffy gives a chemistry lecture in room 362 of the Reichardt building. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the students participate in either a three hour lab or field trip organized by Linda Nicholas-Figueroa. The students enjoy the hands on lessons and activities they take part in. The overall objective of this course is to provide students with the basic understanding of the scientific method, some chemical and biochemical principals, an ability to understand scientific issues, and an appreciation of how science is able to solve our problems.

English 111



Tim Murphrey, also known as Murph, has been teaching English 111 at RAHI for eleven years. His class is located in room 302 in the Brooks building, and consists of 22 enthusiastic students that come to class at 8am ready to learn and participate. He says that his favorite part about teaching is when a student gets excited and engaged with what they are doing in class. Murphrey states, "If I'm passionate about the subject, hopefully the students will start to feel the same." If everyone walks away from RAHI with one new skill, Murphrey will feel accomplished.

This course prepares RAHI students for academic writing throughout their college careers and beyond. In this class, critical reading and writing practices are further developed through a variety of opportunities. These include class discussions and writing exercises. Means of integrating creative exploration with intellectual understanding, and strategies of observation were examined and practiced. Students had to summarize, analyze, synthesize, research, and retain their own voice and creativity.





English 109

English 109 class is taught by Katy Crane. This class is designed to teach students to get ready to do college english. Students complete four essays that involve reflection regarding what we have learned about in class. The essays have made the students think more about what they think of themselves.



Pictured above and to the right--students wait as they are locked out of their classroom on a rainy day.



**KEEP
CALM
AND
WRITE
ON**

Study Skills: *DEVS 108*

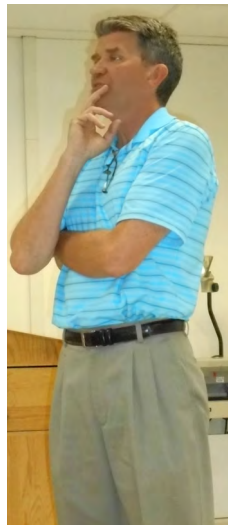
Alyeska Pipeline visits class



UAF chancellor speaks to students

“They teach us how to avoid wrinkles first semester!”

Mr. O shares the lowdown on college success



Need a daily dose of motivation and college know-how? Study Skills packs it all in one hour with guest-speakers and interactive learning. Basically college 101, this class prepares students for the first-year terrors of late night cramming with time management, teaches us how to get the best out of class through note taking and the “A++ Triangle,” and impressing future employers with snazzy resumes and pro-interviewing skills.



Denise Wartes

Originally from northern Michigan, Denise moved to Alaska and lived on the edge of the Arctic Ocean for ten years until she moved to Fairbanks. She graduated with a masters’ degree from UAF. Denise first served as a temporary replacement for the Program Manager of RAHI, but has stayed with the program for 26 years! As program manager, she is responsible for management, recruitment, and finding funding. She also hires staff and working with them to set attainable goals. Her favorite part of RAHI is the energy and excitement that the students have throughout their six weeks here.



“Each student is an ambitious leader and learner.” - Denise



Alyeska Pipeline

Reading DEVS 058

Katy Crane is the teacher for the reading class at RAHI. It is a 1-credit class where the students read and discuss stories and vocabulary. One of the books they are reading is *Two Old Women*, a story about elders who are left in the wilderness because they are no longer be proved useful to their tribe.



Emmitt loves to read!



Group work!!



Katy Crane majored in English during her time in college and has been a part-time professor for comprehension English for four years. Next year she is planning to be teaching English in France.

Microcomputer Applications

CIOS F189

This class focuses on creative design using Adobe Photoshop and InDesign. The students enrolled in the course get the opportunity to assist in making the RAHI yearbook--students must write articles and take pictures and then integrate their design ideas, images, and words. In addition to graphic design, the course teaches teamwork and forces students to see a project through to the end.

*"I enjoy the curiosity
and strong focus of
RAHI students."*
—Maxwell



Howard Maxwell was born in 1958. He has a lovely wife and two kids now in college. Howard has lived in Alaska since 1982 and he grew up in the Twin Cities. This was his 25th year teaching for RAHI. In addition to computers he has also taught ethno-archaeology and study skills. Mr. Maxwell loves soccer. He coaches soccer for West Valley High School and is the Director of Coaching for the Eclipse Soccer Club. During the academic year he teaches computers at Ryan Middle School in Fairbanks.



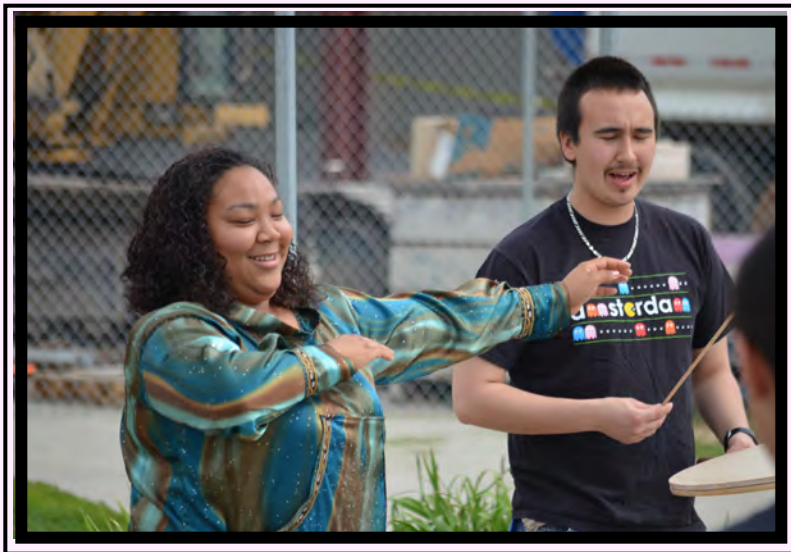


Native Dance



Native Dance is a pass or fail class based on attendance and participation. This class is about learning new cultural dances and their associated traditions. The instructors are Yup'ik, so most of the songs students will learn are of that culture. Students also learned Athabascan, Aleut, Tlingit, and Inupiaq songs that were taught by people in the class that are of those cultures. The class met in the basement of MacIntosh Hall on Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays. The goal of this class is to learn a new song and dance each week.

Instructors: Piiyuuk Shields and Baxter Bond



Olivia “Piiyuuk” Shields (pictured), the Instructor for the Native Dance Class, is a young Yup'ik woman. Piiyuuk is a RAHI alumni of 2012 from Toksook Bay, Alaska. She has taught Native dance for two years, but it is her first year teaching it at RAHI. Piiyuuk is about to start her junior year at the University of Alaska Fairbanks double majoring in Elementary Education and Yup'ik (Bachelor of Arts). She plans to teach elementary education in rural Alaska after she graduates from college. Olivia's favorite thing about RAHI is the opportunity to meet new people. She also enjoys dancing, traveling, and make-up.

Baxter Bond (pictured above) assisted in teaching the Native dance class. He is from Tununak, Alaska. Baxter is about to start his junior year of college at UAF double majoring in Mechanical Engineering and Yupik. He is working with RAHI as an intern at First Alaskans Institute. This is Baxter's first year working with RAHI and his favorite thing about it is working with students. Baxter enjoys a lot of things such as photography, basketball, hunting, fishing, and working on machines.

“A class full of laughs & smiles!”



Karate

The Karate instructor is Shihan Liz Ross, a 5th degree black belt. She is assisted by Sempai Elkins. The course emphasizes basic stance, guards, blocks, and kicks in Goju style. Students also learn several aspects of self-defense when faced with an attacker with or without a weapon. The big climax for the class is the Kata presentation performed by the students on graduation day.





Kate Pendleton

Kate has worked with RAHI for 18 months as the Assistant Manager of the program. She works very hard to make the program function.

Her favorite part of the 6-weeks is the students. "I love getting to know them," she says, "they're all really fun."

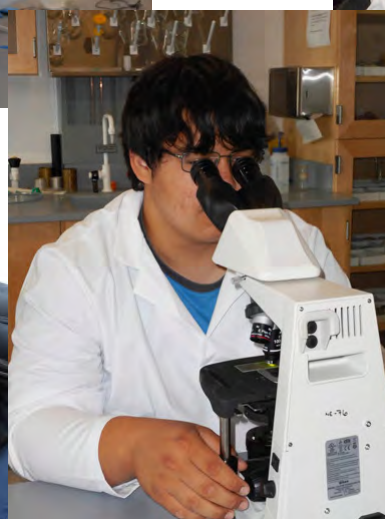
Autographs



RAHI Research is another branch of the RAHI program. In RAHI Research, students take Introduction to Molecular Methods and Research, instructed by Robert Marcotte, who is also the coordinator for the Research program. In the first week and a half, the students study cellular biology, bio-chemistry, and molecular biology.



They have been studying transcription, translation, Mendelian Genetics, Punnet Squares, evolution, the cell cycle, membranes, cellular respiration, and the definition of life through lectures, labs, games, class work, and microscope work. During the course the students gain knowledge on the scientific process and how things will work in the lab with their mentors.





The last four weeks of RAHI, the students spent time with their mentors working on an array of projects.

Monica Mikes worked with Professor Andres Lopez on developing a polymerase chain reaction assay to identify lamprey prey species.



David Koval worked with Lisa Smith on the role of lipid rafts in regards to infectious diseases.



Melea Roman and Ronin Ruerup worked with Christin Anderson on efficacy of the oyster mushroom to degrade diesel, as well as sequencing some DNA of fungus.

Ruby Acord worked with Terilyn Stephen on a method of measuring adenosine in relation to brain chemistry.



Robert Marcotte is the RAHI Research instructor and coordinator. After graduating from Whitman College with a biology degree, Marcotte returned to his hometown Fairbanks to get his masters. Today, he enjoys sharing his passion with Alaska's budding biologists. He has been with the program for five years, three as a mentor.



Dorm Life



Working Hard



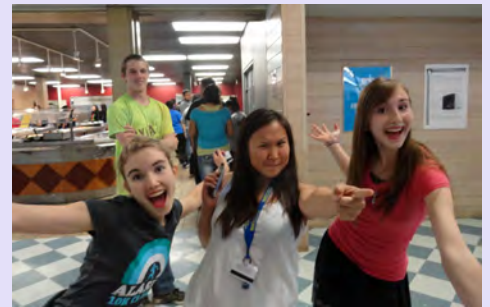
Pranks for days



"I got next."



Ukes in the sun



Tilly food is the best

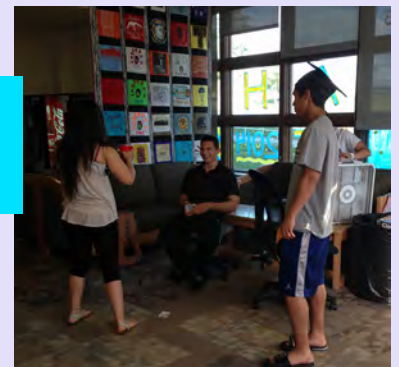


Study hall



Concert Time!

Upper Lounge Fun!



Potluck



Volunteer Work at RAHI a Summer of Service

Color Run, Relay For Life, and Creamers Field

Saturday, June 7th, RAHI students volunteered at several events, the Color Run, Relay for Life, and clean up at Creamer's Field. At the Color Run, the students helped the staff by volunteering to throw colors at the runners. The RAHI students could be found at the first kilometer mark throwing purple dust at the hundreds of runners or greeting them at the finish line with color packets and water. Students at Relay for Life greeted the participants that were running the track with cheers and signs that talked about cancer prevention. Some students even wore giant models of breasts to support breast cancer research. Later, a second group of volunteers asked participants to fill out surveys on their experience at the event. Overall, students got to volunteer at events that they don't usually see in their home town and were able to represent RAHI in a positive way. At Creamers Field, students did a variety of jobs. They set up spikes for signs, pitched a tent, picked up trash around the field, and raked the garden. The students enjoy spending time helping out the community of Fairbanks.



Galena Flood Relocation Help & Calypso Farm

June 28th was a beautiful day to volunteer in Fairbanks. RAHI students helped load a barge with furniture for homes that were damaged during a recent flood in Galena. They spent the day lifting heavy items from a connex, and transferring them to a ware house. After this the items were sent to Nenana where they would be delivered to the community members of Galena. At Calypso, the students were given a tour, and later did work to help out the organic farm. They hauled wood, moved chickens, planted potatoes, learned about bee keeping, and were able to play with baby goats and sheep as well!



FIRE BREATHING PANDAS

The Fire-Breathing Pandas are made up of the seven awesome-est individuals at RAHI 2014. Papa Anger has complete confidence that her group is the best. Don't let their fluffy facade and quiet manner throw you off -- this group is loaded. When the competition is fierce, they will blow you away. With Fire.

"Papa" Olivia Anger
Kate McWilliams
Sherrilyn "Swells" Teeluk
Angelica Damian
Andy Nguyen
Ronin Ruerup
Alice Amaktoolik
Kayla Pavilla



THE PREFONTAINES



The “Prefontaines” are led by tutor-counselor, Tiana Elkins. This family name was chosen after a successful runner from the University of Oregon, Steve Prefontaine. He is widely known for his mustache and also competed in the 1972 Olympics. Although Prefontaine has long since passed, Ms. Elkins is convinced that she will marry him sometime in the future. There are eight outstanding and creative students in this family group: Monica Mikes, Iggy Sage, Kanesia Price, Julia Fisher-Salmon, Mattias Hautala, Alana Ulak, Mary Kernak and Alaina Kuchenoff. Their favorite memory from this summer was when they competed in the Fun Olympics and performed their skit at Camp Bingle. They always have fun working together and plan on staying in touch once RAHI is over. GO PRE!





RAHI Rebels



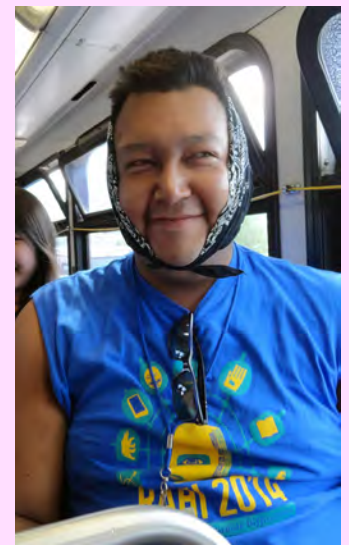
"I enjoy spending time with my family group because my family dad is so funny." -JR Carpentero



Ricky Lind's family group is named the RAHI Rebels. The members are Raul 'JR' Carpentero, Emmet Nicori, Linda Rexford, Rhiannon Kokrine, Julia Grant, Ruby Acord, and Jessica Mute. So far family groups have been bonding through camp bingle, scavenger hunts, family meetings, and family clean ups. The RAHI Rebels first cleaning task was to clean the laundry room. They wore masks to clean out the lint from the dryers and Ricky said they had fun! Ricky has also been encouraging them academically by advising them to work in study groups so that they are the family with the highest GPA.



"Our family group is a lot of fun and we had a lot of fun doing the Olympics together. I couldn't have asked for a better TC tho." -Linda Rexford



LET'S GO RAHI REBELS!

#RAHI *Swag*

Piiyuuk's family group name is #RAHI Swag. The group includes: Dustin Newman, Jae Lee, Robert Kanayurak, Mary Bobby, Chloe Miller, Melea Roman, and Katherine Stein-Booth.



RAHI SWOLE



Mary-Clare is the Mom of the greatest family group known as RAHI Swole. The meaning of “swole” (short for swollen) is to have gone through a rigorous workout, and become extremely jacked. The Family members include Lacoda Walker, George John, Emilyn Jordan, Kiecel Tungul, Logan Marshall, Sabrina Michael, John Oulton and Nathaniel Appolloni.



MARCO Family Group



Top Row (left to right): Lindsey Westlake-Reich, Jake Long, Isaac McElewee, Kayla Tikiun, Matthew Appollini, DeAnna Jimmie, Kimberly Peter. Bottom Row (left to right): Irene Duny, Baxter Bond, Leo Unin.

Photo was taken at the northern most Denny's in the world. It was Jake's last day with the family group.

Team Marco Family Group

TC: Jake Long

Students: DeAnna Jimmie, Matthew Apolloni, Isaac McElwee
Lindsey Westlake-Reich, Irene Duny, Kayla Tikiun, Kimberly Peter,
Leo Unin.

When the TC Jake yells, "MARCO!" The family group screams back, "POLO!" Jake thinks his family group has the very best name!

"I'll never stop dreaming that one day we can be a real family, together, all of us laughing and talking, loving and understanding, not looking at the past but only to the future."

-LaToya Jackson

"I have not told half of what I saw."

-Marco Polo



Christopher "Topher" Liu's family group is made up of Dizzy Destiny Salmon, Whatever William Paneak, Courageous Christian Escalante, Kind Kemasuk Tungwenuk, Timid Timotheen Charles, Determined Dacia Mitchell, & Daring David Koval. The group bonds through family dinners, hanging out, games, cleaning the dorm, and eating ice cream.

Topher's Gophers



AUTOGRAPHS!



Angel Rocks Hike



On Saturday, May 31st, RAHI students and staff went on a hike on the Angel Rocks Trail to Chena Hot Springs. It was a perfect day for a grueling 8.7-mile hike to the hot springs. Although some parts of the trail were rocky and steep or wet and muddy, most students said that they had a blast.

Many got to see breathtaking sights of mountains and valleys. And if they didn't, they were grateful for the soak in the hot springs and the snacks that RAHI provided us at the



end of the trail.

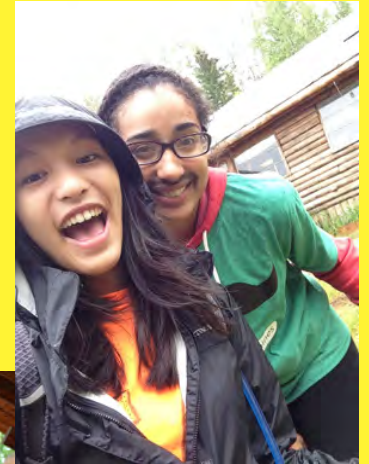
The first students to reach the hot springs finished the hike in a little less than 3 hours. The last of the hikers trailed in around 8 hours later (a RAHI record). Some found it fun and challenging and others not so much. Either way, many students experienced something new with each other!



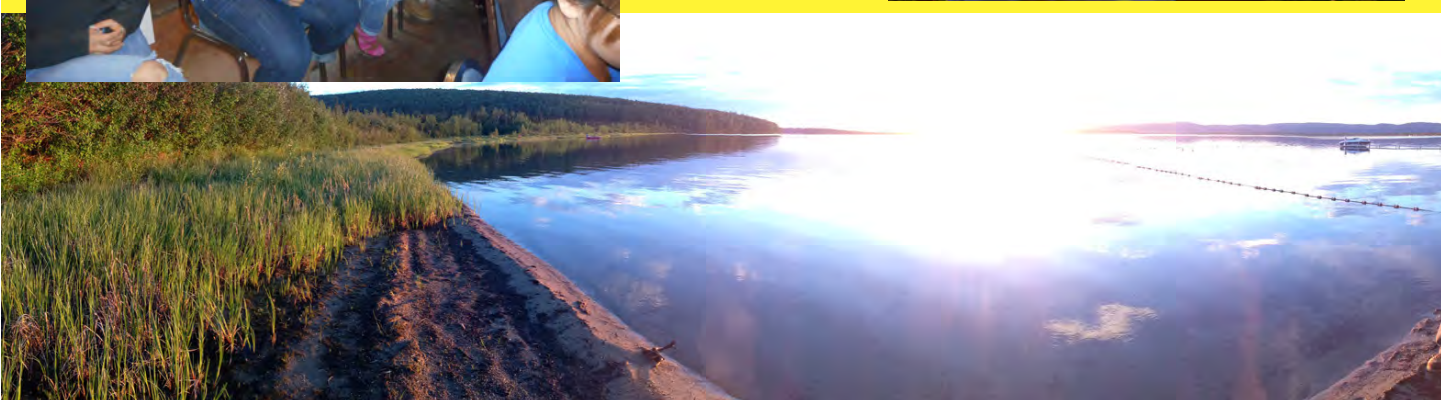


CAMP BINGLE 2014





**More
Camp
Bingle!**



Best & Most Likely



Best Sneeze: Julia Grant



Most Likely To Be On A Reality TV Show: Mary Kernak



Most Likely To Be The Next Mr. Murphy: Logan Marshall

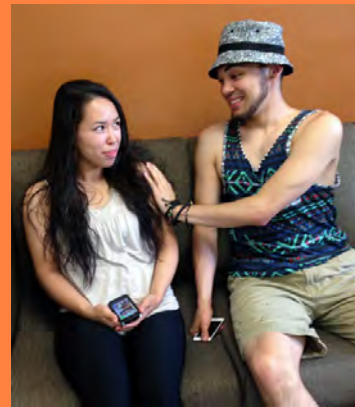


Best Dad: Ralph Elook



Most Likely To Be On The Voice: Robert Kanayurak

Most Likely To Take Over The World: Jae Lee



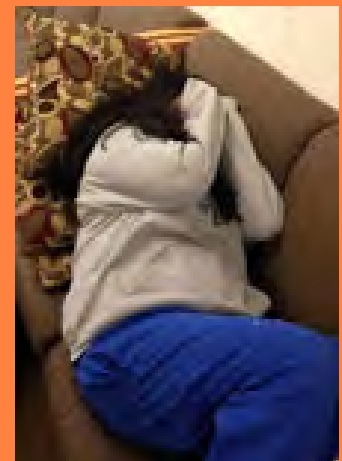
Most Likely To Cheer You Up: William Paneak



Best Mom: Tiana Elkins



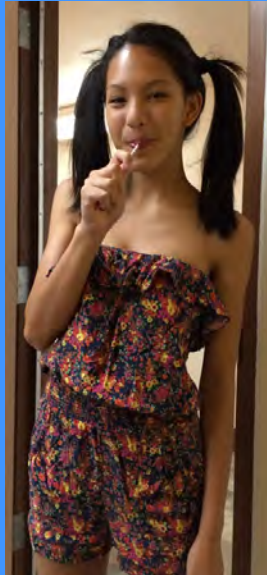
Biggest Cat Lady: Mary-Clare Cable



Most Likely To Sleep Through An Earthquake: Destiny Salmon



Most Likely To Survive
the Zombie Apocalypse:
Dacia Mitchell



Most Likely To
Never Grow Old:
Christian Escalante



Most Likely To Be
Found At The Gym:
John Oulton



Biggest Prankster:
Ralph Elook



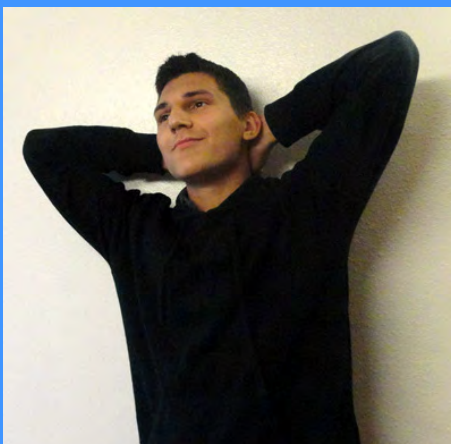
Life Of
The Party:
William
Paneak



Most Likely To Be In
The Next Viral Video:
Ricky Lind



Most Likely To Live
Off Ramen For The
Next 10 Years: Jae Lee



Most Likely To Model For
Holister: David Koval



Most Sarcastic: Andy Nguyen



Most Likely To Win
The Hunger Games:
Melea Roman & Isaac
McElwee

RAHI Tutor Counselors Rock



RAHI's tutor-counselors are part-time tutors but full-time friends. They offer a shoulder to cry on, jokes to laugh at, and first-hand class and dorm expertise. On days when the students are dragging along, you can bet that the TC's have some surprise up their sleeves---a dance, a spontaneous outing, an outdoor volleyball game, or ice cream sundaes. They've seen us through stressful weeks, always reminding us what it means to be a college student: work hard, play hard, do it right!!

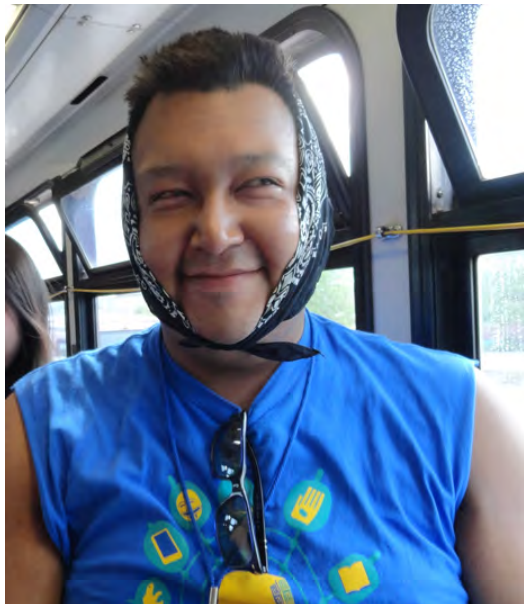
"TC's are the glue that holds the dorm together!"

" TC's are the most helpful staff around! Without them students would be in danger of falling through the cracks! We love our TC's "



Christopher Liu

Christopher Liu, also known as Topher, is a TC at RAHI and heads the family group Topher's Gophers. He was born and raised in Bethel, Alaska. He attended RAHI in 2008, and was a TC in 2011. Topher received a degree in Neuroscience, and is pursuing a degree in Electrical Engineering. He wants to study dreams, theology, and interactive graphics. He loves Korean BBQ and the color "sky blue."



Ricky Lind

Ricky Lind, 30, is a life-long Alaskan. He grew up in Dillingham, acquired his undergraduate degree in music from UAF, and returned to Dillingham to teach K-12 music. After a few years, he was inspired to return to school to get his masters degree in Education Leadership. He hopes that by earning his masters, he will fulfill his dream of becoming a school principal or dean of students. Currently, Ricky is a tutor counselor for RAHI 2014. He attends the process technology classes and helps the students understand the class material. His favorite part of RAHI this year is seeing the change that the program undertook. When he was a student, he recalls that there was less thought into student needs. He enjoys the fact that students are placed into classes they can handle, have people they can talk with in the dorms, are provided with food, drinks, and laundry needs, and are well taken care of.



Jacob Long

Jake has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Management. He moved to Alaska in 2002 when his family transferred to Kodiak with the Coast Guard. He has worked in the dorms with the Department of Residence Life for four years before joining the RAHI team.

His favorite Quote:

"Don't take life too seriously or you'll never make it out alive."



Ralph Elook

The “father” of the dorm, Ralph is such a wise guy. He is always telling stories, cracking jokes, or watching weird videos. If he thinks a video is cool, and you are walking by while he is watching it, he will stop you so that you can share that experience with him also. Ralph is a caring man, he always checks up on you when he knows there is something going on in your village.



Olivia Shields

Olivia prefers being called by her Yup’ik name, Piiyuuk. Piiyuuk is a very funny and intelligent young adult. She attended RAHI in 2012. Piiyuuk is double majoring in Elementary Education and Yup’ik Language at UAF. She really is proud to be Alaskan Native. She speaks Yup’ik with her family, and is a great native dance instructor. There is never a dull moment with Piiyuuk, she is usually the life of the party.



Olivia Anger

A child of the last frontier, adventure might as well be Olivia’s last name. She was born in a log cabin in Soldotna, and lived in Fairbanks and Anchorage. After a year at Alaska Pacific University, she rode the winds down south to Ecuador. There she served as a Social Worker for young working children. Nowadays, Olivia claims to be a (very, very, very) wealthy and successful woman who enjoys super-modeling on the side. She is very proud of her 187 I.Q. One day she hopes to be a philanthropist and teacher and major in development. This is her first year as a TC at RAHI.



Tiana Elkins

Tatiana (Tiana) Elkins grew up in Barrow and graduated from Barrow High School in 2011. She was in the RAHI program in 2010 and 2011 and thoroughly enjoyed her experience. She states that her tutor counselors were great to work with and helped her a lot throughout this program. She is currently enrolled in UAF, majoring in English with a triple minor in History, secondary education, and American Sign Language. She is spending the summer working as a tutor counselor for RAHI. She loves this program and believes it made college easier for her. Tiana enjoys working as a TC because she is able to be a part of students' lives and help them develop into successful young adults.



Eran Eads

Eran Eads, 22, is a life-long Alaskan. He grew up in Whitestone, and is now currently studying at UAF to earn a degree in Creative Writing. This is Eran's second year working for RAHI. Last year he was a student worker. Currently, Eran is the logistics coordinator for RAHI 2014. He buys the students food, organizes their medical appointments, and any other off campus needs. He also works with them on their homework, especially anything related to writing. His favorite part of RAHI is seeing students who didn't realize their potential, succeed in a high intensity educational setting. Although he never attended RAHI when he was in high school, he wishes he could have so he could experience dorm life before moving to UAF for four years. In the future, he hopes to continue to work for RAHI and improve his educational and counseling skills.



Mary-Clare Cable

Mary-Clare Cable, 24, was born in Whitehorse, Canada, now currently living in Fairbanks, Alaska. She graduated from Wasilla High School, and then went on to major in Japanese in college. She is planning on going back to school to earn her masters degree in education. Here at RAHI, she is the family group leader of RAHI Swole. Her role model is her older sister because she is very intelligent. She has 3 pets: 2 cats and a lizard. Her dream vacation is to go to Iceland.



Baxter Bond

Baxter Bond grew up in Tununak, Alaska; a village of approximately 350 people. In 2012 he graduated from Mt. Edgecumbe, a boarding school in Sitka. He attended his freshmen year of college at UAF and is working to receive his Bachelors degree in the Yup'ik language and mechanical engineering. This summer he is working as an intern for the First Alaskan's Institute at RAHI. During study hour, he enjoys assisting students with their homework. After RAHI he is going to be teaching electronics at ASRA. In his free time, Baxter enjoys fixing anything with an engine.





Ruby Acord

Native Name or Nick Name: *Sally*

Home Village: *Wasilla*

Tid Bit: *Ruby likes hiking, and horse back riding*

Career or Academic Goal: *Pediatric Nurse*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *In Graduate School at M.I.T*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working For Merc Pharmaceuticals*



Alice Amaktoolik

Native Name or Nick Name: *Anachiiiaq*

Home Village: *Golovin*

Tid Bit: *Alice likes camping and going fishing*

Career or Academic Goal: *Bio-Engineer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Working as a village health aide and taking care of my daughter*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working as a medical assistant*



Matthew Appolloni

Native Name or Nick Name: *Undiscovered*

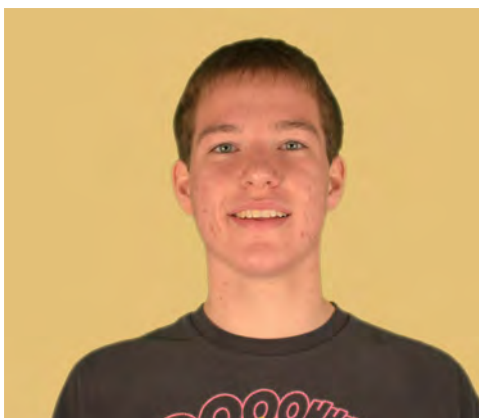
Home Village: *Nome*

Tid Bit: *Matthew likes watching anime and knitting*

Career or Academic Goal: *Japanese or something*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Where my decisions take me*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Be famous*



Nathaniel Appollini

Native Name or Nick Name: *Teealana*

Home Village: *Nome*

Tid Bit: *Nathaniel likes eating and knowing what everyone else is doing*

Career or Academic Goal: *Computer Field*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Not Alaska*



Mary Bobby

Native Name or Nick Name: *Undiscored*

Home Village: *Stony River*

Tid Bit: *Mary likes basketball and reading*

Career or Academic Goal: *Bio-Engineer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *In college if not finsished yet*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *In a steady job*



Raul Carpintero

Native Name or Nick Name: *JR*

Home Village: *Unalaska*

Tid Bit: *JR likes hoopin' and poopin'*

Career or Academic Goal: *Civil Engineer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Finishing college*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *With a job in civil engineering*



Timotheen Charles

Native Name or Nick Name: *Ayik'aq*

Home Village: *Kasigluk*

Tid Bit: *Timotheen likes vollyball*

Career or Academic Goal: *Civil Engineer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *At UAS or UAF*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



Angelica Damian

Native Name or Nick Name: *Nurauq*

Home Village: *Alaskanuq*

Tid Bit: *None discovered*

Career or Academic Goal: *Undiscovered*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *At college*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



Irene Duny

Native Name or Nick Name: *Qimaallek*

Home Village: *Marshall*

Tid Bit: *Irene likes basketball and poetry*

Career or Academic Goal: *Language, education, or business*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



Christian Escalante

Native Name or Nick Name: *Kristian*

Home Village: *Unalaska*

Tid Bit: *Christian likes adventuring and sleeping.*

Career or Academic Goal: *A degree in public policy, women's studies, or social services*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Stanford University*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Traveling around the world*



Julia Fisher-Salmon

Native Name or Nick Name: *Tsee Tsal, Ju-Ju*

Home Village: *Beaver & Chalkyitsik*

Tid Bit: *Julia likes volleyball*

Career or Academic Goal: *Lawyer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



Julia Grant

Native Name or Nick Name: *Ju-Ju, Jules G*

Home Village: *Koyukuk/Galena*

Tid Bit: *Julia likes Top Ramen and taking naps*

Career or Academic Goal: *Working with animals*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *With my dogs*



Mattias Hautala

Native Name or Nick Name: *Aanaq*

Home Village: *Kwethluk*

Tid Bit: *Mattias likes getting A's*

Career or Academic Goal: *Bio-Engineer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working with Yamaha*



DeAnna Jimmie

Native Name or Nick Name: *Paniyaar*

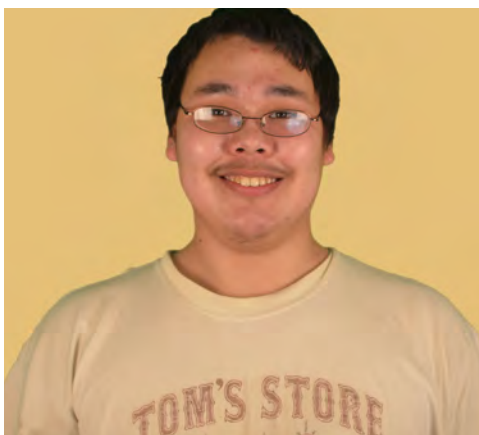
Home Village: *Toksook Bay*

Tid Bit: *DeAnna likes going on Facebook and traveling*

Career or Academic Goal: *Registered Nursing*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College at UAA*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



George John

Native Name or Nick Name: *Qassayuli / Qirnaq*

Home Village: *Newtok*

Tid Bit: *George likes thinking and hanging out with his friends*

Career or Academic Goal: *Pilot or scientist*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Flying in the sky*



Emilyn Jordan

Native Name or Nick Name: *Qayigyar*

Home Village: *Manotoak*

Tid Bit: *Emilyn likes woodworking and wrestling*

Career or Academic Goal: *Law enforcement*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Working in a police station*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *State-Trooper*



Robert Kanayurak

Native Name or Nick Name: *Ahmaogak*

Home Village: *Barrow*

Tid Bit: *Robert likes taking pictures, singing, and going riding*

Career or Academic Goal: *Undiscovered*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Graduating college*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working at home*



Mary Kernak

Native Name or Nick Name: *Qayik'aq*

Home Village: *Napakiak/Bethel*

Tid Bit: *Mary likes fishing, hiking, and writing*

Career or Academic Goal: *AK Native Studies, Rural Development and Elementary Education*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Undiscovered*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Undiscovered*



Rhiannon Kokrine

Native Name or Nick Name: *Esturyuuk*

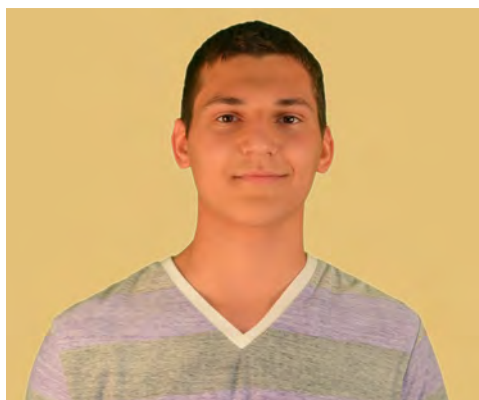
Home Village: *Mountain Village*

Tid Bit: *Rhiannon likes basketball, being with friends and family, and having fun*

Career or Academic Goal: *Nurse or Physical Therapist*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



David Koval

Native Name or Nick Name: *Stripes*

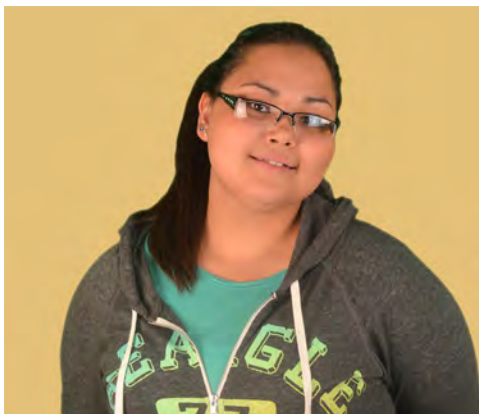
Home Village: *Delta Junction*

Tid Bit: *David likes playing soccer, hanging out with family, and watching TV*

Career or Academic Goal: *Engineering*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Undiscovered*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Undiscovered*



Alaina Kuchenoff

Native Name or Nick Name: *Lanie or CHngatux*

Home Village: *Sand Point*

Tid Bit: *Lanie likes hanging out with friends, taking pictures, and reading*

Career or Academic Goal: *Teaching*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Graduating from college*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Teaching in my hometown*



Jae Lee

Native Name or Nick Name: *Undiscovered*

Home Village: *Dillingham*

Tid Bit: *Jae likes playing games*

Career or Academic Goal: *Chemical Engineer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College with a job and a dog*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working at a firm as a chemical engineer while working for my next degree*



Logan Marshall

Native Name or Nick Name: *Tiny Tim (Murphrey)*

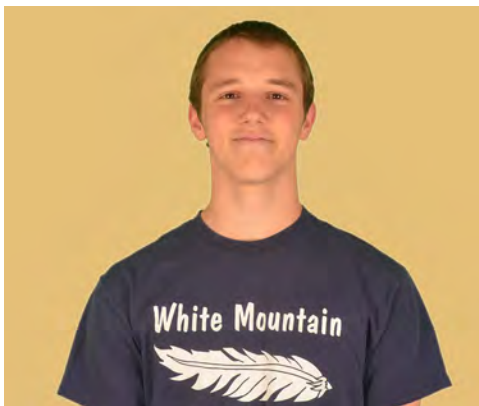
Home Village: *Galena*

Tid Bit: *Logan likes playing music and playing games.*

Career or Academic Goal: *Medical Field.*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Graduating with a medical degree.*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *A Paramedic or working with LifeMed or Medivac*



Isaac McElwee

Native Name or Nick Name: *Undiscovered*

Home Village: *White Mountain*

Tid Bit: *Isaac likes flying, playing music, and singing*

Career or Academic Goal: *Pilot*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Working with Era or small local airline*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working with Alaska Airlines or a medevac airline with a BA in Aviation Science at UAA*



Kate McWilliams

Native Name or Nick Name: *Piamiu*

Home Village: *Bethel*

Tid Bit: *Kate likes running and decorating.*

Career or Academic Goal: *Business Major*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Studying Business!!*

An entrepreneur with a bachelors degree and a dog!

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Going to school and traveling lots!!*



Sabrina Michael

Native Name or Nick Name: *Putukuilnguq/Putukuq*

Home Village: *Kucthluk*

Tid Bit: *Sabrina likes drawing and drinking coffee*

Career or Academic Goal: *Law*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Law School*



Monica Mikes

Native Name or Nick Name: *Moni*

Home Village: *Anchorage*

Tid Bit: *Monica likes reading*

Career or Academic Goal: *Vet and biomedicine*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *At Fort Collins*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working as a vet all over the world*



Chloe Miller

Native Name or Nick Name: *Sqwain*

Home Village: *Ketchikan*

Tid Bit: *Chloe likes drawing, and going on walks*

Career or Academic Goal: *Marine Biology*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College in one of the UA colleges*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Marine Biologist for Fish and Game*



Dacia Mitchell

Native Name or Nick Name: *Chrigatux*

Home Village: *Adak*

Tid Bit: *Dacia likes adventures and meeting new people, and steak*

Career or Academic Goal: *undiscovered*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Traveling the world! Making a difference*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Enjoying myself while building a life I love.*



Jessica Mute

Native Name or Nick Name: *Asian*

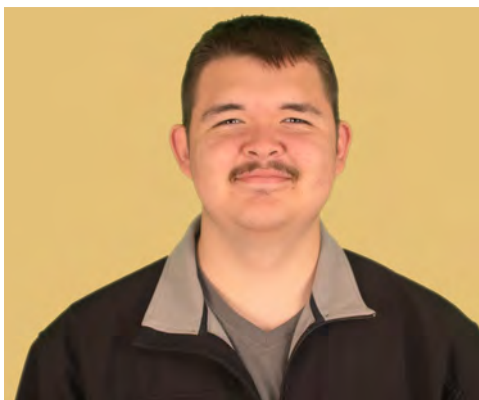
Home Village: *Bethel*

Tid Bit: *Jessica likes basketball and boating*

Career or Academic Goal: *Accountant*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



Dustin Newman

Native Name or Nick Name: *Unigan-x*

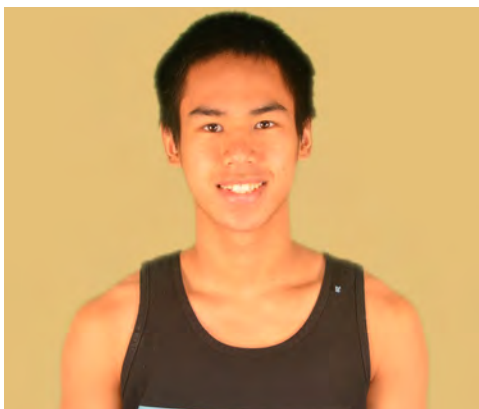
Home Village: *King Cove/Seward*

Tid Bit: *Dustin likes Native languages*

Career or Academic Goal: *Teacher*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Studying at UAA or UAF*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Teaching in his hometown*



Andy Nguyen

Native Name or Nick Name: *Khoa*

Home Village: *Unalaska*

Tid Bit: *Andy likes hoopin*

Career or Academic Goal: *Computer Engineer*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Finshing school*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working*



Emmitt Nicori

Native Name or Nick Name: *Imat'aa*

Home Village: *Kwethluk*

Tid Bit: *Emmitt likes hands on things, flying, and welding*

Career or Academic Goal: *Law enforcement, pilot, and trooper*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Flying for a commercial airline*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Flying Boeing 747s*



John Oulton

Native Name or Nick Name: *Angutenguar, Johnno*

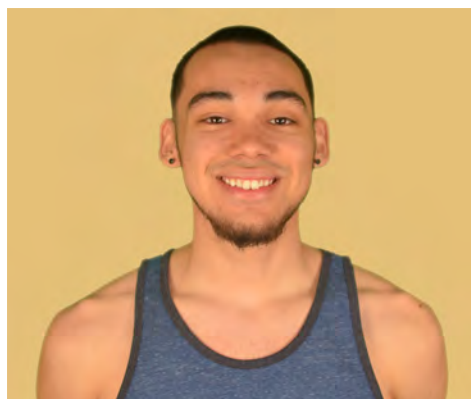
Home Village: *Bethel*

Tid Bit: *Likes biking, wants to get big like this brother*

Career or Academic Goal: *Justice*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *At UAF*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Done with school, having a job in justice*



William Paneak

Native Name or Nick Name: *Nasuayaaq*

Home Village: *Anaktuvuk Pass*

Tid Bit: *William likes making people happy, laughing, & listening to what people have to say*

Career or Academic Goal: *Masters Degree in Business*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Graduated from UAF*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Being a business manager*



Kayla Pavilla

Native Name or Nick Name: *Aan, or AanaJoy*

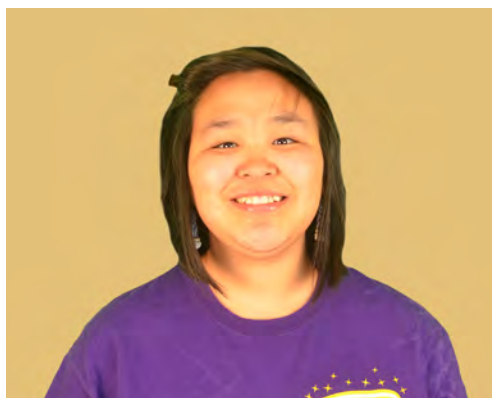
Home Village: *Atmautluak*

Tid Bit: *Kayla likes basketball, volleyball, and poetry*

Career or Academic Goal: *Medical Field*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Planning to study at UAF and other nursing schools*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working in a hospital*



Kimberly Peter

Native Name or Nick Name: *Tamuarlria*

Home Village: *Kipnuk*

Tid Bit: *Kimberly likes working*

Career or Academic Goal: *Teacher*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *My home town*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working as an elementary teacher*



Kanesia Price

Native Name or Nick Name: *Chiiguyaakax*

Home Village: *Unalaska*

Tid Bit: *Kanesia likes playing basketball and volleyball, driving around with friends and traveling*

Career or Academic Goal: *Medicine*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Studying medicine at UAA*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Plan to be working in the medical field and traveling around Alaska working in rural areas*



Linda Rexford

Native Name or Nick Name: *Nayusan*

Home Village: *Fairbanks*

Tid Bit: *Linda likes basketball and playing pool.*

Career or Academic Goal: *Teacher*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Studying medicine at UAF or elsewhere*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Teaching in Alaska*



Melea Roman

Native Name or Nick Name: *Mels*

Home Village: *QuaherTown, PA (Currently in Sitka)*

Tid Bit: *Melea likes watching people play games on You Tube and she can play*

Career or Academic Goal: *Chemical Engineering*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *School (AKA College Yah!)*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *The Starship Enterprise*



Ronin Ruerup

Native Name or Nick Name: *Ro Ro, Tse'na*

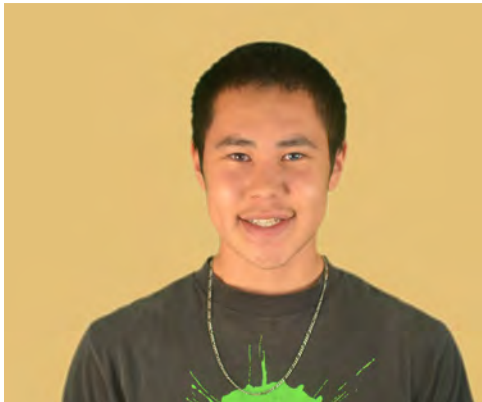
Home Village: *Fairbanks*

Tid Bit: *Ronin likes singing and making people smile.*

Career or Academic Goal: *Rockstar!*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Undiscovered*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Be a Rockstar!*



Isaiah Sage

Native Name or Nick Name: *Qanrinaar*

Home Village: *Mountain Village*

Tid Bit: *Isaiah likes hunting and basketball*

Career or Academic Goal: *Heavy Equipment Operator*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working in carpentry*



Destiny Salmon

Native Name or Nick Name: *Ch'indeeghoo*

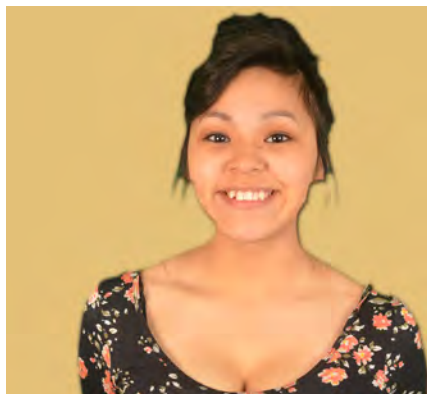
Home Village: *Chalkyitsik*

Tid Bit: *Destiny likes sleeping*

Career or Academic Goal: *Secondary teacher, and tribal management*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Graduated from college*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *In my bed asleep*



Katherine Stein-Booth

Native Name or Nick Name: *Anigniq*

Home Village: *Kotzebue*

Tid Bit: *Katherine likes sleeping, and being with friends, and working*

Career or Academic Goal: *Pastry Chef, or a surgeon*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Traveling the world, maybe with my own store front, or saving lives*



Sherrilyn Teeluk

Native Name or Nick Name: *Nit'cuk*

Home Village: *Kotlik*

Tid Bit: *Sherrilyn likes drawing and playing basketball*

Career or Academic Goal: *Architect*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Training to become an architect; internships, programs, and exams*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Graduating from college*



Kayla Tikiun

Native Name or Nick Name: *Massug*

Home Village: *Bethel*

Tid Bit: *Kayla likes volleyball, free money, shopping, and eating.*

Career or Academic Goal: *Law*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Paralegal studies, in school for law degree*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Working for a law firm*



Kiecel Tungul

Native Name or Nick Name: *ZellyRose*

Home Village: *Unalaska*

Tid Bit: *Kiecel likes basketball and volleyball*

Career or Academic Goal: *Medical Field (Nursing)*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *College*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Alaska*



Kemasuk Tungwenuk

Native Name or Nick Name: *Iyapin*

Home Village: *Nome*

Tid Bit: *Kemasuk likes fiddling with computers*

Career or Academic Goal: *Geography*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Graduated with a bachelors degree*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Graduated with a masters degree*



Alana Ulak

Native Name or Nick Name: *Kumiigan*

Home Village: *Saint Mary's*

Tid Bit: *Alana likes playing sports, eating, and drinking coffee*

Career or Academic Goal: *Undiscovered*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *In my final year of college*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Living in Anchorage*



Leo Unin

Native Name or Nick Name: *Aatang*

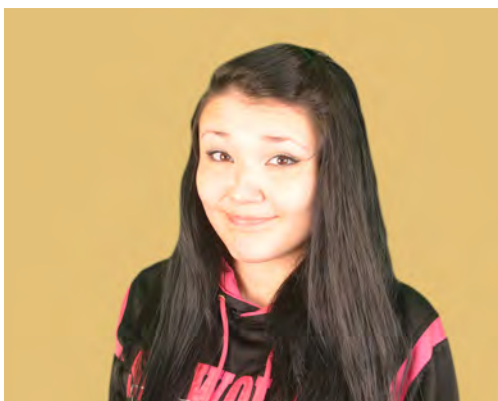
Home Village: *Scammon Bay*

Tid Bit: *Leo likes eating and playing video games*

Career or Academic Goal: *Undiscovered*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Graduating from college*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *In a job*



LaCoda Walker

Native Name or Nick Name: *CodaBear*

Home Village: *Anchorage*

Tid Bit: *LaCoda loves babies and dogs*

Career or Academic Goal: *Physician's Assistant*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *In medical school*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Being a PA or physician*



Lindsey Westlake-Reich

Native Name or Nick Name: *Qapuk*

Home Village: *Kiana*

Tid Bit: *Lindsey likes relaxing at home and Honda riding*

Career or Academic Goal: *Teacher*

Where I'll be in 5 years? *Teaching in my hometown*

Where I'll Be in 10 Years? *Teaching in my hometown*