



MEMBER MOBILIZATION!

Local 959 Shop Steward's travelled from all areas of the state to attend training held in Anchorage at The Coast International Inn, a local union hotel represented by Local 878.

Day 1 ~ The agenda tackled "Member Mobilization".

This was presented by IBT Training Coordinators Kara Deniz, Shawn Ellis and Iliana Flores. The material was full of information on methods to be active in the union. Stewards were given information on how to form committees to work together as a union to build participation, loyalty, and share knowledge of the labor movement. Stewards learned how to activate, engage, and build union membership through communication, education and action. They learned the benefit of members talking to other members through direct contact, and how members can be an example of what it means to be a union member. They also discussed the commonalities amongst each other, and stressed that the union is about all workers, not just the Steward or Business Agent.

Day 2 ~ The stewards were grouped by experience. Four years or less as a steward, they attended a class given by Iliana Flores, IBT Southern Region Training Coordinator, on "Roles and Responsibilities of Shop Stewards". They covered grievance preparation, insubordination, and how to conduct effective meetings. Four years or more they attended a class by Shawn Ellis, IBT Central Region Training Coordinator, on "The Collective Bargaining Process". They discussed labor contract negotiation, contract interpretation and application of a union contract. Weingarten Rights were also reviewed.

Your Weingarten Rights Statement is, "I request Union representation." If you are called to a meeting with management, state the following: "If my responses to your questions could lead to my being disciplined or terminated, or adversely affect my personal working conditions, I respectfully request that you summon my union representative. Until my representative arrives, I choose not to answer any questions." This statement could save your job!

A message from Secretary-Treasurer Rick Boyles



A Busy Summer for 959!

It's been a busy summer for Local 959. Training, Organizing, and Negotiations kept the staff and members very busy this summer. In June, Shop Stewards from around the state, along with 959 Business Representatives, participated in member mobilization, grievance, and arbitration training conducted by the IBT training department from Washington D.C.

Our Local also conducted five organizing campaigns in Ketchikan, Anchorage, Kodiak, and Fairbanks. We were successful in three out of the five, and will begin negotiations soon!

The staff of the Local and Trust offices were also busy with annual and tri-annual required audits that were conducted by the IBT and DOL.

Remodeling of the Anchorage Membership meeting room was also completed with a new storage area and conference room added.

Even with all the above going on, volunteers from the staff and membership managed to pull off another great JLC Teamster Charity Golf Tournament. The tournament raised nearly \$30,000 for Alaska charities around the state.

Monthly Membership meetings resume in September and I look forward to seeing you all at the meetings.

I hope you've all had a great summer!



959 Pension Plan has a 12% investment return for the plan year ending June 30, 2017. Our Local's Pension Plan had a very good year for return on investments. Our assumed rate of return on investments was 7% and the Plan has averaged over 8% since the plan changes adopted by the Board of Trustees in 2011.
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Remember to inform the dues office of any changes in your information, such as address, phone numbers, e-mail address, or beneficiary, so we may keep our records updated. This will ensure that you receive union correspondence and your newsletter.

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Lynden Transport Drivers Show Off Skills by Rick Canoy

Both sun and good fortune shined on our Teamster Brothers at Lynden Transport during the 18th Annual Alaska Trucking Association Truck Driving Championships on June 3rd. The annual competition brought out the most skilled freight industry drivers Alaska has to offer. Lynden Transport drivers, represented by Local 959, showed up and did not disappoint as they demonstrated their skills behind the wheel. Competition was stiff, and each driver had to be on their game in order to beat their competitors in each of the eight divisions. Lynden Transport drivers placed in five divisions with one driver, Jack Sorensen, bringing home the gold by placing 1st in the Tanker Division. The results achieved by the Lynden Transport drivers are as follows:

Tanker Division

1st Place Jack Sorensen

5-Axle Division

2nd Place Doug Longerbone

11th Place Greg Sims

Flat Bed Division

3rd Place Randy Estrada

6th Place Clayton Bonty

3-Axle Division

5th Place Ray Sorensen

4-Axle Division

5th Place Tanner Heisler



Northern Air Cargo & Aloha Air Cargo Merger

by Rick Canoy

Officials of Northern Air Cargo gave notice to the IBT and Local 959 of their intent to merge flight operations at Aloha Air Cargo (AAC), Honolulu, Hawaii, with Northern Air Cargo (NAC) in Anchorage, Alaska, on June 11, 2017. The Company conducted several town hall style meetings on June 14 and 15. It was during those meetings the Company explained their intent to amalgamate the Flight Crew Member groups of both NAC and AAC, into one operation under NAC's Operations headquartered in Anchorage, Alaska. Upon receiving this information, the IBT Airline Division gave notice to both IBT Locals 986, and 959, of the breaking development. The bargaining unit at AAC is currently represented by Local 986 in Los Angeles, CA., while the bargaining unit at NAC is currently represented by Local 959, in Anchorage, AK. Given the fact both airlines have been involved in Section 6 Contract Negotiations simultaneously, the parties will now begin Joint Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations under the watchful eye of the National Mediation Board in Washington, D.C.



Since the merger of the two flight operations has been announced, Local 959 Business Representative, Mr. Rick Canoy has been working closely with IBT Airline Division Representative, Mr. Scott Hegland, to execute and comply with the Airline Division's Merger Policy. The first order of business was selecting members of the Seniority List Integration Committee from the members of the NAC flight crew. IBT Local 986 worked with AAC Executive Committee Chairman, Capt. Dave Dias to select the AAC SLI committee members as well. Once that committee was established, they were introduced to Capt. Rick Dubinsky, IBT Airline Representative who has been appointed by Airline Division Director, Capt. David Bourne, as the IBT's NAC/AAC Merger Policy Administrator. Once the SLI Committee has completed their task of merging the seniority lists from both NAC and AAC flight crew members, they will submit their work product to the Airline Division for review.



The parties entered into Joint Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations for the two groups on August 8, 2017, in Chicago, IL.

Apprenticeship Update By Director, John Lovdahl

In February, the Training Trust recruited for the Surveyor Assistant Apprenticeship. Interviews were conducted in Fairbanks on March 31 and two individuals were selected, Amy Helkenn from Copper Center and Jordan Shaffer from Fairbanks. This year, the initial training was conducted for the first time in Fairbanks. Using our shop and the Fairbanks Pipeline Training facility helped simulate a real world job site environment to better prepare the apprentices for the work they will be doing.

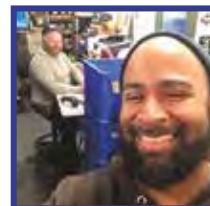
This facility has student housing that helped keep the costs down for the apprentices, which is always a concern because apprentices are unpaid while in training. Amy and Jordan have been dispatched to Merrick and are on their way to becoming part of the journeymen ranks; congratulations!

April marked the start of the application opening period for the Construction Driver Apprenticeship program. Interviews were conducted on June 16 and eight individuals were selected. Their training began August 22 in Anchorage, and will conclude in November.

For the last few years we have conducted a two-week Women

Construction Driver apprenticeship readiness training. In that time, participants are required to obtain their CDL A permit and gain driving and backing skills with a final backing skills test. This apprenticeship readiness training is offered just prior to the Construction Driver interviews and the successful women are also interviewed for the program. This year was our most successful session with three women being selected for the Construction Driver Apprenticeship program. The training session costs were paid by a grant from Alaska Works Partnership in partnership with State of Alaska Department of Transportation. Alaska Works performed all of the recruiting for the program and we received the most applications to date. We look forward to working with Alaska Works again next year for this program.

In January, the JATC selected Singinn Lawson for our Logistics Technician Apprenticeship program. His military experience and skills made him the perfect candidate and he was dispatched to Houston Contracting Co. in the Valdez Tool Room. This is the first time an apprentice has ever been placed in this area!

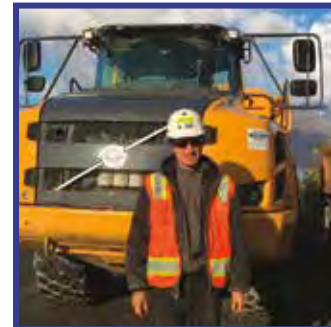


Success!

This year we have seen a number of apprentices successfully reach journeyman!

Kevin Whitworth & Patrick Long, Survey Apprentice to APC's.

Greg Scott, Cooper Hinman, Gabe Gatto & Aleksey Gorlov all became journeyman Construction Drivers.



Business Rep., Joe Rintala and Apprenticeship Coordinator, Cheri Lipps traveled to Valdez this summer and stopped into the VMT to welcome the new crew for the season. This year's crew was primarily journeyed and current apprentices.

Left to Right: Shawn Shilliam, Aaron Rathbone, John Spelta, Cheri, Craig DeWaele, Joe and GF, Mark Lyle!

Photo at Right: Cheri Lipps and Foa Laolagi



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YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THE FOLLOWING FAIRS:

MAT-SU VALLEY	September 23, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Mat-Su Regional Medical Center, 2500 S. Woodworth Loop- Palmer
FAIRBANKS	September 23-24, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Carlson Center, 2010 Second Ave
ANCHORAGE	October 7-8, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. October 14-15, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Ted Stevens Int'l Airport- North Terminal 5000 W. International Airport Road
SOLDOTNA	October 21, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Central Peninsula Hospital 250 Hospital Place
ANCHORAGE	November 4-5, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Ted Stevens Int'l Airport- North Terminal 5000 W. International Airport Road

Pre-registration for lab tests and flu shots open on August 14 at www.coalitionhealthfair.org. Or call the Trust office at 751-9700 to pre-register. Pre-registration closes Sunday before the fair.

Welcome Aboard



Irma Y. Baez-Cantero started working for the Teamster Trust Office as a receptionist in June 2017. Irma has 14 years of customer service experience in different areas such as restaurants, retail, call centers and a medical clinic. She began her customer service career at age 15 working part time while going to school. In 2009 she and her husband left Alaska for Colorado where she took a job as a technical support agent assisting the community with the analog to digital TV transition.

Irma and her family moved back to Alaska last summer after being in Colorado for 7 years. They missed the Alaska life and are happy to be back.

Irma enjoys working with people, learning new things and being efficient. In her free time, she enjoys spending time in the outdoors with her family and their dog Diego.

"I am very happy to be part of this great team. I have been learning a lot and getting ready for our busy season."



Ryan Robertson began working as IT/Network Support in February 2017. He was born in Kotzebue, Alaska, and was raised in Anchorage. His knack for taking things apart and putting them back together, along with 10+ years of customer service, led him to the IT field. He's an aspiring musician that plays guitar, bass, drums and piano. Ryan also loves to cook, specializing in Tex-Mex foods.

Ryan also recently became engaged to Esther, over Memorial Day. During this holiday weekend trip to Homer, Ryan cleverly surprised her with the ring he concealed in an oyster shell. Of course she said YES!

"I'm looking forward to getting married, fixing up our condo and buying our own house."

Negotiation Updates

Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Transit and Solid Waste contract negotiations wrapped up in April. The proposed contract was presented to our members for a ratification vote. Voting was held on April 22, 24, 25 and 26 and concluded with 20 yes votes and 3 no votes.

The contract then had to go to the Assembly for their vote, which also includes public testimony. Voting was on June 20 and passed by a vote of 10-1. With Assembly approval the contract was officially in effect on June 21, 2017.

The union negotiated a 1.5% pay increase for employees in each year of the contract plus a \$400 bonus. The overtime language was fixed to give overtime to the Solid Waste members anytime they worked outside of their regular scheduled shift. The union introduced a proposal that included the Teamster Health and Welfare benefits but was met with resistance from both the MOA and some members of the bargaining unit, it was decided to keep the MOA benefits with a monthly rate increase to \$1,927, with adjustments in the 2nd and 3rd year. ~Tim Morgan



Anchorage School District Warehouse/Maintenance

Teamsters Local 959 and the Anchorage School District began negotiations on a successor agreement on May 26, 2017. The Union presented an initial proposal to the Anchorage School District after sending out surveys and having multiple Contract Proposal Meetings.

The initial proposal, which can be viewed on the District's website, contained proposals arrived at based on the surveys and meetings.

After multiple negotiation sessions, we have tentatively agreed to most of the articles that do not deal with economics. We will be discussing economics almost exclusively from this point on.

We met with the District again on August 2 and 3 to discuss wages, health insurance, holidays, and leave time.

Members will be informed when we have a tentative agreement to bring forth for consideration by the membership. If we don't reach an agreement, we will be coming to the members to discuss how we proceed. ~Dale Miller



Northern Air Cargo Contract Negotiations Stall

After twenty-one months of Section 6 negotiation under the Railway Labor Act with Northern Air Cargo (NAC), the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT) Airline Division Director, Capt. David Bourne, filed a request for mediation with the National Mediation Board in Washington D.C., on May 26, 2017. Contract negotiations had reached impasse earlier that month as the parties failed to reach a tentative agreement on several outstanding issues. These including an acceptable pay scale for the Boeing 767 aircraft and Northern Air Cargo announcement to the Union its intention to acquire and place these into service later this year.

IBT Airline Representative, Mr. Scott Hegland, led the NAC negotiations committee throughout the course of the negotiations process with very good progress through the first quarter of 2017. The majority of the new collective bargaining agreement has been tentatively agreed to. However, with the Company's recent announcement of acquiring and placing into service the B767 for wide body air lift operations and new bases to be established to support that operation, the Union's negotiations committee were faced with several new considerations. The parties met in Chicago, IL, August 8-11, 2017, to begin the mediation process. The parties have selected additional negotiation/mediation dates into the month of November of this year in an effort to reach a deal on a new CBA. ~Rick Canoy

Fairbanks Concrete Redi-Mix

In February and June of 2017, one year collective bargaining agreements were ratified by our membership at FS&G Redi-Mix, H.C Redi-Mix, and University Redi-Mix. The negotiation processes went very smoothly, and we secured a 4% total package increase. The increases went to wages, Health and Welfare, and Pension.

Healy First Student

Recently, First Student Bus Drivers in Healy organized and we are working on their very first Teamster contract. In our last round of negotiations, we worked through the non-economic reaching numerous tentatively agreed articles. With some of the major non-economic items left on the table, we moved in to the economic articles and working many different proposals and ideas, we are confident we will be able to reach an agreement the next time we meet with the company at the table.

Apple Bus Company (ABC) Kenai

Recently, Apple Bus Company was awarded the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Busing Contract. After numerous meetings, teleconferences, and emails with the Company we sat down for negotiations on July 18 and 19, 2017. We made some head way with the negotiation process, but still have a ways to go. We are scheduled to meet again in September.

~Jeremy Holan

Legislative Update by Barbara Huff Tuckness

After three special sessions, very tough decisions, and huge economic issues still looming the Legislators adjourned Sine Die on July 27, 2017. This session end does not move our state forward economically or provide Capital funds needed for construction projects.

With a credit rating as low as that of Arkansas, state savings are quickly disappearing, public safety and education have been defunded, and our Capital Budget is the smallest ever. NOT anytime soon will there be an oil/gas price increase. Another year of deadlock will not attract investment or provide fiscal stability.

That being said, there were a few positive pieces that did pass and were signed into law by the Governor. Those bills included:

SB34/HB 74 Real ID - In first special session HB 16 was passed by both House and Senate. This bill incorporated HB 74 Real ID bill with HB 16 training of police officers regarding treatment of people with disabilities. The Real ID bill allows the state to create a Real ID so many workers statewide would not be required to get a passport for access to military bases, airplane travel etc. **Without the support and testimony by staff and members this bill would not have passed.**

HB 111 Oil/Gas Tax credits - This bill reduced the oil/gas tax incentive credits. When the price of oil was high the state was able to incentivize exploration and drilling. The House and Senate were able to reach a compromise that protected the state from liabilities without destroying the oil/gas industry in the process.

HB 23 - Provides payment of medical insurance premiums to the surviving dependents of Police and Fireman who have been killed in the line of duty. **A thank you to our Wasilla Police Department Officers who testified and wrote letters of support.**

HB 57 - Operating budget passed in the second special session, but not without significant cuts. Public Safety and Education amongst others took another hit. Without some sort of long term budget plan we will continue to see these kinds of cuts.

Capital budget finally passed during the third special session and signed into law with a June 30, 2017 effective date. It included funding for the Public Transportation Matching Grant. The Municipality could see about \$900,000 in additional funding. It has been predicted that the expansion of the People Mover Service would mean about 20-25 full-time Teamster drivers. It also included fund-

ing for some of the oil/gas tax credit incentives and matching funds that will provide millions of Federal dollars for road projects statewide.

HB 141 - Alaska Workforce Investment Board allocations of funding. This bill funds various technical schools statewide, including some funding going to the Fairbanks Pipeline Training Center.

We have several bad bills still sitting in committee that we will be working against next session. Thus far the list includes:

SB 96 - Introduced by the Senate Education Committee proposes to limit school bus inspections from twice a year to once a year. It also removes the double minimum wage requirement for School Bus Drivers. Currently, many school districts struggle with driver shortages, even with the double minimum wage. These are tough jobs (one driver to 60 kids on a bus), they average six (6) hours a day and work split shifts, so it is hard to get a second job.

SB 112 - Workers Compensation Reform bill would effectively return Workers Compensation laws back to the old company days. The bill: (1) Limits benefits to injured workers; (2) Raises the bar for injured workers to obtain benefits; (3) Modifies the hearing process; and (4) Restricts how medical care is provided to injured workers. Workers Compensation laws were put into place to deliver benefits to injured workers at a reasonable cost to the Employer. Injured workers do not have a right to sue their employer when they are injured on the job. Their only recourse is through the Workers Compensation laws. This is a bad bill and injured workers should not be treated in this matter.

Federal Level.

We have a few issues on the Federal level as well. Those include but not limited to:

Affordable Care Act - We've been working with our congressional delegation to be sure they clearly understand our concerns. While taxes on insurers, corporations and the wealthy were removed, the Cadillac Tax on labor union plans was simply pushed back. That is not acceptable. We also represent members at several hospitals in our state. The phase out of Medicaid expansion could cost over \$20 million dollars. We will continue to work with our delegation as the issue moves. Please THANK Senator Murkowski for standing up and protecting Alaska and all Alaskans.

Additionally, there is Pension Reform, FAA Reauthorization (Railroad funding), Gasoline tax increase, Right To Work (for less), ANWR and NAFTA legislation. We will keep you posted as things change.



Alaska Labor Independent Voter Education

As a union, we need to support pro-labor candidates! For complete information on the ALIVE campaign go to the link on our website. Only 1,000 tickets are sold at \$100 per ticket. You can purchase tickets individually or get a group together and split the winnings! You do not need to be present to win. Purchase tickets from any Local 959 employee.

\$25,000 First Prize Plus many other cash prizes!

Join us at the Anchorage Teamsters Hall at 520 E 34th Avenue. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. You can also like our Facebook page for a live video feed during the drawing.

**Drawing held October 26, 2017
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

ALIVE

Shop Steward Spotlight: Jimmy “B” Retires By Gary Dixon

James Brett, otherwise known as “Jimmy B”, is a man that wears his emotions on his sleeve, and the filter off on his comments when he speaks to you. If you want to know where you stand with him or what his opinion is, you won't necessarily have to ask him; he will tell you before you can ask. He's old school, in your face and to the point, blunt. All of this has helped him and hurt him over his two careers. Whether it was when he was a highly regarded hockey referee or a Teamster Shop Steward, you knew Jimmy B was there. He wanted his presences to be known, always.

When he was just a kid, RCA offered Jimmy's dad a job as a Heavy Duty Cable Splicer here in Alaska. Soon the Brett family moved to Anchorage from North Minneapolis. Hockey was what you did in Minnesota and when Jimmy came to Anchorage, he went down to the 10th and E ice rink and saw a team practicing and decided to check out the talent on the ice. He was met by the coach, Dempsey Anderson, and there he started his hockey career. Along with his brother Billy, who is a Longshoreman down at the Port of Anchorage, Jimmy grew up playing hockey in Anchorage as a goalie, and that might explain things as you read the rest of this article.

In May of 1970, Jimmy signed up to be a member of Local 959 at the old hall on 5th Avenue. It only took a few years, and Jimmy became a Shop Steward on construction jobs for Local 959. He worked for companies like Associated Green, Alaska International, Parsons Constructors, Norcon, Houston Contracting, and H.C. Price to name a few. His tenacity towards keeping the jurisdiction and representing the members of Local 959 on the job site, were his priorities.

During the mid-1980's and into the early 1990's, Jimmy took a break from being a construction worker and focused on his other passion, being a hockey referee. He had been refereeing throughout the years locally and a little beyond. And like being a shop steward, he was good at it. So good, that he ended up refereeing the World Junior Championship tournament and the championship game. The tournament was in Anchorage in 1989 at Sullivan Arena. Jimmy was center stage with the best young hockey players in the world. Players like

Jeremy Roenick, Mike Modano, Tony Amonte, Pavel Bure, Alexander Mogilny and Sergei Federov, just to name a few of these future NHL all stars. If you know anything about hockey, those names are very familiar. So you would think they would stand out above everyone else and they did, but what they learned was there was a referee that was as good in his duties on the ice as they were in theirs. Jimmy commanded the respect from these players, just like in Prudhoe with the construction company Superintendents. The players tried to get away with stuff and test Jimmy, but to no avail. Into the penalty box they'd go, only to hear Jimmy chirp at them “I can do this all day partner, it's your choice”. I know many Superintendents in Prudhoe heard the same line also. Word had spread around the Lower 48 about Jimmy, and now the NHL started to pay attention. In short, he got a chance to interview with the Head of the Refereeing Association for the NHL. The interview didn't go well and the filter came off. He and the rest of the officials in that room knew he was good enough but Jimmy wasn't chosen and he came back to Anchorage, and he came back to the Teamsters. He worked for Norcon, Houston Contracting, and Price Gregory for the rest of his career, where he has mentored younger Teamster members for years.

You see, being a Shop Steward and being a hockey ref are a lot alike. Both are refereeing all the time.

**Thank you Jimmy for your
dedication to the membership of
Local 959!**



2017 TNBC Conference By Yolandous Williams

Vancouver, Canada was the site of the 42nd Annual Teamsters National Black Caucus, which is in the region of the Pacific Northwest Teamsters National Black Caucus (TNBC). The weather was outstanding and the topic of the Conference was, “Empowerment through Education is the Bridge to the Future”.

Three Local 959 members from UPS were selected to attend the conference, Dave Nichols, Local 959 Shop Steward, Vesta Spencer, Local 959 Member, and Yolandous Williams, Local 959 Shop Steward and Local 959 Executive Board Trustee, each are also members of the Pacific Northwest TNBC. There were over 350 Teamster Brothers and Sisters in attendance from all over the United States and Canada.

The International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT) Training Department provided classes in Labor Law, FMLA, Communication, Discrimination in the Workplace, EEOC, and other Leadership training. The TNBC National Chairwoman, Ferline Buie, spoke on the need to be more

involved in the Labor movement with our time and talent. The IBT Drive spokesperson encouraged members to give to the Drive Program locally and nationally because it is very important in these days to support political candidates who support Labor.

The members that attended would like to thank Local 959 for allowing us to learn and grow in the Labor movement through this Conference as Pacific Northwest TBNC members.

If you are interested in joining TNBC go to
<https://teamster.org/content/national-black-caucus>



Secretary-Treasurer, Rick Boyles announces the Larry K. West Shop Steward Award

Earlier this year Local 959 suffered a great loss with the passing of long-time member and Shop Steward, Larry Kenneth West. Larry joined our Local in 1971 and served the membership in many ways. He served on many committees and as Shop Steward at RCA Alascom and AT&T for decades. Larry never missed a Union meeting and always kept his coworkers informed and well represented. So it was with great distinction that we created the Larry Kenneth West, Shop Steward of the Year Award in remembrance, and to commemorate our Stewards around the State.



Larry West



First Recipient of the Shop Steward Award

By Barbara Huff Tuckness

Pam Moore became a member of Teamsters Local 959 in June 1974 and retired March 2017. Over the years she was known for her hard work and dedication, not only as a Teamster, but also as a Port employee. During her tenure, she learned the value of Teamster contracts and during her later years helped negotiate them. Pam understood the importance of a compensation package reflective of the employees work. Good wages, health benefits, work rule protections, paid holidays, PTO, safety protections, and a pension are all important for the employees at the Port. As a Teamster, Pam believed everyone should take pride in their work on the job and strive to build a team so that folks work together to get the job done. She also enjoyed her time off. She is very dedicated to her family and friends outside of work. Her eye was always on the ball, knowing at the end of the day she would retire.

Pam started her career at the Port of Anchorage with Sealand in June 1974. She continued her employment when Horizon (and then eventually Matson) purchased the company. Pam became the Shop Steward for the Office CBA in June of 2005 and served in that role until her retirement.

Pam was protective of Teamster work at the Port and never hesitated to step in when something wasn't right or might have reflected poorly on a fellow Teamster, or put the company in a negative light. Pam was respected by not only fellow Teamsters but management as well. It was in her nature to address the company regarding decisions that involved a violation of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, or a bad policy. She was masterful at keeping the Union Business Representative in the loop and in seeking approval so everyone assumed responsibility, no matter how controversial the issue.

A few words that describe Pam: PROUD Teamster, smart, honest, straight shooter, hard worker, fair, protective, effective communicator, high expectations, thinker, trustworthy, honorable, direct, sincere, reliable, moral, authentic, truthful, rock, pillar, and doer, to list a few. It was a great pleasure working with her over the years. She was a skilled shop steward, hard worker and someone I call a friend. Pam received the first (and well deserved) TEAMSTER SHOP STEWARD OF THE YEAR AWARD.



Thank you, Pam, for your service, and for being an exemplary Teamster!

Welcome Shawnna!

Shawnna joined the 959 Dues department in February 2017. We were excited to welcome her aboard as she hails from a family with Alaskan union roots, which allowed her to experience first hand how working union jobs creates stability for a family. Along with this background, her extensive skills in customer service, and her vibrant and energetic personality, Shawnna has been a good fit to assist our members in this prestigious position.

Calvin and Sharon Bragg, Shawnna's parents, both spent most of their working years at K&L Distributors. After many years at K&L, Shawnna's mom left to take a job on the slope, making her one of the first woman construction drivers on the North Slope. How is that for some history!

Shawnna and her husband share their home with their pack of dogs, that range from a young boxer to little mixes. Her and her husband enjoy camping and when they are away from home, watching their dogs get into mischief via their wifi camera.

She thrives to keep a positive attitude and an overall good vibe going in the office with her co-workers. We are happy she joined our team!



Teamsters JLC Charity

The 42nd Annual Teamsters JLC Charity was yet another success and two great local organizations were recipients of this year's donations.



The Blood Bank of Alaska received a \$4,000 donation which purchased two new blood donation chairs; one in Fairbanks and one in Anchorage.



Facing Foster Care in Alaska received a \$2,000 donation. The funds will support the existing program structure to help foster youth develop life skills, connect with their peers, and develop their skills in story sharing to promote change. In attendance to accept the donation were three teens active in the foster care program along with FFCA Board Member Amanda Metivier, and 959 Dues Assistant, Katie Steiner.



Teamsters on “The Rock” By Jace Digel

One of the most union dense areas in the state of Alaska is the Island of Kodiak. With over 400 teamsters on island, it has been a place of solidarity and relationships that are hard to find in today's climate. The Teamsters of Kodiak have all the qualities that we as union members try to preach, all for one and one for all.

Many of the people on the island are directly or indirectly involved with the Teamsters. The Alaska Medical Employees Association (AMEA) is a Teamster affiliate agreement that represents hundreds of employees at the Providence Kodiak Island Medical Center. With Board members Alison Horn, Dianne Ibarra, Genevieve Cook, and Heather Crivello representing over 60 job classifications.

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) base is supported by over 100 Teamsters fulfilling the maintenance for the USCG. There have been many contractors who have been awarded this Service Contract, but it is the Teamsters that are the mainstay for that community. Shop Stewards Norman Blair, Bruce Beehler, Robert Blair, and John Isadore are currently supporting their fellow Teamsters on base. Also on base is the Commissary group who are stocking and supplying for the USCG.



KSS Stewards
Bruce Beehler, Norman Blair, and John Isadore

There are 15 Hostler drivers and 8 mechanics, oilers, and parts men on the Port of Kodiak. One of the only deep water ports in Alaska, it serves as a trade lane between Tacoma, Anchorage, Dutch Harbor, and Kodiak. These employees are the spokes in the wheel for Kodiak to make sure imports and exports and getting in and out. Long time Teamsters, and Shop Stewards Sid Pruitt Jr., and Dave Spellman represent the hard working Teamsters on the Port of Kodiak.

Brechan Construction has been a long time Teamster contract. Our members are driving trucks and operating the batch plant. They're responsible for new roads and runways. Many of the local projects

are being manned by our Teamsters for Brechan Construction.

The packages being delivered in Kodiak by our Teamster UPS drivers are always a welcome sight. They can't be missed on the road in the brown delivery vans. The most senior driver, Roy Chavarria, has been working there for more than 10 years.



Sid Pruitt, Jr., Matson Shop Steward,
Member since 1988

While these industries have been a main stay for the island of Kodiak we have new members on the horizon. In 2016, Teamsters Local 959 successfully campaigned for the City of Kodiak employees to opt back into the Public Employees Relations Act (PERA) giving them the right to organize and join a union. The success of that campaign was only possible because of the ties the Teamster members have with their community in Kodiak.

The Teamster office is located off Mill Bay Road and is manned by the Area Shop Steward, Mike Donovan. Donovan, a former shop steward on base also served in the USCG, was a respected crab fisherman, and served on the voluntary fire department. Donovan is the face of the Teamsters in Kodiak and his resume proves him to be a respected Teamster and citizen on Island.

The Teamsters are proud to represent so many members on the Island of Kodiak. If you are lucky enough to visit the island and embrace spectacular views, fishing history, and the wildlife, remember that many of the local people you are running into are proud Teamsters.



Mike Donovan, Kodiak Area
Steward, Member since 1990

Homer Member Recognized

In December 2016, South Peninsula Hospital nurse Rebecca Lundqvist not only became one of the proud retirees of Local 959 but was also bestowed the Melissa Ann Peters Memorial Award from the Governor's Alaska Council on Emergency Medical Services, in recognition of her lifelong commitment to the nursing profession, for championing trauma care, and for her service across Alaska as a flight nurse, dynamic educator, and humanitarian.

During her time with 959 and SPH, Rebecca has served as a Shop Steward and part of the Negotiating team where her incredible “bed-side manor” always brought people together. Congratulations Rebecca on your award and retirement!



Retiree News By Mark Johnson

The 2017 Retiree Reunion was another success because of the wonderful volunteers who help the Retiree Committee. A special thanks to Sharon Weeks, who at the last minute made the Retiree Quilt, and to Gene Craig, Nancy Starn, and Skip Weeks who are always there to help.

Over 60 Alaska Teamster Retirees met at the Fremont Hotel & Casino in old Las Vegas for three days of meetings and fun. We started with a new and more efficient way to register our guests that eliminated waiting lines. We also required all registrants to sign our retiree banner as a memento to the event. On Monday evening, February 27 we held our Welcome Reception. There were lots of hors d'oeuvres, adult refreshments and conversation.

Tuesday morning we held our Business Brunch and discussed the future format of reunions. There was a presentation by Affordable Dental and a discussion about their retiree special rates. Then Secretary-Treasurer Rick Boyles gave an in-depth presentation about local union activities and reported on our pension plans status and strategies.

Tuesday afternoon, 35 retirees took a very interesting guided tour of the Mob Museum. The Teamsters had a prominent place in the museum by explaining how Teamster pension funds loaned money to build many of the casinos in Las Vegas. Several retirees were arrested and put in the "lineup". The most heinous criminals were Mark Johnson, Dick Reinke, Bill Gates, Bette and Ken Carlton.



Tuesday evening, Mark and Bertha Johnson held a Hospitality Suite in their hotel room. The hotel rooms were small but we managed to pack about 40 or more into the little room for snacks and other refreshments.



114 feet above Fremont Street and runs all the way down through the Fremont Street Experience canopy (1,700 feet). Karen Elfering got stuck on the zip line because she didn't have enough weight to take her to the end. We did recover her however.

That evening, we held our Banquet with a wonderful plated dinner, and of course, adult beverages. We concluded the reunion with our Retiree Quilt Raffle Drawing, won this year by Gary Currington and Christine Case. The unsigned banner was auctioned off and we received a very nice contribution from Jim Reese. We said our goodbyes and most everyone left the next day.



It was decided that since the last Alaska reunion was in 2007, the 2018 reunion will be held in Alaska. No formal plans have been made, but it will be in the summer of next year somewhere in Alaska.

Unfortunately we had to cancel our summer day trip because not enough retirees applied to make it cost effective. It was decided to focus on the

2018 reunion and consider a day trip as part of those events.

Our next social event is December 13, 2017 in the Bennie Rule room for the Christmas Luncheon.



Retired

August 2016

Richard Thomas Doyon Associated

September 2016

Curtis Wilcox Red Samm Construction

October 2016

Ferdinand Viniegra Piquini Management

Roger Medina Safeway

Sean McEvoy Houston Contracting

Ronald Eckley University Redi Mix

Ronald Yatlin Nanuq Inc

Priscilla Sims Doyon/Aramark Denali

Robert Johnson Bell/Tikigaq

Kenneth Harlan Doyon/Aramark Denali

George Huffman Black Gold Express

November 2016

Francis Richmond Miller Construction

Jay Priest Price Gregory

Barbara Peterson Elmendorf Support Svs

Michael Brooks Wilder Construction

Gregory Thomas Exclusive Paving

Lynn Mangis TOTE Maritime Alaska

December 2016

George Shelton Anchorage Sand & Gravel

Peter Kalamarides Houston Contracting

Michael Rainwater Ahtna Construction

Michael Burzinski Nanuq, Inc.

Ronald Babb Inuit Services

Roy Willis Miller Construction

Michael McKinley Big M Corporation

Janice Joseph Brice Environmental

Omer White Aggpro

Michael Grant Anchorage School District

January 2017

Henry Bullecer Matson Navigation Co

David Goodwin Houston Contracting

Cosme Nido E&S Diversified

Michael Fink Sourdough Fuel

Marvin Bish Sea Star Stevedore

Dennis White

ATESC

Virginia Nicely

Anchorage School District

Don McVeigh

Nanuq Inc

Gary Penker

Alaska Frontier Const.

Ronald Painter

United Parcel Service

February 2017

Carmen Eckert

Brice Inc

Keith Fitzsimonds

ITT Federal Services

Paul Hanson

AT&T Alaska

Jesse Ray

Matson Navigation Co

David Elliott

Safeway

Joseph Milliken

Usibelli Coal Mine

Lois Berry

Doyon/Aramark Denali

William Berry

Doyon/Aramark Denali

Ruth Loyer

Price Gregory

March 2017

Candice Havard

Alaska Beverage Co

Robert Routzahn

Kodiak Support Services

Rebecca Mahaney

TOTE Maritime Alaska

Lauren Pennington

AT&T Alaska

Mark Wetzel

Safeway

Tom Powers

Price Gregory

William Thompson

Anchorage Sand & Gravel

Richard Barber

Longshore

Hermogenes Latonio Alutiiq Management

April 2017

Erik Thede

United Parcel Service

Stephen Kibbee

Houston Contracting

Paul Jewell

Longshore

Kelly Merritt

Georgia Film Fund Five

Philip Yurtz

RL Trucking

Eddie Williams

Safeway

Lester J. Smith

AIC LLC

Edward Metro

Longshore

Pamela Moore-Binek Matson Navigation Co

Linda Franklin

Doyon/Aramark Denali

Diane Dawson

Exclusive Paving

Michael Davis

AT&T Alaska

May 2017

Michael Peterson Colaska dba Secon/Aggpro
Norbert Strandberg Nanuq

Alan Stonefield Chugach Federal Solutions

Donald DeArmoun Chugach Federal Solutions

Patti Haske Price Gregory

John McComiskey AT&T Alaska

Roger Watney Norcon

David Burkhart United Parcel Service

Peter Hrycenko Nanuq

Richard Speed Inuit Services

John Lewis Miller Construction

Toby Evers AIC LLC

June 2017

Kevin Norton Anchorage Sand & Gravel

Judith Cavan World Technical Services

Gregory Thomas CB&I Federal Services

Mark Hordemann United Parcel Service

Debra McCoy United Parcel Service

July 2017

Gregory Halverson Alaska Frontier Const.

Andrew Lojo Nanuq

Gregory Zumbahl Usibelli Coal Mine

Gary Darrah Kodiak Support Services

Judith Hadley AT&T Alaska

Leland Tims Matson Navigation Co

Daniel Breault Arctec Alaska

Roy Turner Ahtna Construction

Michael Forzley HC Redi Mix

Robert Sedlacek Matson Navigation Co

August 2017

Debra Morgan Paratransit



Milestones

Congratulations to the following individuals who have achieved 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 and 60 years of continuous dues-paying membership in Local 959.

October 2016

Robert Lewis 35 years

Vicky Hagberg 35 years

Kenneth Soldin 40 years

Jana Barlow 40 years

Ellynda Giles 40 years

November 2016

Frank Bruner 35 years

December 2016

James Moore 40 years

January 2017

Carole Roesler 35 years

Davis Crittenden 35 years

Steven Silba 45 years

Robert Conner 45 years

John Forceskie 60 years

February 2017

Harry Stober 45 years

March 2017

Rick Newman 35 years

Wayne Lachappelle 35 years

Brian Solem 35 years

Martinson Kaniho 40 years

Alexander Newhall 40 years

Eric Wasserman 40 years

Dennis Scanlan 45 years

April 2017

David Sorrell 35 years

Perry Lemons 35 years

Timothy Morgan 40 years

Larry Crouch 45 years

Harry Sewell 45 years

May 2017

Donald Josten 35 years

Sylvia Thompson 45 years

Robin Gross, Jr. 45 years

Fred Di Nicola 50 years

June 2017

David Beals 35 years

Terri Quinlan 35 years

Rebecca Ray 35 years

Allen Berg 35 years

Venita Moore 40 years

John Tronrud 40 years

Steven Sather 45 years

Larry Foster 55 years

July 2017

Robert Henry 35 years

Craig Baker 35 years

Annie Plutt-Witt 40 years

William Thompson 40 years

Thomas Bouwens 45 years

Lester Black 50 years

William Lesko 50 years

In Memory of Deceased Brothers & Sisters

APRIL 2016

Marsha Anderson 04/23/2016 Doyon/Aramark Denali

MAY 2016

Robert Mitchell 05/20/2016 Teamsters Local 959
Dareld Woodle 05/24/2016 SMI International

JUNE 2016

Napoleon Morfe 06/08/2016 United Parcel Service

JULY 2016

Ronald Cooper 07/02/2016 AK Teamster Employer Svc.
Joan Rasmussen 07/04/2016 Arden Farms Company
Ronald Morrison 07/09/2016 Horizon Lines
Robert Harris 07/11/2016 Green Construction
Wayne Jack 07/19/2016 Eastwind Inc
Robert Keefe 07/20/2016 Kodiak Oil Field Haulers
Harry Sowry 07/23/2016 Bendix
George Rahn 07/24/2016 Consolidated Freight
Harvey Peterson 07/26/2016 HC Price
Forrest Wright 07/26/2016 Houston Construction
Gerald Evans 07/28/2016 Bendix
Thornton Wright 07/29/2016 Sourdough Freight Lines
Raymond Lizotte 07/30/2016 H&S Warehouse

AUGUST 2016

Ira Henry 08/01/2016 Alascom
Ruth Tittel 08/06/2016 Alascom
David Button 08/06/2016 World Technical Services
Darrell Snodgrass 08/08/2016 Best Transmit Mix
June Gorsline 08/08/2016 The Alaska Hospital
Michael Schneider 08/09/2016 Wien Air Alaska
Ernest Dohrman 08/10/2016 Big State Motor Freight
Vernon Peake 08/19/2016 CSX Lines
Tupou Ainuu 08/25/2016 Safeway
Robert Odem 08/27/2016 Lynden Transport
James Johnson 08/27/2016 Little Skookum Mining
Benjamin Flower 08/27/2016 Arctec Alaska
Walter Johnson 08/31/2016 Alascom

SEPTEMBER 2016

Warren Jackson 09/02/2016 CSX Lines
Donald Walstad 09/04/2016 Kodiak Oil Field Haulers
Shirley Nelson 09/09/2016 RCA/OMS
Stanley Brojakowski 09/15/2016 AT&T Alaska
Robert Bern 09/18/2016 CR Morse & Company
David Mitchell 09/22/2016 CSX Lines
Marie Schave 09/23/2016 The Alaska Hospital
Lance Yocom 09/24/2016 Alascom
James Stepp 09/27/2016 Hustlers Inc.

OCTOBER 2016

Norman "Ike" Barry 10/01/2016 ITT Federal Service Corp
Clifford Lewis 10/03/2016 Kodiak Oil Field Haulers
John Callahan 10/03/2016 Sealand Freight Service
Edwin Nicklas 10/03/2016 Brechan Construction
Christine Podlejski 10/11/2016 UPS
Jerry Evans 10/23/2016 Earthmovers
James Romerdahl 10/24/2016 Teamsters Local 959
Roy Ondola 10/28/2016 Wien Air Alaska
Glen Brown 10/30/2016 Alascom
Jack Wigley 10/31/2016 ITT Federal Service

NOVEMBER 2016

Richard McQuilkin 11/01/2016 K&L Distributors
Michael Giovannetti 11/02/2016 Enserch Environmental
Sylvia Poland 11/02/2016 Anchorage School
John Michele 11/06/2016 Arctec Services
Robert Robb 11/07/2016 Fluor Alaska
Robert Gilliam 11/09/2016 Lynden Transport
O.J. Lunde 11/11/2016 Kodiak Oil Field
Richard Henry 11/12/2016 Anchorage School District
Marvin Brink 11/18/2016 Matanuska Maid
Alfred Groller 11/20/2016 Sealand Freight
Tyree Griffin 11/21/2016 Martin Marietta Op.

John Gauthier 11/21/2016 Black Gold Express
Donald Mackey 11/22/2016 ITT Federal Service
Suzanne Hansen 11/23/2016 Forget Me Not Pilot
Kenneth Maclaren 11/23/2016 Alascom
Harold Ottley 11/23/2016 Sealand Freight
Teresa Ross 11/26/2016 Golden Valley Electric
Lawton McClean 11/27/2016 Chugach AK Services
Russell Goddard 11/27/2016 Mukluk Freight Lines
Daniel Hinrichs 11/28/2016 Aeroamb Inc.

DECEMBER 2016

Randy Ramsey 12/01/2016 Safeway
Betty Wright 12/02/2016 AT&T Alaska
Robert Hale 12/05/2016 Bechtel Construction
Keith Bailie 12/11/2016 TOTE Maritime Alaska
Bob Aaron 12/14/2016 ITT Federal Service Corp
Robert Hermes 12/15/2016 Alascom
Glenn Cooper 12/19/2016 CSX Lines of Alaska
Charles Shorts 12/19/2016 Municipality of Anchorage
Wanda Shanks 12/22/2016 Anchorage School District
Kenneth Frye 12/23/2016 Arctec Services
Ronald Risinger 12/26/2016 Longshore
James Patterson 12/31/2016 Longshore

JANUARY 2017

Edward O'Keefe 01/01/2017 O'Keefe Trucking
Allen Maller 01/04/2017 Weaver Bros
David Sarber 01/04/2017 Wien Air Alaska
Earl Theroux 01/07/2017 Houston Contracting Co.
Carl Southbloom 01/09/2017 Alascom
Albert Aaron 01/10/2017 Northland Maintenance
Lyle Kackman 01/12/2017 Anchorage Cold Storage
Dorothy Michael 01/15/2017 AK Teamster Employer Svc.
Parker Davis 01/15/2017 Anchorage School District
Kenneth Williams 01/17/2017 Norcon
Pauline Bullard 01/20/2017 GE Operations Support
Vicky Qualls 01/23/2017 Anchorage School District

FEBRUARY 2017

Dennis Branscom 02/03/2017 ITT Federal Service Corp
Michael Vaughan 02/08/2017 AT&T Alaska
Marie Nowlan 02/09/2017 Alascom
Harry Factor 02/13/2017 AT&T Alaska
Tommy Sam 02/13/2017 AT&T Alaska
Loren Gensel 02/14/2017 Doyles Fuel Service, Inc.
Zelmer Clevenger 02/15/2017 Anglo Alaska Const.
Joseph Chaney 02/17/2017 Wien Air Alaska
Vera Phillips 02/18/2017 Anchorage School District
Frank Brumann 02/20/2017 Chugach Alaska Services
Ted Reed 02/21/2017 Arctec Alaska
Robert Luey 02/21/2017 Mammoth of Alaska
Kenneth Weaver 02/22/2017 AIC LLC
Mark Olson 02/27/2017 ASRC ES - Houston
Vernon Piatt 02/27/2017 Doyles Fuel Service, Inc.

MARCH 2017

Susan Eguire 03/05/2017 Interstate Brands
Fred Bolsinger 03/11/2017 Arctic Slope Telephone
Glenn Shaver 03/11/2017 Mammoth of Alaska
Duane Fluent 03/19/2017 ITT Federal Service Corp
Gene Jones 03/20/2017 Arctec Alaska
Kenneth Hunt 03/21/2017 Alascom
Thomas Brown 03/21/2017 K&L Distributors
Carl Meier 03/24/2017 Daryle Lamonica Trucking
Laura Mursch 03/24/2017 Alascom
William Snider 03/30/2017 Alascom
Wilbert Hoyet 03/31/2017 Peter Kiewit Sons Co

APRIL 2017

John Stiles 04/01/2017 Martin Marietta Operations
Glen Spear 04/03/2017 Alaska International Const.
Jerome Schmidt 04/07/2017 Fairbanks Lumber Co
Larry West 04/13/2017 AT&T Alaska

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Brian Bennett	04/13/2017	Lockheed Martin
Colin James	04/16/2017	Aggpro
James Buchanan	04/21/2017	Belardi & Schneider
William Patterson	04/22/2017	Green Construction
Dennis Barnes	04/22/2017	HC Price
Gerald Kelso	04/25/2017	Northwestern Construction
Ronald Dawson	04/26/2017	Weaver Bros
Dorothy Tyler	04/27/2017	Alascom
Kenneth Rider Jr	04/30/2017	Kiewit Infrastructure
MAY 2017		
Peter Hrycenko	05/11/2017	Nanuq, Inc.
Ross Alexander	05/18/2017	Arctic Slope/Wright
Robert Rupe	05/25/2017	ITT Federal Service Corp
Rayfield Dupree	05/28/2017	Earthmovers of Fairbanks
Thomas Sheppa	05/29/2017	Martin Marietta Op

JUNE 2017

Ross Wynott
Thomas O'Brien
James Bell
Stanley Kardanoff
Ronald Mika
Miles Shell

JULY 2017

Harold Houston
Vicky Kelly
William Lasell
Charles Sorenson
Ralph France
John Isenhower

06/01/2017 Arctec Services
06/06/2017 Felec
06/10/2017 Interstate Brands
06/16/2017 Alaska Beverage Co
06/23/2017 Alascom Inc
06/24/2017 Matson Navigations

07/07/2017 M.E.T. Engineering
07/07/2017 Anchorage School District
07/13/2017 Usibelli Coal Mine
07/14/2017 Green Construction
07/15/2017 Morrison Knudsen
07/21/2017 Norcon, Inc.



Alaskan Teamster Sisters ~ Join Us!

Mission: Promote Solidarity & Support within the Teamster Sisterhood!

We are fostering an Alaskan women's group(s) to assist each other, mentor other women in the union, community events, and more.

We're kicking off with the Anchorage group sponsored by the ladies on staff at the Local and Training Trust offices. Our hope is to branch out to other 959 communities statewide.

Please join us Wednesday, September 27th 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm at the Teamster Hall - Bennie Rule Room. RSVP through our FB Group *Alaskan Teamster Sisters* or email Cheri Lipps: c.lipps@acsalaska.net

Alaskan Teamster Sisters
WINE DOWN
Wednesday

Please join your Alaskan Teamster Sisters for our second *Wine Down Wednesday!*
Hors d'oeuvres & Beverages will be provided.

FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER:

Local 959's own *Angelina Stewart* with updates from the 2017 Teamsters Women's Conference.

Mark your Calendar for the Holidays!

Teamster families are invited to celebrate the holidays with food, activities, and prizes. Watch for your postcard in the mail for all the details in your area! Other locations are to be announced.

Anchorage

Saturday, December 9
Service High School

12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Fairbanks

Saturday, December 2
Arctic Bowl

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



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