

Restoration program highlights activities at Sitka National Park

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The carving of a 22-foot totem pole to help celebrate the Bicentennial, and the beginning of a restoration program for the Russian Mission Building will highlight summer activities at Sitka National Historical Park.

The Bicentennial totem pole will honor and celebrate our nation's 200th anniversary by depicting important events of the history of the U.S. from its birth through the space age. Carved in a traditional Northwest Coast Indian art style, the totem pole will also offer a symbol of the contribution of Native Americans to the cultural heritage of the nation.

Carving of the pole will take place at the Visitor Center of Sitka National Historical Park where the work can be viewed by park visitors.

Built in 1842 and occupied continuously until 1969 by the Orthodox Church, the Russian Mission Building in Sitka today, is perhaps the most outstanding example of Russian American architecture left in Alaska.

During its lifetime the mission has served as the residence of the Orthodox bishop of Sitka and all Alaska, and as a seminary and training school.

The mission can be seen as

historically important for three reasons. First is its actual physical link with the Orthodox Church and such important figures as Father Veniaminof who became Bishop of Alaska.

Secondly there is the building itself. Its architectural integrity is unquestioned and as such it is perhaps one of the best remaining original examples of Russian American architecture.

Thirdly, there is its symbolic importance as a link to the larger story of Russian America, Russia's grand adventure in the New World, a story of colonization, economic expansion, and the spread of the Orthodox faith.

Today, with most of the evidence for colonial and economic expansion gone, the Orthodox Church remains a living testimonial to the role played by Russian America in the story of our nation, and the mission building remains a link with that heritage.

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Preservation work on the mission that is schedule to begin late this spring will mark the beginning of what is planned to be a seven-year program resulting in the comprehensive preservation and restoration of the historic building.

Plans for this year include: archaeological excavation to determine earlier grade levels of the surrounding land and to provide a record of events, to recover material related to the existing foundations and crawlway space, grading to control water runoff and improve the drainage, to provide temporary structural bracing where necessary, initial preservation of removable interior finishes, removing and salvaging first floor flooring and framing necessary to permit

structural repairs, repair of the roof, and completion of the historic studies reports which are to provide much of the data needed for final restoration.

A Chilkat robe recently woven by Dorica Rockwell Jackson will be on display at the Visitor Center. The robe took almost a year to complete including weaving and dyeing of the wool.

The thunderbird design on the robe was adapted from an illustration in George T. Emmon's 1907 publication "The Chilkat Blanket." The weaving project was sponsored by the National Park Service in order to help keep alive the tradition of Chilkat weaving and to enable the visitors to the park to share in maintaining this distinctive and characteristic art from through the process of demonstration of the techniques.

Cultural demonstration of Tlingit arts and crafts will be provided daily between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. through the Alaska Native Brotherhood Indian Cultural Center which is located

at the park visitor center.

The National Park Service will host special evening programs during the summer months beginning about the first week in June and lasting through Labor Day. The programs will be offered three nights a week and will generally feature films or guest speakers on Alaskan topics.

For further information on the summer activities at Sitka National Historical Park, contact the Park Superintendent, Sitka National Historical Park, P. O. Box 738, Sitka, Alaska 99835.

HELP WANTED

The following positions are open at Mauneluk Association, and available immediately. Applications will be accepted through June 30, 1976.

POSITION: ONAP Director (Planner).

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Director will be responsible for the implementation of the FY-77 Northwest Alaska Native American Program. This will include working on contracting issues under the Indian Self-Determination Act, acting as a liaison with eleven (11) Tribal Governing Bodies, and developing a contract proposal for BIA programs. Other duties will include the preparation of necessary reports to the government and maintaining expenditures within project guidelines.

DESIRED SKILLS: Administrative experience is desirable. Applicants must be able to deal effectively with both village residents and federal agencies. Knowledge of the NANA Region and a bilingual ability would be helpful.

SALARY: \$18,000/year.

POSITION: CETA Director.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Director will be responsible for the administration and continued development of the Manpower Department at Mauneluk Association. This includes the administration of the present Title III Grant with the Federal Government and preparing necessary reports to the government while maintaining expenditures within project guidelines. The Director will also coordinate the development of the grant plan for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1976.

In addition, the Director administers State CETA Contracts that Mauneluk has with the State Manpower Division and other contracts or grants that Mauneluk has in the Manpower field.

DESIRED SKILLS: Administrative experience is desirable. Experience in federal programs especially in the Manpower and CETA area would be helpful.

SALARY: \$18,000/yr.

POSITION: Mental Health Coordinator.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Develop Community Mental Health Program, Counseling on referral self-referral basis, travel to the villages within the region, training of para-professionals, program administration (paperwork).

DESIRED SKILLS: Masters in Social Work; psychiatric social services or experience in Mental Health Programs to effectively develop a comprehensive format to provide services with limited resources and personnel.

SALARY: \$25-\$30,000/yr. D.O.E.

POSITION: Community Development Coordinator.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Mobilizing resources, grantwriting, assisting villages within NANA Region, working with State and Federal agencies, coordinate programs impacting villages in the region, knowledge of grants and contracts, administration, research and plan independently of supervision, knowledge of health and education services provided by State or Federal agencies.

DESIRED SKILLS: Ability to write effectively, willing to learn and meet with people, ability to travel extensively to Anchorage for meetings.

SALARY: Level I \$15,000/yr. D.O.E.; Level II \$20,000/yr. D.O.E.

POSITION: Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) Director.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Act as Community Health Aide (CHA) advocate, coordinate health aide activities dealing with the delivery of medical services to rural villages, provide or seek programs for training and evaluation for eventual certification of physician assistants, ability to work with limited resources, knowledge of existing health agencies so that coordination and consolidation of resources is planned for a regional basis.

DESIRED SKILLS: Medical background, willingness to teach and travel.

SALARY: \$20-24,000/yr. D.O.E.

Contact: Mauneluk Association

Dennis J. Tiepelman, President

Box 256

Kotzebue, AK 99752

Phone No. 442-3311.

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RESPONSIBILITIES: Supervise and direct Community Health Aide Services, adhere to policies of the contract to provide continuing education and consultation for maximum village health care delivery with allied health educators.

QUALIFICATIONS: Experience in health administration, public health programs and clinical medicine.

Extensive travel required.

APPLY TO: ALEUT LEAGUE HEALTH DEPARTMENT
430-C Street, Suite 303
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
PH. 278-3567

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

HELP WANTED

The University of Alaska's Cross-Cultural Education Development Program is seeking candidates for a field coordinator position in a field coordinator position in the Aleutian/Alaska Peninsula Region, to be available July 1, 1976. Candidates must have advanced training or experience (Ph.D. preferred) in some field related to cross-cultural education with particular interest in one or more of the following areas: secondary education, socialization processes, social psychology of adolescence, curriculum development, and language development processes. Public school teaching experience is also desirable. Responsibilities include coordination of all program activities within the region of instruction of field-centered university courses. Inquiries regarding this position should be addressed to Ray Barnhardt, Cross-Cultural Education Development Program, School of Education, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701. Deadline for applications is June 30, 1976.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

HELP WANTED

The North Slope Borough is recruiting for a Project Engineer. Duties include executing design and construction management contracts for roads, airports, schools and other structures. Minimum employment requirements: graduation from accredited architectural/engineering school, or equivalent experience. The position requires living and working in Barrow and travel to North Slope Borough villages. Starting salary \$1,960.00 per month, D.O.E.

Send resumes to North Slope Borough, P. O. Box 69, Barrow, Alaska 99723, attention: Director, Public Works Department.

POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

EMPLOYER: Tanana Chiefs Conference Native Services, Fairbanks, Alaska

TITLE: Account Maintenance Clerk

AVAILABLE: Immediately

This position requires a general knowledge of government fiscal accounting practices, principles, and procedures. Accurate typing and use of calculator is a must.

Salary DOE.

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Supervises and manages the State's central EEO staff. Coordinates the activities of equal employment officers with the different departments.

Establishes and conducts training programs in upward mobility, affirmative action planning, and other areas of equal employment opportunity.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: This position is partially exempt. The desired qualifications are: one year of experience dealing with the problems of discrimination and/or fair employment and/or equal opportunity programs; familiarity with EEO law and regulation, especially Title VII, Executive Order 11246, and AS 18.08; one year of supervisory or management experience; experience in training.

Send application or resume to: Thelma Thrasher, Acting Director State EEO Office Pouch A Juneau, Alaska 99811

Recruitment closes June 30.

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