Elders to gather for a statewide AFN conference

Alaska Native elders will gather in Anchorage this month for a statewide conference sponsored by the Alaska Federation of Natives.

The 11th annual AFN Elders Conference, Oct. 17, at the Egan Convention Center, will focus on the theme "Restrengthening Traditional Native Celebrations."

Speakers will discuss ways for individuals, families and communities to revive traditional Eskimo, Indian and Aleut celebrations to mark family and community events.

The conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a Native dance performance and will continue until 4:30 p.m. All Alaska Native elders are invited to attend.

There is no charge, and the conference is open to the public.