

Truly Ceremonial Dance at Nulato

One of the last truly ceremonial and religious dances left in Alaska which tourists and visitors can see will be held in Nulato during the coming week.

The village of Nulato has announced its annual spring festivities in connection with the dog races which will begin in the village on March 5.

During the 10 days of races and festivities, the villagers will hold a stick dance, one of the last public ceremonial dances in Alaska.

The dog races, which begin March 5, will last till March 15 when the spring celebrations culminate with an award night. Dog races will be held for men and boys. Snowmachines, ski and snowshoe races will also be featured as well as exhibitions by teachers, old people and other community groups.

The stick dance will be held March 12 to begin the last weekend of the festival.