

Letters

Reader seeks info on Hunter's Syndrome

To the editor:

I'm looking for parents whose children have Hunters Syndrome. This is a rare disorder that only affects male children.

Would you please help me find these people by printing an article asking the parents of Hunters children to write to either you or me? If they would let me have their names and addresses I will

get in touch with them. I would like to talk to these people about their children. I have a 10-year-old son with Hunters Syndrome.

I'm contacting newspapers all over the U.S. trying to find as many parents with Hunters children as possible to be able to compile information concerning this disease. I would appreciate your assistance in helping me

gather as many names and addresses as possible.

Thank you so very much for your time and effort.

Sincerely yours,
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Slwooko chronicles life on St. Lawrence Is.

Life on St. Lawrence Is.

Tell me a story, is one favorite phrase that opens a way to tell about any interesting happening in life. I love to hear my children, grandchildren and loved ones say that to me. I love to tell stories they are my treasures.

So here is one on myself and my home land like the way I know it. I like to see a thing written according to so and so, like the story of creation and down the ages. So it is interesting to see what so and so might write about some important event or any beautiful and wonderful thing.

Mine will be to tell about the island, where I live, according to me. Others may write it in their way, but mine is about the wonderful happening that occurred in the place at Alaska.

The island where I was born and lived is St. Lawrence Is., out in Bering Sea. It is some 100 miles from the nearest city in the mainland of Alaska; Nome, where are more of modern things.

It isn't too long ago, my people came from across to live on this island from Chuksee in Siberia, but there are other people who have ancestors on this island, but some of us came not too long ago and the latest ones came across early 1920's. But

then we use to make visits with some 15 feet wooden boats with motors, Johnson Sea Horse ones, even. We don't go there any more. So nearest place from our Island is Russia, we can see the mountains there, our people use to come across on walrus hide boats by paddling. So that was how my great-grandfather and his brothers came across to live on this Island we call Sivuqaq, in our own Yupik tongue, but now since we are Americans we identify this to the world as St. Lawrence Is., as it is like this on the map. It has been populated for centuries, there are marks of history in many places on this 100 miles long island, the width varies 25 miles to 15 miles. It look like some great hand had wrung some earth from the bottom and had placed it on the Bering Sea between Alaska and Siberia. And what many ancient names there, from Sivuqaq to Sivungaq from there to Sivuqaa, on the Apavguq and on and on. There are legends that told about many things and people of this Island Sivuqaq.

Now, since we are living in modern times we have changed a lot but still speaking our own language, Siberian Yupik, now we also are teaching it in the schools. The writing of it is new and first time.

Births

When a baby is born, the mother use to stay on her little mat, tightly binded up around her tummy and her legs closely fastened together for a few days. She was to take no water by mouth only the soups during this time. If the baby is a girl, she stays this way for five days, if it is a boy, she could stay three days. Then the day of going out doors would finally come. She would be taken out by her mother-in-law, who usually is her mistress. She would walk with her out stopping for a little rite at the door and around the house, clock wise. This would free her, to do and go how ever she want. We don't do it this way, now, either.

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Slwooko

Now lots of mothers go to the hospitals and have their babies there.

Drinking Water

There are rivers and abundance of lakes on the island where we get drinking water from in any place. But in Gambell, there has been a problem in fixing a good well for sometime, but now we

have a good one. The one I know from a childhood was a little hallow place in a shallow valley, called Naangneq in our language. We use to use dippers to fill our water buckets with. I knew that was my task, every day thing, during my youthful life. The water there was ice cold even in summer time. Near by, in the same valley is a pond, it's ancient name is Imtuk. Imtuk dries up in summer time.

Simon thanks search participants

To the editor:

On the evening of Sept. 2, six young peoples from Hughes were returning home from Allakaket, when suddenly they hit a moose on the river with a 24 foot boat powered by 50 horse motor. The boat over-turned and they all disappeared into the river.

The next day the peoples of

Hughes and near by villages were upon the scene and the long search began. The search lasted about a month and a half. The search only ended when the ice was coming down the river.

The bodies of Ruth Beatus, Bob Nictune, Carol Ann Ambrose, and Raymond Beatus were found. The bodies of Art Ambrose and Henry Beatus Jr. were not found.

I wish and I pray that the last two could be found.

You know, Art Ambrose used to call me favored Uncle.

I Pollock Simon Sr. would like to give thanks to all of you that took part in this long search.

God Bless you all.

Always,
Pollock Simon Sr.

Chignik students get the debt message out

To the editor:

We are a group of students from Chignik Lake, Alaska concerned about the National Debt.

Our country is very deeply in debt. We stand a very good chance of having the worst depression we have ever had, in the next five years.

No one seems to be doing anything about the National Debt.

Our group has raised \$1000 to go directly to the debt.

We sent a letter and the money order to President Reagan asking him for his support and to put it directly on the National Debt. We are also writing to various newspapers, news stations, Congressmen and Senators.

We will greatly appreciate your efforts to help us inform all the people about the great impact our National Debt has on our future. All funds will go directly to the retirement of the debt.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
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