Climber-author to present 'Reflections on Denali' lecture

"Reflections on Denali" will be the topic of mountain climber-author, Art Davidson, guest speaker for the March 19 Otto Geist Lecture Series at the University of Alaska Museum. The lecture will begin at 8 p.m. in the Museum lobby.

Denali, which holds a prominent place in Native legend and lore, continues to draw adventurers from all parts of the world. Davidson will reexplore various facets of this fascinating peak with the aid of slides and a film of his own making. His informal presentation will touch upon his three Denali climbs and environmental issues surrounding the mountain today.

Davidson will be aided in his lecture by the exhibit "The Mapping of Denali" presently on display at the Museum. It includes an impressive scale relief model of the mountain, 12 feet square. The exhibit recounts the making of the definitive topographical map of North America's highest mountain and it was purchased by the UA Foundation in 1976 from the Boston Museum of Science.