# Conference led to vote for Sturgulewski

To the editor:

Recently I returned from attending the 34th annual meeting of the Southeast Conference in Prince Rupert, B.C. The conference provides a platform for discussion of employment, business development, community and private enterprise needs of the region.

The conference provided three opportunities for luncheon addresses by gubernatorial candidates. The only one to make the commitment and appearance was Sen. Arliss Sturgulewski.

It was disappointing to say the least that the other major candidates did not make an effort to meet with this recognized regional organization.

Arliss' presentation was very positive and upbeat. It was clear that she had read the position papers and materials of the conference for she spoke highly of it and the effectiveness of the organization over the years and during the past legislative session.

The Southeast Conference is the recognized regional organization under the Alaska Regional Development Organization Program — ARDOR. Sturgulewski recognized this and spoke strongly for the activities of the conference in economic development. She supported legislation for the ARDOR program.

The Alaska Marine Highway Committee of the Southeast Conference has been studying the Draft System Plan since its release. Sturgulewski spoke in strong support of the Southeast Conference's resolutions and alternative on the Alaska Marine Highway System.

She spoke for the necessary supplemental funding required to run the system this year, for maintaining future funding at an adequate level, including state appropriations and program receipts and for providing a continuity of Alaska Marine Highway management.

Sturgulewski recognizes the great impact the system has on the economic well-being of the Northern and Southcentral areas of the state

Sturgulewski welcomed Jim Campbell to the ticket and spoke strongly of his leadership role as licutenant governor in the administration. She spoke very positively and proudly about the future of this state of Alaska.

Following the conference I made up my mind to support Sturgulewski for governor and Jim Campbell for heutenant governor. While registered no party, I believe that we can make a difference, and I urge you to support this winning combination for the good of us all.

> J. Allan MacKinnon Juneau

# Group of Nome voters supports Knowles

To the editor:

We, the Nome voters, are writing to urge all voters to endorse the Knowles/Hensley ticket for governor and lieutenant governor.

We have been working very hard for their ticket because we know they are the right and the best choice for the '90s.

We know that the subsistence issue is very dear and close to our hearts. They have always supported this issue and will do something very positive once they get into the office. Knowles and Hensley are the only team who have consistently supported the rural

The reapportionment issue is very important to rural residents. The number of legislators allocated to rural Alaska could decline. Any drastic changes in this direction would affect programs, services and the quality of life that we have worked hard for.

At stake are issues such as power cost equalization, revenue sharing and jobs. They are committed for these and other rural issues.

Please share our concerns and support and vote for Tony Knowles for governor and Willie Hensley for lieutenant governor. Let us look out for our children's future.

Thank you for your support.

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## Voting for Sturgulewski

To the editor:

From the results of the three statewide polls which have been taken since the primary, it looks like the Arliss Sturgulewski/Jim Campbell ticket is on its way to victory in November.

Even with the political shenanigans by the other side, Sturgulewski and Campbell have remained in the lead, and it looks like their momentum is building. Good for you, Alaska. You are about to do the right thing.

For those of you who still have not decided on a candidate, I would ask you to consider two important points sometimes overlooked by voters.

Look at those who surround the candidates and be concerned about tomorrow's issues.

The next governor will set the tone of government and the direction Alaska will travel over the upcoming years. The governor's top appointees will be responsible for implementing the policies necessary to achieve the goals set out by the governor.

Their jobs are important, and they should be filled by the best people Alaska has to offer. Voters should examine closely the ethics and character during the campaign process of those who are closest to each candidate.

Most of us are familiar with the issues facing Alaska today and the candidates' stands on those issues. Let's forget those for a moment and think about the issues we will be facing over the next four to eight years. We can't predict what they will be, but we can predict, based on past behavior, how each candidate would deal with those issues.

I have examined the past conduct of each of the candidates for governor. My vote will be going to the Sturgulewski/Campbell ticket.

> Mike Worley Juneau

# Letters to the Editor

### Knowles is unbelievable

To the editor:

OK, let me try and sort this out. Tony Knowles says he is in favor of opening the Arctic National

Wildlife Refuge, yet the pro-

development people don't believe him.

On the other hand, environmental groups such as Alaska Center for the Environment, Trustees for Alaska and the Sierra Club, whose main goal is to prevent any development of ANWR, support Knowles. So I guess they don't believe him, either.

Knowles says that he is against drug use, but the people for the recriminalization of marijuana don't believe him because he said he won't vote for the recriminalization petition on the November ballot.

On the other hand, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, which supports the use of marijuana, support Knowles. They must not believe him, either.

All of this points that Knowles' answers are like the cost overrun on the Performing Arts Center — unbelievable.

Jerry Celey Anchorage

## Hensley is 'our very own'

To the editor:

I'm disappointed how Jack Coghill dumped Arliss Sturgulewski and ran to Wally Hickel. If he did that to Sturgulewski, what could he do to us?

Hickel has been out of our lives for years. All of a sudden he thinks he can take over. That would be as if I ever left my family for years and came back home and expected everything to be just fine. You just don't play games like that.

No wonder Alaska is so messed up. Where was Hickel when all this subsistence issue was on, when we needed his voice to stand up for us? You know who made me and others feel good was Tony Knowles. He encouraged us. He'll stand by the Natives through our needs. He's not for just the rich. And Willie Hensley is our very own people that surely won't turn us down.

I honestly believe in my heart Alaska will get back to a lot of its old ways, the way it should be with Knowles and Hensley.

I know our people will have good jobs, and not so many of our people in jails.

> Thank you, Bonnie Vlasoff

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