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In Review 2016

Member Communities and Organizations
• Community of the Year Award: Ketchikan
• Business of the Year Award: Alaska Airlines
• Annual Meeting Community Host: Petersburg

Economic Plan Initiatives
• 8 priority objectives

News Stories About Our Work

Scholarship Money Raised

Publications
• Southeast 2030 Economic Plan
• AMHS Governance Study
• The Value of Alaska’s Marine Highway in 2035
• Southeast Alaska by the Numbers 2016
• AMHS
• Regarding Our Work: Southeast Conference 2016
• Southeast Conference 2016

Southeast Conference and our Board of Directors

New Regional Plan
For Southeast Conference, 2016 was a significant year. We released a new ferry economic plan for the region, with 47 community-driven recommendations. In the areas of transportation, energy, maritime, and seafood, we identified areas that should be prioritized as an organization. We reviewed our partnership with Central Council Tlingit Haida Tribes, Alaska of Indians and Alaska Native organizations more than 420 of our members in the year-end meetings. We are working harder than ever to improve the long-term viability of AMHS. We are working to identify a Memorandum of Understanding with Southeast Conference to improve the operability and financial health of the state ferry system. We are working to continue to lead the way in economic development and community wealth. In May 2016, Governor Bill Walker signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Southeast Conference to improve the financial health of the state ferry system. We are working to identify and improve the financial health of the state ferry system, and published for the AMHS Governance Study November, we will continue all steam ahead on this effort in 2017.

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Our Transportation and Energy Coordinator, Robert Kalvstad, are working harder than ever to continue to lead the way in economic development in the region. Study is the largest saving of our members this year, and we are working to continue to support this work and achieve our goals. Robert joined Southeast Conference 20 years ago as a new member, and has been serving in some capacity continuously since that time.

Ferries Are Still Our Top Priority
The long-term health and prosperity of our ferry system continues to be the focus of many of our efforts. In 2016, we published the “Value of Alaska’s Marine Highway in 2035,” in which we asked those who use the services provided by the ferry system. We also set our priorities as an organization. Our Board New Board Members
We assembled an all-star board of directors from 10 communities across the region, including our region’s three economic development directors, a city manager, a city administrator, an assembly member, and the private sector representative in the area of energy, maritime, and sustainability. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alaskans’ stories weave together to form a single tale: fishermen, economic development experts, and other community leaders. These Alak...