

## 1st Quarter plus Report Sasha I. Soboleff ANB Executive

## **Greetings-**

This 1st Quarterly Report will cover the time period from Oct. 2018 through January 23, 2019.

Thank you for your active participation during the last Grand Camp Convention in Ketchikan, Alaska as hosted by ANB/ANS Camp 14. Very nice job of planning & daily/hourly activities during the annual ANB Convention. The experience was exactly what was needed for our ANB & ANS beloved organizations. Have nothing but positive support for the elected officers & Paulette Moreno/ANS Grand President and ANB Joe Grand President Joe Williams.

On December 12/13 attended Rural Cap Board of Directors in Anchorage. It was great to be replaced by ANB Grand President Joe Williams. Rural Cap has come through their road bumps & has begun a positive/stable financial and programmatic path ensuring stability of services for our native Alaskans.

On December 16, 2018 participated in the ANB/Grand Officers teleconference. This initial meeting set the tone for continued convention planning, initiating conversations of elected officers and hear from the Grand Presidents. What was decided was to make contact with all local camps to hear any of the local camps would be interest in hosting the Grand Camp in 2019. This was followed by Special teleconference on December 18.

In January 2019, a teleconference on the 4th to act on convention invites, etc. met on the subject of this October's Grand Camp site.

On the 16th teleconference assisted in putting in starting the convention planning for October 2019. On the 19th was invited by Juneau ANB/ANS Camp 70 to help in the installation of their new officers. Welcomed the participants on behalf of ANB Grand President Joe Williams & help by doing the invocation then at the end of the meeting the closing prayer. Also, worked with the local elected members on moving forward on the Alaska Legislature in contacting the selected committee & points of contact of the elected Representative & Senators. Also, made contact with newly elected Alaska Governor Michael Dunleavy to set up meetings with him.

On the 21st, spoke at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. program sponsored by the Black Awareness Association. A copy of my remarks will be forwarded to Ketchikan Camp 14 for posting on the web page. Also had a follow-up conversation with Governor Michael Dunleavy shows his willingness to meet.

Further, the House of Representatives has yet to organize so our convention passed Resolutions should be ready for distribution sometime this week.

The USFS MOU and its contents remain incomplete due the continuing federal partial shut down. Have left messages with a the agency. More will be shared regarding the specific changes & anticipated areas which are contained in the anticipated planned conversations with the USFS Tribal Liaisons.

Lastly, related topics remain on the plate for the ANB Executives as they work with Grand President Joe Williams: completing distribution of the 2018 Grand Camp Convention Survey, the suggested work of each committee, i.e. steps regarding Resolution 18-05 financial matters, working on constitution/bylaws improvements, getting the submittals in line of support of the Sitka Tribe on Herring sac roe legal case, as well as other hot topics.

In closing, glad to have celebrated Christmas regular & Orthodox heralding the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Glad our families celebrated with joy one and all. It is my understanding that Grand President Joe Williams is to head north to have his knee worked on. Prayers for the recovery. Prayers to you fellow ANB & ANS Grand Officers and to your families. May you be upheld 110% even though sometimes we fall short: but our Lord still loves us.

Respectfully submitted,

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