# July 23, 2020 E-Blast Pioneers of Alaska

## **Greetings Pioneers!**

# We have some cancelled events due to the Covid-19 Virus, we will keep you updated as things progress!

<u>Cancelled & Postponed Events</u> - Status of Upcoming Meetings and Events

Men's Igloo No. 4 - Business Meeting August 10th at 7:00 pm

Historical Show - Fairbanks Then & Now Watch Anytime Online

Pedro Monument Ceremonies- Photos, Story & More!

Historic Fairbanks Chair- From Mothballs to the Mayor

<u>Pioneers on Radio</u> - Scheduled & Archived Show Information

Pioneer Museum - We Are Open!

FunDrive - The Fundrive is Back for Fall!

Don't forget to check out our websites, that have a lot of further information:

Fairbanks Igloos Website: <a href="https://pioneersofalaskafairbanks.org">https://pioneersofalaskafairbanks.org</a>

Grand Igloo Website: pioneersofalaska.org

## **Covid Cancellations Notice**

Some of our upcoming events have been cancelled due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. We will reassess future events in the next few weeks. You can always get up to the minute

news and event information from our website at: pioneersofalaskafairbanks.org.

#### Cancelled Events are:

Kitty Hensley House Closed for 2020 Season
Pioneer Home Coffees, Bingo and Shopping
August Barbeque
Women's Igloo No. 8 August Business Meeting
2020 Grand Igloo Convention

#### **Events that are Still On:**

Men's Igloo No. 4 Business Meeting, August 10th

# **Men's Igloo Business Meeting**

Monday July 13th at 7pm in Pioneer Hall

Social Distancing will be observed and it is suggested attendees wear masks.

# Fairbanks Then & Now Historical Show



#### Watch anytime on YouTube!

Joan Skilbred and Mark Cosson produced this interesting historical show that gives viewers insights to how Fairbanks and the many surrounding communities have changed over the years.

Click on the link or copy and paste it into your browser window: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w-323J3MCvU&feature=youtu.be

#### **Pedro Monument Ceremonies Photos & Article:**



See the photos and report on the 73rd annual ceremony that is the oldest Golden Days event that have been posted on our website. It was a historic day to say the least!

Fairbanks Igloos Website: https://pioneersofalaskafairbanks.org

# From Mothballs to the Mayor

The Historic Fairbanks Chair



The Pioneer Museum Board did a special presentation of the chair that once belonged Charles Warren Fairbanks, the namesake of our city, to City of Fairbanks Mayor, Jim Matherly on July 22nd which was the 118th anniversary of Felix Pedro's Discovery of Gold.

You can learn more by going to our website for the story and photos:

Fairbanks Igloos Website: <a href="https://pioneersofalaskafairbanks.org">https://pioneersofalaskafairbanks.org</a>

## **Alaska Historical Society Awards**

#### **Nominations Needed**

The Tanana Yukon Historical Society recently sent out a nominations notice for the annual awards given out by the Alaska Historical Society.

There are several categories, and it would be nice if our Pioneer Museum or the Kitty Hensley House could get one of these awards.

Nominate your favorite today!

You can learn more by clicking on the image:



Nominations are due by August 15, 2020

### **Pioneers on the Radio**

#### **Upcoming Shows & How to Listen to Past Shows**

Twice a month, on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, Pioneer member Dave Pruhs does historical shows with Nick Nugent and Joan Skilbred. The topics are varied and always interesting. Here is the information on the next show:

Guest: Joan Skilbred
Topic: Early History of UAF (Before it was UAF)
July 29th at 11:00 AM
KFAR 660 AM or 97.5 FM

Missed a show? These shows are recorded and available for you to listen to anytime by visiting the archives folder on KFAR's website.

You can access them here: https://kfarradio.com/audio-archives/

Don't forget that History Nuggets are posted every Monday to our website at: Fairbanks Igloos Website: https://pioneersofalaskafairbanks.org

## **Pioneer Museum Opening**

We are open Fri, Sat, & Sun 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

The Pioneer Museum is now open on the weekends, and our displays are better than

ever! After a deep cleaning and upgrades to our many historical displays the Pioneer Museum looks ship shape. Stop in and see what's new, and don't forget to bring your mask!

We are also looking for 8" x 10" frames if you have any that you would like to donate. Special thanks to Alan Armbruster who has been working on doing lighting upgrades in several of our display cases. He is a bright addition to our list of volunteers!

Please keep the Pioneer Museum in mind if you want to pass on items of historical value to Fairbanks and the surrounding communities, especially photographs, journals, and other historical documents that would make nice additions to our growing archives.

## **FunDrive Fundraiser**

#### IT'S BACK ON!!!!

After several weeks of uncertainty, the FunDrive Fundraiser is now rescheduled for September 12th, 10 am to 2 pm.

The location and further details are still developing, in the meantime, get your soft goods ready! Clean out your closet, bag those old clothes, bedding & linens so you can be ready to drop them off on September 12th!

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