

March 15 – 21, 2016: Activity report for three FAYSDP Students attending Veterinary Science Class at UAF and sled dog care/help during the ONAC

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•Tuesday, March 15th (DAY 1)-

~~~~Kathy T. goes food shopping in early morning and then to UAF Veterinary Science Dept to get sleeping bags

~~~~Kathy T. meets UAF Dorm manager to pick up keys and drop off sleeping bags and food for the week~~~~

- 2:30pm: Three FAYSDP/JHS 9th grade students leave Huslia to fly to Fairbanks
- 4:30pm: KT meets students at WRIGHTS and takes to UAF dorm and see Joe Bielt
- 5:30pm: Students walk from Dorm to see Wood Center and buildings on lower campus
- 6:00pm: Eat pizza with Grandma Madeline Williams in the UAF Dorm with kitchen
- 7:30pm: Students go to UAF Recreation Center with Joe to practice basketball
- By 9:00pm: Students back to Dorm to go over schedule and talk about possible ways share they can their experience with students back in Huslia (i.e. journal notes, photos, etc). Students stay in Dorm public area to enjoy playing pool & games

•Wednesday, March 16th (DAY 2)-

- 8:00am: Eat breakfast at UAF Dorm with kitchen and make sandwiches for lunch
- 9:00am: Students go to Veterinary Science Building on upper campus for a Arleigh Reynolds lecture on dog breeding, health, & racing, tour the Vet Science facility including study areas and labs, and meet faculty and vet students
- 12:00pm: Students go to Musher's Hall on Farmer's Loop to meet ONAC mushers, help with sponsors 3-dog race, and eat lunch
- 2:00 – 4:00pm: All head to YKSD office to attend annual board meeting. Elders Madeline Williams and Pollock Simon, and other community members attend to meeting to voice support of the FAYSDP
- 4:30pm: Arrive back to UAF dorm to snack and get dog truck to participate in parade at Carlson Center. Attend ONAC start order drawing at AlaskaLand.
- 6:00pm: Eat dinner then go to UAF Recreation Center with Joe to practice basketball
- By 9:00pm: Students back to UAF Dorm to talk about day & write in journals

•Thursday, March 17th DAY 3)-

- 8:00: Eat breakfast at UAF Dorm with kitchen and make sandwiches for lunch
- 10:00am: Students are welcomed by UAF Dorm Head Resident. All walk to lower campus to Duckering Bulding to visit Rural Student Services and talk to advisors. Students see more of lower campus. All go back to UAF Dorm kitchen for lunch.
- 11:00am: Students help Grandma Madeline get to Wedgewood, then eat lunch downtown
- 12:30pm: Students visit Dog Mushing/Community Museum and the Yukon Quest Office and Grandma Lorna at Week House.
- 4:00pm: All drive to Patty Imus's house to help Tom Bird care for dogs – just arrived from Canada so dog box needed cleaning. Helped Tom repack gear to run the ONAC.
- 6:00pm: Stop and meet old timer carpenter who build dog boxes
- 7:00pm: Students swim at Hamme Pool- Kathy there
- 8:30pm: Eat at Fast Food place on way back to Dorms
- By 9:00pm: Students back to UAF Dorm to talk about day and stay in Dorm public area to enjoy playing pool & games

•Friday, March 18th (DAY 4)-

- 8:00: Eat breakfast at UAF Dorm kitchen and make sandwiches for lunch
- 9:00am: Students write in Journals and talk about upcoming race day
- 11:00am: Drive to ONAC held at Musher's Hall to meet Tom preparing to race. Visit with mushers and shadow Arleigh Reynolds caring for race dogs. Eat Lunch. Help Tom and other mushers get dog teams to starting line. Race Day #1 is 1- 3pm.
- 4:00pm: Drive to Patty Imus's house to help Tom with dog care including feeding, rub-downs, work on feet, clean up, etc.
- 6:00pm: Eat dinner at Patty's house with Tom and family (Patty cooks). Also sew FAYS DP patches on jackets
- 7:00pm: Students back to UAF to attend North American basketball games with Joe
- By 9:00pm: Students then to UAF Dorm to talk about day and stay in Dorm public area to enjoy playing pool & games

Saturday, March 19th (DAY 5)-

- 8:00: Eat breakfast at UAF Dorm kitchen and make sandwiches for lunch.
- 9:00am: Students write in Journals and talk about upcoming race day
- 11:00am: Drive to ONAC held at Musher's Hall to meet Tom preparing to race. Visit with mushers and shadow Arleigh Reynolds caring for race dogs. Eat Lunch. Help Tom and other mushers get dog teams to starting line. Race Day # 2 is 1- 3pm.
- 4:00pm: Students go to Bentley Mall so can buy things with spending money from family
- 5:00pm: Drive to Patty Imus's house and students wait for Tom (he was visiting dog mushers). Eat dinner (Kathy cooks). While waiting, watch a Yukon Quest and also an Iditarod documentary.
- 9:00pm: Students help Tom drop and water dogs last time for night, rub-downs for last day of racing, work on feet, clean up, etc.
- By 10:00pm: Students back to UAF Dorm to talk about day & stay in Dorm public area to enjoy playing pool & games.

Sunday, March 20th (DAY 6)-

- 8:00: Eat breakfast at UAF Dorm kitchen and make sandwiches for lunch.
- 9:00am: Students write in Journals and talk about upcoming LAST race day
- 11:00am: Drive to ONAC held at Musher's Hall to meet Tom preparing to race. Visit with mushers and shadow Arleigh Reynolds caring for dogs. Eat Lunch. Help Tom and other mushers get dog teams to starting line. Race Day #3 is 1- 3pm. Congratulate all mushers and thank ONAC volunteers before leaving
- 4:00pm: Still at racetrack, help Tom with photo shoot for Mushing Magazine (*Super Dogs*).
- 6:00pm: Students attend ONAC banquet at Westmark downtown with Tom and family, etc. Students immediately attend a meeting with Grandpa Alfred Attla
- 8:30pm: Students go to UAF Recreation Center with Joe to practice basketball
- By 9:00pm: Back to UAF Dorm to talk about day, write in journals, and pack to leave Monday morning.

Monday, March 21st (DAY 7)-

- 8:00: Eat breakfast at UAF Dorm kitchen and clean up
- 8:30am: Check in one student at WRIGHTS- flight leaves at 9:30am
- 9:30am: Take one student downtown to stay with parents. Make stop at Coldspot Feed for care supplies needed for sled dogs in Huslia
- 11:30am: Check in the last remaining student at WRIGHTS- flight leaves at 12:30pm.
~~~Kathy goes back to UAF Dorm to finish cleaning, return keys, and all sleeping bags~~~