

Trip Report  
Arctic Encounter Symposium  
February 7-8, 2014 Seattle

Departed Unalaska Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> and arrived in Seattle Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup>.

This is the schedule for the symposium which I attended.

**Friday, February 7, 2014**

8:30 – 10 a.m.

Registration & Continental Breakfast

Pigott Building Atrium

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Introduction

Pigott Auditorium

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Plenary Session I - The State of the Arctic: Emerging Challenges

Pigott Auditorium

Speakers:

Dr. Scott Borgerson, Ph.D.

CEO, CargoMetrics and co-founder of The Arctic Circle

Dr. James Overland

Oceanographer, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, National Oceanic & Atmospheric

Administration

Alice Rogoff

Publisher of the Alaska Dispatch, founder and director of The Arctic Imperative, and co-founder of  
The Arctic Circle.

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Luncheon with Keynote Speaker

Campion Ballroom

Speaker:

United States Senator Lisa Murkowski, Alaska

1:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Plenary Session II - The United States, an Arctic Nation: The Law of the Sea Treaty and National Security

Pigott Auditorium

Moderator

Dr. Scott Borgerson, Ph.D.

CEO, CargoMetrics and co-founder of The Arctic Circle

Speakers:

Alaska Lieutenant Governor Mead Treadwell

Rear Admiral Thomas P. Ostebo

Commander, 17th District, U.S. Coast Guard

Raymond Arnaudo

Senior Advisor, Bureau of Oceans & International Environmental & Scientific Affairs, US

Department of State

2:45 – 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 – 4:15 p.m.

Plenary Session III - Indigenous Rights in a Changing Arctic

Pigott Auditorium

Speakers:

Edward Itta

Appointed by President Obama to the US Arctic Research Commission, Former Mayor of the North

Slope Borough of Alaska, former President of the Barrow Whaling Captains Association and the

Inuit Circumpolar Council-Alaska

Marilyn Heiman

Director, U.S. Arctic Program, The Pew Charitable Trusts

6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Dinner Reception & Keynote Presentation

Remarks

Alaska Lieutenant Governor Mead Treadwell, Senator Lesil McGuire, Alaska State Legislature, Co-Chair,  
Alaska Arctic Policy Commission

Presenter

Ghislaine Maxwell, President, The TerraMar Project

The Seattle Aquarium

**Saturday, February 8, 2014**

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Registration & Continental Breakfast

Pigott Building Atrium

9:00 – 10:15 am

Plenary Session IV - The Environment of Exploration and the Race to Develop

Pigott Auditorium

Moderator:

John Iani, Attorney, Perkins Coie LLP

Speakers:

Dr. Lawson Brigham

Distinguished Professor of Geography & Arctic Policy at the University of Alaska Fairbanks  
and a Senior Fellow at the Institute of the North in Anchorage.

Doug Helton

Incident Operations Coordinator, The Office of Response and Restoration, National Oceanic  
and Atmospheric Administration

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Break

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Plenary Session V -The Future Arctic: Sustainable Solutions in a Global Marketplace

Pigott Auditorium

Speakers:

Representative Bob Herron

Alaska State Legislature, Co-Chair of the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission

The Consul General of Canada,

to be named upon appointment of new consul general

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon

Von Trapps Restaurant, 912 12th Avenue, Seattle WA 98122

Concurrent Panel I

Pigott Building Classroom 100

1:45 – 2:45 p.m.

Mitigating Risks: Conscientious Resource Extraction

*Toward Environmentally responsible Hydrocarbon Energy Development in the Arctic*

Presented by Anatoliy Ivakin, Senior Principal Physicist, Applied Physics Lab, University of Washington

*Conflict and Coexistence: Impacts to subsistence Activities from Offshore Activities and Migration Measures to Protect Food Security*

Presented by Layla Hughes, Arctic Policy Legal Advisor; Commissioner, Alaska Arctic Policy Commission

*Oil and Gas in America's Arctic Ocean: Past Problems Council Precaution*

Presented by Michael LeVine, Pacific Senior Council, Oceana

Break

Concurrent Panel IV

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Pigott Building Classroom 101

Sustainable Development in the Arctic

*Arctic Sustainability: Reality or Myth*

Presented by Jeanne Pagnan, Vice-President, Twin Dolphins, Inc.

*Extracting More than Resources: Human Security and Arctic Indigenous Women*

Presented by Victoria Sweet, Co-Instructor, Michigan State University College of Law: and Legal Research Fellow, Indigenous Law and Policy Center

*Changing Latitudes Call for Changing Attitudes*

Presented by Taylor Simpson-wood, Professor, Barry University School of Law

4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Closing Reception

Sullivan Hall, 2nd Floor Gallery

Overall this Symposium was planned and presented very well. It is very clear to me that The City of Unalaska needs to get information out or at least demand that the information on the infrastructure that already exists in Unalaska be taken into account. I continue to be surprised on how our port is ignored even by people that have visited here.