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An Alaska Photographers' Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
DECEMBER 2023	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2	3	4	5	6
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	City and Borough of Juneau, 1970 Governor Tony Knowles, 1943- Fairbanks-North Star, Kenai Peninsula, and Matanuska-Susitna Boroughs, 1964	Sitka fire destroyed St. Michael's Cathedral, 1966 Robert Marshall, forester, 1901-1939	President Eisenhower signed Alaska statehood proclamation, 1959		Alessandro Malaspina, navigator, 1754-1809; Federal government sold Alaska Railroad to state, 1985	Barry Lopez, author, 1945-2020 Mt. Trident (Katmai NP) erupted, 1961
7 Eastern Orthodox Christmas	8	9	10	11 New moon	12	13
		Baron Ferdinand Von Wrangell, Russian governor, 1797-1870		Keith Nyitray arrived in Kotzebue, 1990, having walked length of Brooks Range	Jack London, writer, 1876-1916	Celia Hunter, conservationist, 1919-2001 Submarine USS Alaska launched, 1985 First issue of Anchorage Daily News, 1946
14	15 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (Observed)	16	17	18	19	20
Record 2.145 million barrels of oil flowed through the pipeline in one day, 1988	Martin Luther King, Jr., 1929-1968 First issue of <i>The Alaska Free Press</i> (Juneau), 1887	Record 47.5" 24-hr. snowfall, Valdez, 1990 1 billionth barrel of oil to Valdez, 1980 Robert Service, poet, 1874-1958		Direct long-distance phone service to Alaska began, 1959		Cape Newenham National Wildlife Refuge established, 1969
21	22	23	24	25 Full moon 🔿	26	27
Colonel James Steese, civil engineer and soldier, 1882-1958	John B. Mertic, Jr., geologist, 1888-1980	First sunrise of year, Utqiagvik (Barrow)	Alaska's first pulp mill opened, Juneau, 1921		-82°F at Coldfoot (unofficial), 1989	First dog team left Nenana with serum for Nome, 1925; Alaska Board of Road Commissioners established, 1905
28	29	30	31	The northern lights, also called t aurora borealis, frequently appea under Alaska's dark skies. Howe due to Alaska's northern location	r ver,	February
			Record North American high pressure, 31.74 inches, Northway, Alaska 1989	the aurora is not visible during the summer months of mid- May, June, and July through mid-August due to the absence of dark nights.		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
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Bald Eagle, Homer

photo by Glenn Daniel

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JANUARY 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Bald eagles ( <i>Haliaeetus leucocep</i> thrive in Alaska due to its wide o spaces and abundant food source and there are more in Alaska that anywhere else in the United States. Eagles congregate in man locations along Alaska's coastal shores, where salmon play an essential role in their diet.	pen s, n	31	Joe Reddington, Sr., musher, 1917-1999 U.S. Forest Service established, 1905 First issue of <i>The Daily Alaskan</i> , Skagway, 1898	Alaska Highway route is chosen, 1942 Diphtheria serum delivered to Nome by dogsled relay, 1925	3 79-inch snowfall in Valdez (3rd-6th), 1996
4 Attu battleground and airfields designated as national historic landmarks, 1985	5	6 Senator Ernest Gruening, 1887-1974	7	8	9 New moon First scheduled commercial airline flight to Deadhorse, 1969 Archdiocese of Anchor- age, 1966	10 Chinese New Year
<b>11</b> Gov. Sarah Palin, 1964-; Marie Drake,	12 Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865) White Pass & Yukon Railroad shops	13	14 Valentine's Day Ash Wednesday	15 Elmer Rasmuson, pioneer banker and	16       Elizabeth Peratrovich Day (Alaska)         ARCO and Humble Oil announce	17
author of "Alaska's Flag," 1888-1963	burned, Skagway, 1932	Naomi Uemura, mountaineer, 1941-1984	of Alaska, 1747-1819	philanthropist, 1909-2000	discovery of oil at Prudhoe Bay, 1968	
18	19 PRESIDENTS' DAY George Washington (1732-1799) Roxy Wright-Champaigne became first	20 Fred Machetanz, artist, 1908-2002	21	22	23 Heritage Day (Yukon Territory)	24 Full moon 🔿
	woman to win World Championship Sled Dog Race, Anchorage, 1989	First passenger train to White Pass, 1899 Walter Mendenhall, geologist, 1871-1957	Eielson made first airmail delivery in Alaska, Fairbanks-McGrath, 1924	Kluane, Nahanni, and Baffin Islands na- tional parks established, Canada, 1972		First commercial airline flight, Europe- Orient via Anchorage, 1957
225 E. H. Harriman, financier, 1848-1909	Alaska oil closes above \$100/barrel, 2008 Pope John Paul II in Anchorage, 1981 Glacier Bay National Monument, 1925 Mt. McKinley National Park, 1917 Arctic Brotherhood, Skagway, 1899	27 President Harding established National Petroleum Reserve-4 on North Slope, 1923 Bering Sea National Wildlife Refuge, 1909	28 First winter ascent of Denali, 1967	29	1	MARCH           1         2           3         4         5         6         7         8         9           10         11         12         13         14         15         16           17         18         19         20         21         22         23           24         25         26         27         28         29         30           31
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FEBRUARY           1         2         3           4         5         6         7         8         9         10           11         12         13         14         15         16         17           18         19         20         21         22         23         24           25         26         27         28         29         24	APRIL           1         2         3         4         5         6           7         8         9         10         11         12         13           14         15         16         17         18         19         20           21         22         23         24         25         26         27           28         29         30	Approximately 7,000 to 11,000 w ( <i>Canus lupis</i> ) inhabit most of Ala from the southeast rainforests to Arctic tundra. Wolves are highly social animals with a pack size of six or seven, sometimes in larger packs. Wolves are cunning predators eating moose or caribou as their primary food.	iska, the f	29	J Gov. Keith Miller, 1925-; Ephraim Agnot, Sr., Native elder, 1926-1995 Olaus Murie, biologist, 1889-1963	2 Susan Butcher Day (Alaska)
3 First Iditarod Sled Dog Race, 1973 Board of Trade Saloon opened, Nome, 1901; Trade and Manufacturing Act extended to Alaska, 1891	4 World's Winter Special Olympics, largest sporting event ever held in Alaska, opened in Anchorage, 2001 (2,750 athletes) Capt. James Cook, navigator, 1728-1779	5	6	7 First successful solo winter ascent of Mt. Denali completed, Vern Tejas, 1988; Sonny Lindner won the first Yukon Quest, 1984; Fire destroyed McCarthy, 1919	8	9 Troops arrived in Dawson Creek to build Alaska Highway, 1942
10 Daylight Saving Time begins New moon	First cruise ship sailings to Alaska canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic, 2020; Admiral Vasilii Chichagov, Russian	DC-4 crashed on Mt. Sanford, killing 30, 1948; Alaska Railroad authorized, 1914 Mike Stepovich, territorial gov., 1919-2014	13 Lance Mackey first musher to win both Yukon Quest and Iditarod Sled Dog Race in same year, 2007; Hurricane-force, icy winds ripped through southcentral Alaska, 2003	14 Alaska-Seattle commercial passenger service, International Airways, 1929	15	16 First winter ascent of Mt. Logan, Tejas party, 1986
17 St. Patrick's Day Baranof Castle (Governor's House) burned, Sitka, 1894	18	19 Spring Equinox	20 Denali Princess Hotel burned, 1996; Libby Riddles won Iditarod, 1985; Allen Expedi- tion left Nuchuk, 1885; Gen. Wilds Preston Richardson, civil engineer, 1861-1929	21 Women's suffrage in Alaska, 1913	22	23 Purim begins Sitka National Monument, 1910
24 Palm Sunday Full moon Exxon Valdez Oil Spill, 1989. Adak Naval Facility closed, 1997. Robert Atwood, publisher, 1907-1997 Easter	25 Seward's Day (Alaska)	26 White Alice communication system dedicated, Elmendorf AFB, 1958 Richard G. McConnell, Canadian geologist, 1857-1942	27 Mount Augustine erupted, 1986 Robert Reeve, pioneer aviator, 1902-1980 Largest recorded earthquake in North America (RS 9.2) hit Alaska, 1964	28 Gov. Frank Murkowski, 1933-	29 Vietnam Veterans' Day (Alaska) Good Friday Copper River and Northwestern Railroad completed, 1911	30 William Seward signed Alaska Purchase treaty from Russia, 1867
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2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Easter Monday (Canada)		3	4	5	6
	Nunavut Territory established, Canada, 1999	Fishing vessel <i>Arctic Rose</i> sank in Gulf of Alaska, 15 died, 2001; Frank Peratrovich, legislator and Native leader, 1895-1984	Dick Willmarth won first Iditarod, 1973 Taylor and Anderson reached Denali's North Summit, 1910; 65 people died in Chilkoot Pass, 1898; John Burroughs, naturalist, 1837-1921; William Duncan, missionary, 1832-1918		Ripple Rock detonated in Seymour Narrows, 1958; First officially approved survey in Alaska (U.S. Survey #2), 1892	Rep. Nicholas Begich, 1932-1972
7	8 New moon	9	10	11	12	13
William Ogilvie, surveyor, 1846-1912	Alaska-Juneau Mine closed, 1944 Russell Merrill, pioneer aviator, 1894-1929	) Edward Hoffman, Native leader, 1917-1987		Rep. Howard Pollock, 1920-2011 Troops began construction of pioneer road for Alaska Highway, Ft. Nelson, BC, 1942	Father Aloysius Robaut, missionary, 1855-1930	
14	US tax returns due	16	17	18	19	20
	Nunivak Island National Wildlife Refuge established, 1929	Sir John Franklin, explorer, 1786-1847	Sheldon Jackson College opened, Sitka,1878; Treaty of St. Petersburg signed by U. S. and Russia, 1824		Senate approved Alaska Purchase, 1867 V. M. Golovnin, Russian navigator, 1776- 1831	Sen. E. L. "Bob" Bartlett, 1904-1968 Sir William Logan, first director of the Canadian Geological Survey, 1798-1875
21	22 Passover begins Earth Day		24	25	26 Arbor Day	27
John Muir, naturalist, 1838-1914	Chilkat State Park, 1970 Betzi Woodman, journalist, 1913-1990	Henry Allen, explorer, 1859-1930 First winner, Nenana Ice Classic, 1917	Lake and Peninsula Borough, 1989	Joe Crosson made first landing on Muldrow Glacier, Mt. Denali, 1932	Second huge fire swept Dawson City, 1899	13 billionth barrel of oil to Valdez, 2000 Flowers mushed solo to magnetic North Pole from Northwest Territories, 1991
28	29 Construction began on "Haul Road," 1974	30	March         1         2           3         4         5         6         7         8         9           10         11         12         13         14         15         16           17         18         19         20         21         22         23           24         25         26         27         28         29         30           31	May           1         2         3         4           5         6         7         8         9         10         11           12         13         14         15         16         17         18           19         20         21         22         23         24         25           26         27         28         29         30         31	Prince William Sound is fed by a tidewater glaciers that drop large into the surrounding fjords. These floating platforms provide a place respite and protection for sea otto ( <i>Enhydra lutris</i> ). Although hunter to near extinction during the Maritime fur trade, sea otters now thrive in Alaska's waters.	e for ers
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Eastern Orthodox Easter	Arctic breeding grounds.	7 New moon	1901-1989	adopted, 1927	Ahtna traditional chief, 1899-1991	parks, 1972
5 Lastern Orthouox Easter	6	New moon	8	9	10	11
Gov. Michael Dunleavy, 1961- Hubert H. Bancroft, historian, 1832-1918	Yukon River floods, 2009	William Paul, Native leader, 1885-1977	Chugach State Park, 1970 Edward Nelson, biologist, 1855-1934	Kachemak Bay State Park, 1970 George Davidson, geographer, 1825-1911	Exxon Oil spill reached Katmai NP, 1989	Sun will not set in Barrow until July 30 U. S. Army landed on Attu, 1943
12 Mothers' Day	13	14	15	16	17	18 Armed Forces Day
Farley Mowat, author, 1921-2014	Sen. Mike Gravel, 1930- Dirigible <i>Norge</i> landed in Teller as first airship to pass over the North Pole, 1926			Capt. Jim Binkley, tourism pioneer, 1920-2003	First commercial long-distance call from Fairbanks, 1945; First Organic Act, 1884 Native Allotment Act, 1906	Sheldon Jackson, educator, 1834-1909
19	20 Victoria Day (Canada) Arbor Day (Alaska)	21	22	23 Full moon 🔿	24	25
First American scientific expedition to Russian America, Chicago-Ft. Yukon, 1859		John Borden, financier, 1884-1961	Sen. Lisa Murkowski, 1957-	First live radio broadcast from Denali's sum- mit, 1984; Rep. Ralph Rivers, 1903-1976	Final weld on Trans-Alaska Pipeline, 1977 Senate ratified Alaska Purchase, 1867	
26	27 MEMORIAL DAY	28	29	30	31	June
	Construction began on White Pass and Yukon Railroad, 1898	Father Bernard Hubbard, priest, author and naturalist, 1888-1962; President Andrew Johnson signed Alaska Purchase, 1867	Aurora II satellite launched, 1991; George Parks, territorial governor, 1883-1984; First dog team reached Mt. McKinley sum- mit, 1979; 200 Matanuska Valley settlers selected by lottery, 1935	Harriman Scientific Expedition left Seattle for Alaska, 1899 124 boats and more than 30,000 men left Lake Bennett for Dawson City, 1898.		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
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2	3	4	5	6 D-Day, 1944 New moon	7	8
Miller's Reach Fire, \$8.8 million damage, Big Lake, June 2-10, 1996 Northwest Arctic Borough, 1986 Japanese bombed Dutch Harbor, 1942 Malaspina reached coast near Sitka, 1791	10,000th climber on Mt. McKinley, 1997 Last issue of Anchorage Times, 1992 Robert "Bobby" Sheldon, Alaska pioneer, 1883-1983			First issue of Anchorage Times, 1915	Barbara Washburn was first woman atop Denali, 1947; Mount Katmai exploded, 1912; Territorial capital officially moved from Sitka to Juneau, 1906	Galen Johnston, age 11, youngest climber atop Denali, 2001; Whittier Tunnel opened, 2000; Tatum, Harper, Stuck and Karstens first to reach Denali's South Summit, 1913 Noel Wien, pioneer aviator, 1899-1977
9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day	15
Rep. Don Young, 1933-2022; 8.0 earth- quake hit Yakutat, 1958; Belmore Browne, artist, mountaineer, and writer, 1880-1954	Chief Walter Northway, 1876-1993 KINY, Juneau's first TV station, 1956	Norma Jean Sanders first woman solo climb, Denali, 1990	Pribilof landed on St. George Island, 1786	Three Strawn brothers perished in climbing accident, Mt. Foraker, 2002 Alaska Airlines friendship flight, Nome- Provideniya, Russia, 1988	Fire destroyed Hoonah, 1944	Matansuska Valley flooded, 1958
16 Fathers' Day	17	18	19 EMANCIPATION DAY (Juneteenth)	20 Summer Solstice Hours of daylight: Fairbanks: 21:49 Anchorage: 19:21 Juneau: 18:58	21 Full moon O	22
		Daily passenger service on Alaska Railroad, Fairbanks-Anchorage, 1951	First issue <i>Bering Straits Record</i> , 1996 Hydaberg Indian Reservation, 1912	Paul Tiulana, Native artist, 1921-1994; First Moravian mission opened in Alaska, Bethel, 1884		Confederate raider <i>Shenandoah</i> shelled whaling fleet, St. Lawrence Is., 1865 Mountain avens chosen as official flower, Northwest Territories, 1869 George Vancouver, navigator, 1757-1798
23 Diocese of Juneau established, 1951 First successful ascent of Mt. Logan, 19,500 ft., 1925	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park established, 1976 Senate passed Alaska Statehood bill, 1958	Army base activated at Big Delta, 1942 Tlingits destroyed Redoubt St. Michael, Sitka, 1802		John Strohmeyer, journalist, 1924-2010	Ft. Richardson and Elmendorf Air Field activated, Anchorage, 1940 Hottest temperature recorded in Alaska, 100° F, Fort Yukon, 1915 Final connection made in Trans-Alaska Telegraph System, Salcha River, 1903	State ferry <i>M. V. Kennicott</i> left Bellingham on inaugural voyage, 1998 550 lb. halibut caught near Dutch Harbor, 1994; Refuge Trespass Act, 1906	Wood-Tikchik State Park established, 1978
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Valley of Aquarius, Arrigetch Peaks, Gates of the Arctic National Park

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	JUNE	1 Canada Day (Canada)	2	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5 New moon	6
9 16	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Icicle Seafood plant burned, Homer, 1998 North Slope Borough organized, 1972 City & Borough of Juneau organized, 1970 Alaskan Fire Control Service, 1939	Record one-day catch of four million fish, Bristol Bay, 1993; First McDonald's opened in Alaska, Anchorage, 1970	Alaska oil sold at \$144+ per barrel, 2008 Port for Red Dog zinc mine dedicated, 1986 First Alaska airplane flight, Fairbanks, 1913	Elizabeth Peratrovich, rights advocate, 1911-1958; first Mt. Marathon Race, Seward, 1909 President Arthur appointed John Kinkead first civilian governor of Alaska, 1884	William Stolt, civic leader, 1900-2001 Wildfire stopped at outskirts of Tok, 1990 Magnus "Rusty" Heurlin, artist, 1895-1986	
	7	8	9 Alaska Flag Day	10	11	12	13
hoo	sident Eisenhower signed Alaska state- 3d bill, 1958 rth Pacific Fur Seal Convention, 1911	Sven Haakanson, Aleut elder, 1934-2002 Jefferson "Soapy" Smith shot, died in Skagway, 1898 Baranof landed on Kodiak Island, 1791	800-foot tidal wave devastated Lituya Bay, 1958	Carl Ben Eileson, aviator, 1897-1929 First land auction in Anchorage, 1915	Polar Endeavor, first double-hulled tanker, arrived in Valdez, 2001 Maiden voyage of ferry E. L. Bartlett, 1969		Z. J. Loussac, civic leader, 1882-1965
1	4	15	16	17	18	19	20
Ho 113	tchikan pulp mill opened, 1954 use approved funds to buy Alaska by 8-43 vote, 1868 em Pete, Dena'ina' elder, 1896-1989	President Harding drove golden spike completing Alaska Railroad, Nenana, 1923; First Anchorage-Fairbanks flight, Noel Wien, 1924	Vitus Bering, first European to discover Alaska mainland, landed on Kayak Is, 1741	Alfred H. Brooks, geologist, 1871-1924			First issue of <i>Alaska Dispatch News</i> , 2014 First commercial Alaska fly-in fishing trip, Admiralty Island, 1929
Fir	Pull moon v. Jay Hammond, 1922-2005 st Forest Service visitor center in U.S. licated, Mendenhall Glacier, 1962	22 Felix Pedro's discovery started Fairbanks	23 Eustace Zeigler, artist, 1881-1969	24	25	26	27 Ted Stevens Day (Alaska) Spirit of '98 hit a rock in Tracy Arm, 1999 First oil from north slope reached Valdez
Fir		gold rush, 1902; Record 42.6 million red salmon harvested in Bristol Bay, 1995	Swanson River oil field discovered, 1957	Gold discovered near Livengood, 1914		Sarah Palin resigns as Alaska Governor for unspecified reasons, 2009	
с	28 Parents' Day -17 plane crash, 4 died, Anchorage, 2010 /hite Pass and Yukon Railroad, 1900	29	30	31 Robert Griggs first to view the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes (Katmai), 1916	A series of small glacier-fed lake flanked by very steep, dramatic mountains comprise the Valley o Aquarius in the Arrigetch Peaks, of the Arctic National Park. This rugged, scenic landscape delivers inspiring mountain views in the eastern Brooks Range of Alaska's high Arctic.	f Gates remote,	August         1         2         3           4         5         6         7         8         9         10           11         12         13         14         15         16         17           18         19         20         21         22         23         24           25         26         27         28         29         30         31
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The massive humpback whales ( <i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i> ) weigh metric tons. They favor Alaska w rich with krill and small fish dur the summer. It is a mystery why whales breach (leap out of the wa Scientists suggest they do it for communication with other whales or perhaps just for fun.	vaters, ing these	JULY 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	SEPTEMBER           1         2         3         4         5         6         7           8         9         10         11         12         13         14           15         16         17         18         19         20         21           22         23         24         25         26         27         28           29         30         30         30         30         30         30         30	<b>1</b> First tanker left Valdez with north slope oil, <i>ARCO Juneau</i> , 1977 Outhouses outlawed in Whitehorse, 1964 George Dawson, geologist, 1849-1901	2 Bobby Sheldon first to drive a car from Fairbanks to Valdez, 191; "Alaska City" chosen as city name by residents, 1915, but Anchorage it remained. Kotzebue entered Kotzebue Sound, 1816	3 Permanent Fund first topped \$60 billion, 2017: Shelikov established first Russian colony, Kodiak Island, 1784
4 New moon	5 Civic Day (Canada)	6 Chugach State Park established, 1970 First ascent of Mt. Foraker, north summit, 19,400 ft., by Houston party, 1934	7	8 Diocese of Fairbanks established, 1962	9 Sen. Ted Stevens, four others died in plane crash, southwest Alaska, 2010; First of- ficial Alaska government land survey, 1887	10 Ray Petersen, pioneer aviator, 1912-2008 Howard Rock, publisher/artist, 1911-1976 Czar Paul I granted first charter to Russian American Company, 1799
11 <i>MV Tazlina</i> launched, Ketchikan, 2018	15,000th tanker departed Valdez, 1997 Philemon Tutiakoff, Native leader, 1927- 1985; Alaska Territorial Act, 1912	13 First flight over Denali summit, Matt Nieminen, 1930	14 Alascom incorporated, 1969	15 Chena River flooded Fairbanks, 1967 Will Rogers and Wiley Post lost en route Fairbanks-Barrow, 1935	<b>16</b> <i>Crystal Serenity</i> departed Seward for 32- day cruise to New York City via Northwest Passage, 2016; Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, 1941; Klondike Gold Rush began, 1896	17 Joe Juneau and Richard Harris discovered gold near Juneau, 1880
18 Governor Walter Hickel, 1919-2010 Margaret Murie, conservationist, 1902- 2003 Mt. Spurr erupted, 1992; Sir John	19 Discovery Day (Yukon Territory) Full moon	20 Alexander Archipelago Forest Reserve cre- ated by Theodore Roosevelt, 1902	Gov. Steve Cowper, 1938- George DeLong, explorer, 1844-1881 William Dall, naturalist, 1845-1927; Vitus	22	23	24 St. Clair New York-Nome air expedition landed at Nome, 1920; Second Organic Act, 1912; Judge James Wickersham,
Franklin named Prudhoe Bay, 1826	Floods battered Mat-Su Borough, 2006 26 Alaskans approved statehood, 1958	City of Kenai founded by Russians,1791	Bering landed on St. Lawrence Is., 1728	29	30 Haines Borough established, 1968	1857-1939 31 Rep. Mary Peltola, 1973- "Million Dollar Bridge" reopened
Milo Fritz, pioneer doctor, 1909-2000 Khii Zhr silver salmon month (Gwich'in			© Amy Mackinaw	Mt. McKinley officially renamed Denali, 2015 Khii Zhrii silver salmon month (	Joe Crosson flew over Denali summit without oxygen, 1931	to vehicles, Cordova, 2005; Allen expedition reached St. Michaels, 1885 August 2024



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 LABOR DAY New moon	3	4	5	6	7
Alaska Reindeer Act, 1937	First presidential visit north of Arctic Circle, President Obama, 2015	First stoplight installed in Sitka, 2005 McKinley Park hotel burned, 1972	Dept. of Commerce awarded USSR passenger route to Alaska Airlines, 1990	Roald Amundson cabled discovery of Northwest Passage from Eagle, 1905	Ketchikan Gateway Borough, 1963 Ivan Veniaminov, Russian missionary to the Aleuts, 1797-1879	<i>SS Princess Kathleen</i> sank at Lena Point, 1952; Franklin and Madison discovered gold on the Fortymile, 1886
8 Grandparents' Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Tongass National Forest established, 1907	Alaska aviation shut down for three days after terrorist attack on U.S. cities, 2001		Marvin Mangus, artist, 1924-2009 Fire burned Nome, 1905	
15	16	17 Full moon 🔿	18	19	20	21
Municipality of Anchorage, 1975 Five billionth barrel of oil to Valdez, 198	6	Thomas Riggs, territorial governor, 1873- 1945; Fire destroyed Nome, 1934	Eielson Air Force Base dedicated, Fairbanks, 1948 University of Alaska-Fairbanks, 1922	First issue of Fairbanks News, 1903	Kenai Peninsula drenched by typhoon rains, floods, 1995	Denali State Park established, 1970 First reindeer released on Unalaska and Amaknak Islands, 1891
22 Autumn Equinox	23	24	25	26	27	28
City and Borough of Yakutat, 1992 Lindberg party discovered gold at Anvil Creek, Nome, 1898	Marcus Baker, cartographer, 1849-1903	Lend-lease Russian pilots arrived in Fairbanks, 1942 Katmai National Monument, 1918	Rival railroad construction crews fought in Keystone Canyon, Valdez, 1907	Japanese Emperor Hiroito met President Nixon in Alaska, 1971		Southeast State Forest, 2010
<b>29</b> <i>Kodiak Star</i> , first orbital rocket launched a Narrow Cape, Kodiak Island, 2001 Pipeline Haul Road dedicated, 1974 Lt. Frederick Schwatka, explorer and writer, 1849-1892	t Kodiak Island Borough, 1963	1	August         1         2         3           4         5         6         7         8         9         10           11         12         13         14         15         16         17           18         19         20         21         22         23         24           25         26         27         28         29         30         31	I         2         3         4         5           6         7         8         9         10         11         12           13         14         15         16         17         18         19           20         21         22         23         24         25         26           27         28         29         30         31	As North America's tallest mour Denali dominates the Alaska Ra Alaska's world-famous Denali N Park. The tundra vegetation surr the massif turns a bright crimson autumn, creating stunning array vibrant color. Visitors cherish a glimpse of this great mountain, often obscured by clouds.	nge in ational ounding n during
Kakeggl runny nose time (Cup'ig)	iyarvik	-	© Amy Mackmaw	Kakeggliya	sept sign	tember 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The Alaska moose ( <i>Alces alces g</i> is the largest member of the deer family. A bull moose can weigh u 1,600 pounds and stand almost si tall! Bull moose do not make voc calls in this posture known as the flehmen position but are rather scenting females during the breeding season.	up to x feet al	T First issue of Tundra Times, 1962 First radio broadcast, KFAR-AM, Fairbanks, 1939	2 Rosh Hashanah begins New moon	3 Frederica de Laguna, anthropologist, 1906-2004	4 Trans Alaska Pipeline shot by gunman, 6.800 barrels of oil spilled, 2001 "Klondike Kate" Rockwell, entertainer, 1876-1957	5 Winds, rain, floods batter Seward, Valdez and Cordova, 7 days, 2006
6	7	8	9	10	11 Yom Kippur begins	12
Lt. Gov. Lowell Thomas, Jr. 1923-2016 Alaska Federation of Natives, 1966 First northbound ferry left Bellingham terminal, <i>M.V. Matanuska</i> , 1989	Hubbard Glacier ice dam broke, 1986	Governor William Egan, 1914-1984	Largest auction in state history: oil spill cleanup gear, 33,000 tons on 50 acres, Anchorage, 1990		Seward devastated by floods, 1986; Cruise ship <i>Prinsendam</i> sank in Gulf of Alaska, 1980; Yukon River Bridge completed, 1975	Bennie Benson, designer of state flag, 1913-1972;15.2" of rain fell on Angoon, 1982; (state record for 24-hour period)
13	14 COLUMBUS DAY (observed) Thanksgiving (Canada) Indigenous People's Day (Alaska)	15	16	17 Full moon 🔿	18 Alaska Day (Alaska)	19
	Sydney Laurence, artist, 1865-1940	Chief Peter John, Athabascan traditional chief, 1900-2003	Rep. Nicholas Begich and Sen. Hale Boggs lost en route Anchorage-Juneau, 1972	Charles Sheldon, naturalists, and author, 1867-1928	Stars and Stripes raised at Sitka, 1867	
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Typhoon Oscar battered southcentral Alaska, Kenai River and Seward floods, 1995 Alaska-British Columbia boundary dispute settled, 1903	Federal homesteading laws expired in Alaska, 1986; Merrill's plane wreckage discovered near Tyonek, 1929	Sowerby arrived in Prudhoe Bay, driving from Tierra del Fuego in 24 days, 1987	Aleutians-East Borough organized, 1987	Severe flooding, Kenai Peninsula, 2002	SS Princess Sophia sank near Juneau, 1918. All 288 passengers and 61 crew died.	U.S. Navy shelled Angoon, 1882
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	September	November
<i>Aurora I</i> telecommunications satellite launched, 1982	Kodiak linked to mainland Alaska with fiber optic cable, 2006 Two stranded gray whales left Barrow after international rescue effort, 1988	President Bush signed bill for \$15 million in WWII war reparations to Aleuts, 1989 Long Shot nuclear test, Amchitka Is., 1965		Juneau-Douglas Bridge opened, 1935	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
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3 Daylight Saving Time ends 7.9 earthquake rocked Interior, 2002; City dock collapsed by 12-foot wave, Skagway,	4	5 Election Day	6	7	8	9
1994; Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Arctic explorer, and ethnographer, 1879-1962	Richard Nelson, Alaskan anthropologist, author, and soundscape artist, 1941-2019 Will Rogers, humorist, 1879-1935	First missile launch, Kodiak Launch Facility, 1998	Cannikin nuclear test, Amchitka Is., 1971	Eben Hobson, Native leader, 1922-1980	Ike P. Taylor, Alaska road commissioner, 1890-1963	Aviator Carl Ben Eielson lost en route Teller-Siberia, 1929
10	11       VETERANS DAY Remembrance Day (Canada)         Last train left Kennicott, 1938	12	13 Henry Wood Elliott, conservationist, and artist, 1846-1930; Robert Kennicott,	14 Dr. Walter Soboleff, Native leader,	15 Full moon 🔿	16 Trans-Alaska pipeline construction
Iditarod National Historic Trail, 1978	Hudson Stuck, missionary, 1863-1920	Elmendorf Field and Ft. Richardson designated by War Department, 1940	explorer and naturalist, 1835-1866	1908-2011		authorized, 1973
17	18 Sen. Ted Stevens, 1923-2010; Last sunrise of the year in Utqiagvik (Barrow)	Gov. Sean Parnell, 1962-; 24-hour darkness begins, Utqiagvik (Barrow); Whittier- Portage railroad tunnel construction began, 1942	20 Don Sheldon, aviator, 1921-1975 Alaska Highway officially opened, 1942 First issue, <i>Wrangell Sentinel</i> , 1902	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 THANKSGIVING	29 Order next year's calendar at www.GreatlandGraphics.com!	30 New moon 7.0 earthquake shakes SE Alaska, 2018 Kennecott mine shut down, 1938 Anthony Dimond, legislator and delegate to Congress, 1881-1953
Aqumuq The moon when the sun stands still (St. Lawrence Island Yup'ik)			C ALIY MACHINA	Aqumuq The moon when the sun stands still (St. Lawrence Island Yup'ik)		



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President Carter proclaimed national monuments in Alaska, 1978	Dalton Highway opened to public travel to Deadhorse, 1994 President Carter signed Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, 1980	Augie Hiebert, broadcast pioneer, 1916- 2007		Arctic, Izenbeck and Clarence Rhode National Wildlife Refuges established, 1960	Denali Borough organized, 1990 Vitus Bering, navigator, died, 1681-1741	
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		Anchorage International Airport officially opened, 1951; Israel Russell, geologist, 1852-1906; John Kinkhead, first American territorial governor for Alaska, 1826-1904	First commercial flight over the North Pole from Fairbanks, Alaska Airlines, 1951 Father Bellamine Lafortune, missionary, 1869-1947	City and Borough of Sitka, 1971	Larry Beck, entertainer, 1935-1990	Mt. Redoubt volcano eruptions began, 1989 Hazen Bay National Wildlife Refuge, 1937
15 Full moon 🔿	16	17	18	19	20	21 Winter Solstice Hours of daylight: Fairbanks: 3:42 Anchorage: 5:23 Juneau: 6:21
22	Kenai National Moose Range, 1941	Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 1971 24 Afognak Forest and Fish Culture Reserve established by President Harrison, 1892	Byron Birdsall, artist, 1937-2016 CHRISTMAS DAY Hanukkah begins	Col. Norman Vaughan, explorer, 1905-2005 26 Boxing Day (Canada) Susan Butcher, musher, 1954-2006		28
29 Col. William "Billy" Mitchell, aviator, 1879-1936	30 New moon Lt. Otto Von Kotzebue, Russian navigator, 1788-1846	31 New Year's Eve	November           1         2           3         4         5         6         7         8         9           10         11         12         13         14         15         16           17         18         19         20         21         22         23           24         25         26         27         28         29         30	JANUARY 2025           1         2         3         4           5         6         7         8         9         10         11           12         13         14         15         16         17         18           19         20         21         22         23         24         25           26         27         28         29         30         31	The secretive lynx ( <i>Lynx canade</i> inhabits much of Alaska's forestet terrain. Snowshoe hares compris the bulk of their diet, but they wi pounce on other small prey. Lynz curious cats with long legs and b feet that serve as snowshoes, helping them travel and hunt in the deep snow.	d e ll c are
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# MEET THE PHOTOGRAPHERS

### CARL JOHNSON

ArcticLight.com Anchorage, Alaska 🖾 Nikon JANUARY



I recently retired after 34 years with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, mostly as a wildlife biologist in Alaska. Photography was always a part of my job, so continuing it in my free time to freelance as an outdoor photographer was a natural extension. Now I look forward to combining photography with writing full-time well into the future. We all need to share the fun and wonder of the wild world to encourage outdoor adventuring in person, even going off the grid, and then sharing with others to continue the cycle!

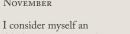
### LAURA LYN GREGORY LauraLynPhotography.com FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 🖾 Canon Cover/June/August

I've been obsessed with

wildlife as long as I can remember, and at 16 I purchased a camera and telephoto lens with my first paycheck. It was the intimate contact with animals that captured my attention. After several years photographing in Yellowstone country, I headed north for a place less crowded. I arrived in Alaska in 1995 with plans to spend five years photographing its wilderness. But like many, I have found that once you're here it's not easy to leave. Rather than traveling widely in search of wildlife, I spend time getting to know nature in my own backyard, seeking out subjects so often overlooked by others.

### **JODY OVERSTREET**

Jodyo.Photos.com Anchorage, Alaska O Sony November



Alaska-grown nature lover and visual and literary storyteller. I've spent most of my life outdoors, inspired by the natural world's moods and forms. I see nature as the supreme artist with whom I strive to co-create. I aim to spend time in place, observing light, lines, and energy and portraying this in a moving image. Though intentions don't always align with reality, the creative process is often full of happy surprises. My teenage interest in photography eventually blossomed into a full-time career, including guiding and photography instruction.

#### DANIEL W GLENN FLICKR.COM/PHOтоя/131779834@No8/.сом Anchorage, Alaska CANON

February

After retiring from a career in project management in Maryland, I was looking for a change. After visiting Alaska and experiencing the state's natural beauty, my wife and I decided to move to Wasilla in 2017 to begin a new chapter in our lives. Nature photography is my passion. Although I still have much to explore and learn about Alaska, I have been thrilled to be able to capture a small part of the beauty I see every day. I look forward to new photographic challenges as I continue to travel Alaska and improve my craft.

PATRICK J ENDRES AlaskaPhotoGraphics.com FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 🙆 Canon IULY



I grew up in a small town in southern Wisconsin where I developed a passionate interest in nature and the outdoors. In 1981, I landed in Fairbanks, Alaska, to attend the University. I was young and green, hungry for adventure and wide open spaces. After dabbling in a few jobs following graduation, I eventually combined my childhood love of the visual arts and outdoor interests to forge a career as a freelance nature photographer. Now in my fourth decade of exploring and photographing Alaska, its epic landscape continues to captivate me both personally as an observer and professionally as an artist.



I was born and raised in Anchorage and developed a love for being outside at a young age. When I started taking pictures, I quickly became hooked on capturing my adventures to share with friends and family. I began spending more and more time outside, sometimes sitting for hours to study the landscape and surrounding wildlife. Years later, I find myself in the same position, spending long periods of time to get that perfect shot. I've had the luck of both witnessing and photographing many great spectacles of nature that will forever remain in my memory.



John Hyde WildThingsPhotography.com Juneau, Alaska 🙆 Canon March/May

My photography was born from my appreciation of all things wild and by an inherent quest to explore the natural world. I can't imagine doing anything else that would provide the satisfaction I receive from sharing my work with others, opening windows that help enrich their lives and appreciation for the intrinsic values of wild places. Students often ask me what the "perfect picture" is and that is simple: The perfect picture is the one that drives you to make another. Each image should be viewed as a stepping stone to the next. That is the philosophy that drives my creative vision.

### Ron Niebrugge

WILDNATUREIMAGES.COM Seward Alaska 🙆 Minolta September

In 2002 my wife Janine and I decided to chase a dream and follow my passion for photography on a full-time basis. We left comfortable corporate jobs for the unknown life of a professional photographer team and never looked back. Over the years my images have been widely published, and the creative lifestyle and spending time in nature has delivered tremendous rewards. Several years ago I decided to share my passion of photography with others and began offering photo tours and workshops. This has continued to evolve over time, and I'm now offering tours throughout Alaska and the U.S.

**Guest** Artist

Amy Mackinaw AmyMackinaw.com FAIRBANKS, ALASKA



My husband and I arrived in Alaska in 1992 for a short stint in his military career, but Alaska drew us in and became our home. My life as a fiber artist began in childhood, and my mother, also a fiber artist, taught me to sew. Since then, I have been stitching, hand-dyeing, printing, quilting, and beading. Alaska's landscapes and wildlife inspire my work, and it's a joy to create colors and textures in fabric that become small art quilts and home and wearable accessories. Adventures in Alaska's wide-open country or even a walk in the birch woods near my workshop always offer something new to discover.



Cover Shot

I picked this cover shot because of the compelling eye engagement by the entire brown bear family. Seeing a bear in the wild for the first time was a thrilling experience for me and I know it is the same for many visitors to Alaska.

### LARURA LYN GREGORY LauraLynPhotography.com

Brown Bear Family, KATMAI NATIONAL PARK

This is what photographer Laura Gregory says about capturing this image:

"Since I first moved to Alaska in 2012, I focused most of my free time and travel attention to locations where bears freely roamed. I knew I was entering their world and never took for granted the opportunities to observe and photograph them in their natural environments. This image was a rare one for me. Rarely do all bears in a family group look in one direction, let alone my direction. This exhilarating experience captured in Katmai National Park and Preserve left my hands shaking and my heart whole."



Homer, Alaska

Hugh Rose

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I have lived and

photographed in northern climates most of

my life, with the latter part of it in Alaska. The

leave a 10-year career in geology to explore and

natural beauty I found here compelled me to

photograph its vast landscapes and wildlife.

since childhood, and I enjoy exploring and

Both nature and a camera have intrigued me

interpreting the world's natural beauty through

my photography. Over the years I've expanded

pleasure in sharing Alaska's tremendous beauty

my work as a naturalist, and guide, and take

with clients from all over the world.

April

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

Growing up in Homer, Alaska, I've always been surrounded by beauty. I didn't quite realize what I had until I left for

college in Minnesota, where I earned a biology degree. Upon my return to Alaska, I fell in love with the landscapes and wildlife around me. Eager to capture and share Alaska's natural wonders through my photography, I spent more time exploring the Kenai Peninsula's wilds. My hobby eventually transformed into a full-time job after becoming more established as a photo guide, freelancer, and artist.



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