



Bristol Bay Regional Vision Project

By Jane Angvik, Information Insights

BBNA is a partner with BBNC, BBAHC, BBHA, and BBEDC in the Bristol Bay Regional Vision Project. The purpose is to create a vision about our future prepared by the residents of the entire region. As of November 10, 2010, community meetings had been conducted in 14 communities, with a total of 26 planned to be completed by Christmas. The eight commissioners of the project have been attending the meetings so they can listen to the people who attend. After the community meetings are done, the commissioners will meet to analyze the results and draft the vision.

To date, most communities have underscored the importance of family and subsistence as the foundation of a productive future in the region. There has also been strong support for renewable energy to replace reliance on diesel fuel to produce heat and electricity. To see community by community results and to add your comments, please go the project website at www.bristolbayvision.org.



Dillingham Meeting. Photo taken by Bob Waldrop.

BBNA Regional Food Bank

By Barbara Nunn, BBNA Regional Food Bank Coordinator

BBNA Regional Food Bank is requesting donations for their holiday food boxes. N&N turkey cards will be accepted. The holiday food boxes will be distributed through out the Bristol Bay region during the holiday. There will be holiday food boxes located in Dillingham at AC & N&N. If you have any questions about the Christmas Food Drive or would like participate in it, please call Barbara Nunn, Food Bank Coordinator at 907-842-4139 or 1-800-478-4139 or by email at bnnun@bbna.com.

BBNA Angel Tree Project

By Barbara Nunn, BBNA Regional Food Bank Coordinator



The Angel Tree Project is a program that provides gifts to those who may be struggling during the winter months and may be in need of an extra present for their child(ren). BBNA Social Services Department will be operating this program and it serves all of Bristol Bay. The Angel Trees will be located in Dillingham at N&N Market, AC, BBAHC, BBNA and Nushagak Cooperative. If you have any questions about the program or would like to participate in it, please call Barbara Nunn, Food Bank Coordinator at 907-842-4139 or 1-800-478-4139 or by email at bnnun@bbna.com.

Higher Education Scholarship Deadline & Campus Visits

By Serena McArthur, BBNA Higher Education Program Manager

If you are planing to attend college/trade school and are tribally enrolled in one of the Bristol Bay Tribes, you can possibly get assistance from the Higher Education Program. The Higher Education/ Adult Vocational Training spring semester request for **funding Deadline is January 7, 2011**. The Higher Education University of Alaska Fairbanks and Anchorage **spring campus visits** will be **March 21-24, 2011**. Applications can be downloaded from BBNA's website at www.bbna.com/website/Application-forms.html or call toll free in Alaska 1-888-285-2262 or 907-842-2262 and ask for Serena McArthur or Colette Meraz for an application.

BBNA Job Club/Craft Day

By Tish Luckhurst, BBNA TANFWork Activities Facilitator

BBNA Job Club is now having Craft Day Friday from 11am to 2pm at the BBNA Workforce building. They will be doing a variety of crafts from crocheting, beading, knitting, grass basket weaving, skin sewing, qaspeq (Kuspuk) making and others. Please join us at Workforce every Friday to relax and do crafts with staff and others. There will be refreshments and snacks for everyone. If you have any questions about the Job Club or would like participate, please call Tish Luckhurst or Carol Luckhurst at 907-842-2262 or 1-800-478-2262.



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“Wellness – Our Circle Of Life” 2011 & 2012 Rural Providers Conference

By DeeDee Bennis, BBNA Chief Administrative Officer

We look forward to seeing you and hosting....Bristol Bay style!

The Rural Alaska Community Action Program (RurAL CAP), and BBNA are teaming up, along with many other excited regional programs and agencies to host colleagues and friends from around the state for the annual Rural Provider’s Conference (RPC) in Dillingham, **May 30– June 3, 2010**. This will be the first time in the event’s 26 year history that providers from all over Alaska will gather in Bristol Bay. BBNA made the commitment to host the 2011 & 2012 event and announced the theme “Wellness – Our Circle of Life” for the upcoming May 2011 conference.

The RPC is an annual gathering of substance abuse service providers, youth, elders and family members interested in celebrating and encouraging the continual growth of the Alaska Native Sobriety Movement. The RPC embraces and unites traditional Alaska Native knowledge and modern treatment methods in the battle against alcohol and drug abuse. Featured are ceremonies, talking circles and cultural events. Workshops and general sessions are geared toward clinicians and service providers in rural Alaska, those in recovery, as well as elders, youth, and other adults.

The RPC Youth Track boasts an action-packed agenda during the afternoons of regular conference workshops. Sessions and activity offerings are planned for meaningful engagement by youth for youth. The statewide planning group is an exciting collaboration between teens around rural Alaska and local youth. Youth Track goals include connecting participants to dynamic and inspirational individuals, participating in healthy and culturally-relevant activities, and developing leadership skills. In years past, planners chose sessions and activities to fulfill three key areas: Substance Abuse and Prevention, Skill-Building and Leadership, and Healthy, Recreational and Cultural Activities. Plans have been developing from the first day staff returned from Kodiak, where the 2010 Conference was held. A Local Planning Committee meets monthly to coordinate local resources and works closely with a Statewide Planning Committee. For more information or how you can have a role in the conference success, contact DeeDee Bennis or Rose Fisher, Co-Chairs at BBNA at 907-842-5257 or toll free 1-800-478-5257 or by email at dbennis@bbna.com or rfisher@bbna.com.

Promoting Healthy Lifestyles

By Marlene Andrews, TANF Program Manager

In the last two months, the TANF staff conducted a Healthy Relationship workshop in the villages of Manokotak, New Stuyahok, Togiak and Dillingham. This workshop covered the following areas: Introduction to Healthy Relationships, Historic Trauma, Drama and Wellness, Hunters & Gatherers – Gender Differences, Healthy Conflict Resolution, Healthy Communication, Coming Together as a Couple, Better Sex, and Living in Balance – Creating the Relationship You Want.

The participants that attended the Healthy Relationship workshop really enjoyed it. They are noticing our traditional values are being lost and being replaced with modern technology, alcohol and drugs. Participants are realizing they need to bring more traditional values back into their daily lifestyles.

The Four Purposes’ of TANF are:

1. Assisting needy families so that children can be cared for in their own homes.
2. Reducing the dependence of needy parents by promoting job preparation, work and marriage.
3. Preventing out-of-wedlock pregnancies.
4. Encouraging the formation and maintenance of two-parent families.

The TANF staff will also be conducting a financial budgeting class in Dillingham, New Stuyahok, Togiak and Manokotak. If you would like to attend or have further questions on any workshops, feel free to contact: Marlene Andrews, TANF Program Manager at 1-888-285-2262 or 842-2262.



Dillingham workshop.



Manokotak workshop.



New Stuyahok workshop.

Brownfields Update

By Arla Johnson, BBNA Brownfields Program Manager



Two Bristol Bay villages received Brownfields assessments (DBA's) through the State of Alaska's Dept. of Environmental Conservation – Contaminated Sites Program (DEC) this spring and fall 2010. New Stuyahok's "Old Landfills" six sites were contracted through DEC and assessed by Oasis Environmental. Manokotak "Old School" and "Old Fuel Tanks" sites were assessed by contractor Hoefler/SLR. During the summer months, Brownfields Summer Intern, Melinda Gardiner worked at BBNA offices and accompanied Arla to Ekwok to collect data and assist with a EPA Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) request.



Mariano Peters - BBNA Forestry, Dan Dunaway – Bristol Bay Environmental Science Lab, Kimberly Seybert BF/ENVI 160 Intern, Dr. Todd Radenbaugh – UAF Environmental Science Lab.

Three Brownfields/ Environmental Studies (BF/ENVI 160) interns are currently working on or planning projects of their own design, which will provide benefit to the environment in their respective communities. At the beginning of the January 2011 semester, Abby Active at Togiak will begin her project. Interns will receive from one to three (1-3) college credits from UAF depending on the duration and complexity of their projects, and will be employed through the BBNA Brownfields Program while doing so. Intern projects include a Dillingham Deadwood Survey by Kimberly Seybert, Togiak Refuse Haul - Albert Gosuk, and a Sustainability Study by Lilly Capell. The BBNA Brownfields Program and UAF Bristol Bay Campus Environmental Studies program are collaborating on this pilot project for communities in Bristol Bay.

For more information please call Arla Johnson/BBNA Brownfields Program at (800) 478 - 5257 x 328, or UAF BBC Environmental Science Laboratory - Dr. Todd Radenbaugh at (800) 478 - 5109.

The Heating Assistance Program-Let Us Help You Stay Warm

By Rae BelleWhitcomb, Workforce Development Director

The State of Alaska has heating assistance programs for low-income households that may be able to help you. Qualified applicants can receive one grant between **October 1, 2010 and April 30, 2011** to help you pay your home heating costs.

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You can also download an application at

<http://www.bbna.com/applications-forms/LIHEAP-2011.pdf>

Applications accepted until April 30, 2011.

Please remember anyone who breaks the rules and receives benefits to which they are not entitled must repay the benefit and may be prosecuted.

Family Size - Gross Monthly Income

1	\$2,537
2	\$3,414
3	\$4,292
4	\$5,169
5	\$6,047
6	\$6,924
7	\$7,802
8	\$8,679

For each additional household member, add \$877

BBNA Workforce Development Summer Youth Program 2010 Highlights

By Rae BelleWhitcomb, BBNA Workforce Development Director

This past summer ninety 90 income eligible youth were placed into summer employment positions throughout the region. This resulted in 43 more youth being hired over the 2009 program. The increase of employment opportunities was made available through the use of American Recovery Reinvestment Act ARRA Supplemental Youth service funds received in 2010. Additional support from BBNA's Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Program enabled more youth to be placed in a work experience sites during July/August 2010.

Youth were hired in a wide variety of positions such as elder chore helper, administrative/office assistant, receptionists, store clerk/stocker, community clean up positions. Youth received a minimum wage at \$7.75 per hour working. Youth averaged working 5 hours per day for approximately 5 weeks. Work experience sites help youth gain skills for a future career opportunity.

If your agency or village would like to participate in our youth work experience program and set up a youth work site for 2011, please contact BBNA Workforce Development at 907-842-2262 or 1-888-285-2262.

VPSO News

By Carla Akelkok, BBNA VPSO Program Manager

Each year the Department Public of Safety requests VPSO's to assist at the Alaska State Fair AST/VPSO Booth in Palmer, Alaska in August. This year, two of BBNA's VPSO's were chosen to assist with this coverage on behalf of the VPSO Program Statewide, they were VPSO Sgt. Dan Decker, Sr. and VPSO Sgt. Gust Tunguing, Jr. They assisted with this event, promoting the VPSO Program and providing handouts to interested individuals.

Manokotak VPSO Carolyn Gamechuk, attended the Alaska Fire Chief Training in Palmer, Alaska on September 28, 2010 through October 3, 2010. She learned the duties in serving as a Fire Chief to implement it in the community she serves in our region.

VPSO David Askoak II was selected from our region to cover the 2010 Alaska Federations of Natives Convention AST/VPSO Booth in Fairbanks, Alaska on October 18-23, 2010. Promoting the VPSO Program to those interested individuals and providing handouts and contacts if interested in applying for a VPSO position.

We had our annual VPSO Regional Training in Dillingham on October 25-29, 2010. All eleven of the VPSO's in our region attended their 40 hour mandatory training. There were some annual re-certification courses along with some new courses.

For more information on the VPSO program please contact Carla Akelkok, BBNA VPSO Program Manager at 907-842-5257 or toll free 1-800-478-5257 or via email at cakelkok@bbna.com.



In the FY'11 VPSO Regional Training Photo Picture: from left to right: (back row) Carla Akelkok, VPSO Program Manager, Sgt. Jason Creasey-Aleknagik VPSO, Sr., Sgt. Gust Tunguing, Jr.-Koliganek VPSO, Cpl. Guy Ashby, Jr.-Chignik Bay VPSO, Cpl. Byron Wise-Pilot Point VPSO, Sgt. Dan Decker, Sr.-Igiugig VPSO, VPSO David Askoak II, Newhalen VPSO; (front row, left to right); VPSO Amy Askoak-New Stuyahok VPSO, VPSO Travis Gloko-Manokotak VPSO, VPSO Carolyn Gamechuk-Manokotak VPSO, VPSO Cpl. David Eneyuk-New Stuyahok VPSO, and VPSO Gusti Tunguing III-Ekwok VPSO.



Juvenile Probation Officer Blinn Dull, Jr. and Asst. Jeanie Layland w/VPSO's.



Defensive Tactics picture: F&W Thomas Akelkok, with VPSO Amy Askoak, of New Stuyahok and VPSO Cpl. Guy Ashby, Jr., of Chignik Bay

Partners for Fisheries Monitoring Program Update

By Courtenay Gomez, Subsistence Fisheries Scientist

Sidney Nelson, Fisheries Education Coordinator, joined the BBNA Natural Resources Department in August 2010. Sidney is working to develop and implement our fisheries education program as funded through the 2010-2011 BBNA Partners for Fisheries Monitoring Program. Available resources provide funding for a part-time Fisheries Education Coordinator to work with our local schools, the UAF Bristol Bay Campus and other organizations to provide fisheries educational units in a classroom and field setting.

In the few months Sidney has been with us, he has been busy learning about the Partners for Fisheries Monitoring Program, the USFWS Office of Subsistence Management and networking with our partners to determine how best to design and implement this new program. Most recently Sidney has been working with UAF Bristol Bay Campus staff to co-coach the Dillingham High School's Tsunami Bowl team. The Alaska Tsunami Bowl is a statewide program where teams from Alaska high schools compete in a face-to-face academic competition that focuses on ocean sciences. This year's Tsunami Bowl will be held February 3-5, 2011 at the Alaska SeaLife Center in Seward.

Other recent activities regarding fisheries education include the September 20, 2010 submission of a grant proposal to the Alaska Sustainable Salmon Fund's call for salmon education proposals. The proposal titled, "Bristol Bay Fisheries Education Program" and requests funding for a full-time Fisheries Education Coordinator, as well as to expand the BBEDC Salmon Camp schedule and curriculum to include a cultural component and incorporate the role of traditional ecological and local traditional knowledge (TEK/LTK) in fisheries management. Sidney is continuing to work with educators and administrators of the Dillingham City School District to design and implement a program that will work well for students and faculty of the Dillingham schools.

For more information on the fisheries education program here at BBNA, please contact our Fisheries Education Coordinator, Sidney Nelson at 907-842-5257 ext. 364 or via email at snelson@bbna.com.



Sidney Nelson, Fisheries Education Coordinator.

Wood - Energy Workshop Outcome

By Melody Nibeck, Tribal Energy Program Manager

The Tribal Forestry and Energy programs hosted a two-day Wood-Energy workshop November 12-13, 2010 to discuss efficiency and sustainability. Meg Burgett, a forester from the Rural Development Wood Energy Program (UAF-CES) spoke both days. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) started certifying wood heating appliances in 1991, and stoves manufactured after that time are typically referred to as “modern.” These stoves meet particulate emission limits, and are identified with a permanent label on the back or side listing the rated emission levels. In essence, a lower emission indicates a more complete combustion so that each burn produces the most heat from your wood fuel. The other part of efficiency is the use of dry or “seasoned” wood defined as a moisture content level of about 20 percent. It burns hotter, gives off less smoke and reduces consumption by up to 25 percent. In reference to sustainability, the issue is complex, and can be defined in many different ways, but at its core is the need for good information to help guide good management decisions. From a forestry perspective, we discussed the need to document and study the growth rates of the trees used for fuel. This involves the scientific method of dendrochronology or tree-ring dating and can yield information on age, climate and growth speed. This type of data is lacking for the region and relates directly to a sustainable harvest. The Rural Development Wood Energy Program has a fantastic web site that covers a variety of topics related to wood energy, including an on-line heat cost calculator. The calculator compares the cost of various heating fuels relative to where you live, how well your home is insulated, the size of your home, the kind of heating system, type and cost of fuel. Check it out! The web site is: <http://www.alaskawoodheating.com/>.



Southwest Alaska Gardening Symposium: A Growing Idea

By Rae Belle Whitcomb, BBNA Workforce Development Director

A very successful gardening symposium took place in Dillingham the last weekend of September 2010 with over 36 gardening students attending from 10 villages in the Bristol Bay region. The mission was to bring together local gardeners, gardening experts and aspiring gardeners to exchange information and celebrate local food production for families and communities in southwest Alaska in the spirit of self-reliance and sustainability. Guest speakers provided information on various gardening topics such as garden types, starting a garden from scratch, seed starting, transplanting, cost analysis of growing vegetables in bush Alaska, qualities of good soil, composting, and community development through gardening. Local Garden Tours and a Cooking Session were offered. In the Cooking Session, students learned the nutritional value of veggies, how to cook and preserve veggies, recipes, and how to make healthy food choices for your family. In the Garden Tours, students visited local gardens, received lots of planting and equipment ideas and participated in hands-on demonstrations. Gardeners were encouraged to enter their home-grown veggies, fruits, flowers or garden photo into the Garden Show where juried and People’s Choice prizes were awarded. All students earned 1 college credit and a handy gardening totebag full of seeds and tools. The sessions were very interactive and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive.



Gardening Symposium presenters and sponsors.

Future gardening courses are planned including a Practical Gardening Basics class in Spring 2011. Contact Michele Masley (mmasley@alaska.edu) for more information. This symposium was made possible by UAF Bristol Bay Campus, BBNA Workforce Development, BBNA Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Marston Foundation, School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences, Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program and BBAHC Diabetes Prevention Program.



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Marine Mammal Update

By Helen Chythlook, BBNA Marine Mammal Coordinator

Port Heiden Harbor Seal Pilot Project

On June 9, 2010, Project collaborators Lianna Jack, The Alaska Sea Otter & Steller Sea Lion Commission, Native Council of Port Heiden and the Bristol Bay Native Association conducted Year Two: Port Heiden Harbor Seal Pilot Project boat survey counts in Meshik Bay to the Cape Stroganoff Bay area which included three seal islands plus a new seal island. The field crew also conducted sea otter boat surveys in the Meshik Bay area. Both harbor seals and sea otters were numerous and dispersed throughout the Meshik Bay to Cape Stroganoff Bay and were observed from one to three mile radius in the Bay. The seals and sea otters observed were healthy. Seal counts were in the thousands, as well as the sea otter counts, with layers of pods consisting of males, females with pups and juvenile sea otters.



2010 Iliamna seal aerial survey, photo taken by Dave Withrow, NOAA

Iliamna Freshwater Harbor Seal Research Project

Received electronic correspondence from the Newhalen Tribal Council confirming their collaboration with the Iliamna Freshwater Harbor Seal Research Project. Newhalen Tribal Council hired a biologist to oversee the project and BBNA will hire a Local Research Assistant from Newhalen for local expertise in TEK surveys, collecting seal samples voluntarily from hunters. Quyana! Newhalen Tribal Council and BBNA welcomes your collaboration to the project!

If you would like more information about the BBNA Marine Mammal Program please contact Helen Chythlook at 907-842-5257 ext. 340 or toll free 1-800-478-5257 or email at hchythlook@bbna.com.

Leadership Award

By Gwen Wilson, BBNA Media Services Specialist

Sue Flensburg, BBNA's Environmental Program Manager, received the Carol Paddock Jorgensen Leadership Award at the 2010 Tribal Leaders Summit in Juneau, Alaska. Sue received her award for demonstrating leadership excellence in the environmental protection area. She was awarded on September 2, 2010 on behalf of the Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (CCTHITA) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. At the Tribal Leaders Summit it was mentioned that Sue has been instrumental in the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) efforts to create and strengthen the relationships between Region 10 Tribes and the EPA. The trust and appreciation that Sue has on behalf of the Tribes is remarkable, and one only needs to look at the success of the great region of Bristol Bay to see her notable contributions. Congratulations on your award Sue Flensburg!

New Employees at BBNA

By Gwen Wilson, Media Services Specialist

BBNA Personnel department has been very busy hiring new employees since July 2010 through November 2010.

In July, the Workforce Development Department hired Mary Loiland, Infant/Toddler Learning Center Manager.

In August, the Program Development Department hired Joyce "Pinky" Armstrong as the Regional Vision Project Admin. Assistant. The Natural Resources Department hired Sidney Nelson as the Fisheries Education Coordinator. The Head Start Department hired John Heyano as the Transportation Coordinator/Bus Driver; Genevieve Kapatak as the Dillingham PM Teacher Aide; and Natalia Andrew as the New Stuyahok Head Start Cook/Custodian.

In September, Community Services VPSO program hired a new VPSO, Amy Askoak stationed in New Stuyahok. The Head Start Department hired Heather Green, as the Admin. Assistant. The Workforce Development Department hired 3 new employees Stacy Gottshall as the Employment & Training Case Worker, Sindy Nelson as the Infant Toddler Learning Center Teacher Aide, and Nicole Krause as the Tribal TANF Caseworker III.

In October, the Land Management Department hired Michael Timmerman, LMS Records Management Specialist. The Workforce Development Department hired Alexandra Angasan as the Administrative Support II; Bessie Gonzalez as the Caseworker I-II/TANF Liaison; and Frances Gill as the Infant Toddler Learning Center Teacher's Aide. The Head Start Department hired Mary Gosuk as the Center Coordinator/Teacher in Manokotak.

In November, the Workforce Development Department hired Johanna Belleque as the Infant Toddler Learning Center Teacher.

2011 Bristol Bay Sockeye Salmon Forecast

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game Division of Commercial Fisheries released the 2011 Bristol Bay sockeye salmon forecast and harvest projections on November 09, 2010.

To see full news release go to:



<http://www.cf.adfg.state.ak.us/region2/finfish/salmon/bbayhome.php>

District Forecasts

	Millions
Naknek-Kvichak (Kvichak 4.53, Alagnak 1.52, Naknek 6.55)	12.60
Egegik	9.76
Ugashik	4.83
Nushagak (Wood 5.17, Igushik 0.98, Nushagak 1.59)	7.74
Togiak	0.92
Total Run:	35.85

Winter Carnivals

Tentative Dates- Contact Villages For More Information

January & February

Naknek Winter Fest
Nushagak Classic (Dog Race)
Koliganek Carnival
Newhalen Carnival
New Stuyahok-Beaver Fest
Peninsula Conference (Chignik Lake)

March

Ekwoq Woman's Race
Kokhanok Carnival
Levelock Carnival
Dillingham - Beaver Round-Up
Nondalton Family Fun Week

Toothpick Snowflake Ornament

To learn how to make this ornament go to the link below.

<http://crafts.kaboose.com/toothpick-snowflake-ornament.html>

Marbled Pumpkin Cheesecake

Recipe from EatingWell.com For the recipe go to the link below
<http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/eating-well/marbled-pumpkin-cheesecake-recipe/index.html>

Treasure Hunt

<http://www.santas.net/christmasactivities.htm>

Children have to find Christmassy treasures, like mince pies, or bon bons. An organizer makes up a series of clues, and gives players the first clue. This could be "Go to the place where a lot is spoken." (telephone). At this place there is a clue for the next clue and so until the treasure is found.

For More Christmas Fun Check Out The Links Below

Printable Christmas Games – go to: http://www.partygameideas.com/christmas-games/printable_games.php

Over 10 Christmas Angel Crafts- go to: <http://crafts.kaboose.com/holidays/christmas/angels/index.html>

Chenille Snowman and Rudolph-go to: <http://crafts.kaboose.com/chenille-snowman-rudolph.html>

Christmas Crafts- go to: <http://crafts.kaboose.com/holidays/christmas/christmas-crafts.html>

Christmas Games-go to: <http://www.partygameideas.com/christmas-games/>

Christmas Activities from Santa's Net- go to: <http://www.santas.net/christmasactivities.htm>

Christmas Activities With Kids – Twelve Days of Christmas Fun –go to:

<http://www.suite101.com/content/christmas-activities-with-kids---twelve-days-of-christmas-fun-a301098>

Christmas Activities

Yarn Scrap Ornament

<http://crafts.kaboose.com/yarn-scrap-ornament.html>

By: Amanda Formaro

What you'll need:

- Green yarn
- White glue
- Wax paper
- Buttons
- 1 chenille stem or ribbon
- Scissors



How to make it:

1. Lay a piece of wax paper out on the work surface.
2. Pour some white glue onto a paper plate or into a small bowl.
3. Cut pieces of yarn into varying lengths. Lay out pieces onto work surface first to be sure you have enough to make your design.
4. Dip pieces of yarn into white glue completely covering each piece. Squeeze of the excess so that they don't drip. Place pieces of glued yarn onto the wax paper, overlapping each piece as you work.
5. Allow to dry overnight.
6. Once the yarn is dry, loosen it from the wax paper.
7. Use white glue to add buttons as ornaments. Let dry.
8. Add chenille stem or ribbon hanger.

Tips:

- Substitute buttons with beads or sequins.
- You can use white yarn and once dry, dip in glue then green glitter.
- This can be a messy project. Be sure to protect clothing and have a damp wash cloth handy to wipe up little fingers.

Tongue Twister

<http://www.santas.net/christmasactivities.htm>

(repeat 20 times really fast) - **Snow slows Santa's sled.**





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Bristol Bay Calendar Events

Event/Location	Date	Contact Information
BIA Providers Conference Location: Anchorage	November 29-Dec. 3, 2010	907-271-4088
BBNC Leadership Workshop Location: Anchorage	December 9-10, 2010	BBNC 907-278-3602 1-800-426-3602
BBAHC Executive Meeting	December 16-17, 2010	BBAHC 907-842-5201
BBNA-Closed for Holiday	December 23-24, & 31, 2010	BBNA 907-842-5257 or 1-800-478-5257
BBNA Executive Committee Meeting	January 21, 2011	BBNA 907-842-5257 or 1-800-478-5257
BBNA Presidents & Administrators Workshop	February 20-25, 2011	BBNA 907842-5257 or 1-800-478-5257
BBNA Full Board Meeting	March 15-17, 2011	BBNA 907-842-5257 or 1-800-478-5257

To see more community events go to BBNA's interactive Community Calendar at <http://plus.calendars.net/bristolbay>

The Mission of BBNA is to maintain and promote a strong regional organization supported by the Tribes of Bristol Bay to serve as a unified voice to provide social, economic, cultural, educational opportunities and initiatives for the benefit of the Tribes and the Native people of Bristol Bay.

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