

THE POLAR NewsFlash

"Following the London family across Alaska"

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THE WALLS ARE UP!



Ronald shoveling inside 1 of the 3 houses

Construction of the 3 student built houses at Amundsen Educational Center is now in its 3rd month. AEC started up this year with 10 students: double the amount from last year. Needless to say, doubling the student body has brought about a lot of changes in staff, the campus, and the program. Among some of the

very positive changes: Adam now gets to share his workload with two excellent Resident Advisors; Trix and Jaron. Both of the RAs live on campus with the students and have brought great energy and new ideas for the student body. The growth in students has also brought some challenges, however. Adam has had to deal with several student crises and had to exercise his role as student disciplinarian much more than he would like. Nevertheless, God is at work on the AEC campus and has much more work yet to do.

While AEC students are working in walls without a roof, Shirleen has been in a building with many walls and a large roof: she has been in a Montessori Elementary School 5 days every week as a student teacher. Her class is a mixed class of about 25 students, grades 1st-3rd. She often comes home with great stories and is learning a lot about what it means to be a teacher. Shirleen has been teaching several lessons on her own in preparation for when she is teaching all on her own for 6 weeks later in the school year.

Mailing Mishap

Oops! Sorry about the mistake!

For some of you, it has been a couple of months since you have received our newsletter. For others of you, it has been even longer than that. We accidentally mailed our July newsletter out to an old mailing list, so many of you did NOT receive our last newsletter. If you are interested in looking at our previous newsletter, please return the enclosed card and write on it "July Newsletter", or you can look at any of our past newsletters at any time on our website: www.PolarNewsFlash.com.

Getting to Know

The Londons



BIG NEWS!! Adam and Shirleen are expecting their very first baby!

Baby London has a due date of April 2nd, 2009.

We do not know the gender, yet, but hope to know soon.

Shirleen has been fortunate to not get very sick in her pregnancy, and it is crazy to think it is already half over.

In case you are wondering, Shirleen will be able to finish her student teaching and will graduate in May.

Please stay tuned for more about Baby London. Also, you can check out the ultrasounds on our website.

Snapshots



Preparing moose, caribou, and salmon for 100 of our church friends.



AEC students & the Londons at a Pamyua (Native-funk music) concert.



Driving range! Most youth from the village have never even hit a golf ball.



This is the 1st-3rd grade classroom that Shirleen student teaches in.



A couple of AEC ladies relaxing during the Covenant Youth of AK Fall retreat.

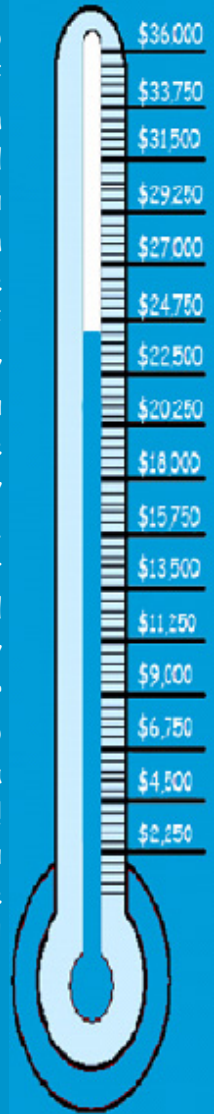


Working hard together to cover the foundation before the snow hits!

Fundraising Update

God is good, and we are trusting in His provision. With the last few months of the year closing in, please pray that financial support continues to come in. We truly appreciate our prayer support team.

Thank you so much to those of you that have been praying for us and for those of you that have given financially in the last couple of months! A very special thank you to our Kenai home church, Calvary Baptist Church. Through a support raising lunch and presentation, they helped our thermometer go up more than a thousand dollars! Is God leading you to help the Londons reach full funding?



Will you prayerfully consider joining our support team?

Whether by prayer or finances, Shirleen and I cannot do this ministry without a strong support team.

If God is leading you, please fill out and return the enclosed card.

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