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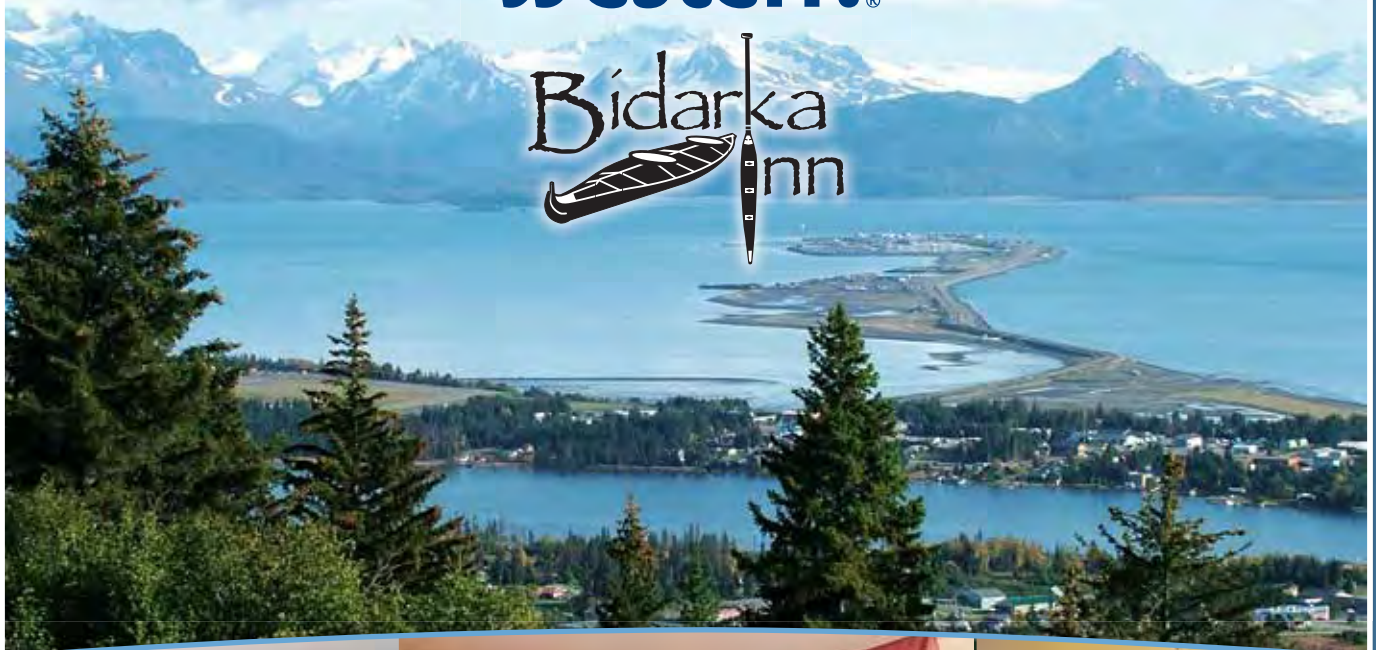
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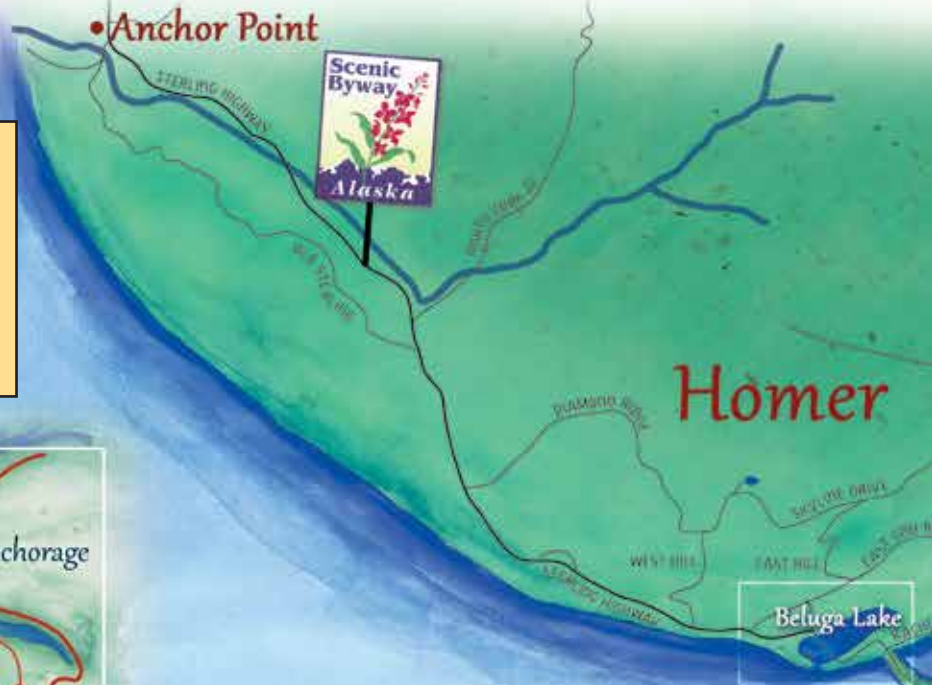
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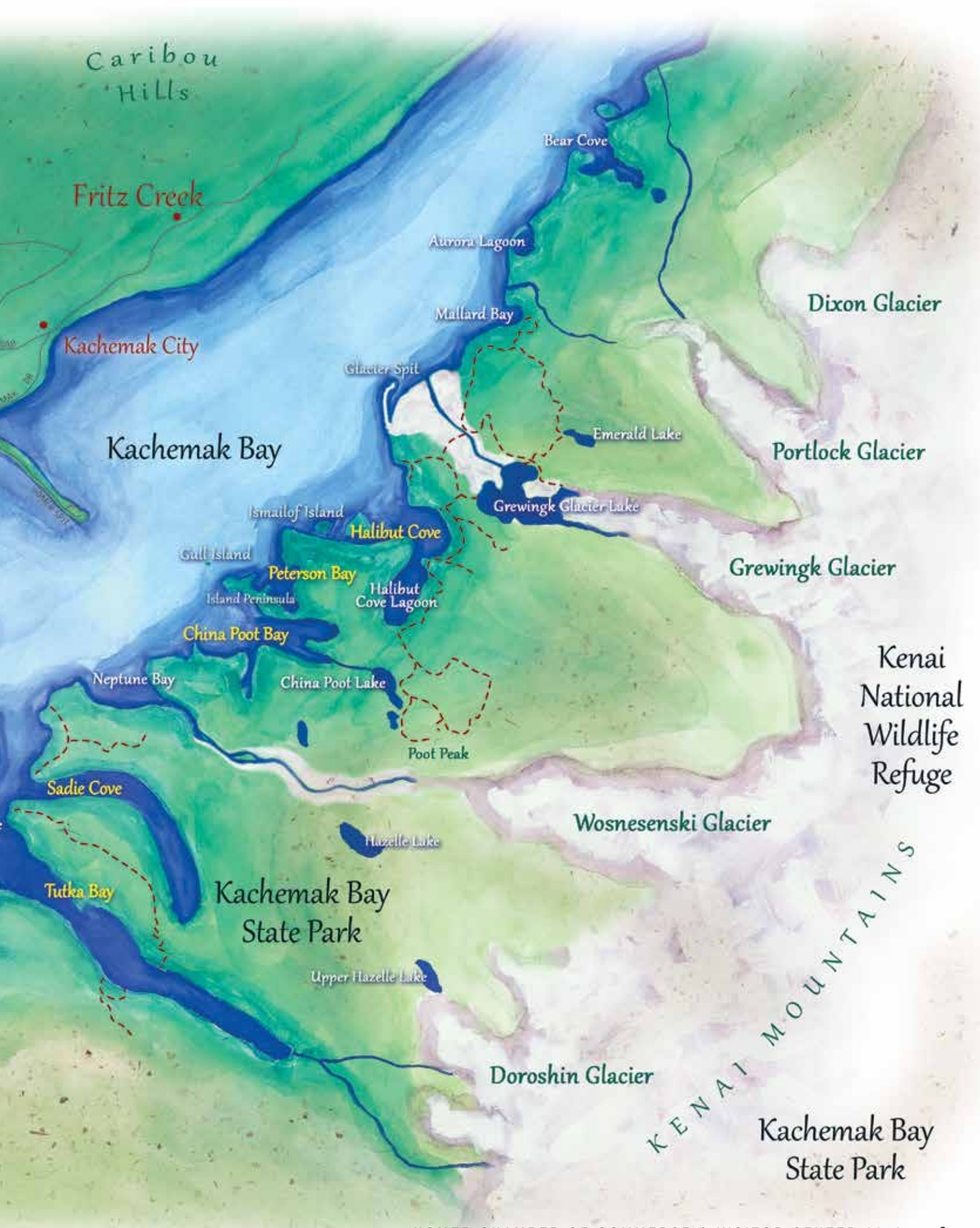
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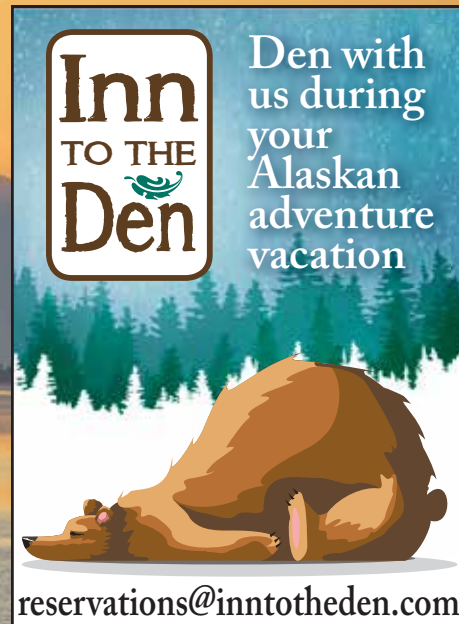
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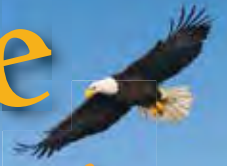
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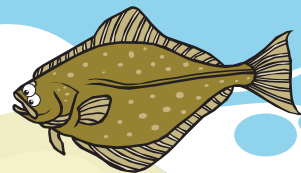
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Beaches

Bishop's Beach, accessed from Main Street in Old Town, offers picnic tables and BBQs, long walks and stunning views. A trail also leads to Bishop's Beach along Beluga Slough from Islands & Ocean Visitor Center. The beach at Mariner Park on the Spit offers a good view to the west. There are many accessible beaches farther out on the Spit, but be very aware of our area's high tides. Be careful where you park and make sure your return route won't be covered by water.

Tide Pooling

During extreme tide cycles, over 20 feet of shoreline is exposed. Step carefully, and spend time crouching and observing the sea life that abounds. Explore on your own or go across the Bay with the Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies from Memorial Day to Labor Day. www.akcoastalstudies.org

Arts

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Wildlife Viewing

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Courtney Moody

Pratt Museum

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See page 81 for business directory.

Christina Whiting



Beth Holman

RV Parks & Dump Stations

For some vacationers, there is nothing better than having your own home on wheels. There are RV parks on the Homer Spit, some with laundries, espresso bars and recreation rooms. You'll also find RV parks in town and in the surrounding area.

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If you want to lease or rent a vehicle, there are several car rental businesses and some provide free airport pickup and drop-off. There are also bike, boat, and 4-wheel ATV rentals available from local businesses.

Taxicab companies offer 24-hour service. The local drivers know the

area well and are a great source of information about places of interest and current happenings.

Homer is served by the State ferries *M/V Tustumena* and the *M/V Kennicott*, which are both passenger and car ferries with overnight accommodations. The state ferry offers regular service from Homer to Seldovia and Kodiak Island, and a seven-day round trip excursion to the Aleutian Islands.

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Pioneer Avenue

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Homer has two coffee roasters and you can try a fresh brew and buy beans. NOMAR is a Homer institution manufacturing outdoor wear for all ages and many items used by our commercial fishing fleet.

There are seven restaurants along Pioneer serving up diner style breakfast to fine dining featuring fresh local seafood.

The three art galleries show case local Alaskan and Homer artists. There are two book stores, one has everything from hiking maps to new



releases while the other is great for used books. From dressing yourself to furnishing your home you can find it all along Pioneer. Pioneer Ave is where both the 4th of July and Winter Carnival Parades take place and you can take local trails that connect you to the Pratt Museum, the Library and Grocery Stores.



Ocean Drive

Ocean Drive links Sterling Highway and Spit Road and is banked by many local year around businesses. With a hotel and full service restaurant on one end and a great local brewery on the other, Ocean Drive shouldn't be missed. One of the biggest draws is the Homer Farmers Market which is open May-Sept but you will also find shops to cater to nearly every adventurer's need as well as coffee shops, restaurants, fish processing and a laundromat. Just off Ocean Drive you can also find another great brewery and Beluga Lake where you can watch float planes take off and land.



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Business District



COURTESY OF PRATT MUSEUM PHOTO ARCHIVES
Pratt House



COURTESY OF PRATT MUSEUM PHOTO ARCHIVES
Harrington Cabin



COURTESY OF PRATT MUSEUM PHOTO ARCHIVES
Homer Cash Store

1. Just off the Sterling Hwy. (Bypass) on Pioneer Ave. is the **Pratt House**, once the Homer Hostel. Designed by Sam Pratt, the interior features arched book cases and a curved telephone seat.
2. The **Harrington Cabin**, built in 1935, is now located next to the Pratt Museum. The log structure was home to many families and was once artist Toby Tyler's studio.
3. The **Homer Cash Store** was one of Homer's premier stores when it opened with a full stock of general merchandise in 1936. In the early years, the second story served as the town's dance hall, but eventually it was converted to living quarters. It was renovated to simulate its early form, and now houses Coast Guard offices.

4. The **Jones House** is now offices. This building was first built in Halibut Cove, from floor joists and framing members salvaged from a defunct herring saltery. The materials were boated to Homer and then hauled from the harbor by a team-drawn wagon to its present location. No photo.

5. Also on Pioneer is the old **Homer Post Office**. This tiny log cabin was built in 1927 as a community project on Tom Shelford's homestead near the mouth of the Beluga Slough. In 1936, a new post office was erected, and this building was eventually transported to its present location.



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Homer Post Office

6. The **Heady Hotel** is still a hotel. Al and Esther Heady began building the three-story structure in July of 1946. With three-sided logs and a poured concrete floor, the hotel has been an impressive landmark in the heart of town since it opened in 1948. Today it is run as the Heritage Hotel. No photo.

7. Arleen Kranich first drew the design for the two-story **Kranich House** on wrapping paper. She and her husband cut the logs and sawed them into lumber at their Diamond Ridge Road sawmill, and hauled it into town to build their home in 1944. It has been home to a variety of businesses.



COURTESY OF PRATT MUSEUM PHOTO ARCHIVES
Kranich House

Old Town

8. The **Hansen Log Home**, now beautifully refurbished, was built of local spruce in the 1920s, on an island across the bay. It was dismantled in the 1930s and barged across to Homer. It is now home to the Old Inlet Bookshop.



COURTESY OF PRATT MUSEUM PHOTO ARCHIVES
Hansen Log Home

9. Old-timers would hardly recognize it now, but the **Inlet Trading Post**, constructed around 1937 by Maybelle and Arthur Berry, was known as "Berry's" with a grocery store on the ground floor and a hotel above. It now houses a restaurant and Bunnell Street Art Center.



COURTESY OF PRATT MUSEUM PHOTO ARCHIVES
Inlet Trading Post

10. Across the street from the gallery, find the **Inlet Inn Hotel**. In former years, this building was a school, cold storage, private residence and hotel. Today it is the Driftwood Inn. No photo.

11. The **Ohlson Lane Cabin's** history is a bit obscure; early residents remember it well, but don't recall for sure who built it nor when. Some say it was a casket storage building at one time. It is now a private residence and the owners don't mind photographers. No photo.



The Homer Spit Homer's Early Days

Steve Davis

The forces of nature that built the Homer Spit might have washed it away years ago if humans had not intervened. Winter storms roaring out of the northwest try to separate the 4.5-mile strip of sand and gravel from the mainland almost every year, but rock walls and perseverance keep it intact.

Just what is a spit anyway?

The prevalent theory for the Spit's origin is that it is the remains of an ancient glacial moraine, constantly reshaped by ocean currents. Two archeological finds, one near the base and one about three-fourths of the way out, reveal that the Spit was used by humans long before written history. Fire-cracked rocks and shells indicate that people gathered clams and mussels here, cooking them over open fires. Pacific Eskimo are known to have lived on these shores thousands of years ago. Dena'ina Athabascan Indians moved into Cook Inlet about 1,000 years ago. Russian explorers, trappers and traders came in

the late 1700s, adding their culture and naming some of the geographic features. In the late 1800s, coal was mined here and became the early economic base, transported by railroad from Bidarka Creek to ships at the end of the Homer Spit.

The village of Homer was located on the tip of the Spit from 1896 to 1902 when Homer developed near the base of the Spit in the 1910s. Homer grew to encompass the foothills as more settlers came into the country. Towns on the south side of Kachemak Bay had already established a foothold in the fisheries, but as the dynamics changed and Homer was linked by road to the rest of the world in 1950, the focus shifted to the north side of the Bay. In the process, some buildings were deconstructed in Seldovia and Halibut Cove, and barged across to be rebuilt. Some of those structures stand today and are still in use in the hub of the Old Town and Pioneer Avenue.

See page 17 for more information.

Editor note: Historical facts from Janet Klein's *Kachemak Bay Communities, Their Histories, Their Mysteries*.

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Corner of Bartlett St. and Pioneer Ave., 1956.

Courtesy of Pratt Museum Photo Archives.



Chamberlain and Watson General Store in Old Town, 1948.

Will the Real Homer Pennock...

Homer Pennock was a confidence man, a con man who created numerous schemes for separating wealthy people from their money. In 1896 and '97, he set up base camp on the Homer Spit (named in his honor by the hopeful gold miners in his crew) and sought gold throughout Cook Inlet. With some knowledge of the local gold and coal outcrops, Pennock established bogus mining companies, then traveled to the East Coast to sell stock in them.

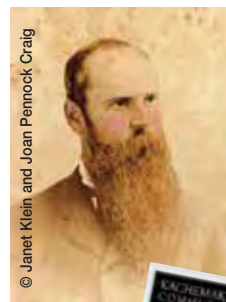
Like many con men, he preferred to be secretive and avoided being photographed. So when local historian Janet Klein received a photograph of a scruffy, grizzled miner from the Canadian archive in 1995, she greeted it with some skepticism and then chose to publish it... (a life-size painting of the grizzled

Courtesy Janet Klein

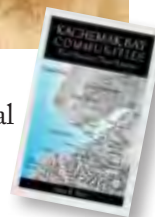


miner hangs in the Homer Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center).n 1999, Klein learned that Homer Pennock had been married twice. Although his New York City death certificate states that he had no children, he had, indeed, fathered four with his first wife. His granddaughter contacted the Homer Public Library wanting to learn more about her infamous grandfather and eventually sent the formal portrait of Homer Pennock to Ms. Klein.

Now the question is: Is the unkept gold miner pictured on the cover of The Homer Spit, Coal, Gold, and Con Men really Homer Pennock? Could he possibly be the same man as depicted in the formal portrait shown in Kachemak Bay Communities, Their Histories, Their Mysteries? No one knows!



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Bishop's Beach, Inlet Trading Post, Homer News building, Ohlson Lane Cabin. Circa 1943. From the William Wakeland Collection.

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NORTH FORK LOOP

Drive the 14-mile North Fork Loop Road out of Anchor Point, curving through the hills back toward Homer. It is paved into the village of Nikolaevsk where it changes into a well-maintained gravel road. It provides exceptional views of the peninsula and surrounding countryside.

SKYLINE

At the top of East Hill Road is Skyline Drive. Turn to the east (right) on Skyline and you'll find the Carl E. Wynn Nature Center, which offers guided walks with a naturalist familiar with the area. Watch

for sandhill cranes as well as moose and occasional porcupine. Turn to the west (left) on Skyline and you'll soon find a scenic view pullout, where you can photograph all of Homer, Kachemak Bay State Park and the Kenai Mountains. Continue west across the ridge for panoramic views of downtown Homer, the Spit and the Bay. At Diamond Ridge, turn right for an eagle's eye view of Cook Inlet and its volcanoes, or head down West Hill Road to Homer.



EAST END ROAD

This drive takes you through neighborhoods, communities, farms, meadows, and forests. It offers stunning views of Kachemak Bay glaciers and mountains. Watch for wildlife, as sandhill cranes and moose feast in the fields along the road. Keep the camera handy!

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Here are some places to go exploring with your camera. The map on this page will show you the locations by number.



Shelly Marshall Schmidt



Beth Holman



Nyla Lightcap

14 - End of the Spit:

The end of the Spit is a great vantage point to photograph surfcasting anglers, fishing boats leaving and returning to the harbor, and the Homer Yacht Club regattas on the weekends.

Andrew Keenan

15 - East Hill Road & Skyline Drive:

Bird's-eye view of the town and the Spit with the Kenai Mountains as a backdrop.

16 - Russian Old Believers Villages:

Drive 25 miles out East End Road to find the marvelous beauty at the end of Kachemak Bay.

1 - Baycrest Hill:

The overlook at the top of the hill on the Sterling Highway offers almost 180° views of the Bay.

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5 - Post Office:

Across from the Post Office is an established eagle's nest where the mated pair raise their young every summer.

Eagle Photo by Russell Campbell



Aubrey Behrends

2 - Old Town:

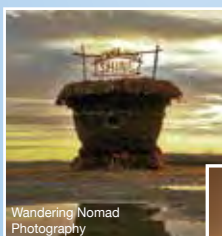
Homer's original buildings and the Bunnell Art Gallery where artists in residence are sometimes working on projects.

3 - Bishop's Beach:

Just east of Old Town.

4 - Islands & Ocean Visitor Center:

Beluga Slough trail leads down into the marsh for shorebird viewing.



Wandering Nomad Photography

13 - Seafarers' Memorial:

A memorial to local fishermen who have lost their lives at sea.



Tamir Bjorn

6 - Beluga Lake and Slough:

Watch floatplanes & trumpeter swans.

7 - Mariner Park:

At the base of the Spit

9 - The Boat Graveyard:

A private property lagoon of retired wooden boats.



Jana Sheep

10 - Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon: "The Fishing Hole"

11 - Homer Harbor

12 - The Salty Dawg:

The infamous watering hole (look for the lighthouse tower).



Carol Robinson

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Pacific Ring of Fire



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Rutherford & Grannan

MOUNT REDOUBT VOLCANO last erupted in April 2009. It began with a minor explosion of steam and ash just after 1pm on March 15. Major explosive events began March 22 and the Alaska Volcano Observatory recorded more than 19 separate explosions. Plume heights exceeded 50,000 feet above sea level on multiple occasions. On the afternoon of March 28, ash fall in Anchorage closed the airport from 5pm until 7am the next morning (March 29). The largest explosion occurred April 4, lasting more than 30 minutes, and was comparable in size to the largest event of the 1989/1990 Redoubt eruption. About 1/16th of an inch (1.5 mm) of ash fall was measured near Seldovia and Homer following the April 4 explosion.



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MOUNT DOUGLAS VOLCANO guards the entrance to Cook Inlet with its 7,005 foot high vantage, just north of the Shelikof Strait. The summit is warm (about 72 degrees), with a highly acidic crater lake about 525 feet wide. Although no recent eruption has been recorded, relatively fresh lava flow, with no ice buildup, indicates that this giant is only sleeping.



Ben Mitchell

MOUNT ILIAMNA VOLCANO, which appears as snowy peaks across Cook Inlet from Anchor Point, is actually one mountain, with a 10,013 foot summit and four peaks. No recent activity has been recorded from this volcano other than swarms of earthquakes, some with a magnitude of three.



Holly Dickson

MOUNT AUGUSTINE VOLCANO, about 70 miles from Homer, is an island that stands off the west shore of the Inlet. It is about 4,025 feet high and is probably the most photographed of the volcanoes. Augustine ended a 20-year period of repose on January 11, 2006 with 13 explosive eruptions in 20 days. Explosive activity shifted to a quieter effusion of lava in early February 2006, forming a new summit lava dome and two short, blocky lava flows by late March.



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Information from web sites of
www.usgs.gov, www.skimountaineer.com,
www.avo.alaska.edu and
Alaska Volcano Observatory, Anchorage.

Plants to enjoy...



FIREWEED - This flower hardly qualifies as a weed. The four-petaled flowers grow along tall, graceful stalks and bloom bright magenta from the bottom up. Summer is ending when the tip of the fireweed blooms. Like almost everything that grows wild here, it has medicinal properties and can be eaten. Don't be surprised if you find a few blossoms tossed with your salad.



FORGET-ME-NOT - The territorial government adopted the wild native forget-me-not as the official flower April 29, 1917. Five sky-blue connected petals ring a white inner circle and a yellow center in this small flower. Look for them close to the ground in cooler, partially-shaded areas from June to late July.

Plants to Avoid...



LUPINE - The lupine proliferates in gardens and along roads and trails. Its bonnet-shaped blossoms add color to the countryside and are credited with enriching the soil.

LUPINE IS POISONOUS. DO NOT EAT IT.



DEVIL'S CLUB - Woody stems, six to eight feet tall when fully grown, are protected by sharp thorns. The huge leaves are prickly on the undersides. Clusters of white flowers become brilliant red berries in fall. Like many defensive plants, this one has several medicinal uses.



COW PARSNIP - Also called pootschki (push-key), this plant grows to be eight feet tall. The flower clusters are creamy white. Skin contact can result in severely painful blisters. Inhaling the smoke from burning stalks can also cause internal blisters. Some people are more sensitive to the plant than others and the effect of the poison is intensified by exposure to sun.



NETTLES - The nettle ranks right up there with devil's club and cow parsnip. It grows close to the ground and delivers discomfort through stinging hairs on the leaves and stems.



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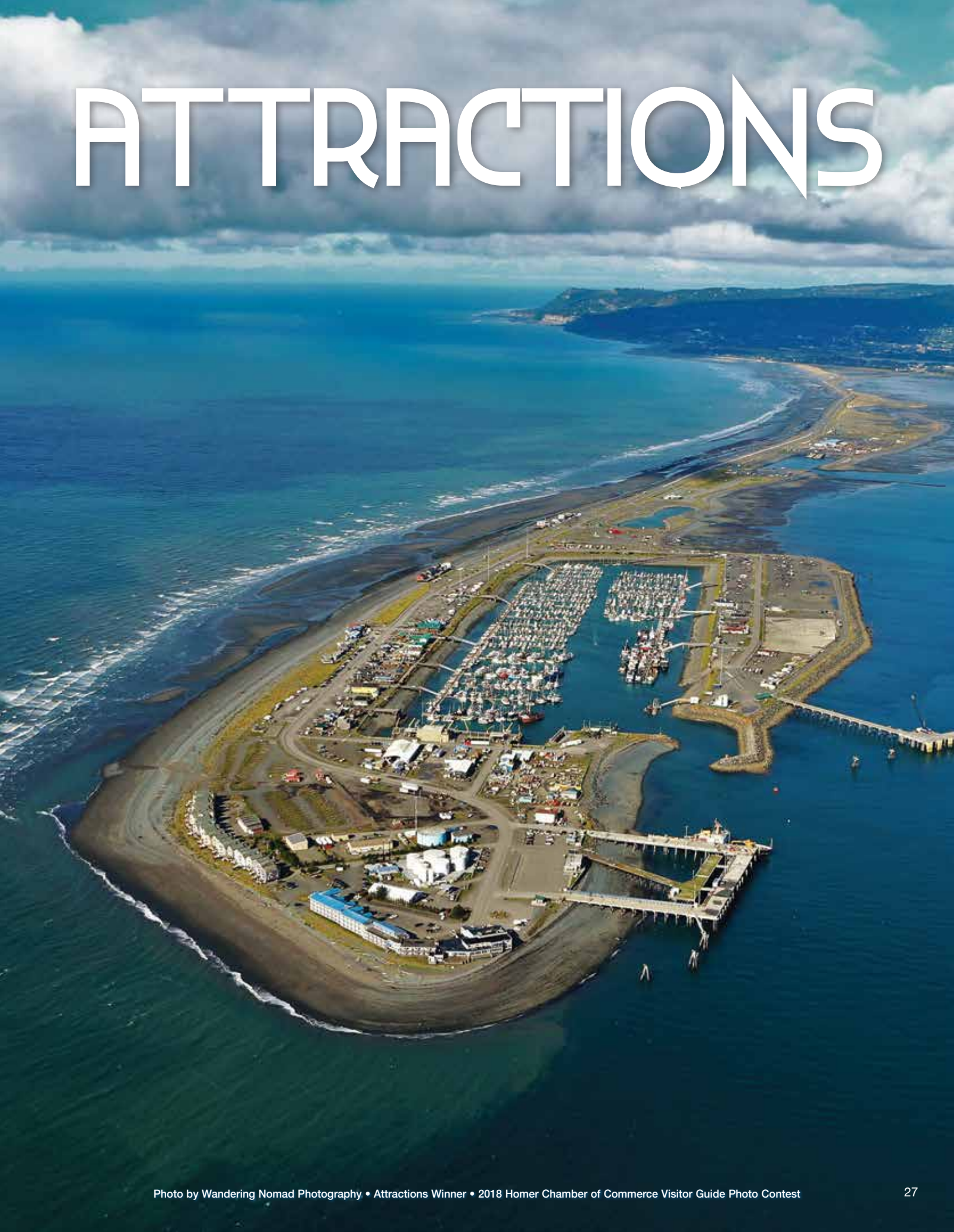


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The Refuge partners with the community to host the annual Kachemak Bay Shorebird Festival in May, and serves as the festival headquarters. Daily summer programs, including guided hikes, ranger-led talks, and hands-on activities are offered June – August.

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rials, gifts, and souvenirs. Profits earned in the bookstore help support the mission and goals of the Center.

Islands & Ocean Visitor Center is free and open to the public year-round: 9:00am – 5:00pm daily in the summer (Memorial Day – Labor Day), and Tuesday – Saturday 12:00- 5:00pm Fall/Winter/Spring. Closed Federal holidays, Christmas Eve, and New Year's Eve. For upcoming events and additional information call 907-235-6961 or visit us online at alaskamaritime.fws.gov.

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The award-winning Pratt Museum is a community gathering space featuring science, art and culture. Recognized with the National Award for Museum Service and the Governor's Award for the Humanities, the museum has garnered many additional awards including the Award for Excellence in the Museum Profession from Museums Alaska.

The Pratt Museum hosts indoor exhibits of natural history, Native cultures, art, homesteading, quilts, fishing, and marine ecology with live aquaria. Live remote video shows pelagic seabirds at a rookery in Kachemak Bay. Over the summer, visitors to the museum can remotely control a camera that is mounted on Gull Island to view kittiwakes, common murrelets, puffins, guillemots, cormorants, sea otters and more.

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Christina Whiting

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Kachemak Bay Writers' Conference

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workshop will be held across the Bay at Tutka Bay Lodge for conference registrants. Sponsored by the Kachemak Bay Campus—Kenai Peninsula College/UAA, this highly acclaimed, nationally recognized conference features workshops, readings and panel presentations in fiction, poetry, nonfiction and the business of writing. This conference strives to celebrate and enhance the connection between writers and readers in our communities. Pulitzer Prize winning novelist Anthony Doerr will be the keynote speaker. There is a special early registration fee. For more information visit: <http://writers.conference.homer.alaska.edu> or call 907-235-7743.

and panel presentations in fiction, poetry, nonfiction, and the business of writing.

Kachemak Bay is home to many fine artists. You'll find paintings in oil, watercolor and octopus ink, along with creations from clay, fiber, beads,

paper and glass. Alaska Native art, including carved whale bone and masks, is featured in several galleries. Be sure to visit the local gallery on the boardwalk in Halibut Cove.

Talented musicians visit Homer year-round, including famous national and international performers. In the summer, live music performances are found at the Homer Farmers' Market and across the Bay at the Seldovia Music Festival and Halibut Cove. Homer's outstanding thespians perform regularly at Pier One Theater on the Spit. In summer, a

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youth theatre camp culminates in a production at the theatre.

The Mariner Theater at the Homer High School is another venue for community cultural events during the year, including the annual Nutcracker performance in December, the Kenai Peninsula Orchestra and nationally-recog-

nized performers.

Homer has its own movie theater showing double features, first-run movies, and frequent matinees. In September, the theater offers a week-long documentary film festival that often features Oscar contenders. *See page 81 for business directory.*

Major Events Calendar

64th Annual Winter Carnival & Parade: February 10th

Parade float prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories. Float entry forms are available at the Chamber or online at www.homer.alaska.org

25th Annual Homer Winter King Salmon Tournament: March 24

The Homer Winter King Salmon Tournament is the premier fishing tournament of Alaska. Every March anglers take to the waters of Kachemak Bay in search of King Salmon. The one-day tournament awards tens of thousands of dollars in prize money to the largest kings caught. www.homerwinterking.com

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33rd Annual Homer Jackpot Halibut Derby: May 15-Sept. 15

The Homer Jackpot Halibut Derby is the longest running derby in Alaska. The derby draws anglers from all over the world which impacts the local economy tremendously. Still running strong, the Homer Jackpot Halibut Derby is the best game in town! www.homerhalibutderby.com

Kachemak Bay Writers' Conference: June 8-12

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4th of July Parade: July 4th

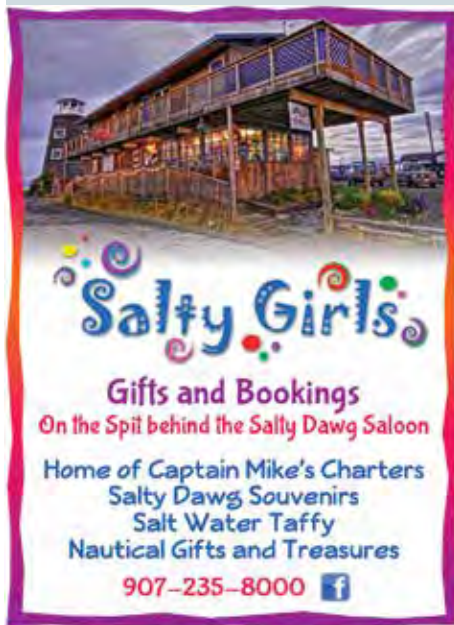
You are invited to participate in the annual parade as a business, civic or non-profit organization. Parade entries will be judged by the prime sponsoring business. There are prizes for the winning entries will be in the form of "Homer Bucks" to encourage the winners to shop and spend their prize money at local Homer businesses. www.homer.alaska.org/4th-of-july-parade.html


Homer Garden Club Gardeners' Weekend: July 28-29

The 12th annual event includes a presentation by renowned bulb expert Brent Heath of Brent and Becky's Bulbs, private garden tours, and a reception party at Bear Creek Winery. www.homergardenclub.org

Dinner at the Beach: June 17

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You will find shopping areas in Old Town, on the Spit, Pioneer Avenue, Ocean Drive, East End Road and Kachemak Drive.

Homer has a large farmers market and an eclectic shopping emporium with local vendors, "Alaska's Wild Emporium." Our local brewery and winery have tasting rooms and often feature art exhibits and gift items. Of course, Homer is well known for its arts and has many well-known galleries.

See page 84 for business directory.

Alaska's Wild Emporium



Scott Wright

Homer's most eclectic shopping experience is nestled inside an historic log building in the heart of downtown and is a part of the town's pioneer history. The Alaska's Wild Emporium is open every Saturday year round, and on summer days when cruise ships visit. Local vendors set up shop inside and offer an amazingly diverse selection of crafts and wares, everything from exquisite hand-made jewelry, pottery and Alaskan art, to hand-spun yarn and freshly made sweet treats. Enjoy the warm community spirit, support local craftspeople and artisans, and bring home authentic Homer-made gifts.

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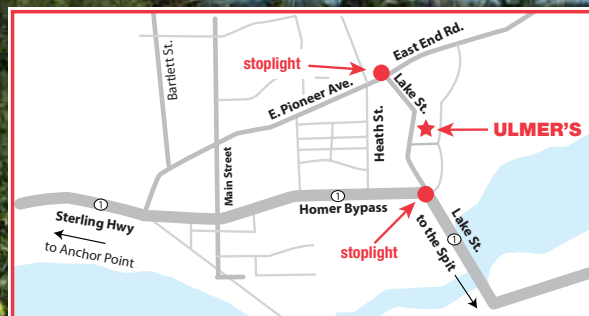
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Homer is a foodie destination! Known throughout Alaska for its astonishing selection of wonderful restaurants, a winery, a brewery and the world-renowned cooking school at Tutka Bay, Homer is where visitors come to enjoy culinary delights.

Dining options at almost every restaurant in this fishing village include seafood, of course, with choices from freshly caught halibut, salmon, rockfish, lingcod, oysters & clams. You'll enjoy excellent dining because our chefs have fresh seafood delivered to their kitchens daily. On the Homer Spit alone, you'll find a variety of food choices, including elegant gourmet dining, ethnic cuisine, fish and chips, opulent burgers, ice cream and baked goods. You can dine outdoors in many locations. In almost every instance, you'll have an incomparable view to enhance your experience.

From downtown Homer to far out East End Road, different dining choices mean no two meals will be alike. There are also restaurants on the far side of the Bay. Enjoy elegant fare just a few steps away from the wilderness. You'll find that even the smallest eatery takes pride in its local, home-made, fresh food. Stop by the Homer Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center to view menus of some of Homer's area restaurants. *See page 81-82 for business directory.*



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19 35	AJ's Old Town Steakhouse & Tavern	907-235-9949			■	■	■	■	■					
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IFC	Otter Room (Sports Bar) <i>In Bidarka Inn. See ad on inside front cover</i>	907-235-6114 www.bidarkainn.com/restaurants			■		■	■	■					
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The other way to find a fishing charter is to call one of our charter booking services. Most of them have their own boats, but work with other booking agents to help you find an open boat when theirs are full.

Halibut generally feed on the bottom, in ocean floor trenches or along

continental shelves. Your captain (or deckhand) will bait your hook, hand you a rod with weights on the line, and coach you on the way to be a successful halibut fisherman. The crew wants you to catch fish, and although there's no guarantee, Kachemak Bay and Cook Inlet are rich fishing grounds!

If you do have the time to go on an overnight charter, your reward is two days' worth of catch. A number of charters operate year-round and can take you out to catch other species, like "winter kings," lingcod and red snapper.

See page 82-83 for business directory.

What's In Season

	King Salmon	Red Salmon	Silver Salmon	Halibut	Rainbow Trout
May	↓			↓	
June	↓	↓		↓	↓
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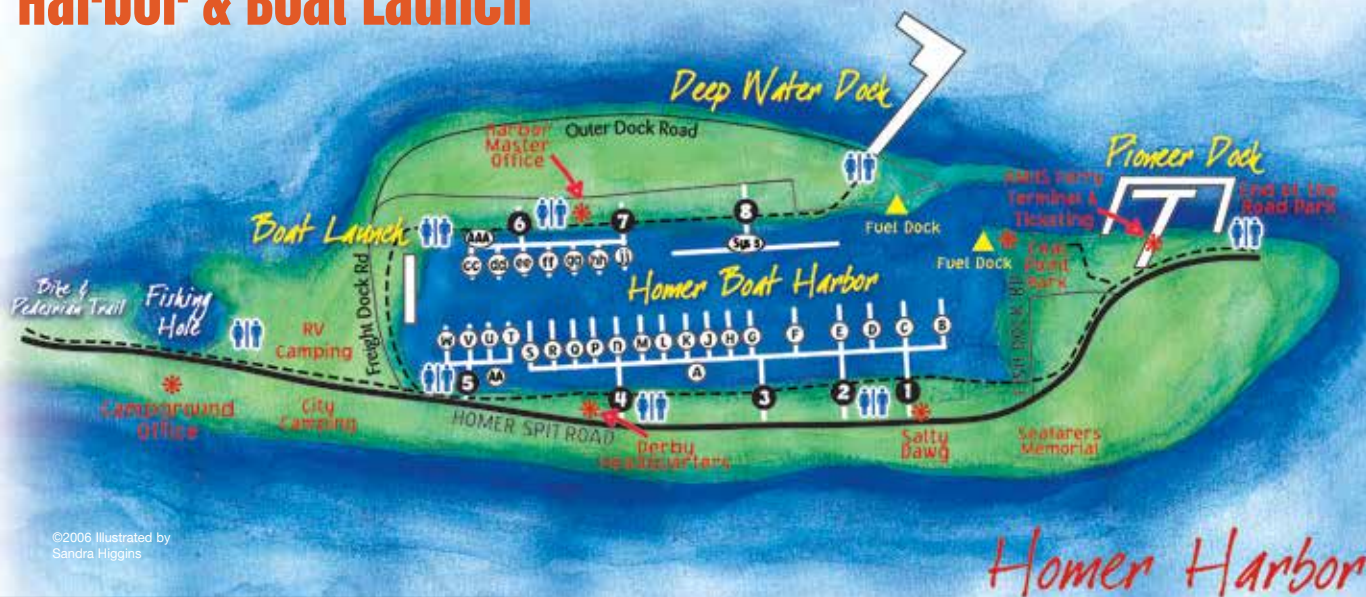
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Fishing licenses can be purchased at local charter offices, sporting good stores, some large retail stores and online at www.adfg.state.ak.us.

*For exact regulations including fees, dates and catch limits, check with the Alaska Department of Fish & Game at 235-8191 or www.adfg.alaska.gov. Download a Regulation Book in pdf format or request to have a copy mailed to you. Buy fishing licenses, stamps and tags securely online at www.admin.adfg.state.ak.us/license.

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Sport Fisheries (Recording)	235-6930
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Sport Fishing Regulations	235-8191
Homer Jackpot Halibut Derby ..	235-7740
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Port/Harbor	235-3160
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A five-lane Load and Launch Ramp is located on the northwest corner and is \$13 per use. Boat trailers can be parked for free up to 7 consecutive days in a parking area close by. Long-term parking passes for vehicles only can be purchased on a monthly and annual basis at the Harbor Office. Summer office hours are 7am-5pm Monday-Friday and 9am-5pm on Saturday. Winter hours are 7am-5pm Monday-Friday. Office is located at the top of Ramp 7. View our webcam at www.homerwebcams.com

For other harbor information, call 907-235-3160.

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In early spring, sponsors and volunteer captains tag and release over 100 halibut for the 2018 season. Tagged fish are valued at \$250, \$500 and \$1,000. Anglers who catch a prior year tag receive \$100. There is also the \$10,000 Homer Chamber of Commerce and \$50,000 GCI tagged fish.

Five youth winners are drawn at the "After Season Party" awarding each youth a cash prize. The youth prizes are awarded for just buying a derby ticket.

The Chamber end of season "Released Fish" prize drawing encourages anglers to release fish over 48 inches.

Tickets are sold by fishing charters, captains, local businesses, Derby Headquarters on the spit and the Homer Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center. The Derby runs from May 15th to September 15th, 2018. Visit www.homerhalibutderby.com for photos and more information.



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25th Annual Winter King Salmon Tournament



2018 is the 25th Anniversary of the the Homer Winter King Salmon Tournament, the premier fishing tournament of Alaska. Every March anglers take to the waters of Kachemak Bay in search of King Salmon. The one-day tournament awards tens of thousands of dollars in prize money to the largest kings caught.

There are additional opportunities for side bets and prizes offered every hour of the tournament.

After the

fishing lines are pulled from the water, enjoy the festivities at the weigh-in, located at Coal Point on the Homer Spit. Join us for music, food, beer, and big fish! The 2017 Winter King Tournament Champion was Ron Johnson of Homer, who won a total of \$53,528.25 with a 25.65 lb. White King.

The 2018 Tournament is on March 24th. Visit www.homerwinterking.com for photos and more information.



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ANCHOR RIVER

About 15 miles north of Homer, the Anchor River runs clear, cold, and swift. It is ideal for fishing from the banks or with waders. There are four state campgrounds along the river below the bridge that are popular with river fishermen.

King salmon openings start the weekend before Memorial Day. Openings occur during the 3-day weekends and following Wednesday. The lower river reopens in July for species such as Dolly Varden and pink salmon, and silver salmon in August. The river section above the forks is closed year round to salmon fishing. Usually this upper section opens for Dolly Varden in August and for catch-and-release fishing of steelhead and rainbow trout.

DEEP CREEK

This popular and productive stream is on the south edge of Ninilchik. The saltwater wayside is about half a mile south of Deep Creek. This river is closed to all fishing January 1 – June 30, except during the three 3-day king salmon openings on the lower two miles of the river

starting Memorial Day weekend. Steelhead and rainbow trout have been catch-and-release since 1989.

NINILCHIK RIVER

This river is also closed January 1 – June 15, except for the same king salmon weekends as on Deep Creek. The lower two miles of the river reopen in July. Silver salmon, Dolly Varden and steelhead also abound here. Four state campgrounds with restrooms make the Ninilchik River a popular place to fish and camp. Private campgrounds are nearby. Because the area is so popular, fishermen are urged to observe all posted “no trespassing” signs and stay in designated fishing areas. Boats may be launched in the harbor.

For specific 2018 fishing regulations, including all season dates and complete daily/annual possession limits, please contact the Department of Fish & Game, 907-235-8191 or visit online at www.adfg.alaska.gov. Regulations may change by in-season emergency order so please refer to the website for updates and area sport fishing reports.



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The Alaska Department of Fish and Game keeps the lagoon stocked with king and silver salmon, providing fishing opportunities from late-May through mid-August. Hatchery-raised smolt are transferred to pens in the lagoon, allowing the smolt to imprint to this lagoon.



Then they're released so they can gradually migrate into Kachemak Bay and the open ocean. Depending on the species, these fish will return as adults in one to four years.

The king run begins in late May, peaks in mid-June and ends in early July. The silver run begins around mid-July and ends in mid-August. The average king weighs 15lbs., and the average silver weighs about 6lbs.

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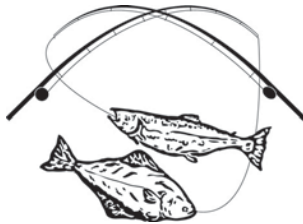
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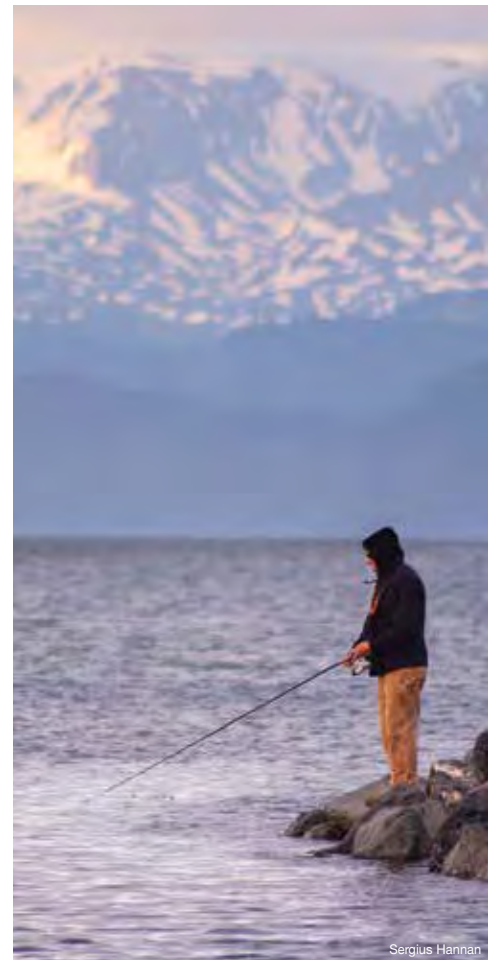


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SALTWATER

Halibut

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HALIBUT

LINGCOD

Lingcod

This is not a true cod, but a greenling. Usually found among near-shore rocky reefs, they can weigh over 80lbs. and measure 60 inches long. Their large mouths with 18 sharp teeth are among their most notable features. Coloration is usually dark brown or clusters of copper blotches. A popular fish, known for its fight, they are also excellent table fare.

Rockfish

These fish are easily recognized by their stout bodies, bony heads, large eyes and sharp dorsal fin. Some spines can be mildly poisonous. Yellow eye rockfish (or red snapper) and black rockfish (or black bass) are the most frequently landed.

Anglers targeting rockfish usually use a stout rod and level wind reel with 200-400 yards of 30-80lb. test line. Tackle includes silvery lures or jigs bounced on the ocean floor. Some fishermen also use bait, such as herring or shrimp.

Irish Lord (Sculpin)

Most anglers don't deliberately catch Irish Lords, but you'll know when you have one. No matter what bait you use, anything dropped near the bottom is likely to attract this interesting fish. They'll take spoons, spinners or anything that will stay on a hook. You'll know him by his bulging eyes that only another lord could find attractive.

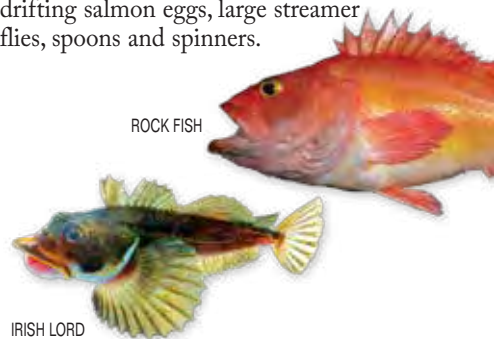
Salmon Shark

Dark gray on top with splotchy sides and white bellies, the salmon shark is so called because it feeds primarily on salmon. They are huge, swift swimmers averaging six to eight feet and weighing an average of 200-400lbs. The main method of going after this species is trolling with salmon heads as bait.

FRESH AND SALTWATER

King (Chinook) Salmon

Average weight is 15-30lbs. Most kings return to lower peninsula streams around May 15 and spawn in July, giving anglers a couple of months to try their luck. In salt water, most fishermen troll with the conventional trolling rod and reel, with 20-40lbs. test line using herring, spoons or spinners. River fishermen take kings by drifting salmon eggs, large streamer flies, spoons and spinners.



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Red (Sockeye) Salmon

Cook Inlet reds range from 4-8lbs. and run in late June to mid-August. Immature and pre-spawning sockeye are long and skinny, metallic green-blue on the back and top of the head, iridescent silver on the sides, and white or silvery on the belly.



DOLLY VARDEN

Breeding males develop humped backs and long, hooked jaws filled with sharp teeth. Both sexes turn brilliant to dark red on the back and sides, pale to olive-green on the head and upper jaw and white on the lower jaw. Reds returning to their natural waters to spawn draw numerous fishermen to the Russian River

on the Kenai Peninsula. Most of the fish have spent about four years at sea although a few return after one year.

Pink (Humpy) Salmon

Most take this species in saltwater before they reach their spawning grounds in fresh water and start developing their hump. Best fishing is in late June to August. Most weigh 3-4lbs.

Steelhead (North Pacific Salmon)

These fish are basically rainbow trout that go to the sea. They winter over, returning in late



RED SALMON

PINK SALMON

STEELHEAD

SILVER SALMON

August through early October. This is a catch-and-release fishery and bait is not allowed after Aug. 31. Steelhead salmon can weigh 5-20lbs. and can be caught until Nov. 1.

Dolly Varden

This is a trout-like fish, which is part of the char family. They can be taken on single salmon eggs, small lures or flies. They migrate to saltwater in late April and can be caught off the Homer Spit. They return to rivers in July. They can weigh up to 5lbs. or more.

Winter Feeder King Salmon

Feeder king salmon come up from the West Coast to feed before returning to the rivers of Canada, Washington, Oregon and Alaska to spawn.

These king salmon average 15-30lbs.

and may get as large as 60+lbs. In winter, most anglers troll with herring. Experienced fishermen say the best fishing grounds are just offshore from Seldovia and near Bluff Point, just a little north of the Spit. Yukon Island and a few other islands across the Bay from Homer also produce winter kings. Most primary fishing grounds are within about 15 miles of the Homer Spit.

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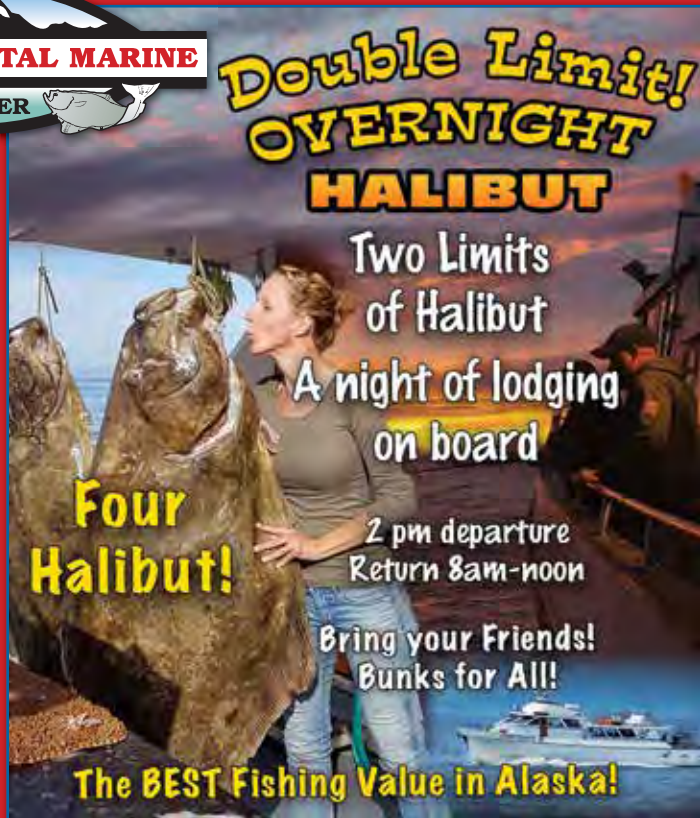
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coast guard

Homer is homeport for two Coast Guard ships, the *USCGC Hickory*, commissioned in 2003 with a crew of fifty, and the *USCGC Naushon*, homeported here since 2016 with a crew of seventeen. Their missions are: Aids to Navigation, Search and Rescue, Fisheries Patrol and Homeland Security.

Homer is grateful to have an active "Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 2-1." They operate the Coast Guard-owned Safe Boat for rescues in the Bay, manned by a volunteer group and tasked by the Coast Guard to provide assistance to mariners in Kachemak Bay.



Russell Campbell

oysters

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Bridget Maryott

Deadliest Catch

The commercial crabber *Time Bandit*, which calls Homer its homeport, has become a local draw to fans of the popular TV show, *Deadliest Catch*. When in port, you can find them at Ramp 8, on the north side of the harbor. See Map page 41.



Commercial Fishing

Almost any day of the year, you can watch fresh iced salmon, halibut and other catch being lifted from holds of commercial fishing boats by large yellow cranes on the fish dock at the east end of the Homer Harbor.

Some will be served on tables in distant places within 48 hours. Some will be on grills in Homer restaurants before the day's end. The fresh salmon you order at your favorite dining place this evening undoubtedly came from the crystal clean waters of area fisheries.



Richard Hammer

The fishing fleet is 21st century in sophistication, using onboard computers and satellite navigation tools to mark their hot spots. But it's still hard, dangerous and, most will tell you, exciting work. Several species of salmon as well as halibut, cod and other bottom fish are harvested from these cold waters for seafood consumers around the world. At a time when farmed fish are flooding markets, diners who look for a natural and healthful product choose Alaska Wild Salmon.

The importance of our commercial fishing sector cannot be understated: seafood buyers and processors on the Peninsula, along with the huge fishing fleet, form one of the solid foundations of the economy here.

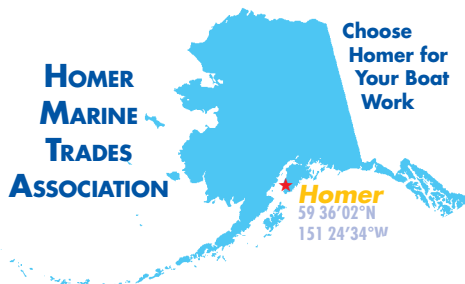
Marine Trades

The Port of Homer, located on Kachemak Bay near the mouth of Cook Inlet, offers a protected harbor with easy access to Cook Inlet and the Gulf of Alaska.

The Marine Trades (welding, electronics, permits, boat building and repairs, engine sales and repair, hydraulics parts and service, chandlery, upholstery) of Homer is a robust sector of the business economy, and they are qualified to serve the commercial fishing fleet, and recreational boaters.

For an index on marine-related businesses in Homer, visit www.HomerMarineTrades.com, or pick up a copy of the Homer Boat Owners Guide at the Homer Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center.

See page 87-88 for business directory.



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Bear Viewing

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Homer’s location is close to Katmai National Park and Lake Clark National Preserve and our bear viewing operators are ready to take you to see the bears in their natural habitat. You can view the bears at Brooks Falls in Katmai National Park on a webcam: explore.org/livecams.

From June through late September, brown bears congregate on coastal sedge flats and streams in the vast wilderness of the parks. The bears feast on abundant grasses and clams in the spring, then on salmon swimming home to spawn, and finally on berries and seeds as they prepare for winter.

More than *ninety-eight percent* of this country’s brown bear population lives in Alaska with a large number of them in the wilds on the west side of Cook Inlet.

The growing popularity of bear viewing can be attributed to the fact that people can see these wild animals up close in relative safety and comfort. Well-equipped lodges and guides are the norm.

From the time bears leave their dens in late May, until they go back into hibernation in late fall, visitors can see them in their natural surroundings. They are omnivores, and range over hundreds of square miles following their food sources as they fatten up for winter.

Different kinds of bear viewing experiences are available from our local air tour companies depending on your comfort level and how much time you want to spend. You can fly over for a day, stay in a lodge or remote camp for a longer period, or stay on board a boat and go ashore during the day. Access is by boat, float plane or wheel plane, which may determine where you view the bears.

Bear viewing can be done from elevated platforms near their feeding grounds. Other tours feature a more intimate experience with bears and humans in close proximity showing respect for one another.

When you check bear viewing off your “bucket list,” the experience will be one of the best memories of your lifetime!

See pages 83-84 for business directory.



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Homer is the gateway to bear viewing across Cook Inlet in Katmai and Lake Clark National Parks.

Be Bear Aware

Bears live throughout the Homer area and it's possible to encounter one while you're hiking or walking along the road system.

BE AWARE. You could stumble upon a bear anywhere. Walk a little slower. If you see tracks or scat, there are bears in the vicinity.

MAKE NOISE. A surprised bear can be dangerous. Give them the chance to make the right decision and they will. **CLAP, TALK LOUDLY, BANG TWO COOKING PANS TOGETHER, WEAR BELLS.**

DO NOT APPROACH. If you are lucky enough to encounter a bear, watch it from a distance. Bears will defend their personal space, so don't violate it.

DO NOT RUN. Bears are curious and will often take a few steps toward a person. Don't be alarmed, stand your ground, clap, yell, let the bear know it is entering "your space."

FOOD. Never allow a bear to get into your food or garbage. Hiking: Carry food in a backpack – keep the pack within arms' reach at all times and leave no food particles on the ground. Camping: Use bear-proof containers and keep food and any other odorous object (soap, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.) away from your tent.



Michael DeYoung

Remember that if you elicit an aggressive response from a bear it is because you have scared it and the bear is simply protecting itself, its cubs or its food.

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Air Charters & Flightseeing

Homer is a jumping-off point to the wilderness. Bush planes equipped with floats or wheels play a vital role in transportation by taking adventurers and residents to remote lakes, rivers, villages and hideaway wilderness lodges. If you think the scenery around Kachemak Bay is spectacular from the ground, wait until you see it from the air!

Bring your camera and take a flight over the glaciers of the Harding Ice Field that drapes over the mountain

ranges between Homer and Seward, or tour the Ring of Fire.

Helicopter and air services offer flightseeing as well as transportation to remote locations. Scheduled flights go to Seldovia and Port Graham, and aircraft and charter boats are available for individual charters.

See page 83-84 for business directory.

A Few Precautions

While exploring the wilderness remember that it is inhabited by creatures who may not appreciate you trespassing on their home grounds.

- Be careful not to surprise wildlife.
- Do not disturb or change the behavior of wildlife. Move away or take evasive action if they show signs of agitation. Never chase them.
- Don't feed or handle wildlife.
- Avoid coming between animals and their young.
- Respect rookeries, haulouts, nests or dens.
- Observe from a distance. Use binoculars/telephoto lenses.
- Limit close (100-200 yards) viewing to 30 minutes a day.
- Whales and seabirds: Approach no closer than 100 yds.
- Other marine mammals: **Approach no closer than 100 yds. or greater if you are changing their behavior.**
- Eagles and other raptors on the ground: Approach no closer than 50 yds.
- Do not pilot your boat through flocks of birds.
- Report abuse.
- Leave your pets at home.
- Report injured or dead marine mammals to the Alaska Marine Mammal Stranding Network 24/7 hotline at 1-877-925-7773.

When hiking, camping or boating, be aware and be prepared:

- Do not leave garbage outside, especially fish waste. Take your trash with you.
- Dispose of trash appropriately. Lose the Loop! Cut 6-pack rings and other synthetic loops which can entangle and kill wildlife, including birds and marine animals.
- Tell someone where you're going, including route and expected time of return.
- Carry a survival kit, which should include a space blanket, fire starter, tinder, a mirror, compass and basic medical supplies. Include a Leatherman (multi-tool), insect repellent and sun block.
- Dress in layers, with a water-resistant jacket and gloves.
- Take your cell phone, but know that you won't find service in some remote areas.
- A personal GPS and EPIRB add security.
- **DON'T FORGET A MAP.**
- Use existing roads and trails.
- Check the weather forecast.
- Be aware of tides.
- When boating, wear flotation gear.



Jess Riley

Wildlife Abounds

Walk in the woods on one of the many Kachemak Bay trails and you can encounter moose, black or brown bears, rabbits, foxes or porcupines. You'll see different species of birds, including eagles (guaranteed!) and sandhill cranes. Moose sightings are frequent, and moose cows are often seen on Homer streets with calves by their sides.

By air or sea, charter and tour companies will take you deeper into the wilds to see animals, and to enjoy a close encounter. On the Homer Spit, tour operators can take you out on Kachemak Bay to observe marine mammals (sea lions, seals, sea otters, porpoises and whales) and numerous species of sea birds (including horned and tufted puffins and red-faced cormorants).

Homer is a well-known and popular bird-watching destination. Beluga Slough, Beluga Lake, and the nearby mudflats offer great opportunities to watch waterfowl and shorebirds. In the waters off the Spit and in the harbor, scoters, grebes, and loons are common, and eiders are seen often.

In the harbor, harbor seals haul out to rest at night and sea otters comb the pilings for food or float just offshore. Overhead, eagles compete with gulls for perching space. Guided bird walks in the forest, beach, and slough are available from the Islands & Ocean Visitor Center or from the

Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies.

Many tours on Kachemak Bay feature a trip to Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge's Sixty-Foot Rock, and Alaska's most accessible multi-species seabird rookery on Gull Island. The raucous colony packed onto this tiny islet offers close views of black-legged kittiwakes, common murrelets, pelagic and red-faced cormorants and puffins.

Bird books and guides are available at local bookstores, Islands & Ocean Visitor Center and the Pratt Museum. You can also find information at the website www.birdinghomer.alaska.org.



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Tidepooling

With the extreme tides at this latitude, every 12 hours brings a fresh supply of sea creatures – hermit crab, sea cucumbers, starfish, octopus, sea anemone, and all manner of flotsam – into the tide pools and beaches that fringe the Bay and Spit. The best time to tidepool is on a minus tide, but a low tide can be rewarding too.

While on the beaches, please respect the living creatures; replace the rocks they hide under, and return them gently to their habitat if you pick them up. Fill in any holes you dig, and leave the area as pristine as you found it.



Annali Metz

Kachemak Bay Critical Habitat Area

Kachemak Bay and the adjoining Fox River Flats, which encompass 293,000 acres (equivalent in size to Wyoming's Teton National Park) were designated as Critical Habitat Areas in the early 1970s. They were created in order to "protect and preserve habitat areas especially crucial to the perpetuation of fish and wildlife, and to restrict all other uses not compatible with that primary purpose."

This designation recognizes the role Kachemak Bay and Fox River Flats play in supporting healthy fish stocks, marine mammals, and shorebirds, seabirds and wintering waterfowl. As estuaries, the Bay and all adjacent tidal flats create a food-rich nursery for young salmon and halibut, travel-weary birds in route from the "Lower 48," sea otters, numerous harbor seals and several species of whales.

Residents and visitors also have a role to play in protecting the diversity of Kachemak Bay. The harvesting of seaweed and eel grass is prohibited, even after they have been deposited along the high tide line. Despite their state of decay, this aquatic vegetation provides habitat to snails, amphipods and other near-shore organisms that serve as food for hungry birds and fish. Other creatures like sea stars and sea urchins are visible at low tide and should be enjoyed without removing them from their habitats, which requires a special collection permit. All harvestable species, like fish, clams and octopus, require a state fishing license.



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Kachemak Bay Shorebird Festival

Join birders from around the world for the state's largest wildlife festival, kicking off May 10-13, 2018. Located on the beautiful shore of Kachemak Bay, the Homer Spit is one of the most accessible places for shorebird viewing in Alaska. With over 100,000 shorebirds of 25 different species migrating through in early May, this event celebrates the return of spring and migrating birds. For 26 years the Festival has offered guided excursions on land and sea, educational seminars and workshops for all skill levels, and a dynamic Junior Birder Program.

This year's Keynote Speakers are Jennifer Ackerman and Noah Strycker. A bird lover since childhood, Jennifer Ackerman has been writing about science and nature for three decades. Her most recent book, *The Genius of Birds*, explores the intelligence of birds.

Noah Strycker is Associate Editor of *Birding* magazine, the author of two well-regarded books about birds, and a regular contributor of photography and articles to all major bird magazines as well as other media; he blogs regularly for the American Birding Association. Strycker set a world Big Year record in 2015, and his book about the experience, *Birding Without Borders*, was released in 2017. Discover festival opportunities, register for events, and get updates of recent wildlife sightings and shorebird viewing opportunities at Islands & Ocean Visitor Center. For more information, contact Festival Coordinator, Robbi Mixon, 907-226-4631 or info@kachemakshorebird.org. Complete information found at www.kachemakshorebird.org.



Melissa Anderson

Common Birds in the Homer Area



Bald Eagle: Seen on high perches along the Homer Spit and Kachemak Drive. Year-round.



Black-capped Chickadee: Anywhere there is a bird feeder & along trails. Year-round.



Black-legged Kittiwake: Under and around pilings at the tip of the Spit (many nesting pairs). April-September.



Common Murre: Gull Island vicinity & throughout Kachemak Bay. Year-round.



Golden-crowned Sparrow: Year-round. Forested areas & bird feeders.



Gray Jay: Year-round in Homer in coniferous and deciduous forests, spruce trees and bird feeders.



Horned Puffin: Gull Island vicinity and Kachemak Bay. May-October.



Lapland Longspur: April and September-October. Grassy fields and wetlands.



Lesser Sandhill Crane: Beluga Slough, wetlands, beaches and grassy areas. April-September.



Marbled Murrelet: Found year-round on Kachemak Bay.



Steller's Jay: Spruce/mixed forest. Along any of the wooded nature trails. Year-round.



Tufted Puffin: Gull Island and in the inner Bay on/flying near water. May-September.



Western Sandpiper: Mud Bay, Anchor River, on mud flats in mixed flocks. Mid-April, May and fall.



Wilson's Snipe: Wetlands, stream beds, black spruce wetlands. May-October.



Yellow Warbler: Deciduous trees near creeks, feeding on insects high in the trees. May-early September.

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Sea Kayaking

Sea kayaking in Kachemak Bay is tremendously popular, and for good reason!

Take your time, slow the world down, and relax. Kayaking is healthy recreation for body, mind and soul, and the best way to discover the wonders of the Bay on a personal level. You can take a water taxi to

secluded paddling areas in one of the many coves and bays located across Kachemak Bay. Guides and instructors are available from several outfitters to ensure your safety and lend their expertise regarding the tides and currents of the Bay.

Kachemak Bay is one of the richest, most productive ecosystems in the world. It is a place where sea otters, porpoise, several species of whales and seals keep you company. As tides recede, you'll discover creatures in tide pools, and paddle by sea stars, crustaceans and mollusks.

If you're out for more than a day, you'll find campsites and trailheads available in Kachemak Bay State Park. Surrounding you in this setting are seabirds that nest and make their summer homes.

Even if you've never handled a paddle before, after a little practice you'll take to it "like a fish in the water" and feel right at home.

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Kachemak Bay Water Trail

The Kachemak Bay Water Trail is a 125-mile route that extends from the Homer Spit, east along Kachemak Bay to the head of the bay, and further along the southern side of the bay to the City of Seldovia. The water route passes by public and private land, diverse habitat from intertidal areas to alpine trails, and spectacular wildlife viewing opportunities.

www.kachemakbaywatertrail.org



Bridget Maryott



Danielle Watson

Kachemak Bay Water Trail Site Map

- 1 Kachemak Bay Water Trail/Homer Launch Site—
- 2 Green Timbers—
- 3 Kachemak Drive Airport Access Road—
- 4 Cottonwood Creek—
- 5 Switchback Trail—
- 6 Chugachik Island—
- 7 Mallard Bay—
- 8 Humpy Creek—
- 9 Glacier Spit—
- 10 Rusty's Lagoon—
- 11 Kachemak Cracks—
- 12 Right Beach—
- 13 Saddle Trail—
- 14 Halibut Cove Lagoon Ranger Station—
- 15 Lagoon Trailhead—
- 16 Gull Island—No Landing—
- 17 China Poot Bay Trailhead—
- 18 China Poot Bay Dipnet Campsite—
- 19 Haystack Rock Beach—
- 20 Wosnesenski River—
- 21 North Eldred Trailhead—
- 22 Sixty Foot Rock—No Landing—
- 23 South Eldred Trailhead—
- 24 Powerline Campsite North Side—
- 25 Head of Sadie Cove—
- 26 Kayak Beach/Grace Ridge—
- 27 San Jaun Island—
- 28 South Grace Ridge—
- 29 Upper Tutka Bay/Tutka Falls—
- 30 Upper Tutka Bay Campsite—
- 31 Tutka Bay Campsite—
- 32 Sea Star Cove Cabin—
- 33 Tutka Lake Trailhead—
- 34 Tutka Bay Lagoon-Fish Hatchery—
- 35 Jakolof Trailhead—
- 36 Herring Islands—Private—No Landing—
- 37 Jakolof Bay Public Dock—
- 38 Upper Jakolof Bay—Private—No Landing—
- 39 MacDonald Spit—Private—No Landing—
- 40 Seldovia Point—Private—No Landing—
- 41 Seldovia Wilderness RV Park—
- 42 Seldovia Outside Beach Park—
- 43 KBWT/Seldovia Launch Site—

Legend

- Trails
- Roads
- Unimproved Roads
- Kachemak Bay Critical Habitat Area*
- Fox River Flats Critical Habitat Area
- Kachemak Bay State Park
- Mudflats**
- Kachemak Bay Water Trail Sites

* Includes all state-owned waters and islands in the bay.
** The tidally influenced mudflats of Kachemak Bay are exposed twice daily.

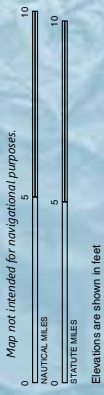
Site Amenities Key

- Camping
- Tent Platforms
- Yurt
- Picnic Table
- Parking
- Trailhead
- Wildlife Viewing
- Kachemak Bay State Park

Yurts are a private concession within the State Park. Other privately owned sites are not included on this map. The KBWT website has information on some of them.



This map produced with support from the National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program, and the Kachemak Bay Water Trail Steering Committee. Map background produced by Bob G. Toff, Toff Maps, Kachemak Bay Research Reserve, and Alaska State Parks.



Bay Tours & Water Taxis

What are water taxis? They're custom water transportation to many destinations across Kachemak Bay. From landing crafts that can carry kayaks to regular powerboats, U.S. Coast Guard-licensed captains help you to explore the Bay.

If you want to take a day trip to view the birds or wildlife, take one of the many bay tours. Choose bird-watching, sightseeing or a bay cruise to Seldovia. Experienced tour captains will narrate the journey with staff available to answer questions. These excursions can take you to any number of out-of-the-way spots, including Eldred Passage and Gull Island, or campgrounds and trailheads in Kachemak Bay State Park.

For overnight stays, water taxis will deliver you to your destination and arrange to pick you up when you want to return to Homer. Many of the captains are also well-informed naturalists and know the coves and tides for a safe excursion. Definitely bring your bike, or kayak and camping gear!

See pages 83 & 85 for business directory.



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Look for all the festivities near Pier 1 Theatre on the Spit. Find out more at www.KBWBS.org.



Bryan Watt

Homer Yacht Club

Celebrating over 30 years of sailing on Kachemak Bay, the Homer Yacht Club is a non-profit 501(c)(4) dedicated to promoting safe boating and seamanship. Fun cruising events are interspersed with competitive races and safety seminars throughout the year. The signature event of the summer is a 3-day regatta the last weekend of June. Visiting yachts are welcome to join in racing and cruising activities. Contact the yacht club for information. Shore spectators can view the races from the end of the Spit. For the race schedule and other information go to www.homeryachtclub.org.

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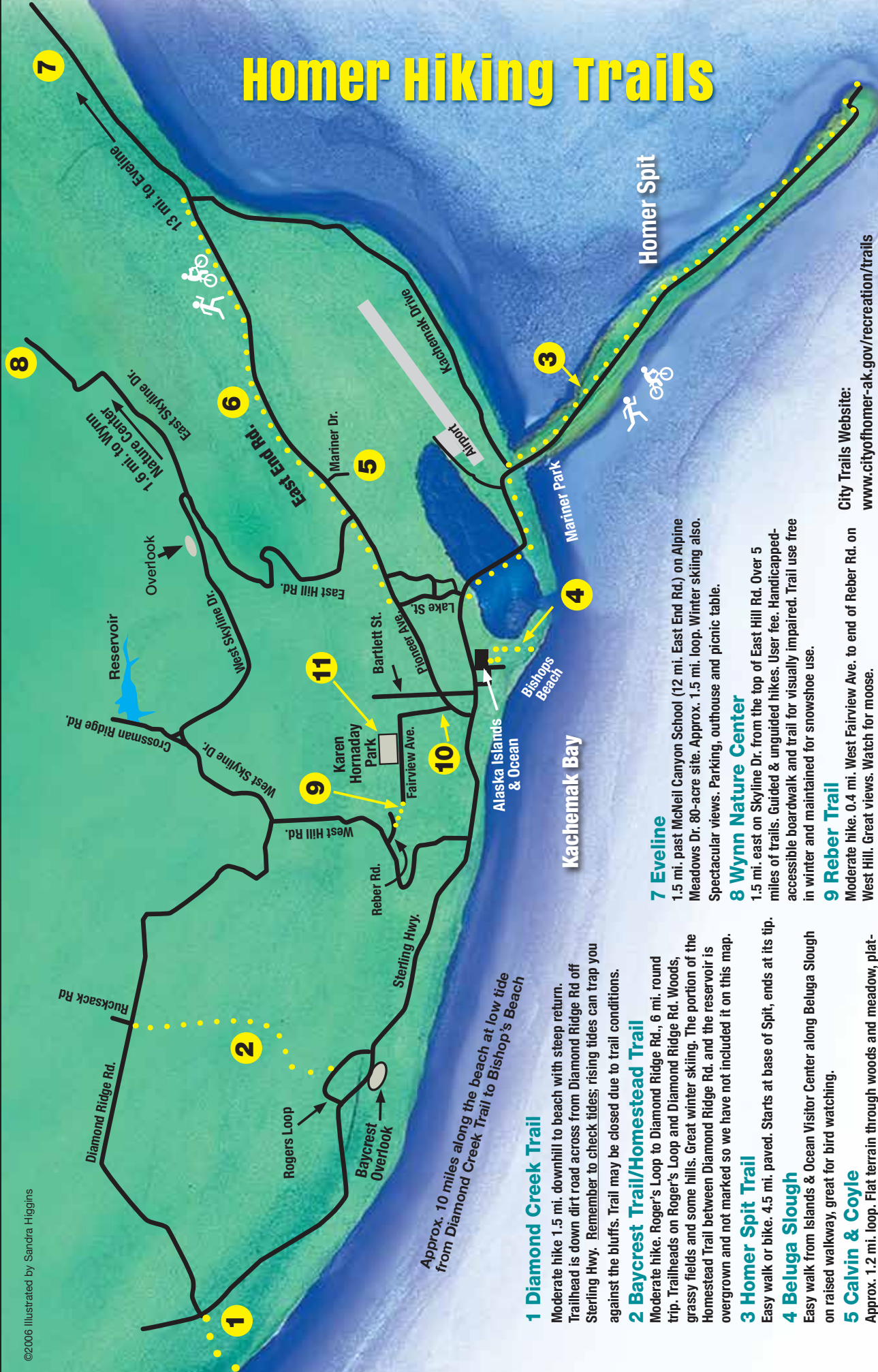
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Homer Hiking Trails



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1 Diamond Creek Trail

Moderate hike 1.5 mi. downhill to beach with steep return. Trailhead is down dirt road across from Diamond Ridge Rd off Sterling Hwy. Remember to check tides; rising tides can trap you against the bluffs. Trail may be closed due to trail conditions.

2 Baycrest Trail/Homestead Trail

Moderate hike. Roger's Loop to Diamond Ridge Rd., 6 mi. round trip. Trailheads on Roger's Loop and Diamond Ridge Rd. Woods, grassy fields and some hills. Great winter skiing. The portion of the Homestead Trail between Diamond Ridge Rd. and the reservoir is overgrown and not marked so we have not included it on this map.

3 Homer Spit Trail

Easy walk or bike. 4.5 mi. paved. Starts at base of Spit, ends at its tip.

4 Beluga Slough

Easy walk from Islands & Ocean Visitor Center along Beluga Slough on raised walkway, great for bird watching.

5 Calvin & Coyle

Approx. 1.2 mi. loop. Flat terrain through woods and meadow, platform overlooking the Beluga Wetlands. Watch for moose. Good birding in winter and spring. Parking at the end of Mariner Drive.

6 East End Road

Paved bicycle path starts at the corner of Lake St. and East End Rd. Approx. 3.5 mi. to Kachemak Drive. Flat terrain.

7 Eveline

1.5 mi. past McNeil Canyon School (12 mi. East End Rd.) on Alpine Meadows Dr. 80-acre site. Approx. 1.5 mi. loop. Winter skiing also. Spectacular views. Parking, outhouse and picnic table.

8 Wynn Nature Center

1.5 mi. east on Skyline Dr. from the top of East Hill Rd. Over 5 miles of trails. Guided & unguided hikes. User fee. Handicapped-accessible boardwalk and trail for visually impaired. Trail use free in winter and maintained for snowshoe use.

9 Reber Trail

Moderate hike. 0.4 mi. West Fairview Ave. to end of Reber Rd. on West Hill. Great views. Watch for moose.

10 Pratt Museum Trail

Less than one mile through the woods, this is an easy, in-town hike. Wheelchair Accessible.

11 Karen Hornaday Park Trails

Short nature trails within park.

City Trails Website:
www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/recreation/trails
Stop by the Islands & Ocean Visitor Center for a
birding checklist.

See pages 68-69 for hiking trails
in Kachemak Bay State Park..

BEYOND *Homer*



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beyond homer | kachemak bay Kachemak Bay State Park

Once you've made it to Homer, the best is yet to come!

Look across Kachemak Bay and you'll see Kachemak Bay State Park, the gem of the state park system. This is Alaska's first state park and one of the biggest. Kachemak Bay State Park covers over 400,000 acres and has more than 80 miles of trails.

There's something for everyone. Hiking, camping, kayaking, wildlife viewing: let your inner adventurer or photographer run wild. Trails range from an easy 3-mile day hike from Glacier Spit to the Grewingk Glacier

Lake, to a more athletic hike along Grace Ridge with sweeping views of Kachemak Bay and across lower Cook Inlet.

Backpackers enjoy the hike from Humpy Creek across the Portlock Glacier Plateau to Emerald Lake and on up the Blue Ice Trail to touch the glacier.

If kayaking is your thing, paddle along the shores of Kachemak Bay State Park and view sea otters up close and personal, watch bald eagles catch their morning meal, or listen to the kittiwakes and murrets at the Gull

Island rookery.

There are more than 15 campgrounds, five public use cabins, and private yurts and cabins in the park that can be reserved through the state parks office or online at the Alaska State Park website. Book early, they are very popular. For general park information go to <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/units/kbay/kbay1.htm>. For information about cabins go to <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/cabins/kenai.htm>. You can contact Alaska State Parks at 907-262-5581.





1. Blue Ice Trail

Moderate • 6.5 miles from Glacier Spit Trailhead to the end of Blue Ice Trail. If you want to touch a glacier this is your trail. Plan on an early start and a whole day. Start at Glacier Spit, take the spur trail to the tram, climb Foehn Ridge on the Emerald Lake Loop then follow the glacial moraine to the glacier. Be sure to stay on the trail on your return. You must climb Foehn Ridge to get back to the tram.

2. Humpy Creek Trailhead

Easy to moderate • 5.2 miles / Great trail to a beautiful salmon stream. Start at Glacier Spit. Take the Grewingk Tram Spur Trail to the tram. The tram may require 2 people to operate, max wt. 500 lbs. Turn left and follow trail past blue pools of water to Humpy Creek.

3. Emerald Lake Loop

VERY DIFFICULT • 12.7 miles / Expect some bushwhacking as this is rarely maintained. This loop takes you on an adventure across glacial moraines, boreal forests, and up to the alpine. All along you will experience awesome views of Grewingk Glacier, Kachemak Bay and the Kenai mountains. Perfect for the backpacker.

4. Saddle Trail

Moderate • 1 mile one way. This popular trail provides multiple switchbacks through steep forested terrain.

5. Glacier Lake Trail

Easy • 3.3 miles to Grewingk Glacier Lake. By far the most popular day hike. Very little elevation gain. Walk through a boreal forest out to the glacial moraine. Follow cairns to the lake. Spectacular views. You can see, and hear, the ice calving off the glacier.

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Kachemak Bay State Park Trails

6. Alpine Ridge Trail

Moderate to difficult • 2 miles / For awe-inspiring views head south at the top of the Saddle Trail. Locals call this the "stairway to heaven." Once you climb above tree line and are in the alpine, the trail disappears. Meander across open alpine; take in the sights and maybe a few blueberries if the season is right. Don't forget your camera.

7. China Poot Lake Trail

Moderate • 2.8 miles / Short steep climbs. This is uphill both ways, but well worth the effort. On your way you will pass two small lakes. Loons and blueberries will lead you to China Poot Lake at the base of Poot Peak. Take a fishing rod there may be a trout or two in the lake.

8. Coalition Trail: Moderate • 1 mile / Connects China Poot Bay with Halibut Cove Lagoon and China Poot Lake Trail.

9. Moose Valley Trail

Moderate to difficult • 6.7 miles / Long grades. Take the China Poot Lake Trail to get to the Moose Valley Trail junction. This trail will lead you to the Moose Valley Cabin and to the south Poot Peak access trail. A favorite for backpackers and those looking for a backcountry experience.

10. Poot Peak Trail

VERY DIFFICULT • The North Route (1.9 miles) climbs after the Wosnesenski River Trail junction. The steep, slick, unmaintained route climbs rapidly through the spruce forest, alders, and loose scree slopes. The Summit Spur (1.1 miles from trailhead) leads to the peak, climbing very steeply for the next 0.2 miles to a rocky bench, or "Lower Summit" (2100 feet). This is a good stop for those unprepared to summit. CAUTION: It is recommended that only climbers with rock climbing training continue beyond this point. Climbing the 2600-foot peak is hazardous due to shifting scree and rock. Hand and foot holds are poor at best, and worse when wet. The rewards above treeline include superb views of Wosnesenski Glacier and Kachemak Bay.

11. Sadie Knob Trail

Moderate, difficult in places • 4.5 miles / Sadie Knob Trail can be accessed at north Eldred trailhead and south Eldred

trailhead. These two trails converge and continue on up to the Alpine. Great 360° views of Sadie Peak, across Cook Inlet, Kachemak Bay and Grace Ridge. A favorite of the few that hike it. Watch for mountain goats, black bear, and bald eagles.

12. Grace Ridge Trail

Moderate with some difficult long climbs • 9.1 miles / Start at either end, Kayak Beach or South Grace. A favorite of the athletic hiker. Follow the trail up to the alpine, continue on to the ridge. The trail turns primitive and is overgrown in the higher elevations. Spectacular views of the volcanoes across Cook Inlet and beyond.

13. Tutka Lake Trail

Moderate • 3.7 miles / This trail takes you to Tutka Lake and Tutka Lagoon Fish Hatchery. Follow along the shore, climb above Tutka Creek and end near Tutka Creek waterfall. Look for mushrooms in the late summer and fall.

Please check <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/units/kbay/kbaytrs.htm> for current trail conditions prior to hiking"

Visit the Homer Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center to pick up a map.



Hidden Secrets of Kachemak Bay



Bridget Maryott

Gull Island

This is the largest bird rookery in the Bay and home to the nesting grounds for eight species of seabirds. Gull Island is located about four miles from the Homer Spit. This is a “go to” destination for many tour boats, and a “don’t miss” for visitors.

Eagles are known to disturb the birds, stealing eggs and young. You can often observe flocks joining forces to defend their nests. Some of the more prolific species that can be seen here are black-legged kittiwakes, red-faced cormorants and puffins. A remote-controlled camera is currently operated from the public galleries of the Pratt Museum in Homer, Alaska. Visit the museum to control the webcam and explore Gull Island for yourself!

China Poot Bay

A fertile combination of tidal flats and channels makes this bay a cornucopia of sea life. Tide pools provide perfect viewing of sea stars, mussels, urchins and sea anemones. Waterfowl thrive on the tidal flats. A trailhead at the head of the bay leads you to the Coalition Trail and Halibut Cove Lagoon Trail. Dipnetting for sock-eye salmon is a popular sport. As with all the bays along Kachemak Bay, this bay is affected by the tides. There are many sand and mud bars.

Eldred Passage

Eldred Passage has magnificent views and wildlife. Access to Sadie Knob, Grace Ridge and Tutka Lake Trails.

BEAR COVE

This is a secluded cove located at the head of the Bay. Enjoy clamming and kayaking.

Peterson Bay

The field station for the Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies makes Peterson Bay home as do several oyster farms.

Halibut Cove Lagoon

The lagoon is home to many sea mammals including harbor porpoises, harbor seals, sea otters and land otters. This is a tidal lagoon and the tides are extreme. Although the waters are placid, the channel feeding the lagoon can be very dramatic when the tide rages in and out. If you are kayaking this channel, it is recommended that you have white water and cold water experience. The ranger station is located at the head of the lagoon and offers a public dock and public use cabins.



Beth Holiman

Sadie Cove

Wildlife abounds in this fjord-like bay with steep mountain sides. Sadie Peak is the highest point. Look for mountain goats grazing and keep your eye out for sea otters. This bay is very deep and there is little tidal current. Check your weather. Occasionally the “Sadie Eighties” blow in the summer creating severe wind gusts.

Tutka Bay

Tutka Bay is the longest bay on Kachemak Bay. Bordered by high, steep mountains, you get a real sense of remote Alaska here. Trails lead to the top of Grace Ridge and up to Tutka Lake. This scenic bay is a great place for the more experienced kayaker to explore.

Water taxis or float planes are the means of transportation to these areas off the road system. A water taxi can transport you and your kayak, or guided kayaking trips are available for most of these locations.

See pages 80-81, 83 & 85 for business directory.



Emma Luck

Halibut Cove

Halibut Cove evolved from a lively fishing village with her-ring salteries to the present day community. It's now an Alaska artists' haven, with galleries built over the water connected by boardwalk. Some artists open their workshops to visitors and there is a co-op gallery.

Visitors travel the six miles across Kachemak Bay on a historic wooden ferry. The first daily run transports folks from the Homer Harbor, via the Gull Island rookery, to the Cove. A second trip brings guests in time for a stroll before or after an evening meal at the famed local restaurant.



Deb Rhoades

Glaciers

Laced between the mountain peaks on the far side of Kachemak Bay, rivers of ice flow from the Harding Ice Field. Named after President Warren Harding, the ice field is one of the remaining four in the United States with over 30 glaciers covering over 300 sq. miles.

Most of Alaska's glaciers are tidewater glaciers, meaning they calve into saltwater. Homer's glaciers are alpine glaciers, unique in that they form in mountain valleys creating their own moraine lake.

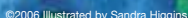
The three most visible glaciers are the ones closest to Halibut Cove: Grewingk, Portlock and Dixon Glacier. They are best viewed from East End Road and Skyline Drive. Two glaciers, Wosnesenski and Doroshin, are partially visible from Homer, behind Poot Peak and beyond China Poot Bay.

Walking on the ice field and glaciers is extremely hazardous, recommended only for experienced mountaineers. Check with the Kachemak Bay State Park Service and consult local guides.

See pages 68-69 for trail information.



Danielle Watson



Some of the events for 2018 are:

For more activities and more information call 907-234-7612.

The Seldovia Chamber of Commerce hosts several annual events, visit www.SeldoviaChamber.org. The Seldovia Arts Council hosts a series of events including the Seldovia Summer Solstice Music Festival, visit seldoviaartscouncil.net.





Bridget Maryott

Lodging Beyond Homer

Board a water taxi or air charter and settle in for a stay on the far side of Kachemak Bay or Cook Inlet. You won't be roughing it in most cases. Some of the most sophisticated and yet homey lodges lie in the coves. You'll find yourself gathering with other travelers around a roaring fire in the main lodge or climbing the steps to your own little cabin. Similar to town, choices range from campgrounds and rustic park service cabins scattered around Kachemak Bay State Park to the upscale resorts with fine chefs. Some of these hideaways can be found in the villages of Seldovia and Halibut Cove, while others stand alone in isolated places like Tutka Bay, Kasitsna Bay, Eldred Passage, China Poot Bay, Peterson Bay, Sadie Cove and Bear Cove.

Be sure to reserve well in advance. See page 68 for information about state park cabins/campgrounds.

See page 80-81 for business directory.



Lisa Linegar



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Anchor Point

Anchor Point, The Most Westerly Highway Point in North America, is a quaint little fishing town just 15 miles north of Homer. In the summer of 1778 Captain James Cook sailed into Cook Inlet looking for the Northwest Passage. Captain Cook lost a large anchor here to the powerful tidal currents, giving Anchor Point its name. The Anchor River State Recreation Area is the highlight of the town featuring 5 beautiful State Parks campgrounds, private RV parks, our world renowned boat launch, and spectacular wildlife viewing. Anglers will love the accessibility of the Anchor River and may fish a variety of species including King, Silver, and Pink Salmon as well as Dolly Varden, Steelhead and more. Visitors are sure to be pleased with this splendid hidden gem. We kick off the season with our Annual King Salmon Calcutta Tournament held May 11th and 12th 2018. Keeping traditions alive we celebrate the 4th of July with our community parade. For more information please contact the Anchor Point Chamber of Commerce 907-235-2600 - apchamber.commerce@gmail.com - www.anchorpointchamber.org



The Old Believers

**Nikolaevsk / Voznesenka / Razdolna
Kachemak Selo**

There are four Russian "Old Believer" communities that have developed on the southern Kenai Peninsula. Old Believers, or followers of the Russian Orthodox Old-Rite Church, began leaving Russia in the early 1900s to practice their religion without persecution. They journeyed into China, then South America, the Pacific Northwest, and eventually five families came to the Kenai Peninsula.

The first Old Believer community on the Kenai Peninsula was Nikolaevsk, established in 1968, and located 10 miles east of Anchor Point on the North Fork

Road. Nikolaevsk has grown to about 350 residents.

Residents can be identified by their attire: at baptism, each person wears a cross around their neck. Men and boys wear colorfully embroidered shirts with hand-woven belts; women and girls wear ankle-length dresses. These items must be worn in public at all times and the belt and cross are of religious significance.

In Nikolaevsk there is a post office, cemetery and the beautiful Church of Saint Nicholas. You may visit, but visitors should heed the slow speed limit and ask for permission before taking pictures.

Three more Old Believer villages are located east of Homer. Voznesenka is about 23 miles off East End Road and Razdolna just a few miles further. Kachemak Selo is the most remote of the villages.

Relocation

Mirella Semple

HOMER: Yearly Temperature, sunrise & sunset

Date:	Jan. 1	Feb. 1	Mar. 1	Apr. 1	May 1	June 1	July 1	Aug. 1	Sept. 1	Oct. 1	Nov. 1	Dec. 1
Sunrise:	11:04 am	10:16 am	9:02 am	7:30 am	6:04 am	4:57 am	4:52 am	5:50 am	7:04 am	8:13 am	9:29 am	10:40 am
Sunset:	4:15 pm	5:23 pm	6:35 pm	8:50 pm	10:03 pm	11:11 pm	11:26 pm	10:32 pm	9:10 pm	7:40 pm	6:12 pm	5:13 pm
Ave. High Temp.:	31	33	37	44	52	58	61	61	55	45	36	33
Ave. Low Temp.:	19	20	23	30	37	44	48	47	41	32	24	21

Relocation **Live, Work, Play Homer**



Christina Whiting

Homer is a year-round active community of about 5,500 people where residents will tell you that it is quality of life that attracts them here. Whether you are considering buying or building a new home, starting a new business, raising a family or retiring, Homer offers many amenities of larger communities. Homer is proud of its 17,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art library and world-class small museum. Our public schools offer diverse programs focusing on

our unique natural environment. The University of Alaska Kachemak Bay Campus offers degree tracks for students and continuing education. We also boast a 22-bed critical care hospital, medical clinics, and wellness practitioners offering an array of specialties.

Life in Homer is enriched in many ways because of the arts and culture focus and the array of coffee shops, bakeries, cafes and fine restaurants. We use water taxis to get around the bay, float planes to sightsee and commute, ride our bikes to work and walk the many trails and beaches for pure enjoyment. In the winter we snowshoe, snowmobile, and cross country ski. We take time to visit one another at the grocery store or post office and pride ourselves on volunteering at one of over 100 non-profits in our community. Homer offers year-round music concerts, theatre, festivals, and fishing derbies all seasons.

In summer 2018, the Homer Spit will enjoy a wonderful new amenity - The Boat House Pavilion. Inspired by our maritime traditions and our working harbor, The Boat House will be a community gathering place and a destination for locals and visitors alike at the edge of the Homer Harbor. A community-based fundraising effort has made this project a reality. You can lend a hand by making a donation at www.homerfoundation.org. Stay tuned for our grand opening announcement, and make time this coming summer to enjoy The Boat House on the Homer Spit!

Business in Homer is community-based. We foster and promote sustainable economic development. Current industries include oil and gas, health care, retail, the marine trades, commercial fishing and processing, tourism, transportation and construction, to name a few. More and more internet-based businesses



Maria Cardoza

have bloomed in the recent years and entrepreneurs looking for a savvy place to start a business will find it in Homer. Many facilities are handicap accessible, including ferries, public buildings, hotels and B&Bs.

Consider relocating to Homer permanently, having a second home, or working remotely. Homer welcomes you and is open for business.

For living and relocation information see the Chamber's website at www.homer.alaska.org.



Beth Hollman



SPARC

SPARC (A Space for ALL SPORTS) is a giant indoor facility with a multi-purpose sport court. SPARC gives people of all ages a place play and be active year round. Soccer, baseball, volleyball, roller skating, hockey, dodge ball, walking, and so much more. Follow them on Facebook, and check out their website at Sparchomer.org to get your activity updates!

Religious Services

(Area Code 907)

Homer

All Saints of America Antiochian Orthodox Christian Mission	235-8871
Assembly of God	235-8874
Christian Community Church	235-8291
Christian Science Society	235-8543
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints 235-7281	
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East Gate Fellowship	235-5195
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Eckankar	235-5329
Faith Lutheran Church	235-7600
Glacierview Baptist Church	235-8779
Homer Christian Church	235-8314
Homer Independent Baptist Church	235-2431
Homer United Methodist Church	235-8528
Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses	235-3435

New Life Tabernacle	235-7931
Refuge Chapel	235-4744
Religious Society of Friends (Quaker)	235-4226
Salvation Army Center of Worship and Service	235-2609
St. Augustine's Episcopal Church	235-1225
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church	235-8436
Seventh Day Adventist Church	235-4240

Anchor Point

Anchor Point Baptist Church	235-8852
Church of Christ	235-7888
Church of the Nazarene	235-9058
Lighthouse Community Assembly of God	235-3480

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Karis Jackson

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useful numbers & websites

WiFi in Homer

The Homer Chamber of Commerce offers free high-speed WiFi sponsored by local wireless Internet Provider, SpitwSpots. Homer Public Library has free wireless available throughout the building, in addition to nineteen public computers. Bring your own devices or request a guest pass to use the computers. Many lodging, cafes, campgrounds, and other businesses also offer free WiFi Hotspots.



William Iven

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Wildlife Protection 235-8239	Use area code 907 prefix unless otherwise noted	Weather Line 800-472-0391

City of Homer Facts

www.cityofhomer-ak.gov
www.borough.kenai.ak.us

Geography

Latitude 59 degrees, 38 minutes N
Longitude 151 degrees, 28 min. W

Forms of Government

Homer is a first-class municipality with a city manager/city council. Kenai Peninsula Borough is a second-class borough with a mayor/assembly.

Population

In City Limits (2016) 5,252
Hospital Service Area (2017) 13,000
Kenai Peninsula Borough (2016) 58,060
Per Capita Personal Income/Homer (2016) 31,526
Avg. Unemployment Rate/Homer (2016) 6.7%

Taxes

City Sales 4.5 %
City Property 4.5 mills
Borough Sales 3%
Borough Property 4.5 mills
South Peninsula Hospital 2.3 mills
Kenai Peninsula College 0.10 mills

Weather

Average Summer Temperature 60.9°F
Average Winter Temperature 27°F
Annual Precipitation 24.4"
Annual Snowfall 54.9"

Health Care Services

Family Physicians	Acupuncturists
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Pharmacies	Physical Therapists
Public Health Nurses	Homeopathy
Dentists	Rolfers
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Chiropractors	



Homer Public Library

The current Homer Public Library was built in 2006. The 17,000 square foot facility includes a public meeting room, four study rooms, nineteen public use computers, wireless access throughout the building and a collection of more than 45,000 books, audio books, magazines, newspapers, and videos. The building's design received an award from the American Institute

of Architects, as well as LEED® Silver certification by the U.S. Green Building council. Inside and out, the work of local artists, crafts people and gardeners is integrated into the facility. Two paintings by Sydney Laurence and Fred Machetanz, on permanent loan to the library, are displayed. Website: www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library

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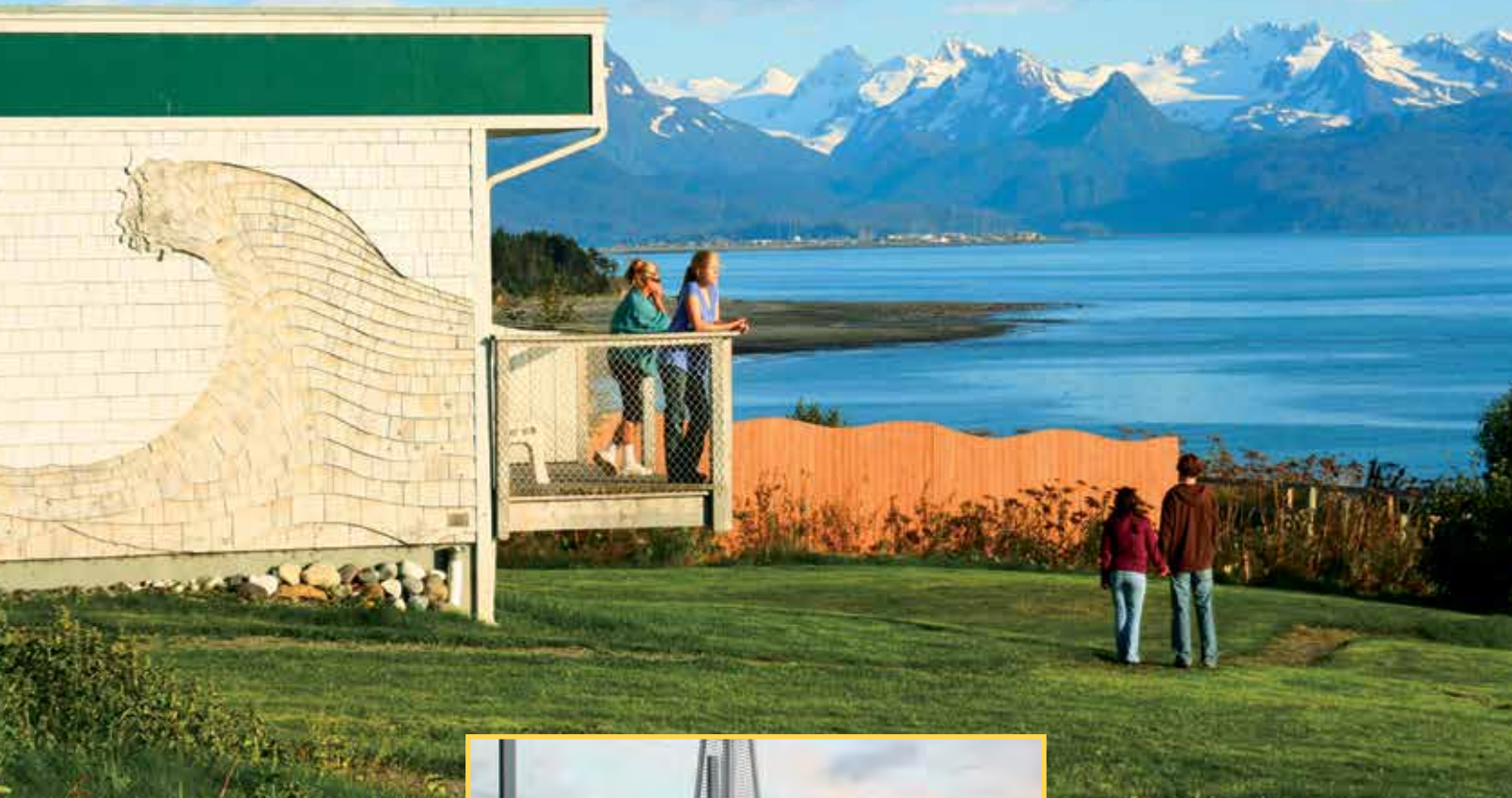
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