



DOWNTOWN UPDATE

COVENANT HOUSE CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR HOMELESS KIDS

Join us on **Thursday, November 16th** for the **Covenant House Candlelight Vigil for Homeless Kids**. The Vigil **starts at 6:00pm in Town Square**. Warm Refreshments will be served at the Covenant House Crisis Center (across the street at 609 F Street) after the Vigil.

Covenant House is also asking that individuals bring warm winter clothing to give to a kid in need. They are looking for gloves, hats, scarves, socks, coats, fleece tops and pants. Clothing in large sizes is especially needed for growing teenagers.

You provide the hope, Covenant House will provide the candle. Help us show the homeless kids of Anchorage they are not alone.

If you have questions, please contact Lindsey at 339-4401 or lsiefferman@covhouse.alaska.com.

AT&T HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY IN TOWN SQUARE

Join us for the **AT&T Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony in Town Square** on **Friday, November 24th** from **5:30pm - 7:30pm**.

This outdoor celebration features music by the Salvation Army Band, the Anchorage Concert Chorus, the Broadway Kidz, and special performances by TBA Theatre. Look for Mother Goose and storybook characters to join Myles the Goose in this evening of family fun. Plan to visit with Santa and his team of reindeer and enjoy cookies and hot cocoa. Be a part of the celebration of the lighting of the Town Square Holiday Tree and the kick off for the holiday season.

Join us from 5:30-6:30pm for the community kick off of the holiday season **with the lighting of the Holiday tree**, music, reindeer, Mother Goose, and a real Cinderella carriage!

Then join us after the ceremony from 6:30-7:30pm with **Santa and his reindeer in Key Bank Plaza**.

Parking available in the JC Penney, 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue parking garages.

AT&T Holiday Tree Lighting sponsors: AT&T, Key Bank, Furniture Classics, Salvation Army, First Ladies Military Family Initiative, TBA Theatre, MOA Parks and Recreation, and ConocoPhillips

18TH ANNUAL CRAFTS WEEKEND AT ANCHORAGE MUSEUM

Join the **Anchorage Museum** for their **annual Crafts Weekend** that takes place on Friday and Saturday, **November 24th & 25th, from 10:00am to 6:00pm**, and on Sunday **November 26, noon to 5:00 pm**.

The Crafts Weekend features a juried craft show. It is the place to start your holiday shopping or to treat yourself to a special gift. Fine crafts including beadwork, wearable art, jewelry, pottery, ornaments will be on display for sale. Local musicians add to the festivities each day.

Also check out the 14th Annual ReadAlaska Book Fair on the second floor of the Museum's Atrium. The Book Fair is the perfect time to meet Alaska's authors, illustrators and publishers. It's a unique opportunity for personalizing books and to celebrate new releases with special sales each day.

Museum members receive a 10% discount on all purchases in the Atrium.

EXTENDED COMMENT PERIOD FOR KNIK ARM BRIDGE

The Federal Highway Administration has **extended the comment period** for the **Knik Arm Crossing Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation**.

Comments were originally due close of business October 30, 2006. **Comments now must be received** at the offices of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) or the Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority (KABATA) **by November 17, 2006 at 4:00pm**.

Send your comments to:

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