Title Acquisitions

The Anchorage Museum is in the process of acquiring legal title to undocumented property found in the collection. These objects were found during inventories of the collection with no Museum accession number or identification of their immediate owners.

The Anchorage Museum would like to return these objects to their rightful owner or gain proper title. In their current legal state, the Museum is unable to properly care for the objects and the objects are unable to serve the Museum’s mission. To acquire title to the undocumented property, the Museum is following the guidelines mandated by the State of Alaska statute Sec. 14.57.210.

Interested parties who wish to claim property should contact: Janet Northey by email, jnorthey@anchoragemuseum.org or through mail at 625 C St. Anchorage, AK 99501. Claimants will be asked to provide proof of ownership to ensure that the Museum is releasing the objects to the rightful owner. If no formal claim is filed by June 6, 2022, the Anchorage Museum will assume title.
Ashtrays

2 gold colored ash trays that say Fur Rendezvous Alaska.
Baby shoes

Pair of black leather baby shoes
Belt

Brown leather child's belt in 2 pieces.
Board game

"The Game of Ketchikan" a board game resembling monopoly about Ketchikan. Includes: Paper Money, 2 dice, 6 game pieces, paper "wheeler-dealer" cards that have not been separated, Property title cards (also unseparated), a paper profit calculator, and a rules booklet.
Boots

Black leather boots.
Bracelet

Blue flower bracelet. One of the flowers has broken off.
Buttons

One small button and one large button. Both buttons are navy with yellow writing. Both read: "EGAN".
Buttons

Two metal Fur Rondy buttons, one from 1992 and the other from 1987
Camera

US Army Signal Corps Kodak camera in a leather case.
Case

Metal case with a '§' on the lid.
Commemorative spoon

Sterling silver spoon in a plastic case commemorating the centennial of the Alaska purchase. Sticker in case reads: "Official Centennial Potlatch Spoon"
Decorative metal fragment

Broken decorative metal fragment in the shape of an 'S'
Decorative plate

A ceramic plate with an igloo against a mountain background. There is a signature "Matthew Asam(?)"
Display case

Antique wooden display case.
Doll hands

Two porcelain (?) doll hands.
Doorknobs

Three sets of rusty doorknobs attached to a wooden plank (piece of door?).
Drawstring bag, a book of notecards, and an apron

A drawstring bag made of dark and light squares of fur in a checkered pattern. A blue folder with an image of mountains and a lake with text, "Alaskan Note Cards Hand screened at Denali Lakes McKinley Park, Alaska," inside the folder are a set of screen-printed cards with envelopes featuring the same image as the cover. The apron is made of white fabric and is printed in red and says, "3rd Annual Midnight Sun Apple Bake-Off".
Swizzle Stick
Hot pink plastic drink stirrer from Harbor House, Anchorage
Earrings
Circular red and bronze-colored clip-on earrings
Electrical parts

Three identical pieces of metal electrical equipment
Embroidered hat

A round purple velvet hat with metal embroidery in a vines and grapes design
Ephemera

Plate and brochures related to the peace pole.
Flag

49 star flag.
Flag
Burgundy fabric stating, “Anchorage All American City.”
Flag
Grateful nation WWI commemoration.
Flag

A small white naval flag with four navy stars, one in each corner and a central navy anchor with entwined rope
Flagpole
A flagpole with a gold ball at the end.
Flint
A striker for starting fires.
Glass float

Large glass float.
Glass floats

Bundle of glass floats.
Glass floats

10 blue-green glass floats of varying sizes.
Glass floats

7 green glass fishing floats, with a curled-up rope. 3 floats are still in their rope net wrappings.
Handle

A rusted metal handle with two screw holes.
Harpoon head
(explosive type)
metal harpoon head/spike, explosive type (deactivated).
Harpoon head
(explosive type)
metal harpoon head/spike, explosive type
(deactivated).
Harpoon head (explosive type)
metal harpoon head/spike, explosive type (deactivated).
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Iron nail
Long, iron square nail.
Jade balls

Two sets of jade balls, one set in original box.
Jewelry
13 pieces of jewelry, they are tip pins, tie bars, and cufflinks
Key and screws

A broken old-fashioned key and 3 rusty screws.
Lamp base (?)

Heavily corroded metal base, possibly to a lamp.
Leather

Two pieces of dyed and sueded leather, one red, one black.
Matchbooks
Bag containing 5 matchbooks for various Alaskan organizations.
Medallion

Metal (bronze?) medallion in Russian depicting the Romanov family on the obverse and a city (St. Petersburg? Moscow?) on the reverse.
Medallion
Circular metal medallion attached to a maroon-colored board. The medallion depicts a building.
Membership certificate

A paper membership certificate that certifies J.P. Hannon is a member of The American Radio Relay League, Inc. on November 30, 1928.
Metal tool
A metal tool with two handles ending in a c-shaped piece of metal
Metal trays

7 small, oval-shaped metal trays. Different makers marks. One reads: "PAKNAHA / [maybe Russian?]". The other 6 read: "PANA / TRADEMARK"
Mining balls (3)
Mining balls (3) various sizes.
Necklace
Blue and white glass bead necklace.
Newspaper box

Newspaper box for Anchorage Times.
Note kit

Pleather bound note kit reading: "You Get The Best / Plus Courteous Service / At The / ANCHORAGE GROCERY / 745 - 4th Ave. / Anchorage, Alaska." Kit contains a calendar for 1962, a small brown and cream-colored pen, and small notepad.
Patch

Patch for the Alaskan Prospectors Society. Patch depicts Alaskan flag with a shovel and pickaxe. The patch reads: "ALASKAN PROSPECTORS SOCIETY / FORT RICHARDSON / ELMENDORF A.F.B."
Pillow cover

Screen printed (?) pillow cover depicting a house surrounded by flowers. The pillow cover is edged with gold embroidery and fringe. "Anchorage, Alaska" is handwritten at the bottom of the cover in blue ink.
Pillow cover

A silk(?) or synthetic silk cushion cover with a central image of a polar bear with open jaws in a blue circle. Around the circle are the words “Alaska Department.”
Pillowcase

White pillowcase with green and blue floral pattern (possibly screen-printed or stamped).
Pin

An enamel 1981 Fur Rendezvous pin with a bald eagle against a red and blue background.
Pin

Metal pin in the shape of a hexagon. Pin reads: "2008 FUR RENDEZVOUS / ANCHORAGE ALASKA"
Pin depicting the Alaskan flag. Pin reads: "BARTLETT."
Wooden Marker

white and black plank of wood. SEC section 25 and 24.
Plate
Commemorative plate depicting the state of Alaska.
Plate
Souvenir/commemorative plate from Kodiak. Plate is celebrating 60 years of service for the Russian Church.
Political campaign sign
A Bob Bartlett for U.S. Senate campaign sign, there is a no parking notice on the backside.
Poster

Poster from 1977 advertising prize for guessing when the first drop of oil flows in Valdez. Grand prize is $30,000.
Poster

Poster of a mountain range (Denali?). Poster is dated 1985 and signed Forrest James.
Posters (3)

Three posters. One is for the TransAlaska pipeline and two are identical and are referencing the 1987 Fur Rondy.
Razor
Lady Remington pink electric razer in a circular case.
Records
Cuanto le gusta by eve young; birdies in the sky; fox trot.
Samovar cups and cap
6 cups of stamped metal and a lid with handle.
Shirt
A shirt with screen print depicting affects of Exxon Valdez oil spill. Artwork by Tom M B 1989 51/500; with text on reverse.
Sign

Alaska Methodist University sign, 1957, paperboard painted.
Slide ruler

Metal slide ruler attached to a wooden board with paper board adhered to the front. The paper lists instructions and the maker (Leonard Westphalen, Chicago).
Pennant banner

Small handheld navy blue felt pennant banner with yellow lettering and imagery. Image is of an Alaskan sled dog and the words, "Anchorage 1951 Fur Rendezvous." The wide end of the triangle has yellow felt edging and small yellow felt loop sewn on. There is no lettering or marks on the back side of the banner.
Small painting attributed to Sydney Laurence and associated newspaper clippings and notes

Small Sydney Laurence painting or drawn sketch. Possibly pastels, watercolor and/or colored pencil on paper. The image is of a hunter with rifle on skis, positioned at the base of a birch tree in winter. The work is glazed with glass and is framed by a simple golden colored wooden frame. The accompanying objects include the backing from the sketch, which has since become separated from the frame. On it, there are notes from the purchaser of the piece that provides some history and provenance information. Additionally, there are three small newspaper clippings that discuss shows of Laurence's work in Anchorage, and Seattle and Olympia, Washington.
Small painting attributed to Sydney Laurence and associated newspaper clippings and notes continued

Images of backing paper of painting
Small sketch of a moose by Robert Mayokok

Small sketch of a bull moose in motion by Robert Mayokok. Mountains, trees, and birds in the background. The sketch is done using graphite and marker on a small, white folded piece of paper. Folded for possible use as a small notecard.
Stirrup

Large, wooden stirrup with leather (?) foot grip.
Stirrup

Corroded metal stirrup.
Ted Stevens for U.S. Senate Oven Mitt

A quilted oven mitt with a floral pattern on one side (red background with small blue and yellow flowers in foreground) and "Ted Stevens US Senate" on the other side (white background with blue lettering and possible campaign symbol in red). The entire mitt has red edging. The interior of the mitt is white and quilted.
Tote bag

Blue canvas tote bag with white handles and yellow screen-printed lettering. One side has the Pioneers of Alaska snowshoe logo and the words, "79th Grand Igloo Convention Palmer September 27 - Oct 1, 1995" and "PIONEERS OF ALASKA" and the other side has the words, "Saluting the Pioneers of Alaska Matanuska Maid," with an image of a small log cabin and the big dipper and north star arrangement of the Alaska State flag.
Towel

White Alaska Steamship Company towel from 1942. Towel has a red stripe down the center with white lettering reading: "19 - ALASKA STEAMSHIP CO. – 42"
Umbrella

Umbrella, black fabric with multicolored stripes; plastic-like handle and top.
Umbrella

Pink fabric umbrella with ivory ends.
**Unknown**

Metal component for an unknown Keuffel and Esser Co. device. The component is circular and has a brass plate in the interior which is taped with masking tape to the component.
Electrical component

Brass-colored wire bundle with copper (?) attached to the end.
Wick with cork

Wick for small lamp attached to cork.

Single cork with hole.
Wooden crate

A wooden crate, stamped on the side is "Frigid Froit Sh/Anchorage Alaska/San Juan Dock/Seward." There are two circular stickers on one side: a large blue and a small yellow circle. On the opposite side of the crate is a paper produce label of an elf sitting on an apple marking the crate as "Frigid-Aps" apples.
Wooden handgrip fragments

Two small wooden fragments and the textured wooden grip of a handgun.
Wooden stand
Oval-shaped wooden stand for unknown object. Stand is stained cherry.
Wooden toy

Carved circular wooden toy with moving roosters and a handle. A small, carved ball attached with some string hangs from the bottom of the circle. The ball/string makes the roosters peck at the circular base. One of the roosters is loose and hangs from the string.
Wooden toy

Carved wooden bear toy. Bear moves to swing a hammer at a tree with a birdhouse when a knob at the base of the toy is pushed.
Wooden toy

Carved wooden toy in the shape of a tree with a woodpecker. The woodpecker moves when a knob at the top of the tree is pushed.