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Hi all,

This is a second posting (following one earlier in the summer) that the week after next Ursinus College will be providing a rare East Coast opportunity to interact with someone living on the front lines of climate change. He is Caleb Pungowiyi, a Yup'ik Eskimo elder who was born and raised on St. Lawrence Island in the Bering Sea. He will be presenting a keynote address entitled "Living with Climate Change" on Monday, October 9th at 7:30 PM in Olin Auditorium at Ursinus College, in Collegeville, PA.

Caleb Pungowiyi is a Yup'ik Eskimo elder who was born and raised on St. Lawrence Island in the Bering Sea. He is a spokesperson and advocate for Native concerns and traditional knowledge in regional, national, and international scientific and policy matters. He is a former President and CEO of the Inuit Circumpolar Conference and currently serves as a member of many institutions concerned with Native affairs, including the Arctic Research Consortium of the U.S., Bering Straits Regional Commission, Bering Sea Impact Study (a subcommittee of the International Arctic Science Committee), Scientific Advisory Committee of the U.S. Marine Mammal Commission, and Indigenous Peoples Council for Marine Mammals. His past service includes membership on the National Science Foundation's Polar Programs Advisory Committee, Steering Committee of the Alaska Native Science Commission, Polar Research Board Committee on Bering Sea Ecosystems, Advisory Panel on Arctic Impacts from Soviet Nuclear Contamination, Native American Rights Fund, Alaska Conservation Foundation, and Alaska Coastal Policy Council. Pungowiyi lectures widely on Alaska Natives and the effects of climate change on the coastal communities (both human and ecological) of northern Alaska.

Please let me know if you might like to bring a class for his talk. The event is free, but it would be helpful for me to be able to plan for large groups. And please let me know if you have any questions. For directions, see <http://www.ursinus.edu>. Apologies for cross-postings.

Cheers,
Rich

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