

# National Nike Veteran Reunion

## Supplemental information: Getting around, tours, things to do, and other miscellaneous info

We can't list everything on one page, so please contact:

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(For another perspective, go to [www.muni.org](http://www.muni.org), the Municipality of Anchorage Web site)

The ACVB Web site and **free visitor guide** can be your jumping off point to find other tours, fishing adventures and other fun in the Great Land during your stay. Be sure to look for their 50th statehood anniversary specials, which include a free **Alaska Railroad** train ride for anyone turning 50 in calendar year 2009. Also look at their itinerary builder to create your own Anchorage agenda.

**Getting around Anchorage:** If renting a car, most major agencies can be found in Anchorage. The Sheraton is about six miles from the airport; one-way taxi fare from there to the Sheraton is about \$17-20. The hotel runs a shuttle to museums and shops within a three-mile radius downtown. Anchorage has a public transit system, the People Mover ([www.peoplemover.org](http://www.peoplemover.org)), and an unlimited one-day pass is just \$4. FONSS will provide transportation for the scheduled Site Summit and Anchorage tours.

**Shopping:** Most major shopping chains can be found here, including Kohls, Bed Bath and Beyond, Sears, Penneys, Fred Meyer and Best Buy. The Fifth Avenue Mall and Penney's Mall are the closest to the hotel, just a few blocks west. There are a host of uniquely Alaska shops, including Oomingmak (604 H St.) where one can purchase scarves, hats and other items made from musk ox wool, and the Alaska Mint (429 W. Fourth Ave.) where you can get a genuine Alaska gold souvenir. Visit the Ulu Factory (211 W. Ship Creek Ave.), to see these practical and beautiful knives manufactured.

**Museums:** This is just a partial listing. An expanded **Anchorage Museum** full of Alaska-oriented art and science reopened on May 30, 2009. Hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Three Alaska-themed movies are included in the low admission price of \$8 adults, \$7 military/seniors/students. Youth under 18 get in free. Also on display, a special Alaska 50th anniversary of statehood exhibit, two touring interactive exhibits "Science in Toyland" and "Artists at Play," both featuring classic toys, and the annual "Earth, Fire and Fibre" juried crafts competition. Info: [www.anchoragemuseum.org](http://www.anchoragemuseum.org)

For aviation buffs, there's the **Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum** at Lake Hood, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission: \$10 for adults with discounts for military, seniors, kids. [www.alaskaairmuseum.org](http://www.alaskaairmuseum.org).

The **Alaska Heritage Museum at Wells Fargo** (301 W. Northern Lights) is free and open noon to 4 pm. weekdays (group tours by appointment, 265-2834).

The **Alaska Native Heritage Center** in Muldoon shows off the diverse Native cultures of Alaska. Open 9 to 5 daily until Sept. 12. A free shuttle leaves the Sheraton four times a day. Details: [www.alaskanative.net](http://www.alaskanative.net).

**Alaska Museum of Natural History**, 201 N. Bragaw St., highlights the state's archeology, paleontology, dinosaurs and other critters. It is open from 10 to 5 Tuesdays through Saturday. Admission is \$5 for adults; \$3 for children. Info: [www.alaskamuseum.org](http://www.alaskamuseum.org).

**Other things to do:** Our reunion coincides with the last weekend for the **Anchorage Market Festival** downtown at 3rd and E Streets. Stop by from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday or Sunday to buy local crafts and produce, and listen to our home-grown musicians. More info: [www.anchoragemarkets.com](http://www.anchoragemarkets.com).

**Got a question still unanswered?** Contact Greg Durocher at (907) 687-7009 or Doris Thomas at (907) 694-3570 and we'll try to get the information you need.