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### **Story of Near-Death Experience Headlines Safety & Health Conference**

(Juneau) – The governor's annual Alaska Safety & Health Conference is scheduled for Oct. 29-31 at the Sullivan Arena in Anchorage. This year's theme is "Back to Basics – Safety & Health for Home & Industry."

"More-Powerful-Than-Fiction Story of Near-Death Experience Adds Impact to Industrial Safety" will be presented at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29, by keynote speaker Kelley Everette. Everette's future was forever changed by a near fatal accident that occurred while he was working on the Trans Alaska Pipeline in 1976.

Opening day events also include health and safety exhibits, trick or treating for kids, an off-site ATV Safety Course and an awards ceremony recognizing Alaskan businesses exemplifying good corporate citizenship and a commitment to the health and safety of their workers. All opening day events are open to the public and parking and admission are free.

The ATV Safety Course will be held from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Fire Education Training Center, located at 1140 Airport Heights Road (behind the Alaska Regional Hospital). Participants must be age 16 or older. Certificates of completion will be awarded to participants at 4:30 p.m. on the stage at the Sullivan Arena. Registration will be on a first-come basis. To sign up, email Sheryl Stone at [sheryl\\_stone@labor.state.ak.us](mailto:sheryl_stone@labor.state.ak.us) and provide your name, complete mailing address, phone number and age.

Industry safety is targeted on days two and three of the conference, with an OSHA 10-hour General Industry and Construction course and educational sessions covering the hospitality, transportation, health care, construction and utilities industries. Registration is required and course fees range from \$100-\$200.

For more information and complete conference schedule, go to [www.signup4.com/ASAC06](http://www.signup4.com/ASAC06).

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