Engaging Students
Over 850 students networked with world-class speakers and community members at AKWorld programs thanks to generous sponsorship by BP!

BONUS Additional 950+ students were reached during in-school visits!

Academic WorldQuest 2015 challenged over 125 students from the Anchorage and Matsu area on subjects such as energy, social unrest, and food security. The winning team from Service High School continued on to compete at the National Competition, achieving 16th place out of 44!

Giving Back to Alaska’s Military
Thanks to a generous sponsorship, AKWorld welcomed over 100 active-duty personnel and spouses to programs at no cost to them.

AKWorld endeavored to present topics of importance to the military community. Highlights include an on-base human trafficking program reaching over 350 military personnel and lunch with Alaska’s current and former top brass, Gen. Joseph Ralston (Ret.) and Lt. Gen. Russell Handy, hosting over 60 JROTC cadets!

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Year In Review

AKWorld is a focused educational organization dedicated to stimulating interest in world affairs and inspiring its members to be involved in world events. We strive to provide Alaskans with a wide spectrum of viewpoints and information while remaining unbiased, guided by the conviction that better community education in world affairs is necessary for sound democratic citizenship.
Programs

AKWorld programs are for everyone! From traditional luncheon programs and evening discussions to online podcasts and a statewide videoconference, we aim to engage Alaskans with the world whether in-person or virtually.

MOST POPULAR William Dobson’s “Are Dictators Getting Smarter?” reached 220 directly!

COOL FACTOR Stand-up Economist Dr. Yoram Bauman on “Comedy, Economics, and Carbon Tax”

Other speakers and topics included: Robert Wallace on Spies in the Cold War; Radwan Ziadeh on Syria; Ronald Tammen on China; the UK Ukulele Orchestra; Aaron Wolf on Shared Waters; Douglas Johnston on Faith-Based Diplomacy; James DeHart on Afghanistan; Diddy Hitchins on the Arctic Council; Lawrence Husick on Cyberthreats

World-Class Networking

AKWorld offers unparalleled opportunities for world-class networking in Anchorage. Our annual Ambassador series features high-level global dignitaries. This year we were honored to host His Majesty King Harald V of Norway and His Excellency Zygimantas Pavilonis, Lithuanian Ambassador to the U.S. and Mexico.

We also arrange exclusive socials for our Consul level and above members, sponsors, and community partners to closely interact with expert speakers.

Putting the “Fun” in Fundraising!

WORLD WIZ PUB TRIVIA

An unforgettable evening of global trivia, great prizes, auctions, and FUN with friends!

TOUR DEL VINO

Wine Economist, Dr. Mike Veseth, guided us through a four-course tour of wines from across the globe!

Membership & Outreach

As a member-supported not-for-profit organization, AKWorld greatly appreciates our members and sponsors who make “bringing the world to Alaska” possible.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Average membership up 60% at $185
- Average event attendance 125 people
- Twitter over 2,050+ followers
- Facebook 720+ likes with 270+ group members
- Email list over 3,200+ contacts
- Alaska Public Media podcast listeners 4,000+

BONUS The Atwood Foundation matched $20k in Ambassador level memberships!

Community Partnerships

We truly believe that we can accomplish so much more by partnering with other organizations and are proud to recognize our partners from this past year.

Global Education Series partners: 90% by 2020, Anchorage Chamber of Commerce, Anchorage Economic Development Corporation, United Way of Anchorage, UAA Student Activities, UAA College of Education
The series also benefited from the support of Shell and BP

Other partners include:
Alaska Association for Historic Preservation; Alaska Online With Libraries; Alaska Veterans Museum; Anchorage Concert Association; Downtown Rotary; Friends of Nike Site Summit; Institute of the North; Joint Base Elemendorf Richardson; Rotary Club of Anchorage East; South Anchorage High School National Honor Society; World Trade Center of Alaska