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Michael Harker, resource economist with the Cooperative Extension Service, said development is an important process and he is sure one of the things to come out of the symposium is a series of questions yet to be answered. The focus of the symposium is to ask the question and respond to the question – how do we integrate crop production and livestock production. They have experts from across the nation. They will look at what it takes to combine a feed based crop production with a livestock production. What do they need to do to market those livestock products. What do they need to do as far as processing those products and how do they fit this all together to call this a systematic modern agriculture. An important element is the farming community in Alaska. The general public should be interested in this development process. He is hoping the business people and university people will be there. Agriculture as they move forward will affect all of their lives. Last year there was a desire for information that could be applied to the problems that farmers face today. They will have people at the symposium who have gone through the process of developing a livestock operation. They will also look at the crop production alternatives that the farmer has in Interior Alaska. There will also be information about management of farming- including financial, crop and livestock. The symposium proceedings will be published.

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[00:05:55] Jean Aigner talks about the cultural technology of making small blades. She has received a travel grant to visit the People's Republic of China. She has recently completed a book based on materials gathered by Chinese archeological teams and the publisher wanted her to examine the sites discussed in the book. She said one area she has been particularly interested in is the far northern part of the country where they are reporting materials 100,000 to 200,000 years old which is farther north than they had been finding materials previously. A second batch of materials of interest are also from

the north, but more to the east. There seems to be the development of a technological traditions normally associated with inner Mongolia, Mongolia and southern Siberia. Some of the materials look like early Alaskan. Although adaptations of tool making technology may not be the same, it is significant that parallels exist between northern China and Alaska. The techniques also crop up in the early Holocene period in Alaska. In China and Siberia the time depth for making these small blades is only 25,000-35,000 years. People may have entered the New World many thousands of years ago and the ultimate source area would likely be China. It will be her first trip to China. She discussed how she will be traveling.

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[00:11:25] Dr. Mary Elizabeth Shutler said she has been enjoying working with the faculty in the department and the goals of the university. She is the first woman dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. She will assume the duties of the new post in September. She has been visiting the campus in the past week. She is an anthropologist from Washington State University. She will be working at an archeological site in Israel in the coming summer. Shutler said since 1976 a group of them has been excavating in the southern part of Israel. They come from a number of different universities. She has been impressed with the friendliness and informality of the University of Alaska campus. She said there is an attitude of looking towards the future instead of looking back. She won't be making plans for the College of Arts and Sciences until she has been here for a while. Her experience as head of the anthropology department in Washington will be helpful. She said she would like to build on existing strengths rather than stop what they are doing. She would hope to be working with what is already there and to do what she can to allow people to proceed in the direction they are going. She wanted to come to Alaska because of her family's pioneering spirit. She said it is a growing place and she would like to be part of that.

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[00:16:47] Michelle Bartlett, Coordinator of the Tanana Valley Community College Community Service Program, said she thinks people are going to get their money's worth and it is an exciting time. Michelle Bartlett was recently selected as the person of the year for her region from the National Council of Community Services and Continuing Education. Bartlett is looking forward to the first Elderhostel program to be held this summer. She talked about the Elderhostel program. There are over 700 colleges participating in the program. The University of Alaska Fairbanks is the only university in Alaska that can provide an Elderhostel program since room and board must be provided. Only one week program will be held since this is a trial program. Bartlett said this is also Golden Days week and there will be many other activities. The offered courses will focus on Alaska. There will also be evening programs.

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[00:21:27] Laurie Barkey talked about high school students visiting the campus on University Day. Sally Paler explained what University Day is all about. She said is one of the largest recruiting events. They invite high school juniors and seniors to come to the campus and look it over. They visit with the faculty and students and tour facilities. They get a feel for what it would be like to attend the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). They hope to give students a chance to see some of the differences between

high and college. They can see the various types of students who attend school at UAF. They also invite people from the community to come up to campus. The academic departments will have exhibits. Laurie Barkey talked about her experience on her visit to the campus on University Day. She experienced what it would be like to be a student at UAF. The students will have the opportunity to visit many of the facilities on campus. This year they had the largest number of students registering to attend University Day.

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