

Waves of Destruction: Bud Cassidy

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Today during the 50th anniversary week of the Great Alaskan Earthquake and Tsunami, we continue our Waves of Destruction series, brought to you by a partnership with the Kodiak College.

In the 1990s, students in Gary Stevens' Alaska History classes at Kodiak College recorded the stories of more than 120 Kodiak residents. The Waves of Destruction series draws excerpts from the recordings to tell the story of the 1964 earthquake and tsunami in the voices of those who experienced them.

Today we'll hear from Bud Cassidy:

Kodiak Island Borough Manager Bud Cassidy had just celebrated his 10th birthday after moving with his family to Kodiak days before the earthquake and tsunami turned the town upside down. The experience triggered a lifelong quest to understand the geological underpinnings of Kodiak Island and a career in public service to shape policy that protects and prepares coastal dwellers for the next big event.