Senator Ted Stevens Confirmed for ComFish Gala

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There's going to be a special guest at the gala dinner during ComFish Alaska next week. Former Alaska Senator Ted Stevens will be able to make it here after all, according to Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Debora King.

-- (ComFish 1 38 sec "We just received ... at ComFish as well.")

This will be the inaugural induction into UFA's Alaska Fisheries Hall of Fame, and it only figures that Senator Stevens be included. But King is tight-lipped about who exactly might be inducted:

-- (ComFish 2 10 sec "I've been sworn to ... confirm or deny that.")

Because this is the 50th anniversary of Alaska statehood, and taking over the regulation of commercial fishing from the federal government was the main push behind the statehood movement, King did say the inaugural hall of fame class would be quite large:

-- (ComFish 3 24 sec "Fifteen to 20 will be honored ... and for the Chamber.")

King says Linda Kozak deserves the credit for pulling the gala dinner together, and said almost the entire menu was donated by Kodiak processors. The hosts for the evening will be Fisheries Historian Bob King, who now works for Senator Mark Begich, and Kodiak's Laine Welch, producer of Fish Radio.

The dinner is next Thursday night at the Golden Anchor. Tickets are available online, or at the chamber office at Pier One, and they must be purchased in advance, due to base security. ComFish is Thursday through Saturday at the new Kodiak Harbor Convention Center downtown.

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