

Friday Travel Ticker: Alaska up close

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Looking ahead to July 4, **Coronado holds one of the most endearing Southern California summer celebrations, including a parade, 5K run and fireworks over Glorietta Bay;** <http://www.ecoronado.com/4th> . . . Travel writer Michael Wigge left Britain **without a penny and traveled 25,000 miles, hitchhiking, bartering and working his way by ship, plane, car and foot across the world.** A series about his project, "How to Travel the World for Free," is airing on some PBS channels through May and June . . . The Golden Gate Bridge 75th anniversary celebrations continue with **an evening of swing music and science May 24.** The adults-only event is staged by the California Academy of Sciences. Tickets are \$12 for nonmembers; www.calacademy.org/events/nightlife/ . . . Native Voices at the Autry, a Native American theater company, will stage **public readings of three new works June 1-2, at the Autry National Center's Wells Fargo Theater;** (323) 667-2000, Ext. 354, www.NativeVoicesattheAutry.org . . . **Fresno's 9th annual Fig Fest offers recipes and wine tastings** August

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San Francisco: Go celebrate the Golden Gate Bridge's 75th year

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A view of the Golden Gate Bridge and Fort Point. (Marcio Jose Sanchez / Associated Press / May 18, 2012)

--**BridgeFest NightLife** at the California Academy of Sciences features a pop-up exhibit of photographs of construction of the Golden Gate and Bay bridges. A second mobile museum tells the history of stagecoaches, the Gold Rush and the bridge. More science-type doings and swing music provided by the Royal Society Jazz Orchestra too. \$12 per person, 5 to 9 p.m. Contact: [California Academy of Sciences](http://www.calacademy.org), (415) 379-8000.

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