The Musk Ox Lives!
The Pleistocene era is fascinating since some of the megafauna like sabre-toothed cats and wooly mammoths lived at the same time as humans. The Musk Ox almost was hunted to extinction but a few populations survived. I went to the Musk Ox farm and was awestruck!

Fun Facts
- Any Musk Ox is ready to protect itself if it sees a dog. Wolves are it’s major predator after man.
- The Aurora Borealis is seen after solar flares particularly in an area of latitude around Fairbanks, AK. Farther North, in the original Musk Ox range they are not as visible.
- The Wolverine’s pelage (coat of fur) is unique because ice cannot cling to it.
- The “Pinto” Abalone Mollusk’s beautiful shell is used in Northern people’s art. I used it in my book because it looks like Alaskan skies.

One can’t think of Alaskan animals without including the sled dog. I used my friend Dr. Cera’s Siberian Huskies as my models. In Talkeetna, AK, we visited Iditarod champion Dallas Seavey’s Kennel. He invites tourists to learn about mushing dogs, and to mush his super friendly Alaskan Racing Huskies.