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Move Aside Muppets

Last week Seldovia was overrun by puppets, sending the kids in the community into joyful hysterics! On Monday the 10th, our guest puppeteers had a special workshop at the Seldovia Bible Chapel, following up on Wednesday they performed at Susan B. English School. Closing it all up at week's end on Thursday they had a community performance at the Chapel with a dessert potluck afterwards. Not only that but they also got to pay a visit to our local Boy's and Girl's Club to spend some quality time with the kids. In other words, Ron and Bonnie Hiller were very busy during their stay in Seldovia!

Ron and Bonnie came all the way up from Crooked Ranch Oregon, as friends of Sheryl and Monty Hingley. They have been doing puppetry for thirty-five years and have done mission trips all over the world. They were well qualified for the job of entertaining the children of this slow moving town. Though Ron can't do puppets anymore due to declining health, he is still able to provide great humor during the performances, while Bonnie does the voices for the puppets and the movement. With a mix of music, great voice acting, and wonderful lessons, these two were a good way to start off the school year.

The show that was put on at the SBE School Commons on Wednesday was wonderful, with lots of colorful characters and great storylines that high school kids could relate to. Some of the messages were about treating others as you would like to be

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Small schools count for small numbers; there are only six volley-girls. Though the numbers are small, the heart of the team is bigger than it has been in awhile. The current players for the Susan B. English High School Volleyball Team are juniors Alyssa Burt, Kristy Gallien & Katie O'Leary, sophomores Courtney Collier, Katrina Hecks, and Chelsea Suydam. The numbers are small yet this team is anything but inexperienced. Gallien and O'Leary have both been a part of the starting lineup for the volleyball team since their freshman year. We are a young team with high hopes and goals to reach for. One of these goals (besides winning, of course) is to look good walking out on that court!

With the thought of new warm-ups on their mind the team started the school year off with a bake sale fundraiser. A few weeks later the team had an *amazing* carwash, where we washed over twenty cars. This fundraiser brought in more than enough money to cover the rest of the volleyball warm-ups. The girls decided to put the extra money towards the funds for new basketball warm-ups (we like to play our sports in style J).

treated, listening to your parents, and about how to deal with bullies. Things children of all ages should know about or have to deal with. These messages were presented with great humor and lots of audience participation. One of the most memorable characters was Gus; a pink fuzzy guy who liked to show up when you least expected it and took a lot of coaxing just to remember the simplest of things. After the performance, all of the kids in the school got to pick out a finger puppet, which were provided by anonymous donation.

Though Ron and Bonnie left last Saturday they will become one in a long list of special guests to visit Seldovia. People that we will never forget and people falling in love with our small town ways. As Ron told me, "It's very relaxing here, kind of like when I was kid. When you could just leave the keys to your car in the ignition."



Photos by Katie O'Leary

To further fund the team, the SBE Volleyball Team decided to do a joint fundraiser with the high school wrestling team on Saturday night. This fundraiser will be a PIZZA NIGHT! If you would like

to order a pizza, the sign up sheet is at the post office. Also, if you do not have time to sign up you can call up to the school on Saturday and order if there are any pizza slots left. The number to call this year is 399-1464. Please *do not* call the phone in the school hallway, we can not guarantee you will receive an answer. When phoning the cell number you will receive one of the parent volunteers or one of the student athletes, who will be happy to take your order.

On a note a little different than high school, the junior high at SBE will have a girls' basketball team. Unfortunately, things did not come together well enough last year. Parents are on top of it this year, and the junior high girls' basketball practice will start October 1st, at 3:30 PM. The team had an amazing number of girls' turnout this year, a total of eight! Each girl is extremely excited and can't wait to start the season. The team will have a "new" coach. Okay, so not exactly new, but he did have to go through the application process. Yes, you guessed it, everyone's favorite junior high basketball coach, Alvin Swick is at it again! Though there is no boys' team, only a girls' team, Alvin still took on the job (now he will get his own room on trips).

The high school wrestling season for the Sea Otter Boys' also begins a little later than usual for high school sports, they begin practice on October 1st during 4-6 p.m. in the school ottertorium.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUPPORT THE HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS AT THE PIZZA NIGHT FUNDRAISER ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22ND.

School Calendar through November 2007

SPORTS: *PARTICIPANTS must have a CURRENT PHYSICAL on file before they are eligible to start practice. PARTICPATION forms must be filled out and on file in the office. FORMS are available in the office and on Ed-line. SPORT SCHEDULES available on ED LINE.

- September 21 FIRST ELIGIBILITY CHECK ***Make sure you have a new application turned in before this DATE SNS has 10 days upon receipt to process application and then notify families of status.
- October 1 High School Wrestling and Junior High Basketball first day of practice
- October 2 ELECTIONS down at Multi Purpose room **Vote for new PAC member
- October 2-4 HSGQE for juniors/seniors needing to pass the tests
- October 19 NO SCHOOL – End of first quarter / Staff Inservice
ELIGIBILITY CHECK
- October 20 **PSAT TEST DATE – HS students parents check this out !**
- October 23 SCHOOL PICTURES ... more information will be sent home before picture day
- October 25-26 NO SCHOOL – Parent Teacher Conferences/Staff Inservice
- November 21 ELIGIBILITY CHECK
- November 22-23 NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING VACATION!

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