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## Susan B. English School News



### SBE Report by Rochelle Purpura

### SBE Sports Report by Katie O'Leary

#### S-P-E-L-L-I-N-G B-E-E

On December 11th at 2:30 in the SBE Commons, students, teachers and parents came to watch 4th – 8th students participate in the SBE Annual Spelling Bee. There was a large turnout of twenty-two students. After Mrs. Hingley went over the rules and answered a few questions it was time to begin.

The first round was just practice so students could get used to how the spelling bee worked. The practice round featured some easy words to build confidence in front of the audience. Afterward, it was time for the real spelling bee to begin.

During the first round of spelling, only twelve students were left as the words became increasingly harder. Through round two, more spellers begin to drop off, as some words were unknown to them. When round three was over two finalists were left, seventh grader Sarah Geagel and sixth grader Chaela Ogle.

Both Sarah and Chaela went back and forth, spelling their words correctly each time. They went through words like “jostle,” “overwhelming” and “delectable.” Then, Sarah got to the word “culinary,” which she spelled incorrectly. It was now up to Chaela to spell two more words to win the title of SBE Spelling Bee Champ. She spelled her next word correctly taking the win with “combustible.” Chaela and Sarah both received one free movie rental and a slushy donated by Main Street Market. Chaela will have the opportunity to participate in the Anchorage State Spelling

#### Volleyball Burroughs

[Click here for the volleyball PhotoStory](#)

On Thursday, November 29th, 2007 the Seldovia Sea Otter Girls' High School Volleyball Teams headed out to Ninilchik for the AA Borealis Volleyball Meet. There was a total of eleven teams and a total of nineteen games played over three days. With games starting early at 9AM and ending late at 9PM, both teams were exhausted. But, before everyone could stop moving the Ninilchik High School eleventh grade student body held a dance as a fundraiser.

The Seldovia Sea Otters played with all they had, but took a devastating fifth place. Though this does not sound terrible, the team really wanted to make it to the state championships (the top three teams go). Unfortunately, the girls took a hard hit when one of their six season players was announced ineligible on Monday, three days before the tourney. Luckily for the team, they realized this possibility just in time to recruit a quick replacement in case of an emergency such as this. Barely skimming by with the needed ten practices to participate in a game, Kathleen Gruber stepped up and helped the team out. Though Gruber had never played on a volleyball team before she worked hard and really helped the team out.

Though the team went in with high spirits, they also went in with a new way of playing, with one setter instead of two. This new style may have contributed to a loss with the first game played against

Bee in March. Congratulations to all the spellers for doing such a great job!

Nikolaevsk on Friday, November 30th. That same night the team played Wasilla Lake Christian School, with another new lineup. Courtney Collier took over the absent setter role, moving Gruber to outside hitter. After this the team played exceptionally well, beating WLCS.

On Saturday the team played the Nenana Lynx, taking the match in three games. After this the Sea Otters played the Tri-Valley Warriors making it the last game of their season. The Sea Otters, whose previously beat the warriors earlier on in the season, lost the game 3-1. This was the second loss for the Sea Otters, taking them out of the tourney and ending the season.

The players of the games for the tournament corresponding with game order were Kathleen Gruber, Courtney Collier, Kristy Gallien, and Katrina Hecks. Katie O'Leary made the 'All Conference Team. This team consists of twelve girls voted on by each coach who stood out among all the rest all throughout the volleyball season.

<b>School Calendar</b>	<b>School Sports Schedule 2007-2008</b>
<p><i>Scheduled at the school:</i></p> <p><b>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.</b></p> <p><b>ATTACHMENT:</b> Sports Schedule 2007-08 If you're in the area and we have a game/meet going on STOP IN. The players would love to see and have Seldovians cheer them on. <b>Ed Line will have information on team travel and game/meets scheduled times.</b> This information is available for anyone to view. Go to our district website: <a href="http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us">www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us</a> To find the details on events, double click on the event. If you have questions, please call the school, 234-7616.</p> <p>If you are interested in helping out during home games (concessions, feeding teams, taking tickets, keeping score, clock, the list goes on and on), please call the school; 234-7616.</p> <p>HELP is always needed and you don't have to have kids in school or have them participating in an event to help out. We NEED more volunteers, there's no job to hard for a willing body to help fill a need.</p>	<p><b>High School Volleyball Borealis Tournaments</b>  <i>Coach: Lisa O'Leary</i>                      **NOTE: Schedule updates TBA                      Season: September 17, 2007 – December 8, 2007                      Season over...</p> <p><b>High School Wrestling</b>  <i>Coach: Dan Blodgett</i>                      Season: October 1, 2007 – December 15, 2007                      December 14-15 STATE @ Mt Edgecombe</p> <p><b>Jr. High Basketball</b>  <i>Coach: Alvin Swick</i>                      **NOTE: Schedule TBA                      Season: October 1, 2007 – December 8, 2007                      Season over...</p> <p><b>High School Boys &amp; Girls Basketball</b> <i>Coach Russ Radliff</i>                      Season: November 26, 2007 – March 20, 2008                      December 13-15 Delta Junction Tourney                      January 11-12 Ninilchik                      January 18 HOME</p>

GAME: Bristol Bay

**January 25** HOME

GAME: Ninilchik

**January 26** HOME

GAME: Ninilchik JV

Scrimmage

**January 29** Nikolaevsk

Girls @ 6:00 Boys @

8:00

**Jan 30- Feb 2** NIT

Tournament

**February 15** Lumen

Christi

**February 21-23** Seldovia

Tournament (Bristol Bay,

Lumen Christi,

Nikoleavsk)

**February 29** CIA Varsity

**March 1** CIA JV Boys

**March 7-12** Region

Tourney Ila hosted by

CIA

**March 18-20** State Ila

#### **Jr. High Girls Volleyball**

*Coach: TBA*

**\*\*NOTE:** Schedule TBA

Season: January 7,

2008 – March 1, 2008

**January 7** Practice /

Season BEGINS

**February 4** Competitive

play begins

#### **Jr. High Wrestling**

*Coach: Coach Blodgett*

**\*\*NOTE:** Schedule TBA

Season: January 7,

2008 – March 1, 2008

**January 7** Practice /

Season BEGINS

**January 18** Competitive

play begins

#### **High School Coed**

**Track** *Coach: Tim*

*Winters*

**\*\*NOTE:** Schedule TBA

Season: March 10, 2008

– May 24, 2008

**March 10** Practice /

Season BEGINS {\*ASAA  
start date}

**March 21** Competitive

play begins

**May 3** Track & Field @

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#### **Jr. High Coed Track**

*Coach: Tim Winters*

Season: March 31,

2008 – May 10, 2008  
 March 31 Practice /  
 Season BEGINS

SBE Academics		
"A" Honor Roll	"B" Honor Roll	



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[Click here for a PhotoStory of the Sea Otters last home game of the season!](#)

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