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Seldovia's July 4, 2008 Festival  
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Over 180 photos...  
 "You Otter Have Been Here!"

## Marketplace

 **Jenny Chissus**  
**234-8000**  
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[www.seldoviaproperty.com](http://www.seldoviaproperty.com)  
 RE/MAX of Homer

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 Seldovia, AK

Support the Seldovia Sea Otter Booster Club  
 Help keep sports and academic travel programs alive for our school!



Seldovia Boat Slips for Rent  
 Only 32 foot slips are available. Call for details:  
 Harbor Master (907) 234-7886  
 City Office (907) 234-7643

## Annual Hazardous Waste Disposal



**Friday, September 5, 2008, 9:00am-3:00pm at the Boat Ramp by Main Street Market.** No fee to homeowners & small waste volumes from businesses. Businesses with more than 10 batteries and one 55-gal drum will have to pay for management of any additional waste. They will take used oil, batteries, antifreeze, paint, chemicals, and other hazardous wastes. No explosives or radioactive wastes accepted. Call Burlington Environmental at 1-800-478-9008 to pre-register with types and estimated volume of waste. This event is only once a year, don't miss it!

## Top Stories

### Young Adult Writing at SBE

by Tamara Blodgett

*The "rites" of passage are right here...*

We bloom where we're planted and write what we know. Which is what new Language Arts teacher, Ruth Sensenig will do while she tends her "garden" of high school Creative Writing students this semester. Sensenig is excited about the opportunity to promote writing skills with purpose; those skills which taught, will then come full circle in the written word and be published, right here on the Seldovia Gazette. With nine students from freshmen to seniors, Sensenig hopes to entice her students into realizing what an assignment can be. More than a grade, but rather something that can be claimed for perpetuity.

## Senior Meals

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at noon in Seldovia's MultiPurpose Room  
 Suggested donation \$4 and



**School**

▶ Susan B English School by school reporters Katie O'Leary and Rochelle Purpura - [Click here](#)



**Notices & Newsletters**

▶ [The Seldovia Visitor 2007, Seldovia Chamber of Commerce. Click here to download PDF \(6mb\)](#)

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▶ [Amended FY05 Seldovia City Budget 7-8-2005 \(pdf\)](#)

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Ruth Sensenig - SBE Language Arts teacher

Owners of the Gazette have long realized what a great opportunity it would be for SBE students to form a partnership between their English classwork and the Seldovia Gazette; thereby having a tangible accomplishment of their hard work.

*What topics are of interest...?*

Students will be focusing on areas of interest for our readership while also writing about things that build the fundamental skills they will need for writing in the future. Free writing will be the “backbone” of this class and well-used for this purpose.

The Seldovia Gazette is interested in feedback that the community may have for subjects of interest. Please click on the “Gazette Services” at the upper tabs of this page to contact the staff if there are comments or articles of interest you would like to read about.

**Wrestling Mat Rolls Out Soon**

*by Tamara Blodgett*

*Successful fund raising reward is rich...*

After two years of hard fund raising, Susan B. English wrestlers will glory in a brand new wrestling mat. The mat in current use has seen better days and will serve a second life in daily practices during the season. The old mat hails from the early eighties and will be replaced with a new, state-of-the-art two inch thick non-deteriorating material made by Dollamur. The “foam” will not harden or compress like the mats of old. Having a new mat ( and the use of an old one) will allow SBE wrestlers the possibility of hosting our own home tournament sometime in the future.

Guests (under 60) \$6

All Seniors Welcome

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July

**2008 PhotoStories****NEW!** ▶ July 4 Festival▶ Craft Invitational  
Chainsaw Carving  
Contest - May

▶ SBE Graduation

▶ SBE Prom April 12

▶ B&G Club Talent  
Show and Dinner  
March 28▶ Basketball  
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May

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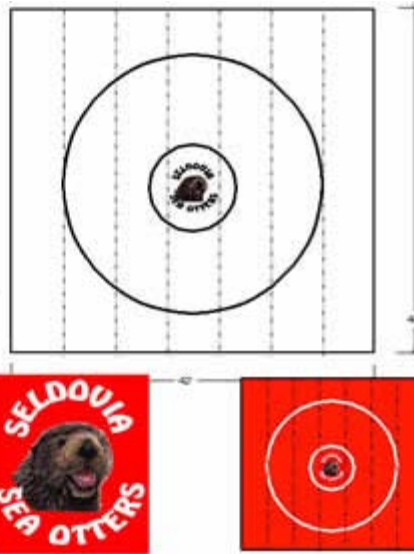
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December**Mat Drawing:  
42' x 40' x2"**Contact: Dan Blodgett  
Customer: Seldovia School  
Order#:Vinyl Color: Red  
Line Color: White  
Line Sizes: 10' and 30'Artwork: Multicolor Sea Otter logo with  
white lettering

## Additional Notes:

Please make any changes, sign, date  
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(608) 831 5351

Signature

Date



The season has already begun with the roster looking smallish ( compared to prior years) with returning wrestler(s) Jordan Geagel 215lb. ( senior), Matthew Gain 145lb (junior) and Cameren Blodgett 119lb. (freshman), it will be a tight-knit group. As in all small schools, there may occur randomly a "glut" of one gender in grades. This latest 'cluster of boys' is almost through in the high school age group. There is one boy in the junior high sector and another batch of boys again in the fifth and sixth age groups. This being said, Coach Blodgett can conceivably wrestle with just one wrestler. The same cannot be said for the other team sports of volleyball and basketball (although we limp along sometimes with no subs just fine!). Blodgett looks forward to working with his wrestlers, whatever the size and is thrilled about the new mat.

*Another drop in the pot...*

An additional \$595.00 was raised during the funnel cake sales during the Independence Day Celebration. This extra bit brought the total fund raising amount to over five thousand dollars for the mat. This fund raising would not have been possible without the dedicated help of Tim & Lisa O'Leary, Coach Blodgett and Valerie Morin ( and family). Thank you for making this a reality for us ( and our kids!).

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## City Council Meeting - August 27 ...

The City Council Meeting was cancelled due to a lack of quorum. It has been rescheduled for September 4th, 7:30 PM in the Multi Purpose Room.

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## In Memory of Jack N. McLean

Seldovia resident, Jack N. McLean, died July 3, 2008 at Providence Hospital Cancer Center, following a brief illness.

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Jack was born July 29, 1929, in Butte Montana and grew up in Norris, Montana. He served his country in the Army during the Korean War.

Jack married Josephine Kennedy on March 6, 1955. They then traveled to Alaska on their honeymoon and made their home in Anchorage. Upon retirement, they moved to McDonald Spit, which is located near Seldovia.

Jack owned and operated "Jack's Barber Shop" which was between the two courthouses on 4th Avenue. Jack said, "It was where all the action was." After 1974, he became a commercial fisherman and established Prime Alaska Seafoods in Anchorage in 1984.

Jack was a pilot, hunter, fisherman and sports enthusiast. Jack was also Scout Master of Anchorage Troop 84 and a member of the BPOE.

He is survived by his wife, Jo McLean, and their three children and five grandchildren. Jack and Josephine's sons Dan McLean and John McLean are residents of Homer, Alaska. Their daughter Kristi McLean is a resident of San Diego, California. John McLean and his wife, Jeri, have three children: Brandon, Jake and Carly. Kristi McLean has two children: Lachlan and Rory Millar.

A Memorial Service for our devoted husband, father and grandfather will beheld September 27, 2008 in Homer, Alaska at the Elk's Lodge at 3:00 PM.

## Special Notices

### *Crazy Crow Concerts*

Deeply talented and self-taught pianist, Rachael Sage, is a storyteller with the kind of passionate, sophisticated voice that haunts listeners. The

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## Corrections

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Village Voice has called Sage's music "lovely and literate... folk-pop-rock, socially aware and eclectic." This multi award-winning New York alt-pop songstress is no stranger to the music world, but her eighth solo album, *Chandelier*, released in June, is placing Rachael Sage back in the spotlight on a U.S. tour with her band The Sequins.

Don't miss Rachael Sage at the Seldovia Rowing Club on September 14th:

**RACHAEL SAGE**  
 Sunday, September 14th  
 Seldovia Rowing Club  
 On the Old Boardwalk, Seldovia AK  
 (907) 234 – 7614  
 Doors 7:15pm / Show 7:46pm  
 All Ages / \$15

For additional info, call Susan Mumma at 234-7614

### *Boys & Girls Club Update . . .*

*by Laurel Hilts*

The Seldovia Boys & Girls Club reopened on Monday, August 25th. The Clubhouse will be open from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Pottery will be Mondays from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Power Hour will be Mondays – Thursdays from 3:15 – 6:00 p.m. (newly extended hours!). The Seldovia Village Tribe will offer Teen Night on Fridays from 9:00 – midnight.

I will be working at the Club this week – feel free to give me a call if needed!

Any questions, contact: Laurel A. Hilts, Unit Director Seldovia  
 234-7577 office; 234-2004 fax & kid phone during Clubhouse hours  
 lilts@positiveplaceforkids.com

### *Seldovia Gazette Schedule Change*

Summer is here and we're going fishing! We have made a decision to shift from a weekly edition of the online paper to a bi-monthly publishing schedule for the summer. The paper will be published on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

The School and the Spotlight pages will not be active this summer. The Calendar, Opinions and Classified pages will be active. The Police Report will always be posted as soon as we receive it.

News Flashes will be published as they occur in the area above the "Top Stories" line at the top of this page.

Tidbits . . .

On rare occasion, dancing girls meet the ferry when it docks in Seldovia . . .



**City Manager's Corner** by *Ed Pefferman, Interim City Manager*

No City Manager's Report until next City Council meeting

**Seldovia Police Report** by *Chief A.W. Anderson, Seldovia PD*

This report covers Police activities for the period from 7/25/08 – 8/28/08. During this period Chief Anderson was out of the office from July 28 through August 19th.

- Two black bears were brought in and sealed as required by the Alaska Department of Fish & Game.
- A property owner contacted the Police when he was notified that a cement structure on his property was being destroyed. Police responded and stopped the demolition of the man's property. No charges were brought by the owner but verbal warnings were given.
- A youngster reported the theft of \$60.00 from his wallet. Investigation continues in this matter.
- Fingerprints were taken for three persons who requested they be taken for employment purposes.
- A report of an ATV on the Seldovia Airstrip was taken and the operator was contacted and advised of the violations of the act. No one without authority is allowed on the landing strip and a stern warning was given.
- Police assisted a man when he reported the keys to his company vehicle were inadvertently locked inside the vehicle. Police were successful in opening the door.
- Numerous reports of a skinned bear carcass on Nutbeam Road in the Barabara Heights Subdivision were received. The matter was referred to the Borough Maintenance equipment operator and the carcass was removed.
- A citizen reported two tires had been slashed with, what appeared to be, a knife while the trailer they were on was on a job site. Investigation continues in this matter.
- A number of reports of people snagging salmon at the Seldovia Slough Bridge and at the culvert near the airport were taken. Police asked the complainants to call the Alaska Bureau of Wildlife Enforcement, (ABWE), and report their sightings to them. No action was taken by the Seldovia Police Department.
- A report of an ATV driving erratically in the area of the Seldovia Airport resulted in the Police contacting the driver and passengers of the vehicle which led to two men being charged with Minors Consuming Alcohol and the driver being charged with Driving While

License Revoked. Arraignment is pending for the two men.

- A vehicle was clocked in excess of the speed limit on Jakolof Bay Road and contact was made with the driver who was verbally warned after producing her proof of insurance and her registration for the vehicle.
- An investigation is underway regarding a 911 call reporting an altercation between two men. Charges of Harassment and Assault are being sent to the District Attorney's office for consideration in the case. One of the involved parties was banned from coming back onto the property and if he violates the order he can be charged with Criminal Trespass.
- An accident report was filed with the State of Alaska after a report was taken of damage to the building at Lakeside Terrace following a man backing into it. The accident was immediately reported and the driver had a valid operator's license, proof of insurance and his registration was valid. No further action was taken by the Police.
- A concerned citizen asked that the Police contact the adult overseeing the teen dance that was scheduled for the Boy's & Girl's Club and ask if the music and the noise could be lessened after the 10:00 p.m. hour. Contact was made and the dance was a success for both those attending and those requesting the Police contact.
- Police received a report that a teenager was intoxicated when observed on the night prior to the report. The complainant was told the Police needed to be called at the time of the incident and not to wait until the next day.
- A small hand bag was found by a tourist and they turned it into SVT who, in turn, delivered it to the Police Department. The owner was contacted and the property was returned to her. Everything was in tact and she was thankful to get the hand bag back.
- The Police responded to three requests for assistance since last report.

