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Seldovia 2009

Top Stories

Husky II Hits the Road?

by Tamara Blodgett

An environmental disaster-in-waiting gets it's "walking papers..."

With a sigh of relief, Seldovia watched the US Coast Guard arrive by helicopter to later assess what, if any, risk the Husky II posed to the residents and surrounding marine environment of Seldovia and Kachemak Bays . Also in attendance for assessment were Alaska Chadux Corporation representative Pete Pritchard and State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) rep. Steven Russell.



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Seldovia, AK

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Help keep sports and academic travel programs alive for our school!



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

Senior Meals
Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday
at noon in Seldovia's MultiPurpose Room.
Seniors 60 and over

Spotlight

▶ Mary Boone - Sailing Off Into the Seldovia Sunset



School

▶ Susan B English School by school reporters Katie O'Leary and Rochelle Purpura - Click here



Notices & Newsletters

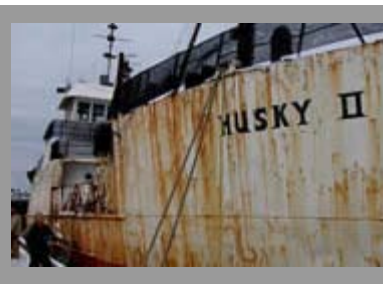
▶ The Seldovia Visitor 2007, Seldovia Chamber of Commerce. Click here to download PDF (6mb)

▶ Comprehensive Plan Public Final August 10, 2005 (pdf)

▶ Amended FY05 Seldovia City Budget 7-8-2005 (pdf)



What has begun with prior City of Seldovia managers, has been successfully continued with current city manager, Tim Dillon. Not having the easiest of transitions, Dillon took over the current city manager position from interim Ed Pefferman. Pefferman had begun reviewing the City's position with regard to the Husky II vessel. Heavy residential protest over the sheer aesthetics and potential danger for vessel compromise had Dillon putting safe removal/resolution of the Husky II as one of the top items on his priority list.



and spouses any age qualify, as well as, disabled persons and their caregivers.

Suggested donation \$4

Guests (under 60) \$8

WebSite Favorites

- ▶ [AllMyFaves](#)
- ▶ [Animal Poison Control Center](#)
- ▶ [Bubble Wrap Stress Relief](#)
- ▶ [GE Home Energy Cost Calculator](#)
- ▶ [Glossarist](#)
- ▶ [Google Earth](#)
- ▶ [Health Square Medical Information](#)
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- ▶ **NEW!** [Shoot the Turkey Game](#)



Seldovia's Halloween Carnival 2008
Click here for the PhotoStory

Over 150 photos...

- ▶ Boys and Girls Club Calendar
- ▶ Christmas Lighting Contest
- ▶ Community Food Drive
- ▶ Seldovia Bible Chapel Christmas Pageant
- ▶ Seldovia Crafters Bazaar



Current owner of the Husky II, Larry Poffenroth, has been issued a letter dated December 22, 2008 by the Coast Guard which lists the following items that must be met for the vessel to remain in Seldovia's Harbor:

1. Within 24 hours from the date of this letter you must surround the vessel with containment boom that has a minimum 18" skirt and maintain boom placement as necessary
2. Within 30 days of the date of this letter you must provide U.S. Coast Guard Sector Anchorage with a written plan for the removal of all oils and hazardous substances from the M/V Husky II. This plan must include all necessary contractual agreements.
3. Within 90 days of the date of the letter you must remove all oil and hazardous substances from the M/V Husky II.
4. You may not move the M/V Husky II from its current location without notifying U.S. Coast Guard Sector Anchorage 72 hours before movement of the vessel.

In addition, the Husky II has not met its financial obligation to the City in some time and will have to meet that to remain moored here.

No one wishes to see our pristine marine environment sullied with a preventable calamity. Hopefully, with these standards in place, Husky II owner Poffenroth will comply to the Coast Guard's parameters and safely remove his vessel.

Christmas in Seldovia

by Tamara Blodgett

Christmas is in full-swing from one end of town to the other...

It's contagious! Christmas is here, spotted with merry twinkling lights on local businesses and homes to a decorated "moose" outside of Seldovia's Medical Clinic. Not to be outdone, the Russian Orthodox church has an adjacent mature spruce tree lit up for the season and the Chamber of Commerce is having it's annual Christmas soiree this Thursday.

Archives

2008 Archives

- ▶ Archive of all pages
- ▶ Seldovia Walking May - 8-1/2 x 11 pdf (Coming in May)
- ▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2008

July

2008 PhotoStories

- NEW! ▶ Halloween Carnival
- ▶ 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 tournament State - March
- ▶ Basketball tournament in Seldovia - February

2007 Archives

- ▶ Archive of all pages
- ▶ Seldovia Walking May - 8-1/2 x 11 pdf
- ▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2007

2007 PhotoStories

▶ Christmas Play
▶ Halloween Carnival
▶ July 4 Festival
▶ Craft Invitational Chainsaw Carving Contest - May
▶ SBE Graduation - May
▶ Seldovia Lodge Fire
▶ SBE Prom - "Casino Royale 007"
▶ SBE Last Home Basketball Game of the Season
2006 Archives
▶ Archive of all pages
▶ Seldovia Walking Map - 8-1/2 x 11 pdf
▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2006
2006 PhotoStories
▶ SBE Play - December
▶ Halloween Carnival
▶ Aleutian's Tasty Trip - July 25 - Part 3
▶ Aleutian's Tasty Trip - July 25 - Part 2
▶ Aleutian's Tasty Trip - July 25 - Part 1
▶ July 4 Festival
▶ Summer Solstice Music Festival - June
▶ CofC Chainsaw Carving Contest - May
▶ SBE Graduation - May
▶ SBE Spring Concert - May
▶ SBE School Play - May
▶ SBE Science Fair - May
▶ Prom - May
▶ SBE Basketball - Feb.
▶ SBE Basketball - Feb.



The whole town celebrates with the kids' as our main "stars..."

Seldovia Bible Chapel held their annual Christmas program last Sunday to opening piano students' festive songs which led to a nativity-themed program proclaiming the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. With some "angelic" help, the night wrapped up with audience [participation] singing some tried and true hymns such as *Joy to the World*.



▶ SBE Basketball -
Jan.

2005 Archives

▶ Archive of all pages

▶ Seldovia Summer
Gazette Newspaper

▶ Seldovia Summer
Gazette Newspaper
2004

2005 PhotoStories

▶ SBE Christmas Play

▶ SBE Halloween
Carnival

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Corrections



The "caboose" of festivities were rounded out with the Susan B. English student body putting on a fun, tongue and cheek "Nutcracker" production, complete with Ninjas and sugar plum fairies! A sincere thanks to new Dance and Special Education teacher, Robyn Zinszer for her orchestrating along with the help from teachers, staff and students of SBE. Thanks for the entertainment; thanks for the memories! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Seldovia Christmas Tree Lighting

by Peggy Keesecker

Last night I slogged down Main Street to the Russian Church the site that would soon show off the lights that were carefully strung on this season's Christmas Tree. I felt very proud to be part of this year's Christmas Tree Lighting event, I felt proud to call Seldovia my home at that moment. I climbed the hill to the church and nervously waited and wondered if anyone would remember to come. In the usual Seldovia fashion at 4:01 here they came from all directions. I gave a little speech and thanked all the individuals who made it possible for us to have this moment etched in our memories. Greg Davis shopped for the lights to light our tree and is donating the electricity to power the lights, Rick Harkness made us a beautiful STAR that tops the tree, and Ron Turner spent hours of his time stringing the lights on the tree and last but not least Daisy Wheeler helped get the posters up so everyone knew when to show up. I felt pride knowing that we have such giving people in our town, people who never hesitate to give when we ask them. We did the countdown and Darrel Wheeler plugged the lights in. It was breathtaking. I hope I never get over the awe of lighting a Christmas Tree. We sang carols together and then off we went to Christmas shop in Seldovia.

- Seldovia Fuel and Lube had 25% off on everything all night.
- Main Street Market was open and ready for those Christmas shoppers.
- Crabpot Grocery had hot chocolate and coffee and some wonderful cookies for those who stopped in.
- Yesterdays gave a whopping 50% off everything in the store.
- The Craft Bazaar was in full swing at the Multi-Purpose Room.
- Wild Celery was open with most of the members there. It was a good time and they reported some 40 shoppers.

For those of you who missed the event we missed you too. There will be next year to look forward to. In the meantime enjoy the Christmas Tree and if you get a chance say thanks to Greg, Rick, Ron and Daisy when you see them around town.

Christmas Light Contest Winners

by Chamber of Commerce

This year's residential winners of the Seldovia Chamber of Commerce/Homer Electric Lighting Contest are:



First Place: Dick and Lisa Yingling



Second Place: Alvin and Roberta Swick



Third Place: Hugh and Sally Smith

Honorable Mentions:



Keith Swick



Vivian Rojas



Doug and Kathy Giles

Business Winners:



First Place: SVT Visitor Center



Second Place: Chamber of Commerce Christmas Tree

Honorable Mention Business:



ATC Gift Shop



City display of deer and moose

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone who put up lights! Thanks to Darlene Crawford for the photos this year!

Seldovia Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party





Seldovia Chamber Members enjoyed a night of fellowship and song at the Keesecker's home who were hosts for the Chamber's Christmas Party this year.

Big THANK YOU to Darlene Crawford and Tamara Blodgett who provided the majority of the pictures for this week's paper.

Special Notices

Honda ATV Stimulus Sale

If you're a Honda ATV fan, All Seasons Honda in Homer (907-235-8532) is running a year-end stimulus sale until January 31, 2009.

[Click here for details!](#)

NO Parked Vehicles allowed on Roadway!

“PUBLIC NOTICE”

Winter is here and with it comes the snow. Due to problems in the past concerning snow removal and vehicles being parked on the roadway, we are going to be enforcing “*Off Road Parking*” starting immediately. Please do not park on the streets or roadways. Those of you who do park on the streets at your homes must now make other arrangements for parking your vehicles. With enforcement comes “*Citations*” and/or “*Impounds*”, neither of which we wish to do. We will, however, do whatever necessary to insure the snow removal can take place without any obstructions on the roadways. Thank you, in advance, for taking necessary steps to comply with this request.

A.W. Anderson
Chief of Police

Boys & Girls Club Update . . . *by Laurel Hilts*

Seldovia Boys & Girls Club Quarterly Newsletter - [Click here . . .](#)

The Clubhouse is open from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Pottery is open Mondays from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Power Hour is open Mondays – Thursdays from 3:15 – 5:15 p.m.
The Seldovia Village Tribe offers Teen Night on Fridays from 9:00 – midnight.

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

Tidbits . . .

Merry Christmas to all and to all a goodnight...



City Manager's Corner

by *Tim Dillon, City Manager*

No report this week

Seldovia Police Report

by *Chief A.W. Anderson, Seldovia*

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No report this week

