



Seldovia Gazette

Serving Seldovia, Alaska and Kachemak Bay southeast

Seldovia, AK

34 °F / 1 °C

Light Snow
at 3:06 PM



[Click for Forecast](#)

Thursday, March 12, 2009

Just another day in paradise

[Local News](#)

[Calendar](#)

[Opinions](#)

[Spotlight](#)

[School](#)

[Classifieds](#)

[Archives](#)

[Seldovia.com](#)

[Gazette Services](#)

Susan B. English School News



Did You Know from Principal Sherry Hingley

- Sirena Turner represented Susan B. English School in Anchorage at the Alaska State Spelling Bee.
- Nanwalek, Port Graham and Seldovia High School students will be participating in a Tri-Schools Academy April 21st– May 2nd. Students will be working with Paul Chissus in construction trade skills, the State School Board in leadership skills, various speakers, and Kasitsna Bay .
- If you are able to help during the academy with activities, food, or lodging for visiting teachers please call the school. 234-7616
- The Alaska State Geography Bee will be in Anchorage and Sirena Turner will be representing Susan B. English School . Good Luck Sirena!!
- Mrs. Alton's middle school class is doing a unit on the Iditarod Dog Sled Race. Students are daily tracking teams across the state.

New! [View pdf on Travel Rules for Students](#)

SPRING BREAK.....a week of sleeping in!!! NEXT WEEK NO SCHOOL March 16-20th. ENJOY!

JR HIGH WRESTLERS season and Awards ended this past week. Congratulations to Jake Kirk, he completed his first Wrestling season!! Adam Hilts had to cut his season short due to a broken hand.

GIRLS BASKETBALL team TOOK EVERYONE BY SURPRISE during Regions. The Lady Otters were seeded 5th in the tournament. They came back beating all their opponents to compete against CIA for the 2nd SEED to enter the STATE tournament. The Lady Otters took 3rd Place!!!! **CONGRADUATIONS LADIES!!!!**

CAN YOU SPELL IT? SPELLING BEE State representative: Sirena Turner Attended the State Bee hosted by the Anchorage Daily Newspaper. I won't tell you the word that stumped her; ask her when you see her what the word was and see if you can spell it!!!!

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK has started. If your child is going out.....permission slips need to be turned into the office. **JUNIOR HIGH TRACK** first practice begins March 30th, Monday.

WRESTLERS / VOLLEYBALL / GIRLS BASKETBALL participants need to TURN IN UNIFORMS! Yes.....we still have Wrestlers and Volleyball participants who have not TURNED in their UNIFORMS, please get these turned in A.S.A.P.

Basketball Girls Team at Regions

by Katie O'Leary

The girls' basketball team has finished their season. The Regional tournament was held at Lumen Christi Catholic High School March 4-7. The girls' bracket proved to be any team's win, as all teams were dead even in chances of continuing on to the state tournament. Sadly, only the top two of the five awesome teams are allowed to represent Region II at the state tournament. Even sadder is that the Lady Sea Otters came so close to representing the region themselves.

The Sea Otters went into the region tournament seeded 5th, which was last. Although the team started the season out beating the Ninilchik Wolverines and taking first at an anchorage tournament the team had a few rough games that counted towards seeding purposes. These tough losses put the Otters in last place, meaning they would play the 4th place team, the Nikoleavsk Warriors, in the first game on Wednesday. The Sea Otters had loss to Nikoleavsk twice in the season each game by only two points. At the start of the game, the Otters were determined not to let that happen again. At the end of the first quarter the Otters were up by four. At the end of the first half however, the Otters trailed by five. During half time, assistant coach Gruber came into the locker room and gave an encouraging pep talk that led the Otters back out on the court with a new desire stirred in them. At the end of the game the Otters won 35-24. This win led them to their next game against the number one seed the Ninilchik Wolverines. The Otters had been the only team in the conference to beat the Wolverines, when playing in Seldovia.

The game was on Thursday March 5th. The winner of the game would advance to play in the championship game against the Cook

Seldovia Booster Club Meeting – March 10, 2009

by Katie O'Leary

The Seldovia Booster Club convened together including the following members:, Tim Dillon, Sandy Geagel, Dianne Gruber, Byron McCord, Katie O'Leary, Chelsea Suydam, Marcella Suydam and Gerry Willard.

Treasurer's Report

Sandy Geagel, treasurer, showed the Booster Club a written financial report and answered any questions the members present needed answered.

Old Business

Annual Dinner and Auction

- Menu: The menu has been changed to a lasagna and scampi menu. Marcella Suydam will be heading the menu choices with help from other members. The entrees will be an Italian lasagna, a seafood lasagna and a shrimp scampi. There will also be French bread and a green salad. The desserts will be Lemon Cooler Cream Cake and Chocolate Mousse Cake.
- Auctioneer: Mr. Gerry Willard attended the meeting and gave input on ideas of how the auction part of the evening's event should run. Along with some "old" traditions of the auction, Mr. Willard also had some ideas to add to the fun. It was confirmed that Katie O'Leary will be assisting Mr. Willard on stage during the auction and will find a fellow

Inlet Academy Eagles. This game was the most physical game the Otters played all year, they stayed in it but at the end of the game the Wolverines were victorious. Ninilchik went on to play in the championship and the Otters still advanced, to play yet again the Nikoleavsk Warriors on Friday afternoon. The winner of the Seldovia-Nikoleavsk game would advance to play the loser of the championship game on Saturday Morning; the loser would be eliminated from the tournament. Both teams knew what was at stake and both teams played like it too. At the end of the game, the final score was 38-36, a two point game, however the Otters were once again victorious and beat the Warriors. Come Saturday morning the Otters' battled it out with the Cook Inlet Academy Eagles, after the eagles lost to the Wolverines by three points in the championship game the previous night. This game, determined which team would represent the conference as the runner up of the Region II conference. The game was intense, but went in favor of the CIA Eagles, beating the Otters 29-41. The Sea Otters' final standing was 3rd in the region.

The Following Awards were given to Seldovia Players:

All Academic team: Courtney Collier, Kathleen Gruber, Chelsea Suydam, and Katie O'Leary. Each of these girls dedicated themselves to the sport and also to schoolwork, keeping a grade point average of 4.0 for the 2008-09 school year.

All Conference team: Katie O'Leary, This award is given to the best players in the conference, voted on for their skill shown all season long.

All Tournament Team: Katie O'Leary and Sarah O'Leary. This award is given to the top ten players voted on by coaches and officials as the players that played best at the region tournament.

student to also assist Mr. Willard during the auction.

- Record Keeping: Chelsea Suydam has volunteered to head the record keeping of the auction items as they come in to the school and as they are bought in on the night of the auction. Kathleen Gruber has volunteered to aid Suydam in this project.
- Donations: As the donation list continues to grow, so does the amount of donated items being brought in. Numerous artists and businesses have already sent in donations and the Booster Club eagerly waits as more and more donations are showing up each and every day. The Booster Club is very grateful to artists and businessmen/women alike who are donating their handmade items, merchandise, and services to the auction to help benefit the students of Susan B. English School.
- Time and Date: The auction will be on April 18th 2009. Dinner will start being served at 5:30 p.m. and the auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. ideally.

Concessions for Spring Fling:

- Marcella Suydam and Ronene Gain are still planning on heading the concessions stand during the Seldovia Spring Fling event. There will be numerous foods and drinks sold at concessions as well as whole pizzas being sold for families to take home for later meals.

Sea Otter Wind Chime Raffle

- As discussed at the last meeting a Sea Otter Wind Chime was purchased to be raffled off by the Booster Club. Tickets are on sale now for \$2 each. The wind chime is on display in the school office. For information on purchasing tickets please call Sandy at the school office at 234-7616. The drawing for the wind chime will be held at the Annual Dinner and Auction on April 18th.

Green Fundraiser

- The green fundraiser is a fundraiser that the Booster Club started looking into in early October of last year. The fundraiser is now underway. If anyone has any "old" electronics (iPods, cell phones, laptops, etc.) please contact the school office for instructions on where to drop them off to be "recycled". For each item turned in, the Seldovia Booster Club will be paid a certain amount depending on the item being turned in.

New Business

Soda Machines

1. The Booster Club has decided to return the Pepsi can soda machine due to the fact that it has had difficulty operating and also the Booster Club feels that the school does not need all three vending machines on the premises.

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 7th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Commons Area.



[Click here to view the
Graduation 2008
PhotoStory](#)

[KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
SCHOOL DISTRICT
HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
GUIDELINES \(click here for pdf\)](#)

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

