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Our deepest sympathies go to the friends and family of Keith Seville who passed away on Friday, November 6, 2009.

We are saddened to hear of the passing of Misty Ann Brown on Saturday, November 7, 2009. Our sympathies to her friends and family.



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Seldovia, AK

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Seldovia property
Serving your Real Estate Needs
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Click images below for info on each property

State of Alaska Public Health Nurse Flu Clinics



H1N1 Vaccines Available

Where: Susan B. English School

When: Monday November 9, 10:30am - 12:30pm

For students with signed H1N1 Vaccine Consent form on file

When: Monday November 9, 12:30pm - 2:00pm

For general public in the following groups (based on availability)

- Pregnant women
- Household/caregiver contacts of children younger than 6 months
- Health care and emergency medical services personnel
- Persons aged 6 months through 24 years
- Persons aged 25 – 64 years who have medical conditions associated

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A Thank You to the Community from the Close Up Kids!

Spotlight

with a higher risk of influenza complications

Seasonal Flu Vaccines Available

Where: Susan B. English School

When: Tuesday November 10, 10:00am - 2:00pm

Who: General Public over the age of 2 years.

PARENTS/GUARDIAN must accompany child for the Seasonal Flu Vaccines. Consent forms ARE NOT on file at the school.

For questions or more information, please contact Judy Dean, Public Health Nurse at 235-8857

Announcement!

Main Street Market's New Winter Hours:

Monday through Saturdays Noon to 6:00pm
Sundays Noon to 4:00pm

Thank you for shopping with us!

Top Stories

Annual Halloween Carnival Friday Night!



\$298.5k, beauty, city, 1/2 acre



\$249k 5 Star home in Seldovia



\$549K Business Opportunity

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The Seldovia Boys and Girls Club Needs Our Support!



School

Susan B English School

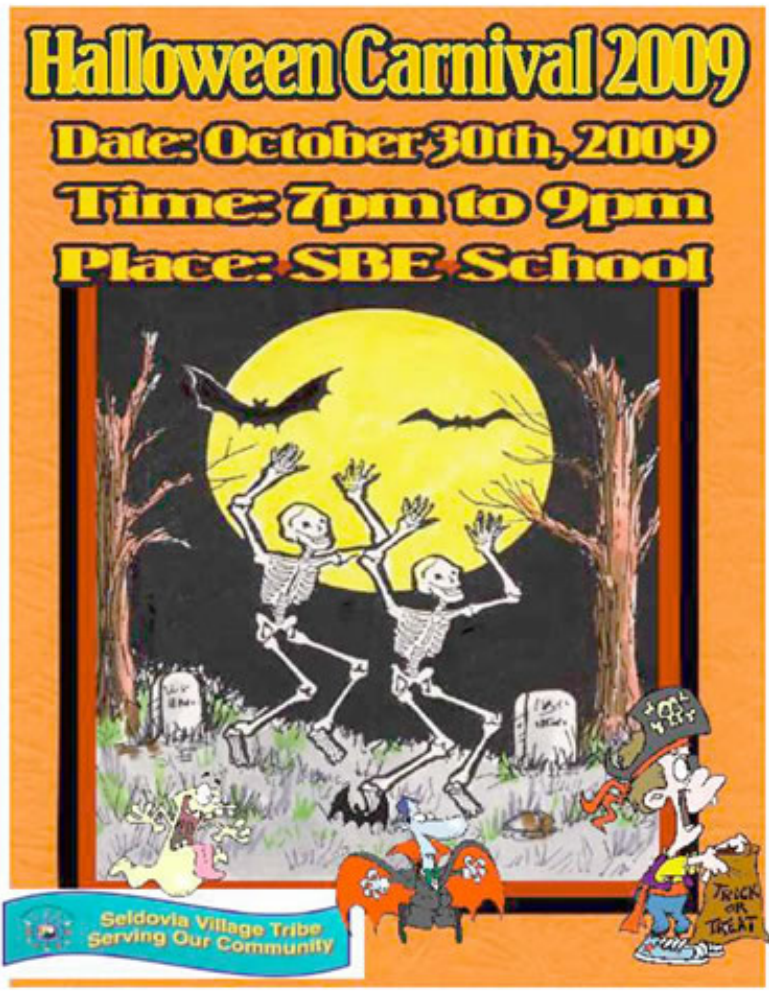


Notices & Newsletters

Senior Meals

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at noon in Seldovia's MultiPurpose Room. Seniors 60 and over and spouses any age qualify, as well as, disabled persons and their caregivers. Suggested donation \$4

Guests (under 60) \$9



Parade and Halloween Trick or Treat bags!
7pm to 9pm in the Ottertorium

Lots of good FOOD.....pizza, fresh pumpkin pie, caramel apples, popcorn, fudge, snow cones and more good things to eat at the concession stand!!

GAMES, GAMES, GAMES.....
Sponsored by the following groups:

BOOSTER CLUB: Paddle Wheel, Lollipop Pull, Concessions

LIFEGUARD: Trick or Treat

CLOSE UP: Fish Pond

SENIORS: Cake Walk, Balloon Darts

SOPHOMORES: Mini Free Throw, Free Throws (split the pot)

FRESHMAN: Pin the Wart on the Witch's Nose, Ping Pong Toss

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

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

Archives

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- ▶ Seldovia Walking
May - 8-1/2 x 11 pdf
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- ▶ Seldovia Summer
Visitor Newspaper
2008

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2008

July

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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

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7-8th GRADE: Duck Pond

Join us for a fun filled evening and a chance to visit with friends and enjoy dressing up and seeing all the kids in costume!

HEA Honors Gerry Willard

On October 23rd at 11:30 a.m. HEA personnel honored Gerry Willard's memory by naming the Seldovia Power Plant after him. Everyone in the community was invited to attend the ceremony which took place at the power plant facility.

▶ Seldovia Walking Map - 8-1/2 x 11 pdf

▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2007

2007 Photo Stories

▶ 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

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▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2006

2006 Photo Stories

▶ SBE Play - December

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▶ Aleutian's Tusty Trip - July 25 - Part 3

▶ Aleutian's Tusty Trip - July 25 - Part 2

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▶ July 4 Festival

▶ Summer Solstice Music Festival - June

▶ CofC Chainsaw Carving Contest - May

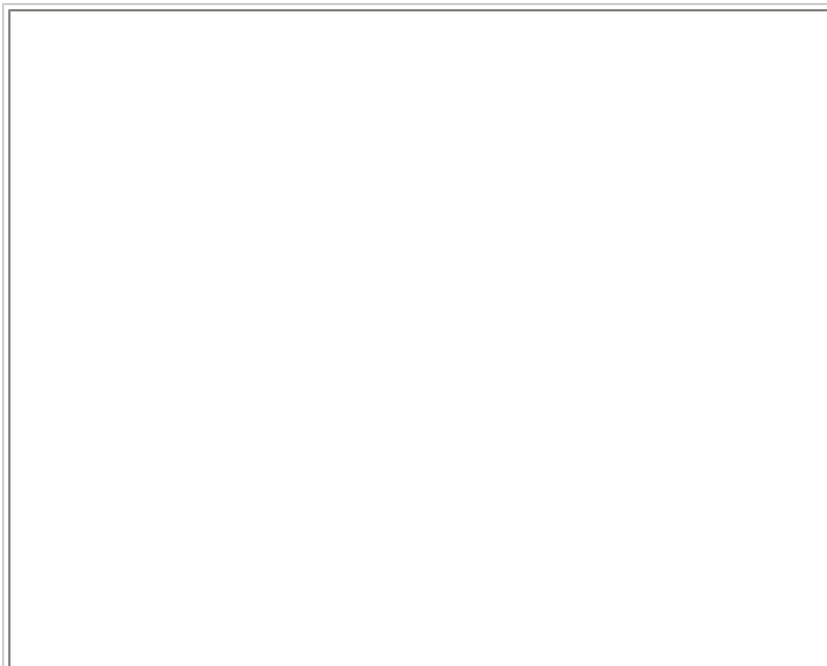
▶ SBE Graduation - May

▶ SBE Spring Concert - May



In spite of the pouring rain and blustering wind, there was a healthy turn out of folks to honor Gerry and his family. Debbie Debnam - HEA Board President read a few letters from Gerry's family members that shared stories and impressions of Gerry's relationship with HEA and his commitment to keeping Seldovia's power ON! There were many board members present including' Jim Levine, Mike Pate, Tony Garcia and Ed Oberts. Brad Janorschke - HEA's General Manager welcomed everyone and had many kind words to express to Gerry's family with thanks and appreciation for who Gerry was to HEA, as their "Ambassador to Seldovia"! Many other representatives from HEA came to honor Gerry's memory today, including; Sandra Ghormley - Manager of Member Relations, Harvey Ambrose - Director of Power Production & Transmission, Joe Gallagher - Public Relations Coordinator, Melissa Carlin - Staff Journalist, Teresa Gamble - Administrative Assistant, Travis Kincaid - Plant Operator (stood in & said a few words on behalf of Bob O'Neill - Foreman - who had worked with Gerry for several years) and Norman Moore - Power Plant Superintendent.

Andy Anderson, Seldovia's Chief of Police gave a kind speech honoring his good friend. A few funny stories were told and there were many smiles among the crowd when remembering Gerry, as he too, always had a smile to share.



▶ SBE School Play - May

▶ SBE Science Fair - May

▶ Prom - May

▶ SBE Basketball - Feb.

▶ SBE Basketball - Feb.

▶ SBE Basketball - Jan.

2005 Archives

▶ Archive of all pages

▶ Seldovia Summer Gazette Newspaper

▶ Seldovia Summer Gazette Newspaper 2004

2005 Photo Stories

▶ SBE Christmas Play

▶ SBE Halloween Carnival

Photo Archives

▶ Click here to view all photos from the Gazette over the past years

Classified Rates

▶ Instructions and rate sheet



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Corrections



We want to thank HEA for honoring Gerry in this way. We as a community feel a profound loss, and naming the plant after him will be a constant reminder of his faithful and generous service to Seldovia.

The following photos were taken by HEA's Staff Journalist Melissa Carlin. Thank you Melissa for sending these over to share with us! You may click on photos to view full size.





Following the dedication ceremony HEA hosted their annual “Customer Appreciation Day” at the Multi-Purpose Room. Lunch was provided - there were sandwiches from Subway and the Tidepool (Thanks Sara) brought over two wonderful soups and salad and Camille and Bobby made delicious cakes

and cookies for all to enjoy.

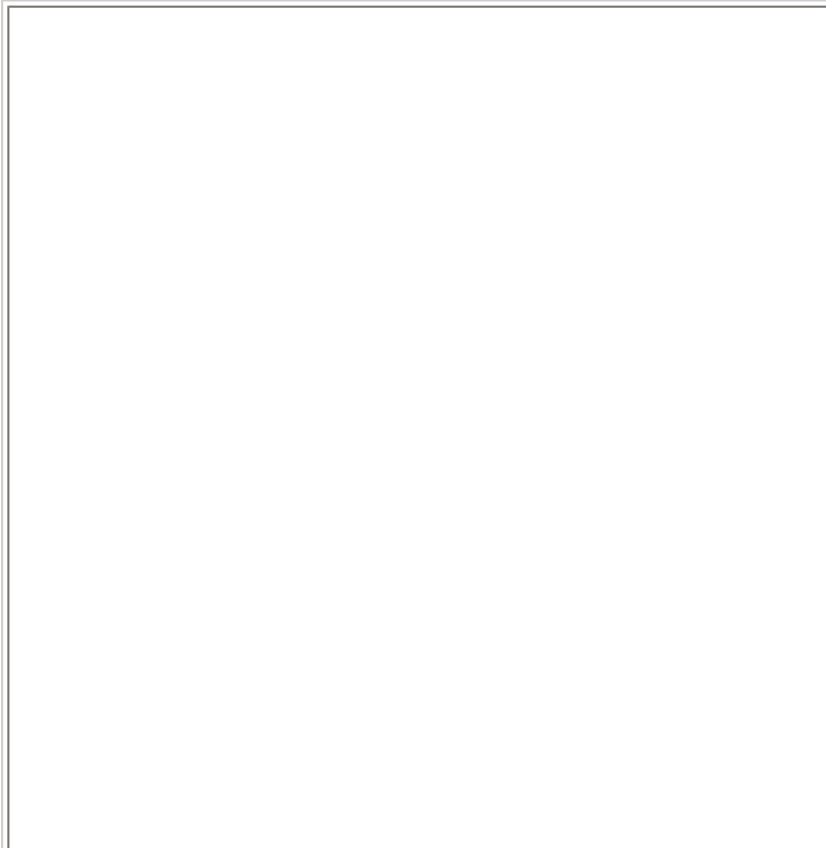
I was not able to stay for the entire meeting, but it appeared from conversations with members who remained, the overall temperature of the Membership meeting was a little cool to say the least. There was much talk by HEA of increasing rates and reducing hours for current employees. In addition to that sour news, a large majority of Seldovians were hoping that this would be the opportunity for HEA to announce that they would hire another individual to manage things on this side of the bay, as we have lost our faithful Gerry Willard. Unfortunately, that did not happen.

The concern has always been that in Seldovia, especially in the winter months, the power often goes out at night or during rough weather when it is tough to get crews over and technicians to the site. This is a real safety issue for our entire community. Many citizens have signed a local petition expressing our concern about not having a local individual on this side of the bay. We are hopeful that this issue will be resolved and that HEA will see fit to find a way to make sure their Seldovia members will continue to have uninterrupted power through the winter months.

Seldovia's Clean Harbor Project Begins

The Seldovia Clean Harbor Project is looking for volunteers! Please click on the photo of the webpage below for more information about this very important project for Seldovia's small boat harbor.

Thank you to Tim Robertson for taking on this project, and spending the time and effort to gather the community to determine the best practices to minimize environmental impacts from port and harbor operations.





Seldovia Clean Harbor Project Home

Updated: October 27, 2009 11:17

ATTENTION: Seldovia Citizens & Harbor Users

 Add your name to our Distribution List for Project Updates

The City of Seldovia is seeking volunteers for the Seldovia Clean Harbor Workgroup. The workgroup will provide guidance in developing best management practices to minimize environmental impacts from port and harbor operations. The workgroup will consider operations and maintenance practices for:

- Solid Waste
- Fish Waste
- Hazardous Liquids
- Petroleum Products
- Boat Cleaning and Hull Maintenance
- Sewage and Pump-out Facility Operations, and
- Vessel Operations

Volunteers will be asked to participate in two workgroup meetings per month from November until April. The public will be welcomed at all meetings.

If you would like more information about the Seldovia Clean Harbor Project, call Tim Robertson at 907 399-3598.

If you would like to volunteer for the workgroup, contact Tim Dillon, City Manager, by 12 Noon Monday, November 2.

email: citymanager@cityofseldovia.com

phone: 907 234-7643

fax: 907 234-7430

address: Drawer B, Seldovia, AK 99663 or stop by the City Office.

Click [here](#) to view details of upcoming meetings – schedule, agendas, meeting materials, etc.



SAC Scores Another Hit!

by Jenny Chissus

One of my favorite first memories here in Seldovia took place at the commons at Susan B English School - at a concert sponsored by the Seldovia Arts Council. Our family had moved to Seldovia after 7 years in the interior in Fairbanks.

We went to a concert with Keola Beamer and his wife from Hawaii. His wife performed hula while he sang and played the guitar. My husband and I were enchanted, and I sat with tears in my eyes from the beauty of the sounds and the dance and memories of living in Hawaii - it was wonderful! Most memorable to me was the realization of how lucky we were, a few dozen Seldovians with our private concert and dance performance all the way from the islands of Hawaii. Many enjoyed an informal chat with the artists after

words, and it was an experience I will never forget! Where else would we have been given this opportunity?

Since we moved here we have enjoyed many concerts sponsored by the Arts Council! There have been an enormous variety of styles of music - classical, jazz, rock, blues, bluegrass, acapella and international flavors!

The Arts Council has worked hard to promote the inclusion of our children through workshops and concerts held at the school. What an amazing gift for the students! For them to be able to see, hear, talk and visit with "real" musicians. They have an opportunity to ask questions, look and play instruments, and in some cases make instruments to play with the band! This week the 7th-12th grade students participated in a song writing workshop with The Refugees and actually wrote some verses that the band will use in a collection from their Alaskan trip!



This article was intended to be about the Refugees - as I so enjoyed their concert last week! We smiled the entire time - they were entertaining, engaging and their combined voices were a treat to the ears! Thank you Wendy, Cindy and Deborah! But as I thought about this concert - I was reminded of many concerts, and how important it is that we as a community continue to support the Arts Council in their efforts to bring such great talent to town!

Thank you to the Arts Council and Susan Mumma for working hard to raise the funds to get such amazing artists all the way to Seldovia.

Thank you to all the volunteers on the council who work hard to plan and do the set up and break down before and after each event.

Thank you to those who offer lodging and food for the artists while they are in town.

Thank you to the Seldovians who show up for the events and pay the minimal ticket price for their personal concert! I'm sure there are many who feel as I do - that we are so fortunate to have great talent come to Seldovia on a regular basis!



Darlene Crawford (right) was recognized and given an award by the Arts Council for her faithful service as Treasurer for more than 23 years!
Thank you Darlene!

At almost every event, when talking with the artists, or listening to their commentary on their "Seldovian Experience" - most are just as thrilled to be here as we are to receive them! They love the intimate setting that we afford them, where they see the faces, visit with the people, and get a feel for our Alaskan waterfront community off the road system. The artists are almost always impressed by the plane or boat ride! I'm sure they leave Seldovia with stories to tell on the road of their Alaskan adventure in Seldovia! As The Refugees commented at the concert: "Seldovia is our gift. After 2 and a half years on the road, this is our prize!"

It is nice to see that folks from outside, see what we know and love about Seldovia - This too is our prize, and I'm thankful every day to live in such a unique and special place!



Cindy Bullens, Deborah Holland and Wendy Waldman came together to form [The Refugees](#), known for their unique blend of country, rock, folk, and Americana. They were each top notch musicians in their own right, having nineteen solo albums and multiple Grammy awards to their credit. The talented trio play guitar, dobro, bass, mandolin, harmonica, accordion, and percussion ...”With three terrific strong voiced songwriters whose voices soar when they blend, how could you go wrong?... Answer: you can’t“ (Michael Tearson, Sing Out! Magazine).

Gaius Lucas-Seaton Taylor



Seldovia Welcomes Another Handsome Boy!

Gaius Lucas-Seaton Taylor

Born Oct. 3rd at 7:32am.

Gaius weighs 5lb. 15 oz.

Congratulations to:
Landon and Jacquelyn (Brown) Taylor

News From Susan B. English School

by *Kathleen Gruber*

Volleyball Pulls Together With Focus

The Susan B. English volleyball girls have played two tournaments so far this season and are gearing up to play Ninilchik this Friday in their only home court game. The first tournament the girls competed in (hosted by Ninilchik) went very well. They were able to beat three of the five teams. Their next tournament that took place in Anchorage did not go as smoothly.

Ila Dillon, the coach of the S.B.E. volleyball team, says that the main contributor to their not so great performance in Anchorage was 'lack of focus, and very little working together'. Ila also says that as long as they talk they do well. From what she saw in the Ninilchik tournament she knows they have it in them.

With a team of mainly freshman and sophomores this adjusting period, personally, doesn't surprise me. Any new blood is going to take time to start circulating well with the rest of the team. From what I witnessed looking in on their scrimmages against the community, the team can come back from a loss as long as they pull together and bring in the focus and unity they've already proven they are capable of. It looks like they've got a lot of talent and desire to win and I doubt they'll disappoint this Friday.

Join us for the Game
Friday the 30th at 5:00pm
before the Halloween Carnival!

Annual Children's Fall Harvest Party

The Seldovia Bible Chapel has an annual Fall Harvest Party and is inviting all children to attend! Children, please dress in a family friendly costume (No witches, goblins, ghosts, vampires, blood or gore please!)



There will be lots of good food, CANDY, games, prizes, FUNNEL CAKES, crafts and a FUN BIBLE story!

Please join us!
Saturday, October 31st
5:30pm to 7:30pm
Dinner will be served!

SBE Digital Photography Class

Tim Winter's Digital Photography Class wanted to share a few photos that have been taken recently by the students at SBE. Enjoy! Devon, Amanda and Axcenia were the models for these! Watch out - you may be next!





That's Elementary!

School news and thoughts from the perspective of Mrs. Bornheimer's Kindergarten through fourth grade class. We hope to see all kinds of blossoming talent from these kids! Stand by, your child, grandchild, niece or nephew might be the next Walter Cronkite, JK Rowling or Ansel Adams!

The Catapult Contest

*By Skyler Bond
2nd Grade*



Photo by Karen Bornheimer

Cody, Sage, and Cheyenne entered a contest to build a catapult. Their first step was to figure out what design. They built their tiny models. Cody said they should build a trebuchet. Sage thought they should build a regular catapult. Then they went to Cody's house to build the trebuchet. When they tested it, it did not work. Then they went to Sage's house to build a catapult. It worked. Then they named their team The Shooting Stars.

Next they had to get ready for the contest. For the contest they had to shoot a tennis ball into a gray school trash can. The trash can could be anywhere from one meter to eleven meters from the catapult. They had to adjust the catapult. They kept testing and writing down the adjustments.

The contest was on October 10th but it was too windy to fly to Homer. They had to miss the contest.

They had fun building their catapult. They want to enter the next contest.

New Support Group In Seldovia (*repeat*)

by Mercedes Harness

First Meeting November 3 at 2:00pm!

South Peninsula Haven House is excited to collaborate with Seldovia Village Tribe to begin a Women's Support Group, scheduled for the first Thursday of every month. The group will be modeled, in part, off of the in-house Safe and Sober Relationships group at Haven House. That group has been meeting for several years, and the women who attend have been able to support each other through some tough times.



South Peninsula Haven House

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Seldovia Village Tribe

Present. . .

Monthly Support Group for Women

When: November 3rd, 2:00pm

Where: Seldovia Conference Center



Questions?

Call Alene at 234-7898

Or

Mercedes at 235-7712

The new group in Seldovia will be led by advocate Mercedes Harness, and substance abuse counselor Alene Hidecker. When people are experiencing high levels of stress and trauma, it is difficult to see that there is a way out. Haven House helps women identify safe options that work for them. One of the goals of the group is to create a safe space for women to talk, and to take a look at the intersection of staying safe and sober. The support group is about women empowering each other to build healthy relationships and healthy families. It is not therapy, but a place to listen and support one another, and give each other feedback.

The group will meet from 2pm to 3pm the first Tuesday of the month at the Seldovia Conference Center. November 3rd is the next upcoming meeting.

Questions? Please call 235-7712 or 234-7898

The NIEA Convention in Milwaukee

by Chelsea Suydam

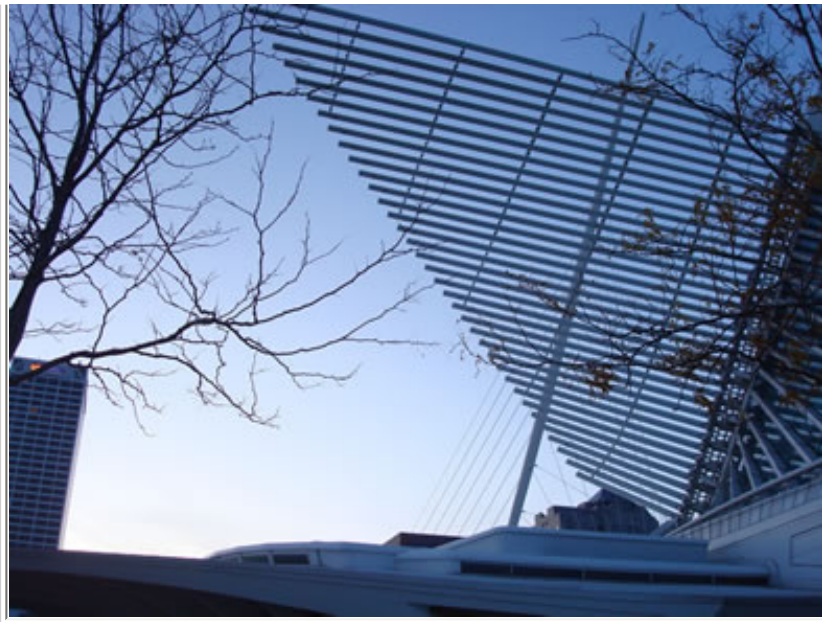


Last week, through our school district's Title VII Indian Education program, I was able to attend the National Indian Education Association Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Along with three other students from the Kenai Peninsula School District and two chaperones, one being SBE's own teacher Mr. Giroux. The convention offered a wealth of information, with each day having a General Assembly, two hour-and-a-half workshops, and an event in the evenings. In the three days I was there, the evening events were a culture night, a Pow Wow at the Potawatomi Casino, and an awards banquet. Speakers, educators, and administrators were at the convention from all reaches of the country, including recruiters from Yale, Harvard, and many other colleges; managers of certain Native American scholarships; people coming to present their research on the effects of different types of education; and those just there to share their heritage.



In my three days there, I was able to gain a bit of inspiration and insight by attending four workshops, listening to well-known speakers, and attending Culture Night and the Pow Wow. Two of the workshops – Preparing Students for Selective College Admission and the Gates Millennium Scholars – were particularly educational. One of the General Assemblies had a lecturer from Harvard Graduate School who talked about an alternative way to teach Native Americans. At Culture Night, we were able to learn how to make a dream catcher, and there was also some traditional dancing going on. We also saw traditional drumming, dancing, and ceremonial dress at the Pow Wow, which was filled with people's sense of pride for their heritage.

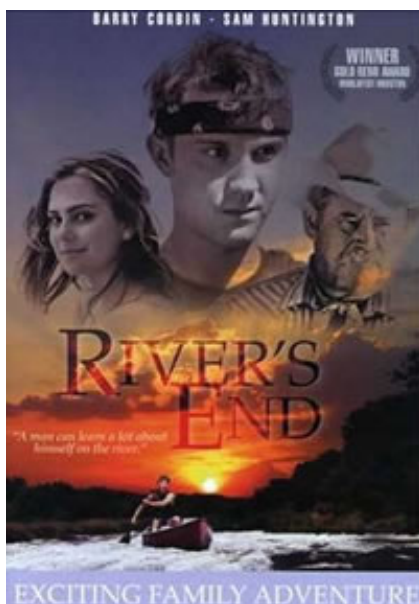




Overall, the trip was a nice change of pace from the repetitive motions of daily life, and this educational experience consisted of more than just the convention – we also got to see part of Milwaukee, walking among the old, historic buildings, visiting the university of Marquette, and seeing an Andy Warhol exhibit at the Milwaukee Fine Arts Museum. I encourage those interested in the convention to check out NIEA's website at www.niea.org. Next year, it will be held in San Diego!

Movie Review - River's End

by *Jonathan Hoard*



Every life is filled with circumstances both good and bad. Some lives seem to start out with the deck stacked against them. The challenge in every life is to not allow life to make us into the sum of the things that have happened to us but instead to rise above them.

River's End is the story of 17 year old Clay Watkins, a bitter and angry teenager. Loosing his father to an accident at an early age and then facing rejection from his peers as a teen pushes Clay to rebel.

Clay soon finds himself in trouble with the law. In this case, though, the law happens to be his Grandfather who serves as the small town sheriff. Clay is given the choice of jail time or taking a solo canoe trip down the river. The adventure is escalated when Clay runs across kidnapers who are also trying

to escape down the river. In the end Clay survives the river and overcomes his past.

River's End is a low budget, made for TV movie made in 2007. There are no big named actors in the film and "good acting" will not be a reason for recommending this movie. The story is slow at times and occasionally comes across disjointed. The script is also littered with sporadic profanity. The overall quality is typical of most TV movies. All that being said, the movie is still worth seeing if only for the story told. This movie takes up the plight of all too many young people who face life without a father. River's End sends the message to young people that no matter what they have been through or how they have been treated, that life is still a choice for them. Through Clay's loving Grandfather encouragement is given to strive for integrity, honesty and self discipline.

With all of it's faults, this movie is mildly entertaining and the action scenes on the river are not too badly done. However, this movie gets high marks for opening up the hearts of those who have suffered great loss and rejection. It also succeeds in portraying life as a journey in which we get to choose what kind of man or woman we will be.

River's End is the story of one young mans journey down a river and more importantly his journey into manhood.

I would love to hear you comments about any of my reviews. E-mail me at jm_hoard@hotmail.com

Thoughts to Ponder

Written by Regina Brett, 90 years old, of Cleveland, Ohio

"To celebrate growing older, I once wrote the 45 lessons life taught me. It is the most-requested column I've ever written."

My odometer rolled over to 90 in August, so here is the column once more:

1. Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
2. When in doubt, just take the next small step.
3. Life is too short to waste time hating anyone.
4. Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and parents will. Stay in touch.
5. Pay off your credit cards every month.
6. You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
7. Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.
8. It's OK to get angry with God. He can take it.

9. Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.
10. When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.
11. Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.
12. It's OK to let your children see you cry.
13. Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
14. If a relationship has to be a secret, you shouldn't be in it.
15. Everything can change in the blink of an eye. But don't worry; God never blinks.
16. Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.
17. Get rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
18. Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.
19. It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second one is upto you and no one else.
20. When it comes to going after what you love in life, don't take no for an answer.
21. Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion. Today is special.
22. Over prepare, then go with the flow.
23. Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
24. The most important sex organ is the brain.
25. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
26. Frame every so-called disaster with these words 'In five years, will this matter?'
27. Always choose life.
28. Forgive everyone everything.
29. What other people think of you is none of your business.
30. Time heals almost everything. Give time time.
31. However good or bad a situation is, it will change.

32. Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
33. Believe in miracles.
34. God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.
35. Don't audit life. Show up and make the most of it now.
36. Growing old beats the alternative -- dying young.
37. Your children get only one childhood.
38. All that truly matters in the end is that you loved.
39. Get outside every day. Miracles are waiting everywhere.
40. If we all threw our problems in a pile and saw everyone else's, we'd grab ours back.
41. Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
42. The best is yet to come.
43. No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
44. Yield.
45. Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift."

H1N1 Vaccinations Delayed

The plan had been that on Tuesday, November 10, 2009, there was going to be a community wide opportunity to receive your regular flu shots, as well as the H1N1 Vaccination. Unfortunately, the Homer area only received 20 H1N1 vaccinations - and due to this shortage, there won't be any coming to Seldovia. If you are in need of the H1N1 vaccination or regular flu shot right away - please contact your personal physician to see what can be done on an individual basis.

The City, together with Dr. Reynolds, the Public Health Nurse, the Seldovia Village Tribe and Fire and EMS Departments are still going to be working together with Susan B. English School to administer vaccinations to those interested, and the estimated time frame for that will be December or January. There will be more information to follow as it becomes available.

The Bookworm



***A Kiss of Shadows* by Laurell K. Hamilton**

Reviewed by Tamara Blodgett

My all-time favorite [fantasy] author to date, Hamilton has written a series on the Elven (faeries) that creates a parallel world to ours where all things mythical are everyday. Meredith Gentry, aka Meredith NicEssus (princess of the Unseelie Court) remains in hiding this past three years from her sadistic aunt, Andais, Queen of the same court. Meredith is mixed-blood (Seelie, Brownie and human) and as such is not “fit” for the court. She has paid a handsome and terrible price during her lifetime for not fitting into the narrow vision of what is “acceptable” to the Unseelie Fae.

When Meredith's Los Angeles detective agency discovers a man is draining Fey women of their energy, Meredith's cover is blown and she finds that her aunt has designs on her for the future of the court that she cannot escape from.

This is sexually explicit (a tad overdone, robbing the review score from a “5” to a “4.5”) and violent right “out-of-the-box;” it is appropriate for adult readers only. Do not be put off by this however, as the characterizations and wonderful world of royalty, mystery and subterfuge is worth the read in this seven-book series. The very best thing about Hamilton's writings is the natural evolution of the protagonist. In this way, there is no stagnation; Meredith continues to grow, mature and change based on the challenges and circumstances of her life, a much more believable premise in a multi-book series that spans years and not usually done as seamlessly as Hamilton manages.

Look for a future review on Hamilton's other, wildly popular paranormal series about Anita Blake, zombie raiser and vampire executioner.



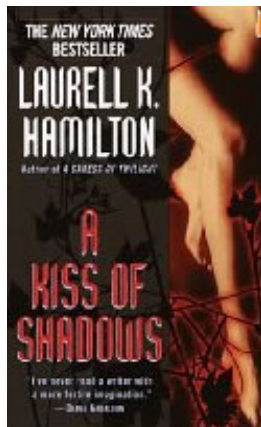
4.5/5 Stars

Genre: Fantasy, Mystery

Sub-genre: Erotica

Age: Mature

**Elements: Mature Themes,
Sexuality, Dialog and Violence
(including torture)**



Check out the [Seldovia Public Library](#) for this and other fine books!

Boys & Girls Club Facility is Available to You!



Seldovia's Water and Sewer Construction Schedule and Map 2009



City of Seldovia, Alaska
SELDOVIA WATER SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
Anticipated 2009 Construction Schedule

Job Name	Start	Finish
Project Transf.		COMPLETED
De-Pooling Operations, Replaced Suction, Turn on Water Service		COMPLETED
Network Repair, Update I-COM, Turn on Sewer		COMPLETED
De-Pooling Office, Turn on Water Service, Rehook Up Pump Station		COMPLETED
Clear Work, Complete Invention, Re-establish of Utilities		COMPLETED
Service City Order, Vacuum Truck - Make Repairs, Order Materials		COMPLETED
Service Pump Equipment Repair or Refurbish		COMPLETED
Utility Distribution - CDR First Job, New Site Review of Applicants		COMPLETED
Inventory Close Construction, Upgrade Construction Phase 1, Storage Items		COMPLETED
Build Stations at Elm, Truck, Work with Service Trucks and Materials		COMPLETED
Service Orders, Equipment, Trucks, Small Equipment, Compressors		COMPLETED
Plan B & Matt Report Site Visit - Update Methods & Technical Advice		COMPLETED
Project Avenue Water Main (2nd C - 3)		COMPLETED
Kachemak Street Water Main (2nd C - 3)		COMPLETED
Project Avenue Services (2nd C - 3)	Thu 7/23/09	Thu 7/23/09
Kachemak Street Services (2nd C - 3)	Mon 7/27/09	Thu 8/6/09
Kachemak Street Water Main (2nd C - 3)	Wed 7/29/09	Fri 7/31/09
Alder Street Water Main & Services (2nd C - 4)	Sat 8/7/09	Thu 8/13/09
Kachemak Street Services (2nd C - 3)	Wed 8/19/09	Thu 8/27/09
4th Street Water Main & Services (2nd C - 4)	Fri 8/21/09	Thu 8/27/09
Victoria Street Water Main & Services (2nd C - 3A)	Wed 8/26/09	Thu 9/3/09

Click on above charts to download full size pdf.

Seldovia City Council Meeting - 10/28/09

The Seldovia City Council convened together with the following members present: Dean Lent, Allison Miller, Gerry Patrick, Walter McInnes, Steve Pollack and John Colberg. City Mayor Gain presided; City Manager Tim Dillon was present and City Clerk Mary Klinger took minutes.

Treasurer's Report -

Submitted, minimal discussion other than we are "looking good" according to the Seldovia City Manager.

Action: Approved unanimously

Proclamations - none

Ordinance Introductions - none

Public Presentation Prior Notice - none

Public Presentation For Items Not On The Agenda

A member of the audience asked about the Lollipop Park area, and why there was police tape there. The City Manager explained that the area was cleaned up and Mr. Hopkins volunteered to create a walkway to the restrooms while he was working in the area. Since no final decision has been made as to the use of that area, the police tape was put up to prevent individuals from parking in the space that has not been designated as such. The audience member expressed his displeasure that it is wasted space and a mess and a decision should be made, either way - a park or parking. Mr. Dillon reiterated that it is a work in progress and reassured him that many are hoping for a speedy resolution.

Committee and Advisory Board Reports

SOS: Tim Dillon reported that The Husky 2 boom watch continues. The contract with SOS is being extended for the winter months. Additional needs and the implementation of the Winter Vessel Monitoring plan has begun and includes snow removal as well as how to shore up the vessel so that snow and ice does not end up in the hull.

P&Z: Paulie Carluccio reported that they had their workshop this week and began looking over the policies and procedures and streamlining the process. Titles 17 & 18 are being reviewed with special attention to building permits and fees associated with them.

Waterfront Development Committee: Steve Pollack reported that the group has had one meeting and they began work on discussing the options for the waterfront area. They discussed the possibility of putting the Lollipop Park (small kiddie park - with playground equipment, etc) in the unused "street" area next to the Schneider's residence. During his presentation it was confirmed by the city clerk that the "Lollipop Park" name will travel with the Kiddie Park, where ever it is finally located. It has previously been decided by the Planning and Zoning Commission that it "Lollipop Park" will not be on the lot next to Wheeler's Store. Paulie also confirmed that with all the public testimony at the P&Z meetings, not one person was in favor of the area next to Wheeler's being a parking area. Paulie also reiterated to the council and the members of the audience that the P&Z has given their recommendation to the city council to designate that area as a community park. The next step is that it will be placed on the agenda and a decision needs to be made by the council.

Old Business

Ordinance 10-03, Authorizing the Sale of a Specific Lot Owned by the City of Seldovia, Waterfront Resub. No. 2, Lot 5, Block 7, Tax Parcel Number 19203046

A member of the audience and a member of the council wanted to know exactly where the lot was located, and they were shown the parcel's location on the large map in the MPR.

Action: Approved

New Business

City Appointment to the CIRCAC

The City Mayor recommended Allison Miller to be the representative for the City of Seldovia. Ms. Miller expressed knowledge and an interest to accept that position. Walt Sonen who has held the position in the past was happy to endorse Ms. Miller and voiced his willingness to serve in her place if ever she was unable to serve.

Action: Approved Unanimously

Resolution 10-04, Adopting an Alternative Allocation Method for The FY10 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program and Certifying That This Allocation Method Fairly Represents The Distribution of Significant Effects of Fisheries Business Activity in The Cook Inlet Fisheries Management Area.

Action: Approved Unanimously

Informational Items Not Requiring Action

H1N1 Vaccinations will not be taking place on November 10th as hoped, very few vaccines were sent to Homer area and therefore none will be coming across to Seldovia. Work with your personal physician if you are in need of vaccinations prior to a potential vaccination day in December or January - depending on when we have access to the vaccines.

City Manager's Report , see below.

Manager, Council and Mayor Comments Concerning Items not on the Agenda

Several councilmen thanked members of the audience for attending

Next Regular Meeting November 11, 2009 - no meeting on November 25.

Special Notices

\$3,000 Aviation Scholarship Available!

The Forrest Jones Memorial Scholarship is awarded the first week of March. The amount of the scholarship for 2010 will be \$3000.

Deadline for applications is January 10. For an applicant to be eligible, they must be enrolled in, or applying to, one of the following (in an aviation field), or a high school senior applying to: AN ACCREDITED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY, A LICENSED FLIGHT SCHOOL, OR A CERTIFIED A&P PROGRAM.

[Click here to download an information sheet and application for the scholarship for distribution to the schools in Alaska.](#)

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Alaska 50th Anniversary Medallions Available!

The State of Alaska , on behalf of the Juneau Statehood Committee, commissioned bronze medallions commemorating Alaska's 50th anniversary celebration which can be purchased by non-profit organizations for fundraising purposes. The medallions were designed and produced by the same company that designed medallions at statehood back in 1959. A limited supply can be purchased from the Kenai Peninsula Borough by contacting Michelle Blackwell at 714-2336. The medallions will sell for \$50 each and are limited to five medallions per organization.

AACA Nominations and Awards



NEWS RELEASE

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Accepting Nominations for AACAA Service Awards

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 12, 2009

The Alaska Air Carriers Association is actively seeking nominations for the AACAA Service Awards. These awards recognize the exceptional merit of individuals or organizations who demonstrate the highest standards of performance and professionalism in the Alaskan aviation industry.

Anyone, whether a current member of AACAA or not, may submit nominations for these awards which will be presented at our annual convention in March 2010. I have attached a brief description of each category and a nomination form. We encourage community participation, especially from Bush Alaska where aviation plays such a pivotal role in everyday life.

Additional forms may be obtained by visiting
www.alaskaaircarriers.org

Kathie Anderson
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Existing to foster and support a stable commercial aviation industry founded upon the principles of safety, professionalism and longevity

AACA SERVICE AWARDS

By acknowledging the exceptional merit of an individual or organization, the Alaska Air Carrier Association service awards encourage performance at the highest standards, continually developing professionalism in the Alaskan aviation industry.

AACA Arlo Livingston Award This award recognizes individual achievement in the betterment of Alaskan aviation. The AACA Arlo Livingston Award was created in 1983 in memory of a remarkable man who made a lifelong contribution to the aviation industry. Arlo was instrumental in starting the Alaska Air Carriers Association in 1966.

Previous recipients include leaders from every corner of Alaska:

Carl Brady, honored as an early helicopter pioneer

Richard Wien, honored for taking AACA statewide & serving as the 1st statewide president

Ken Eichner, helicopter pilot and businessman, honored as an initial AACA supporter

This award is considered each year, but is given only when a deserving candidate is identified who has made an exceptional contribution to Alaskan aviation.

AACA Tony Cestnik Maintenance Award

The Tony Cestnik Maintenance Award exists to honor an individual, team, or organization for distinguished, longstanding performance of aviation maintenance which sets a standard of excellence.

Mechanic of the Year Award

This award recognizes a mechanic for exemplary long-term service or an outstanding specific action which personifies an outstanding awareness of the contribution of maintenance to aviation safety. The recipient must be a current Airframe and Powerplant-rated mechanic with at least five years of experience. Eligibility for this award is limited to hands-on maintenance personnel and their direct supervisors.

AACA Iditarod Humanitarian Service Award

This award was created to honor an individual pilot or aviation company who best demonstrates the value of aviation in transporting and caring for the dogs or people participating in the Last Great Race. The award may be for a particular single action, or for service in a consistently outstanding manner for a period of time.

AACA Excellence in Communications Award

This award honors an individual, publicist, journalist, or media group that has achieved either (a) the most distinct dissemination of aviation news that results in public awareness, (b) makes a significant impact in educating the public on an aspect of the aviation industry, or (c) provides, over a period of time, consistently informative coverage that positively advances an aviation issue.

AACA Community Service Award

This award recognizes an individual or organization for outstanding service to the community through improvements to cargo, mail or passenger service to a specific site or a region. The award can recognize a particular single action, or for service in a consistently outstanding manner for a period of time.

AACA Emergency Medical Transport Award

This award recognizes an aviation team or pilot who, through a particular rescue /transport or contributions over a period of time to the air medical industry, has exemplified professionalism and expediency in the saving of lives.

Pilot of the Year Award

The award recognizes an outstanding single feat performed by a pilot during the year, or extraordinary professionalism over a period of time.

 ***HINI Parent Letter - Community Awareness***



KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Fax (907) 262-9645

September 3, 2009

Dear Parent/Guardian/Staff/Community Member:

Last May, pandemic H1N1 influenza (formerly called swine flu) was first identified in Alaska. Since then, limited, but ongoing transmission, primarily among school-age children, teenagers, and young adults has continued to occur. With the recent start of school, it is likely that this virus will continue to spread. This information is being shared in the hopes that it may help you to protect yourself, your children, and others from influenza.

Symptoms of H1N1 influenza are similar to those of seasonal flu and include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue, as well as some reports of diarrhea and vomiting. Most cases in Alaska have been mild, similar to those seen with seasonal influenza. However, as with seasonal flu, severe illnesses and death have occurred. The risk of serious illness appears to be greatest for infants and young children, pregnant women, and persons with underlying health problems. If your child currently has or develops symptoms of influenza, please notify your health care provider. In some cases treatment with an antiviral prescription medication may be recommended.

Influenza viruses spread mainly from person to person through coughing or sneezing by people sick with influenza. People may also become infected by handling something with flu virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose or face. Three simple measures can greatly help prevent the spread of influenza as well as many other germs.

- Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand cleaner.
- Stay home if you are sick or beginning to feel sick! You are contagious for up to 24 hours before you really notice you are ill!

To reduce transmission of H1N1 virus in schools and community, it is imperative that students, faculty or staff with influenza-like illness (fever with a cough or sore throat or other flu like symptoms) should stay home. If persons should NOT attend school, after-school activities, or go into the community except to seek medical care until they are feeling better and **without fever for at least 24 hours without use of fever reducing medication.** Students, staff or community members who appear to have an influenza-like illness on arrival at school or who become ill during the school day will be promptly separated from others and sent home.

At this time, school closure for pandemic H1N1 influenza is not recommended unless the magnitude of faculty or student absenteeism interferes with the school's ability to function.

Finally, vaccination is another important measure to prevent influenza. Pandemic H1N1 influenza vaccines are currently in production and should be available for Alaskans this fall. Vaccination will be strongly encouraged for school-aged children and teenagers, among others. Vaccination against seasonal influenza is also recommended this fall for all children ages 6 months to 18 years and is currently available through your local health care provider.

If you have questions or concerns regarding these recommendations, please contact Kenai Public Health at 335-3400, Homer Public Health at 235-8857, Seward Public Health at 224-5567, your child's school nurse, or KPBSD's Health Services Coordinator at 283-2190 or nw@worlth@kpbsd.k12.ak.us.

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➔ Drug & Alcohol Counseling in Seldovia

**Out-Patient Drug & Alcohol Counseling
For Native and Non-Native Patients**

SVT's Prevention Program offers follow-up and after-care treatment plans for people who are out of rehab or are in Drug Court and need to comply with court orders. We also offer:

- Assessments
- Referrals
- Out-patient Drug/Alcohol Case Management
- Community Education
- State of Alaska ADIS Classes
- Experienced Staff & Certified Counselors

*The Seldovia Village Tribe's Prevention Program
adheres to and upholds all state and federal privacy regulations.*

Ask about our culturally-specific ASAM assessments and ADIS Classes
(State of Alaska Alcohol/Drug Information Classes).

For more information, call (907) 234-7898 ext. 228

Seldovia finally has an official outhouse at the airport - and it is operational! Come and check it out! Also notice the bear proof garbage can! Oh, what a relief this is for our airline travelers!



City Manager's Corner

by Tim Dillon, City Manager

City Manager's Report 10-15-09 to 10-28-09

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

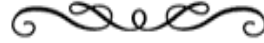
- * Successful audit
- * Grant Administration
- * Filtration Building Plan kick-off
- * Husky II
- * DOT building assistance
- * Safe harbor planning
- * Economic Development Meetings
- * Personnel issues
- * Port Authority/Fast Ferry

GOALS:

- * Finish EMS/Fire communications
- * Fast Ferry
- * Finalize AMHS contract
- * Harbor planning
- * Finish boat storage clean up
- * Comprehensive Plan follow up
- * Work on safe harbor plan
- * Holland America Tours

PRIORITY JUGGLING

- * Fire/EMS-repeater
- * Fast ferry
- * Flu plan
- * Husky II
- * Cannery Property
- * Precious Earth
- * VSW/CRW – Filtration
- * Roads – culverts and access
- * Seldovia Trails



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