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Posted Friday, September 24, 2010

Adult's Night Out - Wii Bowling Saturday

by Laurel Hilts

Wii Bowl. Do you?

Adult Wii Bowling Tourney in the School Commons, on the Big Screen!

Saturday, September 25th, 7:00-10:00pm

Call 435-3252 for more Information

~Bring your Mii character loaded into your Wii controller (if you have one).
~Bring a Potluck Dish to share.
~Bring Yourself....Prepared to have fun!

- Other Wii games will be set up to play when you are not bowling.

Sponsored by the Seldovia Village Youth Association Program

Posted Thursday, September 23, 2010

Main Street Market's Final Days

by Darlene Crawford

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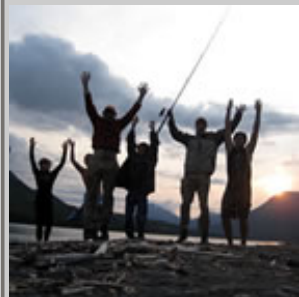
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Final Clearance Sale MAIN STREET MARKET



FINAL - Store closes 9/30
Liquor-40% off

ALL other items 50% OFF
WHEN ITS' GONE, IT'S GONE
BEGINS FRIDAY 9/24/10

Posted Thursday, September 23, 2010

HEA's Drop Box at Main Street Market to be Discontinued

by Joe Gallagher

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 ~ ~ ~



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

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

Archives

Public Service Announcement

HEA Drop Box to be discontinued

Homer Electric will be ending its "drop box" service in conjunction with the closing of the Seldovia Main Street Market at the end of September.

The drop box, located in the Main Street Market, has seen a declining amount of use over the past couple of years due to the numerous bill pay options now available.

Along with mailing bills through the post office, HEA members can now pay bills on line through EASYPay on the HEA website. Also, members can pay over the phone with a credit card, debit card, or e-check - simply call the automated service from the HEA main phone number (follow instructions from the directory), or call any HEA office during business hours and speak to a member services representative who can provide bill paying information. At the same time, be sure to ask about HEA's automated monthly energy payment services.

In addition, many banks offer personalized auto payment services, which is a very convenient option.

If you have any questions regarding bill paying options please call Homer Electric at 1-800-478-8551. Thank you.

For additional information regarding this press release call: Joe Gallagher Homer Electric Association 907-283-2324

Posted Monday, September 20, 2010

Parks & Rec Workshop

by Mary Klinger

2010 Archives

▶ Archive of all pages

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

▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2009

2009 Archives

▶ Archive of all pages

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

▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2009

2008 Archives

▶ Archive of all pages

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

▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2008

July

2008 Photo Stories

▶ 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 Map - 8-1/2 x 11 pdf

▶ Seldovia Summer Visitor Newspaper 2007

2007 Photo Stories

▶ Christmas Play

▶ Halloween Carnival

PUBLIC NOTICE

PARKS AND REC. MEETING



WORK SESSION

@

6:00PM

THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 23, 2010

7:00PM

THE MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

Posted Tuesday, September 7, 2010

City Public Notice

by *Mary Klinger*

- ▶ 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 Photo Stories**
- ▶ SBE Play - December
- ▶ Halloween Carnival
- ▶ Aleutian's Tusty Trip - July 25 - Part 3
- ▶ Aleutian's Tusty Trip - July 25 - Part 2
- ▶ Aleutian's Tusty 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sept. 16, 2010
 Thursday
 6:00 pm
 Multi-Purpose Room

Halibut Community Quota Program Organizational Meeting

If you are interested in helping the City of Seldovia obtain Community Charter Halibut Permits, please attend this meeting.

If you have questions please call
 City Manager, Tim Dillon
 1-907-242-9709

Posted Tuesday, September 7, 2010

Bear Safety - We All Must do our Part

by Jenny Chissus

▶ 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

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▶ Instructions and rate
sheet



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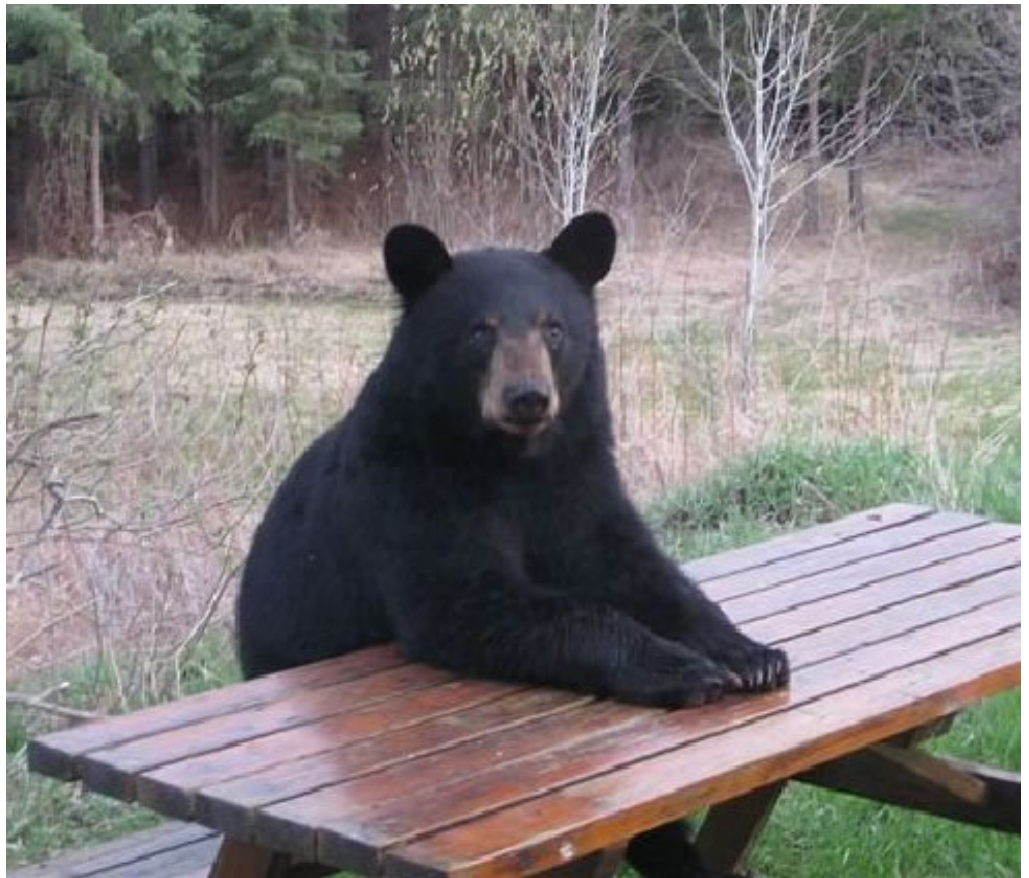
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WebSite Favorites

▶ AllMyFaves

▶ Animal Poison
Control Center

▶ Bubble Wrap Stress
Relief



There have been quite a few bear sightings and instances already this summer in Seldovia. They are coming into town, looking for food, garbage and berries! We have scared them out of our raspberry patch twice in the last two days! It is frustrating, as we wait all year for this season, when the fruit is ripe! So do the bears! As a deterrent, we have decided to pick often - hopefully keeping the abundance at a minimum for our wild neighbors!

Here are a few basic safety tips when living in areas shared with black bears.

- Don't feed the bears! Wild bears have a natural fear of humans, fed bears do not!
- Keep your garbage in secure storage locations, and dispose of your "tasty" food garbage at the landfill.
- If you are hiking, stay in a group and make your presence known by calling out "Hey Bear, hey bear!", keep small children close at hand.
- Hike during daylight hours, bears tend to wander at the early and later parts of the day.

Please - for the safety of everyone, please keep your garbage put away!

Posted Tuesday, September 7, 2010

An Event To Remember

by Tracie Merrill, photo by Savannah Lewis

▶ GE Home Energy Cost Calculator	
▶ Glossarist	
▶ Google Earth	
▶ Health Square Medical Information	
▶ Hand - Eye Coordination	
▶ Line of Site Calculator	
▶ Pronounce any Word in ALL Languages	
▶ NASA Picture of the Day	
▶ Reaction Time Test	
▶ Shoot the Turkey Game	
▶ Spider Walk	
▶ Inauguration Gigapan Photo	



On Friday, September 3rd, the labor day weekend was kicked off with a celebration of the Seldovia Library's 75th birthday through partnership between the Library Board and the Seldovia Arts Council.

The festivities began in the morning at the [library](#), where national best-selling author, David Vann, read a chapter out of two of his short books, *Legend of a Suicide* and *Caribou Island* (not yet released – January 2011). Although now an Associate Professor at the University of San Francisco, David came to Seldovia on his way to a retreat with “49 Writers” at the Tutka Bay Lodge.

David Vann is a renowned, and award winning, author of numerous short stories and novella (both fiction and non-fiction) www.davidvann.com. His work has been featured in several magazines, such as *Outside*, *Men's Journal*, *Men's Health*, and *Writer's Digest*. David has Alaskan roots being born on Adak Island and living for a while in Ketchikan. David had the audience laughing with the many humorous “asides” he told as he read, although the topics and inspiration for his books are serious, emotional and difficult – the real life suicide of his father, the murder/suicide of his stepmother's parents, and his own ill-fated adventures with boats. David, as well as the whole audience, thoroughly enjoyed his brief visit to Seldovia and his reading at the library. It should be mentioned, as well, that if any readers are interested in David Vann's books, the [library](#) does carry several of them.

Following the reading, a community potluck luncheon was held where guests got to meet David while enjoying delicious salad dishes, soup and desserts. No birthday celebration would be complete without cake, and a yummy, chocolate-raspberry one at that, which was purchased from Two Sisters Bakery in Homer.

After the official singing of happy birthday over cake, the Library's current director,

Shirly Giles, was honored and thanked for her many years of volunteer service to the library and community. Shirly has served as library director for the past 30 years and will be retiring on September 15th. Shirly began as a library volunteer in the early 70s and took over director responsibilities from Susan B. English in 1980. After Shirly spoke briefly on the history of the library, Ila Dillon spoke of Shirly's involvement in the community and her being recognized as the Seldovia Chamber of Commerce's "Citizen of the Year" in 1992 as well as receiving one of the Alaska's First Lady's Volunteer Awards in April 2002. The Chamber of Commerce, represented by Darlene Crawford, presented Shirly with a beautiful bouquet of flowers while City Clerk Mary Klinger presented her with a plaque containing the text of the city's recent [proclamation](#) in acknowledgment of her dedication and tireless service.

The ceremonies concluded with the reading aloud of a tribute by Dianne Gruber. Overall, this was a wonderful, collaborative event between the Seldovia Arts Council and the Library Board. Thank-you Seldovians for making it such a success and for letting your support of the Library and of Shirly be known!

Posted Tuesday, September 7, 2010

Hex Fest!

by Joe and Heather Miller



Come support one of our own.....

HEX FEST!

*Fundraiser
Spaghetti feed
and Auction
Live Music by
the Sexy Hexys!*

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****All proceeds go to Jim Hecks***
**\$5 bucks will get you in the
 door!**

Posted Thursday, September 2, 2010

SVT September Calendar

by Laurel Hiltz

Prevention Program September 2010 Activities						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The Seldovia Village Tribe Prevention Program offers programs, classes, and activities for people of all ages. For more information, visit the Calendar of Events at svt.org and click on a specific event, or call 435-3252.			Playgroup Hike 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Playgroup Arts & Crafts 1:30-3 p.m. Sewing Class 7-9 p.m.	The Gathering in Homer Open Gym & Swim 7-9 p.m. Teen Night Late Gym! 9 p.m.-12 a.m.	
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	LABOR DAY	Playgroup Hike 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Open Swim 3:15-5:15 p.m. Teen Gym 7-9 p.m.	Suicide Prevention Training 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Sewing Class 7-9 p.m.	Game Time! 3:15 - 5 p.m. Open Gym & Swim 7-9 p.m. Teen Night Video Scavenger Hunt 9 p.m.-12	Doggy Massage for Dogs of All Ages 12-1 p.m.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Movie Time "Shorts" 3:15-5 p.m. Sewing Class 7-9 p.m.	CARRY THE CURE Visits Seldovia! CTC Music Workshop 2:15-4 p.m. Open Swim 3:15-5:15 p.m. Teen Gym 7-9 p.m.		CTC Assembly 1:20-3:10 p.m. Baking Bagels 3:15-5 p.m. CTC Performance 8-10 p.m.	Assemblies Playgroup Arts & Crafts 1:30-3 p.m. Arts & Crafts 3:15-5 p.m. Sewing Class 7-9 p.m.	Game Time! 3:15 - 5 p.m. Open Swim ONLY 7-9 p.m. Teen Night Art Madness 9 p.m.-12 a.m.	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Movie Time "Marmaduke" 3:15-5 p.m. Sewing Class 7-9 p.m.	Playgroup Hike 1-3 p.m. Open Swim 3:15-5:15 p.m. Teen Gym 7-9 p.m.	Cooling Class! Pineapple Soppillas 3:15-5 p.m.	Playgroup Arts & Crafts 1:30-3 p.m. Arts & Crafts 3:15-5 p.m. Sewing Class 7-9 p.m.	Game Time! 3:15 - 5 p.m. Open Gym & Swim 7-9 p.m. Teen Night Rock Band Extravaganza 9 p.m.-12 a.m.	Adults-Only Wt Fit Competition 7-10 p.m.	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Movie Time "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" 3:15-5 p.m.	Playgroup Hike 1-3 p.m. Open Swim 3:15-5:15 p.m. Teen Gym 7-9 p.m.	Cooling Class! Pot Pies 3:15-5 p.m.	Playgroup Arts & Crafts 1:30-3 p.m. Arts & Crafts 3:15-5 p.m.			
26	27	28	29	30		

Posted Thursday, September 2, 2010

HEA Community Meeting in Seldovia

by Joe Gallagher

Homer Electric Community Meeting

**Monday, September 13
Noon to 1:30
At the Multi-Purpose Room**

**Sandwiches
Soup
Prize Drawings**



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Posted Thursday, September 2, 2010

Suicide Intervention Training - Sponsored by SVT

by Alix Chartier



ASIST

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)

What is it?

ASIST is a two day workshop that teaches people how to talk about suicide, and teaches skills to help keep a person thinking about suicide safe.

When is it?

September 8-9/2010
8:30 AM-5:00 PM

Where?

SELDOVIA
Seldovia Conference Center



Cost?

FREE!!!!!! (\$250 Value)

How do I sign up?

Contact Alix Chartier
(907) 435-3250 (local number)
achartier@svt.org



Posted Wednesday, September 1, 2010

Summer of Fun with Al and our Seldovia Youth!

by Alisha Sughroue

Thanks to the incredible crew who participated in our summer adventures. I love all you guys for your effort and the creative spice each of you add to our trips in the wilderness. I'll be looking forward to a whole new season of 2011. Alisha Sughrue

Please click [here](#) to read the entire story in the [Gazette Spotlight](#).



Posted Wednesday, September 1, 2010, originally Posted Wednesday, August 25, 2010

Labor Day Weekend - Celebrations, Concerts and Celebrities

by Seldovia Arts Council and Seldovia Public Library

Seldovia Arts Council presents

LIBRARY 75th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND TRIBUTE TO SHIRLY GILES (this event in partnership with the Seldovia Library Board)



ACOUSTIC GUITAR MASTER'S CONCERT Three Instructors of the Acoustic Alaska Guitar Camp

Labor Day Weekend

September 3rd, 2010, Library

10:00 am coffee and pastry, meet author David Vann

10:30 am FREE book reading by David Vann

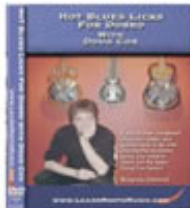
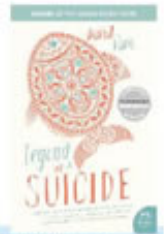
12:00 pm Community Potluck; Tribute to Shirly Giles



After 30 years of serving as Seldovia Library's Director, Shirly Giles will be retiring on September 15th. Come join us in honoring her many years of service and volunteerism in the community as well as celebrating the Library's 75th Birthday.



A national best-selling author of short stories and novella (*Legend of a suicide*, *A mile down*, *Sukkwan Island*), David Vann's work has received numerous awards and prizes. His work has also appeared in several magazines, including *The Sunday Times*, *Esquire*, *Men's Journal*, *Outside*, *Men's Health*, *National Geographic Adventure*, and *Writer's Digest*. He has taught at Stanford, Cornell, SF State, FSU, and is currently an Associate Professor at the University of San Francisco. He was born on Adak Island, Alaska, although now lives in the SF Bay Area.



September 4th, 2010
8 pm Concert
Susan B. English School

Doug Cox is one of Canada's finest Dobro players. He is one of the originators of the Acoustic Alaska Guitar Camp and is returning to Seldovia as it has become one of his favorite places. As for genre, he wows audiences with Blues to New Acoustic Music to World Music and Americana.



Berry Soo believes change is good. Sometimes, you just need a little shake-up to get things to how they always ought to have been. With *Heat Sin Water Skin*, Betty Soo adds some welcome edge and grit to the heartbreaker ballads and bell-pure vocals she's come to be known for.



Steve Baughman, hailing from San Francisco, California, is an amazing Celtic fingerstylist. Steve's production, *Clawhammer Guitar: The Collection*, is on Acoustic Guitar Magazine's list of 20 Years of Essential Acoustic Albums.

Concert tickets at the door

Adults: \$15

Students (K-12): \$8

Families: \$35



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Posted Wednesday, September 1, 2010, originally Posted Wednesday, August 25, 2010

Small Business Development Workshops - Register Online

by Alyssa Caracciolo



Seldovia Village Tribe

August 25, 2010

Dear Seldovia business/potential business owner,

Two special events are coming to Seldovia – the time to take advantage is now!

1) I have arranged for the Alaska Small Business Development Center, SW Region, to come to Seldovia for small business training and counseling sessions. Some of these workshops and the counseling sessions are free, the two-day financing workshop has a fee and includes textbooks. The dates are September 27-30, 2010. Please see attached flyer for more information and registration information. Deadline: September 9th.

What a resourceful way to end the season and prepare for next year and/or get a new business started!

2) The Rotary District 5010 will be having their annual conference in Homer June 16-19, 2011. They are made up of 72 clubs in Alaska, Canada and Russia, with an expectation of 250-300 people participating in June. I am actively working with them to come to Seldovia for certain events/banquets. They will also be able to extend their stays either before or after the set conference days. I would like Seldovia businesses, if willing and able, to offer specials/discounts now - as they are beginning to put these offers up on their conference website next week. All Rotary members are expected to make their travel arrangements early and will look to this website first for special deals!

Please email me with your offer and I will present it to the website organizers.
acaracciolo@svt.org

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you soon!

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Public Service Announcement

August 19, 2010

For Counseling or for Training Events
@ The Seldovia Village Tribe Conference Center
Sept. 27, 28 and 29, 2010

Register online: <http://aksbdc.ecenterdirect.com/Welcome.action>

Then go to Centers and select Kenai Peninsula. You will see these three workshops in September. Click on Sign Up. These business workshops will be presented by Bryan Zak, South West Regional Director of Alaska Small Business Development Center at the Seldovia Village Tribe Conference Center on Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 27 & 28, 2010. To assist us with planning, you ***[need to register by 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9 to attend workshops](#).

Bryan will also be available for FREE individual client counseling to discuss your business needs on Thursday from 9 a.m. ending at 4 p.m. If you are attending a workshop, email Bunny and we will confirm a counseling session. If you are NOT attending a workshop but want to meet with Bryan Zak, please – register online at same link and [click New Client Signup](#). Scroll to Kenai Peninsula and complete the information to create your client file, then Bunny will contact you to confirm a counseling session for you with Bryan.

1) "BUSINESS START-UP WORKSHOP" – FREE

11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. The "Business Start-up Workshop" will identify skills you need, and also provide information and resources that is required to start a business in Seldovia. Bryan Zak, will walk you through the basic process to help you launch your dream in the right direction. All new businesses and startups should really consider attending this Business Startup Workshop.

2) "EVERYONE NEEDS A BUSINESS PLAN" WORKSHOP" - FREE

1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bryan Zak will present the second workshop "Everyone Needs A Business Plan." He will show you methods to strengthen your business plan by creating meaningful narratives that describe your business goals, establish budgets, plan strategies for marketing, research techniques and evaluate your successes and failures.

3) "PROFIT MASTERY" - \$395 2-day workshop From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. See Flyer.

Tuesday & Wednesday 9/28 & 29. PLEASE – REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

FREE COUNSELING SESSIONS: THURSDAY 9 a.m./Last appointment 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Register online for counseling or for workshops. Contact Bunny for questions at inblk@uaa.alaska.edu or (907) 260-5629



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Section 1

- Overcoming common business problems
- Learning the 7 Steps to Fiscal Fitness
- Understanding the key drivers of success (or failure) in business
- Understanding your financial position
- Using tools to take active control
- Identifying the key areas that need management action

Section 2

- Evaluating Financial Performance of the Business
- Utilizing Financial Information to Identify Strengths, Weaknesses, and Opportunities
- Creating a "Scorecard" Using Ratios and Industry Benchmarks

LOCATION

Seldovia Conference Center
Seldovia, AK

Sept 28 & 29, 2010
9:00am – 5:00pm



ABOUT YOUR FACILITATOR

Bryan Zak, the Director of the South West Region Alaska Small Business Development Center will facilitate the class. Bryan besides being the Director for the Alaska SBDC, is also a small business owner and a retired Air Force officer.

Register by Sept. 6; Payments Due by Fri. Sept 10th!

Cost : \$395.00
Registration Includes workbook, materials, continental breakfast & lunch

DON'T FORGET TO BRING A CALCULATOR!

Send Registration and Payment to:
Alaska SBDC
43335 Kalifornsky Beach Rd. Ste 12
Soldotna, AK 99669

For More Information, Please Call
Bryan Zak @ 907-260-5629



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Posted Wednesday, September 1, 2010

The Bookworm

by Tamara Blodgett



***The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Stieg Larsson**

A tragedy of epic proportions; we will never read additional work from Larsson as he's now deceased! "Wow," doesn't even begin to cover the exhaustively complex plot that leaves one breathless in anticipation for the next page. Larsson had me from page one with an extremely complicated prose (as first) which lays the groundwork for a story that simply cannot be easily solved or understood until the very end; a stunning, terribly potent read.

Do not be put off by the first forty pages or so, the promise of an excellent book was always there but it is a "slow-burn," which doesn't begin to realize it's potential until that time. The story needs this foundation so that it may be understood as things race along in the story's progression.

Lisbeth Salander, a greatly demoralized girl who is a genius, becomes key in a story of insane human dysfunction, crime and [human] discipline as she unravels a mystery with not an ounce of confidence, relying on instincts of self-preservation and extreme intellect alone. She begins an unlikely alliance with *Millennium* Editor-and-Chief, Mikael Bloomkvist, and together, they are much more than apart. For the first time in her life, her asocial behavior is put to the test when she discovers there *may* be another human being worthy of her trust. A character portrait the likes of which I've never read.

Bloomkvist is railroaded into a terrible position and must serve time for a crime whose validity is cast-in-shadow. Simultaneously, he is asked to use his extensive investigative abilities to find new clues to a very old disappearance. When it becomes apparent that there is much more than that, he involves Salander, which by her very being changes both their lives. Moral dilemma and professional ethics battle fiercely in the last third of the book when the two do not know which to be bound by.

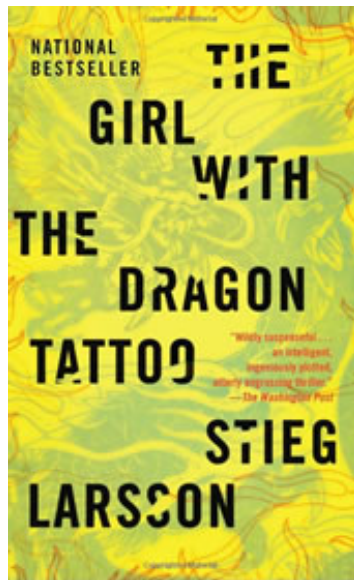
Although the characterization is excellent, it is the intense prose that grabs attention. *Everyone* is so vital in this book, even if they're "small", however, it is Lisbeth that enthralls. In absolute paradox she is as fragile as a poppy in a rainstorm but as fierce as a lion.

This trilogy was submitted to be published shortly before Larsson succumbed to a fatal heart attack; what a literary talent and a heck of a mystery, don't miss this read!



5/5 Stars

Genre: Mystery



Sub-genre: Drama, Thriller

Age: Mature

Elements: Criminal violence against women and animals, Profanity throughout, Nazi references.

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Thoughts to Ponder

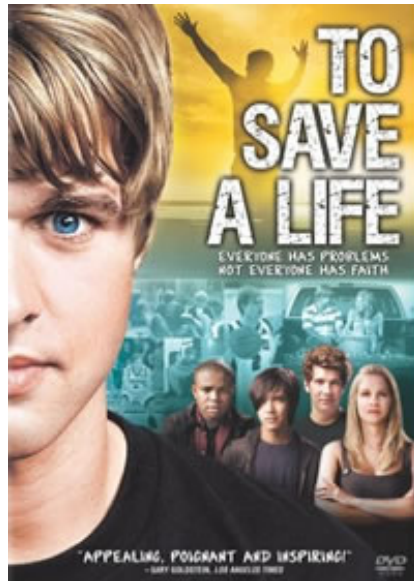
by Charles A. Cerami

"Most great men and women are not perfectly rounded in their personalities, but are instead people whose one driving enthusiasm is so great it makes their faults seem insignificant."

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Movie Review -

by Jonathan Hoard



With all that teenagers face these days, sometimes I think we stand back and just hope they will be able to navigate through the various conflicts and trials that are thrown at them, and that they will somehow make it safely into adulthood. Is there something more, something better, something that transforms a life from merely a life into a life that is life changing?

This film takes us on a journey through the life of Jake Taylor. Jake is a star high school basketball player, from an affluent family, who is dating the most popular girl, and who is about to attain his life's dream of going to college on a basketball scholarship. That's all on the surface, underneath in the reality of life, Jake's life is unraveling. Staggered and bewildered by his best friend's suicide he begins to look at life differently. More importantly, he begins to look at people around him and his own life differently

To Save A Life came out in 2009. At first glance this might appear to be a movie about teen suicide prevention and awareness. Some critics have labeled it merely a Christian sermon and quickly dismissed it. Others might see this film as an over the top and unrealistic depiction of teen life meant to unnecessarily frighten us. Suicide is a major theme in the movie but to miss the message of lives transformed would be a shame. As far as this being a Christian movie, I would argue that that assertion too is wrong. The movie tries to be a Christian film, and it does succeed in introducing the thought that all life is precious to God and that He has a purpose for each and every life. The producers clearly are encouraging each viewer to have a personal relationship with God so that each one might live a fulfilling life. The problem stands that the film quite awkwardly avoids telling the viewer the path to the fulfilling relationship with God. It seems that for some reason they were unable to just say it, even though the story was begging for it through many different scenes. So I will tell you, Jesus said, "I am the Way and Truth and the Life, no one comes to the Father except through me".

As far as the film appearing unrealistic, it is true that Jake faces the pressures of drinking, drugs, premarital sex, unwanted pregnancy, abortion, suicide, a friend who cuts himself, his parents divorce, bullying, broken friendships and the loss of his dreams. It is true that all of this crammed into one film can seem a bit like piling on. But before you make that assertion and dismiss this film as unrealistic, spend some time talking to teenagers about these issues, then judge for yourself.

To Save A Life was well filmed and the acting was surprisingly refreshing. It does, on some occasions show itself to be a lower budget film, but I guarantee that is not what you will remember after watching it. Much of the writing was well done, including some well-placed humor. This movie is rated PG-13. This was done I'm sure on purpose by the producers. They were clearly trying to convey the horror of suicide, the pervasiveness of the "party life" and the ugly side of drug and alcohol abuse. A few token profanities are thrown in just enough to try to add some realism without becoming overly offensive.

I have done my best to not give away too much of the film's story. However, the overall theme of the movie is clear. God has a blueprint for every teenager's life. Letting God change your life can transform it from being merely lived to powerfully fulfilling. The message of this movie for our teenagers today is that they can change the world. They can save a life, first their own and after that they can help save others.

Please e-mail me your comments at jm_hoard@hotmail.com.

Tidbits . . .

Thank you Rainbow Connection for your service to Seldovia this summer! We love your new paint job!



City Manager's Corner

by *Tim Dillon, City Manager*

TO: Seldovia City Council
FROM: Tim Dillon, City Manager
SUBJECT: City Manager's Report 8-12-10 to 8-25-10
DATE: August 25, 2010

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Grant Administration
- CRW – Asphalt Plan
- Cannery Project Meeting
- Reviewed Radio Tower Concerns
- Ferry Meetings

GOALS:

- Water Lab Certification
- EPA Inspection 8-26
- AMHS Inspection 8-31
- Harbormaster Interviews
- Community Quota Entity
- Aug. 27, KPED Meeting in Seldovia
- Cannery Property Follow up
- Department of Natural Resources Packet

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- Department of Natural Resources Packet
- Alaska Marine Highway Ferry Schedule

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Governor Parnell Adds Spring Ferry Runs
 December 23, 2009, Juneau, Alaska – Governor Sean Parnell has directed the Alaska Marine Highway System to schedule additional ferry runs between Homer and Dutch Harbor in May 2010 and 2011. [More News >](#)

Request for Fed Disaster Declaration Approved
 December 18, 2009, Juneau, Alaska – Governor Sean Parnell today received President Barack Obama's Federal Disaster Declaration for the Kodiak storm that damaged critical infrastructure within the Kodiak Island Borough. [More News >](#)

State Intervenes in Drilling Litigation
 December 18, 2009, Juneau, Alaska – Continuing the fight to protect jobs and resource development opportunities in Alaska, Governor Sean Parnell requested Attorney General Dan Sullivan to file a motion to intervene today in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to uphold a federal decision allowing Shell to proceed with exploration for off-shore oil. [More News >](#)

State Intervenes in Ribbon Seal Litigation
 December 17, 2009, Juneau, Alaska – The State of Alaska today intervened in federal court to support the National Marine Fisheries Service's (NMFS) decision not to list the ribbon seal as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). [More News >](#)

Parnell Disappointed by Move to Stop Drilling
 December 15, 2009, Anchorage, Alaska – Governor Sean Parnell expressed his disappointment at the news that a coalition of environmental groups has sued the U.S. Department of the Interior to block oil and gas drilling next year in the Beaufort Sea. The governor has directed his attorney general to review the complaint and determine what role the state can play in fighting this litigation. [More News >](#)

Governor Proposes Fiscal Year 2011 Budgets

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Governor Leads Effort to Reduce Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (10:45)

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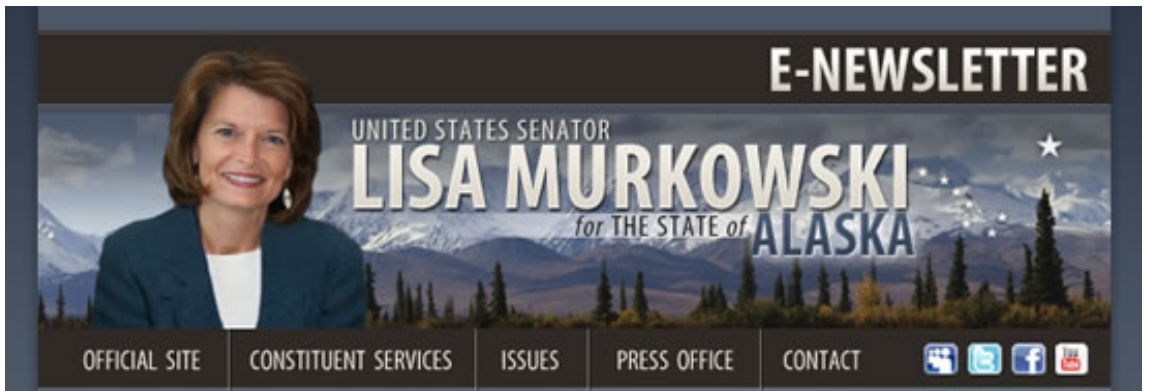
Photo archive: A visit from Santa and the Juneau Fire Department brings Holiday cheer to the Governor's Mansion in Juneau, December 18, 2009. [Enlarge >](#)

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Special Notices

Seldovia City Burn Notice

by Mary Klinger

NOTICE

During the summer season, the Seldovia Volunteer Fire Department receives daily updates as to the fire danger through out the Kenai-Kodiak Area. We do not require burn permits, but we do request that you call the Fire Department @234-7812 or The Police Department @ 234-7640 to check on the burn status and/or leave the dates you are planning on burning.

Outside of the Fire hall door is a board with the latest burn information for your convenience to check on the burn status at anytime.

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City Council Seats Available, Candidacy Forms due Sept 6th

by City of Seldovia

CITY OF SELDOVIA

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October 5, 2010 Municipal Elections

City Council Candidacy forms are now available at the City office or online at: <http://www.cityofseldovia.com/html/elections.htm>

Qualifications for Council Candidates

18 Years or older

Registered voter of the City of Seldovia

Resided within the City of Seldovia limits for at least 6 months preceding the election

Filing Period – August 13- Sept 6, 2010

Required Forms for Candidates seeking election:

Declaration of Candidacy

City of Seldovia Financial Disclosure

Campaign Disclosure or Exemption Form

Anyone seeking election for a council seat, including write-in candidates, must file these forms with the City Clerk prior to the election to be considered an eligible candidate.

The names of candidates who have completed the Candidacy Declaration and Financial Disclosure forms during the regular filing period will appear on the ballot.

Candidates seeking election who have not filed during the regular filing period may be elected as a write-in candidate if they have filed the required forms with the City Clerk prior to 5:00pm, October 4, 2010.

Seats on the ballot: 2 (two) three year council member

