

Seldovia Village Tribe

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Christmas Party & Grand Opening

Seldovia Village Tribe closed out the year of 2005 with a couple exciting events. With the completion of our Conference Center, the SVT & SNA Annual Christmas party broke in this great space that had plenty of room



With over 100 employees and their families in attendance fun was had by all. The evening started with the usual Potluck dinner, Laurel Hiltz playing live Christmas Carols for our dinning entertainment.

After dinner Crystal Collier, SVT's CEO gave her appreciation to her employees wishing everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season.

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*Spraasnikam~
Happy New Year*

2006 Tribal Council Election Candidates

John Crawford
Fred H. Elvsaas
Lillian Elvsaas

Seldovia Tribal Council Election Ballots were sent out to all eligible voting members of the Seldovia Village Tribe on January 6, 2006. When your ballot arrives be sure to get it in the mail as soon as possible.

The Early Bird Prizes for this year are a SVT Computer bag along with a latte mug from the Seldovia Tribal Conference Center Grand Opening. Return your ballot by January 20, 2006 to be included in this drawing.

Prizes are also available to voting members that send in a valid ballot post marked no later then February 3, 2006. Winners will be drawn during the ballot count on February 9, 2006.

\$\$\$Grand Prize\$\$\$

\$500.00

\$\$2ND Prize\$\$

Tribal Jacket

3rd Prize Tribal Jacket

4th Prize \$100.00

5th Prize Tribal Vest

6th Prize Tribal Vest

7th Prize Round Trip Ticket

Homer/Seldovia

8th Prize \$50.00

9th Prize Alaska Tribal Cache Gift Pak

10th Prize \$25.00

2006 Historical Birthday Calendars

Seldovia Village Tribe's 2006 Calendar features St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church. Photo's were donated by Tribal Members and produces an Awesome keep sake. To order a Calendar contact Trinket Gallien. Price is \$13.00 each.

No Celebration is complete without a Tree



Christmas Party & Grand Opening Continued:

Michael Opheim Seldovia Village Tribes EPA Coordinator was the Lucky recipient of the CEO's gag gift for 2005. Michael continuously dances around the office asking for the snow to fall. He then in return received a beautiful fur hat.



Tables are set up ready to go.



SVT celebrated the Grand Opening of our new conference center December 16 in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party.

SVT staff gave tours of the new remodeled area in the ATC building. A Potluck dinner was provided for all whom attended, door prizes, along with Christmas carol sing along. Rod Hiltz on the trumpet and Mary Glover, Chamber of Commerce President on violin.

Crystal Collier CEO presented a check of \$50.00 along with an award to Rod Hiltz the winner of the Conference Center naming contest. Seldovia Tribal Conference Center is the name. Congratulations to Rod, we are looking forward to sharing this Center.



SVT Fitness Center



Seldovia Village Tribe's Fitness Center has been relocated to the bottom portion of the ATC Remodeled area. The space has doubled in size and has a beautiful view of Seldovia Bay.

The hours of operation are. Monday thru Friday 9:30am-8:30am, 2:00pm-3:00pm. We are currently offering circuit classes from 3:30pm to 4:30pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A monthly fee of \$25.00 to use the facility will be charged. For more questions on the Fitness Center contact Debbie Hecks @ 234-7898 ext.230.



PLAY GROUP IS OPEN

Tribal Members Timothy Haller, Gavin Elvsaaas and Frankie Haller pictured above in the New Play Group Setting.

Seldovia Village Tribe's Play Group opened it's doors in December 2005. Paula Elvsaaas, ICWA Coordinator has many activities laid out for the children in attendance. Children from 0 and up are eligible for this program. Play Group hours are 9am-12pm closed for lunch hour, 1pm-4:30pm Monday thru Friday. For monthly calendars of activities contact Paula Elvsaaas @ 234-7898 ext. 241.



Seldovia Tribal Conference Center is available for Conferences, weddings, training, or whatever event you might have coming up. For more information please contact Peggy Keesecker @ 234-7898 ext. 231.



SVT Program Up-Dates



Alaska Tribal Cache



The weekend of November 11-13th we went to the Holiday Food & Gift Show in Anchorage and had a booth. We had a beautiful booth, and the weekend was great. I believe we got some good contacts and had good sales. In all it was a success.

The website has just taken off in November, we have been sending out a lot of orders and not just from the website. This holiday season is gearing up to be a more of a success.

We are anticipating a good upcoming year, with a new look in the Gift Store, new customers wholesale and retail, the year is getting a good start.

By Kris Burt, ATC Manager

ATC has a new product out, Blueberry Vinaigrette and Salmonberry Vinaigrette. To Order this item go to our website www.alaskatribalcache.com or call 907-234-7859.

Contract Health Care Beneficiaries

Contract Health Services

Attention all Seldovia Village Tribe Contract Health users, that is all Native people in the Seldovia and Homer area that currently have medical coverage through SVT. As of April 1, 2006 Seldovia Village Tribe will not be covering services rendered at Homer Medical Clinic and Kachemak Bay Medical Clinic. Emergency services at South Peninsula Hospital will be covered. Please make arrangements to transfer your medical records to SVT Health Center, 880 E. End Rd, Homer Ak 99603 phone 226-2228.

For those folks who live in Seldovia services with Dr. Larry Reynolds will continue to be covered. With our new Health Center up and running all Contract Health patients should visit this facility or go to ANMC.

Dental Services

SVT Health Center has just completed our dental department. February 1, 2006 dental services will be available. Currently exams are being offered, with a cleaning and then if need be a patient treatment plan.

To make an appointment or have question regarding Health Care feel free to contact the SVT Health Center in Homer Alaska at 907-226-2228 Monday thru Fridays 9AM-5PM.

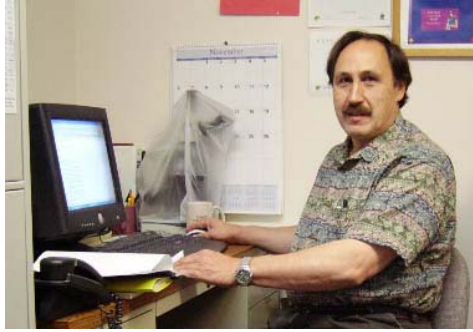
MISSING ADDRESSES FOR THESE TRIBAL MEMBERS!

Please Help!!!

SVT has just sent out a mailing for Tribal Elections and we have a great deal of Tribal Members whom have invalid addresses. Look over the list, if you know the most current address contact Trinket Gallien by email tgallien@svt.org or phone 907-234-7898 ext. 223.

- Robert Agli
- Donald Blagg
- Edward F. Boone
- Coby Brodigan
- Glenda Broyles
- Kristi Carlough
- Ralenda Cooper
- Robert English IV
- Julie Erwin Pithan
- Ann Marie Jewell
- Jennifer Markey
- Robert V. Meehan Jr.
- Tianna Moonin
- Pamela Muffoletto
- Cynthia Ogle
- Terry Sharp
- Darlene Swenson
- Jeffrey Swenson
- Christopher Stevens
- Jeannie VanHove
- Gina West

Employee Features



Lowell Suydam, Nodes Specialist

"I am the new person that was hired for a new job that came up at SVT. 'The Information Specialist', who is going to set up a Node on the internet for the EPA department. The SVT Node will be a part of the Environmental Information Exchange Network. EPA set up this network so that all the States and Tribes could share their environmental data with one another, sort of like a huge database on the environment that can be queried by the network partners.

Seldovia Village Tribe's Node will not only share it's own data that has been collected down through the years, but will also collect data from others in the area and make it available on the network. The environmental data that was stored away doing nothing will come alive.

I am a long time Alaskan, living most of my life in Seldovia, for the past 42 years(gee has it been that long?). I have fished for 46 years for salmon in the summers. I am self taught in many areas, my favorite being fishing or maybe it's electronics. Lately, my passion has been computers. Hopefully I will be a good asset to the Tribe now and anybody else I can help."



Renee Haller, Accountant

"Hello, my name is Renee Haller and I have lived in Seldovia for 27 years. I have a wonderful husband, Scott Haller along with 2 sons, Timothy & Frankie. We look forward to continuing our residence here and I am proud to be a part of the Seldovia Village Tribe team."

Renee Haller has joined Seldovia Village Tribe as a part time accountant. With programs growing SVT looks forward to having Renee in our Admin Offices. Welcome aboard.

Employment-TERO

ANA Grant Project Assistant

Seldovia Village Tribe is looking for a Project Assistant under our ANA Grant to work as a Supervisor/Trainer for Susan B. English Students in a work experience program. Also will be responsible for implementation of plan under the ANA Grant.

Wage: \$17.00 per hour

To apply and/or receive a full job description please contact Trinket Gallien @ 234-7898 ext. 223.

Position open until Filled...

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General Assistance

General Assistance is now available year round. This program is available for Alaska Native/American Indian people who are members of an Indian Tribe in the Seldovia area. This program is a short-term financial assistance program to help people make ends meet while you seek other income or resources.

Qualifications are:

1. Member of an Indian Tribe.
2. Must reside in the Seldovia Area.
3. Individuals and families who are not eligible for AFDC, SSI/Interim assistance for Adult Public Assistance.

Burial Assistance:

Is a program available to Alaska Natives/American Indians residing in Seldovia at the event of their passing. The same qualifications are as those for General Assistance.

Burial Assistance is a resource for the deceased. If deceased income is less than 2,500.00 in the month he/she dies, the person is eligible for Burial Assistance. A funeral feast up to \$400.00 is included in the total amount.

To apply for General Assistance, an appointment needs to be made with Trinket Gallien at the Tribal Offices. For more information and/or applications call our Office @ (907) 234-7898 ext. 223.

