

# Seldovia Village Tribe

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To make an appointment contact Tina Yuth x221.

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## Seldovia Enterprise Expansion Project



Courtney Collier, Kristy Gallien, Katie O'Leary, & Tim O'Leary.

The Seldovia Village Tribe has hired four students to work in the Seldovia Enterprise Expansion program. Three of these students are new to the program and one is a returning student from the previous semester of school. The new students are Courtney Collier, Kristy Gallien, and Tim O'Leary; the returning student is Katie O'Leary.

Tribalmember Courtney Collier is a sophomore at Susan B. English High School, and is very active in school athletics. Courtney applied for the SEE project because "the SEE project is a great learning experience and a great way to experience life after high school." Courtney is currently one of two captains on the girls' basketball team, and was a starter on this year's volleyball team.

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Happy New Year  
Main Street 1/16/08

## 2008 Tribal Council Election Candidates

**Crystal Collier**  
**Suzanne Collier**  
**Patti Lu Hansen**

Seldovia Tribal Council Election Ballots were sent out to all eligible voting members of the Seldovia Village Tribe on January 4, 2008. When your ballot arrives be sure to get it in the mail as soon as possible.

## Election Prizes

The Early Bird Prizes for 2008 are NEW BERRY PRODUCTS. Return your ballot by January 24, 2008 to be included in this drawing.

Prizes are also available to voting members that send in a valid ballot post marked no later than February 1, 2008. Winners will be drawn during the ballot count on February 8, 2008.

**\$\$\$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**

**8th Prize**

**Homer/Seldovia**

**9th Prize**

**\$50.00**

**10th Prize**

**Alaska Tribal Cache**

**Gift Pak**

**\$25.00**

# Program Updates:

*Seldovia Village Tribe proudly serving our people since 1981*

Below: Pete Wilber, Myra Mumchuck, Camille & Ron Turner.



## An Evening for Elders

### SVT Native Meal program 2008

With 2008 in full swing Seldovia Village Tribe's Native meal program gathered many of our Elders at a Prime Rib dinner in the Seldovia Conference Room. This evening was to bring all of the eligible meal participants together to collect ideas on how to better the Tribe's meal program. During the meal, guests watched the 2007 Coming Home Video and door prizes were drawn while folks ate angel food cake topped with our new blueberry sauce that is being made by ATC.



*Tribal member: Inga Ann Caffrey, with happy smiles as she heads home from dinner.*

Lucky Prize winners:  
John Crawford won Blueberry & Salmonberry Vinegarettes



## SVT Barabara Heights VFD

Seldovia Village Tribe's Barabara Heights Volunteer Fire Department (SVT Barabara Heights VFD) is a "Project Code Red" unit stationed at mile 4 Jakolof Bay Road. Rick Harkness and Brian Slover are the Co-Fire Chiefs and hold fire training every other week. At this time we are in need of more fire fighter volunteers. You would be joining a group of dedicated people, interested in keeping our community safe by teaching and practicing prevention measures, and by being trained and ready to respond in the event of a fire. If you are interested in attending our training or want more information about becoming a member fire fighter, please call Alix Chartier @ 907-234-7898 ext. 225 for more information.

*Rick Harkness was honored at our Christmas Party with a float coat for his years of service and all his assistance with SVT VFD.*



## 2008 Birthday Calendars



*Do you remember this building?*

Seldovia Village Tribe's 2008 Historical Calendar is now available. To order a Calendar contact Trinket Gallien. Price is \$10.00 each + \$1.11 SH.

## SVT Housing Dept.

*!! Coming Soon !!*

Seldovia area Tribal Members will soon be getting a survey in the mail asking for much needed information and assistance.

We'll use the information shared with us to design a Housing Assistance Program that will work best for Seldovia families. We need your voice to get it right!

When you receive the survey and you think it is way too much effort to fill out call me, stop by my office or e-mail me and I'll do the writing!

Happy Schneider, Housing





## Prevention Program

### Kasitsna Bay Lab Sleep Over

On Friday January 11<sup>th</sup> a very excited group of 20 kids and 3 chaperones got to go on a field trip out to the Kasitsna Bay Laboratory. The group was a mix of all ages, 7 – 14 years of age that participated in a sleep over in the upper bunkhouse on Friday night, and then a quick tour on Saturday morning. The full tour was going to be cancelled, due to Kris Holderied not being able to make it over from across the bay with the snowy weather, but thanks to the lab crew there (Mike Geagel, Hans and Layla Pederson) our group got to have the opportunity to build some Remote Operated Vehicles with the supplies they had in the lab. The kids got to motor around the vehicles that they got to make, in large tanks of water.

Mike Geagel took the group of kids out to sample plankton, and talked about the equipment used to do that. The kids got to check out the tiny organisms through microscopes. We also got a the chance to visit with Layla Pederson who talked about the creatures in the touch tank, so we got to view and handle the sea creatures.

Of course there was tons of snow that made for fun, snowball fights, and sledding. The kids loved the chance of staying over on a sleep over in the very spacious bunkhouse.



Thank you to all that helped out and participated in making this sleep over at Kasitsna Bay Lab a fun and memorable event!

By Sevea Kroll, Prevention Activity Specialist

## SVT & SNA Annual Holiday Celebration



On December 21, 2007 SVT & SNA Employees, Council Members, Board Members and their family's gathered at the Seldovia Conference Center to Celebrate with good food, new friends and great fun. The annual Chinese gift exchange was a great success with 42 participants fighting over a lump of coal and a purple boa. A gift exchange was also participated in by the children. Fun was had by all.



*John Crawford, SNA's President fights for his boa, he claimed to want the knife that was in the package but we aren't so sure of that.*

*Crystal Collier, SVT's CEO receives a surprise gift from her employees. Stress relief Spa Day.*



Seth O'Leary & Calem Collier

## Reducing Paper



"I was looking for something to put in the newsletter and in the process of looking I found a flyer that came from Northern Arizona University and there it was. In black and white on their recycled paper they were asking if we wanted to receive their newsletter via e-mail. More and more you can find those very same publications you buy at the store or have subscriptions to on the web. Having an electronic subscription is a great way to save resources such as trees that don't need to be harvested. This also cuts down on some of the clutter in your mailbox. Just here on the Kenai Peninsula you have the Peninsula Clarion, the Homer Tribune, the Homer News, the Anchorage Daily News, the Seldovia Gazette, and the Tribes web site where you can see the quarterly newsletter. That is a lot of paper you save by not having a paper delivered daily, weekly, monthly, or quarterly. That is a lot of paper you are keeping out of the landfill and other resources such as inks that don't have to be used. I know personally since I have been reading the Tribune and the Homer News online I don't have these papers kicking around my house or trying to figure out what to do with them when I am done reading them. What can you do to reduce paper waste in your home or business?"

Sign up to have in emailed to you quarterly,

email us at [svt@svt.org](mailto:svt@svt.org)

Michael Opheim, SVT Environmental Department

## Parent to Parent Lessons Learned



SVT and The Seldovia Boys & Girls Club are proud to present Bill Oliver's, Parent to Parent~Lessons Learned. Once monthly parents with children of all ages gather at the B&G Club for a luncheon, DVD viewing and discussion on raising children. Watch for signs for February date. Hope to see you there.

Parents play foosball while waiting for crowd to gather.



## SVT Health Center ~Seldovia Side~

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Donna Fenske FNP-BC  
Family Nurse Practitioner



Debbie Hecks CHR, EMT  
Alix Chartier EMT, IP & Fire

**We serve both Native and Non Native Clients.**  
**Discounts (based on income and family size)**

**Located in SVT's Admin Office Building across from the Harbor.**

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 **Medication Re-orders**  
 **Lab/Blood Draws**  
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 **DKC/WIC/Medicaid Assistance**  
 **Prenatal Care/Monitoring**  
 **Referrals and More!**

### SEE Project continued

After graduating high school Courtney plans to go to college and major in one of the many medical fields.

Tribalmemeber Kristy Gallien is a junior in high school. She has been a part of many extra-curricular activities. She is part of the starting lineup of the girls' basketball team, and was one of two captains of the volleyball team. She also participates in the Susan B. English Student Council, as the junior representative. Kristy joined the SEE program because "familiar with the business and thought it could further my career." After high school Kristy plans to further her education in a secondary school.

Katie O'Leary is a junior in high school, and busies herself with numerous after school activities. Along with working, Katie volunteers at the junior high volleyball practice helping coach the beginning players. Katie is a captain on the basketball team and was a captain on the volleyball team. She is also the Susan B. English Student council President. Katie joined the SEE Program for the second consecutive time because she enjoys working in the marketing field and learned an abundant amount of information last semester and hopes to continue learning in the new semester. After school Katie plans to attend a college in Alaska, exploring numerous fields of possibilities.

Tim O'Leary is a senior in high school who will be graduating in May 2008. Tim volunteers for several hours a day as a teacher's assistant and tutor at the Boys' and Girl's club after school homework club, Power Hour. Tim is a captain on the Boys' basketball team and was captain of the wrestling team this last season and is the senior class representative for the Student Council. After graduation Tim plans on attending the Colorado School of Mines, and majoring in Civil Engineering.

By Katie O'Leary



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