

# Igiugig News & Notes

Igiugig Village Council

January 1999

Volume 2, Issue 2

## The Best Thing That Happened To Me In 1998:

by The Primary Class

Jessica: My mom had a baby. We named her Emily Kate Noel. I feel very happy about it.

Ponty: I got to shoot at a caribou with my 30.30. I had to carry the antlers to the boat and it weighed 20 pounds. That was very heavy for me.

Shayna: I liked being in The Fisherman and His Wife. We got to dance around the fish. It was very fun.

Jeremy: I liked being an Indian in The Tall Stranger. The ai-yahs were fun because we were going to stop them from running away. I still have my tomahawk and I painted with the feathers.

Alicia: When I was a cowgirl. It was fun singing that song in the play. I really liked my hat and my vest. I still have it.

Jacob: The best was going swimming with Fish and Game in the lake. I liked going on a big rock and jumping in. I had a life jacket on. I caught a salmon on a hot hook.

Essa: I liked when my mom had the baby. She's cute and we have a nice family. And I love my whole family.

Angel: Having a teacher so I could learn stuff. I am learning plussing, minusing, and times tables. I learned to be kind and I do my best everyday. And I really like the new Jacobsen baby, we can all be on a basketball team when she grows up.

### Inside this issue:

Licenses Required	2
ETT Course	2
December LSAC	2
Craft Fair	2
GAP Grant	2
School News	3
Jonathan's Events	3
Christina's Events	3
Ashley's Events	3
David's Events	4
Tanya's Events	4
Ida's Events	5
AlexAnna's Events	5
Classified Ads	6

### Birthdays this month

- January 23  
Annie Wilson

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## Licenses Required on Jobs by Bernadette Andrew

Federal projects have many requirements for anyone working on them. With the road project and the Big Mountain project coming up soon, people need to begin preparing. Anyone interested in working on these projects should get their driver's license and commercial driver's license, which is a special license for driving heavy equipment and such. Books for both are now available at the village council office.

There will be other requirements as well, such as HAZWOPER and asbestos training. These will be offered at a later date. Start preparing now for your licenses, as these are not things which can be done at the last minute.

## ETT Course by Bernadette Andrew

There will be an ETT course offered in Igiugig, from January 25 to February 6, 1999. The certificate you get upon successful completion of the course is valid for two years. ETT certification is required on many jobs. If you are planning on working on the road project or Big Mountain, we advise you to take this course.

Each person is responsible for his or her own fees. The fees are \$50.00 for the course and approximately \$31.00 for the books. If you are interested, please contact the health aides at the clinic to sign up.

## December LSAC Notes by Sandra Alvarez

The regular LSAC meeting for December was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. in the school gym. Calendar items of interest include the upcoming Christmas program on December 29<sup>th</sup>, early school dismissal on December 31<sup>st</sup> and the Christmas break that is January 1-17<sup>th</sup>, 1999. Also noted was the school Spelling Bee that will be held January 29<sup>th</sup>.

Students reported that earnings from their sales at the Craft Fair were \$1020 and thanked all who participated. Students also shared that the goals they have for use of the funds they raise include a field trip to Anchorage to visit news and ra-

dio stations as well as attending cultural things at the performing arts center and museums. They also mentioned the possibility of travel to Naknek for swim lessons.

A presentation on "Asset Building" will be given at the next monthly meeting, which is scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup>. This is a program that helps to give our children the support and skills they need to succeed at school and in life. There needs to be lots of people to give this presentation so please plan to attend that day.

## Craft Fair by Sandra Alvarez

The 1998 Craft Fair was a great success. The Student Fund benefited, and all the other people that participated seemed to also. Those who had items for sale made some money and everyone who shopped for gifts should have come away with something.

We are looking forward to doing this again in the future, so if you are good at crafts or know someone who makes things, please plan to have a table next year!

## GAP Grant by Sandra Alvarez

The Village Council has four new part time positions thanks to a successful grant application with the Environmental Protection Agency. The project is involved with assessing environmental data related to solid waste and water quality issues in Igiugig, the surrounding area and regionally.

New positions include two interns of high school age, a secretary/bookkeeper and an administrator that oversees the other workers, grant compliance, reporting, and works with the regional agency.

This is a great opportunity for our village to show which activities (especially commercial operations) affect our community, the ecosystem and the wildlife in our surrounding area. It will also be helpful as we look to making laws and regulations about these things.



## School News by Bonnie Thurston

### Reminder.....

School is back in session January 18th, 8:30am.

### Thank You!

Igiugig School would like to give a special thanks to all students, parents, and community members who helped make the 1ST Igiugig School Christmas Craft Fair a huge success.

### Special Help... Special Thanks

Igiugig School really appreciates all the help Bernadette gives the students. Everyone at school, teachers, and students, benefit from all the time and energy Bernadette gives all year long. Thank you Bernadette and are you ready for the next play?

## Top Ten Events In 1998 by Jonathan Salmon

1. When my dad gave me \$100.00 dollars for good grades.
2. When I made \$66.75 at a Christmas Bazaar.
3. The first day of school this year.
4. Falling in icy cold waters.
5. Getting airsick for the first time and almost barfing.
6. Getting a jammed finger.
7. The play THE TALL STRANGER.
8. First time skating.
9. 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

### MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION FOR 1999

1. To get better grades and make more money.

## Top Five Events in 1998 by Christina Salmon

- 5) Igiugig Craft Fair – The first craft fair in the history of Igiugig, great success.
- 4) State Fair – We spent half the day driving around Haystack Mountain. We knew every angle of the mountain by the time we found our way back to Palmer.
- 3) Fourth of July - Met Marian Skraba and hit it off, had great fun.
- 2) The Tall Stranger – Our first play of the school year, was a great hit and we are looking forward to performing more.
- 1) Summer Math – First summer taking correspondence course and completing it to add half a credit to my report card.

### New Years Resolutions

- 1) Mature mentally to become a more responsible person,
- 2) Complete literature correspondence class with exceptional grades,
- 3) Place at state level in N.Y.O.

## My Top Eight Best Activities for 1998 by Ashley Jacobsen

1. We moved back to Igiugig from Kenai. That is because I got see my friends and I hadn't for several months.
2. I soon found out my mom was pregnant. That was exciting, because I was going to have another brother or sister.
3. My birthday, because I turned eleven and had all my friends over.
4. I went to camp, and met a lot of new friends.
5. I worked in a lodge in Kenai. That was important because I made a lot of money.
6. Jessica and I earned enough money to buy a bike. That to me was important because I earned the bike by myself and that felt good.
7. I started school, that was a top ten because I was starting to get board of summer vacation. But best of all I got a new little sister. That was the most important thing that happened to me in the year 1998.

### My Three Worst Events In 1998:

1. Getting my lips smacked at camp against my braces by the back of someone's head.

(Continued on page 4)

## Top Eight *(Continued from page 3)*

2. Getting my braces adjusted, because then you can not eat hard food just soft for several days afterward.
3. Finding out my grandfather had cancer in his liver. That got me sad because that meant he might die soon.

## Top Ten List for 1998 by David Alvarez

1. Traveling to Washington in July.
2. Climbing through hay bales in Washington.
3. Traveling back to Bristol Bay in Aug.
4. Going to camp in Port Alsworth in the summer.
5. Getting my glasses on December 23.
6. Having Thanksgiving with the Jacobsens.
7. Making ice cream with the ice from our lake.
8. Having the Christmas Craft Fair on December 12.
9. Having New Year's day in Bristol Bay.

## New Year's Resolution for 1999.

My goals for 1999 are to improve my grades. Also to become a better daughter and sister. Also to become a bigger and better helper for my mom with the new baby and my other brother and sisters.

10. Having Christmas Eve on December 24.

On New Year's Day I'm going to play with my cousins Little Richard, and Dustin. And at night before New Year's Day I'll watch the fireworks.

Next year I would like to improve on my school, and I would like to improve especially on science, social studies, and spelling. And in the summer I would definitely like to go back to camp.

## Top Five Best Events by Tanya Jo Salmon

The top five best events that I had in year 1998 were:

1. Visiting with my grandmother from New York. I liked that because I don't see her very often, and also she tells great stories.
2. I liked the fair in Palmer. I liked going to the fair because we got to go to Anchorage. We got to shop and do lots of other things that people do. I also liked going on the rides. I liked them a lot because this year I never got sick, and I was big enough to go on most of the rides.
3. Swimming was fun this year because we never went swimming in Lake Christina. I didn't have to worry about bugs biting me, or getting "duck poop larva." Also, we got to jump off the barge, and go swimming and fishing at the same time.
4. Towing was awesome this year because there was more snow (but it melted away). And I used a sled the "Bulldozer," that has a flat bottom, so it is hard to tip.
5. The last one was "The Tall Stranger." I liked that because I was the hero, and I am not a hero very often.

## World's Top Five Events

1. The lady having eight children. I like that because having so much kids (not to mention lots of stretch marks). I wouldn't like to be held upside down for thirteen days because of children coming tumbling out from inside of me. Also, she had another one, so really she has nine kids.
2. John Glenn going into space is important. I think that it is

important because he is seventy- seven. How many seventy-seven-year old men do you see walking in space?

3. I also think that Hurricane Mitch is important. I think it is important because you are minding your own business, and then a huge wave comes and knocks down your brand new house. Everything you own is trash. Then, mudslides happen, covering your own town, including your new house you bought. That is why I think it is important.
4. School diseases are sort of important. Because some children going to school have measles and give them to everyone else. And then every student getting two shots because one shot isn't powerful enough.
5. The most important thing is War with Iraq. I think that is important because I have a war with Alex on the same day that U. S. was bombing Iraq (of course our war is much smaller).

## 1998 is going

1998 is going and 1999 is creeping up behind. I would like to do many things including going to New York. I want to go to New York to do Horse Riding lessons, and seeing all my relatives. The next thing is doing well in school. I would like to improve my grades. I also want to beat Alex in almost every wrestling match. I want to beat her so I can brag about beating my older sister.



## My Top Five Best and Worst Events of 1998 by Ida Nelson

The year 1998 is coming to an end. Here are my best and worst events of the year. 1998 was full of excitement, learning, achieving, and succeeding.

Number 1- I have improved in my schoolwork and grades. Several years' back my schoolwork was not very good. Every thing in school seemed to be very tough; it has taken 3 years to remove the cloud and see the sun shining to improve. I wanted to run away from my problems, but it only made it worst. Now everything is fabulous and working out fine.

Number 2- in the summer of 1998 I learned how to drive a skiff. Being able to have a different type of traveling instead of just Hondas and airplanes.

Number 3- I learned how to set-net in the Bristol Bay area. Even though I have been going down for fun, now I know how to fish commercially with others.

Number 4- acting as a different character and make believe in another world. Being on stage and performing in front of the village is a big accomplishment. Having no stage fright helps me to be in front of a crowd of people.

My worst number 5- climbing up and down the hill of our fishing camp down in the Bristol Bay area. But getting down and up the hill is only doing it for once a year.

The world's top 5 from least to the greatest is having Mr. President Clinton being impeached from the house. The reason for this is that the people are just worrying about someone else's lives other than their own.

Number 4 worst is having a war with Saddam Hussein in Iraq. The reason for this people are dying and being killed because the government wants a war with the United States.

Number 3 is John Glenn traveled into space and going around the earth. Then again he goes and does it again in October of 1998.

Number 2 having hurricane Mitch going over Mexico and killing 10,000 people in one night. I think that is amazing because the state of Alaska is less than 600,000 people.

Number 1 in the world I think is the first woman going into combat in Iraq. She is from Anchorage Alaska, and being able to go fight for her country, and doing what she believes in.

After all this mess of 1998 I am going down to the lower 48 for the first time in my life in 1999. My goal for the summer of 1999 is to practice driving a boat in the Kvichak River and in the Iliamna Lake.

## Top Five Accomplishments and Events in 1998 by AlexAnna Salmon

For the year 1998, my 5<sup>th</sup> biggest accomplishment would have to be finishing Math 87. This is my 5<sup>th</sup> best accomplishment because I've been in Math 87 since last year, and I am ready to move on. Also, I'm on my way to catching Christi. I'm looking forward to a little competition. My 4<sup>th</sup> accomplishment in year 1998, would be finishing a patch work quilt. When I first started this quilt, I definitely doubted that I'd ever finish it. Now, not only do I know how to make a quilt, I know how to use a sewing machine. A quilt also makes an inexpensive Christmas present. My 3<sup>rd</sup> favorite event would be getting contacts. I have wanted contacts for two years, and I finally got them. Now, I can see clearer, and contacts do not get in the way. The only problem with contacts is that next year I will be paying for my own. My 2<sup>nd</sup> favorite event this year would be my grandmother coming to visit Igiugig. I had someone new to visit, and I showed her around Igiugig. My 1st favorite activity this year would be going to the Palmer State Fair. I had a blast at the fair. I had enough fun at the fair to last for three years, until I get to go again. I also enjoyed going to my first A.A. meet, but it wouldn't make it into my favorite events because the trip was too short.

### Alex's Worst 5 Events of 1998

5. Forgetting gym shoes at the A.A. meet. Now I know

never to let my sister get away with packing three pairs of shoes, and me one. Although, my feet were well aired out by the time I came home.

4. Meeting Robert. He won't quit writing.

3. Getting sick because it slows down my activities.

2. Fighting with Tanya; I lost twenty bucks.

1. My absolutely worst event of year 1998 would be poking a hole in my eardrum. My ear will never be the same again. Well, at least now I know how to use a Q-tip!

### Alex's Top 5 World Events

5. China was selling dog fur as coyote fur. That is number 5 because I found that humorous, and learned more about how sneaky Chinese people are. Also, I learned that if I ever need fur, I have a handy way of getting it.

4. NBA lockout was the number 4 event in 1998. That showed me how greedy some people get over money. That also taught me to go on strike if I felt I wasn't making enough money.

3. The lady who had octuplets is my number 3-world event. I found this birth humorous, and exciting. This event also made me think twice about having kids.

2. The number 2-world event would have to be the 70

(Continued on page 6)



**Igiugig Village Council**

PO Box 4008

Igiugig, AK 99613-4008

Phone: 907.533.3211

Fax: 907.533.3217

Michael Andrew, Jr., President

Dallia Andrew, Vice-President

Randy Alvarez, Member

Mike Andrew, Sr., Member

Greg Zackar, Sr., Member

Dan Salmon, Administrator

Sandy Alvarez, Administrative

Assistant

Bernadette Andrew, Social Services

*Best Wishes  
for a  
Prosperous  
New Year!*

## Top Five Accomplishments *(Continued from page 5)*

home runs made by Mark Maguire. When people set their minds to accomplish a goal, miracles can happen.

1. My number 1 world event would be the most recent event. No it isn't the Clinton impeachment. I'm getting pretty sick of the news headlines. It is the bombing on Iraq. That was great. The U.S. sure is teaching Iraq a number 1 lesson for year 1998. You all know me as Vicious Al.

## Alex's New Year's Resolution

My New Year resolution's are to put more effort into school, catch Christi in math, and beat five bucks eventually from my dad in crib. Don't take my resolutions seriously though, I might get lazy.

## Classified Ads

### FOR SALE

Frigidaire  
Washing machine  
and clothes dryer (electric).  
Asking price - \$800.00.  
For more information,  
Contact Annie Wilson  
at 533-3215.