

# Igiugig News & Notes

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## Igiugig's 2nd Annual Pine Car Derby

By Christina Salmon, 11th Grade, Igiugig School



This years Pine Car Derby was held in the school gymnasium on May 12, 2000. There were twenty-five contestants, but only one pine car was destined to be crowned the champion. In the semi-finals Alicia Zackar's "Greg" beat Jacob Askoak's "Wildwolf" and moved onto the championship round. AlexAnna Salmon's

"Lovebug" and Jackie Nickoli's

"Yahoo" battled it out in the semi-finals and AlexAnna advanced to challenge Alicia in the championship match. AlexAnna proved to be the champion in the final heat beating Alicia and also had the derby's furthest distance of 32' 5".

In the adult category other winners at the Pine Car Derby were John Zackar's "Seven" for the best designed pine car, Bonnie Thurston's

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## Goodness Sakes, Alex Graduates!

by Christina Salmon, 11th Grade, Igiugig School

AlexAnna Salmon was the only graduate in Igiugig this year. Ms. Salmon has successfully completed eighth grade and is looking forward to her years in high school. Martha Crow was the honored guest speaker and gave an excellent speech entertaining the whole audience. At the graduation AlexAnna was not the only student to receive awards. Awards were given to all the students for different categories. Each class received an

award for their participation in the Battle of the Books. AlexAnna and Tanya Salmon won the first place district award in the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade category. Christina Salmon and Ida Nelson won the first place district award and the Regional Award for the High School category. Awards were also presented to individual students for their notable talents. After all the awards were given the community snacked on desserts and mingled around the gym.

## Birthdays this month

- June 5  
Christina Salmon
- June 15  
Kevin Olympic
- June 20  
Jeremy Salmon



# NOTICE TO ALL LODGES

By Christina Salmon, 11th Grade, Igiugig School

Igiugig has, for 11 years, successfully recycled aluminum cans. Your efforts to assist Igiugig's recycling program would be very helpful. The village also recycles batteries and waste oil. These items can be placed in the white shed at the dump marked "CANS" or your waste oil can also be placed in the red conex near the village electric generator build-

ing. It would be appreciated if your waste oil were stored in sealed 5-gallon containers. Your aluminum cans, containers, etc. should be rinsed out with no food or trash in them before being dropped off at the shed. Please respect our environment and abide by this simple request we have asked of you.

## May Village Council Meeting by Sandra Alvarez

The regular meeting of the Village Council was held on May 17, 2000. Staff gave reports on past activities and plans for the summer. The annual Village Clean Up yesterday was very successful and a good effort by all involved. It was noted that a resident of Koliganek, just this week, mentioned how clean our village was when she was here picking berries in the fall. Other items of business noted during the course of the meeting included:

- Approval of our Proper Dump Closure Grant application.
- A Nilavena meeting on Monday to discuss realty program possibilities.
- Airport building nearing completion for occupancy.
- Environmental program notices regarding recycling, an up-

coming watershed management meeting and the coordination of the village beautification efforts.

- Lending library forms available for people who would like to sign up to check out books through this statewide system.
- Updates regarding the VISTA Worker applicant under consideration.

Summer Reading Club will be commencing on the first Monday of June, so kids and adults alike should plan on participating.

The next regular meeting of the Village Council may be scheduled for mid-June if necessary. Watch the community bulletin boards for further notice of such a meeting.

## Solid Waste Program by Marie Nelson

I am working as the Solid Waste Project Coordinator for the Village Council. Dan Salmon and I are in the process of writing up the solid waste work plan. I will submit the original copy to Alaska Inter-Tribal Council for further funding. Igiugig is one of the villages selected for funding to assist us in solid waste issues. This is a pilot project.

The first part of the work plan is inventorying household waste. I am very fortunate to have 2 wonderful interns: Ida Nelson and Christy Salmon. They will assist me in sorting out

the trash from each home to get an inventory on the garbage. This inventory will help us determine how much garbage per household is being generated, what kind of garbage is being thrown away and how we can help reduce it.

If you see 3 people digging in the garbage then you don't need to worry we are being paid to look through it and no - we are not scrounging around for food.

## Not Enough Yet By Bernadette Andrew

We tried and tried but have not yet reached our goal to get the volleyball set with the Campbell's Labels for Education program. Some of the bonus certificates that we had have expired which means that we now have to collect more labels. As of the writing of this article, the exact total needed is still to be determined. But don't let that stop you from clipping and saving labels! You could also ask friends to save. We have had quite a few donations of labels from friends and family of many from California, Washington, Nevada, Oregon and Alaska. Please do your part and ask others to save and send them either to you or the village council. We hope to reach our goal next year and move on to obtain other items. Thanks for your help.



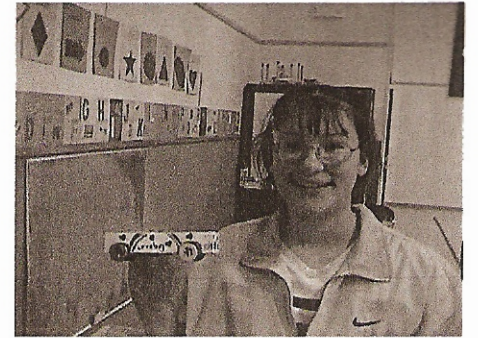
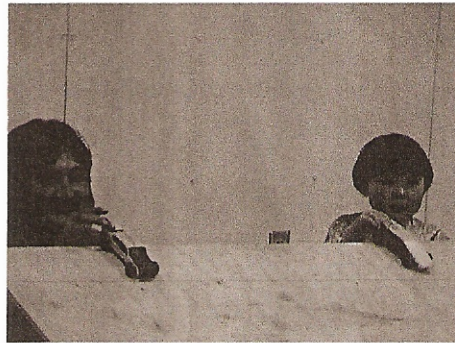
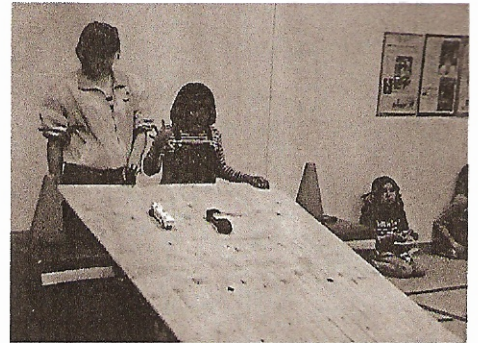


## PINE CAR DERBY (Continued from page 1)

"Hot Pepper" for the most colorful, and Dallia Andrew's "Grandma's Truck" for the best named pine car. In the children's category Sharolyn Zackar's "Blue Bumble-bee" won the best designed pine car, AlexAnna Salmon won the most colorful, and Tess Hostetter's "The Car" won the best named.

Other contestants and their car names were:

Shaun & Camille Andrew	"SC Racer #21"
Annie Wilson	"Kiarrelluni #4"
Joshua Nelson	"My Guy"
Ida Nelson	"All Star"
Jonathan Salmon	"Nameless"
David Alvarez	"DJ"
Ponty Askoak	"Qessaq"
Vassalisa Askoak	"White Velvet"
Shayna Nelson	"Maverick"
Jeremy Salmon	"Jinkam-Bell"
Mary Hostetter	"Navy"
April Hostetter	"Starduster"
Tanya Salmon	"Thunder"
Angel Alvarez	"88 Sandy & 88 Shaun"
Kevin Olympic	"Lightning Jack Flash"
Greg Zackar	"The Hammer Head"



## Worms Invade Igiugig by Christina Salmon, 11th Grade, Igiugig School

"Eeeewwww," was Delores Askoak's first word when she saw her Can O' Worms. The Can O' Worms is a project funded by the Igiugig Tribal Council to help reduce food waste in our dump. Each household has a Can O' Worms which holds approximately one thousand worms. The worms are fed every three to four days and their castings can be used for soil fertilizer. Many Can O' Worms owners were at first disgusted with their long red, slimy worms, but have grown to like them and are even proud of them when they have



babies. Marie Nelson couldn't even look at her worms when she first got them, but now she can feed them and happily takes care of them. All of the children in the community instantly fell in love with the worms and wanted to constantly feed them and pick them up and play with them. The Tribal Council has seen great progress with the Can O' Worms. Households are saving their food scraps to feed to their "pet" worms and when one person learns something new about their worms they instantly tell others about their new discovery. Our goal by next summer is to have each homes worms still living and well.



## Igiugig School 2000 Picnic by Ida Nelson, 9th Grade, Igiugig School



Our annual picnic was held at the RecHall on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May. The picnic was put together by the school and the village. While students and volunteers picked up trash throughout the village, Bernie Gurule and Jeff Thurston cooked hamburg-

ers and barbecued chicken. While they were cooking, Bonnie Thurston prepared the tables for the picnic. Plates of food were brought in by community members. We finished cleaning up around 11 am, and then we all gathered into the RecHall to enjoy the food. After we were stuffed, we made room for the desserts and cookies that were made from each class. Chocolate chip cookies were made by Mrs. Thurston's class and the desserts were made by Mr.

Thurston's class. We had to choose which cookies and desserts were the best. Slowly we took pieces and ate in delightful manners, taking our time, and deciding which was the best. It came down to Jeremy Salmon's



chocolate chip cookies and AlexAnna Salmon's strawberry cheesecake as this year's first place winners.

Every one went home full and satisfied knowing they had done their part in keeping Igiugig beautiful. We would like to thank the cooks Dallia Andrew, Bernie Gurule, Mr. and Mrs. Thurston, and all of the villagers who brought a dish to share. Thank you everyone for volunteering to clean up our village, it looks great!



### WALK TO BE FIT

June 1<sup>st</sup> the mileage numbers were updated. If you have walked your 60 miles, you can pick up a water bottle from the Council Office. Four participants have earned them to date, check out the list at the Post Office to see who those people are.

For those who haven't joined yet applications are also still available at the Office.

#### Walker Miles:

The Total Walker miles reported in April were 239 miles, and May shows 362, putting the total behind us at over 779 miles. (We could have been to Anchorage and back with that many miles.)

#### Leading in mileage as of this writing:

1. AlexAnna Salmon at 74 miles
2. Tanya Salmon at 73 ¾ miles
3. Lydia Olympic at 65 miles.

Keep on Walking!



## The Hunt

by Tanya Jo Salmon, 7th Grade, Igiugig School

This year, we had the annual Easter Egg hunt. The citizens of Igiugig had decorated Easter Eggs at the RecHall, those eggs were going to be hidden. On Sunday, April 30, Russian Orthodox Easter, Sonny and Greg hid the eggs. There were five money eggs and three eggs with the word "basket" on it. The people who found the "basket" eggs got a basket. Greg and Renae Zackar donated the baskets. There was a \$30, \$20, \$15, \$10, and \$5 egg. They were colored yellow so that they would blend in with the grass. Lydia, Jeremy, and Sharolyn found the "basket" eggs and Jeremy found the \$30 egg, Angel found the \$20 egg, Lydia found the \$15 egg, Anecia found the \$10 egg, and Alicia found the \$5 egg. We would like to give special thanks to Greg and Sonny for hiding the eggs, the Sisterhood for donating the money, and Greg and Renae for donating the baskets.



## Local School Advisory Committee by Sandra Alvarez

The regular meeting of the Igiugig LSAC was held on May 18, 2000 at 4 p.m. following the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation ceremony. Principal Bernie Gurule reported that he is part of a group working to make the discipline policy wording changes to match the student handbook. He also expressed thanks to the Thurstons for another excellent teaching year. It was also noted that the Village Clean Up was a good cooperative effort between the school and community, which is the object of the local strategic plan.

Yearbooks and t-shirts continue to be for sale with proceeds going into the student fund. Participants reported on the activities at NYO and it was mentioned that AlexAnna & Chris-

tina were two of the four LPSD's students to "place" at the State competition. Students also reported a very enjoyable time at the recent swim trip provided through the BBAHC Alcohol Program and mentioned that they all learned some new swimming skills as well as getting information about substance abuse prevention. Christina's application has also been approved to attend an environmental camp in Colorado this summer.

Next regular LSAC meeting will be held in the fall, September 28<sup>th</sup>. At that time the committee will again be taking up the issue of community internet use, to put in place rules and begin to make use of these facilities.

### Good Driver Tips of the Month

Information for everyone who drives a vehicle—truck, honda, snow-go or bicycle

- **PAVEMENT MARKNGS:** Intersections will all have painted lines. At a stop sign there will be a line across the road where you are to stop. Beyond the stop line will be crosswalk lines. Your vehicle should never stop inside the crosswalk.
- **PEDESTRIANS:** When people are in the crosswalk drivers are required to stop and allow them to cross. Motorists are always required to yield to pedestrians. (See page 54 of the Alaska Drivers Manual)
- **PROTECT YOUR VISION:** Wearing sunglasses in the bright sunlight will protect your ability to see at night. (But don't wear your sunglasses at night, see page 56 of the Alaska Drivers Manual for more safety tips.)
- **DRIVER'S TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH:** Are you required to drive at the speed posted?  
(Answer found elsewhere in this newsletter.)

### Library News

By Betsy Hostetter

THE BOOKS FOR THE BATTLE OF THE BOOKS CAME IN. NOW IS THE TIME FOR OUR STUDENTS TO READ THE BOOKS. I STILL HAVE FORMS FOR ANY INTERESTED LOANERS OF BOOKS FROM FAIRBANKS. THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS STARTING UP ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE. HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE CALL US AT THE OFFICE

### SPECIAL THANKS

VILLAGE CLEAN UP 2000

The annual clean up of our village was very successful. The Village Council extends special thanks to the adult volunteers that organized cleaning crews. These are Michael Andrew, Julie Salmon, Marie Nelson, Betsy & Dave Hostetter and Sandy Alvarez. Special thanks also go to the school staff Bernie Gurule, Bonnie & Jeff Thurston, and Dallia Andrew who prepared the meal following. Other adults who pitched in and helped collect litter are Annie Wilson, Anecia Olympic, Yako Nickoli, Greg Zackar Sr., John Zackar and Agafia Nelson.

All school students are to be commended for their participation in cleaning up the community. Preschoolers Joshua Nelson, Tess Hostetter and Sharolyn Zackar also joined cleaning crews in the work. Great job everyone!



# Igiugig School Village Clean-Up by AlexAnna Salmon, 8th Grade, Igiugig School



On May 16, 2000, Igiugig School had their annual village clean-up. Volunteers, students, and teachers met at the entrance of the school at 9:00 am. Sandy Alvarez handed out gloves, and assigned people into groups.

One group was the **Beach Babies and Boy** who covered the shore from Mike and Dallia Andrew's big wooden fishing boat to the trees below Yako Nickoli's house. This group included Marie

Nelson, Tanya Salmon, Mary Hostetter, Shayna Nelson, Joshua Nelson, and Sharolyn Zackar. The **Disheveled Dumpsters**, Michael Andrew, AlexAnna Salmon, Ida Nelson, and Christina Salmon cleaned the trees around the dump. The **Swamp Warriors**, Sandy Alvarez, Jon Salmon, and David Alvarez cleaned the swamps because they had boots. The **Loopy Group**, Julie Salmon, Ponty Askoak, Alicia Zackar, and Jeremy Salmon cleaned the fish and game loop. This included the shores of the fish and game landing. The **PICKER-UPPERS** were Betsy and Dave Hostetter, Tess Hostetter, Angel Alvarez, and April Hostetter. This

group picked up trash around the office.

While everyone picked up trash around the village, the **Madd Cooks** cooked for the school picnic at the Re-chHall. This group included Bernie Gurule, and Jeff and Bonnie Thurston. Dallia Andrew also prepared food ahead of time for the school picnic.



Igiugig Village took only two and a half hours to clean, thanks to the students and teachers of Igiugig School, and volunteers: Julie Salmon, Michael Andrew Jr., Marie Nelson, Betsy

Hostetter, Dave Hostetter, Sandy Alvarez, Annie Wilson, Anecia Olympic, Yako Nickoli, Greg Zackar Jr., John Zackar, and Agafia Nelson. Some people noted that Igiugig wasn't as dirty as last year. Let's all work together to keep our village clean and beautiful!



## ALASKA STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

"Alaska Student Performance Standards" are guidelines adopted by the State to help our schools focus on the abilities our students need to lead a successful life. A book of these standards is available from:

Alaska Department of Education  
801 West Tenth Street  
Juneau, AK 99801-1894

Learning can happen at home as well as at school. To help encourage our students in learning over the summer and at home anytime, try to use some of the following suggestions in daily life.

## ALASKA STANDARDS

**CULTURAL STANDARDS: C. Culturally-knowledgeable students are able to actively participate in various cultural environments.**

- Teach your children how to do subsistence fishing and to, split, hang & smoke fish.
- Take them camping and cook out over open fires.
- Travel with your children and instruct them on getting around in big airports and cities.
- Visit museums and other places that display cultural items from the past.
- Take time to tell stories about your family and that of grandparents and beyond. Use old photo albums and elders to keep their interest.
- Help your children learn appropriate dress and manners for all different situations. (Church, community gatherings, fancy restaurants, outdoor travel, etc.)



# Basic Water Terminology by Ida Nelson, 9th Grade, Igiugig School

We all know what a watershed is, right? You know rivers, lakes, and creeks all leading to one source is a watershed. Now really, a watershed is the drainage and the collection areas for rivers, lakes, streams, wetlands, estuaries, and underlying ground waters. Our watershed encompasses (surround an area) Kvichak River, Pecks Creek, Kaskanak, and Ole Creek.

Watersheds and wetlands are the same, right? No, they are not. Wetlands generally include swamps,

**DRIVER'S TRIVIA ANSWER:** No—the speed limit is the maximum allowed speed. You may drive at a slower speed that is safe for you.

marshes, bogs, wet meadows, river overflow, and mud flats. If we pollute wetlands then we pollute the watersheds that affect everything. Small pollution can grow into a big problem and will cost money. Pollution affects the plants, animals, and the people who live

with in the area. When the watershed is polluted and nobody has paid attention, the pollution will become a very big problem to the village, ecosystem, and Alaska. Can you imagine what might happen? All the fish will die; the animals will migrate from the village and area and it may not be safe for people to live in a polluted area. The amount of money that is needed to help pay for the clean up, and the volunteering that is needed to clean the pollution will be high. Nothing more can explain what might happen if the watershed is destroyed. Everything you see that is so beautiful will be ugly and destroyed. The fishing industries will be poor and all of the animals will become extinct. Nobody will like the place that we live in, we would want our environment to be clean and efficient.

Currently our watershed is pristine and efficient. We would all like to keep it that way so we must remember to not pollute or overuse our water sources.

## Definitions to Parts of a Watershed

By Ida Nelson, 9th Grade, Igiugig School

Riparian areas such as a riverbank on Kvichak.

Pristine head waters where Lake Iliamna drains into Kvichak river.

Wetlands are swamps, bogs, and natural ponds such as skating lake and immediate areas.

Spawning habitat area where fish breed and lay eggs before they would hatch such as Belinda Creek below Big Mountain.

Estuary is a where the Bristol Bay waters meet the Kvichak river below Yellow Creek and above Levelock.

Tributary is a creek (Ole Creek) or stream (Kaskanak River) flows into a bigger river like Kvichak River.

An area of refuge, where habitat is intact and supports variety of fish and wildlife, like the Kvichak flats.

Our watershed is probably one of the best. Everything is functioning correctly and smoothly. However, if we do not watch what we are doing, everything will become a mess. We must remember that prevention is the best solution.

### Fast Facts on a Healthy Watershed

A watershed is well functioned when...

- ~ The streams are clear and cool.
- ~ The trees and tundra are thick and full of life.
- ~ Fish and wildlife are healthy, productive, and diverse.
- ~ Provides cover and food for fish.
- ~ Provides cover and food for wildlife.
- ~ Provides shade and cover to moderate both under water and air temperature( cool in the summer and warm in the winter).
- ~ The banks are well supported by trees and tundra.





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## Weather Watch

May 1 – 25, 2000

Highest Wind Speed . . . 19.7 mph

Average Wind Speed . . . 8.4 mph

Dominant Wind Direction . . . NE

Highest Temperature . . . 67.2°F

Lowest Temperature . . . 26.1°F

Below Freezing . . . 14 days

## Recipe Corner

Contributed by . . . Tanya Jo Salmon

### Apple Bars

Prep: 20 min.; bake 20 min; cool 30 min.  
Makes 3 dozen bars

1 cup packed brown sugar  
¼ cup vegetable oil  
1 large egg  
2 cups all purpose flour or whole wheat flour  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg  
¼ teaspoon ground cloves  
1 ½ cups chopped and peeled cooking apples  
1 cup chopped walnuts  
Spice Glaze (below)

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease bottom and sides or rectangle pan, 13 by 9 by 2 inches, with shorten-

ing.

2. Mix brown sugar, oil, milk, and egg in a large bowl. Stir in flour, baking soda, cinnamon, nutmeg, and cloves. Stir in apples and walnuts. Spread in pan.
3. Bake about 20 minutes or until toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool 30 minutes in pan or on wire rack. Drizzle with Spice Glaze. Cool Completely.

#### Spice Glaze

¾ cup powdered sugar  
¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1 to 2 tablespoons apple juice or milk

Mix all ingredients until smooth and spreadable.

ENJOY! ENJOY! ENJOY!