

Igiugig News & Notes

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Igiugig Road Project

Igiugig is slowly expanding (and this has nothing to do with the population)! Right now, we have another road under construction. This road branches off by Gabe's house, continues behind the village, and ends by Mike and Dallia's.

At seven every morning the employees have a safety meeting at the hangar. They meet there on Mondays-Saturdays. Once the workers get their job assignment, they head off to their "work stations." Currently, there is a total of over 18 people working on this project: Gilbert Andrew, Charlie Nelson, Jason Nowatak, Julie Salmon, Trefim and Michael Andrew, Jackie Nickoli, Paul Cusma, Betsy Hostetter, Johnny Zackar and Greg Zackar, Dean Sprouls, Allen Taug, Al Vance, Travis Woods, Steve Smith, Dan Salmon, and Hans Jensen. Some of these people do anything from "being the boss" to laying tympar to driving the heavy equipment.

This road has already changed Igiugig in small ways; for once there is traffic, drivers have experienced following a speed limit, and Igiugig had their first time traffic flaggers!

Everybody is anxious for the road to be completed so they could actually sleep in on Saturdays and have a new road to wear out!

(For more pictures, see page 5)



Gilbert Andrew, stationed at the North Pit, fills the dumptruck (being driven by Charlie Nelson) with Igiugig's finest dirt. Charlie will empty his load at the construction site to be compacted.



Jackie Nickoli operates the water truck, which frequently drives through the village watering down the roads to lessen dust and drain water that's being pumped from the pit.

Birthdays this month

- July 1
Gregory Zackar, Jr.
- July 8
Ida Nelson
- July 9
David Alvarez
- July 12
Marie Nelson
- July 19
Michael Andrew, Jr.
Betsy Hostetter
- July 22
Johnny Zackar
- July 29
Alicia Zackar

Igiugig Flower Planting

On a buggy Tuesday, June 4th, 2002, Sandy Alvarez led 15 participants in the Igiugig Beautification Project. They planted the flowers which were started from seed in the hangar. Dusty millers, snapdragons, nasturtiums, pansies, daisies, allysums, and an assortment of flowers were planted in the flower boxes on public buildings and around the sign: Welcome to Igiugig.

Prior to the planting, all the flower boxes were fertilized to renew the soil. Participants: Bernadette, Shaun, and Camille Andrew, AlexAnna, Julie, and Jeremy Salmon, Sheryl Wassillie, Alicia and Gregory Zackar, Shayna Nelson, Ida Nelson, Angel and David Alvarez, and Tess and April Hostetter, were broken into littler groups and assigned to different window boxes. After the satellite boxes were planted, people met back at the center to fill in that garden. There were plenty of flowers leftover, which were taken to the hangar and planted in the hanging baskets. That completed the Igiugig Beautification Project for this year.



Sandy Alvarez & Shayna Nelson filling the pumphouse flowerboxes.



Angel Alvarez (l) and April Hostetter (r) planting flowers in the satellite boxes.



We even had help from a VERY pregnant lady: Bernadette Andrew.

Thanks

to the following Donors



Gregory Zackar was eager to help!

VILLAGE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

Cash Contributions

Igiugig Electric Company
Goodfellow Bros., Inc.
Kvichak Enterprises

Time Contributions

Julie Salmon
(planting & care of church flowerbeds)
Lydia Olympic
Sheryl Wassillie
Tess Hostetter



Sheryl Wassillie

With Sincere Appreciation from the Community of Igiugig



Library/Computer Lab News

Our library has seen great new changes, thanks to IMLS. IMLS has done wonders to our small library. We are still in the process of making our library useable for the up coming school year and completing our electronic card cataloging system; I again ask you to be patient with our process. Things are quite tight in the library; we are moving things around to make it "roomier". This month we list more interesting titles for you to look at, since the Summer Reading Club has begun: *Face of the Rising Sun*, *Two Old Women*, *Alaska Wild Berry Guide and Cookbook*, *A Story to Tell*, *Native American Crafts and Skills*, *Little Polar Bear*, *Winter of the Raven*, *The Green Mile*, and *Never Sniff a Gift Fish*. Here is a list of video tapes: *Animal Instincts*, *Matilda*, *The Secret of Nimh* and *How the West was lost*. We also have books on tapes: *The Golden Compass*, *The Plains of Passage*, *The Loop*, *A Beautiful Mind* and *The Fellowship of the Ring*.



Here are some websites that may spark your interest.

www.playhousedisney.com.

Is today a rainy day? Are your children driving you bonkers? This web site is just made for little ones to explore. So, take the time to punch in this website and enjoy your "free" time.

www.gsiboat.com

Wanting a reliable and dependable boat? This website may float you away with some of the prices.

Computer Lab/Library Hours:

Monday-Friday: 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Monday-Saturday: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

The library will be open during these hours for anyone to come in, use the internet or computer, and check out books or videos.

Electrifying News

Extra Electricity Used is extra money out of your Pocket!!!

ELECTRICAL FACTS:

DID YOU KNOW...

...light colored walls and furnishings can save energy by making the room seem lighter and eliminating the need for artificial lighting longer in the day?

...it's really only dark for 5 hours during the night this time of year?

...dust can cause you to use more electricity? On the coils of the refrigerator or freezer it causes the appliance to run longer to cool down. On a light fixture or lamp shade it makes the room seem darker causing you to turn on more lights.

ELECTRICITY SAVING TIPS:

- Keep your coffee in a thermos and save enough money to take a trip to Anchorage. Electric coffee makers take between 800 and 1500kw to operate. Making your coffee will only cost you about 10¢ per pot, but keeping it on all morning will cost you around two dollars a day, or \$60 over the course of the month. By using a thermos or a pot that brews into a thermal carafe, you can change that to about \$6 for a whole month. (That's a savings of \$54 each month or a yearly savings of \$657.)

-Author's tip

Win 100kwh of free electricity and other electrical prizes!

Submit your favorite energy saving tip and get your name entered in a drawing. For each tip submitted to the office and used in the newsletter, a ticket will be added to the drawing bucket on your behalf. The drawing will be held once a year.

19 entries to date!

I want to enter the drawing!

Here's my favorite electricity saving tip:

Name: _____

Drop off your tips to the office or send to Sandy through the Post Office or via e-mail at SJAlvarez@aol.com.

Summer Reading Club Update

The Summer Reading Club is off to a good start. Already the team has reached the first goal of reading 350 books. A ticket for a free pop will be given out at the next meeting on Monday, July 1. Our next benchmark is 750 books, and we will be rewarded with a banana split party. If you haven't already joined, it's not too late! Come to the rec-hall next Monday at 10:30 AM and look at the progress the club has made. As of June 24, 380 books have been read, totaling 20,481 pages!

MOST BOOKS (as of June 24, 2002)

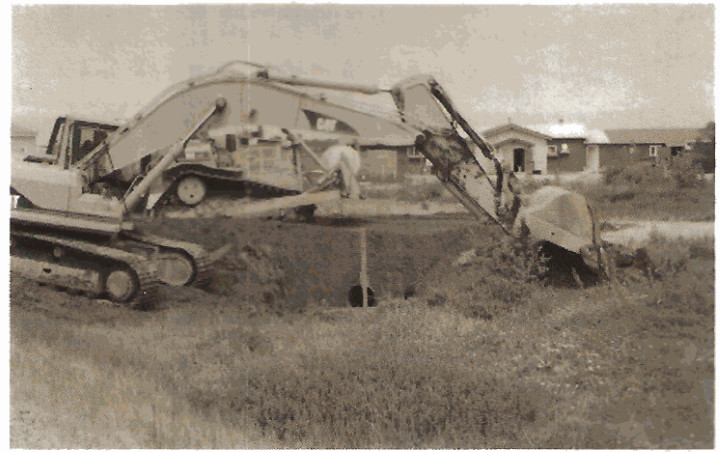
0-3	Kayla Nelson	147
4-7	Shaun Andrew	52
8-18	Mary Hostetter	17
19 & older	Julie Salmon	6

MOST PAGES (as of June 24, 2002)

0-3	Kayla Nelson	4799
4-7	Joshua Nelson	2073
8-18	Mary Hostetter	3606
19 & older	Julie Salmon	2686



Betsy Hostetter, driving the compactor, is compressing the dirt to make it solid for the trucks to drive on.



The workers also replaced our old culverts with new ones. This may end the Igiugig Ice Puddle Classic!

CAMPBELLS LABELS

We have collected a total of
4944



Campbells Labels!!!

Remember you can earn a prize by saving labels and turning them in at the Village Council office.



Tyvar was first laid down on the swamp to prevent sinking. Tref Andrew is driving the dozer, pushing the dirt around.

GARDENERS GOODIES

JULY garden activities:

- ❑ July – Storm Damage Help. Doing the following things can help a plant recover from bad weather situations and produce stronger more resistant growth.
 - Remove badly damaged foliage. The damaged parts probably won't bounce back and removing it will allow the plant to put more energy into new shoots, branches and flowers.
 - Fertilize with a weak solution being sure to mist the leaves as well as soaking the root zone.
 - Provide wind protection prior to the damage if at all possible.
- ❑ Early July — use a water-soluble fertilizer once a week for the next 6-week period when plants have long daylight growing hours and there is no danger of frost. You can use chemical fertilizers such as Miracle Grow, or organic types such as your worm water droppings, fish fertilizer or powdered seaweed. Just be aware that the smell of some of the organic fertilizers may attract dogs or wildlife to your flowerbeds.
- ❑ Early July – Feed your trees or perennial shrubs naturally by burying fish scraps in the drip zone. Each year you can select a new spot on the perimeter of the plant, so only a small section of roots are disturbed each year. The tree will grow new roots into the fertilized area, which will nourish the plant and give it a stronger root system. *Cautions #1 this method is for well-established plants only because it may be too strong for young or tender plants. #2 if you have severe animal problems don't use this method, as they will dig up whatever you bury and probably the plant too.*
- ❑ July – Continue to water plants deeply once or twice weekly rather than watering a little bit daily. This encourages deep, healthy and strong root growth, as well as more drought tolerant plants.
- ❑ July—Lawns
 - Established grass should be mown frequently, so you never cut off more than 1/3 of the plant at a time. Provide it fertilizer—at least once during the summer if it's granular type, or at least once every two to four weeks if it's dissolved in water.
 - New lawns should be watered frequently if there isn't rain, and continue to keep people or animals from walking on the grass until it becomes well established.
 - Mowing grass encourages it to grow stronger roots and to send out underground shoots that will start new plants. (Of course everyone knows how grass spreads underground if they've ever tried to pull up tough beach grass, and followed the runners to every grass clump for 5 feet around!)

REMEMBER those 5R's

Reduce – Refuse – Reuse – Renew – Recycle

Recycle – Make it a point to purchase recycled plastic products such as plant pots, picnic tables, chairs or garden furniture. Many catalogs list these types of products and the more that consumers use such products, the more manufacturers will be encouraged to recycle rather than using new materials.

Reuse – Do you have a leaky teakettle, pot or bucket, old hiking boots with holes or other rustic looking items? They make perfect planters for your flowers and will give that item one more turn to be useful before heading to the dump.



Definitions for gardeners

Root Zone – The area under and around a plant that the roots inhabit. Some plants have very small root zones, while some have large fibrous roots that extend far out from the plant.

Drip Zone – The area around a plant that is just beyond the edge of the foliage. On a tree the drip zone is the ground directly below the farthest extending branches.

Established Grass – This refers to grass that is quite filled out. Each plant will have lots of blades from it, and when you try to pull up a section, it has a large and tangled mass of roots. Young grass on the other hand will have only a few blades and very tender root system.

\$Aluminum can\$ found in the dump...

Contributed by the Environmental Department

The Igiugig Can Crusher Club needs your help. Aluminum cans are showing up in the dump. The news flash is to continue recycling aluminum or the alternative is to pay a higher fee to hire a landfill operator to pick up the aluminum out of the dump.



The Village Council sponsors the Can Crushers Club run by the children of Igiugig. The children's recycling program is part of the Solid Waste Management Plan. Recycling aluminum helps reduce waste going into the open dump-site and the program generates income for the community activity fund. They cannot do it alone. The next time you drink a can of pop, drink it, smash it, and toss it into the recycle bin. The cans are crushed every two weeks. They will accept crushed cans as well. Please bring aluminum cans and foil to the white shed at the dump.

Thank you for your cooperation. Your help is greatly appreciated, it will help in making a better use of our resources and cut down the size of the existing dump.

Did you know?

One single can takes 500 years to disintegrate.

Did you know that throwing aluminum into the landfill is the same as throwing away \$money\$?

Recycling conserves valuable resources and saves energy. Each time the students recycle a can they save 95% of the energy needed to make a new can from raw materials. Valuable resources such as coal and bauxite ore, is used to produce aluminum, which is conserved when aluminum is recycled. The energy produced from one aluminum can will keep a 100-watt light bulb on or run your T.V. for 3-1/2 hours, which is equal to 1/2 a gallon of gas. So, the next time you drink out of an aluminum can, remember to put it in the recycle bin.



Igiugig Open Dump Closure

By: The Environmental Department

In Alaska, open dumps are not in compliance with the Department of Environmental Conservation. Therefore, the Tribal Council is slowly but surely receiving monies to close the Igiugig Open Dump, under the Tribal Open Dump Cleanup Project. The open dump poses many environmental and safety hazards to the residents of Igiugig, businesses, and tourists in our village



because of the close proximity to the school, airport and the Kvichak River. Hazards include: child safety issues; no control of access; no lockable gate; no fence; no control of insects and bears; air quality problems such as open burning, which is a fire hazard and pollution problem; water quality contamination; hazard to rainbow trout spawning grounds; no burn box or incinerator to reduce waste in a safer environment.

Closing the open dump has been a long and tedious process. It has been a number one priority of the Igiugig Tribal Village Council (ITVC) for the last twenty years. The Tribal

Council took many steps to close this open dump.

- This year, the Village completed construction of the new road connecting the Village to its newly constructed solid waste dump-site.
- With grant funding awarded to ITVC by the Bureau of Indian Affairs Water Resources Management and Planning Program, monitoring wells were installed at various locations near the open dump-site in June and July, 2000. Water quality data was collected and are currently being analyzed.
- Funds were acquired from last years grant application to the Tribal Solid Waste Inter-agency Workgroup. They are currently being used to develop the Igiugig Village Dump Closure Plan.
- The Village Environmental Program has developed a comprehensive recycling program.
- The Village has established a used oil/lead acid battery station.

Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Environmental Conservation, Department of Transportation, and Indian Health Service have all strongly recommended that the site be closed to solid waste dumping.

The Tribal Council is ready to close the old dump-site and turn it into a recreational park where the children can play baseball, and where elders and visitors can take nature walks in safety. This will result in numerous benefits to every member of the community.

WALK TO BE FIT

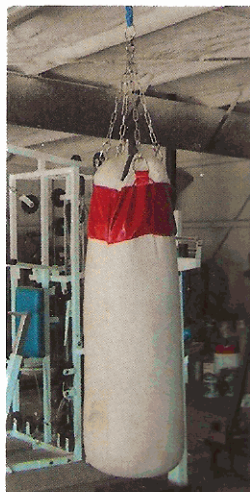
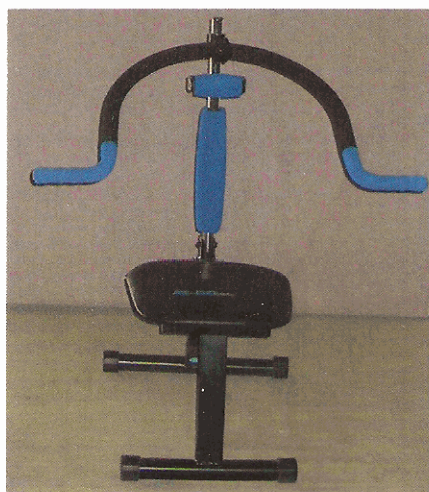
Exercise in whatever way works the best for you. Physical activity of any sort is beneficial to your body and can add quality time to your life. The things you do each day can be called work or called play, but if it makes your muscles even mildly stiff, it's more exercise than you're used to. Strolling on the beach while watching kids swim, carrying fish from the substance net, hauling dirt to your garden areas, walking the dog, biking, playing ball games, kick the can or tag, walking rather than riding short distances when running errands all qualify as activity that will benefit your overall physical health.

IDEAS!

- #1 ~ **T**ake a photo tour. On a bright sunny day, grab your camera and tour the village looking for photo opportunities of things that you enjoy—kids, flowers, trees, old buildings or other scenic items. These could be useful to make into cards, send to far away relatives, or just to use as reminders of summer during the cold days of winter.
- #2 ~ **W**alk the whole new road and check out things from a new perspective.
- #3 ~ **T**ake a walk with someone who is visiting the village or who only comes in the summertime.
- #3 ~ **S**pend a few hours lifting fish on and off the cutting table and onto drying racks. (If you don't do fish yourself, go help someone else who does, just for the exercise.)

Total **V**illage **M**ileage through May is 20,670.

KEEP ON WALKING!



Come up to the hangar and try exercising with our new equipment. De-flab your abs with our Ab-doer, take out your anger on our punching bag, and use the ankle weights during your next walk!

Personal Totals Since Mar. 00

John	2214
Annie	1298
Sandy	1101
Joshua	1070
Shayna	1016
Lydia	859
Marie	855
Yako	744
Mary	740
Dallia	690
Kayla	583
AlexAnna	490
Alice	472
Tanya	467
Ida	427
Michael	427
David	421
Bernadette	420
Dan	416
Angel	412
Shaun	357
Julie	352
Charlie	351
Betsy	308
Jonathan	270
April	240
Alicia	238
Jeremy	189
Sharolyn	168
Tess	155
Camille	145
Kevin	140
Pete	75
Bonnie	20

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Weather Watch

June 1-27

Highest Wind Speed . . . 72 mph

Average Wind Speed . . . 10.5 mph

Dominant Wind Direction . . . ENE

Highest Temperature . . . 86.8°F

Lowest Temperature . . . 37.5°F

Recipe Corner

Contributed by . . . Bernadette Andrew

NEIMAN-MARCUS COOKIES

INGREDIENTS:

2 cups butter
24 oz. chocolate chips
4 cups flour
2 cups brown sugar
2 tsp. soda
1 tsp. salt
2 cups sugar
1 - 8 oz. Hershey Bar (grated)
5 cups blended oatmeal
4 eggs
2 tsp. baking powder
2 tsp. vanilla

3 cups chopped nuts (your choice)

PROCEDURE:

Measure oatmeal, and blend in a blender to a fine powder. Cream the butter and both sugars. Add eggs and vanilla, mix together with flour, oatmeal, salt, baking powder, and soda. Add chocolate chips, Hershey Bar, and nuts.

Roll into balls, and place two inches apart on a cookie sheet.

Bake for 10 minutes at 375 degrees. Makes 112 cookies. (Recipe may be halved)