

Hoonah Schools Newsletter

May 2015

Kayaaní Dísi: the month when grass starts to sprout



Class of 2015 Graduates

Congratulations to the Hoonah High School Graduating Class of 2015: Torsten Skaflestad, Samantha Wright, Tori Dalton, Rachel White, Jacob Bean and Hannah Jewell Wagner. The graduates were awarded their diplomas on May 22th. Class speakers were Salutatorian Torsten Skaflestad and Valedictorian Hannah Jewell Wagner. The seniors had invited Pete and Rory Schneeberger to be their Commencement speakers. Tori Dalton was awarded the High School Citizenship Award. The graduates received scholarships and gifts, including quilts made by the 5th-6th grade class. See page four to find out about their plans for after high school.



Above: How Time Flies! Rachel, Torsten and Tori as Headstart graduates. This is reprinted from our Hoonah Schools Newsletter May 2002 issue. Thank you to Edna Skaflestad for the photo.



Congrats to Kobe Rutherford

The U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland will be receiving one of our students for a week-long experience this summer. Hoonah High School eleventh grader Kobe Jay Rutherford has applied and been accepted for the 2015 Summer Session at the Academy in Annapolis. Out of 8,000 applicants, Kobe was one of the 2,000 students accepted to this elite program. Kobe leaves June 4th for Annapolis, and will have one foot in the Academy door after graduation from high school. Way to Go Kobe! The Rutherford family wants to thank everyone for the support and encouragement they gave to Kobe when he was applying for this outstanding adventure.

Superintendent's Message

School is Out for Summer

No matter what happens during a school year, when the last day comes with students it is a sad time. Everyone on Hoonah City School's staff wonders where the time went. Students of course are joyful to regain some freedom, enjoy the fresh air, and let their minds and bodies play. However, as I write to you, the school is hollow missing that wonderful learning energy.



This is a time to give thanks.

- Gunalchéesh Families for supporting our activities, our teachers, our learning needs.
- Gunalchéesh to HIA for being a great partner this year.
We are excited about working together to enhance our student's cultural knowledge.
- Gunalchéesh to the City of Hoonah. While we may have hoped for some extra financial support this next year, we are thankful for the strong working relationship we are building. We are so very thankful for our ability to transition the Natatorium to the City.
- Gunalchéesh to Kenya and Jeremiah for assuring that the pool is maintained and loved this whole year. I know how much work you both do every day to keep all of us safe.
- Gunalchéesh to all of our teachers. To those who are leaving Hoonah Schools, Dock, Kelli, John, Darlene, Amy, Sarah, MaryJane, Candy, Michelle, Telena, your spirit will be missed. We all wish you the best at everything you do in the future.
- Gunalchéesh to Anne Sharclane for all of the love and attention she has given to our primary students and staff. Hopefully she will return to HCS in a new position.
- Gunalchéesh to Amelia and Casey for offering library services. In these fiscally tough times, the library sometimes becomes expendable. Hoonah students value their library and Mayor Skaflestad understands how important it is to maintain a public library. In the fall our PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS WILL BE CHANGED. Our Esther Greenwald Public Library will be open from 4-8 PM. During the school day the library is the school library....shhhhh....students are

learning. Amelia and Casey will keep the public library open this summer with the usual hours.

- Gunalchéesh to our Hoonah City School Board. It is not an easy position to hold, requires lots of work and even homework, and yet without them we don't have a public school.
- Gunalchéesh to our exceptional Principal who has worked very hard to be creative about how to keep students in school and more importantly in supporting them toward graduation. Thank you, Miss Lorrie.
- Gunalchéesh to Amy, Ladonna, Kaz, Ray, Heather, Judy, Doug, Corbin, and Morgan who are the folks that keep everything moving, take countless phone calls, and do it for the love of all students.

In August please plan to welcome our new staff. We also would like to work with our partners HIA, Huna Totem, and other agencies to get the money for a new playground. It is time!

We do not inherit the Earth from our Ancestors, we borrow it from our Children. Be safe, gather warmth and food, laugh long and hard.

*PJ
Superintendent PJ Ford Slack, Ph.D.*

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3rd Quarter Honor Roll 2014-2015

"A" Honor Roll for students with a Grade Point Average of 3.33 - 4.0

Middle School	High School
Kaylahni Bidiman	Krissy Lockabey
Liyah Jewell	Jordan McLuckie
Zada Michel	Morgan Stevenson
Gabriella Comolli	Hannah Jewell
Leticia Skaflestad	Qiang Liu
Josh Wright	Alaska Skaflestad

"B" Honor Roll for students with a Grade Point Average of 3.00 - 3.32

Sophia Henry	Kobe Rutherford
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**Mark Your Calendars
School Begins
Wednesday, August 19, 2015**



Dear HCS Families and Friends,

As we approach the end of yet another school year, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your help, support and interest this year. We have had another very

busy and successful year in school and you, as partners in the education of your children and young adults, deserve much of the credit for that.

As many of you know, Hoonah City Schools, along with every other public school in Alaska is facing a huge funding cut. As we prepare for next year and less funding we have had to make some necessary adjustments to staffing and other expenditures. One change is students will be asked to bring a few more school supplies in August. You will be receiving the list in the mail this month and we will also post it on bulletin boards around town. In addition, we have had to reconfigure classroom combinations to meet the needs of the students with fewer faculty members. I will share more information once we know our actual funding from the State and we can make final decisions. Giving our students the best opportunity for success is always what guides my decisions and the staff and I will work together to make sure students get the education they deserve despite the cuts.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy, safe and enjoyable summer. I hope you all have many opportunities to get out and play with and enjoy your children and teenagers. And please don't forget to encourage them to read this summer. I look forward to seeing all of you around town. The first day of school for the 2015-2016 school year is August 19.

Warmly,
Lorrie Scoles, Principal

School Board News

As the 2014/2015 school year winds to a close, your board of education is making plans for the fall.

During our April meeting, Jordan McLuckie, our student representative, made a presentation on drug testing for students who participate in co-curricular activities. She presented data that had been gathered by the student

government regarding HCS student attitudes and opinions regarding drugs, and she also gave us information about drug testing policies that have been adopted by other school districts in Southeast. Board members were favorably impressed by the students' work, and the board intends to follow up on what surely would be a controversial policy by holding student and public forums early next fall.

In late September or early October we plan to have a public workshop on board policy. Our goal is to enlist members of the community and school staff in order to review our entire policy manual over the course of a weekend. This process will enable us to delete policies that are no longer relevant to our district, to re-word those policies that need revision, and to adopt new policies.

Also slated for the fall is a work session to adopt a new strategic plan. Our current plan was adopted in 2012, so it's time to take a fresh look at our plan to best serve our students.

Please feel free to call me at 945-3307 or email me at hutton99829@gmail.com if you are interested in helping your board to revise policy or to create a new strategic plan.

As always, any member of the community is welcome to contact me at any time to discuss concerns regarding the school. I'm here to listen, and I promise to address your concerns promptly.

Bob Hutton, School Board President

**Fourth Quarter/Second Semester
Honor Roll 2014-2015**

***"A" Honor Roll for students with a Grade Point
Average of 3.33 - 4.00***

Middle School

- Kaylahni Bidiman - Qt/Sem
- Liyah Jewell - Sem
- Gabriella Comolli - Qt/Sem
- Leticia Skaflestad - Qt/Sem

High School

- Johnny Hinchman - Qt
- Krissy Lockabey - Qt/Sem
- Alaska Skaflestad - Qt/Sem
- Kelsey Thein - Qt/Sem
- Jordan McLuckie - Qt/Sem
- Morgan Stevenson - Qt/Sem
- Jacob Bean - Qt/Sem
- Hannah Jewell - Qt/Sem "B"

***"B" Honor Roll for students with a Grade Point
Average of 3.00 - 3.32***

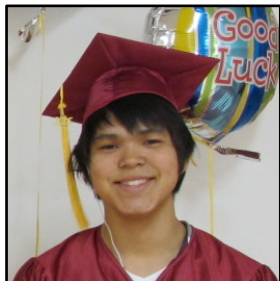
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| Aiyanna Williams - Qt | Daylon Skaflestad - Qt/Sem |
| Robert Wilkin - Qt/Sem | Kobe Rutherford - Qt/Sem |
| Edward Williams - Qt/Sem | Tori Dalton - Qt/Sem |
| Josh Wright - Qt/Sem | |

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Graduating Seniors Make Plans for the Future

The six members of the Hoonah High School graduating class were asked recently about what they plan to do after high school. Here are their answers:

Jacob Bean was inspired by a visit to AVTEC in Seward, and has decided he would like to go there to learn several different trades: welding/heavy equipment, plumbing, carpentry and diesel mechanics.

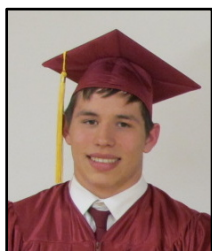


Tori Dalton said that she plans to attend the University of Alaska Fairbanks and study art.



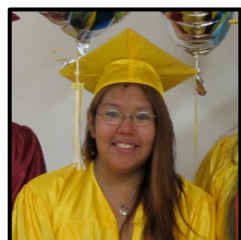
Hannah Jewell Wagner is going to spend the summer in Gustavus, then return to Hoonah to work in the fall. She will go to Anchorage in the fall of 2016 to attend UAA.

Torsten Skaflestad's plan is to attend Southern Oregon Community College in Coos Bay, Oregon. He will go into pre-med there, and also turn out for wrestling.



Rachel White intends to take on-line college classes next fall, with hopes to go to UAS in January.

Samantha Wright said that she will work at the Cold Storage this summer, and find a different job in the fall, possibly in Juneau.



Goodbye and Gunalchéesh

As this year ends, we say goodbye not only to our high school graduates, but also to a number of HCS staff who will be leaving the district. We thank the following people for all they have done for our district in the time they have worked here. We wish them the best in their futures.

Sarah Papke came here in the fall of 2010; for the past five years she has been the music teacher for all grade levels, and has also taught math at several levels. She coached the high school cross-country running team for two years. Ms. Papke is going to Pittsburg to work on a Masters in Computational Math at Duquesne University.

Michelle Amundson has been the 5-6 teacher for the past five years. Ms. Michelle, as the kids call her, began the tradition of giving quilts to the graduating seniors. She also took her class to Glacier Bay as part of the First Bloom grant for four years. She made button dance blankets with her students, and that class now has four blankets in their own collection.

Maryjane Hadaway has been the special education teacher in the elementary school for the past four years. She has coached the Rifle Team as an extra-curricular activity for the middle school students for two years. Ms. Hadaway will be going to work in Soldotna next year.

John Mullet has taught math at the secondary and middle school level for the past four years, and sponsored the student government group.

Amy Diem was the Director of Parents as Teachers last year, and this year was the lead teacher in the Pre-school, as well as the Director of the Pre-school and Tots Program.

Dock Blastic has spent two years here as the special education teacher at the secondary level. He also coached wrestling for one year.

Candy Aderman came in as a long-term sub when Michelle Amundson was on leave the last two months of the school year. Mrs. Aderman was also the 7-8 teacher last year.

Telena Sharclane has been one of the K-2 classroom teachers this year. She will be living in Juneau next year.

Dianne Sullivan was the teacher in the 7th-8th grade class. She also taught HS Culinary Arts and Strategy Games as an elective for grades 5-8. She has taken a job teaching in Gustavus for next year.

Darlene See, part of the PAT staff, will be leaving the school district, but will remain in Hoonah. She has taken a position with HIA, and plans to work closely with the school on cultural education.

Library News



SUMMER HOURS

The library will be open 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday -- Saturday.

Bring the kids! We have board games, a kid's computer with children's games pre-loaded, a children's area, activities and books available for all ages. The Summer Reading program will provide weekly fun for your kids as well!

Internet access. The library has 8 public use computers and we offer free wireless.

Borrow Movies. We have a variety of videos and DVDs available for checking out.

A Gathering Place. The library is a great place to meet with friends. Whether you are just visiting, playing a board game, card game or taking an online class, the library is your community center.

Check out a book. We have books on almost any subject you want. And if we don't have it, we can order it from another library through our Interlibrary Loan program. We also get new books almost monthly.

***Gene Tagaban**, "One Crazy Raven" is a teller of stories that teach, entertain and heal. Through oratory, song, dance, movement and transformation Gene tells stories to audiences of all ages nationally and internationally. Gene visited Hoonah in April and volunteered to do a community show. He gave a great performance with lots of laughs for all.*

Parent Lending Library – Bags with several books at your child's reading level are available to check out from the library. This is an easy way to get books at your child's level and help them to practice reading and become a more successful reader. As their reading improves you can check out a higher level.

Change in Hours in Fall --When school reopens in August, the library's public hours will be different: we will be open to the public from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. with earlier hours reserved for students.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2015

June 17 – July 22 Wednesdays 11 am – Noon

Children can come to the library for a story and craft. Each week when the child checks out a book they will get a prize. The theme of the summer reading program is Heroes! We will have fun exploring different types of heroes.



Math Camp Opportunity: Huna Heritage Foundation, in partnership with Sealaska Heritage Institute, will be hosting a Math-In-A-Basket day camp on August 3th -7th for Junior High students in Hoonah. Students will learn culturally-based math through basketry, weaving and formline. For applications please contact Sarah Dybdahl at sarahdybdahl@hunaheritage.com or (907) 789-8581.

Students going into grades 6 through 8 will be given priority, but if there is space, students in other grades may be able to participate.

Journey to Homeland 2015: Dundas and Taylor Bays



On a rocky outcrop at the head of Dundas Bay, students, instructors and culture bearers relaxed in the sun after several miles of hiking. “Why this place?” Wayne Howell, former National Park Service (NPS) archaeologist asked, gesturing toward the surrounding landscape. “Why did your ancestors choose Xákwnoowú as a settlement and fort site?” Prepared by weeks in both Earth Science and Alaska History

classes, students listed the attributes that likely drew people to the high bluff: ready access to the salmon resources of nearby rivers and the marine resources of Cross Sound, protection from the elements, and excellent visibility to guard against outside raids. They wondered out loud how fresh water was hauled up the steep slope – and just who might have had to haul it. Wayne reminded the students that years before, other Hoonah high school youth participating in an NPS archaeological survey had discovered artifacts – a stone maul, an arrow point, a partially honed stone flake – right where they were sitting. Students guessed that these tools might have belonged to the Xákwnoowúkeidi, people who figure prominently in a traditional story they had read in class, “The Man Who Killed His Sleep.”



This moment – part of a three day journey to Dundas and Taylor Bays – was carefully planned by Hoonah City School staff Stephanie Harold, Ben McLuckie, and Lorrie Scoles; National Park Service anthropologist Mary Beth Moss; contractors Richard Carstensen (Discovery Southeast), Kathy Hocker, Wayne Howell, and Paula Savikko; and culture bearers Marlene Johnson, Gordon Greenwald, and Darlene See. The event was the culmination of several months of pre-trip curricula sponsored by the National Park Service and Hoonah City Schools with assistance from Hoonah Indian Association. For the third year, these partners, with the assistance of community elders and culture bearers, have planned and implemented school-based programs focused on encouraging Hoonah youth to explore their history and culture through both western and traditional means. The programs are intended to build upon, rather

than replace, previous annual Glacier Bay trips to Marjerie Glacier.

This year, the charter vessels *Valkyrie* and *Glacier Seal* and the NPS vessel *Foglark* converged in Dundas Bay on May 12th. A group of 26 people pulled off fleece sweaters in the warm sun, preparing for what proved to be a long, warm day of hiking the beach, muskeg, forest, and riverbank. Charged with “observing, thinking, and wondering,” students examined the tracks of bears and wolves to determine their gait, identified plants described in traditional stories, studied landforms, sampled wild edibles, and learned about cedar bark and spruce root harvest techniques. In the thick forests near the Dundas River cemetery, Austin, Kelsey and Cecilia used tree-corers to determine when humans might have stripped the bark of culturally modified trees (or CMT’s) for food, tinder, or shelter shingles. And amidst the cemetery headstones, students stood in respectful silence as Darlene sang a poignant chant for the ancestors who rested nearby.

As the tide filled sloughs the students had easily jumped just hours before, friends helped each other ford the rising water and encouraged tired peers to keep the pace. Exhausted and hungry, the campfire and evening meal on the beach capped a challenging, but rewarding day.

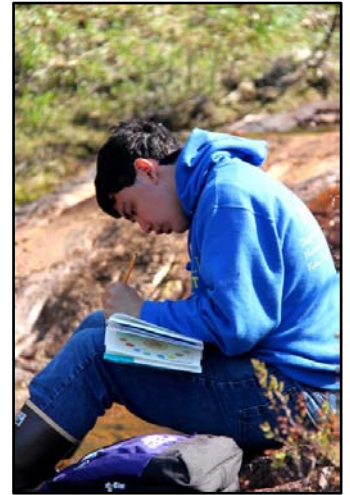




On the second morning, the vessels travelled the short distance from Dundas to Taylor Bay, anchoring in the quiet waters of Fern Harbor. Another warm and sunny morning inspired the group as they established a campsite village of tents, then headed off to explore the overland passageway between the two adjacent bays. The somewhat gentler hike allowed more time for reflection, sketching, stream splashing, exploring, and relaxing. A second campfire served as a setting for traditional songs and fire bowl ceremony that evening. Just before pulling themselves into sleeping bags, a hardy group braved the calm, but cold

waters of Fern Harbor.

On the journey home the following day, the vessels wove through the Inian Islands, the site of ancestral stories as well as more recent commercial fishing histories. Elder Marlene Johnson shared details of Hoonah's history and encouraged the students to be proud of their heritage and strive to be change makers within the community. Her conversation captured the concept of Haa Shagoon, the connection of Tlingit past, present, and hopes for the future.



While focused on understanding how the Glacier Bay landscape shaped, and in turn was shaped by, the Huna Tlingit, both classroom and field trip experiences explored diverse scientific, cultural, and historical topics. Students learned mapping techniques; explored landforms and geological forces; identified the criteria their Huna ancestors used to select settlement sites; read and compared traditional stories associated with Glacier Bay; examined artifacts for clues about Huna history; and sketched landforms, artifacts, and natural elements. Elders visited the classrooms to share about Tlingit protocol and partnerships and field trips to the Tribal House carving shed and Spaski provided other opportunities to learn from elders and consultants.

Thank you to Mary Beth Moss for this article. Photos were taken by Mary Beth and by Ben McLuckie.

Future Educators of Alaska Club

Seven Hoonah students attended the Future Educators of Alaska Academy in Juneau for three days in late March. They joined approximately 75 students from other schools throughout Alaska. The students attended meetings and workshops and toured the UAS campus, meeting with faculty and students from UAS. Students were able to learn from local cultural knowledge bearers, attend a resume-writing workshop and participate in mock interviews. All of the Hoonah club participants did an amazing job on this trip and we received many compliments on their behavior, maturity level and active participation. The goal of the Future Educators is growing our own educators. The advisor of this group is Amelia Wilson.



Photo: back row: Edward Williams, Ethan Ruerup, Robert Wilkin, Josh Wright, Amelia Wilson, Ofelia Sheakley, Trevor Hill. Front: Pearl Sharclane, Aiyanna Williams, Arianna Hinchman

Heritage Celebration Ku.éex'

The HCS 25th annual Heritage Celebration Ku.éex' was held April 17th. Seventh graders Aiyanna Williams and Zada Michel spoke for all the Raven students as they welcomed everyone. Sixth grader Ethan Ruerup gave the Eagle response. We had a larger-than-usual crowd this year, with a catamaran of students and adults coming over from Juneau for the day. The large crowd of community members and visitors were an appreciative audience as the students made speeches and entertained with music, dancing and skits. We received many positive comments afterwards from proud relatives and friends.



Candy Keown photo

The Raven hosts served a delicious lunch of halibut and salmon, herring eggs and berries. Families, school staff, and other community members had donated money and food items to help to make the event possible. Some guests might have noticed some náayadi on their plate. That came from Cathy and Don Bolton---gunalchéesh! Some elders were also treated to smoked sealmeat, courtesy of Arely and Sam Wright. Thanks to these and many other donations, the Raven students were able to hand out gifts of jarred food, trail mix and dried seaweed (gunalchéesh to Owen James & Mary Beth Moss and Sarah Lampe for seaweed.)

After lunch, the Juneau visitors entertained the crowd with a wonderful song and dance performance. The students who came over from Juneau were from Glacier Valley and Harborview Elementary Schools. The Glacier Valley group

was under the direction of Hans Chester; the Harborview teachers were Shgen George and Michelle Martin. Having our visitors here this year helped to make our annual event even more special. Gunalchéesh to Nakil.aan Hans Chester for organizing the trip.

His comment: "What an honor to be a part of the 25th school koo.éex' - the efforts of our grandparents is paying off now in our schools. Our language and culture are strengthened through efforts like this - and it fosters the children in so many ways. Gunalchéesh haa yiy.eex'í - Thank you for inviting us!" - *Naakil.aan Hans Chester*

And a comment made by several of the Juneau students: "The Hoonah trip was the best - I loved dancing for them!"

Many adult volunteers helped this year, in the days leading up to the ku.éex' as well as during the event itself. Following is a list of names of those who helped in some way. We sincerely apologize if we have omitted any names from our list.

We have set **April 29, 2016** as the tentative date for next year's event, which will be our 26th annual ku.éex'. Eagle students will be the hosts in 2016.

Gunalchéesh to all those who helped make our ku.éex' a success.

People who made donations:

Marian & Charles Kingsland
 Karen S. Mills
 Mary Beth Moss & Owen James
 Wilma & Randy Davis
 Marlene Duvall
 Dee & George Westman
 John & Nicki Shelton
 Frank & Daphne Wright
 Glen & Lenora Johnson
 Mike Miller
 Don & Kathy Bolton
 MaryJane Hadaway
 Pete & Rory Schneeberger
 George & Hattie Dalton
 Jerry Ann Gray
 Genevieve Cook Candy Aderman

Jera & Jason Goins
 Glenda & Bob Hutton
 Arely & Sam Wright
 Karen Hinchman
 Debbie Picken
 Carol Williams
 Nyung Dinh
 Jennifer Bidiman
 Vernon Hill
 Melvin Williams
 Phyllis Tischer
 Kendra Hill
 Marti & Jack Lee
 PJ Ford Slack
 Dottie Johanson
 Sarah Lampe

Paul & Sally Dybdahl
 Johanna Iverson
 Linda Belarde



The Juneau visitors sang as they arrived in Hoonah on the catamaran.



Headstart Class

Candy Keown photo

Businesses that made donations

Hoonah Trading Company Chipper Fish Hoonah Cold Storage

Gunalchéesh to volunteers who pitched in to help with various tasks before, during or after the event:

Karen Mills	Sally Dybdahl	Linda Belarde	Marti Lee	Teresa McConnell
Marilyn Wolfe	Wilma Davis	Bob Hutton	Glenda Hutton	Jen Bidiman
Amy Diem	Judy Bitz	Sarah Lampe	MaryJane Hadaway	
Heather Powell	Stormy Powell	Mary Beth Moss	Ofelia Sheakley	

Gunalchéesh for working with the Middle School on singing and dancing: Amelia Wilson, Heather Powell, Marjorie Dick, Cristina Contreras, Kari Ames

Gunalchéesh for language support: Genevieve Cook, Ruth Demmert, Goldbelt Heritage Foundation, Sealaska Heritage Institute

Gunalchéesh for working on two new crest designs for our stage decorations: Sally Dybdahl, Karen Mills, Ethan Ruerup, Cooper Ross, Gabby Comolli, and Leticia Skaflestad; special gunalchéesh to Darlene See for being our art advisor as well as a primary painter (along with Ethan.) Sally and Karen also worked on medallions, regalia repair, and whatever else needed doing.



Gunalchéesh to the High School Culinary Class and their teacher Dianne Sullivan for making blueberry jam, raspberry jam, and blueberry juice to give to guests. In the photo, left, Hannah Jewell Wagner and Kelsey Thein are making blueberry jam. Others in the class were Mary Jack, Alaska Skaflestad and Austin Martuscelli.

Gunalchéesh for sharing many beautiful photographs: Tesh Gray, Candy Keown, and Terry Fiske. Their photos will be used on photoboards to be displayed at school for years to come. Gunalchéesh to our many past photographers, some of whom are: Phyllis Bach, Tina Dinzl-Pederson, Michelle Amundson, Jordan Hunsley, Stephanie Andersson (from Sweden), Rafeal Curiel and Mary Beth Moss.

NW Coast Art Elective

One of the elective classes offered during second semester to the students in grades 5-6-7-8 was Northwest Coast Art. In this class, students beaded a piece of regalia, made drums, had an introduction to formline, and painted their designs either on paper or on their drums. Instructors in this class were Carol Williams, who taught beading; Darlene See, drum-making; and Carrie Lindoff, who taught formline art. Gunalchéesh to Sherri Anderson for the donation of acrylic paints.



Drum-makers from left: Pearl Sharclane, Gary Glover, Dakota Garrison, Sofia Henry, Liyah Jewell, Hannah Jewell Wagner, Carol Williams. Not pictured, but also in the class was Erica Goins. Gunalchéesh to Darlene See for the photo.



Tesh Gray photo



Photos: 1 Dakota wearing her new headband at the ku.éex'. 2. Erica painting her formline design. 3. Dakota's finished drum.



These two pieces of writing were done as part of a lesson within the Glacier Bay Curriculum which emphasized the study and analysis of oral history compared to the written accounts of Europeans.

The Last Thoughts of a French Sailor in Lituya Bay, 1786

By: Krissy Lockabey



Today is July 13th and the weather is exquisite. The white clouds that pepper the sky lie flat and are nothing like cotton balls. Our commander has directed us to an exploration of the mouth of the bay.

Myself and 20 of my comrades embarked on our mission at ten minutes before six. We climbed into two of our lifeboats and started our voyage to the mouth. The trees were a beautiful dark green, and the water inside the bay was smooth and calm, enabling it to mirror the surrounding landscape. Our commander on the boats said that we were not to get too close to the head of the bay for the breakers (waves) would be too much for us and our small boats to handle. Thus, we arrived at the idea of having breakfast on the rocky terrain of the beach.

After rowing for about an hour, a strong current pulled us closer to the rising breakers as we tried to prevent them from swallowing us whole. One wave swept over the side of the boat, sloshing around in the bottom, making my heartbeat a little faster. The saltwater swirling over my feet made me quite distraught and nervous. Then the currents successfully separated our two pinnacles. My fear of catastrophe grew.

Now we cannot see the other boat until it is picked up by a large swell. When it goes back down, we lose sight of it once again and continue to get hammered and thrashed around by the big destructive waves. More and more water is collecting in the bottom of the boat, sinking us lower and lower into the ocean. One last wave wipes us all over and into the crystal water.

Most of us can't swim, not that it would matter with the water conditions so rough and dominating. Many of us try to cling to the boat for our lives. However, with the waves pounding into it and all of us men hanging the sides, it quickly begins to sink, leaving us to fend for ourselves against these relentless waters. Now all of our hope is gone. There is no chance to be saved by a break in the water or by the other boat. With nothing left to hold onto, the sea and fresh water take up the air in my lungs. Waves relentlessly crash on top of me, sounding like crackling thunder in my eardrums. I no longer have the strength to swim above the water. I have a searing ache in my head. Feeling death's grasp upon me, I stop struggling. My last vision is of the mesmerizing blue sky, dark green shapes, gray gulls flying by without a care in the world and my fellow men lifeless and pale. I soon become one of the many other bodies to float to the bottom, never be found by another man.

Ka nax ti (the Rock at the Mouth of Lituya Bay)

By Alaska Skaflestad

It was just another day sitting in my domain; with the *héen* bouncing off of me while the current quickened itself. I went through the usual day, saying hello to *Ch'áak'*, *Yéil*, and the *T'á* that had come and gone. I said hello to *Xóots*, to *Guwakaan* and to *Gagaan*, who visited me every morning.



I sat right in the entrance of *Ltu.áa*, watching the humans who had barely made it around my body earlier, prepare on *Dei Keex X'a Ka*. The People of the Sea stood around the edges of the *neech* to watch.

Quickly, *déix yaakw* of the *Dleit Káa* pushed off the island rowing towards me. As they got closer their sounds became louder, yet I couldn't understand many. Their words were much different from ours, and that brought curiosity to our spirits.

As the distance between us decreased, *Ltu.áa* awoke. *Xóots*, *Guwakaan*, *Yéil* and *Ch'áak'* emerged from the Forest. Sun had told Wind of the *Dleit Káa*, and Wind had brought Sea to look at our new arrivals. All were murmuring, "*Daa sáyá?*" "Who?" "Who? Tell us *Ka nax ti!*" I stayed silent.

The *Dleit Káa* approached the entrance of *Ltu.áa*, little sticks were placed in their hands scribbling away on white, thin, papers. Yelling and laughing of joy came from their *Yaakw*, but soon that all stopped.

A deep rumble came from behind me.

"He's mad," I said to the *Aasgutú*, our *aas* started to snap and bend, trying to escape the soil. *Xóots*, *Guwakaan*, *Ch'áak'*, *Yéil* and The People of the Sea rushed into *Aasgutú* for protection. We knew what was coming, but they didn't. Our spirits howled towards them,

"Go, hide! You aren't safe!"

The *Dleit Káa* couldn't hear us; they were too in awe of *Ltu.áa*. Before they could react it was all too late. *Kaa Lituyah* ran his waves passed me, almost rolling my frame over. His waves were swift and heavy, full of secrets of untold wisdom. He carried himself forward, about to pounce on the new foreigners. His moves increased with every fluent roll.

"CaSplash!"

All had gone silent, *Kaa Lityuah* had finished his untold duty, leaving 21 struggling *Káa* to their deaths.

Héen – water

Ch'áak' – Eagle

T'á – King Salmon

Guwakaan – Deer

Neech – shoreline

Yaakw – Canoes

Dleit Káa – White men or white

Aas – trees

Daa – body

Ka nax ti – Rock

Yéil – Raven

Xóots – Brown Bear

Gagaan – Sun

Déix – Two

Aasgutú – Forest

Daa sáyá – What is this?

Hello From K-2!

Wow! We've certainly been busy these past few months! In April, we spent weeks preparing for our Ku.éex' performance. On the day of the performance, all the students dressed up in their regalia and sang and danced with such spirit and pride. We also had about a hundred students and adults come from Juneau to join in our celebration. The singing, the dancing, and the delicious native foods were all unforgettable. It was a marvelous event! Special



Candy Keown photo

thanks to everyone who helped organize the event and to everyone that participated.

After the Ku.éex' our students began learning about the scientific process and conducting "eggsperiments" for the Science Fair on May 7th. Both K-2 classrooms came together to work on our Science Fair

projects. Since we had started a "farm" theme early in April, we decided that it would be fun to try out a few experiments with eggs. Our first experiment involved soaking a raw egg in vinegar and another in water to see what would happen. After just a few days, the shell on the egg soaked in vinegar dissolved and you could see the clear membrane and yolk sak. The students had a lot of fun poking the rubbery, shell-less, stinky egg. Nothing happened to the egg soaked in water. We then discussed how the acid in vinegar worked to "melt" away the eggshell.

Our second experiment involved adding tablespoons of salt to tap water to see if we could float a raw egg. Students made many predictions about how much salt it would take. The final verdict; we found it took 12 tablespoons of salt to float a raw egg. Students then discovered that adding salt to tap water changes its density, which is why the egg was then able to float. Conducting "eggsperiments" was a fun way to practice using the scientific method. Special thanks to Kelli Deitering for organizing the event and to all those who participated.

In connection with our "farm" theme, we began reading *Charlotte's Web* and rehearsing for a play inspired by the



Wilbur the Pig (Heath) talks to the Sheep (Xachariah & Eisen.)

book. The main setting of our play was Zuckerman's farm. The students helped create the setting, which includes a barn, fence and apple



trees. Staff worked on costumes and other props. It was quite a production! We are so proud of our students, who practiced for this play for over a month. Academically, reader's theaters, such as this play, are important for building fluency—a bridge to reading comprehension. Thanks to those who came to support our performance!

On May 18th, we had our annual

beach day. In class, we've been learning about tidal zones, sea mammals, and mollusks. Exploring the beach helped make our learning experience come alive! The students were so thrilled with their discoveries that they couldn't wait to get back to school to journal about them!

The K-2 students and staff want to say a big Gunalchéesh to **Diane Bean**, for all of her



Diane Bean listening to Eisen read aloud.



volunteer help this year with reading. We have appreciated all of the time Ms. Diane has spent listening to the students read, and helping to organize the Bagggy Books.

It's hard to believe that we

have come to the end of the school year already. So much happens at the end of the year: we had field day, a bike rodeo, a spelling bee and a picnic on our last day. What a fantastic year we've had! We're so grateful for the opportunity to work with such amazing kids and their families! Thanks for another stellar year!

Happy summer to all!

Mrs. Sharclane & Mrs. Fuller

Duane Bosch made a drum for Mrs. Sharclane and did some drumming activities with her class.



Third and Fourth Grade News

I was very impressed with the level of focus my students displayed this past month of school. We have been involved in many events and projects and these kids persevered even through all of the beautiful weather we've been experiencing!

April was a busy month preparing for the *ku.éex'*. Our class



performed two skits. Each child had a crucial role, and took their job very seriously. Thank you, Mrs. Wright, for preparing us and helping us learn the correct pronunciations. This *ku.éex'* was also special because we had Juneau friends here sharing in this special celebration with us.

Photo at left: "Daa sá i tuwáa sigóo?" was one of our skits. Photo by Tesh Gray.

At the beginning of May, the elementary had a Science Fair night. Ms. Kelli Deitering was in charge of putting this together. She

met with students after school to go over the scientific method, explain the expectations of a science fair project, and even conducted several experiments.

There were four students in the class who took extra measures to complete their own experiments at home and put a display together. Congratulations to Leif Gray, Kai Goins, Nakima Budke and Leah Moss for putting in extra effort. A special recognition goes to Leah and Nakima for receiving honorable mention.



As a class, we entered two projects. We were trying to see if Coca Cola would dissolve salmon, steak or chicken after five days. To our surprise, none of the meat was dissolved; we only ended up with a smelly project! It was fun to observe the meat every day,

looking for any possible changes. We also completed an experiment called "Swimming Raisins." We found out that the chemical reaction caused by mixing baking soda and vinegar creates carbon dioxide bubbles. If you stick raisins in this mixture, the bubbles attach to the raisins, causing them to rise to the surface until the bubbles pop. This causes them to sink again and the process just keeps repeating, thus looking like swimming raisins.

We ended the year in writing by completing Alaskan animal research projects. The students had to choose an Alaskan animal and take notes on the description, habitat, food, predators and interesting facts they learned about it. I was proud of their end product. They were able to share the information they learned at a "Gallery Walk" for parents during the last week of school.

The last few weeks of school also included events like Beach Day, the Bike Rodeo and the annual Spelling Bee. Thank you to all involved who helped make these events happen.

As the year comes to a close, I want to personally thank you parents for the constant support of your child and myself as well. I would encourage them to continue reading and writing whenever possible. This will make the beginning of next school year that much easier!

Jen Bidiman



Noteworthy News Congratulations to Spelling Bee Top Three

The Elementary Spelling Bee is history. When the last word was spelled, the second place finisher was 4th grader Leilani Williams, and the Champion was 5th grader Orion Osborne. Finishing in third place was 3rd grader Tyrell Cromer. *Picture, from left: Tyrell, Leilani, Orion.*

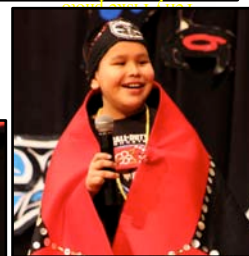
HS Speech Award

Based on judges' scores, the winner of this year's *Yoo x'atangi S'aati Award* was 11th grader Jordan McLuckie, whose speech was on the positive effects of universal music education. Congratulations, Jordan!



Fifth-Sixth Grade Speeches

Congratulations to the students in grades 5&6, who presented their traditional



Osborne.

Above, Gary Glover and left, Erica Goins. Photos by Tesh Gray.



Preschool And Tots News

It's hard to believe the school year is over! The first year of the Hoonah Preschool was a definite success! We learned about fish and fishing, bears, seals, beavers, flowers, sea creatures... We counted, measured, sorted and graphed. We did art projects, read good books and talked about lots of things. We sang and danced at the Ku.éex'. We learned to get along with each other and cultivated a love of learning!

Many families took advantage of Personal Visits where they were able to learn about child development, ask questions and share ideas with knowledgeable PAT



staff. Playgroups, swimming and Story Time occurred weekly. The end of the year Family Field Day was tons of fun! Children, parents, grandparent, aunts, uncles, and friends joined together in the glorious sunshine for food, fun and games. The water relay and the water balloon toss were big hits along with T-ball. It really was a nice wrap up to a wonderful year.

It has been an honor and a pleasure working with you all this year. Thank you. Have a fantastic summer!
Amy Diem

Ku.éex' pictures on this page taken by Tesh Gray.



Fun & Fit Partnership Report

The Fun & Fit Partnership worked with the elementary staff to put on a Bike Rodeo May 28th. Bikes were checked to see if they needed maintenance, helmets were given to those who needed them, and all helmets were adjusted to make sure they fit properly. Students then went through various stations, such as hand signals, start and stop, ride slow, ride in a circle and a straight line, and other biking skills. After the Rodeo, the students went on a long bike ride to the airport and back to school.



helmets to our Bike Rodeo participants needing one. Keeping our skulls and brains safe is important. Thanks to Coutlee and Sons for making our school softball/kickball field playable for springtime and summertime fun!

Thank you to Lesa Way, SEARHC Injury Prevention Specialist, for contributing 16 new, "kewl" bike

Thank you to the Hoonah Liquor Board for giving \$1,000 to Fun & Fit to go towards a school playground upgrade.



Middle School Volleyball Report

The Hoonah Braves MS Volleyball team had a fun season. We had 16 students turn out and I couldn't be more proud of the progress each player made on the court. Due to schedule conflicts, we were unable to travel, but we enjoyed hosting a scrimmage for the parents, families, and community to watch. Thank you to all of those who came out to support our Middle School team. Also, thank you to my HS players who

helped with practices and scrimmaged the MS teams for some extra games. The future of Hoonah's volleyball program looks bright with many students involved and on top of their academics! I look forward to seeing you all on the court next year! *Coch Jessie Dybdahl*

Pictured at right: back row: Zada Michel, Leticia Skaflestad, Sophia Henry, Pearl Sharclane, Edward Williams, Gabby Comolli; middle: Liyah Jewell, Halle Budke, Aiyanna Williams, Ashlyn Gray; front: Sofia Comolli, Dakota Garrison, Kaylahni Bidiman, Jonna George, Shayla Thaalesen. (Not pictured: Josh Wright)



Middle School Rifle Team

MaryJane Hadaway coached a group of sixth through eighth grade students, who practiced target shooting with pellet rifles. Eight students were able to travel to Juneau for a competition in April; traveling team members were chosen on the basis of their attendance at practices.

Pictured are four of the traveling team: Aiyanna Williams, Sophia Henry, Robert Wilkin and Dylan Johnson. The other students who made the trip were Ethan Ruerup, Pearl Sharclane, Shayla Thaalesen and Tai Old Chief.



The 7th-8th graders got a chance to whip up some xákw'l'i (soapberries) during their last Tlingit class of the year. They used both wire whisks and electric beaters, and added mashed bananas and sugar. Gunalchéesh to Sally Dybdahl for coming and helping with the project.



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hoonah

Our 11th Bowl for Kids' Sake event was a *striking* success this year, raising a total of \$10,606.54 including pledges, cash donations, corporate sponsorships

and in-kind donations. We had 17 teams, the most ever for our Hoonah BBBS event. A highlight was a photo slideshow of the first ten years of BFKS. Thank you to all of our sponsors, those who gave prize and cash donations and thank you to all the people who pledged our bowlers to support our local Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hoonah! Thank you also to our volunteers, listed on this page.

Top 3 individual fundraisers:

Judy Brown \$1400 Jackie Dick \$525
Leona Skaflestad \$325

Top 3 fundraiser teams:

Grizzly Girls \$1923.01 Bowl of Beans \$625.00
Hoonah Recyclers \$595.00

Turkeys: (3 strikes in a row)

Kaida Irvin, Kendra Hill, Justin Bidiman

Top 3 Adult High Scorers : Top 4 Youth High Scorers

Wilma Davis 226	Val Williams 164
Kendra Hill 210	Dylan Johnson 156
Justin Bidiman 192	Tori Dalton 152
	Treston Lafferty 152



Prize donations:

Hometown Cab, LLC, Mary Beth Moss, Duffy Wright, Kathy McCrobie, Harris Aircraft Services, Inc., Diane Bean, Lorrie Scoles, Marti Lee, Icy Strait Point, Tideland Tackle & Marine, Hoonah Trading Company, Colette's Cupboard, Karen S. Mills, Dottie Johanson

Cash Donations for Event & Pizza:

Alaska Cruise Association, Hoonah Cold Storage, Brown Bear Lodge & Excursions, Dybdahl Enterprises, Hoonah Recyclers, F/V Vagabond Queen, Icy Strait Lodge, Stephanie Harold, Northrim Bank, Glacier Wind Charters,

FISHES Charters, Hill Enterprises, Three Wolves Den, Wilma Davis, Diane Bean, Hilltop Services, Hill Fuel, Karen S. Mills, Sally Dybdahl

Volunteers:

Kali Harris, Marti Lee, Qiang Liu, Zada Michel, Daphne Wright, Karen S. Mills, Kelli Deitering, Adam Gretsinger Phillip Stevenson, Amy Stevenson, Morgan Stevenson, Corbin Harris, Dylan Johnson, Linda Jackson, Eleanor Davenport, Amelia Wilson, Ethan Ruerup, Teresa McConnell, Tanner Howland, Krista Howland, Alona Howland, Pete Schneeberger, Rory Schneeberger, Paul Dybdahl, Jessie Dybdahl.



Special thanks goes to

Jeremiah Byers, Corbin

Harris, and Morgan Koenig for getting the bowling alley ready for us!

Other BBBS Thanks and News Notes:

Thanks to Teddy Elliott and Paul Dybdahl for help on Free Swim signs. Thanks to 15 FREE Swimmers 5/02/15 and HCSD Lifeguards.



We received \$800 from ALPAR (Alaskans for Litter Prevention and Recycling) for **Thursday Troopers Litter Patrol**. We will be doing almost weekly town clean-ups beginning in late June and going until late August. Thanks to the Hoonah Liquor Board for matching that amount. ALPAR bags were

offered to HIA, City of Hoonah, Hoonah City Schools, State of Alaska DOT, USFS, and ISP.

Thanks for the donation of a Can Crusher for Youth Center: Elliott Family, Teddy, Elleana, Paul.

Thank you to Janet Taylor for the \$100 donation in honor of her sister Diane Bean's birthday.

Thank you to Candy & Darrel Aderman for a general program cash donation. They really believe in the lifesaving/life-changing properties of our mentoring program.

Thank You: Hoonah City School District staff, facilities, newsletter; Hoonah Recyclers; Alaska Marine Lines; The Office Bar, LLC; Hoonah Leadership Council, William & Mary Johnson Youth Center staff, office & activity & storage facility; ALPAR; Bigs & Littles, and Parents/Guardians.

BBBS News continued on page 16.

Attention All Kids!!

The 2015 Hoonah Fishing Derby

Sponsored by: The City of Hoonah and the US Forest Service



Schedule of Events:

- ❖ **Fun Run/Walk— Saturday, June 6th at 4:00 pm- Kéidladee Park to the Cannery and back**
- ❖ **Fish Shirt Printing and Casting Contest—Thursday, June 11th 1:00-5:00 pm- Kéidladee Park**
 - *Please bring your spare t-shirts to paint on, as ours may be limited in supply and size*

“THE 26TH ANNUAL HOONAH KIDS FISHING DERBY”

Saturday, June 13th 11:00am - 3:00pm at Icy Strait Point

- ❖ **Fishing Derby: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm**
- ❖ **Lunch: 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm**
- ❖ **Clean-up – All day...Please be a good guest!**
- ❖ **Derby Prizes Awarded at 2:30 pm-- Must be present to win!**

Parents interested in volunteering to help with these events, please contact Jack Ruggirello at 945-1225 at the Forest Service, or the Hoonah City Office at 945-3663.

Big Brothers Big Sisters News, continued from p.15

Thank you to Huna Totem Corporation for table space for BBBS at Shareholder Information Fair on May 9th.

Thanks to the eager work crew that showed up on the last day of school to put together the planters that will help beautify Hoonah through the summer. The hanging planters project is our program’s way of saying “gunalchéesh” to the community for all the support we get year-round!

Have unanswered questions about BBBS? Want to volunteer at an event? Want to make a donation? Enroll a child?



Recommend a Big? Be a Big?

We have 12 children on the Ready-to-be-Matched List. Help a child reach his/her potential through a professionally supported one-to-one relationship.



Contact Sally Dybdahl, local Program Manager (907)209-9326 or (907)945-3600, drop in at the BBBS Office at the William & Mary Johnson Youth Center, or contact Sally by email: sally.dybdahl@bbbsak.org.

New Old Time Chautauqua

Hoonah is in for a special treat this summer. *The New Old Time Chautauqua* will be coming to Hoonah July 5th and 6th. They will do a parade through the center of town, a main stage show and free arts workshops.

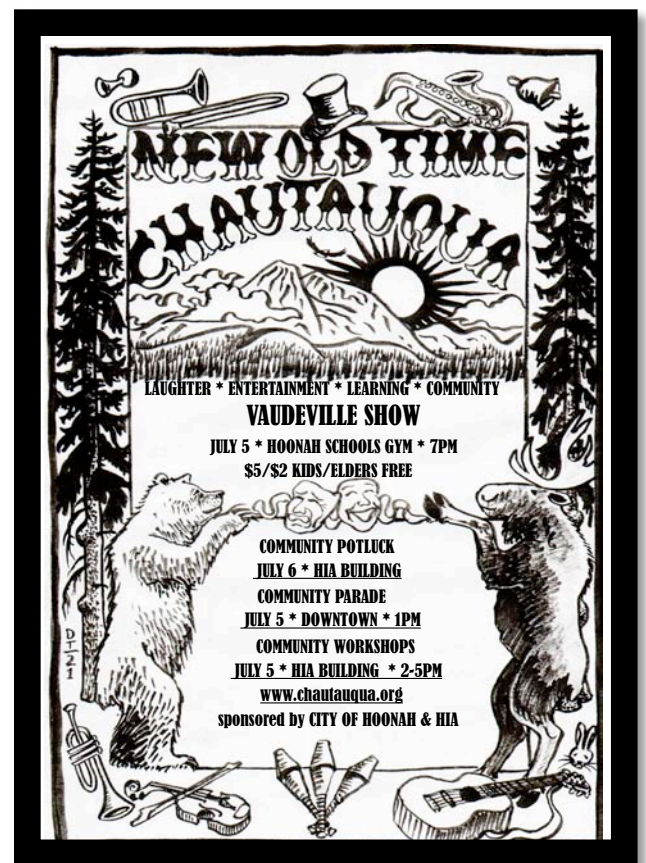
The Parade features a Marching Band/Orchestra, plus jugglers, dancers, clowns, stilt-walkers, unicyclists, and talented performers from the New Old Time Chautauqua. They welcome any Hoonah groups or members of the local community, costumed or otherwise, to join in.

The Main Stage Show will be held in the Hoonah School Alumni Gym. From the jugglers to magicians, folk singers to trapeze artists, from tap dancers to hula hoopists, and a 30-piece band, the New Old Time Chautauqua Main Stage shows are wonder-filled events your family will rave about for years to come!

Workshops offered will include juggling, acrobatics, magic, hula hooping, drumming, stilt-walking, slack line, playing the ukulele, clowning, bubble blowing, mask making, sewing, theatre games, story telling, and more!

We will also be having a community potluck at the new HIA community hall with the Chautauqua group for a chance for the Chautauqua touring members and local residents to meet and make connections outside of the performance and workshop settings.

For more information you can visit their website at www.chautauqua.org or check them out on YouTube. You can also get in touch with Amelia Wilson, the local event coordinator, at the Library. Watch for signs around town for times. Volunteers are needed. ☺



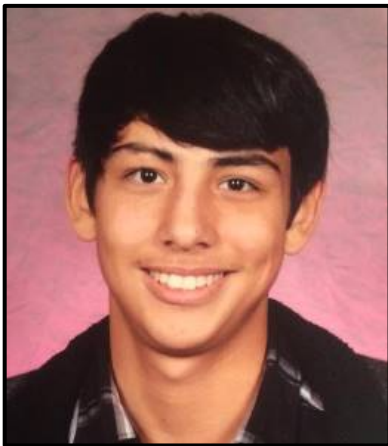
News from Huna Totem Corporation

Congratulations Class of 2015

Huna Totem Corporation would like to congratulate the Hoonah High School Graduate Class of 2015! It is a great individual stepping stone on your life's journey and for everyone that has helped along the way; family, friends, coaches and teachers. We look forward to seeing all the graduates pursue their dreams and continue to advance the community of Hoonah as a team.

Congratulations Alaska Business Week Scholarship Recipients!

Huna Totem Corporation is a firm believer in the Alaska Business Week program. The one-week long program teaches



basic principles of private sector business to Alaska high school students. Students stay on the college campus, where they grow as leaders, being mentored by Alaska's business elite.

In order to encourage participation in the program, Huna Totem Corporation has offered and awarded two full scholarships, including tuition and airfare, to two Huna Totem Corporation descendants and Hoonah High School students, Daylon Skaflestad (pictured, left) and Antonio Phillips (right). Congratulations, gentleman!

Special Thanks! As a part of our team, we would like to thank Hoonah City Schools for letting HTC lease their facilities for our shareholder and community meetings. Gunalchéesh!

Still time to apply at Icy Strait Point! Apply at Icy Strait Point (ISP) for summer employment and save money for college or vocational school. ISP is still recruiting for positions; for more information contact Linda Jackson at 789-8600. Gunalchéesh!

Traditional Food Program Report *from local program manager Kathy McCrobie*

The Wise Families Traditional Food Program is doing great! Spring is prime time for so many traditional activities. The Hoonah Healing Community Garden still has some plots available. Some need soil. I also have some cabbage seeds. These seeds are free and even if you choose not to plant them at the community garden they will be available.

We had a Tincture and Salve class in April taught by Bob and Debbie Medlin. We made white willow bark tincture and plantain salve. Now is the time to go and harvest many delicious edible plants. If you would like to teach a class on plant harvesting, the SEARHC Wise Families Traditional Food Program will pay you a stipend.



Also if you are in need of a pressure cooker I can loan it out. I have many plant books, deer tanning books, fur sewing books available to be checked out. There will be a few upcoming plant harvest and gatherings each month. Carlie Ann Brown got our beading group going by teaching the single needle method. The beading group is now an ongoing event on Tuesday nights from 7-9 pm at the William and Mary Johnson Youth Center. We hope to see you there; we just got in some beads too.

Kathy Marvin donated some seal fat and we rendered it down to cracklings. We were able to make a case of pint jars and donated it out to various people. Barbara Monoian drove us out the road and we gathered some Hudson Bay tea leaves. Robin Hasselquist will be taking us out to do some spruce tip gathering. If you can contribute some time to teach and share your traditional knowledge it benefits everyone! Gunalchéesh to all who have been a part of this program!

Hoonah Recyclers Update

Mother Earth and Hoonah thank all that helped on the **Earth Day Clean-Up** on Saturday, April 18th. This partnership effort, which involved Hoonah Recyclers, HIA, USFS, ALPAR, BBBS, and SEARCH, was a trashfest!

Thanks for prize, cash, and food donations from Diane & Victor Bean, Sr., Daphne & Frank Wright, Jr., Karen, the Great, and Candy & Darrel Aderman; thanks for use of the William & Mary Johnson Youth Center, staple application by Bob Hutton, and staple removal by Paul Dybdahl. Thanks so much to others who regularly clean up our streets, yards, and byways.

Forty-six patrollers took part: Dietrich Lewis, Leona Skaflestad, Kaida Irvin, Diane Bean, Teresa Lewis, Anthony Johnson, Jessie Dybdahl, Riley Neal, Janice Towry, Jessica Voeller, Dominic Voeller, Marlene Duvall, Skylar Glenn, Mary Beth Moss, Owen James, Leah Moss, Daphne Wright, Karen, the Great, Sally Dybdahl, Mitchel Michel, Zada Michel, Nakima Budke, Atkaheen Budke, Isaiah Budke, Corbin Budke, Casey Budke, Keira Budke, Eison Sharclane, Ian Sharclane, Kamari Lafferty, Cheyanne Jack, Amelia Lafferty, Treston Lafferty, Ted Elliott, Dodie Lunda, Abby Stevenson, Tyrell Cromer, Dakota Garrison, Gerred Garrison, Ofelia Sheakley, Bambi Jack, Duane Jack, Jr. Keegan Hasselquist, Kathy Harris, and Kali Harris.



Company fuel tanks removal project), Candy & Darrel Aderman, Hoonah Harbor Dept.

Thanks to volunteers Kenny Worrell, Daphne Wright, Karen the Great, and Sally Dybdahl.

Gunalchéesh to the City of Hoonah Harbor Department for providing a location for our van.

A very **BIG THANK YOU** to Alaska Marine Lines Seattle and local staff members Mary Comolli & Jerry Byers.

A HEALTH TIP TO KEEP IN MIND THIS SUMMER AND YEAR-ROUND

Young and Old, please REMEMBER:

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- 5** Fruits & vegetables daily
- 2** Hours or less screen time daily (TV, phone, ipads, computers, video games, etc.)
- 1** Hour physical exercise daily
- 0** Sugary drinks daily

Our **Recyclers Van** is back in town and open for business *some* Saturdays (or Sundays.) Watch for signs around town for when we will be buying metals. We have had three open days so far, with a great response from the community. The next Recycling Day will be **Sunday, June 14th.**



Thank you to the following for donating metals: HIA Staff, Paul Dybdahl, Diane & Victor, Sr. Bean, William & Mary Johnson Youth Center, Frank & Daphne Wright, Marjorie & Floyd Peterson, Tom & Chris Jack, Mike Pickens, Arely & Sam Wright, Nicki Shelton, Glenda & Bob Hutton, Ketchikan Mechanical/Arctic Slope Regional Corporation (new SEARHC Clinic project), Todd & Srisa Thingvall/Icy Strait Brewing, Spooner Consulting (Hoonah Trading

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Gunalchéesh TLEIN. Daphne Wright, Editor

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Chautauqua Parade & Show	July 5
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Summer Reading Program	June 17 — July 22
Math/Basketry Camp in Hoonah	August 3-7
School Opens	August 19, 2015
Thanksgiving Holiday	Nov. 26-27, 2015
Winter Holiday	Dec. 11—Jan. 2, 2016
Spring Break	March 21—25, 2016
Last Day of School	May 20, 2016



Ku.éex' 2015 Photos by Tesh Gray

