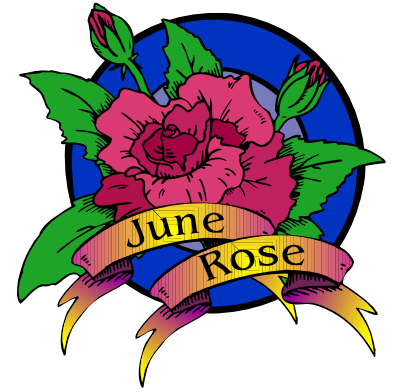




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1. Website factoids for the period May 1—May 28:

The Chamber website experienced 315,294 hits, an average of 11260 per day. Visits totaled 37,225. Germany was the most active country following the USA. 1 to 2PM was the most active part of the day in terms of hits to the website, and Saturday and Sunday were the busiest days. Google was the most popular search engine used to find the site. The most viewed page was the calendar, so please take advantage and get your important dates and events to Denise to be included!

2. Chamber POWER: Thanks to the following sponsors of this month's Newsletter.

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3. From the President's Desk:

Flag Day is Saturday, June 14th, followed the next day by Father's Day! Flag Day commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, which happened that day by resolution of the Second Continental Congress in 1777.

I was much inspired by 85-year old Helen Klein who spoke to an appreciative Marathon audience and ran the whole 26.1 miles the next day. She ran her first marathon at age 55!!!

Congratulations to Aaron Prussian of Thorne Bay who was the first across the finish line among those who ran the whole marathon.

There is great and exciting news to share in the Business Happenings section from AP&T and the Prince of Wales Hatchery. Good news for any business is typically good news for the entire island in these challenging economic times. Please email me with any news that you want to share with our entire membership, and I will include it in this section of the monthly newsletter. I usually have to go looking for news and count on my board members to fill the space if no one else has offered to share! This kind of great news just can't be kept a secret!

I attended the townhall meeting hosted by the Alaska Energy Authority on May 29th at the CCA building in Craig. The AEA is looking for input from all Alaska residents on two questions: What do you know about local energy resources and which resources do you think could possibly be developed to help lower costs? Which resources do you prefer not to develop, and why? There was a broad exchange of information among those who were in attendance including information on the Home Energy Rebate Grant Program and Weatherization Grant Program. I brought their handouts to the office along with a short stack of the "Renewable Energy Atlas of Alaska" if anyone would like to pick up a copy.

Please help us move our Island Guides....let Denise know if you need some, and where! Or stop by the office and pick up a supply for your summer visitors.

If anyone is interested, I did break my 2-hour goal at the Gold Nugget Triathlon, decreasing my time by a little in each of the four timed sections. But it is back to the pool for some much needed work on my front crawl stroke. My time in the water was miserable, but the governor did a good job getting the race started!

4. CHAMBER MEMBER DECALS ARE ON THE WAY...finally!

The 2008 Bear date decal is here and the Chamber logo decal is on its way. The Board of Directors has been impatiently waiting for the window cling decals to include in a membership package that will be delivered to all our current members.

5. STAND UP TO CANCER!!

Three Kings Productions is hosting a fund raiser for Don and Barbie Krause and the Cancer Coalition and awareness folks. The original location was going to be at Eagles Nest Campgrounds but will have to be relocated to the JS Commercial Complex in Craig. There has been a huge amount of interest from groups of all ages that would like to attend the all day event on June 28th.

Swede Ecklund will fire up John McKinley's big outdoor cooker so we won't send anyone away hungry. Most of the musical bands on the Island have expressed a wish to perform for the fundraiser event.

Stay tuned to articles in the Island News as the details are fleshed out for this worthwhile and entertaining event.

And for your September calendar: ABC, CBS and NBC will donate one hour of simultaneous commercial-free prime time for a nationally televised fundraising event to air on September 5, 2008 (8 pm EDT and PDT), aimed at rallying the public around the goal of ending cancer's reign as a leading cause of death.

6. MUD BOGGS RECEIVE WIDE ANGLE EXPOSURE ON JUNE 29TH

The June 29th Mud Bogg event will be nationally televised on the Speed Channel. The 2008 Naukati Mud Boggs are presenting side by side racing in an all new facility and started their season on Sunday, May 25th. Other dates on their schedule are June 8th and 29th, July 6th and 20th, August 10th and 31st. The finale will be held on Labor Day Monday, September 1st. Some of the vehicles will also be exhibited by the drivers at the Fair and Logging Show in Thorne Bay on July 26th and 27th. The public is welcome to stop by and get connected!

7. Island Guide Advisory Committee Recommendations

The recommendations of the Island Guide Advisory committee will be discussed and put to a vote at the June 12th meeting of the Board of Directors. The following is a summary of the meeting and the recommendations that came out of it.

Present: Karen Cleary, Chair, Jan Stevens, Jeannie McFarland, Denise Daniels, Verne Fabry

The participants reached a consensus on the following:

- Ad placements should have premium rates on the back page, inside front cover and inside back cover.
- Back page ad will be priced at \$2000. Inside front cover will hold 2 half page ads or one half page ad and two quarter page ads. Half page ads will price at \$1000. Quarter page ads will price at \$575. The inside back cover will contain 1/8 page ads at a price of \$350 each. The index of advertisers will be moved to the previous page.
- The back page advertiser will be determined by a random drawing of all those who are interested. This page and all the other premium page ads that are oversold will be selected by random drawing.
- The deadline for submission of a premium ad will be 30 days from the initial mailing of the advertising packet. Payment must be received by deadline for lottery entry to be valid. Camera-ready ad must be submitted by Sept. 30.
- If spots are not filled on a premium page, a random drawing will take place from the same size ads – at no additional cost. Receipt of payment by the deadline applies to be eligible for the drawing.

8. Marathon Miles cleaned up by huge volunteer effort

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped clean up the Marathon route this year!!! Clean up occurred during the two weeks preceding the Marathon which was held on Saturday, May 24th. Thank you to Jan Stevens for coordinating this effort on behalf of the Chamber.

9. Scholarship Underwriting yields 10 awards for 2008 Graduates

The Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce the names of the ten recipients of the 2008 Scholarship awards. \$500 awards were given to Craig High School graduates **Glenna Coffey, Bradley Balcom, Aimee Castle, Liz Thomsen, Michael Melendrez, Jr., Desiree Demmert and Amanda Baker**. Klawock graduate **Katie Soderberg** and Hydaburg graduates **Stasha Guthrie and Lydia Fawcett** are also among the recipients who each received a personalized portfolio in which they could gather their important college paperwork.

Once again these awards were made possible through the generous contributions of business and individual underwriters. Scholarship Committee chairpersons Sarah Altland and Jan Bush express the appreciation of the Chamber to the following for their contributions that made the 2008 awards possible: **Alaska Power & Telephone, Whale Tail Pharmacy, Catch a King Charters, Southeast Dental Centers, Fireweed Lodge, B-3 Contractors, First Bank of Alaska, the Kirk Dahlstrom Family, Petro Marine Services, Log Cabin Resort, Boardwalk Lodge, Mark and Sheila Beardsley, Southeast Retreat, Black Bear Store, Todd Tew, CPA, Changing Tides Inn, Cleary Computer Services, Jody's Seafood Specialties, Trophy Inn, Voyageur Bookstore, Ocean Bluebird Bed and Breakfast.**

Scholarship winners and names of the 2008 Underwriters are displayed on the Chamber's website under the link to Scholarships. Over the past 14 years, underwriters have made possible over 160 awards to students graduating from Prince of Wales high schools to help them attend post-secondary institutions. Many of the underwriters have been contributors for all or most of those 14 years! Thank you for your continuing support of our youth.

10. JUNE Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Thursday, June 12th at 6 PM at the Chamber office in Klawock. Agenda items include the recommendations by the Island Guide Advisory committee.



11. Coloring contest is not just for kids anymore!

The annual Fair and Logging Show coloring contest is open to adults! Stop by the Chamber office and pick up this year's **Louie on a Log** celebrating Alaska's 50th Year of Statehood! And if you need a stress breaker, this is an activity you can put down and come back to time and time again until it satisfies your creative hunger! There will be an adult division for a "people's choice" vote during the Fair and Logging Show, so make sure you finish and hand in your work of art to the Chamber office before July.....

12. FAIR AND LOGGING SHOW NEWS

Please join the hardworking volunteers who are planning events for the 2008 event. The next important meeting is Monday, June 2nd at 6:30 PM at the Thorne Bay City Hall. Lots of loose ends could be tied up with more willing hands to take on a variety of tasks.

Volunteer high school student Sabrina Stevens of Klawock is working on numbering/cutting/collating the raffle tickets for the Alaska Airlines/Pacific Airways round trip tickets package.

Booth rentals are being reserved at the Chamber office. Call and reserve a space to sell your crafts in the Thorne Bay gym area. One or more of our State representatives/senators may be among the booth residents this year.

Sponsors of the Logging Event Prizes and advertisers are responding to the invitation to support this year's event. The booklet, support certificates, and sponsor signs will be completed once all the needed sponsors are secured for 2008. Please return the paperwork and remittance to the office as early as possible, and thank you for making this possible. Names of all our supporters will be listed in the July or August newsletter.

There are great opportunities for groups to make money for their purposes: food vendors are needed. A food permit is needed so please allow enough time to secure the permit as well as the ingredients.

We are looking for a group to man the entry booths which will have buttons, t-shirts and suspenders for sale. This group will be compensated this year from the button sales.

A group to run the two-day Kid's carnival is needed. The Chamber supplies the games and the prizes, but 12 to 15 people are needed to run the games during the two days. This will also be a revenue opportunity for a responsible group.

A big thank you to Jeannie McFarland for contacting the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission. Because of this, they are assisting us by putting our information on the state website and newsletters and in addition they have media packets on the history of Alaska Statehood, posters, pens, pencils and stickers that they will send to help with our efforts. This will be an extra bonus for those who attend the 2008 event.



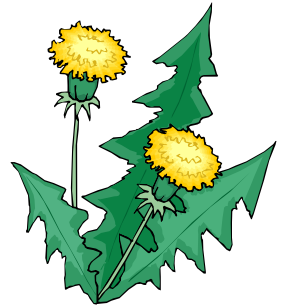
13. TOURISM Committee REPORT

What is on that list of 103 Things to do on Prince of Wales Island? Attend the next committee meeting and help pare down the list, or raise the number! The committee will meet June 12that noon at the IFA office in Craig. Bring a sack lunch!

14. JUNE Island Grind is going to be a “dandy affair.”

Saturday, June 7th is the day, 7PM is the time, and the Craig High School auditorium is the place. Go and find out how this talented group of entertainers involves the dandelion in the scheme of things!

Buy tickets at **Voyageur Bookstore** in Craig or reserve tickets by calling 755-8899. Admission cost is Adults \$5, Students \$3, Children ages 6 & under \$1, and Seniors \$3 (ages 60+). Bring a homemade dessert for the Dessert Contest and your ticket will be refunded.



Volunteers to support the show are welcome. Entertainers interested in performing should call John Bruns or Sally Burch at 755-8899 for more information.

15. BUSINESS HAPPENINGS

FROM THE DESK OF JOHN MOOTS at AP&T: The month of May was better for the Hydro. With the increased snow melt we were able to increase generation from the Black Bear Hydro facility. On May 17th, the lake level increased enough to allow a return to full Hydro.

AP&T recently installed an internet Wifi hot spot at Auntie Betty's in Craig. We are currently putting in more systems and will have the equipment installed at both of Ruth Ann's hotels, AP&T office, and the Thorne Bay Dock, Klawock Dock, and North Cove Craig. This system allows people to use the internet through subscription at the time of use. To use this service from any laptop with a wifi card go to your web browser and a subscription page will come up.

Finally, AP&T will be sponsoring a **free Chamber luncheon** at a time and place to be announced to describe AP&T's new Southeast microwave network that will allow increased bandwidth to the communities between Ketchikan and Skagway. The Kasaan Mountain, Hollis, and Thorne Bay sites was the first stage of this project and have resulted in internet services in Kasaan and Thorne Bay. It is also anticipated that at least one Cellular provider will be locating in the Kasaan Mountain Site to provide cellular coverage to the east side of the island. If you have questions concerning what this new service can or how it could affect your community please contact AP&T. You will need to call the Chamber for a reservation to the luncheon once the time and place has been announced in the Island News and on the Chamber website calendar. Walk-ins will be welcome but will be limited.

FROM THE DESK OF JOHN BRUNS AT THE PRINCE OF WALES HATCHERY ASSOCIATION: This spring we have lots happening. The end of May we are releasing 4.25 million coho smolt in the Klawock system that will return as adults in 2009. We have been ponding this year coho fry and are 90% done. We have 4.4 million fry that will be fed and released next spring to the ocean. The king salmon project has 160 thousand smolt that will be released this spring in Port St Nicholas and 260 thousand smolt that will be transported to Coffman Cove to be ponded and released about the end of June. This is the second year for our King project. The first adults will return in 2010. We presently have 5 seasonal people on the payroll and 5 permanent employees. The weir will be installed the 15th of June and sockeye and coho will be counted this year. We will release the coho the 1st of June and any volunteers that wish to participate can be at the hatchery parking lot at 04:00 and we will boat folks out to help drop the nets and wish the babies good luck on their 14 month journey to the ocean and back. 2/3's of an ounce to 8 pounds in weight in 14 months is very wonderful.

Do you have news to share? Submit an article to the Chamber office by the 25th of the month to appear in the following month's newsletter.

16. STACK THE RACK: BROCHURES ARE NEEDED

Chamber member brochures are needed for the information rack in the office in Klawock. We are also distributing member brochures to the two ferries during the summer runs. Chamber director Carolyn Chapman, who is our IFA connection, indicates that brochures are highly sought after by visitors heading for the island aboard the ferries. Please bring an extra supply the next time you are in the vicinity so Denise and Carolyn can maintain a steady flow of your information.

17. Board of Directors



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If you have an event to add to the website calendar, Call, email or fax Denise in the office today....



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