



October 23, 2006

Dear Friends of the Mountain View Community;

The Mountain View Community Council (MVCC) is streamlining the reporting process for its monthly meetings. Instead of having dozens of verbal reports at the Community Council Meeting, we will all provide written reports and have the opportunity, if needed, to highlight more urgent matters verbally.

The Anchorage Community Land Trust has offered to help in this effort and is asking for your organizations e-mail submittal of a written report for the MVCC meetings. This monthly report will be available at the MVCC meetings and distributed via e-mail. **These reports should be no more than a paragraph which may include an overview of highlights for your organization and any announcements, news or activities you would like to share.**

Please have your organization designate a contact name with an e-mail address of who will be responsible for the submittal of the brief written report.

The Anchorage Community Land Trust looks forward to hearing from your contact person or designee to keep us updated on current events.

Please inform us of your contact and e-mail your report to us by October the 27th. We will submit due dates for upcoming reports.

Sincerely,

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Mountain View Patrol

The Mountain View Patrol would like to remind everyone that OLD MAN Winter is coming. Be sure that you are ready. Have some sand or kitty litter for traction, just in case you get hung up and can not get traction. If you are taking a trip, make sure that you take extra items with you. These items should be a change of warm clothing in case you get stuck or just in case your car breaks down. Another item most overlooked, if traveling carry some water in the car so if you have a break down or have a long wait for a road to be cleared, you do not get dehydrated. If traveling any long distance or to a remote location, be sure to give a trusted person a time when you expect to arrive at your destination, and your return.

Fred Schriener
Mountain View Patrol

Clark Middle School Remodel

Clark Middle School Renewal Building Design Committee (BDC) meetings continue. The General Contractor/Construction Manager, Davis Contractors and Engineers, carried out a value engineering analysis of the project to pinpoint best value for the dollars spent on materials, systems, and schedule. Their analysis included the question of retaining the existing library structure. Due to required structural upgrades, shoring of foundation and other protective measures during construction, they estimated it will cost the district more to keep than to demolish the library. Demolition also allows marked improvements to the existing floor and site plans. The district continues to work with the Municipality of Anchorage to adjust property lines for mutual benefit; this includes a western portion of the lot reverting to the Municipality. For additional information see http://www.asdk12.org/renewal/MS/Clark/BDC11_plans.pdf for plans presented at the October 5, BDC meeting. The next BDC meeting is scheduled for November 2 at 3:00 PM in Clark Middle School band room and public is welcome to attend.

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William Tyson Elementary School

The Family Support Team at William Tyson School hosted a Fall Open House with 313 attendees including community leaders. Three (3) reading focused Parent Universities followed the open house. Tyson teachers demonstrated classroom-reading techniques that could be used at home. Attendance ranged from 128 to 175. Dinner was provided by the PTA and served by the Tyson staff members. Holiday Station Stores provided water and juice for these events. Door prizes were given at the end of the evening to encourage participation. Holiday Station Stores, our school business partner, is now providing weekly volunteer readers/listeners to eat and share books with the students during lunch. Nine Star staff members and AmeriCorps members are providing a new service as Safety Monitors. The monitors are an on the street "safe haven" for children and are authorized to walk the students home from school and/or call authorities. Tyson School, Parents and Community Organizations are all working together to achieve high academic standards for all Tyson students.

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Child Care Connection, Inc.

Child Care Connection, Inc. works to advance the quality of early education and child development by empowering parents, educating child care professionals and collaborating with our communities. CCC helps parents understand and find quality child care by providing customized lists of child care options based on their specific family needs. CCC educates parents about quality child care indicators, which can be used when a family interviews, selects and monitors early care and education programs. CCC supports Child Care Providers through Consultation and Professional Growth opportunities. This includes offering a variety of child development classes for professionals interested in completing their CDA degree, individuals needing continuing education credits, or licensing hours. In addition to classes, CCC provides on-site training and center or home based consultation. CCC works with communities and organizations to improve child care options and availability in Alaska. CCC oversees the United Way initiative entitled Success By 6 which works to ensure that all children receive what they need to be successful in school and life. CCC has a library of resources: books, videos, toys, games, and other informative reading materials for providers and families to check out and use. Child Care Connection, Inc. is a non profit organization located in the Mountain View Success By 6 building.

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Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.

For over twenty years, we at Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc. (CITC) have been working in partnership with our community to create life-changing social, educational, and employment opportunities for Alaska Native and American Indian families in the Cook Inlet region. Established in 1983 by Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI) as a nonprofit social services organization, CITC administers 35 culturally appropriate programs designed to assist individuals and families fulfill their endless potential. With a staff of nearly 300 employees, CITC offers a variety of social services under five primary divisions: Child and Family Services; Community Shared Services; Educational Services System; Employment and Training Services; and Recovery Services. These programs serve an average of 12,000 participants annually.

This month, we celebrate the first year anniversary of moving into our beautiful new facility—Nat'uh (pronounced "nah-tugh," the name means "our special place" in Dena'ina Athabascan)—located at 3600 San Jeronimo Drive, across the street from Costco on Bragaw. For the first time in years, all of CITC's divisions are united in one location, easing communication, strengthening services, and increasing agency efficiency. Additionally located in our new building are The Alaska Native Justice Center, The CIRI Foundation, and Koahnic Broadcast Corporation/KNBA 90.3 FM. We invite you to come see "our special place," to explore the opportunities available to you here, and to share in the excitement of an Alaska Native community that is growing stronger, healthier, and happier each day. For more information about CITC, please visit our website (www.citci.org) or call 907-793-3409.

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Crossroads

Crossroads is currently serving 67 pregnant and parenting teens. We have made some changes this year, after last year's examination of practices and how we can make our school better for our students. The Crossroads staff is truly exceptional- they are always asking "is there a better way"? If there is, they are off and running to get it done!

Some changes to note:

- Morning Math- 50 minutes of direct math instruction every morning for every student
- DEAR- Drop Everything and Read- right after math- 15 minutes of silent, sustained reading
- Advisory- Once a week, meet in small groups and cover such topics as career choices, scholarship portfolios, developmental assets, study skills, etc.

This is all in addition to offering Career and Strategic reading to assist students with non-fiction reading skill building, and our usual offerings of core academics, maternal health and child development.

Our students are fortunate to have Kids Café provide a free lunch. If your company is participating in the United Way charitable giving campaign- please write in Kids Café with a donation so that our students (and their babies) can receive a healthy lunch every day.

We are currently active with two grants- one supports our Father program which is a weekly group session in co-parenting skill building and support. This is a state grant implemented in conjunction with Chugachmuit. The grant was completed on October 30.

Our other grant is the First Book grant which provides books for our students and their children at no cost to them. We are having another book giveaway at our Halloween party- we give away at least 150 books at each of our events. The books are directly to support the students' home libraries, not school library.

We are a busy little school! As the Holiday season approaches, we are always open to donations, especially of formula and diapers- those things which seem to go fast! We would REALLY appreciate any sort of pampering items for our students.

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