

# THE HUSKIES HERALD



HOPE SCHOOL HOPE, ALASKA

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## HAPPY AUTUMN DAYS!

### LET THERE BE ICE!

*By Jeannine Jabaay*

**As the temperatures drop** the town of Hope prepares for outdoor winter activities. And this year, residents can add ice skating to that list. A shout-out to Jaycee Hermann for coordinating the project and Hope Inc.'s president, Jim Skogstad, for agreeing to install the rink. Volunteers will be needed to hot mop the ice throughout the winter to keep the ice smooth and safe, and the PTSCA Fundraising Committee is already planning some community-wide skating nights. Stay tuned for subzero updates!

**Photo to the right: The basketball court will be the new home of the Husky ice rink.**

*Photo captured by Liam Bureau*



### A SNEAK PEAK FROM COOPER LANDING

*By Jack Jacobs, student at Cooper Landing School*

**I think one of the hardest parts** of moving to Cooper Landing was the transition from a larger school to a K-12 school. I had lots of friends that I was forced to leave behind to come here. But, there are some upsides to the move: I have more freedom and I can graduate early. I also have family up here.

One of the most exciting things about my family's move was the drive. Yes, we drove here all the way from the East Coast, Perryville, Maryland to be exact – 4,948 miles (85 driving hours). I liked driving through Canada. It was fun. We went through Whitehorse, the capitor of the Yukon.

It has been a little difficult getting used to school, but I almost have it. I have to raise my grades from F's (but that is only because I started school late), but other than that, it is pretty frun playing soccer for the school against Hope and Moose Pass.

### GYMNASTICS IS HERE!

*By Chloe Jabaay*

**This quarter, the Hope School decided** to do gymnastics! Students K-8<sup>th</sup> grade now have my favorite sport: gymnastics. About twice a month for several months, the teachers and volunteers will pick us up around 8:00 A.M. to take us on the beautiful and scenic drive to Anchorage Gymnastics Association. AGA is a very fun and safe gymnastics company where you learn balance, agility, flexibility, and strength, along with perseverance, self-control, and obedience. But the most important thing we do there is have fun while interacting with other fellow students.

### HOPE SCHOOL

Hope School is located in Hope, Alaska and is one of 44 schools in Kenai Peninsula Borough School District. It is a public school that serves 22 students in grades K-12. Phone 907-782-3202



## LATEST HOPE HAPPENINGS

By Ben Peck

**The first soccer game** with Hope School vs. Cooper Landing was held on September 18th and ended in a 3-3 tie. Tuesday of the next week, we invited Cooper Landing for a tie-breaker – and it resulted in a 2-3 Cooper Landing win (of course, we had to loan them our oldest player who scored against us). On Thursday, October 2nd, Ms. Barron has offered Cooper Landing a rematch to be held in Moose Pass.

We would like to welcome back Willy Davidson. He has been teaching a welding class after school, and he has been away for a week. The student welders have made belt buckles and are currently working on pipe stands.

The school just completed its first Read-a-Thon. All of the kids read as many pages as they could in September, they logged the pages read each day, and gathered sponsors to support the pages they read. The winner for the “Most Pages Read” is River Skaaren, who read 3,343 pages. River will receive a \$50 gift card to Amazon. The winner of most money earned will be announced soon.



## POEM OF THE MONTH

By Andy Bishop

Here in Alaska – there is a place called Hope.

Hope is quiet, so peacefully silent.

When you stand still, you can feel the calmness.

It is a hassle-free place, and not much of a race.

When you climb a tree, it is simple, serene – as if in a dream.

So, come on down, you are going to love this town!

## PHOTO OF THE MONTH



**Trailhead of the epic Hope Point hike**

*Photo captured by Liam Bureau*

## THERE'S GOLD IN THAT THERE CREEK

By Diane Oethius

**In the 1800s, gold** was more valuable than paper money, and creeks were the easiest place to find it. An American discovered gold on Turnagain Arm in 1888. In 1895, a few mining partners were so successful on Sixmile Creek that they traveled Outside that winter to spend their wealth. People heard them bragging, packed trunks, and rushed to Cook Inlet at spring. There were about 3,000 gold seekers camping on Turnagain Arm in the summer of 1896. The supply center on Sixmile Creek was Sunrise City, and the supply center on Resurrection Creek was Hope City. Most prospectors gave up that fall and went home. A handful stayed in the two Turnagain Arm cities that

winter, and most of those left the next spring for the new Klondike Gold Rush. Klondike-bound travelers were required to carry a year's worth of supplies 600 miles inland. Compared to the Klondike, Turnagain Arm looked easy! In 1898, some 8,000 gold seekers decided to go to Turnagain Arm instead. For a few weeks, Sunrise City was the biggest city in Alaska! Today, there are no standing buildings in old Sunrise City. Hope lasted because, in addition to the goldfield, it is a good garden spot.

Last summer, Andrew and Donaven Bishop, and Alex and Brodie Schell were tour guides at the Hope and Sunrise Historical and Mining Museum. Visitors enjoyed hearing them talk about the Turnagain Arm Gold Rush. If you would like to help the Hope Museum close up its displays for the winter, please join the work party on Saturday, October 18, at 1:00 pm. We need volunteers to carry furs, textiles, and books to the main building, cover photo displays, put away garden tools, and take down outside interpretive signs.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: LINCOLN JABAAY, GRADE: KINDERGARTEN

Each issue we will spotlight a different student – meet Lincoln Jabaay, in his own words (and his own self-portrait).

**All About Me**

My name is Lincoln  
 I am 5 years old.  
 My eyes are Blue  
 I live in Hope  
 My Dad is in Hope  
 My Mom is Hope

**My favorite things**

My favorite color is Blue  
 My favorite food is Pizza  
 My favorite drink is Soda  
 My favorite sport is Snowboarding  
 My favorite animal is a Horse  
 My favorite place is Hope  
 My favorite book is Jesus Loves Me  
 My favorite movie is Bob the Builder



### A VISIT TO SKYVIEW IS ON THE CALENDAR

By Michael Jabaay

**This month, all of the Hope School middle schoolers** are going to a school named Skyview, which is in Cooper Landing, to visit. We are going to Skyview on October 21<sup>st</sup>. I haven't been there before, so I imagine that Skyview has three times the students as Hope, and it has a much bigger school area. The Hope School is the biggest school that I have ever attended, so I'm not exactly sure what to expect. While there, all the Hope School middle schoolers will be assigned a Skyview student partner. The Hope Student will have to do all the work that their partner does. I'm very glad we won't be getting their homework though.

### FROM THE DESK OF MS. T.

**Welcome to our Hope School 2<sup>nd</sup> edition newsletter.** I sent a copy of our first edition to my daughter in France. I also sent a copy to my son, my husband, and to Dr. Atwater, Superintendent of the KBPSD! I am so very proud of it...But I think we have an even better 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition! October looks to be a busy month – Let us just look at a few up-coming events. Two more gymnastics classes in Anchorage, a soccer re-match against Cooper Landing at Moose Pass, Chili Dinner fundraiser on October 9th, AND a college fair in Soldotna on October 21st. Our middle school students have also been invited to visit Skyview Middle School in Soldotna to shadow a couple of SMS students for the day. I'd like to give special thanks to Maria and Gina Motoyama for providing lunch for our students...spaghetti with pizza! They were assisted by our Foods I students, Tyler and Jaycee!

### FROM THE HEART OF MS. T.

I was going to do my usual chatter, but found an absolutely cool article in my new favorite book, Creative Activities for Young Children, by Mary Mayesky. The article is called, "Fragile! Speak to with Care," and it has some really important ideas about how teachers can speak or should speak with their students. As I was reading the suggestions, I found myself challenged to communicate in a more positive way with our students. I thought maybe parents would be interested in some of the ideas suggested. In this edition, I will just take the top five, and next month I will share a few more. Here they go:

1. Before speaking to children, get their attention. Putting your hand on a child's shoulder, or speaking the child's name helps. As much as possible, stoop to the child's eye level.
2. The younger the child, the simpler your statement should be.
3. Act as if you expect your words to be heeded. Young children are influenced by the confidence in the adult's tone and action. (Ms. T note: I have used this one and it is true...)
4. Give children time to respond – their reaction time is slower than yours. Try not to answer your own questions! (Ms. T – I have to work on this one a lot!)
5. Tell children what they *can* do rather than what they cannot do. Use positive rather than negative suggestions or statements.



## LIFE HACK



Never lose the end of your tape again.

Photo and Inspiration by Tyler Motoyama

## SWEET TOOTH HUSKIES

### THE SEVEN LAYER BAR

By Chloe Jabaay

I just HAD to write about this dessert after I recently tasted it. Barb Bureau brought the most delicious soccer snacks ever for a soccer game against Cooper Landing. Though it is not what I would call "healthy," this snack sure made all of players happy and full of energy for the last half of the soccer game.



**Ingredients:** 1 cup sweetened flaked coconut; 1 stick unsalted butter (melted); 9 graham crackers (5 ounces), crushed; 1 cup finely chopped walnuts (or any nut of your choice); 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips; ½ cup butterscotch chips; 1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk

**Directions:** Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (180 degrees C). Place butter in 13 x 9 inch pan and melt in oven. Swirl to coat bottom and sides with butter. Spread graham cracker crumbs evenly over bottom of pan. Layer chocolate chips, butterscotch chips, and nuts over crumbs. Pour condensed milk over nuts. Sprinkle coconut over condensed milk. Bake until edges are golden brown, about 25 minutes. Let cool before cutting into bars.

## MIND-A-MAZES

By Liam Bureau

Hope School is taking part in a competition called Mind-A-Mazes. The competition will be held at Skyview Middle School on October 11th at 11 am. Students are challenged to get a hex nut from one end of the gym to the other using only wind power. There are 3 Hope teams, and the youngest competitor is 8 years old. Last year, The Pully-Pullers, consisting of River and Liam from Hope School, took 2nd place! We have to move that up one notch this year. The Hope School's participation is all thanks to our super so-cool science teacher, Ms. Barron, and Ms. Augusta Lund.

## HILARIOUS HUSKIES

By River Skaaren



## PTSCA NEWS

By Tahnetta Stroh

The Hope Parent-Teacher-Student-Community Association has started the 2014-15 school year with a bang! We kicked off our fundraising season with a multi-day bake sale. Thank you to our parents and community members for the delicious donations and support. We were able to raise almost \$200! A very special thanks to Shyla Malone for organizing and manning the entire sale. Our next event will be a chili dinner and membership drive on October 9 at 5:30 pm. Please join us in the school gym to support our students and eat all the chili, cornbread, salad and dessert you can! The next PTSCA meeting will be held on October 7th at 3:45 pm. Students, parents and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend.



## WANTED

- Play clothes / dress-up clothes are needed for the younger students. Costumes, dresses, and accessories are welcome.
- Readers are needed to help with grades K-3 from 9:15-10:15 am.
- Date & Time Change: Open Gym is every Tuesday night from 6-7:30 pm. Swing on by to play, cook, work out, or shoot pool.
- Local artists needed to help during creative play time with grades K-2 from 2:30-3:30 pm each day.
- Playground help is wanted from 12:30-1:15 pm.

## FACTS & TRIVIA

By Tyler Motoyama

### Did you know:

- Humans blink their eyes around five million times each year.
- The "Q" in Q-tip stands for "Quality"
- October is National Pizza Month!
- A single bolt of lightning contains enough energy to cook 100,000 pieces of toast (this fact is especially for Ms. T!)