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Ulus are ready; even if you're not

By Ida Nelson



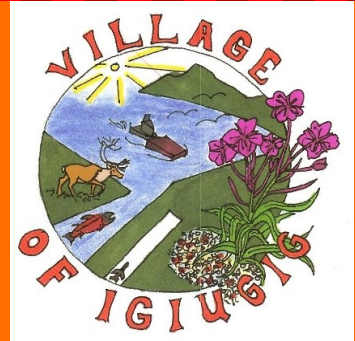
Alicia and I working on the splitting table

A weekend before the 4th of July celebration our ulus are flying and guts, fins, and heads are chopped off and tossed into the river and flays of salmon are cut for winter storage. The buzz always returns every summer; the salmon are coming, the salmon are coming and it looks like another record year of sockeye fish! With that said Renae, Alicia, Greg, Tia, Kiara, Keisha, Shea and I all gathered around the splitting table (not all at the same time) and split close to 700 fish if not more. Greg was busy checking and picking the net, Renae was carefully instructing us around the table, Tia, Kiara, Shea and Keisha (all taking turns throughout the days) cleaning and putting fish on the table, and Alicia prepping the salmon for Renae and me to split. Music

blaring in the back ground and the sports fisher men and guides floating down river hoping to catch a beautiful rainbow trout and seagulls being gluttons for salmon scraps; we split our fish until the sun set after midnight for two days.

Not only we were busy putting our fish away for the winter, AlexAnna has an update for you on our two ANA grants and what we have been learning in yugestun which is followed by the cisslat. Summer reading club is well under way, we still have a long way to go until we reach our goal but I believe we can do it! Tanya has written about our festive 4th of July celebration and how some tears were shed and candy was chased down by some of our elders watching the parade of vehicles. If you have not heard yet, Christina Salmon and Jeff Bringhurst (farmer John) are getting married! You can check out their wedding invites and please remember to send in you RSVP! Tangertua sayiit (I see salmon) photos this year of the salmon harvest followed by your favorite people and the local announcements.

Have a wonderful and safe rest of the summer! Soon school will be back in business and parents will celebrate!



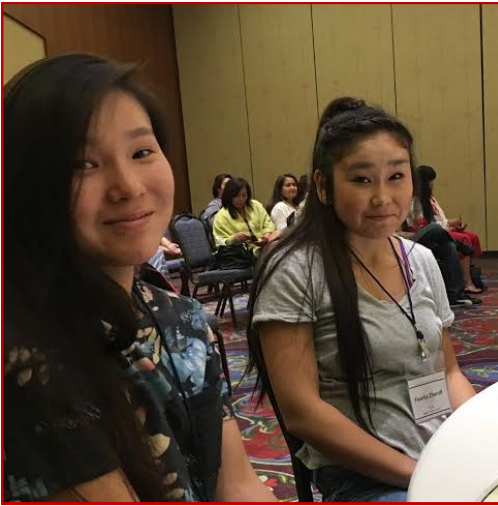
July

Birthdays:

- 1st—Eileen Nelson, Kiara Nelson
- 8th—Ida Nelson
- 9th— David Alvarez
- 12th— Stacy Hill
- 16th— Fewnia Zharoff
- 18th—Dolly Zharoff
- 19th—Betsy Hostetter
- 21st—Keilan Wassillie
- 25th—Mavrik Salmon
- 29th—Alicia Zackar

Wangkuta Qanriarait Navarparmiut Yugestun

By AlexAnna Salmon, Project Director



Dolly and Fewnia attending the youth track

Igiugig Village Council received two Administration for Native Americans (ANA) grants – one under Social and Economic Development Strategies which is the tugboat project, and another under Language Preservation and Maintenance. It is a grant requirement to attend the annual grantee meeting. This year the meeting was held in Marksville, Louisiana from June 21-23. ANA is housed within the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, so they also recommended bringing youth aged 13-24 along for the Generation Indigenous initiative. So, myself, Terek, Dolly, Fewnia, the twins, Halay, Jiles, and Chaskè all swarmed to LA.

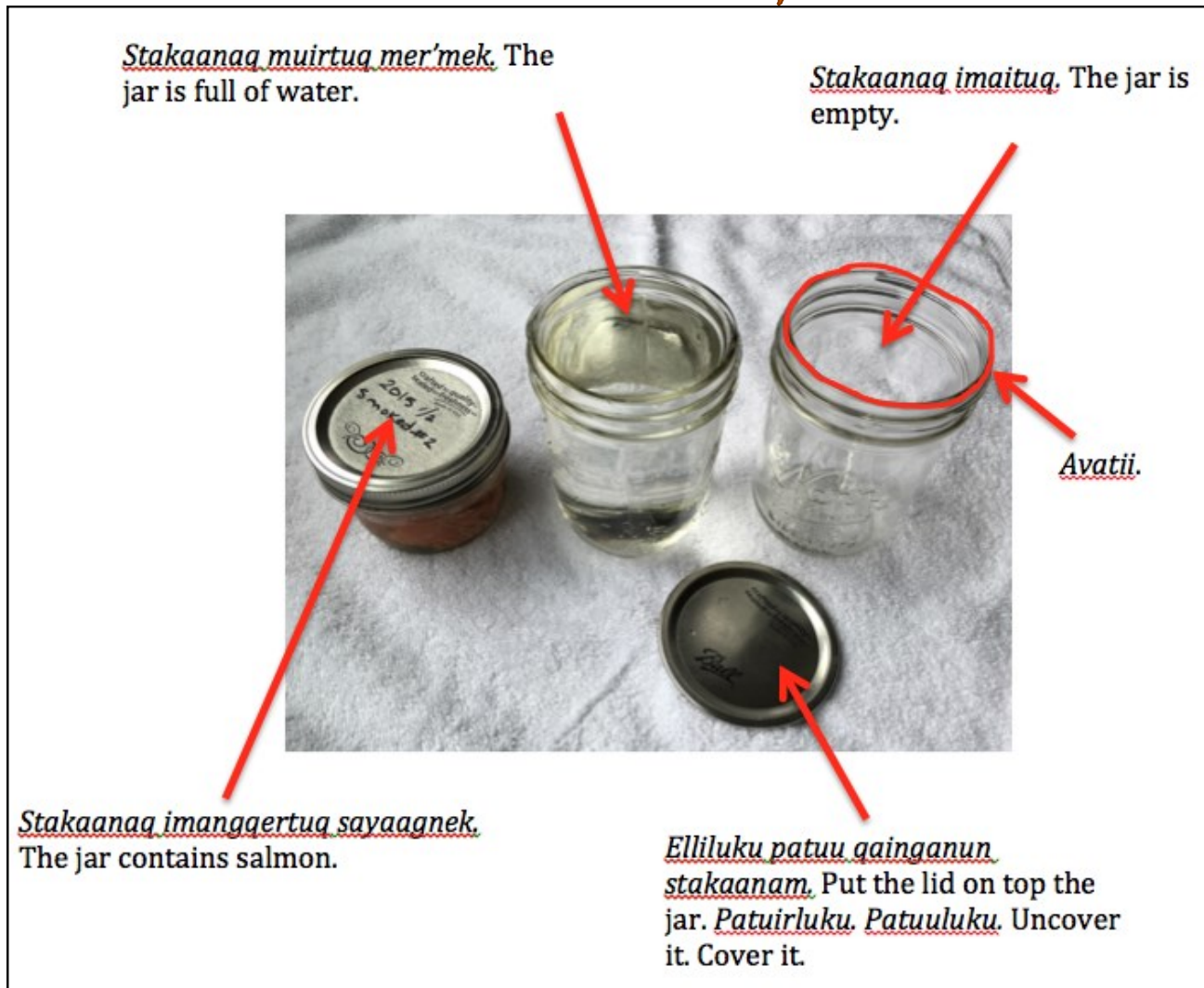
While there, we heard inspiring “Native Empowerment Dialogues”, attended workshops, got helpful tips and ideas from other grantee projects, and were able to meet with our Program Officer. “The Light Switch in your DNA: How Trauma Can Affect Your DNA” by Monica Tsethlikai talked about the importance of early life nurturing, which sets the stage for how our kids manage stress.

Chance Rush, a comedian, said youth aged 13-24 are not the “future” they are the number one influence in the world right now. “We have to work with them, they need to be at the table making important decisions for Indian Country.” His advice to the youth, and I have to agree, is to “Put Creator first,” your spirituality will carry you through “the highest peaks and the darkest valleys.”

The favored workshop was facilitated by a youth mentor Junior Gisa, and was about using storytelling to overcome adversities by helping to build the courage and skills to communicate with others.

A highlight for me was learning about other language programs and especially their material development. Vanessa GoodThunder, aged 18, is dedicating her life to her Dakota language, and her main message to the audience was, “Whatever your passion is, put your language in it.” We returned from Louisiana with reinvigoration and new bright ideas for our language program, which is about to complete its first year already. We have been doing Master/Apprentice group sessions three times a week. The first week the theme was salmon canning, taught by elder Annie Wilson. The next week was salmonberry picking with Alice Zackar and Dallia Andrew. Now that the salmon are running, we will do a salmon splitting session. Here is some of what we covered.

Wangkuta Qanriarait Navarparmiut Yugestun



Sayaagnek mikluki kepurluku (cut the salmon into small pieces).
Elliluku sayaagnek iluani stakaanam (put the salmon inside the jar).

Stakaanam muirluki sayaagnek (fill the jar up with salmon).

Perrirluku avatii stakaanam (wipe around the jar).

Patuuluku stakaanam (put the lid on the jar).














Paankarluki (can it).

Cikiqataramken (I am going to give it to you).

ingun

The Molting of Birds



Agayuneq	Pekyun	Aipirin	Pingayirin	Cetamirin	Tallimirin	Maqineq
					 1	2
					Eileen Nelson Kiara Nelson	
3	 New Moon 4	5	6	7	 8	 9
	 Independence Day			John the Baptist Name Day	Ida Nelson	David Alvarez
10	1 st Quarter 11	12	13	14	15	16
		Peter & Paul Name Day 				 Fewnia Zharoff
17	 18	 Full Moon 19	20	 21	22	23
	DollyAnn Z.	 Betsy Hostetter		Keilan Wassilie		
24	25	3 rd Quarter 26	27	28	29	30
	 Mavrik Salmon				Time Sheets Due! Alicia Zacka 	Marina Name Day
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Summer Reading Club



By Tanya Salmon

With the sudden baby boom Igiugig has experienced, I decided to write about the importance of reading to your child (although it applies to any age!).

When should parents start reading to their children? The answer is, NOW. Parents should read to their newborn(s) as soon as possible.

Although newborns do not understand what you are saying, they can pick up the rhythm, tones, and inflections of your voice and already begin building their own speech patterns. Amazingly, by the time babies reach their first birthday, they will have learned all the sounds needed to speak their native language (1). Research has proven that the more words a baby is exposed to, the better prepared they will be to start reading on their own. (2) (Kenneth Wible, MD, of Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics in Kansas City).

Reading boosts brainpower in your child. Children who were read to as newborns usually have a larger vocabulary, as well as more advanced mathematical skills, than other kids their age who were not read to as frequently. One study found that babies scored a lot higher on standardized tests when they reached age 3 compared to children whose parents weren't as verbal (2). The more you read aloud, the more words your child will be exposed to.

While reading, your baby hears you using many different emotions and expressive sounds, whether it's doing a voice for a specific character or describing what's going on in the book. This fosters social and emotional development. They quickly start learning that spoken words have meaning and certain sounds mean certain things. The same effect does not happen from watching/listening to the TV. (2)

Most importantly, reading aloud to your child builds a connection between the things your baby loves the most—your voice and the closeness to you. Reading is an excellent way to bond with your baby. Remember, they are only young once! What are you waiting for? Grab a book and read to your child/grandchild/nephew/niece/friend (or listen to them read to you).

Resources:

kidshealth.org

Linda DiProperzio from Parents Magazine

Readtoyourbaby.com

Ten Benefits of Reading Aloud To Your Baby From Day One

by readtoyourbaby.com

- Promotes listening skills
- Increases the number of vocabulary words babies hear
- Develops attention span and memory
- Helps babies learn uncommon words
- Helps babies understand the meaning of words
- Helps babies learn concepts about print
- Helps babies learn how to get information from illustrations
- Promotes bonding and calmness for both baby and parent
- Stimulates the imagination and all the senses

SRC Results:

Kiara: 20 books, 7,198 pages

Tanya: 7 books 1,981 pages

Avery: 90 books

Julie: 6 books 2,141 pages

Walt: 5 books 5,245 pages

Erika: 13 books

Mavrik: 13 books

Village Total: 154 books 16,565

pages

1,986 books to reach our goal of
Banana Split Party

SRC Ends right before School
Starts around August 17. That is a
little over 1 month away



By Tanya Salmon

"You're a grand old flag,
 You're a high flying flag
 And forever in peace may you wave.
 You're the emblem of
 The land I love.
 The home of the free and the brave.
 Ev'ry heart beats true
 'neath the Red, White and Blue,
 Where there's never a boast or brag.
 Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
 Keep your eye on the grand old flag.
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You're a Grand Old Flag
 by George M. Cohan

Read more: <http://www.scoutsongs.com/lyrics/grandoldflag.html#ixzz4Dg1xXGZg>

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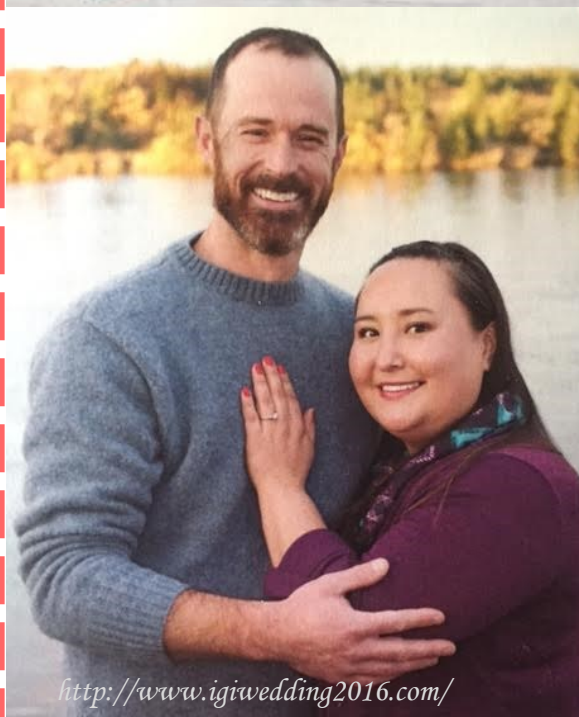
Every year around the 4th of July, that Boy Scout song gets stuck in my head and the people around me have to suffer through my out-of-tune vocals. The louder and more gusto, the more excited I am for the festivities!

Since it was yet another rainy holiday, everyone gathered at the Hangar at 2 PM. Christina manned the grilling station, cooking up hotdogs, burgers, and reindeer dogs. Tables were loaded with salads, pastas, fish, pork chops, cakes, sodas, juices, candies, and other goodies.

After most everyone was finished eating, the parade of three was set in motion. Sirens were blaring, horns were honking, lights were flashing, and babies were crying. Too terrified to go after candy, the toddlers ran to safety while children, adults, and elders rushed forward to grab the candy being flung at them from the VPSO vehicle, the Emergency Transport vehicle, and the fire truck.

Once everyone was stuffed, left overs claimed, and tables cleaned up, everyone headed home to rest their bellies or tend to their fish. Thank you for all those who contributed to the feast and attended the event!

Christina Salmon
and
Jeff Bringhurst



<http://www.igiwedding2016.com/>

request the pleasure of your company
at the celebration of their union
Saturday, the eighth of October
two thousand and sixteen
two o'clock in the afternoon
on the beautiful shores of Lake Iliamna

Igiugig, Alaska

Reception to follow

<http://www.travelersjoy.com/bringhurstwedding>

Weather

Summary

May 31, 2016 - June 30, 2016

	High	Low	Average
Temperature	74.3 °F	41.9 °F	55.5 °F
Dew Point	56.5 °F	36.9 °F	47.4 °F
Humidity	99%	28%	76.3%
Precipitation	1.95 in	--	--

	High	Low	Average
Wind Speed	33 mph	--	6.9 mph
Wind Gust	0 mph	--	--
Wind Direction	--	--	SSE
Pressure	30.3 in	29.47 in	--

Tangertua Sayiit





Ripe salmon berries in the bucket photo by Sherry Nelson



Flying out to Anchorage



Miss Avery playing in the tree house



Kaleb with his class mates at the Fishing Guide Academy



Happy to be jumping off the barge



Fewnia with Stormi and Erika



Luke and Addison resting before the convention



Kids enjoying the floating island



A hand full of blue berries by Stacie Garrison



Terek with Fewnia and Dolly in the Bayou



Ruth and Olivia birthday celebration



Teagan with Aunt Maria



Keilan, Walt and Jem in Kansas



Sheryl with her Dad Terry egg hunting



Jeff and Keilan at a soccer game in Seattle



Alice and Dallia enjoying the 4th of July parade

Announcements

REMEMBER In Igiugig We:

- ⇒ Keep your Dogs Tied up or on a Leash.
- ⇒ Turn Off Lights when leaving a public building.
- ⇒ Recycle: #1 to #7 plastics, aluminum cans, glass, tin cans. We also separate batteries and e-waste.
- ⇒ Do Not Park in front of the hangar or the white trash trailer.
- ⇒ Do Not Litter, we confront those that do, and we pick up trash that we see.
- ⇒ We Compost! Bring it to the greenhouse, please no dairy or meat products.
- ⇒ Contribute to the Newsletter! Send photos, news, important events to Ida: igiugignewsletter@gmail.com
- ⇒ Love Our Village! Join Igiugig Village Info Zone on Facebook if you haven't already.

Summer Library Hours

Monday– Friday:

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM & 4:00pm to 5:00pm

Saturday:

2:00pm to 4:00pm

Igiugig General Store

Hours: Monday to Saturday

3:00 PM to 5 PM *

*Newly relocated to the white house near the Zackar's house-call 907-533-3069 to open or for questions



Donate Now!
To the Dan
Salmon
Education fund!

Important Dates:
Chris Price leaves July 22nd
Timesheets due July 31th

This is a reminder that all vehicles are to stay off the runway. We had someone run over a light and not confess to it, this has caused our runway to be shutdown and only planes are allowed on it.

Clinic News

The Igiugig after hours
emergency number is
533-6020

If there is no health aide in the
village please call the Nilavena
Clinic at 571-1818 and
571-7111 for after hours
emergencies.

[Dan Salmon Education Fund]

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

DONATION: \$ _____

*ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE

MAIL BACK TO:

IGIUGIG VILLAGE COUNCIL
FOR: DAN SALMON EDUCATION FUND
P.O. BOX 4008
IGIUGIG, ALASKA 99613

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Front Page Photo Credit: Julie Salmon: Salmon berries she picked
Back Page Photo Credit: Sharolynn Zackar: enjoying a bonfire at the beach

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