



Thank you to Friends of the Library...



For their innovative idea for the raffle: an iPad 2! Only 300 tickets to be sold, at \$10/ticket. Drawing November 9.



For the educational laptops that have been ordered for kids!

For the Lighting of the Library, coming soon. If you have always wanted to be an elf, this could be your year to volunteer.



What's New for Youth

- SEARHC youth coordinator Rodney Hinson is offering Tlingit Programs on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.
- Volunteer Kate Maxwell has started hosting Teen Time again this fall on Thursdays at 3:30 P.M.
- School librarian Leigh Horner has activities for kids after school at the school library, too!

Chilkat Valley Community Foundation Contributes

The Totem Pole Project began in May 2009. In August 2009 the pole was erected with a pole-raising ceremony, including the Tlingit naming of the library. The library was given the name Ax'Shtudultoowo Daaka Hidi ("Where they go to learn by themselves"). The Chilkat Dancers danced and drummed, and the Alaska Flag song was sung. Ed Hays made beautiful benches so people could sit and enjoy the totem pole.

The Totem Pole Park and beautification project was made possible by a grant from the Chilkat Valley Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Alaska Community Foundation. Community foundations build from large and small donations. The Chilkat Valley Foundation manages an annual community grant program from funds generated by the endowment. Thanks to the Chilkat Valley Foundation and Pete Dorhn's labor, Totem Pole Park is now a welcoming place for all.



Lisa Blank enjoys sunshine in park

Canning and Seed-Saving Popular Classes



James-David Sneed explains seed-saving techniques

On September 6 seed expert James-David Sneed led two sessions of "Seed-saving for Alaska Gardeners." His presentations included information about how to save seeds from the garden; how to select,

clean, dry, and store seeds; and producing seeds for barter and gift-giving. He also addressed the growing concerns about GMO contamination and how to avoid it, and how to save money

while doing all of this.

SEARHC partnered with the library to bring Sneed for these informative sessions. Experienced and novice gardeners alike were glad to learn more about how to gather their own seeds, especially with the growing season coming to an end for most Southeast-Alaska gardeners.

Gardening is popular in our community, and there is a growing interest nationwide in being able to produce more of our own food in our backyards. Bringing experts in to share helpful information is a great way to support this interest and give people the knowledge they need to be able to do what they want to do.

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Q: What are the new information signs about our town doing at the library?

A: Thanks to Debra Schnabel, who coordinated the grant to fund the sign-making effort for Haines, we now have beautiful, new informative signs that will be posted all around our town to help people find their way. Since these signs won't be posted until spring, the library was a perfect place to let people see all of them as a collection before they go into storage for the winter.



Interactive Touch Table to Debut

The library is excited about launching a new project called "Chilkat Valley Story Board." An innovative new technology called Microsoft Surface will be coming to the library soon. Thanks to the partnership with the Chilkoot Indian Association (CIA) and a Native American Library Services Enhancement grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), the library will have touch table technology allowing people to touch the map of Haines and learn more about many of the interesting places people may want to visit. Education Coordinator Jolanta Ryan and technology coordinator John DeRosa will be helping get this project up and running over the next two years. Many local experts will be interviewed and their knowledge incorporated into the touch-map of our area. The grant is cooperatively supported by the CIA in partnership with the IMLS, a federal agency that fosters innovation, leadership, and lifelong learning.

New Art by Kerry Cohen a Fitting Tribute

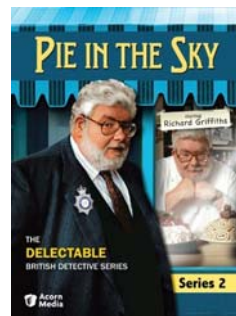
September 16, the new artwork by Kerry Cohen was unveiled at a Tribute Celebration in memory of long-time librarian Ellen Borders. Favorite stories about Ellen were shared, including memories of how she helped people find books they loved before they even knew they would love them. People enjoyed refreshments and the chance to remember Ellen.



Blank & Denker Movie Thumbs-Up

Great movies are available at the library. Blank and Denker recommend these for October:

1. **Pie in the Sky**
2. **Justified**
3. **The Fighter**
4. **Soul Kitchen**
5. **Oz and James's Big Wine Adventure**



Book Club Discusses The Good Earth

Library volunteer Alexandra Feit has coordinated several book club discussions, starting this summer. The latest one has people reading Pearl S. Buck's The Good Earth. Everyone is welcome to join the book group at any time. Twenty-seven copies of The Good Earth were available at the library for people to pick up and read. The group will meet at 3 P.M. on October 1 to discuss the book, and they are looking forward to seeing the movie on October 4 at 6:30 P.M. They'll be comparing the book and movie. Feit says one of her favorite things about being part of a book group is meeting new people.

