


COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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Donor Highlight



Frank and Ramona Holmes are retired and spend some of the year in Oregon, but in the months they spend in Haines, they are devoted to their home, garden, and community.

Frank became familiar with Alaska working at fish camps and canneries for several seasons before he was hired in 1969 to teach science at the Haines Borough School District. He taught in Haines for 22 years. He also coached high school track, Little League Baseball, and taught conservation and ecology courses.

Ramona, with 30 years in education has taught math and computer science at the high school and junior college level and spent three years teaching Math and Math Education at Oregon State University. Since coming to the Chilkat Valley, Ramona has volunteered at the Presbyterian Church, Sheldon Museum, Haines Friends of Recycling, and this year she served on CVCF's Grantmaking Committee.

Here is a couple who believes in education! Recently the board of Haines Friends of Recycling created a scholarship in the Holmes' name to honor them for their many years of dedication to recycling.

Frank and Ramona also believe in the cycle of giving. They give to CVCF because they know that as the local fund grows, grant-receiving organizations in the Chilkat Valley will devote less time fundraising and more time focused on their missions.

The Haines Borough is making a difference with a matching grant!

The Haines Borough Assembly awarded a \$5,000 matching grant to help build the endowed fund. Donors contributing to CVCF funds will have their donation matched dollar for dollar until we reach the \$5,000 mark. Thanks to 29 individuals and families, and 8 businesses, \$4,375 has been raised since July 1st for this challenge! Remember, YOU still have the opportunity to have your gift doubled.



Mini-Tech Grant

~ Available in 2012 ~

This year, thanks to Kingfisher Consulting LLC, a Mini-Tech Grant was available to eligible organizations. Owner Warren Johnson, who is very familiar with the technology needs of many local nonprofits, donated \$600 to fund the grant. Funds can be used for a project that incorporates technology whether it is upgrading equipment, training staff on the use of software, or incorporating the use of a new technology into services. Award of the grant was overseen by the CVCF Grantmaking Committee.



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Honoring Women Totems Project

~ One of the Twelve 2011 CVCF Grantees ~

With CVCF funding support, the Jilkaat Kwaan Heritage Center is creating a pair of Honoring Women Totems to be placed in front of Klukwan ANS Hall. The carving project serves to perpetuate the art form in the community, honor women, and educate the public in regards to the contributions of the women to families, the community, region, and State of Alaska; and to provide more training and experience for local carvers.

From left: Master Carver Jim Heaton, with apprentices Jeffery Klanott and Joe King



Joe King



You're Invited!

Donors and 2011 grantees are invited to join us at 7 PM on November 1st at the Chilkat Center for our annual Donor and Grantee Award Celebration. The evening is planned as a way to thank donors for their generosity which helps make CVCF grants possible, and to hear from the twelve 2011 grantees who will share displays and stories about their successful grant projects. In addition, the 2012 grant awards will be announced and the new grantees will have the opportunity to introduce their projects. Refreshments will be served.

Be sure to mark your calendars for this exciting event so you can hear how your donations are making a difference in our community.

The Exciting Work of Grantmaking

The CVCF Grantmaking Committee - Ramona Holmes, Phyllis Sage, Kate Saunders, and CVCF Board members - met October 5th to review the twelve grant applications submitted for the 2012 funding cycle. Using CVCF's structured review process, they read, scored, discussed, and prioritized the applications. A variety of exciting projects were presented by local organizations. Awards will be announced November 1st.

The CVCF Advisory Board of Directors



From left: Phillip "Chip" Lende, Leslie Evenden, Heather Shade, Ann Myren, Crystal Badgley, Cecily Stern, Toni DeWitt (not pictured: Jeff Bochart, Lew Lowry, Mary Jane Valentine)



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