


COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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Thanks to you,

CVCF's "community permanent fund" balance hit the \$400,000 mark in September and then zoomed upward when 2014 Pick.Click.Give. donations were received. Now, more than \$407,000 is invested for the Chilkat Valley. That's quite impressive for a small community in just six years. And it's even more exciting to know that those funds will continue to grow since the principal is never spent. And why is that important? Well, check out the grantee awards for 2014 and highlights from 2013 in this newsletter.



Sources of 2014 grant funds: CVCF fund \$13,567 including \$500 re-granting funds from Rasmuson Foundation; Call Family Fund \$397; Memorial Fund \$986; Kingfisher Consulting Mini-Tech Grant \$600.

Grants Awarded in 2014

Organization		Amount
Becky's Place ~ Haven of Hope	Operating Support - Challenge	\$2,000
Big Brothers, Big Sisters	Media Partnership to Encourage More "Bigs"	\$1,001
Children's Reading Foundation of Haines (with HBSD)	Play with Purpose	\$999
Chilkat Valley Preschool	A New Preschool Facility	\$3,500
Foundation for the Chilkat Center for the Arts	Lobby Tables	\$500
Haines Animal Rescue Kennel	Spray & Neuter Assistance Program	\$1,250
Haines Dolphins Swim Team	Operating Support	\$1,000
Haines Hockey (with Southeast Alaska State Fair)	Arena Lighting	\$500
Haines Hot Shots	Skeet Field Supplies	\$500
Hammer Museum	Introduction to Blacksmithing Workshop	\$700
Lynn Canal Broadcasting	News Expansion Project	\$1,000
Lynn Canal Conservation	LCC Presents Sustainable Wild Salmon	\$600
Southeast Alaska Independent Living	Learn to Adapt: Winter Snow Sports Clinic	\$1,500
Southeast Alaska State Fair	Carousel Restoration Project, Phase II	\$500
		Total Awarded \$15,550



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Highlights of your 2013 gifts in action!

Guest instructor,
Delores Churchill



Jilkaat Kwaan Heritage Center offered a series of textile workshops - skin sewing, basket weaving, and button blanket sewing. *"The objective in offering this series of workshops was to strengthen our native heritage by instructing locals in traditional textile arts skills. Through these classes we created a greater presence of native textile arts within the Chilkat Valley which adds to the flavor and sense of place within our respective communities."* ~ Lani Hotch



Foundation for the Chilkat Center for the Arts completed the first phase of their project to upgrade the lighting and sound equipment at the Center. These CVCF funds were leveraged to help secure more than \$172,000 in grant funding from the Rasmuson Foundation and the Murdock Charitable Trust. Local support counts!

Haines Dolphins Swim Team had 28 young swimmers participating throughout the 8-month season, gaining both physical and social skills that positively affect our whole community.



Teammates and community members all rally to support the Haines Dolphins, just as CVCF donors support the organization's operating costs.



Planned Giving

your legacy





Creating a charitable legacy does not require large income or a vast estate. All that's required is the thoughtful intention to make a difference in the Chilkat Valley for generations to come. You can leave a legacy in a variety of ways, either by donating directly to one of the existing

funds of the Chilkat Valley Community Foundation (an affiliate of The Alaska Community Foundation, ACF), or by creating a new fund to support the community, causes, and organizations you care about. Individuals who include CVCF in their estate planning through bequests, outright gifts, or life insurance and retirement-plan beneficiary designations become part of The Legacy Society for Alaska which recognizes planned gifts to ACF and its affiliates. Join other "joyful givers realizing community dreams."



"Putting the CVCF in our will allows us to continue supporting the nonprofits of the Chilkat Valley in perpetuity. It also insures that our money is being handled and spent responsibly." ~ Jim & Anna Jurgeleit, joining Steven & JoAnn Cunningham and Tim McDonough & Ann Myren as members of The Legacy Society.

By joining The Legacy Society you will be:

-  Giving a gift that keeps on giving: Your legacy gift today will do good works tomorrow.
-  Creating a place for your personal history. We can help you preserve your story to share with future generations who will benefit from your generosity.
-  A catalyst of change, joining other residents in meeting current and emerging needs in our community.
-  Recognized in CVCF newsletters, ACF's Annual Report, on our website and at special events. Too often those who leave a legacy are not honored during their lifetimes. The Legacy Society is shining a light today on a gift for the future.

For more information on joining The Legacy Society, contact chilkatvalley@chilkatvalleycf.org or call (907) 766-6868.

If you have already included the Chilkat Valley Community Foundation in your estate planning, please let us know so that you may be recognized as a member of The Legacy Society.

Additional Resources for Legacy Giving: The Alaska Bar Association maintains a database of attorneys specializing in Estate Planning and Probate law. You can download the list from www.alaskabar.org.

DONOR HIGHLIGHT



Cynthia Allen arrived in Haines for a summer visit, was drawn to the town, and decided to stay. Cynthia and her husband Russ Lyman met in the summer of 1991 when both had summer jobs at a local guiding company. "I fell in love with Haines, and with Russ," says Cynthia. "It's something of a cliché, but I'd say I came for the beauty and stayed for the community."

"Community is one of the things we love about Haines," says Russ. "The small town and the relative isolation keeps people more connected to one another."

Cynthia was one of the founding board members of Hospice of Haines, and served on their board for a decade. "It gave me an appreciation for how hard nonprofit boards work. It was hard work to get started, to get funding and have people take us seriously. For me that's the gift of the Foundation - that it can be an umbrella for these smaller organizations."

Cynthia also appreciates the workshops and trainings that CVCF has brought to town to support local organizations. "I wish we had had that starting out. There was a big learning curve."

Russ and Cynthia have given to the CVCF since the fund's inception. "We still give to individual organizations we feel strongly about, but it's also nice to know that if we give a chunk (to CVCF), they can figure out how to best distribute it."

Russ and Cynthia feel good knowing that the money they invest in the CVCF stays local and will continue to grow to support the needs of the town. Thank you for all you give to our community, Russ and Cynthia!

Chilkat Valley Community Foundation Recurring Gift Options

Several Chilkat Valley residents have chosen to give to CVCF funds through the new, user-friendly recurring gift options*. Simply go online to <https://chilkatvalleycf.org/donate/> where you can choose:

- ▶ One Time Donation
- ▶ Recurring Donation Every 2 Months
- ▶ Recurring Donation Every 3 Months
- ▶ Recurring Annual Donation

Donors report that choosing the recurring gift option is convenient and worry-free. Consider joining other community members who have taken advantage of this expedient giving opportunity.

You have the option to designate your gift in honor or memory of someone.

**We respect the privacy of your information and will never sell or distribute your contact information.*



Honoring and Thanking...

The Living Treasures program gives people a chance to publicly **honor and thank individuals they value who have made a difference in their lives.** This year fellow community members honored these individuals as Living Treasures:

Len Feldman

Melissa Aronson

Debra Schnabel

Mardell Gunn

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December 1, 2013 - November 24, 2014

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Memorial Fund

Started in 2011, the CVCF Memorial Fund provides a venue for individuals to give in memory of their loved ones, today and for years to come.

The founding donors gave in memory of:

♥ Walter Feit ♥ Ted and Leola Myren ♥ Bud and Shirley Barber ♥
♥ Phil Lende ♥ Sally Vuillet ♥ Roderick William Ross ♥ Hugh Malone ♥
♥ Russell Bolick ♥ Martha K. Jones ♥ Wilma Henderson ♥ Lyn Dunbar ♥
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♥ Rip Streater ♥ Norm Smith, Sr. ♥ Charles and Mary Jo Meizner ♥
♥ Jim and Rachel McDonough ♥ Louis and Hazel Nelson ♥
♥ Dorothy and Clifford Fossman ♥

In 2014, gifts were given in memory of:

♥ Lola Knutson	♥ Art Jess
♥ Constance Griffith	♥ Lyn Dunbar
♥ Dave Myren	♥ Karl Ward
♥ Edith Jacquot	♥ Alden Hamilton
♥ Ron Sparks, Sr.	♥ Susan Meacock
♥ George Edwards	

Gifts to the CVCF Memorial Fund honor loved ones who have passed away, and build a lasting source of income for annual grants to nonprofits. As the Fund grows, so too does the amount available to help local nonprofits serve

the community. Since the Memorial Fund was established, grants have been awarded to Hospice of Haines, SAIL, Sheldon Museum, Haines Dolphins, and Becky's Place: Haven of Hope.

Remember to
Pick.Click.Give. when
you apply for your 2015
PFD starting Jan. 1st.
For more information
on the program go to
pickclickgive.org.



When is giving easy?

\$2.7 million to nonprofit causes across the state, making Pick.Click.Give. perhaps the most successful statewide fundraising campaign in the nation, based on the percentage of residents who participate.

Thanks to everyone who chose to support their favorite local cause(s), **and a special thanks** to the 53 donors who contributed \$4,000 to CVCF. We appreciate your trust and support in helping to make the Chilkat Valley a better place to work, play, and live.

Helping local nonprofits...

It's one of CVCF's goals!

Love a good story? In June, thanks to a grant from The Alaska Community Foundation, CVCF hosted a *Digital Storytelling Workshop* for nonprofits. Alaska Public Media's Travis Gilmour, helped local nonprofits learn how to create videos using simple tools like smartphones and basic editing software. He also created a digital story, for CVCF, highlighting four grantees and the differences their services make in the Chilkat Valley. Check it out at www.chilkatvalleycf.org.



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