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## Community News & Notes

### Anderson Elementary Update

In late January, the elementary students dissected owl pellets. If you're like our class, you might think that an owl pellet is, well, poop. But, it's not. Owls are unable to digest bones and fur, so as they eat shrews, rodents, or small birds, the bones, fur, and feathers get stored up into one of these pellets, which is then regurgitated on a daily basis. Each student had at least 2 skeletons in their pellets, as signified by the number of skulls they found, and some had up to 4. They were all challenged to attempt to put at least one skeleton back together. In the picture, Cheala Shepherd is displaying an excellent example of one of her rodent skeletons.



On the 11<sup>th</sup>, the elementary competed in the Battle of the Books competition at Tri-Valley School.

At the present, they are excitedly preparing their science fair projects for the District Science Fair, scheduled for Thursday February 27<sup>th</sup>. Our hope for March is to place the birdhouses that we made and painted onto the nature trail that is being made behind the school. If you check out the nature trail, you are certain to find a rather interesting squirrel's nest. In our research last week, we discovered that a red squirrel has most likely made the nest. If you are knowledgeable about squirrels or other wildlife in Anderson, I'd love to hear from you or welcome you to our class to share your insight. Thank you!

*Tricia Turley, Anderson Elementary Teacher*

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### Job Opening: Accountant for GVEA-Healy

Application forms are available at the Healy Plant  
& on the GVEA website: [www.gvea.com](http://www.gvea.com).

Navigate through Inside GVEA to Job Openings to find the online form for printing. The closing date is Feb. 25 for applications.

### Library Event in March

The Anderson Village Library invites all Gal Pals and women who just want a night out away from winter hum-drums at home on Thursday, March 13, 2014, starting at 5:30 p.m. Come for gabbing and pulled pork barbeque sandwiches potluck at the Anderson School Multipurpose Room. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Sandwiches and table service provided.

There will be a Silent Auction of beautiful baskets filled with dreamy new things. If anyone would like to donate small items or handmade things for door prizes, this would be a fun way to possibly "re-gift" some knick-knacks!

**Vendors:** Would you like to come, share in the fun and advertise your products? It's a great way to meet women and promote your business without any actual selling this night. Just bring catalogs, business cards, etc. and join in. We want you to have fun, too!

### Historical Material Needed

The Anderson Public Library is looking to up-date their archives on the Anderson/Clear area. There are several missing years in newsletters that have been published, school yearbooks, Bluegrass Festival programs, and any other historical information. It has been the hope to get Anderson's history all in order and stored in the library for future generations. If anyone has something like this, that you do not mind parting with, please contact the library. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Anderson Public Library  
P.O. Box 3078  
Anderson, AK. 99744

[andersonlibrary@dbsd.org](mailto:andersonlibrary@dbsd.org)

(907) 582-2628 Tuesday & Thursday from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

## Community Events and Programs

**February 16 – Anderson Community Youth Group** (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) meets at 2 P.M. at the home of Brandon and Emily White, 337 3<sup>rd</sup> St. (corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> & D). Contact the Whites at 719-371-8268 or Daryl at 582-1490 for more info.

**February 17-18 - Teacher In-service Days—NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

**February 18 – Anderson City Council** meeting at the Council Chambers, 7:30 P.M.

**February 18 - Denali Borough Planning Commission Meeting**, 6:15 P.M. at Tri-Valley Community Center, Healy AK.

**February 19 – Ice Carver, Larry Moen**, will visit Anderson School.

**February 19 – Anderson Quilters and Crafters** will meet at 6:00 PM at Murphy Whitney's summer home at the Luka Lodge. It will be Pot Luck with Murphy planning on making Stew for dinner. Suggested Fat Quarter is hearts, pinks, reds, etc. Remember to bring your Show and Tell to share. For directions or questions, contact Murphy at 378-7723 or Pat Griggs at 460-2985.

**February 19 - Elementary Winterfest Variety Show**, 6:30 P.M. at Tri Valley MPR

**February 20 – Anderson School Board Meeting** at Anderson School, 7 P.M.

**February 20 – Denali Borough School District Meeting** at Cantwell School, 7 P.M.

**February 21 - Clear AFS Community Bowling**, 6 P.M.

**February 23 – Anderson Community Youth Group** (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) meets at 2 P.M. at the home of Brandon and Emily White, 337 3<sup>rd</sup> St. (corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> & D). Contact the Whites at 719-371-8268 or Daryl at 582-1490 for more info.

**February 23 - Tri-Borough Meeting** at 9:00 A.M. at the Tri-Valley Community Center. Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Fairbanks Northstar Borough and Denali Borough Assembly members will be in attendance as well as the Mayors from each municipality. Discussion will include Alaska Railroad, Natural Gas Transportation, Watana Dam Project and local issues. Everyone is invited to attend. This is an informational meeting only and therefore no official action will be taken.

**February 26 - MS/HS Winterfest Variety Show** 6:30 P.M. at Tri Valley MPR

**February 27 & 28 – Denali Borough School District Science Fair.**  
*Community Viewing Feb 27, 6-8 P. at Tri-Valley School in Healy.*

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**EMS Classes** will be offered in 2014. Interested parties please contact Anderson City Hall at 582-2500 or Karen Southwood by email: [southwood2000@msn.com](mailto:southwood2000@msn.com).

## Borough Services

### Denali Borough

Tri-Valley Community Center, Healy AK  
 Mon-Thur, 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.,  
 PO Box 480, Healy, AK 99743, 907-683-  
 1330, Fax: 907-683-1340,  
 E-Mail: [dbgovt@mtaonline.net](mailto:dbgovt@mtaonline.net)  
 Website: <http://www.denaliborough.govoffice.com>

### Denali Borough School District

1 Suntrana Street, Healy, AK 99743,  
 907-683-2278, <http://www.dbsd.org>

### Borough Land Fill

Winter hours: Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat 9 A.M.-  
 4 P.M. Holiday Closures:  
 New Year's - January 1, 2014  
 MLK Jr Day - January 18, 2014  
 President's Day - February 15, 2014  
 Seward's Day - March 29, 2014  
 907-683-1330 or check the Denali  
 Borough website (above).

## Anderson Services

### Anderson City Office

Mon-Thu 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. 907-  
 582-2500

### Division of Motor Vehicles

Mon & Wed 10 A.M.-2 P.M. Road tests  
 on Wednesdays by appointment. 907-  
 582-2500

### Anderson Post Office

Mon-Fri, 12-3:15 P.M. 907-582-2992

### Anderson Volunteer Fire Dept.

907-582-2500

### Anderson Public Library

Winter Hours (effective during the  
 school year): Tuesdays & Thursdays  
 4:00-7:00 P.M., Sundays 12:00-4:00 P.M.  
 Holiday closures: November 28, &  
 December 22- January 2. The library  
 will be closed if the temperature outside  
 reaches -40. 907-582-2628  
[andersonlibrary@dbsd.org](mailto:andersonlibrary@dbsd.org)

## Classified Advertisements

### 12 City Lots in Anderson for Sale.

100'x100' each. Not  
 subdivided/developed.  
 Lots are located on  
 Aspen Street. Please call  
 907-745-1860 or  
 e-mail:  
[jauna@mtaonline.net](mailto:jauna@mtaonline.net)

### Free to a Good Home:

Bearded Dragon and all  
 supplies, including  
 some food. Call 582-  
 3635.

### Blaze King Wood Stove

for sale, used but in good  
 shape. Asking \$400 and I  
 will help deliver it if you  
 are in Anderson. Call  
 582-1012 or 585-6443 to  
 take a look at it.

## Local Businesses

**Alpine Plumbing & Heating** (Commercial & Residential, Licensed, Insured & Bonded) 907-209-7645.

**Cookie Lee Jewelry** is available in Anderson today. Try it on and take it home. Shop for your favorite styles at guilt-free prices. Book a show and earn free jewelry. I also do fundraisers. Check out my website [www.cookielee.biz/janiscarney](http://www.cookielee.biz/janiscarney).

**Fireweed Roadhouse** located on the Parks Hwy milepost 288.5 We offer comfortable lodging, full menu with all inclusive contractor rates. Come enjoy true Alaskan hospitality in one of the last standing roadhouses. We serve homemade pizzas, burgers, soups and salads. I look forward to serving your family and friends! 907-582-2224 or 907-460-9292 and web: [www.fireweedroadhouse@denali.com](http://www.fireweedroadhouse@denali.com)

**Homefire Country Inn** Bed and Breakfast, Past Fire Hall on South D Street, Left on Park Ave, follow to end, last house on right. 907-209-1895.

**Rabideau's Clear Sky Lodge**, Mile 280 Parks Hwy, 907-582-2251

**Scentsy:** Wick-less, flameless, soot-free candles, and personal care and laundry products that add scent-sationally to your life!

**Velata Fondu:** Chocolate, Cheese & Artisan Rubs. Grab your friends and get together. Velata makes parties fun and EASY!

Dawni Corbin

(907) 582-2419 or (907)378-8272

Scentsy Lead Consultant

<https://scentsforalways.scentsy.us>

Velata Lead Consultant

<https://makeminemelted.velata.us>

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Thank you for reading the Dispatch and those of you who send us submissions! Please let us know if you find any errors. And send us your submissions for the next Dispatch by February 25, 2014.