Thorne Bay Boys Basketball Team Makes Regionals

Our very own Thorne Bay Basketball Team has made their way to Regionals with a 15-1 Conference Play. The Regional Tournament started in Juneau February 27th.

The Thorne Bay City Council commends the team and their coach for their dedication and hard work this year.

This years High School Basketball Team players are: Eli Brookins, Jacob & Kyle Congdon, Payton Cottrell, Jonathan Duffield, Brandon Ehorn, Ethan Harvey, Joshua Hayes, Danny Jennings, James Lacour, Ben Moots, Jakob Nelson, Devin Reid, Donny Savage, Stockton Schwab, Tyler Stutzman, Joseph Vondoloski.

Congratulations Coach Mark

State of Alaska Proposed FY20 Budget

HOW WILL YOU BE EFFECTED?

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⇒ If you want to know how to participate in Public Testimony Opportunities on upcoming Legislative Bills, visit: http://akleg.gov/pages/testify.php

LANDSLIDE CLEANUP UNDERWAY

OVK BEGINS WORK ON CLEANING UP THE LANDSLIDE!

⇒ Cleanup of the Landslide that occurred on January 1, 2019, is underway. Crews are working as fast as they can to get the road open for travel. Thank you to all of those that have showed support during this time and have stepped up.

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While we all may agree that the State must begin to make some hard choices in order to bring the expenses in line with revenues, the current FY20 Governor proposed Budget has some serious negative impacts on Alaska, and even more so the rural communities of Alaska.

The impacts to municipalities are diverse, and range from:

- Increased and added taxation
- Costs absorbed by current savings in near term
- Decreased or eliminated public services
- Loss of education services

Based on the proposed FY20 budget, highlighted below are some of the impacts that the Governors FY20 Budget decisions will have on Thorne Bay residents.

- Elimination of Community Assistance funding which has been $85,249.90 and makes up 6.41% of our budget
- Residents depend on $35,431.68 in PCE funding to offset high energy costs
- Elimination of Shared Fisheries Business Tax which has been between three to five thousand dollars annually.

The public is encouraged participate in the public testimony opportunities provided. You can view a list of bills with public testimony at [http://akleg.gov/pages/testify.php](http://akleg.gov/pages/testify.php).

Contact your Legislative Information Office ([local LIO](http://akleg.gov/pages/testify.php)) for more information, or call 907-465-4648.
Support Your Library in Thorne Bay Alaska

**THORNE BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Way’s YOU can Help the Thorne Bay Library:

**VOLUNTEER!**

⇒ If you are interested in volunteering at the Library we are interested in having you! The Library can always use help and your time is valuable to them! Pick up Volunteer Applications at City Hall.

⇒ Help with the Children’s Garden. Are you a gardener with no place to garden? Then the Children’s Garden is for you. Sign up at the Library.

Thorne Bay Library gets a Children’s Garden

In 2018 the City of Thorne Bay Library was the successful recipient of a Gardening Grant. The purpose of the grant was to build a garden next to the Library that would give children in the community a chance to see how vegetables are grown. Volunteers adopted the planting beds, and each volunteer was responsible for planting, weeding and watering their own bed. During the Summer Reading Program, the children would go out to the garden and pick vegetables or see how certain plants were growing. The highlight of the summer garden was making Kale Smoothies for the snack!

Thorne Bay Children’s Garden with a new garden shed and the “deer proof fence”. This photo also shows the

https://thornebaylibrary.wixsite.com/

Way’s YOU can Help the Thorne Bay Library:

1. Did you know that the Thorne Bay Library participates in the **AMAZON SMILE** program? Every purchase you make on Amazon qualifies for a donation to the Friends of the Thorne Bay Library. Just go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and select Friends of the Thorne Bay Library from the drop down menu!

2. Your purchases at the Thorne Bay Market can also go toward a donation to Friends. Just put your receipt in the bin near the magazine rack and we do the rest!

3. **VOLUNTEER!** We can always use help at the Library and your time is valuable to us!

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