



WHERE ALL THE WOMEN ARE STRONG (NOT REALLY)
ALL THE MEN ARE GOOD-LOOKING (SORT OF)
AND ALL OF THE CHILDREN'S CHEEKS ARE ABOVE AVERAGE.



Resourceful siblings devise new alternative transportation method

Move over electric cars. Two siblings in rural Alaska have devised a novel, low-tech form of alternative transportation that not only gets you where you need to go in carbon-neutral style, but also provides a rigorous cardiovascular work-out. In off-road field tests, Téa and Skyler Neilson reported achieving speeds in excess of 3 mph and burning more than 800 calories per mile. The next phase of R&D will involve testing the design on paved roads and hills. A brake system is reportedly in the works, with Skyler as lead engineer.



Trump picks Neilson for Secretary of Education

President-elect Donald Trump has selected 5-year-old Skyler Neilson of Gustavus, Alaska for Secretary of Education. In an early morning tweet, Trump praised Skyler's vast, first-hand experience with the education system in America. "He's going to be great, and he's going to be bigly. It's going to be amazing folks, believe me.

I have so many good ideas. I have the best ideas. Nobody has more respect for education than I do."



Hidden camera catches parents rejoicing at first day of school

In late August, hidden cameras captured the parents of Téa and Skyler Neilson enjoying an impromptu dance party in their living room after dropping both children off for the first day of school. With Téa in 4th grade and Skyler starting kindergarten, Janet and Sean found themselves suddenly struck with a wave of giddy, care-free energy. Days at home without the children are so



uncharacteristically peaceful that the Neilsons report they are considering enrolling both children permanently in boarding school. Téa has requested an application from Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry (despite being Muggle-born, her knack for brewing potions and casting spells on her brother portend a promising future as a witch.) Meanwhile Skyler, age 5, is learning to read and write his name so he can start filling out applications.

Kindergartener earns pilot's license



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New app available for rural communities lacking dentists

A precocious young boy has developed a new app aimed at enhancing the dental health of people in rural communities such as his hometown of Gustavus, Alaska where dentists are a plane ride away, assuming the weather cooperates. The app allows users to take a selfie displaying their pearly whites and then have their dental health evaluated by a licensed dentist.



"I'm only allowed 30 minutes of screen time a day, so I had to be fast in programming the new app, because I also like to play Minecraft. I took lots of practice photos with my parents' phone to perfect the app. My mom didn't

believe me when I told her I was working!"

Alaska Department of Fish & Game biologists are interested in partnering with the boy to expand the app to cover not only humans, but also moose. Tracking the health of the Gustavus moose herd is a priority for the state's biologists. They recently submitted this photograph to Neilson in hopes that the app could be expanded to



monitor the dental health of the local moose population. Neilson is currently lobbying his parents for additional screen time to work on the project.

Campfire fashion line launched

This stylish ensemble, designed and modeled by 4th grader Téa Neilson, is perfect for those times when you want to be fashionable around a smoky, hot campfire, whilst still protecting your legs and head from the blaze. Vogue Magazine named the ensemble one of the trendiest fashions of 2016. Neilson says her next line will feature even more clothespins and duct tape.



Security guards catch intruder in American Girl doll's house



Security guards at Xtratuf Estates in Gustavus, Alaska apprehended an intruder last month. At approximately 11:00pm they found a large black cat squatting in 9-year-old Téa Neilson's American Girl doll's house. The sly feline was resting comfortably on the doll's bed when officers surrounded him. The officers reported that despite the tense situation, the cat simply gazed at them, with no apparent remorse or emotion. They quickly escorted him off the property. The cat, who they later learned goes by the name "Oliver", was charged with trespassing and ordered to pay for damages to the bed, which had collapsed under his portly figure.

Earlier in 2016, security guards caught a man attempting to break into the Neilson home at Xtratuf Estates with an axe. The suspect is still at large and anyone with any information is asked to contact police in Gustavus, Alaska...if and when they ever get any there.



Gustavus family donates mega gumball machine to Juneau Airport

The Neilson family of Gustavus says they wanted to further torment every parent in Southeast Alaska who flies through the Juneau airport after they donated a mega gumball machine to the facility. Gumballs are still 25 cents each. The smaller gumball machines



that were at the Juneau airport, now dwarfed by the mega dispenser, have been donated to the Gustavus airport, so children will be thrilled to know they can get a sugar and artificial dye high on both ends of their flight. The Neilsons timed their donation with the release of a new

dental health app for Gustavus residents.

Subaru unveils new child seating option

After several widely cited studies concluded that today's children need to spend more time outside, Subaru announced plans to offer a new roof-mounted child seating option on some models of their cars. The company reports that they have conducted several successful field tests under variable conditions in Gustavus, Alaska, where Skyler Neilson, age 5, was enlisted to try out one of the new seats. Skyler gave the roof seat a hearty thumbs-up, while showing off his rosy



cheeks from his quality time spent outdoors. Skyler's parents note an added bonus of the seats is that they



prevent their back seat from turning into a compost pit with all of their child's discarded apple cores and bunny cracker crumbs.

Russian hackers tamper with Glacier Bay Photo Tours web site

Sean Neilson, owner-operator of a new photo guiding business launched in 2016, recently reported to the CIA that Russian hackers had tampered with his web site. Neilson expressed dismay when hackers gained access to the web site for his new business, Glacier Bay Photo Tours, and edited all of his online reviews from sterling to sour. Five-star reviews for Neilson's tours were replaced with bombshells such as, "This guy knows nothing about photography, Glacier Bay, or Alaska! He wouldn't know a penguin if it waddled right past him on South Marble Island. Save yourself



the disappointment and stay home." Neilson retreated to an undisclosed wilderness location in Glacier Bay National Park to restore his web site and Trip Advisor reviews.

Neilson family hosts yoga retreats

A family in Southeast Alaska has started offering yoga retreats in Glacier Bay National Park. In 2016, they ran several successful retreats for clients of all ages, with sessions taught by all members of the family. Instructor Téa Neilson says they hope to increase the number of trips they offer in 2017, and also expand on



the number of poses they teach. So far, the family only appears to know how to do “tree” pose, as shown in these photos from their promotional materials.

Aspiring Gustavus musicians reject Trump’s inauguration invite

The team preparing president-elect Donald Trump’s inauguration ceremony is reportedly having massive problems with booking celebrities to perform at the January event. The lead organizer for the ceremony explains, “We have reached out to musicians far and wide...we have really gone down the list but at this point, we don’t have anybody that has any desire to perform at the inauguration. We are hoping to sign an aspiring duo from rural Alaska that goes by the name

of ‘Téa, Marina, and the Cosmic Hairbrushes’. They play such upbeat, energetic songs...Mr. Trump says they are going to help make America great again -- even if they are out of tune nearly all the time!” However, the aspiring rock stars were forced to decline the gig once the incoming Secretary of Education declared that this would be considered an “unexcused absence” from school.



Cleveland Indians fan receives counseling after heartbreaking World Series loss

Before game 7 of the World Series, life-long Cleveland Indians fan Sean Neilson was in high spirits and hosted a tailgate party, Gustavus-style. Carrot sticks were enjoyed by all.



But after his team suffered a heartbreaking loss in the 10th inning of game 7, Neilson sought professional help to process his emotions. His personal counselor, Oliver the cat, reported that throughout numerous counseling sessions on the couch, his despondent client only muttered repeatedly,



“No one understands my pain.”

Study finds bribing children with sugar is 100% successful

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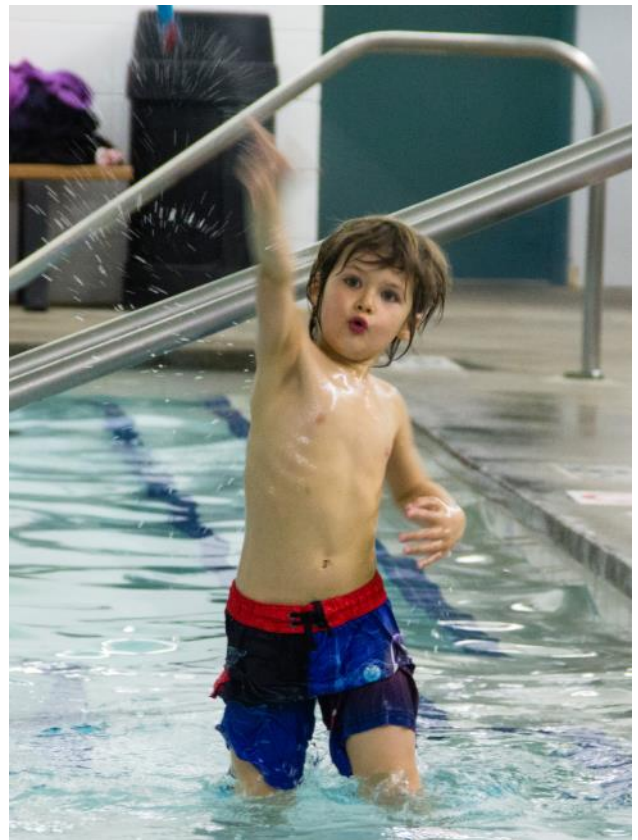
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Alaska siblings medal at 2016 Rio Olympics



Téa (above, middle) took home the silver medal in archery, while Skyler (below) scored gold in the Olympics' newest event, aquatic shot put.

Read more on page B-3.



...And that's the news from our world!
We hope 2017 proves to be as newsworthy.
Happy Holidays & Happy New Year ~
with love from Janet, Sean, Téa, and Skyler



