



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.



Neilson loses write-in campaign

Tea Party-backed candidate Téa Neilson was recently defeated in the general election for class president of the Gustavus Community Preschool. After losing in the primary to newcomer Richard Hazen, Neilson launched a well publicized write-in campaign. In her concession speech, Neilson noted that she failed to recognize that most preschoolers can't write, nor can they figure out how to make an é character on their computers. A final blow was the unusual spelling of Neilson's last name, which breaks the "i before e" rule, making it almost impossible to spell correctly.



Neilson's supporters say her enthusiasm for public office makes her a likely candidate in next year's election. Although her recent campaign focused on domestic issues such as increasing the length of snack time and the size of the portions served, Neilson is expected to take a broader approach in 2011. When asked about her stance on international preschool relations, Neilson exclaimed, "I can see Russia from my house!" When she grows up, Neilson has her sights set on becoming 'Speaker of the House' in the Alaska state legislature, a title which she currently holds locally at 55 Tong Road.

Young groupie follows 80's pop music group "Wham!" on reunion tour

Téa Neilson, a 3-year-old from Gustavus, has taken to the road following her favorite British pop music band, Wham! The band broke up in 1986 but reunited in 2010 for a tour across rural Alaska.

Neilson, the band's youngest known groupie, was recently sighted at a concert wearing an alligator suit and a super-hero cape. In a November interview, lead singer George Michael gushed, "I just love her flamboyant style and use of color!"



Neilson's favorite song is the group's hit single, "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go", which she requests at all of the band's late night concerts.

Park Service announces new Chief Ranger

The National Park Service announced last week the appointment of Téa Neilson to the job of Chief Ranger at Glacier Bay National Park. Neilson said that she had considered applying in past years but that she had to wait until the federal job application process switched from a written essay format to a multiple choice, online format. In an interview last week, Neilson said, "I think the new self-assessment approach is great. I just kept



clicking the mouse on my papa's computer and pretty soon my application was done!" A NPS spokesperson said that Ms. Neilson was the only applicant rated "expert" in all areas by the new federal automated online job application process. Neilson's first assignment is to finalize Glacier Bay

National Park's uniform policy. Despite Neilson's stated preference for nudity, she is a stickler when it comes to employees wearing the Park Service's signature "flat hat" and polishing their shoes.

Father and daughter undergo Hair Follicle Transplant Surgery

On October 31st, Sean Neilson and his daughter, Téa, underwent hair follicle transplant surgery at a new clinic in Gustavus. Mr. Neilson reports that the procedure was painless and that undergoing the surgery with his daughter had brought new meaning



to the saying, "Like father, like daughter." The hair donors were not available for comment, but a spokesperson issued this statement: "Woof, woof...bow, wow, wow...woof!" In a potentially related story, Gustavus resident Vince Schafer reports that his dog, Skookum, has been missing since early October. Anyone who has seen the mutt, who has long curly fur bordering on dreadlocks, is asked to call Schafer as soon as possible. Several residents with brown labs also reported their dogs missing.

Wikileaks in Gustavus plugged now that diapers are a thing of the past

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Alaska Marine Highway hires reservation agents for new ferry to Gustavus

The Alaska Marine Highway System announced last month that they had hired several new reservation agents to support ferry service to Gustavus. A new \$22 million dock was recently constructed in Gustavus and ferry service to and from Juneau began in November. The service is proving to be quite popular and the state has had to scramble to find new quality



employees. One of the new agents, Téa Neilson, is thrilled with her new job. "I love talking on the phone, so this is the perfect job for me!"

Toddlers take carpooling seriously

Toddlers in Gustavus, Alaska have begun carpooling to preschool and play group to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Some children have gone so far as to reject fossil fuel powered vehicles altogether. Friends Téa Neilson and Marina Van Derhoff were spotted last summer commuting in a high efficiency red wagon. Neilson explains,



“Everyone needs to do their part to fight climate change and this way we don’t have to be strapped into our car seats!” Van Derhoff added, “With the severe traffic congestion problems we have here in Gustavus, we feel that wagonpooling provides a win-win solution.” A representative from the Alaska Department of Transportation says that the state is exploring options for building HOV lanes in Gustavus to accommodate the expected increases in traffic. Residents are reminded that all vehicles in Gustavus, regardless of how they are powered, must be registered and insured beginning in 2011.

Child hopes to be next contestant on television show **Survivor**

A child from Southeast Alaska hopes to be the youngest contestant ever on the popular TV reality show, *Survivor*. Ms. Téa Neilson sent an audition tape to the show’s producers that she hopes will convince them she is the ideal candidate for the show. The young girl reports that she is handy with knives and matches and that she is not afraid of wild



animals. She is also an avid “locavore”, with a preference for eating and harvesting locally grown foods, a skill which she expects will come in handy on the show. To top it all off, Neilson says she is comfortable running around half-naked and finding creative ways to make use of sticks, rocks and other items in nature. Insiders report that she is already practicing signing her name in anticipation of receiving autograph requests from fans of the reality show.



Neilson instructs her father on how to smoke salmon. The aspiring *Survivor* contestant says that she had multiple close encounters with bears while fishing on the Bartlett River in 2010, but that she stood her ground and the bears backed off. Here we see her pointing out where her father used too much salt.

Foraging for wild foods on the Gustavus beach, Neilson is not afraid to try new species or to bare her skin in cold temperatures. Here she is shown gathering sea stars for lunch. Neilson’s friends predict that her svelte swimsuit figure is sure to help land her a spot on the show.



There are already rumors of potential sponsorships from several swimwear companies.

Tree Hugger of the Year Award goes to Neilson

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Toddler Fashion Tips for 2011

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Neilson escapes from insane asylum, only to realize she is in her own bedroom

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...And that's the news from our world. We hope next year proves to be as newsworthy!

Happy Holidays & Happy New Year,
with love from Janet, Sean and Téa

