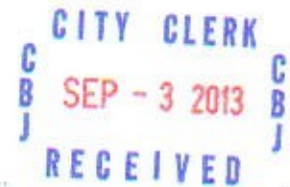


September, 2013

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I am submitting photos taken from 2004 to present along St Anne's Avenue showing how the invasive alder spouts have seeded themselves into trees that cover the St Anne's downhill side of the street. When the Avenue was last repaved and the small park space increased, there was just grass and low weeds. The boat harbor, sliding hill, Treadwell Arena and the ball field could be seen from St Anne's and Fifth Street.

The past two years I have noticed that property owners along St Anne's and Fifth Streets can no longer see much of the boat harbor, sliding hill and part of one ball field. We no longer can see the entrance to the Arena, other fields and Pioneer Pavilion. Thank you to the Landscape Division for removing the bush on the Savikko Park Children's Sledding Hill, as it was fast closing in and narrowing the sled chute. Also, thank you for clearing part of the path down to the park. It just needs the section at the top where alders are growing around a hidden rock cleaned up. The path was becoming so over grown, it was becoming dark and difficult to walk 2 side by side, with a dog and carrying hockey equipment.

Over all, the invasive alders are a safety hazard blocking off views into the park. As residents along & above the Avenue, we watch events, note when something does not look right and call the proper agency.

The St Anne's parking lot bank should be cut back to the 2002 height or the invasive alder brush thinned hard and branches cut high so the park can be viewed again. If there is not enough funding, property owners could be allowed to hire it done. Then, the bank should be cut back annually.

Sincerely,


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2002





Boat Box Challenge
St Annes, Douglas AK
2004

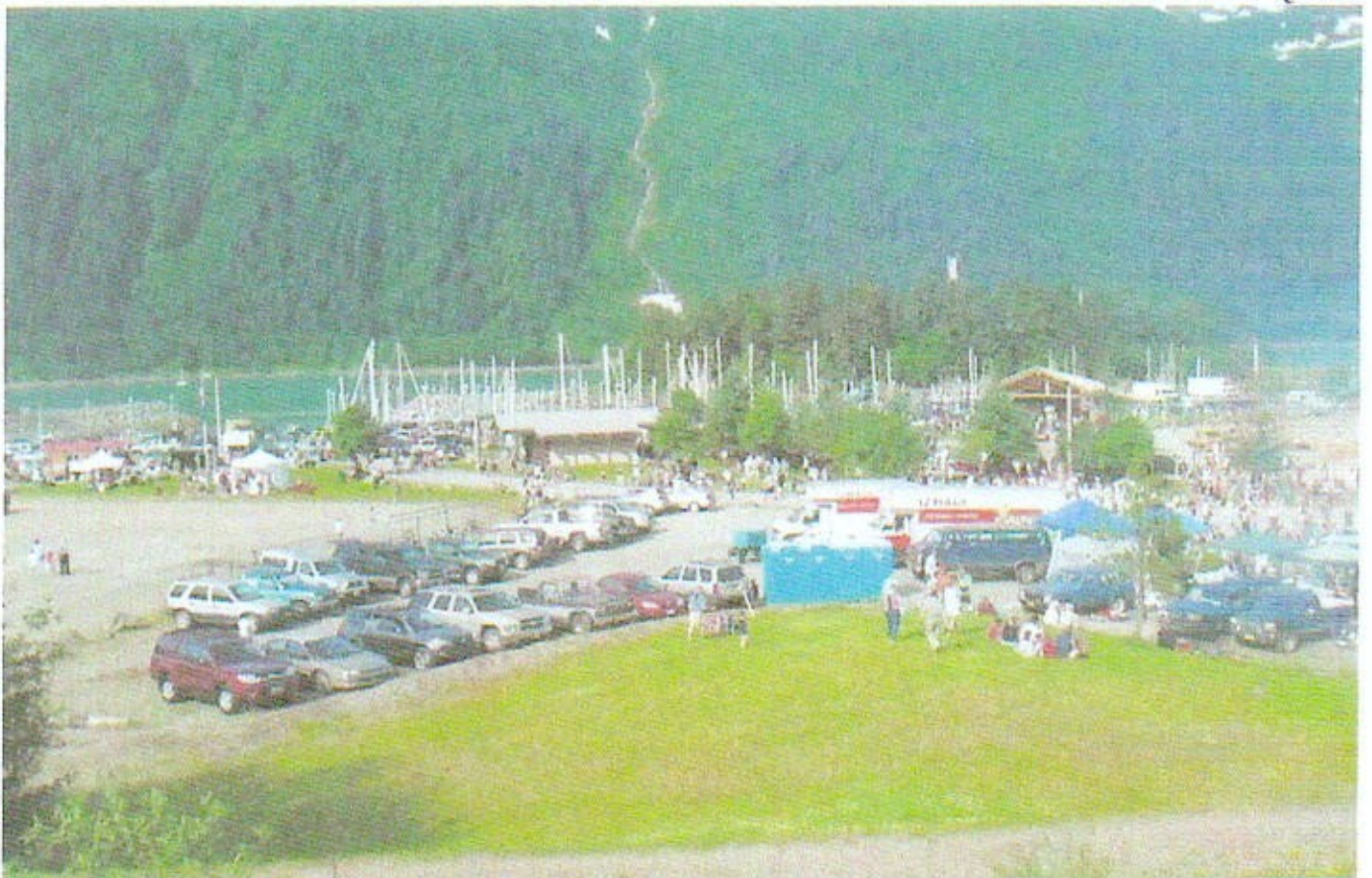


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