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SUNNY PILGRIM—The Pilgrim Hot Springs property is framed by the Kigluaik Mountains on a warm March day. Researchers are now starting fieldwork to find the hot springs source.

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WOLF DANCE—Bryan Muktoyuk (right) and Sylvester Ayek dance at a well-visited King Island performance at St. Joseph Catholic Church on March 29.

## Assistant principal job may be axed

*Budget talks focus on Nome-Beltz position*

By Tyler Rhodes

As the Nome Board of Education digs into its budget process, some members have placed the assistant principal's position at Nome-Beltz Junior/Senior High School in the crosshairs.

During its March 23 work session, the school board held its first public discourse on the proposed budget for the 2010-2011 school year. The discussion largely focused on the assistant principal position and whether it should remain or be replaced with a different job title.

The discussion came as no surprise after board member Kirsten Timbers requested at the close of the board's March 9 meeting that the position be put on the agenda as a discussion item for the coming work session. Timbers said at the March 23

work session that she wanted to examine the job description of a dean of students or another position in comparison to the assistant principal's job. She noted that the district had previously had a dean of students.

Superintendent Jon Wehde spoke to the difference between a dean and an assistant principal, noting that the dean title is generally reserved for a member of the teaching staff. A dean, he said, assists the principal but does not have the same administrative training as someone who holds what is known as Type B certification. Principals, assistant principals, superintendents and other administrators are required to hold a Type B certificate. In addition to handling disciplinary issues, the assistant prin-

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## NSECD turns down Nomeites' confidential proposal

By Laurie McNicholas

The board of directors of Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. decided to take no further action on a confidential proposal from the Cussy Kauer Group during a special meeting March 26 at the Westmark Hotel in Anchorage.

Nomeites Kauer, Ginny and Carl Emmons, Charlie Reader and Chuck Fagerstrom initially presented the proposal to NSEDC during a regular board meeting held Feb. 2-5 in Nome.

All discussions of the proposal at NSEDC board meetings were conducted in executive

session, and spokespersons for the board and the Kauer Group have refused to state the purpose of the proposal or to make any public comments about it.

The Kauer Group first described the proposal to the NSEDC executive committee on

Feb. 2 in a session from which the public and some NSEDC staff members were excluded. When the Kauer Group emerged from the session, Fagerstrom told NSEDC's Community

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## Research teams roll up their sleeves at Pilgrim Hot Springs

By Tyler Rhodes

Using snowmachines, skis and snowshoes, a team for the U.S. Geological Survey will be spending two

weeks out in the cold around Pilgrim Hot Springs in what will be the start of a quest to find the hot spot that feeds the springs.

Members of the USGS research team and representatives from the Alaska Center for Energy and Power held a public forum at Nome's Old St. Joe's Hall March 27 to give an overview of planned studies to be conducted over the next two years at the springs.

The USGS and Alaska Center for Energy and Power, a program at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, are working collaboratively on two separate studies at the springs. During its fieldwork session in late March and early April, the USGS will be collecting

magnetic and gravity data from hundreds of points that cover several square miles all around the hot springs. The effort is part of the federal government's program to evaluate and assess

the geothermal energy potential from sources throughout the nation. "Part of the problem in Alaska is there's all these potential resources and not a lot known about them," said Art Clark, su-

pervisory geologist with the USGS. "If you know what you have, then you can make some intelligent decisions."

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## Mining area rules just fine for now

*Nome Planning Commission to consider annexation of outlying areas*

By Sandra L. Medearis

That no further rules, regulations nor footnotes need to be added to the current resource development zoning area summarized thinking at a recent Nome Planning Commission work session.

This consensus arrived after Alaska Gold Co.'s land superintend-

ent, Nikolai Ivanoff, put marker to map, drawing circles around outlying areas of gold-bearing dirt north and west of Nome. Ivanoff showed the planning panel where test samples tell the mining company, which controls a lion's share, to go back to work with placer mining on previ-

ously active sites or open new operations in the "back 40." Ivanoff said no new subdivisions stood out in his crystal ball. Subdivisions and other conditional uses of the resource land would call for new subsections under

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Letters

Dear Editor,

It was with interest I read your editorial today. We who are interested in following the Iditarod must go to the Iditarod web to get up-to-date info. With all the television crews that you speak of pushing out the Nome people, the TV crews do not get the news to us. I think I saw 10 seconds about the start and 5 seconds about the finish.

They really don't do a good job of promoting the Iditarod. I pulled up the Nome web cam and saw one of the final mushers come in on Sat. I have to read *The Nome Nugget* to get the story. It is too bad that they behave like bullies when they are visitors in your town.

Mary Carlson  
Nebraska

Dear Editor:

There are so many volunteer hours put into so many events. When I sit back and think about some of the ones I have been involved in, I can't believe the manpower this town has when we come together. There is a quote that I like to use that says simply, "Volunteers don't necessarily have the time, but they have the heart"- Anonymous.

SPARC or Seward Peninsula Amateur Radio Club started out with a few local guys that were interested in HAM radio operations as a hobby. This club and our system have grown into one of the best life saving tools we have in our town and outlying areas. I cannot tell you the number of times in the 13 years or so that I have been a HAM radio operator that I have heard calls on the

system to save lives or heard that they have happened.

When SPARC covers events like the Nome-Golovin snowmachine race, we often use our system to let the first responders know where to go. I have volunteered my services at the Start/Finish, Nome River Bridge, Farley's camp, Safety, Topkok, Timber, White Mountain, and in most recent years at race headquarters. The volunteers that I have worked with over the years can now

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Letters to the editor must be signed and include an address and phone number. Thank yous and political endorsements are considered ads.

Editorial

Bunch of Bad Kids

After a long protracted labor, Congress finally gave birth to a Health Care Reform Bill. It was an agonizing process. Now the U.S. can join the ranks of the more progressive nations in the civilized world. But, now we have to deal with the crybabies and sore losers. They have been downright mean and ugly (not to mention stupid). We have a group of congressmen and senators who just won't do anything that might make the other guys look good. They don't want to let the good of the country and its people get in the way of politics.

The U.S. Congress is made up of the worst bunch of obstructionists in its history. Worse yet— they are destructionists. They are hell bent on destroying anything that will help the American people get health care legislation. Watch them try to kill the bill. Let's hope their efforts backfire on them. Do they really believe those screaming, rude tea bag fanatics? Where are the Eisenhower and Rockefeller Republicans? Why are they kissing up to nuts like Sarah Palin and Liz Cheney?

We need to have legislators who can work together for the good of Americans and stop putting their personal interests before the national interests. Their perception of power is so distorted that they act like bad little kids who threaten to hold their breath until they get their way. Do these "kill the bill" Republicans think people who are happy to have the security of health care will vote for them in the November mid-term election? —N.L.M.—



THOSE WERE THE DAYS— Nome's Jim and Chris Rowe at Iditarod Start 1979. Says Jim, "Back in the days when the daily life and everything was not only possible, it was easy."

Photo by Rusty Miller

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	04/07/10	07:56 a.m.		-13° 3/29/10	
Sunset	04/01/10	09:55 p.m.	Peak Wind	41 mph, NE, 3/23/10	
	04/07/10	10:13 p.m.	Precip. to Date	.83"	
			Normal	2.23"	

Seasonal snow fall total (data collected since 7/1/09): 43.4" Current Snow Cover: 12.0" varies with sublimation/melting/blowing of snow.



Keep up on what's going on around the Sound!  
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Indian Health Care Improvement Act reauthorized

When President Obama signed the health care bill into law last week, he also signed the reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. This hasn't happened in 20 years. One of the changes in the bill is to elevate the job of running the Indian Health Service from an agency director to an Assistant Secretary.

Alaska Senator Lisa Murkowski has been opposed to the health care reform, but worked to update the Indian Health Care Act. Voting against the health care reform put her in the position of voting against the Indian Health Care bill she had advocated. Murkowski told APRN that she would've preferred to see it stand alone, and said she was anxious and fearful that costs associated with the bigger bill will swallow Native health care. Democrat Senator Mark Begich was pleased with the health care reform and voted for it. He said the Obama administration has improved funding for Alaska Native and Native American Health programs, but just because the Indian Health Care Act has been reauthorized doesn't guarantee its long-term funding. Both Begich and Murkowski vowed to fight for continued funding.

Alaska Energy Authority has stimulus funds for energy efficiency

The Alaska Energy Authority received stimulus funds to give away in a program for smaller communities in form of the Alaska Small Cities Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program. Nome and other Bering Strait and Norton Sound villages are eligible to apply for a piece of the \$5.1 million in grant funding for energy efficiency and conservation improvements.

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The program is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act through the U.S. Department of Energy. Nome qualifies for more than \$150,000 of the grant and so do many Norton Sound and Bering Strait villages for amounts between approximately \$15,000 and \$40,000. The 142 communities included in this program are boroughs and small incorporated cities that were not eligible for previous DOE block grant funding. The money can be used for energy audits and energy efficiency and conservation improvements to public facilities. AEA must receive completed applications by Tuesday, April 20, 2010.

House passes supplemental budget

On Monday, the Alaska State House unanimously passed House Bill 326, the Fiscal Year 2010 supplemental budget authorizing operating appropriations and fund transfers. The bill appropriates more than \$1.6 billion, of which \$1.5 billion is in fund transfers, \$5.0 million for fund capitalization and \$157.1 million for agency operations. The bill transfers \$1.1 billion to forward-fund K-12 education for Fiscal Year 2011 and \$401 million to fully repay past borrowings from the constitutional budget reserve fund. The bill authorizes \$157 million in agency appropriations, including \$98 million in state general funds. Fund drivers are \$34.3 million for Medicaid formula growth, matched by \$51.9 million in federal funds; \$35.4 for fire suppression activities to pay for last summer's fire season; \$10.5 million to fund the Alaska Correctional Officers Association's interest arbitration award for FY10 and FY11; \$5 million to capitalize the Disaster Relief Fund; and \$4.7 million for inmate health care. Funding for enhanced Alaska Marine Highway System ferry service along the Aleutian Chain is also included in this bill.

State to pay millions in interest fees

In a long-running class-action case regarding commercial fishing fees the state charged non-residents,

a Superior Court judge has awarded the plaintiffs a judgment against the State of Alaska of nearly \$75 million, with an additional \$7.5 million assessed against the state for plaintiffs' attorney's fees. The so-called Carlson case began in 1984 when 12,000 plaintiffs challenged state laws charging non-resident commercial fishermen three times more than residents. They also sought refunds of any overpayment of fees. The state prevailed against roughly two thirds of the plaintiffs. In the latest superior court ruling issued Monday, Judge Peter Michalski determined the remaining fishermen were entitled to refunds totaling \$12 million. The remainder of the \$75 million judgment is the result of a decision in 2003 by the Alaska Supreme Court to apply a statute with an unusually high interest rate to the refund amount, with interest accruing from the beginning of the case. The judge ordered the state to pay more than \$62 million in interest. The total judgment is more than \$82 million. The Department of Law filed an appeal to fight the interest issue and the award of attorney's fees against the state.

Parnell appoints Samuelson to serve on historical records advisory board

Governor Parnell appointed reappointed Laura Samuelson to the State Historical Records Advisory Board. The board is responsible for reviewing grant requests from historical, archival, research, governmental and academic organizations, and helps plan for statewide records management needs. Samuelson has been director of the city-owned Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum since 1997. She has previously worked in Nome as a state public assistance eligibility technician, construction office manager and administrative officer for the state transportation department. She also worked in public relations for Inspiration Gold, Inc., as shareholder relations director for Bering Straits Native Corp., and in various positions for the *Nome Nugget* newspaper. Samuelson earned a bachelor's degree in eco-

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR April 1 - 7, 2010

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, April 1		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*High School Practice	Pool	6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegayyah Library	10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Lap/Open Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Wellness from Within video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Wiffleball (3rd - 6th grades)	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*CPR for Infants & Children video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Swing Dancing	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Arctic ICANS Business meeting	XYZ Center	7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 2

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*CAMP class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Medicaid/Denali KidCare video	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Nome Beltz High School Drama Club	Nome Elementary School	7 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Saturday, April 3

*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Parent & Child FUNdamentals with Amy Adcox	Nome Rec Center	11:30 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*Weight Room Circuit Training	Nome Rec Center	12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
*Breastfeed Your Baby video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
District 39 Democratic Caucus	Polar Cafe'	2 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Childbirth: A Guide to Self Health vid	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
One Voice (see ad on pg. 6)	Mini Convention	6:15 p.m.
*Nome Beltz High School Drama Club	Nome Elementary School	7 p.m.
*Advanced Baton	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 4

*STDs Keys to Prevention video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Nome Beltz High School Drama Club	Nome Elementary School	2 p.m.
*Happy & Healthy Babies: The 1st 90 Days video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Vigorous Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Monday, April 5

*Seward's Day	Nome City Hall	OPEN
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Audiology class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Audiology class	Prematernal Home	2:15 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Under Age 10 Climbing Instruction	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
Nenana Ice Classic	Hansons	9 p.m.
Last day for ticket sales		

Tuesday, April 6

*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*High School Practice	Pool	6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegayyah Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Lap/Open Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Social Services class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Team Handball Grades 3-6	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*All About Babies Part 1&2 video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Nome Planning Commission	Council Chambers	7 p.m.
regular meeting with work session to follow		
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396 (CODE: 3534534#)	Methodist Church	7 p.m.
*Thrft Shop		7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY

Wednesday, April 7

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 4 p.m.
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*CAMP class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Gymnastics Grades 3+	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Miracle of Life video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.

Community points of interest hours of operation:		
Nome Recreation Center	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.(M-F)
XXXXXX	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m. (Sa)
XXXXXX	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 10 p.m. (Su)
XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Tu - F)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (M - F)
Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m. (T - F)
XXXXXX	XXXXXX	1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Sa)
Library Hours	Kegayyah Library	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
XXXXXX		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th)
XXXXXX		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)

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Gold Coast Cinema will be closed April 6 - 8; then to reopen on April 9 - as a new digital cinema.

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Shutter Island (R)  
9:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday Matinee  
1:30 p.m. & 4 p.m.



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Benefits Director Paul Ivanoff that the group had made a good presentation and the executive committee's response had been positive. Ivanoff was seated among others excluded from the session, including *The Nome Nugget* reporter (Laurie McNicholas), who asked Fagerstrom to describe the purpose of the proposal. He said he would prefer not to do so at that time.

A week prior to the board meeting, a Nome resident told *Nugget* staff that local families were discussing a proposal to buy holdings of the Alaska Gold Co. with representatives of NovaGold. Alaska Gold's assets include gravel, land and placer mining operations in the Nome area. Rhylin Bailie, NovaGold's manager of corporate and investor relations, subsequently confirmed that the company had been approached by several parties including Nome residents who are interested in acquiring non-Rock Creek mine assets.

The Kauer Group presented the proposal to the full NSEDC board in an executive session on Feb. 4. The next day board members discussed the proposal in an executive session without the Kauer Group. In a public session following the closed meeting, the board adopted a motion for NSEDC to move forward with the Kauer Group's proposal. *The Nugget's* reporter misconstrued the action to mean the board had approved the proposal. Following the meeting, the reporter was unable to obtain any information about the proposal from Dan Harrelson, NSEDC's president and board chairman, who said the group requested confidentiality; from Kauer, who said, "It is confidential at this point," or from Fagerstrom, who did not return the reporter's phone calls.

In the Feb. 11 edition of the *Nugget* the reporter wrote that the NSEDC board had approved the Kauer Group's proposal. In the Feb. 18 edition, Harrelson wrote in a letter to the editor that the board had not approved any investment related to the Kauer Group in adopting a motion to move forward with the proposal at its Feb. 5 meeting.

"This essentially directed staff to look into how NSEDC might be able to work with the group, and by doing so, create jobs and foster economic development in the region," Harrelson wrote.

The *Nugget* reporter phoned Kauer March 28 to ask whether

NSEDC had stated a reason for declining to take further action on her group's proposal and to ask if she would comment on the decision. "No; no comment," she replied.

NSEDC is a nonprofit corporation with 15 member communities in the Bering Strait region. It is one of six entities in the Western Alaska Community Development Quota Program. CDQ entities are subject to terms of the federal Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The MSA allows a CDQ entity to make non-fisheries related investments limited to 20 percent of its annual investments in projects located in a CDQ region.

The following excerpt from the MSA describes some requirements an entity must meet to be eligible to participate in the CDQ Program.

"(iii) OTHER INVESTMENTS—The entity may make up to 20 percent of its annual investments in any combination of the following:

"(I) For projects that are not fishery-related and that are located in its region.

"(II) On a pooled or joint investment basis with one or more other entities participating in the program for projects that are not fishery-related and that are located in one or more of their regions.

"(III) For matching Federal or State grants for projects or programs in its member villages without regard to any limitation on the Federal or State share, or restriction on the source of any non-Federal or non-State matching funds, of any grant program under any other provision of law.

"(iv) FISHERY-RELATED INVESTMENTS—The entity shall make the remainder percent of its annual investments in fisheries-related projects or for other purposes consistent with the practices of the entity prior to March 1, 2006.

"(v) ANNUAL STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE—Each year the entity, following approval by its board of directors and signed by its chief executive officer, shall submit a written statement to the Secretary and the State of Alaska that summarizes the purposes for which it made investments under clauses (iii) and (iv) during the preceding year."

### Board revises policies

The Rules and Bylaws Committee chaired by Don Stiles of Nome met March 25 at NSEDC's headquarters in Anchorage to discuss and recommend changes in personnel policies. The

meeting began about 9:30 a.m. and ended about two hours later. Except for a few minutes of that time, the meeting was held in executive session.

On March 26 the NSEDC board approved revisions to the company's personnel policies as recommended by the rules and bylaws committee. Stiles said most of the revisions were made to comply with current laws applicable to employees. Harrelson thanked Kyan Olanna, the corporation's new general counsel, for her work in updating the policies.

The board also adopted the following change in the Board of Directors/Officers Rules, Regulations and Policies Manual:

"No member of the Board shall use or attempt to use their position to influence the hiring, retention, evaluation, or compensation of an immediate family member. For purposes of this policy, 'immediate family members' are spouses, children, parents, and siblings and the spouses of children, parents and siblings. However, members of the Board are not prohibited from participating in mat-

ters that would affect their immediate family member only indirectly or in matters pertaining to all employees of the corporation."

### Upcoming meetings

Janis Ivanoff, NSEDC's chief executive officer, noted that Kawerak's regional conference is scheduled April 20-22 in Nome. She also said Kawerak's Norton Sound Fisheries Restoration and Enhancement Summit (slated May 4-6 in Nome), is funded by NSEDC. Board members may attend the events if they so desire, she added.


Harrelson said the next regular board meeting is scheduled in the last week of April in Unalakleet. The NSEDC board held a quarterly meeting in Unalakleet in April 2009 and a quarterly meeting and annual meetings in Unalakleet in November 2009. Frank Oxereok of Wales questioned whether spring and fall meetings of the board are to be held in Unalakleet. "Why not Nome?" he asked.

"We basically told Unalakleet we would come back," Harrelson

replied. He asked for a show of hands from board members who want to meet in Nome in April. Reggie Barr of Brevig Mission, Joe Garnie of Teller, Wilfred Katcheak of Stebbins and Oxerok raised their hands. When Harrelson asked how many board members want to meet in Unalakleet in April, only Frank Katchatag of Unalakleet raised his hand. The remaining board members indicated neutrality.

Harrelson asked staff if rescheduling the meeting location on short notice will be a problem. Kathy Wheelahan, community outreach coordinator, said she had booked all available rooms at a Unalakleet facility, so NSEDC may have to pay for them unless the owner is able to fill it with other bookings. Harrelson directed staff to try to make arrangements to hold the April board meeting in Nome.

All members of the NSEDC board attended the meeting except for Truman Kava of Savoonga and Orville Ahkinga Jr. of Little Diomed, who were excused for work commitments.



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• School board

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cipal also performs teacher evaluations, among other duties.

Wehde said a school site is always required to have at least one Type B certificate holder on site. "It's always in a school district's interest to maintain Type B certification," he said. "Type B relates to safety. Somebody needs to be able to run the school in the principal's absence."

Board president Gloria Karmun, speaking on behalf of absent board member Albert McComas, aired her fellow board member's thoughts on the issue at the work session. She said McComas does not want the assistant principal position funded, an opinion he has shared with several people.

Board member Barb Nickels contrasted McComas' view with her support for retaining the position. "I'm just all in favor of maintaining the assistant principal so we can move forward with the curriculum and education," Nickels said.

The examination of retaining the position touches an already-raw nerve in the community over the board's handling of the Nome-Beltz administration. After a split vote in January, the board did not offer new contracts to both the current holder of the assistant principal position, Doug Boyer, and current principal Janeen Sullivan. The move spurred a rift in the community and a recall effort that will ask voters May 25 if all five board members should be retained or be booted out of office.

Several people addressed the board at the March 23 work session to request that the position be maintained. "School districts that aren't eliminating assistant principal positions aren't getting recalled," said Nomeite Matt Tomter. "Your actions continue to get stranger and stranger."

Board member Heather Payenna questioned the rationale of having more administrators at the junior high/high school complex than at the elementary school, which is only served by one principal. "What is the radical difference between the schools?" she asked.

Liz Korenek-Johnson, a teacher at the elementary school, said having only one administrator at the elementary school has been a struggle for years. "It doesn't mean that they, [Nome-Beltz], don't need one, but that we do need one [too]," Korenek-Johnson said.

Nomeite and former board member Betsy Brennan added that disciplinary issues at Nome-Beltz and the elementary school differed greatly, requiring a different level of supervision. Superintendent Wehde also remarked that a straight comparison between such a position at the elementary and junior/senior high would not be appropriate. "It's apples and oranges if we're talking about assistant principal out there [at Nome-Beltz] and assistant principal at Nome Elementary

School," he said. Wehde is proposing moving administrators from the district office to the elementary as well as the addition of one more administrator, a coordinator of curriculum and assessment, at the elementary school.

Others speaking at the work session noted that discipline was only one facet of the assistant principal's job. "It's not just suspending or not suspending students, as some believe," Nickels said.

To back that up, Boyer addressed the board to offer his take on the duties involved with the position he held for two years with the district. Boyer said his job encompasses testing, curriculum, attendance issues, dropout prevention, alcohol and smoking prevention efforts, tutoring, mentoring and child protection services, in addition to other areas. "There's a whole lot more to the puzzle that involves the whole community," Boyer said.

In addition to the assistant principal position, Boyer has taken on an extra-duty contract as the girls' basketball coach. The coaching job has meant Boyer has spent a number of days traveling with his team this school year. The time away from school did not go by unnoticed from board member Timbers. "It's important to point out that this vice principal has been absent for 15 of 38

instructional days," Timbers said.

In her comments to the board, teacher Korenek-Johnson said those 15 days should be looked at compared to the entire year, adding that teachers and administrators who take on the extended role as coaches and mentors should be encouraged. "I think those with extra-duty contracts should be commended," she said. "I think we need teachers and administrators who show a vested interest in our community."

Nome-Beltz Principal Sullivan also addressed the board to say that eliminating the position would make for a difficult job for whoever serves as the school's next principal. "Managing the building will consume that person's time," Sullivan said.

Axing the position could also hinder the district in its search for a qualified candidate for the principal's job, Sullivan said. She listed several districts that pay principals more than Nome while offering the support of an assistant principal. She also noted that the task of implementing the district's new strategic plan will not be possible for the Nome-Beltz principal if he or she has added tasks that were previously the responsibility of the assistant principal.

The public will again have the opportunity to comment on the proposed budget, including the assistant principal position and all the other el-

ements of the package, at a special April 6 meeting at the Nome Elementary School. The school board planned to hold the meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the commons.

Proposed limit to absences met with resistance

In addition to the assistant principal discussion, a proposal to limit the number of absences a student can have due to extracurricular activities spurred public comment at the March 23 work session.

Prompted by a letter from high school math teacher Andre van Delden, the board did not actively discuss the issue; however, a number of parents spoke up to try and head off any action that could curtail the extracurricular options for their children.

Principal Sullivan, who is also a parent of children who participate in extracurricular activities, gave a rundown of the grade point averages of students who have missed school to participate in sports or other school-sanctioned events. She said the 16 students who have missed one to five days have an average GPA of 3.1. As the number of days missed increased, the group of students who missed those days boasted higher and higher GPAs. "We hold these students accountable for grades, attendance and behavior," she said.

Boys' basketball coach and activities director Patrick Callahan also spoke in support of allowing the current policy to continue. Callahan said if students are limited to travelling for only a certain number of days, some activities will suffer. He noted that his program, basketball, would not risk losing students, but others, like music, may take a hit. "I don't know if we want to get into pigeonholing kids into different activities," he said.

Parent Robin Johnson offered the argument that keeping kids involved in after-school activities has the benefit of keeping them away from less structured options. "We don't want them wandering around the streets," she said.

While a limit could impair certain extracurricular programs, the status quo does have an effect on the classroom. When large blocks of students are all absent at once, those who remain in class are affected. "One of [van Delden's] big concerns was when he has 50 percent of his class missing, it's hard to move the entire class on," Nickels said.

It appeared, however, that there was little momentum on the board to make any changes to the current system. "It seems like our student athletes are rising up to the bar, and I don't think we need to change our policy," Nickels said.

Police say teen steals, crashes car

On March 29, at approximately 4:17 a.m., Darrinn Otton was driving along the Teller Highway near Martinsonville when he noticed a vehicle about 150 feet off the road near the cluster of houses. Its headlights were on and no one was nearby. He notified the Nome Police Department. NPD responded to the rollover.

Further investigation revealed a juvenile, age 16, had stolen the Dodge Durango. The juvenile was heading northbound on the Nome-Beltz Highway at a speed too fast for conditions when he lost control of the vehicle causing it to roll multiple times. The juvenile was not present when police arrived at the scene. However, he apparently got a ride to the hospital where he was admitted. Injuries are unknown at this time. The vehicle has an estimated damage of \$10,000 or more. Police say the investigation is continuing.



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# Alaska Democratic Party office vandalized

By Diana Haecker

Sometime on Saturday night, somebody picked up a seven-pound rock and smashed it against one of the big front windows of the Alaska Democratic Party headquarters in Anchorage. The outer windowpane broke and some of the metal frame was dented in, too. Police spokesman Lt. Dave Parker told *The Nome Nugget* that the police are investigating but so far there are no witnesses and no evidence other than the rock.

The damage was discovered on Sunday morning. "Without witnesses or other evidence, this case has a low solvability," Parker said.

Although there were no follow up phone calls or no note or claims

to take responsibility for the act of vandalism, Democratic leaders suspect it is more than just a teenage prank.

Following the passage of the health care reform, the Anchorage office fielded many phone calls of people not agreeing with it. Patti Higgins, chairwoman of the ADP told *The Nome Nugget* in an interview that for the most part the people were upset about health care but were reasonable. "But then every day we also received a couple of calls where people were using obscenities to articulate their message," Higgins said.

As for the motivation to throw a rock in ADP's window, she said, "In my honest opinion, it could be at the simplest level a truck load of young

people just out to smash a window. Or at an extreme level, it could be

Former Alaska Governor Sarah Palin has called upon Tea Party fol-

*"Without witnesses or other evidence, this case has a low solvability."*

— Lt. Dave Parker

somebody with the Tea Party who wanted to strike a the blow in a fight against the Democrats."

lowers and Republicans to "reload" and literally targeted 20 Democratic leaders nationwide in their reaction

to the health care reform. Such militant language, Higgins thinks, ignites acts of violence. "There is a common theme among the leaders of the Tea Party and Republicans, where they call for increased violence and they need to call it off. My take on this is that those people are bullies, you face them down and tell them to knock it off," said Higgins. Higgins added that the assault on the Alaska Democratic headquarters made her really mad, but she also takes it as a sign of being on the right path. "We are winning the battle for civil rights, economic equality and justice and that's why there is such an outrage from the other side," Higgins said.

## Senate Finance Committee recommends \$300,000 for Marine Advisory Program

By Laurie McNicholas

The Senate Finance Committee recommended adding \$300,000 for the University of Alaska's Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program to the operating budget on March 26, reports Paula Cullenberg, MAP's associate director/program leader.

The University is seeking \$614,000 in state money to permanently fund MAP positions in Cordova, Dillingham, Kodiak, Nome, Petersburg and Unalaska. Heidi Herter completed a three-year commitment as Nome's MAP agent last month with funding from Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. and has left to pursue educational goals. The Nome MAP office will reopen with a new agent if state funds are provided.

Budget hearings conducted last week by the Senate Finance Committee included a statewide telecon-

ference March 24 to take testimony on the operating and mental health budgets.

"Over the seven hours of public testimony heard by the committee, 33 people called in from 13 sites in support of the budget request for [MAP]" Cullenberg said. They included Nomeites Rose Fosdick, vice president of Kawerak's natural resources division; Charlie Lean, NSEDC's director of fisheries research and development; commercial fisherman Eric Osborne; and Doug Walrath, director, Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center.

Sen. Lyman Hoffman (D-Bethel) co-chairs the committee and Sen. Donny Olson (D-Nome) is a committee member. Both support the MAP budget request. Cullenberg said Hoffman announced the committee's decision to recommend \$300,000 for MAP, noting that the

MAP budget request received the largest support among those who testified during the March 24 teleconference.

"This is a program that I think many members of this committee have received correspondence about and we are assured that this program will be implemented at its fullest level even though there is some reduction," Hoffman said.

Cullenberg said a conference committee composed of members of the House and Senate will meet to adjust differences in their operating budgets. The House did not include funds for MAP in its budget.

"I can't tell you right now how this will play out, but Senator Hoffman's comments were welcome," Cullenberg added. "I'll keep you posted on what I hear in the next week from the conference committee and from the University."

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nomics from Western Illinois University, and belongs to many professional organizations, including the Nome Historical Foundation, Museums Alaska and the Alaska Association for Historic Preservation. She is a director of the Alaska Historical Society. She was reappointed to a local government records seat.

### UAF wildlife program gets financial boost

University of Alaska Fairbanks' wildlife management program last week received a \$650,000 donation from the estate of alumnus Calvin Lensink. The money is meant to provide support for graduate students and research focusing on wildlife management and ecology. The Lensink endowment is the largest private gift in the history of UAF's wildlife biology program. Lensink's distinguished career in Alaska included continued involvement of university graduate students in his research. He epitomized the citizen-scholar, from his University of Alaska master's thesis on Alaska pine martens to his 30-year career with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Lensink's doctoral dissertation remains the most important record of the history of the Alaska sea otter population. One of Lensink's many lasting contributions to Alaska was his involvement in the birth of the state's National Wildlife Refuges. His knowledge helped identify what are today 76

million acres of National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska.

### Woods resigns from BoF

Governor Sean Parnell accepted the resignation of Janet Woods from the Alaska Board of Fisheries. The reasons for the resignation were not given. Woods was appointed on July 22, 2009 by former Governor Sarah Palin, and had yet

to be confirmed by the Legislature. She was the only Alaska Native and Interior member on the seven-member panel that is charged with the conservation and development of Alaska's fisheries resources. Within 30 days after a vacancy occurs, the governor is to appoint a person to serve the balance of the term and submit that name to the Legislature for confirmation.



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**WARM COAT**—Howard Farley explains the different types of furs used on Iris Forster's coat during the "Meet Howard Farley" event at the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum, March 17.

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# Unalakleet captures second straight ski/biathlon team title

Submitted by Keith Conger

Prior to 2008, the ski and biathlon team from Unalakleet was not among those mentioned as powerhouse teams in the Western Region. But thanks to a dynamic, Rocky Mountain toughened coach and a seasoned and determined group of junior high girls, they are one of the first names mentioned these days.

The Unalakleet squad—under the tutelage of Nancy Persons, a U.S. Ski Team-trained coach from Montana—used a double-silver performance from Aly Daniels to capture its second team title in as many years at the 32nd annual Bering Strait School District Ski and Biathlon Championships, which took place on March 25 and 26 in White Mountain.

Supporting Daniels was older sister Katie who earned a bronze medal in the 4-kilometer ski race, and Season Haugen who earned a bronze medal in the biathlon by shooting perfectly.

Haugen was one of only three of the 85 competitors at the meet to hit all 10 targets and forego the time- and energy-sapping penalty lap skiers must do for each missed shot. A fourth teammate, Jonisha Wilson, coming off a knee injury that sidelined her at the end of the 2009 season, chipped in with two fourth-place finishes.

The only skier able to keep the Unalakleet girls from sweeping the podium was Nome's Rosa Schmidt, who worked efficiently in the ski race and hit just enough shots in the biathlon to win both races. Schmidt's efforts would earn her first Ski Meister Award.

Winning times for the junior high girls ski race and the biathlon race were lower than the fastest junior high boys in each race by nearly two minutes, and one minute, respectively. According to meet historians, this was a first. Joining Schmidt in posting a faster time than their fastest male counterparts in one or more races was Unalakleet's fearless foursome—the Daniels sisters, Haugen and Wilson.

Schmidt's double-gold endeavor, along with teammate Hannah Tozier's perfect shooting and fifth-place biathlon finish, helped the Nome team secure the second place team trophy. Nome skier Lindsay Floyd was the highest placing first-year junior high girl skier, kicking in two sixth-place finishes.

White Mountain's Rayna Buck-Nasuk, who bravely battled a sore wrist, and up-and-comer Anna Prentice would trade eighth- and ninth-place finishes. The pair took the third-place trophy.

The high school boys division had its most highly competitive contest in years. The team from Nome needed a double-gold performance by Emerson Conger, and a double-bronze effort by Sam Schmidt to outlast a superb team from host White Mountain, who were anchored by double-silver medalist Asa Bergamaschi.

Vincent Tomalonis helped solidify the second-place trophy for White Mountain with two fourth-place finishes. Francis Lockwood and Jared Billingsley of Saint Michael teamed up for the third-place trophy.

In the high school girls division, Nome skier Caitlyn Tozier traded podium spots with teammate Miranda Murphy in their two races. Tozier enjoyed a three-minute margin in winning gold in the 7.5-kilometer ski race.

Murphy hit three more shots than Tozier in the biathlon race, and used the time out of the penalty loop to overcome her speedier teammate. Murphy narrowly skied away from her fellow Nome skier with a gold medal, her first as a high school biathlon racer, by a mere 14 seconds.

Since the teammates both ended up with a gold and silver medal, the time differentials proved important. Tozier used her cumulative margin to capture her second consecutive Ski Meister Award. Former standout Ski Meister Ana Swanson of Unalakleet, competing for the first time in four years, earned bronze medals in both events.

The most wide-open—and unpredictable—division was that of the junior high boys. The most pleasant surprise proved to be Corey Ningeulook of Koyuk, who captured Shishmaref's first ever BSSD gold medal in the biathlon. By working a third-place finish in the ski race, Ningeulook earned the region's northern-most village's first ever Ski Meister Award.

Ningeulook narrowly beat out Hank Henry, a first-year competitor from Golovin, who put in a double-silver performance. Another remarkable performance was turned in by first-year skier Liam Floyd of Nome,

who beat Henry by a razor-thin three seconds to take the gold medal in the junior high boys ski race.

Henry worked with Golovin teammate Nathaniel Piscoya to take the junior high boys team trophy. Ningeulook and David Olanna, who used nine of 10 shooting, to take fourth place in the biathlon, teamed up to earn the second place trophy for Shishmaref.

Isaac McElwee took fourth place in the ski race. He teamed up with Sigfred Brown, another nine-of-10 shooter and earner of a fifth-place in the biathlon, to bring home the third-place trophy for White Mountain.

Other notable junior high boys racers were Dominic Richardson of Saint Michael who earned his first medal, a bronze in the biathlon, and Ray Weyiouana of Shishmaref who was one of the three biathletes to hit all 10 of their targets during the race.

Standouts Nigeulook and Aly Daniels were recognized as the Most Improved Skiers. The Nome team earned the Sportsmanship Award.

## Straight shooters

In order to teach shooting skills and prepare athletes for the biathlon, the BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships has a marksmanship competition. The standout shooter in the event proved to be the eagle-eyed Maxine Kimoktoak of Koyuk, who earned a gold medal in the junior high girls division by hitting an unimaginable 50 consecutive targets.

Other age category gold medal marksmen were Bergamaschi in the high school boys division, Murphy in the high school girls division, and Ned Ahgupuk of Shishmaref in the junior high boys division.

The sport of biathlon is unique in that it combines the fast-paced sport of cross-country skiing, with the slow-paced sport of target shooting. In White Mountain, all athletes ski



Photo by Esther Brown

**MAKING TRACKS—High schooler Janice Homekingkeo from Koyuk blasts out of the range toward the penalty loop in the biathlon race at the 32nd BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championship in White Mountain.**

around the 1.7-mile course twice. At the midpoint of each lap, the skier enters a shooting range where they find a 22-caliber biathlon rifle, each with a range safety officer, waiting for them.

During each shooting bout of the biathlon race at the BSSD Championships, competitors take five shots in the prone position at 4.5-inch targets, which are placed 50 meters down range.

Every errant shot results in the skier having to enter the penalty loop area and perform one lap for each miss. Depending on the athlete, penalty laps can add anywhere from 15 to 45 seconds to the racer's total time.

With 85 competitors from 13 different sites around the region, this year's biathlon at the BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships is one of largest, if not the largest, biathlon event in the United States of America this year.

Both the BSSD and Nome teams use the BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships as a qualifier for the state rural schools ski and biathlon championships, which are run by the Western Interior Ski/Biathlon Association (WISA). This year's WISA Ski and Biathlon Championships will be held in Tanana on April 1-3.

John Miles and Eric Morris established the BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships. The pair has been helping to run the annual event since 1978. Miles and Morris were joined at the 2010 event by longtime race coordinator Rudy Howard.

The trio, with more than 90 years of ski event experience, is retiring after this year. The coordination of future events has been turned over to Irving Ashenfelter and Paul Lincoln, both of White Mountain.

## 2010 Mini Mukluk Marathon results

1) Kevin Keith, M, 18:58; 2) Willis Ferenbaugh, M, 19:05; 3) Erika Eaton, F, 19:35; 4) Kristina Eaton, F, 20:04; 5) Buddy Okleasik, M, 20:18; 6) Casey Perkins, M, 21:32; 7) Ivory Okleasik, F, 23:45; 8) Alan Prosser, M, 24:38; 9) John Bioff, M, 24:38; 10) Myra Stotts, F, 32:36; 11) Sandra MacDonald, F, 34:48; 12) Darcee Perkins, F, 35:55; 13) Terrie Perkins, F, 36:10; 14) Christine Schultz, F, 36:59; 15) Jennifer White-lock, F, 42:22; 16) Mori Jack, F, 42:22; 17) Jennifer Goslin, F, 46:08; 18) Anna

Moore, F, 46:15; 19) Rhonda Schneider, F, 46:18; 20) Elise Davis, F, 46:48; 21) Jamie Riggs, F, 51:47; 22) Lauren Albom, F, 51:48; 23) Phillip Bonner, M, 51:49; 24) Melissa Holmes-Verdin, F, 54:08; 25) Charlene Leneham, F, 54:09; 26) Tasha Smith, F, 54:09; 27) Steffe Jerdis, M, 54:09; 28) Bobbi Jo Conner, F, 55:53; 29) Catherine DeAngels, F, 55:55; 30) Lisa Larsen, F, 56:08; 31) Bruce Klein, M, Scratched; 32) Loren Prosser, M, Scratched; 33) Lew Tobin, M, Scratched.



## Easter Egg Hunt

**APRIL 4, 2010**  
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**2 p.m.**

**AGES 0-6TH GRADE**

The age groups will be going one at a time, when their turn is over; they can pick up their winning prizes. When the Hunt is over for all age groups, the winners of the bikes may pick them up. We would like to get a group picture.

**Hosted by The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 19**

# April 20 – 22, 2010

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# Cinderella, bunny boots and all of Shakespeare's plays

Nome-Beltz Drama Club puts on a show-stopping weekend



Photos by Tyler Rhodes

**GRANTING WISHES** (above)—Fairy Godmother, played by Mary Ruud, helps send Cinderella, Elizabeth Herzner, to the ball in the Nome-Beltz Drama Club's production of "Cinderella Wore Bunny Boots" Friday night at Nome Elementary School.

**EN GARDE** (left)—Romeo (left), played by Taylor Romenesko, slays Juliet's cousin Tybalt, played by Nathan Blandford, in a whirlwind production that referenced or mentioned all of William Shakespeare's plays.

**NO GLASS SLIPPERS HERE** (below, right)—Elizabeth Herzner as Cinderella removes her bunny boot before losing it at the ball.

**THE CAST** (below, left)—Cast members, l to r, Jeffery Rose, Elizabeth Herzner (sitting), Mary Ruud, Zach Sullivan, Nathan Blandford, Tuesona Tungwenuk (sitting), Taylor Romenesko, Brendan Wehde, Devynn Johnson and Leah Radde.



Photo by Janeen Sullivan



# *We can all play a part in strengthening families*

## April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

This month and throughout the year, Kawerak, Inc. Child Advocacy Center encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making the Bering Strait Region a better place for families. By ensuring that parents have the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to care for their children, we can help prevent child abuse and neglect by strengthening families and communities. Research shows that five important factors are present in healthy families. Promoting these factors is among the most effective ways to reduce the risk of child abuse and neglect. They are:

- **Nurturing and attachment**
- **Knowledge of parenting and of child and youth development**
- **Parental resilience**
- **Social connections**
- **Concrete supports for parents**

April is a time to celebrate the important role that communities play in protecting children. Everyone's participation is critical. Focusing on ways to promote the five protective factors, in every interaction with families, is the best thing our community can do to strengthen families and prevent child abuse and neglect.

### Open house

Kawerak, Inc. Child Advocacy Center invites the community to an open house on April 21, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Child Advocacy Center located at 407 K Street, Nome, Alaska. Meet the staff of the CAC and members of the Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) for the Bering Strait Region. The MDT is a group of professionals working to help child victims of abuse. Members include Alaska State Troopers, Nome Police Department, Norton Sound Social Services, Norton Sound Behavioral Health, Sexual Assault Response Team, Office of Children Services, Department of Juvenile Justice, Bering Sea Women's Group, District Attorney's Office, and the Child Advocacy Center.

### Fundraising event for the Kawerak Child Advocacy Center

The Child Advocacy Center will be selling raffle tickets for our "Split the Pot" event. Drawing will be held at the Open House on April 21. Tickets cost \$5.00 a piece and the event will benefit children and families throughout the Bering Strait Region. The CAC staff will be selling tickets at AC on April 14th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and at Hanson's April on 16th from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. You may also call the CAC staff to purchase tickets at 907-443-4379 or 907-443-4376.

### What to do if your child discloses sexual abuse?

- **Do not panic or express shock; remain calm and stay focused on the child**
- **Express your belief that the child is telling the truth**
- **Reassure the child that it is good to tell**
- **Reassure the child that it is not her/his fault, that she/he is not bad**
- **Let the child know that you will do your best to protect and support her/him**
- **Determine the child's immediate need for safety**
- **Let the child know what you will do**
- **Do not make promises you cannot keep**
- **It is okay to tell a child you do not know the answer to their questions**

- **Do not question the child about the abuse repeatedly; this may hamper any potential investigation**
- **Report to the proper authorities**
- **Do not confront the alleged offender**

### How do I report child sexual abuse?

- **Alaska State Troopers: 1-800-443-2835**
- **Nome Police Department: 907-443-5262**
- **Office of Children's Services: 1-800-440-5247**

### Who should report abuse?

Anyone can report child abuse. The protection of children is everyone's responsibility.







**NORTON SOUND HOSPITAL HOLDS ITS FIRST WEDDING**—Pictured from left are Mischa Moses holding Carter, Ruth Moses, Ashley Moses (bridegroom) holding daughter Haley, grandmother Irene Kavairlook, Irene Kavairlook (bride) Elizabeth Kavairlook, Vince Kavairlook holding daughter Kaitlan and Heidi Graber.

## All Around the Sound

### New Arrivals

Florence L. Olanna and Bob H. Tocktoo Jr. of Brevig Mission announce the birth of their son **Reuben Daniel Tocktoo**, born March 16, at 6:32 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 19.5" in length. His sister is Arica Martha Lilly Tocktoo, 18 months. Maternal grandparents are Steven and Selma Olanna of Bre-

vig Mission. Paternal grandparents are Bob, Sr. and Inez Tocktoo of Brevig Mission.

### Wedding Bells at NSHC

Ashley Moses from Elim and Irene Kavairlook of Koyuk were married at Norton Sound Hospital March 25, 2010. Irene's grandmother also named Irene, had been admitted

to Norton Sound, prompting the couple to hold their ceremony at the hospital. It was reportedly the first matrimonial ceremony held at Norton Sound Regional Hospital. Mother and father of the groom are Mischa and Ruth Moses of Elim. Mother of the bride is Elizabeth Kavairlook from Koyuk.



*Photo courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum*

**MOVING CLOSER**— Little Diomed (foreground) with Big Diomed to the left side of the photo. Russian mainland is on the horizon.

## East meets west: Diomedes on the move

By Jesse Faulen

The distance between Big and Little Diomed islands is getting smaller. Thanks to tectonic plate movement, Russia's Big Diomed, an island in the middle of the Bering Strait is slipping to the east and will soon come in contact with the U.S. island of Little Diomed. They are about three miles apart with the International Date Line between them.

Scandinavian physical geologist Loof Lirpa describes the event as being like two gigantic congealed Swedish Meatballs sliding on a tilted dinner plate. He predicts contact will occur sometime April 1 on both sides of the Dateline.

The situation where east meets west is likely to cause concern when the new island proclaims itself half American and half Russian. Local

residents claim it will make it easier for Sarah Palin to see Russia.

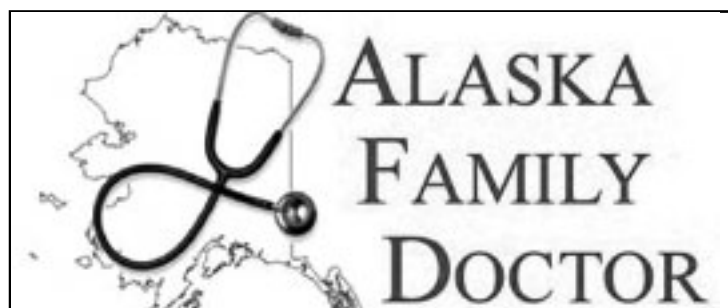
Alaskan politicians say they wouldn't mind some federal earmarks and pork funding to build a bridge from Wales to Diomed. It would be known as the bridge to Somewhere Else. Plans are underway for Stimulus Funds to man the toll booth.

# HOROSCOPES

April 1 - 7, 2010

 <b>CAPRICORN</b> December 22–January 19 You're a force to be reckoned with this week, Capricorn. There is nothing you can't accomplish. A friendly face is a welcome sight in a trying situation.	 <b>ARIES</b> March 21–April 19 True-blue friends know just what to do and say in the wake of a personal crisis. A financial tip puts your budget back in order, Aries.	 <b>CANCER</b> June 22–July 22 Too little rest makes for a crazy Cancer. Find a few hours to get in a nap. A business associate makes a fascinating presentation. Use what you learn to your advantage.	 <b>LIBRA</b> September 23–October 22 Yes, Libra. Budding flowers are a sign of good things to come. A plan at work is finally implemented, causing some confusion at first but benefiting all.
 <b>AQUARIUS</b> January 20–February 18 A formidable task lies ahead, but you need not worry, Aquarius. Help will come from an unlikely source. A financial proposal requires clarification.	 <b>TAURUS</b> April 20–May 20 Too much work makes for a tired Taurus. Live a little, have some fun and learn to relax. Your work will not suffer and will in fact improve.	 <b>LEO</b> July 23–August 22 Friendly banter makes the workweek go by quickly. Guests arrive with news that sends you for a loop. Do your best to take it in stride, Leo.	 <b>SCORPIO</b> October 23–November 21 A family feud finally comes to an end, and you have that special someone to thank, Scorpio. A gift may be in order. A deadline draws near.
 <b>PISCES</b> February 19–March 20 A-ha, Pisces. A relationship grows with a personal discovery. A financial fluke clears the way for a better system at work, and you get your piece of the pie.	 <b>GEMINI</b> May 21–June 21 Variety is the spice of life. Remember that, Gemini, as you are given the task of planning for a special event. Dare to be different. Amends are made among friends.	 <b>VIRGO</b> August 23–September 22 Numbers are all around you, inspiring you to find a way to improve your bottom line. Start at home with your entertainment budget, Virgo. Something is amiss.	 <b>SAGITTARIUS</b> November 22–December 21 You make a risky financial move, but lucky for you, Sagittarius, it pays off. Celebrate your extra green with dinner out. Romance heats up at home.

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## Weight loss is about physical activity and nutrition

**Bob Lawrence, MD**  
Alaska Family Doctor

Many people are surprised to discover that exercise alone, even strenuous exercise, does not automatically lead to weight loss. To make matters worse, a new study suggests that exercise itself may not prevent weight gain either.

The study, published last week in the *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)* followed 34,079 women over 15 years and compared weight gain in three different groups. The first group participated in moderate-intensity exercise fewer than 30 minutes per day. The second group exercised for at least 150 minutes per week (the amount recommended by the American Heart Association). A third group exercised for at least one hour every day of the week.

Surprisingly, all of the groups gained roughly the same amount of weight over time. The only exception was a subgroup of women who started with, and were able to maintain, a healthy body mass index (BMI) of under 25 by exercising at least 60 minutes daily.

The study highlights two very important points. First, moderate-intensity exercise, while great for preventing cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and depression, does not by itself prevent weight gain in those who are already overweight. Second, it takes a significant amount of moderate-intensity exercise (60 min-

utes daily in this study) to prevent gaining weight in those with a normal BMI.

These findings may frustrate those who include exercise in an overall weight loss program. But there is another important point hidden within the details of the study. The participants in this study ate a "usual diet." In other words, their diet was not restricted, and they naturally took in extra calories to replace those expended during exercise. The human body is hormonally wired to crave a little more food than what is required for daily activity. Historically this protects us during times of food shortage, but in modern times in over-nourished developed countries like the U.S., this incremental intake of excess food results in an obesity epidemic.

Simply put, weight gain results from an imbalance between energy intake and expenditure. If a person consumes more calories than those burned during exercise, it does not matter if he or she exercises only a few minutes or for over an hour, the result will be weight gain. To lose weight, or prevent weight gain, a person must take in fewer calories than are burned.

The solution, therefore, is a combination of calorie management and physical activity. An average person burns 100 calories by walking one mile. Instead of replacing those calories with a 100-calorie sports drink (16 oz.), a person may choose

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Haines: Oleruds Inc., Outfitter Sporting Goods  
Homer: Eagle Quality Center, Ulmer's Drug & Hardware, Duggan's Waterfront Bar, Redden Marine  
Kodiak: Cy's Sporting Goods, Safeway  
Kotzebue: Alaska Commercial Co.  
McGrath: Alaska Commercial Co.  
Ninilchik: Ninilchik General Store  
**Nome: Eagle Quality Ctr. (Hansons)**  
Petersburg: Harbor Bar  
Prudhoe Bay: Brooks Range Supply  
Seward: Safeway, Gateway Texaco  
Unalakleet: Unalakleet Native Store  
Valdez: Eagle Quality Center



# Sound Off: Breakers gets set for Iditarod fun

By Cussy Kauer

As Mitch Seavey's young son with an extraordinary talent belted out "We are the Champions" at the Musher's banquet, I could not help but reflect back on the week, and revel in my own pride at the work of our own champions at the Breakers Bar. Iditarod XXXVIII was a champion's challenge! And, congratulations to you, Lance Mackey, on your fourth consecutive win. While Lance and Wattie and Sonny and the rest prepared to take off in the ceremonial start on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Anchorage, the Breakers Bar prepared

for their arrival on Front Street in Nome.

Randy Oles checked all extinguishers, hand rails were tightened, stairways checked, and Mike Winkleman spent two days on the floor re-sealing seams in our linoleum as our building heaved another sigh, as if shifting to a more comfortable position knowing the weight it would bear during its 38<sup>th</sup> Iditarod. David O'Connor and I hauled stock at 27 degrees below zero, while race contenders carefully traversed in the same, or worse, weather on the trail. Son Dawson helped haul cases and cases of juice, party supplies,

garbage supplies and cleaning supplies as we prepared to get the little things out of the way.

Monday evening our Iditarod week began as George Halas of K & L Distributors hosted our kick off party with gifts he shared from sponsors Alaskan Amber and Jack Daniels. Tuesday our pace was picking up with the expected arrival of front runners Mackey, Gatt and King. Miss Melissa manned the Blue Crown station, with our two others also at the ready. Son Jade helped pack stock, keeping the coolers full and ice in our wells. Horray! Horray for the Champions, as Nome

gave them a Nome Welcome! I noticed in the early hours Wednesday morning at closing, our workhorse ice machine was not keeping up with the demand, and back to check at 9 a.m., I knew we were in trouble.

A call to Mike Winkleman, and a refrigeration technician in Anchorage, their ensuing conversations and over the phone testing confirmed my worst fears – our ice machine was kaput. Time was now of the essence, as #153 leaves Anchorage by 4 p.m., and we were desperate for a working machine. In the meantime, bless Joan Finke and her staff at Nome Liquor as they began sacking up our first load of 36 bags of ice to get us through the day. The refrigeration company came through and had the correct part. Thanks to Ron McCormick with Alaska Airlines and his watchful eye as our ice machine made its way through Anchorage and was delivered and loaded on his last airplane of the day.

Greg Hauschild and Vern Reddington earlier in the day helped set our arm wrestling table to perfection. Our arm wrestling contest was again MC'd by Monica Rose, with the help of her husband Joel, and Kevin Albert, Odom Corporation representative. Winkleman and Dave Ramos carefully hauled in our new machine and began frantically hooking it up; wrestlers and visitors were none the wiser. Soon trophies from Odom with prize assistance from Don Hansen, Northland Services, were presented to these first place finishers in their categories of heavy weight, middle weight, and light weight respectively: Kevin Bodhi, Bob Brown, Dale Ellanna, Monica Rose, Maggie Stang and Stacey Smith.

Joan called at 10 p.m. to see how we were doing, as she had her staff make up more bags of ice to get us through the night. We had to have an answer for her soon, as she closed at midnight. I almost cried when at 11:30 p.m. the first chunks of ice fell out of our new machine. Running on three hours of sleep the past 48 hours, I fell into my bed.

Thursday evening Benny, Ian, Krysta, Devola, guest Nikki, all led by Miss Kelly, wowed us to "Wipe Out" with their hula performance. Bufford Sallaffie ran the foosball tourney in the background, thanks to prizes and contributions from Star-gate Alaska, Ron Jones, Quality Auto Parts, and Breakers. We recognize single and doubles finishers in order of first, second and third, respectively: Roger Thompson, Nikki Pomrenke, Sye Larson, Roger Thompson, Ken Hughes/Ron Jones, and Peggy Darling/Bob Madden Jr.

Friday afternoon several ladies just arrived and from out of town, noticed at their host Bering Sea band-b some colorful leis, and inquiring, learned they had been part of our fun the night before. These ladies decided the winner's team would not be the only team to have a garland of flowers around the necks of the leaders, and were pleased as punch to receive some colorful Breakers leis to

place on their favorite musher's lead dogs. Imagine that!

Early Friday evening found George and Mrs. Halas "rootin' for Newton", waving our own Jamaican flag, and the evening brightened as masked sheriffs, cowboys and cowgirls donned neon necklaces and bracelets, hats and bandanas, as the last mushers on the trail did the "giddy up and go" for Nome.

Daughter Rajene came to experience Iditarod and help me prepare the Lions Clubs corned beef and cabbage meal which was enjoyed by 80 golfers, as reported by Kerry Webster, organizer. Ian, Benny and Jackie Cabrera helped haul cookers down and meat up at 5 in the morning to get that meal started, in order to be ready for hungry golfers. My girlfriend and classmate Iris Foster Mag-nell made this her first Iditarod and in her exquisite traditional parka, the sound of cameras clicking followed her at every move. Did you see the beautiful berry pickers Bessie Herman Meyer, another friend and classmate, brought to the craft fair? Stained with the juice of blueberries and painted by her self-taught artist daughter Jozeca, or Jozi, some of these stunning works of art are now mine, and will probably never see a berry patch.

Yes, this Iditarod was a challenge between the ice maker and a couple other mechanical malfunctions. We've got a staff who I am sure rare as many, or more, miles behind the plank as any musher did behind his team. For throbbing, swollen ankles and feet, I have no medicine to massage. To quickly remember each and every customer request and to serve with composure, a calm disposition and a smile on one's face, take stamina and resilience. A temperate Team Breakers was on the move facing ever changing shift demands and with every challenge thrown at us, we pulled together through Iditarod 38. I can attest, and as the saying goes, when the going gets tough the tough get going.

To each and every Nomeite who stood along side us, we couldn't have done it alone. It is with sincere thanks to you, and our local patrons who continue to support us every day, and to those new who share our Iditarod experience, we are glad you were here. Dedicated to serving you, we look forward to a spectacular summer at the Breakers, in Nome. A week ago Seavey's son from the bottom of his heart sang... "we are the Champions...my friend...", but know that those who stepped in to help us, and particularly these Breakers guys and gals, they ARE the Champions, my friends...Ian Alvanna-Stimpfle, Kelly Blevins, Tony Burdick, Jennifer Ford, Melissa Ford, Krysta Kauer, Cherie Liston Devola Michels, Jackie Olanna Benny Piscoya, and David O'Connor.

## Foster's Report

By Rep. Neal Foster

### Waiting for Senate Capital Budget

It might be two weeks more before a Senate Finance Committee Substitute will be acted upon. It gives the House Finance Committee very little time to add or delete items that are priorities for the House of Representatives. (The Capital Budget is important because that is where community projects are funded.)

The Senate just passed the Operating Budget out of the Senate Finance Committee Monday morning. We still haven't had time to compare their version with that passed by the House of Representatives on March 11. The bill still has to pass the Senate floor and be returned to the House for concurrence. If the House doesn't concur (and it won't) those items that differ in the House and Senate versions of the bill will go to free conference committee where they will be resolved.

### Transporting Oxygen

The FAA restriction on air transportation of medical oxygen bottles has been addressed with the attachment of an amendment which excludes Alaska in the FAA Reauthorization bill that passed the U.S. Senate last Friday. Senate changes must still be approved by the House of Representatives. Our office will continue to monitor this issue since there is no other way to get oxygen bottles to outlying communities in the district.

### Grant Applications

Alaska Energy Authority announced the opening of the application period for its Alaska Small Cities Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants program. For this program, AEA developed a funding formula that es-

tablished a base of \$10,000 per eligible community plus additional funding based on population. These grants can be used for energy audits and energy efficiency and conservation improvements to public facilities. AEA will provide technical assistance to communities needing help in identifying and implementing these improvements. Eligible communities who would like to promote energy efficiency and conservation are encouraged to apply.

Grant application documents, application instructions, a complete list of communities eligible for the Alaska Small Cities Block Grants and other contact information can be found at [www.akenergyauthority.org/eechg.html](http://www.akenergyauthority.org/eechg.html). Applicants may also contact Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project Manager Sean Skaling by e-mail at [sskaling@aidea.org](mailto:sskaling@aidea.org), or telephone (907) 771-3079.

### Visitors to the Office

Two students who attended Alaska Youth for Environmental Action visited the office. They are Beverly Nakarak from Elim and Fabian Pete from Stebbins.

### Session Contact Information:

Remember my office in Juneau is available to answer questions or to help with issues related to the state. Please feel free to contact me or my staff.

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cover the race with their eyes closed almost. All SPARC members who volunteer for this event, and others like it should be proud that their skills are needed, warranted and wanted. Folks who are not a HAM, or do not have one in their household, please consider taking the test to become a licensed HAM. You will eventually help save the lives of the people camping with you, living near you or help your friends along the road system (and beyond) who need a hand. The largest of thanks goes to the men and women who spend countless hours building, upgrading and maintaining our mountain top repeater system. We would not be the club we are if it were not for the efforts of those that started the club or the people that keep it up and running!

Some of the other groups that rely solely on volunteers that I'd like to recognize include the Nome Volunteer Fire Department and the Nome Volunteer Ambulance Service. Just the word VOLUNTEER in their of-

ficial titles tells you enough. It's sometimes a thankless job and the hours for training and call outs are long. There is the American Legion and VFW and their auxiliaries, the Lions Club, the Rotary, those that volunteer for the City of Nome Spring clean up, airlines that donate freight to families in need, those that helped Jacob for his Christmas event, those that volunteer to cook for potlucks, Iditarod volunteers, the people that run the recycling program, those who raise money for cancer groups... There are so many volunteers.

When you see someone volunteering for the greater good, take the time to recognize them and get involved yourself! Teach our children the value of volunteerism. This little town could not do what we do without our volunteers. Lend your talents to whatever cause you can and don't look back. You will need a volunteer along the way. Thank you all!

Sincerely,  
Kimberly S. Carter  
Nome, AK 99762

Dear Editor

It wouldn't take much to damage the healthy environment of Bristol Bay; just 2 parts per billion concentrations of copper above ground may damage the salmon spawning grounds.

After the gold, copper and other metals has been crushed and washed with chemicals, almost all of or 99% will be left behind forever. Pebble waste will be a potential source of chemical pollution for many years.

Tailings are vulnerable to erosions, landslides, earthquakes and will collect into our head waters of Bristol Bay.

Pebble Mine will be the largest tragedy of a human made hazard that negatively affects Bristol Bay's environment.

Mike Piscoya  
Anchorage, AK 99518

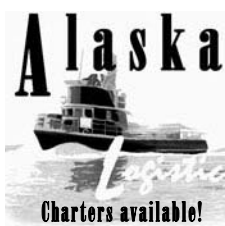
## Alaska Logistics Barge Schedule

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## Obituary

### Vivien Kayonick (Oxereok) Olin

Vivien Kayonick (Oxereok) Olin left to be with our Lord and Savior on March 19, with all of her children by her side. She was born in Wales,



Vivien Kayonick (Oxereok) Olin

AK to Charles and Agnes Oxereok on August 4, 1940. At age 18 she relocated to California through the Bureau of Indian Affairs work program. She met her husband James L. Olin in southern California and moved to Washington State. She later returned to Alaska with her five beautiful children. She lived in Nome for a short time before moving back to Wales. There she started a 26-year career as a Special Education aide. In her work, her love resonated through her students. She took many college courses through distance education to enhance her skills. Although she retired, her time was spent around the children she cared about the most — her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She assured their needs were met and always tried to fulfill their wants as well, not missing a single birthday. Grammy was happiest when she was with them. She loved to pick berries and greens, go clamming, camp with relatives, sew, bead, crochet, bake, and help others. One of her special moments was when she was singing in the choir and at church. She was

known for her delicious cinnamon rolls and donuts. One of her last contributions to the Community of Wales was making ugilhaqs for the 10th annual Kingimiut Dance Festival.

Vivien was a very caring person and a pillar in her community. Her faith in God was strong and she enjoyed going to church and conferences. She was a member of Wales Lutheran Church most of her life and Alaska Native Lutheran Church while she lived in Anchorage. She served on the IRA, City and Church councils in Wales. She was known as Mom, Ma, Momma, Grammy, Gram, Way Far Gram, Vi and Auntie Vi. She was a daddy's girl and missed him terribly after he passed away when she was 8 years old. She spoke fond memories of her favorite brother Fred, often making folks laugh.

Vivien is survived by all five of her children; Michele Ongtowsruk and husband Clyde Sr., Charles Olin, Sandra Keller and husband Lester, Denise Olin and Geraldine Ongtowsruk and husband Ron; sister Mary Alexander and brother Isaac Oxereok; sister-in-law Betty Oxereok; grandchildren Clyde Jr., Dave Sr., Clarence, Lisa, Jessie Ongtowsruk and Nikolai Leahy, Heather and Brandon Ongtowsruk, Rebecca Olin, Lori, Hattie and Joshua Keller, Jessica Olin, Woodrow Kitchen, Danielle Ozenna, David and Josalyn Olin, James, Tamara, Cheryl, Amber, Shannon and Tiffany Ongtowsruk; great-grandchildren Tyrone Olin, Angelicia Titus, Caleb Okpealuk, Creedence and Dave Jr. Ongtowsruk, Kayden and Jeffery Komonaseak, Kailey Ongtowsruk, Owen Smith, Patrick and Kevin Ongtowsruk. She is also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews who loved her dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents Charles and Agnes Oxereok; brothers Frank Sr., Ernest, Daniel, David, Charles Jr., Sherman, Frederick, and 1st Isaac Oxereok; sisters

Naomi Attatayuk and Jane Oxereok; husband James Leroy Olin; brothers-in-law Roland Alexander and Joseph Attatayuk; sister-in-law Evelyn Oxereok; grandchildren 1st Amber

Michelle Ongtowsruk and Preston Robin Keller; just recently her beloved great-nieces Kimberly Rachel Oxereok and Iris Ann Johnson.

## Saying it Sincerely

By Pastor Mike Christian, River of Life Assembly of God  
for the Nome Ministerial Association

**“He is risen!”**

{ Text: Luke 24:1-12 }

*“Why do you look for the living among the dead?”*

It was a beautiful morning; however, sadness and even fear had invaded the hearts of those who had followed him to the top of the mountain outside of the city. There, they watched as the soldiers laid him down on a wooden cross and proceeded to drive the nails into his outstretched hands and feet. They watched as the soldiers lifted the cross, bearing the full weight of his mutilated body, and then suddenly released it, allowing it to fall heavily into the hole which would hold it upright for all to see clearly he who had been crucified. They looked upon the barely recognizable figure of the Messiah, Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Many in the crowd stood in silence as Jesus hung on the cross that day. And yet, others cursed at him and reviled him as though he were guilty of the charges he had been acquitted of by Pilate. And still, there were those who had believed in his teachings and had followed him throughout the countryside and into the towns. However, now they stood in the crowd on that mountaintop, the place called Calvary, and watched as Jesus died on that cross.

After he had died, his body was taken down and placed in a tomb. A stone was rolled in front of the entrance and guards were placed there to prevent someone from stealing his body. Jesus had said that he would be killed, but that he would rise from the dead after three days (Matthew 16:21).

So, here we are; it was a beautiful morning, and a few of the women who had followed Jesus faithfully, now made their way to the tomb. As they approached, they saw two men in *“clothing that gleamed like lightning,”* standing next to them. The women, struck with fear, bowed down before the two men. The men looked at them and asked: *“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here. He has risen!”*

Can you imagine the shock, and yet the joy that raced through their hearts at these words? There Lord, their Messiah, Jesus wasn't in the tomb. He had risen! He was alive! The women got up and ran to tell his disciples what had just happened. When they got there, they shared everything that had taken place. But the disciples thought they may have been overcome by their grief, so Peter got up and *“ran to the tomb,”* and found their words to be true.

My friend, Jesus has risen! Today “He lives!” He reigns at the right hand of the father at this very moment. He intervenes on your and my behalf every moment of the day. As you celebrate Easter this Sunday, please remember, it's not about cute little bunnies and colored eggs and candies. It's all about who died for your and my sin and who came forth from that tomb on that first Easter morning to secure for us, eternal life with him. Easter is all about the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ the Son of the Living God! My friend, Jesus is alive, and he loves you! May you have a blessed Easter this Sunday as you worship the Risen Savior!

*Blessings and Happy Easter!*

# Church Services Directory

**Bible Baptist Church Service Schedule, 443-2144**  
Sunday School 10 a.m./Worship Hour 11 a.m.

**Community Baptist Church-SBC**  
108 West Third, **443-5448 • Pastor Bruce Landry**  
**Small Group Bible Study** 10 a.m.  
**Sunday** Morning Worship 11 a.m.

**Community United Methodist**  
2nd Ave. West, **443-2865**  
**Sunday** Worship 11 a.m.  
**Tuesday** 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

**Thrift Shop** — Tuesday & Thursday 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Nome Covenant Church**  
101 Bering St. **443-2565 • Pastor Harvey**  
**Sunday** School 9:45 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.  
**Wednesday** Fellowship Meal 5:30 p.m./Ladies' Bible Study,  
Mens' Fraternity & Children's Choir 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday** Youth Group 7 p.m. (call **443-7218** for location)  
**Friday** Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
5th & Bering, **443-5295**  
**Easter Schedule**

**Thursday:** Holy Thursday Communion - 7 p.m.

**Friday:** Good Friday Service - 7 p.m.

**Easter Sunday:** Communion Sunrise Service - 7:30 a.m.  
Festival Service - 11 a.m.

**Sunday** School 9:45 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. & Worship 11 a.m.

**River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333**  
**Sunday** School 10 a.m.  
**Sunday** Worship Service 11 a.m.  
**Wednesday** Night Service 6:30 p.m.

**St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527**  
Corner of Steadman & King Place  
**Holy Week and Easter**

**Thursday:** 7 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Good Friday:** 7 p.m. - Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
8 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet and Video

**Saturday:** 10:30 p.m. - Easter Vigil

**Sunday:** 10:30 a.m. - Easter Sunday Mass

**Mass Schedule: Saturday** 5:30 p.m./**Sunday** 10:30 a.m.

**Seventh-Day Adventist**  
(Icy View), **443-5137**

**Saturday** Sabbath School 10 a.m.  
**Saturday** Morning Worship 11 a.m.

**Nome Church of Nazarene**  
3rd & Division, **443-2805**

**Sunday** Prayer Meeting 9:30 a.m.

**Sunday** School 9:45 a.m. & Worship Service 11 a.m.

# Happy Easter!

# Celebrating on April 17th.





# CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Deadline is noon Monday • (907) 443-5235 • Fax (907) 443-5112 e-mail ads@nomenugget.com

## Employment

**Kawerak Community Services Division –Recruitment Notice – 03/22/2010 to close of business on 04/05/2010.**

**DIVISION:** Community Services  
**JOB TITLE:** Tribal Affairs Director  
**POSITION STATUS:** Regular, Full time  
**LOCATION:** Nome, Alaska  
**EXEMPT STATUS:** Non-Exempt  
**PAY SCALE GRADE:** 14-15-16-17 (\$25.52 – 35.33)DOE  
**REPORTS TO:** Vice President, Community Services

The Director will oversee the activities of the Tribal Affairs Program. The Director is responsible for planning, developing and implementing the services available through the Tribal Affairs Program. The Director provides leadership and direction to the Tribal Affairs staff. Knowledge of accounting systems and issues affecting tribes is beneficial.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- 1) Bachelors Degree in Political Science, Rural Development, Accounting or related field. Experience in the field of Tribal Operations or American Indian Law at the supervisory level may substitute for the degree on a year for year basis.
- 2) Two years of management and supervisory experience required.
- 3) Must be knowledgeable of federal Indian law and issues, particularly as they relate to Alaska Native tribes.
- 4) Must have strong oral and written communication skills, organizational and budgeting skills.
- 5) Ability to work effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds.
- 6) Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.
- 7) Must possess basic computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft Word, Windows, and Internet usage. Experience with Excel preferred.
- 8) Must be able to travel extensively.

Native Preference per Public Law 93-638  
**Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231.**

**Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at [www.kawerak.org](http://www.kawerak.org) or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to [personnel@kawerak.org](mailto:personnel@kawerak.org).**  
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**Kawerak Administration –Recruitment Notice – 03/26/2010 to close of business on 04/09/2010.**

**DEPARTMENT:** Administration, Information Systems

**JOB TITLE:** Information Technology Technician  
**POSITION STATUS:** Regular, Full-Time  
**LOCATION:** Nome, Alaska

**EXEMPT STATUS:** Non-Exempt  
**PAY SCALE GRADE:** 12-13-14 (\$22.67 – 29.58)DOE  
**REPORTS TO:** Information Technology Manager  
**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- 1) High school diploma or G.E.D. and at least one year of experience in a computer related field, relevant Microsoft and/or A+ certifications a plus.
- 2) Experience in installing computer hardware, troubleshooting networked systems, and understanding of client-server architecture.
- 3) Familiarity with and ability to troubleshoot Microsoft Windows 2000, 2003 and XP. Knowledge of Linux and Cisco OS preferred.
- 4) Understanding of Windows based networks, wide area networks, and network client configurations.
- 5) Must maintain strict confidentiality.
- 6) Strong written and oral communication skills.
- 7) Must be able to travel as needed. Travel may occur during evenings, weekends and holidays.
- 8) Ability to lift or move parcels of 40 pounds or less. The employee is occasionally required to climb, kneel, crouch or crawl.
- 9) Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.

Native Preference Per Public Law 93-638  
**Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231.**

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**Construction Specialist**

**Duties:** On-site working foreman of a construction/weatherization crew. Meets production schedules and quality standards for assigned project. Maintains required documentation for all materials and labor. Provides on the job training as required. Maintains a safe work environment.

## Trooper Beat

On March 11, Unalakleet Alaska State Troopers contacted Galen Doty, 24, of Unalakleet, at the Unalakleet Airport after he arrived on a flight from Anchorage. Investigation revealed that Doty had a half-pound bag of marijuana in his carry-on bag.

The marijuana was seized and Doty will be charged with one count of Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the Fourth Degree by summons.

On March 21, AST in Nome received a report of a theft that occurred in the village of Gambell. Suspects have been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

On March 21, AST in Nome received a report of a possible assault that took place in the village of Gambell. At this time, no suspect has been identified. The investigation is ongoing.

On March 21, AST in Nome received a report from Gambell that Stephan Apangalook, 20, was highly intoxicated. Investigation revealed that S. Apangalook is on probation not to consume alcohol. S. Apangalook was arrested, transported and remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center in Nome.

On March 23, at 9:45 a.m., VPSO Tim Pehle and Unalakleet AST arrested Wesley Katongan, 23, of Unalakleet, at the request of his Adult Probation Officer. Katongan had violated his probation. Katongan was transported to Nome for arraignment.

conducts appropriate safety training.

**Job Site:** Rural Alaska villages during the construction season.  
**Seasonal employment:** May through October  
**REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** High school diploma or GED. Four (4) years carpentry experience, minimum one year as foreman/supervisor. Able to function without direct supervision. Ability to work with, supervise, and relate to people of different cultures. Self directed in problem solving and decision making. Able to spend up to two (2) months at a time in rural Alaska villages.

Starting Salary: \$23.65 / hr DOE.

**Application and full job description available at [www.ruralcap.com](http://www.ruralcap.com) or 731 E 8<sup>th</sup> AVE, Anchorage. To Apply: Submit a completed RurAl CAP application form, cover letter and resume by 5:00 pm April 5, 2010 EOE##**

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**Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation** is currently recruiting for the **Norton Sound Seafood Products (NSSP) Office Manager (Nome)**. The NSSP Office Manager is responsible for maintaining seasonal workforce personnel files, fish ticketing, and retail ordering, and office and retail operations at the Norton Sound Seafood Center in Nome. The ideal candidate will be a highly reliable and responsible individual with a retail background and knowledge of personnel and accounting practices as they relate to store operations.

**All positions are Open Until Filled.**

NSEDC offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits package. Please see our website to view the full job description and to download the application at [www.nsedc.com](http://www.nsedc.com) or contact Camille Cruz, HR Director, (800) 650-2248. Qualified individuals should submit their application and resume to: NSEDC, 420 L Street, Suite 310, Anchorage, AK 99501 or Fax: (907) 274-2249.  
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## King Island Native Corp. Annual Meeting • April 24

King Island Native Corporation will hold their Annual Meeting of Shareholders on **Saturday, April 24, 2010, at the Nome Eskimo Community Hall on 200 W 5th Ave at 1p.m.** for the following purpose: Election of two (2) directors and other matters listed on the agenda.

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## Legals

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME  
CASE NO: 2NO-10-00059CI  
ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING**

In the Matter of a Change of Name for:

**Jocelyn Grace Mannik Nichols,**  
Current name of Minor.

**Notice of Petition to Change Name**

A petition has been filed in the Superior court (Case #2NO-10-00059CI) requesting a name change from (current name) **Jocelyn Grace Mannik Nichols to Jocelyn Grace Mannik Nichols-Takak**. A hearing on this request will be held on **April 15, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at Nome Court-house, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.**

3/18-25-4/1-8

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME  
CASE NO: 2NO-10-00060CI  
ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING**

In the Matter of a Change of Name for:

**Melinda Lou Ayac Anowlic,**  
Current name of Adult.

**Notice of Petition to Change Name**

A petition has been filed in the Superior court (Case #2NO-10-00060CI) requesting a name change from (current name) **Melinda Lou Ayac Anowlic to Melinda Lou Ayac Milligrock**. A hearing on this request will be held on **April 16, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.**

3/18-25-4/1-8

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Yukon Title Company, Inc., the present trustee under a deed of trust, gives notice that the property described below will be sold for cash at public auction at the main front door of the Superior Court, 113 Front St., Nome, Alaska 99762 on May 6, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. The property to be sold is described as follows: Lot 4-D, of WILLOW RIDGE SUBDIVISION, according to the plat filed April 6, 2001 as Plat Number 2001-5; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Street address: 503 Fireweed Way, Nome, Alaska 99762. The property is being foreclosed pursuant to a deed of trust the trustor

FOR SALE— Case wheel loader. In Nome 1983 W24C. \$21,000. Call (907)-771-2305 6/25 tfn

## Seawall

**3/22**  
John Weyiouanna, 36, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Drunk on Licensed Premises.

**3/23**  
Lynn Takak, 49, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation and Assault 4°, Domestic Violence.

**3/24**  
Joseph Nupowhotuk, 41, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°.

**3/25**  
Larry Kobuk, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, Domestic Violence. A Nome juvenile received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

**3/26**  
Larry Kobuk, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release. Percy Nayokpuk, 57, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, Domestic Violence.

**3/27**  
A Nome juvenile was arrested and transported to Nome Youth Facility for Assault 4°, Domestic Violence and received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Sherri Oyounmick, 19, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, Domestic Violence.

Noah Shoogukruk, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Drunk on Licensed Premises.

**3/28**  
Timothy Berglund, 37, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 3°, Domestic Violence.

Walter Analook, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

## Real Estate

### Nome Sweet Homes Melissa Ford Broker

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### Thank you! Quyanna!

The family of Vivien K. Ölin express a heartfelt thank you to those who helped in Vivien's time of need, as well as the family's. Thank you to Health Aides Flo Okpealuk & Marissa Oxereok, Anna Oxereok, doctors and nurses in Nome and Anchorage, EMT medical staff, the Native Village of Wales, Ryan Air, Bering Air, Alaska Airlines, Wales Native Corporation, Wales Choir, Linda Oxereok, Mischa & Sheila Ellanna, George Johnson, Edna Kost, Loretta & Dave Parker, Wales Kingikmiut School and staff, Grace (Okboak) Hilbert, Joanne & Tony Keyes, Andy & Mary Miller, Ida Lincoln and Cathy (Ahwinona) Williams, and all those who came to service in Anchorage, Pastor Karen Sonray, Lay Pastor Gilbert Oxereok.; Doris Angusuc, Elizabeth Kugzruk & all who helped with fundraiser & those who donated to that fundraiser; grave diggers: Amos, Stanley, & Clyde Oxereok, Larry Sereadlook, Gilbert Oxereok, Casey Tingook, Winton Weyapuk, Clifford Seetook, Lloyd Oxereok, Stan Milligrock, Coy and Clyde Jr. Ongtowsruk, Mike Ahkinga, Jason Oxereok, Thomas & Archie Olanna. If we've forgotten anyone, it was inadvertently done, Mom will know! Love you all!



**Arctic ICANS —**  
*A nonprofit cancer  
survivor support group.*

**1-800-478-9355**

**Arctic ICANS next meeting**

The Nome Cancer support group will meet at the XYZ Center on

**Thursday, April 1 • 7:30 p.m.**

*Business meeting*

For more information call 443-5726.

I would like to say a big thanks to all the sponsors who made it possible for me to participate in the 2010 Nome Golovin snowmachine race. Thanks to **Melin Mechanical, Arctic Cat Race Dept., Nome Arctic Cat, Ryan Air, and my family.** Without your sponsorship I would not have been able to compete in the race. Also, would like to thank **Bering Sea Lions Club** for putting on a great race and all the **volunteers** who were there to help the snowmachine racers with rescue and refueling.

*With great thanks, Chester Millett (Unalakleet)*

**Thank you!**



• More Legals

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The City of Nome is requesting sealed bids for the supply and installation of boilers and associated equipment at the Nome Elementary School and supply and installation of mechanical and electrical equipment upgrades at the Nome Swimming Pool at Nome, Alaska by August 18, 2010. Bid, payment and performance bonds are required.

Bid documents are available at the City of Nome, P.O. Box 281, 101 Division Street, Nome, AK 99762, Contact the City Clerk at (907) 443-6611.

Sealed bids must be received by the City of Nome at the above address not later than 4:30 PM Alaska Time on Friday, April 16, 2010. Late bids will not be accepted.  
3/25-4/1-8

**Request for Proposal  
Gambell Community Streets**  
Proposals for the construction of the Gambell Community Streets located in the City of Gambell will be received by Kawerak Transportation Program, **until 5 p.m. local time, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010.** The project contemplated consists of the rehabilitation of the community streets and includes base material and surface treatment. Contract Documents may be picked up in person at Kawerak Transportation Program Office, (907) **443-4337** for a \$50 contract document fee. Proposals must be submitted on the forms provided. To the greatest extent feasible, preferences and opportunities for training and employment in connection with this project shall be given to Na-

tive Americans, and preference in the award of a contract, if any shall be given to Tribally Owned organizations and Tribally – owned enterprises, pursuant to Section 7 of P.L. 93-638. This contract involves:  
General Preference: Contracts “for the benefit of Indians” generally are subject to the requirements for preference for training and employment to Indians and preference in award of subcontracts to Indian organizations or Indian-owned economic enterprises, as provided in 25 USC 459e(b); 5 CFR 900.49(e).  
Kawerak Transportation Program reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive irregularities or informalities in the proposals, and to award the contract to the respondent that best meets the selection criteria.  
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**INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
Northwest Campus Critical Deferred Renewal Project No.: 2009012 NWDR  
Bid No.: 0712010  
Sealed bids, in single copy, for the Northwest Campus Critical Deferred Renewal project will be received by the University of Alaska, Office of Division of Design and Construction until **Tuesday, 2 p.m., April 20, 2010**, at the Office of Division of Design and Construction, 590 University Avenue, 2nd Floor, Fairbanks, Alaska, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Work consists of replacement of pilings on NW001 and NW008, upgrade of foundation for NW007, level and repairs to boardwalk and miscellaneous electrical, mechanical and maintenance to campus buildings.

Bidders are advised that the University of Alaska has a procedure for accepting alternate products or systems prior to bid opening. Acceptance of substitutions after award are limited. See Instructions to Bidders and the General Conditions. Funding for this project is available. Complete bidding documents for this project are available in electronic form. They may be viewed online and downloaded without charge and without deposit from [www.aeplans.com](http://www.aeplans.com) and are available to your local plan rooms and reprographers. Bidders must register through the website to be notified of addenda. The bidder is responsible for periodically checking the site. If software/website technical assistance is needed please call toll free 888-320-3032. Printed copies may be ordered from reprographic companies through the website or by contacting a reprographer directly. The downloaded files may also be printed on the plan holder's equipment. Plan holders are responsible for their own reproduction costs. Bid documents may be viewed at the office of Division of Design and Construction, 590 University Avenue, 2nd Floor, Fairbanks, Alaska.

The Contractor who is awarded the project will be responsible for printing all documents necessary for performing the work. Please review updated electronic submittal procedures, Section 01 33 00. A pre-bid conference will be held on **Thursday, April 8, 2010, at 10 a.m.** at the Northwest Campus, 400 East Front Street, Nome, Alaska. Bid security is required to be submitted with each bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. State law requires a bid to be awarded to the low-

est responsive and responsible “Alaska Bidder” after a five percent (5%) preference and Alaska Products Preference has been applied. Further instructions are contained within the Instructions to Bidders.\n\nThe University of Alaska reserves the right to reject any or all bids, offers, or parts thereof it deems necessary, to waive any informality in the bid or offer received, and to award in the best interest of the University. The University of Alaska Fairbanks is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and educational institution.  
4/1-8-15

**SOLICITATION NOTICE  
RFP-NVOS-10-A/E-02  
NATIVE VILLAGE OF SHAKTOOLIK (NVOS)  
ARCHITECT-ENGINEERING SERVICE CONTRACT**

The Native Village of Shaktoolik intends to enter into a contract for professional architect & engineering service to prepare a conceptual planning analysis report for an emergency shelter. The budget for this project is \$142,500.

**The successful firm will act as NVOS's Project Technical Representative to provide professional services to prepare conceptual design drawing based on selected floor plan alternatives and drawings, including layout, floor plans, and materials list for the construction of a community shelter for the community of Shaktoolik, Alaska.**

The solicitation package will be available for dis-

tribution by mail, fax, or e-mail, beginning March 25, 2010. Responses must be submitted in the format specified in the RFP and must be received no later than  
**5 p.m., April 30, 2010.**

Requests for RFP documents must be directed to:  
Simon Bekoalok Jr., President NVOS  
P.O. Box 100, Shaktoolik, AK 99771  
Ph (907) 955-3701  
Fax (907) 955-2352  
e-mail: [ksagoonick@kawerak.org](mailto:ksagoonick@kawerak.org)  
4/1-8-15

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE  
STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME  
CASE NO: 2NO-09-00326CI  
JUDGMENT FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME**  
In the Matter of  
A Change of Name for:  
Donald Stanley Oliver, Jr.  
Current Name of Minor Child.  
**Notice of Judgment – Change of Name**  
A judgment has been issued by the Superior Court in Nome, Alaska, in Case Number: **2NO-09-00326CI**, ordering that the minor child's name be changed from **Donald Stanley Oliver Jr. to Zachariah Donald Oliver Austin**, effective upon issuance of the clerk's Certificate of Name Change.  
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• Alaska Family Doctor

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to hydrate with water (zero calories), leading to a net loss of weight. It turns out healthy weight management comes down to making this type of daily choice about physical activity and nutrition.

While the most sustainable weight loss plans include some form of calorie restriction, the reduction in daily calories does not need to be excessive. Many people find it helpful to log their intake of calories for two weeks and then find ways to lower their daily intake of excess calories

by about 10 percent. For some people this can be as easy as dropping one sugary beverage per day. More important, increasing the percentage of calories from fruits, vegetables, nuts, and fish in the diet helps with weight management and overall health.

Exercise has many beneficial effects. It would be wrong to give up exercise simply because it does not directly promote weight loss. Consistent daily exercise lowers blood pressure, protects against heart disease, prevents the development of diabetes, and improves brain function.

The new study published in *JAMA* reinforces the point that exercise alone does not lead to weight loss. Maintaining a healthy weight results from daily healthy choices regarding **both** physical activity *and* nutrition.

Court

**Week ending 3/26  
Civil**

Capital One Bank (USA) N A vs. Arrington, Wayne R.; Confession of Judgment - District Court

Burnett, Chuck vs. Hafner, Robert; District Court Forcible Entry/Detain Graber, Heidi Marie vs. Kavairlook, Vincent Lee; Petition for Custody - Superior Court Wards Cove Packing Co dba Nome Trading Co vs. Gould, John R.; Debt - District Court

Lockwood, Yvonne A. vs. Humphrey, Dion K.; Petition for Custody - Superior Court

**Small Claims**

Spivey, Elena vs. Scott, Steven; Small Claims \$2500 or Less

**Criminal**

State of Alaska v. Rose M. Madden (1/17/61); 2NO-09-446CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110702799; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case 2NO-09-514CR; Shall report to AMCC by 6 PM on 3/24/10; Seaside Residential Center Recommended.

State of Alaska v. Rose M. Madden (1/17/61); 2NO-09-514CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110703177; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case 2NO-09-446CR; Shall report to AMCC by 6 PM on 3/24/10; Seaside Residential Center Recommended.

State of Alaska v. David Booshu (10/9/68); 2NO-09-146CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701197; Violated conditions of probation; No Action Taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. David Booshu (10/9/68); 2NO-10-145CR Count 1: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 3/18/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 002; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 6 months, 0 months suspended; Unsuspended 6 months shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. John Weyiouanna (7/5/73); Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 3/22/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 7pm, 3/26/10; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Columbus Sobocienski (2/23/73); 2NO-09-758CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 002: VOCR; Filed by the DAs Office 3/22/10.

State of Alaska v. Columbus Sobocienski (2/23/73); 2NO-10-89CR Count 1: Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 2/12/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 002; Appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 70 days, 50 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 4/24/10, credit for time served; Probation until 3/22/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol except in context of business owner; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Columbus Sobocienski (2/23/73); 2NO-10-89CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 002: DWLS/R; Filed by the DAs Office 3/22/10.

State of Alaska v. Jerry Iyapana (10/25/71); 2NO-09-261CR Assault 4°; Date of offense: 5/11/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 9/19/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Other: No direct contact with Ann Marie Iyapana without consent.

State of Alaska v. Jerry Iyapana (10/25/71); 2NO-10-150CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 3/19/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 5 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, consecutive to 2NO-09-261CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10

days.  
State of Alaska v. Daniel Joseph Bouchan (6/14/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110828988; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 60 days, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Walter Analok (12/1/82); Count 1: Harassment 2°; DV; Date of offense: 3/18/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 002; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/19/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol or controlled substances, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment within 40 days; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.

State of Alaska v. Raymond Kunuk (4/13/72); 2NO-09-356CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110702268; Violated conditions of probation; No Action Taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Raymond Kunuk (4/13/72); 2NO-10-149CR Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 3/18/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 90 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/19/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Cheryl Anagick (1/17/85); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: VOCR; Filed by the DAs Office 3/19/10.

State of Alaska v. Robert Sherman, Jr. (5/6/62); Violating Custodian Duty; Date of offense: 12/27/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 3/26/10 by 4 pm, credit for time served; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Virgil Soonagrook (10/16/65); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Trespass 1°; Filed by the DAs Office 3/22/10.

State of Alaska v. Sean R. Penetac (6/4/75); Order Suspended Imposition of Sentence and Providing for Probation; Count 002: Arson 3°; Date of offense: 3/12/09; The following charges were dismissed: Count 001: Arson 1°; Date of offense: 3/12/09; Defendant came before the court on 3/18/10 with counsel, H. Connor Thomas, and John Earthman, District Attorney present; It appearing to the satisfaction of this court that the ends of justice and the best interest of the public, as well as the defendant, will be served thereby, IT IS ORDERED that the sentencing of the defendant is suspended for a period of 4 years and the defendant is placed on probation to the Department of Corrections under the conditions of probation listed below; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and that defendant apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend every year in which defendant is a resident eligible for a dividend until the restitution is paid in full; The Restitution Judgment will continue to be civilly enforceable after the period of probation expires and after any set-aside of the conviction in this case: Criminal Rule 32.6(i); Police Training Surcharge; IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: Count 002: Surcharge Amount: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility and is being sentence to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); Special Condition of Probation – Imprisonment: Shall serve the following term of imprisonment: 15 months; Shall report to AMCC by 4/2/10; General and Other Special Conditions of Probation set as stated in Order; Probation expires 3/18/14; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: exonerated upon reporting to serve sentence. State of Alaska v. Michael G. West (4/22/52); Furnish ETOH to Person Under 21 By License; Date of offense: 6/21/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exoner-

ated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/25/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law pertaining to alcoholic beverages.

State of Alaska v. Derak Otton (10/28/89); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: MCA; Filed by the DAs Office 3/25/10.

State of Alaska v. Patrick Newhall (8/29/64); Count 2: Assault 4°; Date of offense: 12/20/09; Partial Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/24/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Nicholas Anasogak (12/29/75); 2NO-10-39CR Count 1: Assault 4°; Date of offense: 1/22/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 002; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 90 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/22/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Nicholas Anasogak (12/29/75); 2NO-10-94CR Count 2: Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 2/20/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 001; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC and consecutive to the term in Case 2NO-10-39CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days. State of Alaska v. Matthew Boin (4/18/81); Notice of Dismissal—Count II Only; Charge 002: DWLR; Filed by the DAs Office 3/15/10.

State of Alaska v. Patricia Sagoonick (4/20/57); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 3/24/10.

State of Alaska v. Jamie Stone (5/20/78); Dismissal Count 1 Only; Misconduct Controlled Substance 4°; Date of offense: 4/16/09; Minute Order; On this date (3/24/10) in open court the Prosecuting Attorney for the SOA gave notice that the State does not intend to proceed with a preliminary hearing in this matter; On motion of the defense, the Court hereby dismisses Count 001 for failure to timely proceed with preliminary hearing pursuant to Rule 5.5.1.; Accordingly, it is ordered that the defendant shall be released from custody, any bond executed on behalf of defendant be exonerated, and any cash or other security posted as bail be refunded to the depositors as to Count 001 Only.

State of Alaska v. Larry Kobuk (6/15/81); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 3/26/10.

State of Alaska v. Kevin Kava (12/21/65); Importation of Alcohol; (Misdemeanor); Date of offense: 11/5/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 360 days, 280 days suspended; Unsuspended 80 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Fine: \$4,000 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$4,000 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 3/26/12; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/26/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search enroute to local option community by any means; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Ward Kakoona (3/17/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109522134; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days, shall receive credit for time served; Shall report to AMCC by 3/29/10; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.


State of Alaska v. Aholagana Tukshaq (6/17/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110704941; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Leave Nome within 36 Hours of Release, Do No Return to Nome Without Written Permission of the Court; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

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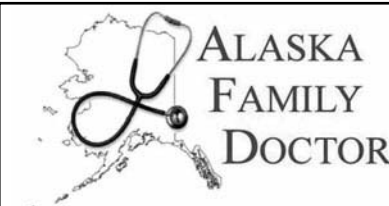
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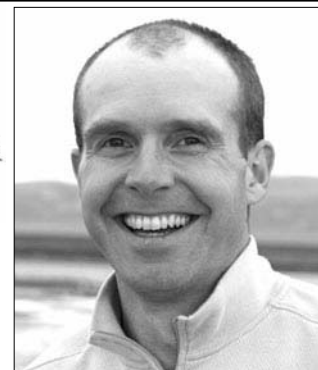
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## • Pilgrim

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The USGS teams travelled to the springs March 29 with plans to spend two weeks measuring minute variations in the gravitational and magnetic fields for much of the basin between the Kigluaik Mountains and the Hen and Chickens formation. The research will involve towing equipment by snowmachine where the terrain allows, and by human power where vegetation limits snowmachine travel.

The UAF project will study whether aerial infrared photography can be used as a viable, low-cost method of evaluating the energy potential of geothermal features. UAF professor Anupma Prakash has used the technology to conduct surveys of underground coal mine fires around the world. Using special cameras, Prakash has been able to evaluate the temperature and scale of the un-

derground fires, aiding in developing appropriate response to fight the blazes.

The \$4.6 million UAF study aims to prove that by using the forward-looking infrared cameras, decisions on whether to drill wells to further evaluate geothermal resources can be made with more certainty of what is to be found. While the UAF study is built around testing the new assessment method, the region stands to benefit by having Pilgrim be the guinea pig. The 2 1/2-year study calls for drilling additional wells at the site to prove whether the aerial method is accurate or not. The additional data could help determine whether power production at the site is feasible.

Both research programs could aid in detecting just where the hot water at Pilgrim is coming from. "There is the potential that the resource source and the source where you see the hot

springs really aren't that close," said Gwen Holdman, director of the Alaska Center for Energy and Power.

This is not the first time that hot water detectives have labored to find Pilgrim's hot spot. Holdman said initial studies were conducted from 1979 to 1982 by the University of Alaska. A half dozen wells were drilled in the area that were anywhere from 150 feet to 1,000 feet deep. The wells, all drilled relatively close to each other, encountered water up to 200 degrees in temperature. Most of the hot water was found close to the surface. At the time, Holdman said, the water temperature was not high enough to support an economically viable energy project.

Rising energy costs, the advent of new technology and a push to develop more alternative energy projects are conspiring to make Pilgrim more attractive as an energy option.

Holdman was the project engineer for the geothermal power project conducted at Chena Hot Springs near Fairbanks. Using water that is only 165°F—the temperature of a good, hot cup of coffee, she said—Chena was able to develop the lowest-temperature geothermal power project in the world.

Looking at the rough and scant data from Pilgrim, Holdman tentatively said the hot springs 70 miles from Nome could perhaps produce twice the power of Chena. The downside of Pilgrim, however, is its distance from population centers. Any savings that may come from generating power from steam could well be eaten up by the costs of building transmission lines to Nome or surrounding villages.

The UAF project is basing its funding on a federal Department of Energy Grant that requires matching funds.

Holdman said the Alaska Center for Energy and Power is looking to the state's Renewable Energy Fund for the match.

Holdman said aerial survey work is planned for this summer as well as repair and assessment work from the existing wells at the site. She said some ground-based assessment work will be conducted this summer. Data gathered this summer will be used for conceptual modeling and an economic analysis to be done over next winter.

Holdman said well drilling is planned for the summer of 2011 with two to four wells drilled approximately 500 feet deep and two more drilled to 2,500 feet to confirm the findings. A modeling of the reservoir is planned for the winter of 2011.

The researchers stressed that their work purely revolves around assessment and is not geared toward developing the resource.

## • Planning

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resource zone regs, some of which would put some restrictions to mining activity. No conditional uses could occur without adding to the current resource development zone rules.

The resource development area is basically Nome's backyard, including west of the city limits, Alaska Army National Guard Area, between Dredge 5 on the east and Icyview, Dry Creek, behind the state prison, to name some places on Ivanoff's map. Some of the sites, closed when finances and low prices for gold stressed the company, still have placer mining potential with modern technology available, Ivanoff explained.

"It doesn't seem that we need to address resource areas right now?" planning commission president Tom Sparks said.

Nope, Ivanoff agreed. A group has approached Alaska Gold to buy the land for gravel and placer mining, "but that would still be resource development," Ivanoff commented. "The map is very good. You can't make every-

one happy, but it is good."

Commissioner Jerald Brown left the door open to other uses. "Let's let developers come and propose their ideas. Then we can look at zoning," he said.

That took one big job off the commission's workbench for now and left a couple more tasks to work on with contracted professional planner Eileen Bechtol: first, revising the comprehensive plan and next, with help from the public, exploring the benefits, if any, of annexing inhabited and developed areas of the countryside into Nome's city limits.

The commission and Nome Common Council adopted Phase I of the Nome Comprehensive Plan in 2003 after months of work and community input sessions. Phase II will include a land use plan, maps and an implementation plan. At the work session, the group sifted through future objectives in Phase I. These included plans to revitalize Front Street and enforce solutions to derelict buildings that are unsightly, unsafe, unsecured and therefore public nuisances. The commission, in revising

the plan, will knock some of the objectives off the list, but the public will have input concerning the plan before it is final.

### The "A" word

Annexation—the commission was treading softly on that subject, although it does come up from time to time, both as a benefit to those living outside the city and as a benefit to the city in collecting money for taxes. Or on the other side of the coin, as a burden to both new city tax payers and to the city as provider of costly services in outlying areas.

Commissioners stressed in the March 23 work session that the discussion on annexation is highly preliminary.

Some of the reasons cities decide to annex are to remedy inequities faced by city taxpayers, reduce the city's exposure to liabilities, provide services such as fire protection or police protection outside their corporate boundaries and to promote orderly growth and development, or to remove threats to public health and safety, Bechtol told the panel.

State law allows for several means of annexation to cities. The most commonly used method in Alaska is through review and approval by Legislature.

"People tell me they want to be in the city limits, so they can vote, so they can belong," Brown said. "I used to think there was no reason [to annex]."

Commissioners wondered how additional costs extending services would stack up with more people paying for them.

Commissioner Jeff Darling suggested a study to see if annexation would, by spreading the costs over a greater number, lower the cost of services. Conversation mentioned Tripple Creek, Rock Creek Mine, Cape Nome and other outlying areas, in the same breath with annexation.

"I think it is time to have a conversation with the community," Sparks said.

Annexation would have to comply with rules of the state Boundary Commission.

Discussion of the above topics will continue at the NPC regular meeting April 6.

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