Photo by John Dean

LIGHT SHOW—Nomeites who stayed up late enough were treated to intense aurora displays, like this glow off the Bypass Road, early last week. Displays have been mostly mild in recent years.

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Council pulls a U-turn on Front Street

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome folks turning down state money? Impossible as it seems, that may have happened Monday evening at a regular meeting of the Nome Common Council.

After applauding a site for a $39 million new state office building at the north end of Steadman Street last month, the Nome Common Council Monday evening rejected that site. At the urging of folks who told them during public comments they did not want to see state offices leave Front Street, the panel unanimously passed a new resolution welcoming the new building, but asking the state to consider other sites and combinations on or near the "main drag."

The measure replaces the resolution, approving the site, that state DOTPF engineer Matt Desalernos said gave him a "permission slip" to go ahead with plans to purchase land from the mining company for a 60,000 square foot (1.3 acre) state facility. The new structure would replace a deteriorating, storm-damaged state building on Front Street.

A meeting at Pioneers Igloo April 8 and persuasive efforts headed by Nome Chamber of Commerce and Native corporations with office buildings already on Front Street brought people opposing the northern site before the council to sway them toward passing a resolution approving the state building but rescinding approval of the Steadman Street site.

A facility on the property to be purchased from Alaska Gold Co., protesters predicted, would continue to drain business activity, small-town atmosphere and rental income away from Front Street, and, at the same time, school bus driver Louie Green Jr. declared, create a traffic and safety hazard in the vicinity of Steadman Street and Sixth Avenue.

Such a plan would pull down property values, Mitch Erickson, director of the Nome Chamber of Commerce, observed.

Richard Beneville, a tour operator, did not want to see more vacancies diminish the mystique of Front Street.

"It would behoove us all in the community to work together," he said. "I urge the council to think again. Front Street is like the lifeblood of Nome. In Santa Barbara and New York, they have heard of Nome's Front Street. The beauty of Nome is that it does have a Front Street."

Sitnasuak and Bering Straits Native corporations have sent lobbyists to Juneau to stop state funds to the state public facilities department for a building away from Front Street, asking legislators and the governor for further research on the project. Sitnasuak of-

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Photo by Diana Haecker

HARPOON THROWING—Kotzebue's Kirk Howard won the target harpoon throwing contest, under the watchful eyes of Kotzebue elders enjoying Spring Carnival activities while the weather permitted.

Winter hinders Kotzebue's Spring Carnival

By Diana Haecker

A low-pressure weather system sweeping across northwestern Alaska put a crimp into plans of an expanded Arctic Circle spring festival in Kotzebue, held April 7-11.

Events like harpoon throwing, snow sculpting and a snowshoe race contest were a go when weather let up on Sunday. But the Archie Ferguson/Willie Goodwin Memorial snowmachine race scheduled for Saturday was postponed due to the blizzard that dumped wet snow and hammered the coast with wind gusts of more than 45 mph. On Sunday, weather cleared up, but the snowmachiners couldn't go because mushers competing in the Kobuk 440 sled dog race were on their way back to Kotzebue on the same trail. Bad weather prevented a start for the snowmachine riders on Monday as well.

The Arctic Circle Championship sprint mushing race, scheduled for April 9-11 started on Friday, but race officials called the race off for the remaining two days due to the blizzard. The 20-mile trail essentially covering a triangle on the sea ice in front of Kotzebue, fell victim to rapidly increasing overflow, forcing organizers to cancel the high-caliber event that drew sprint mushers from Kotzebue as well as Shishmaref, Knik, Willow, Fairbanks and Talkeetna.

Shishmaref musher Daniel Olanna arrived in Kotzebue

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Senate budgets $5 million for Nome's Foster building

By Laurie McNicholas

The capital budget approved by the Alaska Senate includes $5 million for construction of the Richard Foster Building and $500,000 for the Nome Recreation Center Emergency Shelter, noted Mayor Denise Michels in her written report to the Nome Common Council dated April 9.

Funding for the Foster building, which will house the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum collections, is the council's top state legislative priority.

Councilman Stan Andersen presided at the council meeting on Monday in the absence of Michels, who was on work-related travel status. Andersen praised Michels and Museum Director Laura Samuelson for working effectively with legislators to obtain funding for Nome projects. Andersen traveled to Juneau April 1 with Michels, Samuelson and City Manager Josie Bahnke to meet with Sen. Donny Olson and Rep. Neal Foster and to

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School budget talks dwell on principals

By Tyler Rhodes

A hearing designed to gather comment on the school district's budget turned largely into a public plea to maintain the assistant principal position at the junior high and high school as three of the five school board members sat silently taking testimony at the elementary school April 6.

While the proposed budget entails pages and pages covering everything from lunch and transportation costs to salaries and building maintenance expenses, it was just the one item that spurred the public to come forward and address the board. "Tonight, personnel issues have led the charge," Superintendent Jon Wehde said at the close of the meeting, noting that any questions or concerns over the proposed budget for the next school year can still be brought to him.

It was the second meeting in a row in which the assistant principal—both in terms of the job position and its current holder—took center stage. As the board debates its budget for 2010-2011, decisions on what gets funded or what does not could result in some job positions disappearing or changing next year.

Board member Albert McComas has stated that he does not support maintaining the assistant principal position at Nome-Beltz Junior/Senior High School, while fellow board member Kirsten Timbers has questioned whether a dean of students would better serve the school. Neither board member was at the April 6 hearing.

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Letters

Dear Editor,

My given name is Ben Henry; my fiction name is Ben Henry. I'd like to respond to Eleanor Amaktoolik's letter concerning the unjustified shooting of her brother, Joseph. Trooper Stroebele not only violated laws in killing this man, he caused severe trauma to the friends and family of this man.

Many of you will now know, it is against the law to even charge a mentally retarded person of any felonies, less shoot them. These people are protected against this type of abuse.

I was 50 years old when trooper Stroebele tazed me four times for not "complying" with his "orders." Well, today my heart is not the same as it used to be. Ever since that tazing, I have problems breathing, weakness, muscle spasms and mental anguish, every time I see a trooper!

A couple of years ago again, I was body slammed by a trooper here in the village while handcuffed! I did not break any laws for them to even contact my family or me. They threatened to take our children away and charge my wife with felony crimes (she's also considered A.D.D.).

The abuse will stop; we will not put up with false authority! Period!

My heart goes out to the Amaktoolik family.

Ben Henry Sr.
Noorvik, AK 99763

Dear Nancy,

This letter is to all the rude and inconsiderate people who go to the movie theater and text on their phones during most of the movie. For those of us wanting to enjoy, and actually watch the movie, having a whiteish glow lighting up the dark theater is really annoying. What part of "turn off your cell phone" don't you understand? If you just can't help yourself and have to text someone, then ***stay home***! and let the rest of us enjoy our evening at the movies.

Sincerely,
Amy Smithhisler
Nome, AK

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

Editorial

Don't Eat That Carrot!

The State of Alaska wants to build a new office building on the north end of Steadman near Sixth Avenue. They want to purchase the land from the Alaska Gold Company. The large lot is on permafrost and adjacent to some old fuel tanks. The level of possible contamination is uncertain. The State wants to vacate its office building on Front Street. Will the state tear down the old building or just abandon it?

Do we really want to put a big office building near the Sixth Avenue hinterlands? Why not put it downtown close to where the other offices, shops, post office, court, hotels, restaurants, library, museum, visitor center and city hall are located? We have a couple large lots available and empty office space downtown. Let's use it for state offices. The state could lease the property. Let's not let downtown become a ghost town. We need to jump on our civic pride bandwagon and spruce up Front Street. Let's start with that butt ugly Wein Building. It's an embarrassment. It's been empty for at least 20 years. Condemn it or move it. Let's get some cosmetic beautification projects going on Front Street. Clean sidewalks, street lamps, pocket parks and flower baskets would help. So would a few park benches for weary pedestrians and visitors. Some neat trash cans would do. Last year we kept the old blue barrels all year. Those beige and red cans were much nicer.

We have to keep our downtown alive. We can't abandon our historic heart because the State Department of Transportation and Public Facilities dangles a financial carrot in front of us. Let's forget the carrot and go for some salad and steak. Let's plan to keep downtown the main business part of Nome. Let's make Front Street beautiful and user friendly. We love our town. — N.L.M.—

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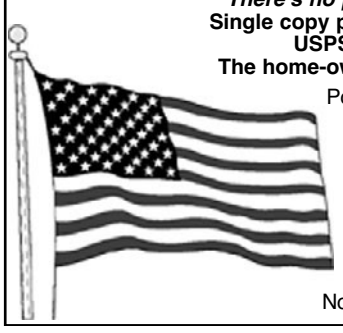

Foster's Report

Down to the Final Week

By Rep. Neal Foster

The legislative session will end on April 18. This is the second year for the 26th Legislature and all current bills that have not passed by the April 18 will automatically die unless they become the subject of a special session. Things will begin to move very quickly since the Legislature is under the 24 hour rule and the notification on bills to be heard need only be given on the prior day instead of the prior week.

Capital Budget

The Senate Finance Committee passed out a Capital Budget Committee Substitute late on April 7. There are several items of general interest to people of the region. One area that can be confusing is funding for the Village Safe Water projects that were listed in the governor's Capital Budget. The Senate CS does not show any amounts for individual projects, but they are funded as a lump sum. The projects are:

Emmonak: Water and Sewer Mains and Upgrades, $1,815,752; Gambell Water Storage System and Sewer System Improvements, $191,525; Golovin Sanitation Master Plan Update, $99,680; Golovin Water Storage Tank, $107,810; Hooper Bay Piped Water and Sewer System, 1,702,268; Kotlik Piped

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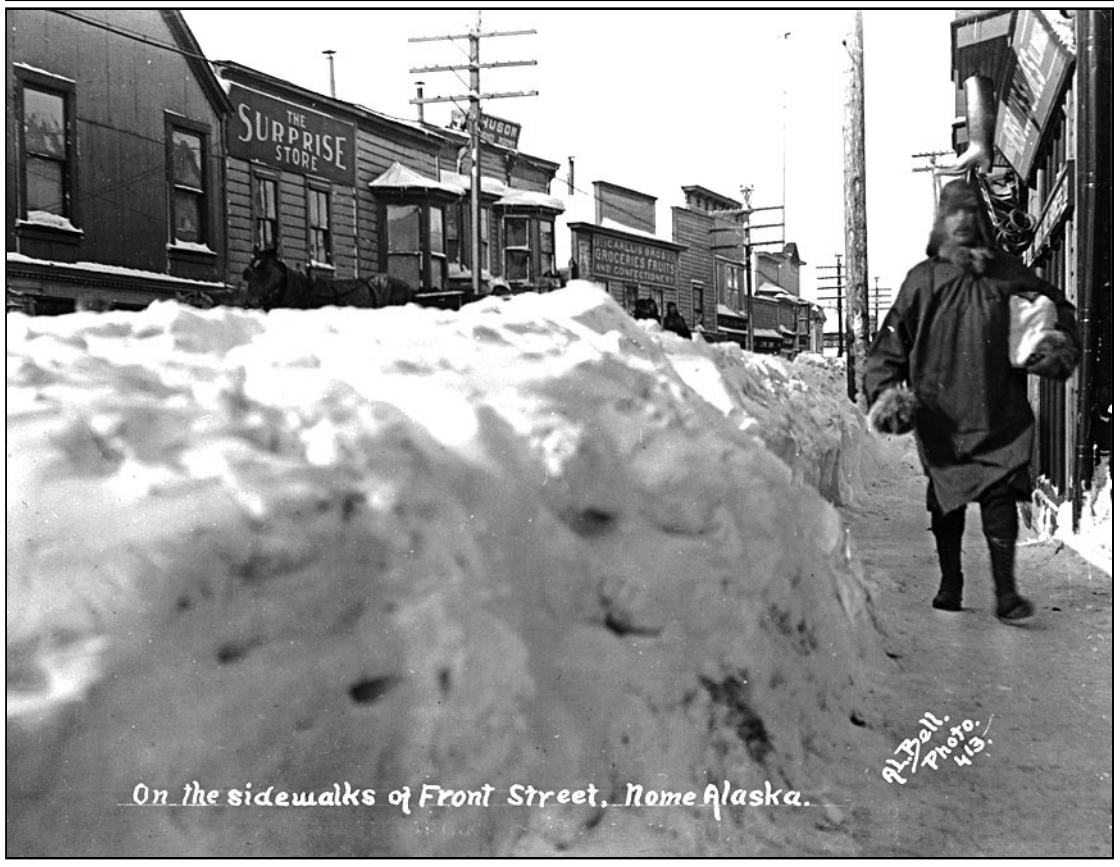
A Look at the Past



Arthur Bell Photo Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

BRINGING HOME THE BACON— Dressed in always functional Eskimo furs and parka, this 1906 Nomeite dreams of the day when something other than a team of horses will plow the snow on Front Street. Note "The Surprise Store" and the "Carllis Bros. Groceries, Fruits and Confectionery" stores. Both of these families have contacted the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum researching their Nome history. Check out the boot store sign hanging over the Nomeite's head!

Weather Statistics

Sunrise	04/15/10	07:27 a.m.	High Temp	33° 4/10/10	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	04/21/10	07:06 a.m.	Low Temp	-11° 4/8/10	
			Peak Wind	51 mph, E, 4/10/10	
Sunset	04/15/10	10:38 p.m.	Precip. to Date	1.20"	
	04/21/10	10:57 p.m.	Normal	2.51"	

Seasonal snow fall total (data collected since 7/1/09): 49.9" Current Snow Cover: 16.0" varies with sublimation/melting/blowing of snow.

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Dept. of Revenue expects $900 million more in state coffers

The Department of Revenue is expecting that the state will have $900 million more than expected for the current and upcoming budget years because of higher-than-expected oil prices. The department said it expects new or continued development this year but it also noted a decline in North Slope oil production. It is expecting that the state will have collected $5.6 billion in unrestricted general fund revenue for the current spending year and $5.3 billion for the next year. Meanwhile, Senators are feeling the heat from Governor Sean Parnell as they added $76 million to the proposed capital budget for construction and maintenance, including $1 million for a public safety building in White Mountain. Parnell called the capital budget overstuffed and warned that it would overheat the economy. It proposes to spend roughly $1.16 billion in state general funds and double the amount in federal funds. (AP and wire services)

Senate passes energy bill

The Senate unanimously passed the Alaska Sustainable Energy Act last week, a bill that is hoped to lower energy costs, create greater energy efficiency and increased use of renewable energy in Alaska. The bill includes energy efficiency revolving loan programs to fund energy efficiency improvements in public buildings. School districts, municipalities and state government will have access to the funds needed to upgrade their facilities. SB 220 authorizes the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to issue $250 million in bonds to capitalize the loan fund. It links benefits from the state's Heating Assistance Program to the price of oil, providing additional assistance to low-income families when fuel prices are high. The bill also asks the Governor to evaluate how best to coordinate the State's energy departments and programs in order to avoid duplication of efforts. The governor is directed to provide a plan to the legislature by January of 2011. The bill puts nuclear back into the energy mix and enables proponents of small-scale nuclear energy projects to apply for funding from the state's Power Project Fund. The bill creates an emerging energy technology fund that would provide grants for testing energy technologies in Alaska. This, legislators hope, would foster innovation and enable Alaskans to develop solutions to our energy challenges in Alaska; creating high-tech jobs and spurring investment in our economy. The bill, SB 220, has passed the Senate and is before the House.

Governor BoG appointees fail legislative confirmation

Legislators rejected Governor Sean Parnell's pick for a seat at the Board of Game. On Friday lawmakers in a joint session voted 31-27 against Al Barrette to the state Board of Game and also refused to ok Nancy Bienvenue to the Board of Nursing. Legislators told AP that Barrette's voting record on the BoG since February reflected against Native subsistence and local interests. Parnell said that while he was disappointed that the Legislature failed to confirm Al Barrette for the Board of Game, he would remain committed to selecting nominees who will ensure that there is abundant wildlife for Alaska families who depend upon it. He added that it's a sad day when qualified Alaskans such as Nancy Bienvenue step forward to serve on these boards and get treated like a political football. The Legislature's action requires the governor to make new appointments to the Game Board and the Board of Nursing, subject to confirmation by the Legislature.

USFW proposes ANWR as designated wilderness

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced an update of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge's 22-year-old Comprehensive Conservation Plan, including consideration of new wilderness designations within ANWR. This drew resistance from Governor Parnell and US Senator Mark Begich. Begich said in a statement that the Obama administration would be wrong to pursue new wilderness in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge or anywhere else in Alaska. He vowed to fight any effort to block development of the enormous oil and gas resources likely beneath the Arctic Refuge. Governor Sean Parnell said that it is a mistake for the federal government to initiate yet another planning process in ANWR and called it the most promising unexplored petroleum region in North America. There will be several opportunities for public comment on the conservation plan. The governor said the State of Alaska will participate "vigorously" in this process, which is expected to take two years.

State focuses to fight Endangered Species listings

Attorney General Dan Sullivan was recently named co-chair of a new working group of attorneys general focusing on issues involving the Endangered Species Act, ESA for short. He spoke to Alaska legislators on Monday, saying that those issues remain on the front burner in his office. He said that a core priority of the Department of Law is helping create and defend a legal framework in the state that promotes opportunities for economic growth and prosperity.

The Legislature is willing to fund an additional attorney for ESA issues. The state maintains that ESA listings lead to extensive regulation of economic activity, and expansive critical habitat designations made without meaningful consultation with the state of Alaska would jeopardize economic growth. In response to an appeal by Sullivan, the National Association of Attorneys General recently established an Endangered Species Act Working Group, which he will co-chair with New Mexico Attorney General Gary King. This group is a forum for discussion, ideas, and action to address the complex issues raised by the ESA. Among ESA-related actions taken by the state, the Department of Law is challenging the listing of the polar bear as threatened, and the Department of Fish and Game is objecting to the proposed critical habitat designation for Cook Inlet beluga whales.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR
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EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, April 15		
*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	Kegoayah 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.
*Toddler Safety 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.
*14 Steps to Bettter Breastfeeding video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 4 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	6:30 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
Friday, April 16		
*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.
*Comforting Your Fussy Baby video	Prematernal Home	4:30 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 17		
*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
~~*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.
*Infertility: New Solutions video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Sounds and Silence video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 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 18		
*Pregnancy: Mom & the Unborn Baby 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.
*CPR for Infants & Children video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Vigorous Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Monday, April 19		
~~*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.~~
*Protecting Your Baby Against Hep B video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Safety Starts at Home video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Kickbox/Circuit	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 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.
Singspiration (see ad page 9)	**United Methodist Church**	**7 p.m.**
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
Tuesday, April 20		
~~*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~~
Bering Strait Regional Conference beginning with registration and breakfast and concluding with Native dance celebrations (see ad on page 9)	**Nome Rec Center**	**8 a.m. - 10:35 p.m.**
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah 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.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
~~*Team Handball Grades 2-6~~	~~Nome Rec Center~~	~~4 p.m. - 5 p.m.~~
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Childbirth: A Guide to Self Health vid	Prematernal Home	4:30 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.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
~~*City League Volleyball~~	~~Nome Rec Center~~	~~6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.~~
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Wednesday, April 21		
~~*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.~~
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*Dental class	Prematernal Home	11 a.m.
~~*Open Gym~~	~~Nome Rec Center~~	~~noon - 10 p.m.~~
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
~~*Gymnastics Grades 2+~~	~~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.
*Kickbox/Circuit	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 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)
>>>>>>	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m. (Sa)
>>>>>>	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)
>>>>>> Additional hours by appointment		1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Sa)
Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
>>>>>>		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th)
>>>>>>		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)

The Bering Strait Regional Conference begins April 20, 2010 - the Nome Rec Center gym will be closed to regular activities, while some other activities continue.

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The three remaining members, Gloria Karmun, Barb Nickels and Heather Payenna, heard the testimony of 20 members of the public, most of whom asked for the budget to be passed as is and all asking that the assistant principal job be kept. Many of those speaking also asked that current assistant principal Doug Boyer and principal Janeen Sullivan again be offered their contracts for next year. The two Nome-Beltz administrators were denied contracts for the 2010-2011 school year in a split vote by the board Jan. 12.

While some critiqued the possible elimination of the assistant principal job on fiscal grounds and others questioned how the school could be run with one fewer accredited administrator, an overall sense of frustration, sadness and exhaustion pervaded the discourse directed at the board members. "I haven't seen anything good come from these school board meetings for the last few months," said Nome resident and parent Mike Quinn. "So I am asking to continue with the status quo. …We need some stability here."

Stability was a common theme throughout the comments. Teacher and parent Mari Lammer recounted how her adult daughter had witnessed seven different administrators in her four years at Nome-Beltz. Lammer said those four years were tough for her as a parent. She said the past couple of years her younger daughter has spent at the high school have been much better. "Support has been given to us as parents. It has been good for a lot of kids, not just our daughter," Lammer said. "I spend a lot of time there. It's a good thing."

Lloyd Perrigo, a teacher at the Nome Youth Facility and a grandparent of students, spoke to how nearly every aspect of the district's leadership currently seems to be on shaky ground. In addition to the potential changes facing the Nome-Beltz administration, all five school board members are facing recall votes next month and the principal of Nome Elementary School was placed on paid leave at the beginning of the month as her credentials came into question. "We're in a crisis situation in the school district," Perrigo said. "I don't' think anyone wants to see all eight [five board members and three administrators] of you go. I don't think that's the change we want to see in our district."

Perrigo has consistently asked the board to reconsider its January decision and reinstate the two Nome-Beltz administrators for next year. He again put his request out to the board April 6. "They are qualified. They are here. I think they want to stay here. I strongly urge you to consider keeping them," he said.

Parent and former board member Lynette Schmidt described the dean position as "dumbing down" the assistant principal position, a move she said "sends our district into further turmoil."

Liz Korenek-Johnson, an elementary school teacher, said she felt like the district was the laughing stock of the state at the moment as it dealt with the turmoil. Korenek-Johnson spoke in favor of keeping the assistant principal position at the high school as well as giving more administrative support to the elementary school.

Parent David Head said he has heard from people from all over the state who were aware of the situation between the board, a large segment of the public and the administration at the high school. He said, in contrast to Korenek-Johnson's perception, that Nome's school district was no laughing stock. "People around the state aren't laughing, but there are a lot of people watching, and they are watching with great interest to see what is going to come out of this," he said. "This isn't funny to anybody with a sane mind."

In addressing the board, many spoke to the idea of replacing the assistant principal with a dean of students. The two jobs would differ more than just in terms of name and salary. While both positions would provide support to the building's main principal, the scope of work a dean could perform is limited.

An assistant principal is required to hold an administrative certificate from the state. A dean would only need to have a teacher's certificate. Currently the job of evaluating the teachers at Nome-Beltz is split between the building's two administrators. Without a second administrative certificate holder in the building, the job would fall solely on the principal.

Erika Eaton addressed the board, speaking to the full workload she sees the two administrators carrying from her vantage as a high school teacher. Noting that the school is required to always have at least one certified administrator on site anytime school or school-sanctioned activities are in session, Eaton said she felt the assistant principal job was vital to managing the school in a safe and viable manner. "I think this is an extremely necessary position we can't get rid of, and that we can't replace with a dean of students," she said.

With all that is asked of the building's administrators, including the implementation of the district's new strategic plan, Eaton questioned the wisdom of whittling down the support at the top—especially when the board wants two new people in the job at the start of next year. "There's just so, so, so much to do; I can't imagine having one less administrator," Eaton said. "I think putting that on one person would make that one person crazy. And I think it would make that person want to leave quickly."

Others argued in economic terms. Current assistant principal Boyer addressed the board, offering salary calculations under the scenario of a dean hired in lieu of an administrator and paid under the guidelines of the contract that governs teacher pay. With all the extra hours outside of a normal school day that are required to cover the duties Boyer said he currently handles, there would be little or no financial benefit to the position change.

Nome businessman Matt Tomter also made a financial argument, saying no one would take the job—especially if the district's athletic director position was additionally included in the job description—for a salary that wasn't too far off what is offered for the current assistant principal position. "A dean of students would be asking someone who is less qualified to do more work," Tomter said.

Public pleas for more discourse

In addition to critiquing the board on its decisions—and potential future decisions—regarding the make up of the Nome-Beltz administration, many speaking also expressed disappointment in how the board has responded to the public. More than one holding the microphone said they felt the board turned a deaf ear to their concerns.

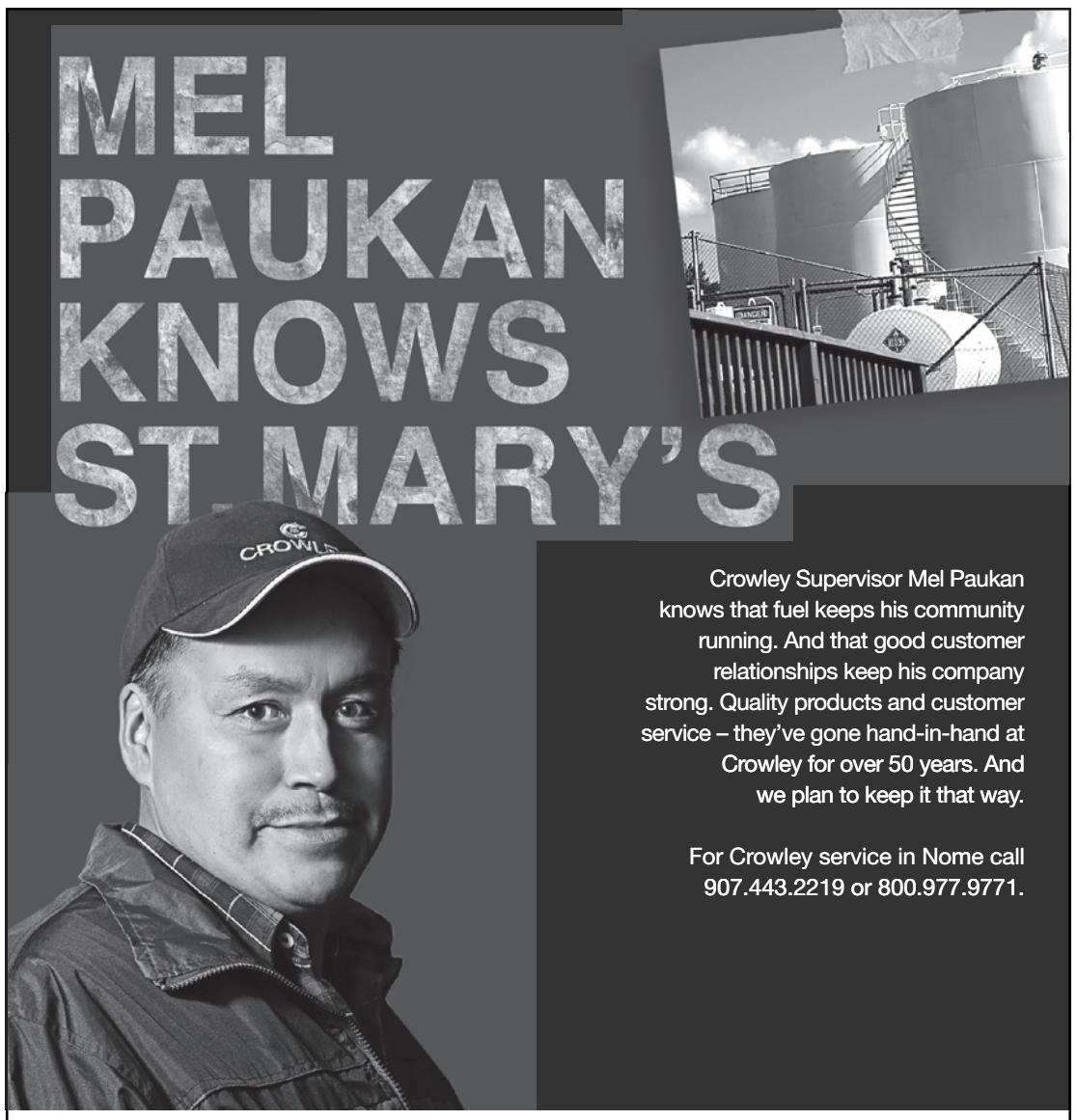
"We're talking about public education here, so, therefore, the issues should remain public," said Schmidt, a parent and former board member.

That thought was echoed by another former board member, Lori Head. "I have not heard enough public discussion from this board," she said.

Tomter challenged the three board members at the meeting to allow question-and-answer style discussions at their meetings. Traditionally, the board takes public comment at the beginning of its meetings and does not engage in debate with those speaking. Tomter asked each of the three present members whether they would entertain back-and-forth discussion at future meetings. "It's going to go a long way for you and for the public," Tomter said.

Karmun, Nickels and Payenna all said they would not be opposed to question-and-answer sessions. Karmun, who is board president, said she would bring the issue to the full board before any final determination on restructuring how the board takes comment. "I think it's a great idea and I will seek the full board's input," she said. "I will seek interest of other board members before it makes the agenda."

The board was scheduled to meet again for its regular meeting April 13. The meeting was to occur after the *Nugget's* press deadline.



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fered to build the project and lease it back to the state, or outright sell the piece of land they own across from the Board of Trade Saloon. Letters over the signature of Trudy Sobocienski, CEO of Sitnasuak and Janice Doherty, president of Nanuaq Inc., a subsidiary of Sitnasuak that leases property on Front Street to a variety of state divisions, went to DOT Commissioner Leo von Scheben, telling him the corporation was not happy with a project potentially emptying corporation rentals on Front Street. They let von Scheben know they had also told the governor's Office of Management and Budget that the corporation did not support the project moving forward on the Sixth and Steadman site.

"In short, SNC does not support the State Legislature appropriating $30 million in public funds to a project that has a negative impact on the local economy of Nome," the SNC letter said.

Doherty echoed sentiments from the letter, included in council packets, before the council Monday, saying the state could better spend the money elsewhere, perhaps to fund a $15-million project proposed for Glacier Creek Road or to provide sewer and water infrastructure to villages where sanitation issues have affected health.

By the end of the meeting, the council had passed the alternative resolution supplied to them by Nome Chamber of Commerce, asking the state to give top priority to pursuing any available alternatives to maintain the presence of state offices on Front Street.

The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities already has $1.9 million for design and site selection for the project, some of which has already been spent on behalf of placing the building at the Steadman site, Matt Desalernos, state public facilities engineer in charge of the project, said last week. He said 35 percent of the money would go into design.

"A lot has been spent or encumbered to be spent. The resolution cleared the way," Desalernos said, speaking of the council's original resolution approving the Steadman site.

Hanging in the breeze last week and this week was an additional $1 million sought in the state supplemental budget to expand the project from the original 37,500-square-foot design to 60,000 square feet to accommodate the Second District Superior Court facility, currently housed in the federal building with the post office. The state court system had preliminary plans and budget money with which to update the space in the post office building, declared surplus by the federal government, but decided to go with space in the new building.

"The court system cannot be without a home," Desalernos said last week, "now that is piled onto the project."

Desalernos said he sought a site large enough to accommodate related state agencies needing security—district attorney, court, child protective services, adult probation—behind a single secure checkpoint.

These justice sector agencies, plus troopers and public defender are in priority group one, followed by other high priority agencies—Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, elections, Legislative Information Office and Department of Fish and Game.

Low-priority occupants comprise Commerce Community and Economic Development, Labor and Workforce Development and public assistance.

The transportation commissioner, von Scheben, sent a communication to the council outlining the department's arguments for the gold company site. Among them, von Scheben stated that the price of long-term leased space would exceed the price of owner-occupation by 30 percent. Councilwoman Mary Knodel and several members of the audience returned comment that the 30 percent did not stack well along side the $39 million projected cost of construction.

Monday's council action followed a week of flying rumors that the $1.9 million had been yanked from the capital budget and the project put on hold. That money was secure, Desalernos said. The transportation department and City of Nome have been seeking the additional $1 million to carry the project forward with accommodation of the court facility pending the delivery of another $34 million next year.

Last week in a phone interview, Desalernos felt optimistic.

"We're of a mind the city is in favor of the site," he said at the time.

Desalernos reserved comment Tuesday morning pending further information on the council action Monday evening.

Desalernos met with the Nome Planning Commission earlier this year to lay out the project. The planning panel told Desalernos they had nothing to say until they received a preliminary plat, that he could get his needed resolution of site approval from the council.

The council passed the earlier resolution approving the Steadman site with only one "no" vote from Knodel, a Front Street business owner, who had previously stated her opposition. Councilman Jerald Brown, a Sitnasuak employee, did not attend that meeting.

When Councilman Stan Andersen questioned the timing of the opposition to the building site, asking why they had waited so long, both the Chamber of Commerce's Erickson and Sitnasuak's Doherty said they had not realized that the project site would be fast-tracked, that they understood that an ordinance with first and second readings with public comment would be required to vacate Sixth Avenue to allow the project to advance.

"The resolution caught me by surprise. I thought there would have to be an ordinance process," Erickson said. "This appears to be a done deal without the ordinance process."

Finding out that lobbyists were in Juneau opposing funding at the same time he and other city officials were in Juneau trying to nail it down surprised the heck out of him, Andersen said.

"If you are going to request the state take money out of the budget, we should know about it," he said. "It was embarrassing to be sitting there and someone tries to do an end run."

Mayor Denise Michels went further in her written report to the council.

Because of the phone calls and opinions expressed to the state Office of Management and Budget by Sitnasuak and Bering Straits Native corporations personnel, "we had to do a lot of damage control in Juneau to keep the $1 million that is needed for DOTPF to conduct the space needs study and design as more state agencies have come forward and are interested in the new facility," the mayor said in the report, dated April 9.

Such actions undercut the city and DOTPF, Michels told the Council.

"I was disappointed that no one approached the City of Nome and the DOTPF to inform us of their intentions," she wrote. "The City of Nome is successful in obtaining funds because we keep our word, we provide matching funds on projects and that we are a united community on the City's priorities. This incident proved different."

Desalernos told city officials at city meetings that he had explored other possibilities near Front Street, but found them too small, too near the ocean, or without adequate parking.

In a phone interview early last week, Desalernos said Sitnasuak or another entity seeking to build the facility would face the same obstacles with putting a facility downtown.

"They will have the same problem with existing lots not large enough, dealing with multiple owners [to get a large enough site]," Desalernos said.

Monday evening Knodel commented that Desalernos looked at Front Street looking for a large footprint of 60,000 square feet.

"He didn't look or indicate he had discussed with private enterprise to lease or to go up higher," she said Monday.

Following public comment from half a dozen protestors during the public comment section of the agenda, the council transacted other business and went to council comments.

When her turn came, Knodel popped the question, asking the council to discuss the sample ordinance provided by Nome Chamber of Commerce.

"We have done many things late before," she said. "It does not hurt to think it through. If there is an opportunity to have a private builder and keep it on the tax rolls, we have an obligation to look at that."

Councilman Jon Larson moved to consider. Andersen went along.

"I'm not a party-pooper," he said.

When it came to a vote, Brown said he would have to abstain because he worked for Sitnasuak. To Andersen's questions on his conflict of interest, Brown said his continued employment would not be affected by his vote either way or his family members wouldn't be affected, but activities of his employer might be involved.

"You have to vote," Andersen, acting mayor, ruled.

The council voted unanimously to pass the new resolution calling for the State of Alaska to consider soliciting "build-to-suit" proposals and lease of office space, or a long-term lease, or minimize its property purchase footprint so that additional real property did not revert to exempt status, resulting in a loss of city property tax revenues.

The past two decades have seen a surprising number of Front Street businesses disappear: M'Lord and Lady, Glue Pot, True Value Hardware, Billiken Bakery, Betty Gustafson's jewelery shop, Charlie Wansor's plumbing shop, Tyree's Plumbing and Heating, Bilbo's Books, The Merc, enough to make a parlor game to name them all.

Mayor Michels and Sitnasuak's Sobocienski were out of town and did not return phone calls last week.

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Revised floodplain rules

On Monday the council unanimously approved the first reading of a proposed ordinance to adopt the revised floodplain regulations, revised flood insurance rate maps and revised flood insurance study for Nome.

The proposed ordinance, which is scheduled for second reading, a public hearing and final action at the next regular council meeting, includes the following information.

Nome is subject to erosion and periodic flooding, causing serious damage to properties, health and safety hazards and other problems. Federally subsidized insurance is available to the city through the National Flood Insurance Program.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) revised the flood insurance rate map and flood insurance study for Nome. The revision reflects the latest hydraulic and hydrologic information available to FEMA for the identification of flooding risks in the community. FEMA requires that the city's floodplain regulations be revised to the latest NFIP requirements when approving revised maps. The Nome Planning Commission recently recommended that the council adopt the revised floodplain regulations and the revised flood maps.

Ballot initiative opposed

The council unanimously adopted a resolution opposing "An Initiative Creating an Alaska Anti-corruption Act" that will appear on the ballot for the Alaska primary election Aug. 24, 2010. The initiative will ask voters to decide if public funds can be used for election campaigns, but the City of Nome believes the proposed law goes much deeper than is stated and if approved by voters, it would affect municipalities in the following ways, the resolution notes.

- Municipalities will NOT be able to hire lobbyists for capital projects or for help with legislation.
- Elected officials will not be able to travel to talk with the Legislature unless they pay for the travel and lodging with their own money to conduct city business.
- Municipalities will NOT be able to have ANY person lobby unless they are specifically invited by a legislator.

The initiative prohibits holders of state or local government contracts from making political contributions of more than $500 per year and includes other restrictions. The resolution says the initiative was submitted and funded by an out-of-state initiator and has been filed in at least three other states. Voters passed the initiative in Colorado three years ago, and the law recently was struck down as unconstitutional.

Other council actions

The council sits as the Board of Equalization to hear grievances and requests for adjustments to the 2010 tax roll, and a city ordinance requires the board to convene each year. The council unanimously adopted a resolution to convene the board May 5 through May 7 at 7 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall and continue as necessary.

Councilman Jon Larson asked that action on a resolution to grant a permit renewal for operations within the Moonlight Wells Protection Area in the 2010 mining season be postponed until the city attorney has examined the insurance requirements in the proposed permit. The council agreed to table the permit renewal resolution for Nome AK Gold Concentrates LLC until the next regular council meeting.

The council unanimously approved fee waiver requests from the Nome-Beltz High School Junior Class for use of the Mini-Convention center for a prom and from Kawerak Inc. for use of the Nome Recreation Center for a regional conference April 19-22.

New police manual

Police Chief John Papasodora reviewed a new operating procedures manual for the Nome Police Department with council members during a brief work session preceding their regular meeting. Sections of the manual are organized by task—conduct, traffic enforcement, use of force, tactical operations, domestic violence and miscellaneous policies.

Papasodora has developed forms corresponding to each section for the use of police officers. For example, he showed council members a domestic violence report form with a detailed checklist. He said an integrated, purposeful and well-planned manual will help increase the performance and professionalism of the department.

The new manual provides guidance for department personnel on a daily basis, including instructions in the absence of a supervisor and a clear chain of command, Papasodora added. He provides training—most recently in traffic enforcement—for teams of officers on Saturdays. He said two police vehicles are equipped with computers to scan driver licenses and vehicle registrations and will be used to issue electronic citations.

Andersen asked Papasodora why he had developed a new manual instead of using the previous department manual. Papasodora said the old manual contained how-to information but not clear statements of policy, lacked chain-of-command information and was poorly organized with no contiguous pagination and with sections cross-referenced in a way that would drive you crazy trying to find the referenced material. No two copies of the old manual were the same because they had been revised separately and no electronic version had been created, he added. He said the new manual is in an electronic format.

Anderson asked Papasodora what source of information he had used for the new manual. Papasodora said he had borrowed freely from an Alaska State Troopers manual with permission.

Larson asked Papasodora to instruct police dispatchers to inform the Nome Volunteer Fire Department of requests for search and rescue services after the dispatchers inform the Alaska State Troopers of search and rescue requests.

Councilmen Randy Pomeranz and Jim West Jr. were absent from the meeting.

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US Senate Resolution 89

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Whereas the United States became involved in Vietnam because policy-makers in the United States believed that if the Government of South Vietnam fell to a communist government then communism would spread throughout the rest of Southeast Asia;

Whereas members of the United States Armed Forces began serving in an advisory role to the Government of South Vietnam in 1961;

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Whereas, on January 27, 1973, the Treaty of Paris was signed, which required the release of all United States prisoners-of-war held in North Vietnam and the withdrawal of all United States Armed Forces from South Vietnam;

Whereas, on March 30, 1973, the United States Armed Forces completed the withdrawal of combat troops from Vietnam;

Whereas more than 58,000 members of the United States Armed Forces lost their lives in Vietnam and more than 300,000 members of the Armed Forces were wounded;

Whereas, in 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was dedicated in the District of Columbia to commemorate those members of the United States Armed Forces who died or were declared missing-in-action in Vietnam;

Whereas the Vietnam War was an extremely divisive issue among the people of the United States;

Whereas members of the United States Armed Forces who served bravely and faithfully for the United States during the Vietnam War were caught upon their return home in the crossfire of public debate about the involvement of the United States in the Vietnam War;

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HAIR DYING (top photo)–Dyed qiviut on a drying rack frames the Working With Qiviut: Harvesting, Processing & Knitting class Feb. 28 at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Northwest Campus in Nome.

SOFTNESS (left)–MaryJane Lichard cleans some qiviut (muskox undercoat), the warmer, softer portion of the muskox hide.

UNIQUE HAIR BRUSHING! (right)–Summer Larsen harvests qiviut (muskox undercoat) with a comb from a muskox hide during the qiviut class.

There's gold in them … musk ox!

By Mikey Lean

Most of my friends have succumbed to picking qiviut at some point in their lives here in Nome. We've all heard how it's worth $70 an ounce – like money hanging on the branches!

The qiviut inevitably languishes away in a bag in some dark corner until finally, in disgust, it's given to a friend who knows how to spin, mostly because we didn't really know what to do with it.

Alice Scherp came to town and helped us out!

Fish and Wildlife donated a musk ox fur that had been confiscated. It was ugly. Gay Sheffield helped us out, and we fleshed it at the Fish and Game lab. A couple of the ladies were already skilled, and gave good tips. (I later learned that most people hang the hide flesh side up and let the ravens clean it.)

The actual class was held at the college. I kept flashing on how this was the "perfect class" — culturally relevant, hands-on, working in groups, learning new material… in all my years of teaching, I'd never come close to what Alice did.

Alice showed us how to comb the qiviut out of the hide. It took the 10 of us two days to do it, but we pulled out about four pounds of qiviut from it. It looked better and better as we combed it. We also had to pull the worst of the long guard hairs.

Alice also showed us how to dye yarn. She gave us all a present of quiviet to work with, and taught us how to knit a lace pattern. The 10 students were all at various levels, and the already skilled knitters helped out the beginners. Alice had lots of patterns and projects to get us excited. There were inspiring samples that she and her sister, Loretta Bullard, had knit.

In the short time that she was here, we all learned a good bit. We now have a network of knitters to run to…and more qiviut yarn will be coming our way when it gets spun!

Thanks Alice – you were great!

Open to the Public!

Bering Strait Regional Conference 2010

Nome Recreational Center | April 20, 21 & 22

Doors open at 8 a.m. each day of the conference, to begin with registration and breakfast, to conclude the night with Native dancing

PRESENTATIONS: Bering Strait Issues Forum | Watershed Council | Emergency Operation Planning | Transportation Program | How to become a Foster Parent | Backhaul Project | Bering Strait Inuit Council | Beauty for Ashes | Merlin Koonooka | Tribal Best Practices | How to make beadwork | String Games | Regional Awards | Evon Peter | BMCS Cultural Tool Kit | Gospel Singing | Tribal Doctors | Energy conservation | Inupiaq Pledge of Allegiance | Exhibits, Arts & Crafts | REPRESENTATIVES FROM: Brevig Mission | Council | Diomede | Elim | Gambell | Golovin | King Island | Koyuk | Mary's Igloo | Nome | St. Michael | Savoonga | Shaktoolik | Shishmaref | Solomon | Stebbins | Teller | Unalakleet | Wales | White Mountain |

NATIVE DANCE CELEBRATION

held every night of conference at the Nome Recreational Center at 6:30 pm.

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Monday, April 19 at 7:00 pm
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Contact conference coordinators: Carrie or Carolyn at **443-5231.** We encourage pre-registration for the conference at **www.kawerak.org** or stop by the office at 504 Seppala St**.**

Pictured is Peter Ibionna of Wales hauling a walrus. From the Al Earl Mazonna family collection.

Gear up, fishers: Herring sac roe market returns to Norton Sound

By Laurie McNicholas

The Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. and Icicle Seafoods have agreed to terms for a Norton Sound herring sac roe market this spring, according to an NSEDC press release issued last week. One processor and four tenders will travel to the region to buy product from fishermen under terms of the agreement.

"The target harvest for the fishery is 1,000 tons," the release states. "Herring prices have not yet been set, but should be by the time NSEDC holds its pre-season community fishery meetings later this spring."

Information about buying gear for the fishery through the company's revolving loan program will be available at the community meetings. Meanwhile, NSEDC urges those who plan to participate in the fishery to order herring gear through the company now to ensure they receive it before the fishery begins. Gear ordering information is available from William (Middy) Johnson, Southern Norton Sound Seafood Products Manager, phone (907)625-1192.

"That's great news that NSEDC was able to get a buyer to come north for the sac roe herring fishery," said Jim Menard, area manager for Norton Sound and Kotzebue, Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game. "This will be the first sac roe fishery since 2006."

Menard provided information about the fishery's anticipated opening date and ADF&G's licensing regulations for herring fishers in an email to *The Nome Nugget*.

"Historically the first opening in Norton Sound occurs on average 21 days after the first opening in Togiak," he wrote. "The range is nine to 41 days. Judging by the ice, the first opening in Norton Sound will be in early June.

"Fishermen will need a 2010 Norton Sound commercial sac roe herring permit and a government issued picture identification," Menard continued. "Their fishing boat must have a 2010 ADF&G vessel license and the registration must be up to date with the Division of Motor Vehicles. Any helpers will need a 2010 crewmember's license. A State of Alaska commercial fishing permit can substitute for the crewmember's license. For example, a commercial salmon or crab permit for any State of Alaska fishery could be used as a crewmember's license.

"A crewmember's license can be bought online with a credit card at www.adfg.state.ak.us or the application can be downloaded and mailed to ADF&G with a check or money order," Menard noted. "A crewmember's licenses can also be bought at the ADF&G office in Nome or Unalakleet."

April 12, 2010

Letter to the SNC Shareholders

I would like to apologize to all the Shareholders of Sitnasuak for having to communicate through the news media like the *Nome Nugget* regarding the upcoming annual shareholders meeting on May 8, 2010 here in Nome.

Since January I have sent four letters to the corporation and their attorney (along with one e-mail message) requesting a copy of the address mailing list of shareholders. As of this date I have not received a correct mailing list.

In my January 2010 letter to the shareholders, I informed you that I would be filing as a nominee for the directors election at the May 2010 annual meeting. I did file as a nominee with SNC and with the required nominee questionnaire form and the letter of candidacy. The **majority** of the board however did not approve my letter of candidacy because of the ongoing litigation. This litigation was filed by myself because they (new majority) choose not to honor a valid employment contract between myself and SNCT. A second lawsuit was then filed by SNC against myself and our former business consultant.

This week I will be filing all the necessary forms so that I may run as a write-in candidate (must be nominated at the annual meeting) and will either be visiting your home or calling you for your proxy vote. I would appreciate your support and would also encourage you to attend the annual meeting. The annual meeting proxy packets have already been mailed out to the shareholders and you should be receiving them soon in the mail.

The board has communicated to the shareholders regarding the changes made with the operations of SNC, and they must explain to you the effects of these changes. Some changes are required because of economic conditions or other business reasons. Some changes, however, require further explanation and more in-details on the board's justifications for these changes.

In closing, our fast spring and summer seasons are just around the corner, and I hope you can enjoy it with your family and friends. And please be safe with you and your family or friends with all of these activities associated during our short seasons.

Quyanna

Sincerely,

Robert "Robbie" Fagerstrom

(Ad paid by Robbie Fagerstrom)

Forum to examine Bering Sea issues at Kawerak's regional conference

By Laurie McNicholas

The Bering Sea Issues Forum scheduled April 21 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Nome Recreation Centerwill address topics of keen interest to residents of Bering Strait communities. Industrial commercial fishing, fisheries management, research and conservation plans, subsistence advocacy and the impacts of climate change on subsistence activities top the agenda.

The forum audience and panelists will continue a discussion of the Northern Bering Sea Research Area that began at Kawerak's Bering Sea forum last year and drew about 100

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NOME PRESCHOOL ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCEMENT

OPEN ENROLLMENT
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2010
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

APPLICATION PACKETS WILL BE AVAILBALE AT THE NOME PRESCHOOL FOR PICK UP **BEGINNING APRIL 19th from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE: So that we may better determine the needs of the upcoming preschoolers in our community, classes will be determined upon open enrollment information.

All Completed applications will be dated and time stamped. Placement in a class is based on a first come first serve basis per completed application; once classes are full, there will be a waiting list.

We look forward to seeing you there!
Thank you, from The Nome Preschool Staff, and Board of Directors.

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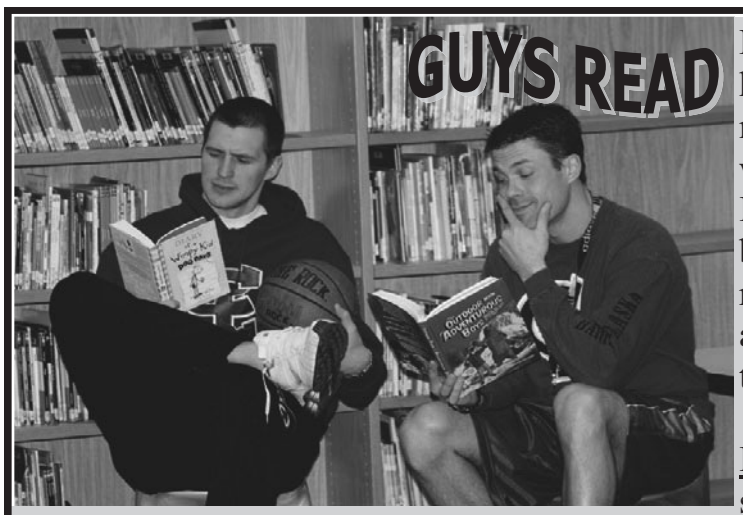

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GUYS READ!

Planning panel looking for ideas

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome Planning Commission will draw community input into revising the goals of the community's comprehensive plan.

Early this summer, the panel will hold a visioning session where people interested in shaping the best life possible in Nome will have an opportunity to write down and discuss the community characteristics that hold value for them and also express what they consider community weaknesses.

NPC members have rolled up their sleeves on the project with guidance from Eileen Bechtol, contract city planner.

Following their latest regular meeting April 6, Bechtol laid out her suggestion for collecting ideas at a session in June, likely to meet in Old St. Joe's meeting hall, and gave commissioners an object lesson on how the public planning open house could go. There could be a table at each "station" staffed by members of NPC as focal points for such topics as strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threatening issues concerning quality of life in Nome, Bechtol suggested.

Among the tables would be a station staffed by representatives from the state Boundary Commission where folks could get more information on the process and implications of the annexation issue in considering the pros and cons.

Hearing no objections, Bechtol tacked up large sheets of paper in front of Council Chambers and got planning members engaged in considering the topics among themselves.

Combined with the short meeting during which the commission approved and passed a revised flood insurance document to the Nome Common Council, the serious and hard-working group actively discussed the future of Nome for two hours, covering the walls with their ideas.

Here are a few samples for those reaching for their own thinking caps:

Strengths: subsistence resources, mineral resources, fisheries, recreation, sense of community, city services, seafood processing plant, NSEDC.

Weaknesses: alcohol, lack of balance between public and private funding, lack of affordable housing.

Opportunities: Port of Nome, Northwest Passage traffic, Pilgrim Hot Springs, college.

Threats: alcohol, high cost of energy, high cost of living.

Members of the commission are seeking information on the public sentiment toward annexation, extending City of Nome boundaries to include outlying areas. The discussion is young, with no designation of particular areas to be considered, pending public input for guidance.

"I don't think anyone here is pushing one way or another. We just want to have the discussion," NPC's president Tom Sparks, said.

Some may favor annexation to have a voice. "Some people just want to have a chance to vote," Nome's city manager Josie Bahnke, said.

Among action items, the commission rubber stamped a set of documents to do with maps, regulations and floodplain insurance rates for those who want to dwell or have businesses where there is a hazard from ocean or river waters.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency requires a revision to regulations and maps along with new water level and flood studies in areas served by the federally subsidized National Flood Insurance Program. This revision notably extends the flood hazard areas further up Dry Creek and Bourbon Creek. The new maps and regs are on file at Nome City Hall.

The City has not put the regulations before the city's attorney, as the revisions had to be approved by May 3 or Nome faced suspension from the insurance program, according to Bechtol.

The regulations spell out ways—site selection, first floor elevation, reinforcement of walls, installation of pumps, anchoring of fuel tanks and the like— for structures to resist damage from high water to protect individuals from harm and to decrease the likelihood of public expense and service interruption in case of storm surge tides during fall storms.

According to the study, a comparison of old and new maps showing the Nome waterfront indicates the easily eroding sandy beach has receded from 50 to 80 feet since 1904.

Members of the commission are Sparks, Charlie Weiss, Greg Smith, Jeff Darling, Jerald Brown, Jimmy Adams and the newest, Randolph Romenesko, sworn in at the meeting.

• Bering Sea issues

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participants. The NBSRA extends from a boundary above St. Matthew Island to Wales and is closed to bottom trawl fishing while the North Pacific Fishery Management Council develops a research plan for the area. The council also is developing a plan to manage and reduce chum salmon bycatch in the Bering Sea pollock fishery.

The following panelists will provide brief descriptions of the roles of their organizations in fisheries issues and then respond to questions from the audience.

• Fred Phillip represents the Bering Sea Elders Advisory Group, a coalition of elders from western Alaska coastal communities that formed to protect subsistence activities from industrial fishing activities in the northern Bering Sea. The group's membership includes a majority of tribes in the Bering Strait area. Phillip is a BSEAG staff member and Yup'ik translator from Kwigillingok.

• Jason Anderson manages the Best Use Cooperative, a group of bottom trawl fishery harvesters composed of seven companies and 17 catcher-processor vessels that target flatfish in the Bering Sea. Anderson works with member companies to ensure that vessels remain under allocation limits.

• The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will be represented by Chris Oliver, executive director, and Nicolle Kimball, fisheries analyst. Kimball serves as staff for the council's Rural Communities Outreach Committee. The NPFMC is one of eight regional councils established by the Magnuson-Stevens act to oversee management of the nation's fisheries.

• Bubba Cook is senior fisheries officer for Kamchatka and the Bering Sea Ecoregion for the World Wildlife Fund, an international conservation group that works with communities, governments and businesses to preserve the diversity and abundance of life on Earth.

• Katie Moerlein, a Master's degree student at the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, will describe a new SFOS research project, "Climate Change and Subsistence Fisheries in Northwest Alaska," funded by the Alaska Office of Subsistence Management. Unalakleet is among the communities included in the study.

For more information about the forum, contact Julie Raymond-Yakoubian, anthropologist, Kawerak, Inc. Natural Resources Division by phone at 443-4273, or email at www.jraymond-yakoubian@kawerak.org.

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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**
Small Group Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Pastor Bruce Landry

Community United Methodist
2nd Ave. West, **443-2865**
Sunday 11 a.m. Worship
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./**Sunday** 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 - 7 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church
5th & Bering, **443-5295**
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Morning 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 and Kings Place
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.

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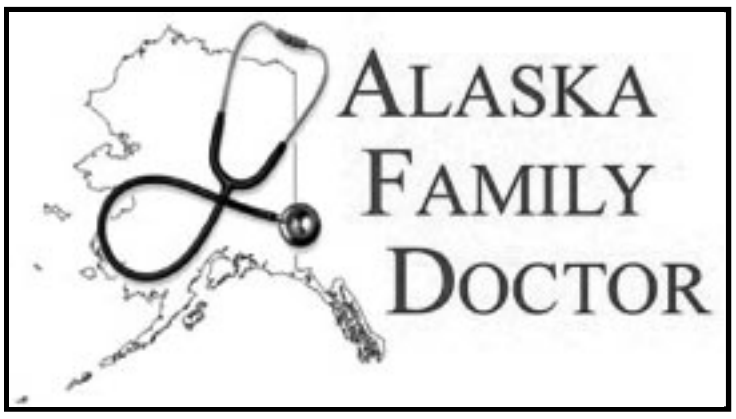

Trigger Finger: How to prevent a common problem

Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Trigger finger, also known as stenosing tenosynovitis, is a common problem in which a finger or thumb seems to click or become locked when bent leading to a painful "pop" with extension.

The human hand is an amazing instrument. With it we manipulate tools, prepare food, defend ourselves, drive machines, communicate, create works of art, show affection, greet one another, dress ourselves, and push buttons, among other actions. Much of this work is dependent on proper function of the fingers, which must smoothly flex and extend countless times daily.

Trigger finger results from damage to the tendons in the fingers or thumb. Many of the muscles that move the fingers are in the forearm, connected to the fingers by tendons that extend through a series of fibrous pulleys located at each of the joints in the hand and fingers. With excessive repetitive use or injury, the sheath surrounding these tendons can thicken and become inflamed causing damage to the tendons. This initially causes the fingers to feel stiff, especially in the morning. With time, nodules begin to form on the tendons, which may catch in the fibrous pulleys of the fingers, most commonly at the point where the fingers meet the hand. This causes a snapping sensation much like a knot being pulled through a pulley. Often the "pop" is painful and feels like the finger joint is briefly dislocating. If not corrected, the problem can worsen to the point where a person must use the other hand to straighten the bent finger.

If the condition is caught early, a few preventive maneuvers can reduce the chances that the problem will worsen or persist.

First, the most important step is to rest the affected hand for four to six weeks paying special attention to avoid repetitive gripping or grasping of tools. This may mean adjusting work, hobbies, or personal activities.

Second, a splint may be used to rest the thumb or finger in an extended position for up to six weeks. The splint may be removed for short periods each day in order to exercise the affected joint, but it should be worn again during sleep to prevent flexing the fingers for extended periods.

Third, warm water hand soaks may reduce the severity of symptoms and can be repeated many times throughout the day to preserve smooth motion of the fingers. Conversely, ice massage over the affected area for 15 minutes at a time reduces inflammation and can relieve pain.

Fourth, for more severe symptoms, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications like ibuprofen or naproxen sodium can alleviate pain and reduce the inflammation that leads to tendon damage. Talk to your provider if symptoms persist for more than two weeks.

If symptoms do not respond to conservative therapy, your medical provider may recommend an injection of corticosteroid into the affected tendon sheath. Depending on the severity of symptoms at presentation, this procedure can be successful at restoring smooth movement of the affected finger. In severe cases, surgical release may be required.

Patients with rheumatoid arthritis or diabetes mellitus are at higher risk for developing trigger finger. Occupations or activities that require repetitive gripping, like handling power tools, musical instruments, or sewing needles also increase a person's risk. People at increased risk should monitor for developing symptoms because early treatment has a higher chance of cure.

Trigger finger is a common nuisance often ignored for months or years, but with early recognition and treatment, most people can restore proper function to the hand and prevent the problem from becoming debilitating.

All around the sound

John F. Erlich Jr. and Christine A. Piscoya announce the birth of their daughter **Lauryn Felicia Erlich-Piscoya**. March 31 at 11:30 a.m. at Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She was 8 lbs. 15 oz and was 20 in. long. Her siblings are Herbie A. Karmun, 5, Avery R. Erlich-Piscoya, 2, and Antwon J. M. Karmun. Her grandparents are Stan and Ruth Piscoya of Nome, and John, Sr. and Brenda Erlich of Kotzebue.

Minnie A. (Kobuk) and Bernard E. Pete, Sr. of Saint Michael announce the birth of their daughter **Mikayla Jaylene**, born April 2 at 10:07 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 18" in length. Siblings are Rashaun, 6, Bernard Jr., 4, and Sasha, 1. Maternal grandparents are Elizabeth Steve and William Tom of St. Michael. Paternal grandparents are Felicity and Francis Pete, Sr. of Stebbins. Mikayla Jaylene will live in St. Michael with adoptive parents Elizabeth Steve and Jason Steve, Sr.

Amy Titus and Tyrone Buffas are proud to announce the birth of their son, **Daaron Carter Buffas**, born on January 2 at 4:05 a.m. at ANMC. He weighed 7 lbs. 15.4 oz. and was 21" long. His big sister is Shayla Danae Titus, 5, and big brother Tyson Jake Titus-Buffas, 20 months. Maternal grandparents are Rose and Jake Titus of White Mountain. Paternal grandparents are Wanda Jackson of Anchorage and the late Steve Buffas of White Mountain. His great-grandpa is Guy Ione, Sr. of White Mountain.

Lisa M. and Jermaine A. Lockwood, Sr. of Stebbins announce the birth of their son **Jermaine Albert Lockwood, Jr**. born March 17 at 4:27 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. He weighed 9 pounds, 0.6 ounces and was 21" in length. Siblings are Audrey Rose, 8, Elisha Marie, 5, Brendan Stanley Albert, 4, and Charrae Blanche, 2.

Deanne N. Komonaseak and Harris L. Topkok of Teller announce the birth of their son **Harris Leland Topkok, Jr.** born March 30 at 12:36 a.m. He weighed 5 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 18.5" in length. His brother is Quinton Topkok, 11

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Lauryn Felicia Erlich-Piscoya

Daaron Carter Buffas

HOROSCOPES

April 15 - 21, 2010

CAPRICORN — **December 22–January 19**
Get with it, Capricorn. Life is passing you by. A long-lost friend returns with a bang. A small gift makes the weekend worthwhile.

ARIES — **March 21–April 19**
A relative's tirades make things happen. Take a page from their book, Aries, and use it at work. A young friend's shenanigans get them into trouble.

CANCER — **June 22–July 22**
Chop-chop, Cancer. The chore cannot wait any longer. The smallest of favors results in the biggest of returns. Passion sizzles at home and gifts are exchanged.

LIBRA — **September 23–October 22**
At odds with someone? Never fear, Libra. Peace is at hand. Give and take makes things easier at home and gets the to-do list done quickly.

AQUARIUS — **January 20–February 18**
A romantic endeavor gets off to a great start. Good planning, Aquarius. Family matters take precedence over work. Your fitness routine could use some work.

TAURUS — **April 20–May 20**
Shh, Taurus. Don't you hear it? An organization is calling your name. Answer their call. The maze of paperwork pertaining to a family matter finally ends.

LEO — **July 23–August 22**
Drat, Leo. Auto issues resurface. Time to call in the pros. A change in travel plans brings bigger and better adventures. Prepare to have an awesome time.

SCORPIO — **October 23–November 21**
A health concern eases for a friend with new treatment options. Give thanks, Scorpio. A shopping spree brings much more than you had hoped for.

PISCES — **February 19–March 20**
No news is good news on the family front. Revel in the newfound peace, Pisces. It won't last long. A token from your past returns, thanks to that special someone.

GEMINI — **May 21–June 21**
Oh, yes, Gemini. You are being watched and your actions will be duly noted. A financial glitch causes some headache but no serious damage.

VIRGO — **August 23–September 22**
Guests are coming. Pull out all of the stops to make them feel welcome, Virgo, and they will soon do the same for you. A kiss means so much more.

SAGITTARIUS — **November 22–December 21**
Step aside, Sagittarius. You have a lot of tricks up your sleeve, but none that will work this time. It's time to let a friend in on the deal; they have the magic to make it happen.

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We sincerely express our gratitude to all these people, organizations and businesses that made the 2010 Easter Egg Hunt a wonderful success this year.

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EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 14-15-16-17 ($25.25 – 35.33) DOE
REPORTS TO: VP Children and Family Services
QUALIFICATIONS:
1) Bachelor's degree in the field of social work, psychology, counseling or related field preferred; work experience may substitute for education on a year for year basis.
2) At least one year experience in child protective services, working knowledge of ICWA and state and tribal court proceedings preferred.
3) Excellent written and oral communication skills required. Must possess basic computer knowledge and skills in Windows, Internet, Microsoft Excel and Word, Power Point and Publisher.
4) Experience in cross-cultural and rural settings preferred.
5) Must pass child protective services and criminal history and background check.
6) Must keep client confidentiality.
7) Must be willing to travel in the Bering Strait Region, the State of Alaska and occasionally throughout the United States.
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*** 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.***
4/8-15

Kawerak Inc., Administration Recruitment Notice – 04/01/2010 to close of business on 04/23/2010 or to until filled.
DIVISION: Administration
DEPARTMENT: Accounting
JOB TITLE: Chief Financial Officer
POSITION STATUS: Regular Full Time
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska
EXEMPT STATUS: Exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 21-22-23 ($75,273 – 98,214) DOE
REPORTS TO: President
QUALIFICATIONS:
1) Bachelors Degree in Accounting required, plus four (4) years supervisory work experience in the field. Supervisory work experience in the field of Accounting may be substituted for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.
2) Two years experience working with a non-profit organization.
3) Must possess knowledge of computerized accounting systems and software, and skills in Internet usage, Word, Excel and Windows.
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* 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.*
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Nome Eskimo Community
Is recruiting for the position of
WEATHERIZATION FOREMAN

DEPARTMENT: Housing
REPORTS TO: Housing Director
POSITION STATUS: Temporary, Seasonal
SALARY: $23.10-$34.94/hr. DOE
CLOSING DATE: April 23, 2010

For a job description and application contact:

Josie Stiles, Human Resources Manager
NOME ESKIMO COMMUNITY
P.O. BOX 1090
200 West 5th Avenue
NOME, AK 99762
PHONE: ***(907) 443-2246***
FAX: ***(907) 443-3539***
Email: ***jstiles@gci.net***
Website: ***www.necalaska.org***
4/15-22

NOTICE OF APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITY
BUS & TRUCK MECHANIC, DIESEL ENGINE SPECIALIST APPRENTICE The Alaska Teamsters Construction/Maintenance/ Pipeline Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee will have ***Application Request Forms*** at the Teamsters Training Center beginning **April 14, 2010**. Applications will then be sent upon receipt of the request form beginning **May 3, 2010.** ***Apprenticeship Applications*** will be accepted from **May 10, 2010** thru **May 21, 2010** and must be received at the Teamster Training Center 1749 Ship Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501 (907) 278-3674 in person or mail by 4:00 PM **May 21, 2010 (faxes or emails will not be accepted).** Minimum qualifications: age 18 to apply, age 19 upon date of indenture, high school diploma or GED, must meet USDOT drug, alcohol and medical requirements, must have an Alaska class "D" driver license for at least one year and provide a motor vehicle 10 year driving history report. The "BUS & TRUCK MECHANIC, DIESEL ENGINE SPECIALIST Apprenticeship Program" requires eight periods of 1000 hours of on-the-job training (8000 Hours total) and a minimum of 144 hours of related training per year. Apprentice "Earn while they Learn" and are paid hourly while working on a job site or project. It is the JATC's intent to build the Bus & Truck Mechanic Diesel Engine Specialist Apprenticeship applicant pool. Recruitment, selection, employment and training shall meet the EEOC requirements of Title 29 CFR, Part 30.4/15; 4/29; 5/6

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

Upcoming TAM® class scheduled for 3 p.m., Sunday, April 25th at the VFW call Melissa at 443-7368 or e-mail ***TAM@melissakford.com*** to pre-register. Serve Responsibly. Sell Responsibly.
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Seawall

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John Koezuna, 54, received a citation for Open Container.
Anthony Sebwenna, 39, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.
George Washington, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
Bertha Iya, 34, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
Tim Carter, 25, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Introduction of Contraband.
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Nicholas Anasogak, 34, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence and Violating Conditions of Probation.
Jason Smith, 40, received a citation for Expired Registration.
4/9 Shannon Miller, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation and Criminal Mischief in the 4th Degree.
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Shane Mike, 18, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release and Assault 4 on a Peace Officer.
A Nome juvenile received a citation for Driving with out a Valid Operator License.
4/11
Dallas Cash, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.
During this reporting period Nome had 11 persons transported to the hospital for a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

Trooper Beat

On March 23, at 12:00 p.m., the Alaska State Troopers received a report of a cabin burglary near White Mountain. Liquor and cash were stolen from the cabin. Suspects have been identified. Investigation continues.

On March 27, an employee of Head Start in Stebbins found that the building had been broken into. The door had been damaged, but it does not appear that anything was stolen.

On April 2, at 1:30 p.m., VPSO Jack Linn arrested Colin Lincoln, 48, of White Mountain, with an arrest warrant for failure to comply with a court order. Lincoln was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center with $1500.00 bail.

On April 3, at approximately 2:15 a.m., AST received a report from VPO Robert Apatiki that he had observed Adrian Ungott, 44, of Gambell, to be highly intoxicated while driving his Honda 4-wheeler. A. Ungott was subsequently arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. A. Ungott was transported and remanded to AMCC in Nome.

On April 3, AST received a report from Shaktoolik VPSO Lucas Stotts that Clarence Katchatag, 52, and Kathrine Katchatag, 57, of Shaktoolik were traveling from Elim to Shaktoolik via snowmachine and were overdue. Search teams from Elim, Shaktoolik and Koyuk were sent out to search the trail between each village. At approximately 12:10 p.m. on April 4, both Clarence and Kathrine were located on the sea ice stuck in overflow near Isaac's point. Both were healthy, in good condition and transported to Shaktoolik.

On April 3, at 3:00 p.m., AST received a report of an assault in White Mountain. A suspect has been identified. Investigation continues.

On April 8, VPSO Tim Pehle responded to a report that someone was bleeding and needed medical attention. His investigation revealed that Bruce Johnson, 47, of Unalakleet, and his wife Gloria Johnson, 41, of Unalakleet were intoxicated and had gotten into a physical altercation. Both received cuts and required stitches/staples. After medical treatment Bruce Johnson was arrest for a Probation Violation and Assault in the Fourth Degree. Johnson was lodged at the Unalakleet Jail, on April 9; he was arraigned and posted $1000 bail.

• More Sound

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months. Maternal grandparents are Rhonda Komonaseak of Teller and Sean Komonaseak of Wales. Paternal grandma is Sarah Okbaok of Teller.

Hey, let them know we are here. Turn in your census forms. It pays to be counted.

Real Estate

QUIET HOME FOR SALE—Martinsonville 1613 sq ft, 3 bd, 2 bth, built 2006, heated shop, beautiful home.
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Corky, a male corgi-mix, is waiting for you at the shelter, come and visit Corky to see if he is your next best friend!

Adopt a pet and get a **FREE** bag of dog/cat food from Doctor Leedy and the *Nome Kennel Club*. Dog food, cat food, cat litter and other donations are always welcome at the Nome Animal Shelter!

Nome Animal Control & Adopt-A-Pet • 443.5212 or 443.5262

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

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 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 lowest 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.
The University of Alaska reserves the right to reject any or all bids, offers, or parts therof 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.
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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 distribution 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
4/1-8-15

INVITATION FOR BID

ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM (ANTHC)

INVITATION FOR BID
ANTHC-10-B-55646
Bid Opening Date 21 April, 2010

The ANTHC is soliciting sealed competitive bids to complete all procurement and installation of four (4) residential Septic systems in Nome, AK.

Sealed bids must be submitted in the format specified in the solicitation and received not later than 2:00 p.m., 21 April 2010.

Hard copies of the solicitation are not available. Point of Contact is Shawn W Reynolds, Procurement & Contracting Department, Anchorage AK 99508. Electronic copy may be requested via email at ***swreynolds@anthc.org*** or by fax at ***(907) 729-4506*** or through The Plans Rooms.
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CITY OF NOME

PUBLIC NOTICE

O-10-04-01 A Nome Common Council Ordinance Recommending Approval of the Revised Floodplain Regulations, Revised Flood Rate Insurance Rate Maps and Revised Flood Insurance Study

This ordinance had first reading at a regular meeting of the Nome City Council on April 12, 2010 at 7:30 PM and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **April 26, 2010** at **7:30 PM** in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk.
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• Foster's Report: Down to the final week

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Water and Sewer Extensions, $103,790; Pitkas Point Water and Sewer System Upgrade; $1,042,809; Stebbins Water and Sewer System, $1,107,652; Unalakleet Water and Sewer Lagoon Improvements, $676,894; Wales Washeteria and Water Treatment Plant, $499,445.

The four School Major Maintenance projects, two in Nome and two in St. Mary's, that scored high enough to be on the governor's list are funded. Funding for Alakanuk School construction is expected to be in the bonding bill that the House is developing.

There is some funding for other community projects but the final list is not yet complete.

The two major Department of Transportation projects in the Governor's budget, Golovin Airport and Apron, $12.5 million and the Nome Council Road, $7.0 million are both included in the first Senate CS.

The Senate Finance Committee has indicated that there will be at least one more Senate Committee Substitute and the bill still has to be passed by the Senate, then read across the House Floor where it will be assigned to the House Finance Committee. You can call our office for more specific and current information as things move through the final week.

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation projects of interest include $4.0 million as a match to Denali Commission Projects and $4.0 million for the Weatherization Program.

Supplemental Budget

The Supplemental Budget is still in the Senate Finance Committee and no changes have yet been made in the bill that was passed by the House last week.

Operating Budget

The Operating Budget is in Joint Conference Committee, which will be meeting for the next few days. Differences should be reconciled and the Conference Committee report adopted by the House and Senate late in the week.

Fisheries Issues

This year, there has been support for funding fishery research for stock identification and other issues related to declining returns for Western Alaska.

A letter was sent thanking the Governor for the economic disaster declaration for the Yukon River and for recognizing other fisheries problems in Western Alaska. With the recent fish board resignation there is an open seat on the Board of Fisheries; the letter urges the Governor to appoint someone with subsistence or commercial fishing experience from Western Alaska. We need not only someone who is willing to listen but someone who has personal experience with the fisheries in our area and who can be an advocate when it is needed.

Rural School Construction

SB 237 addresses State aid for school construction and a funding mechanism for Regional Education Attendance Area schools. This legislation is an outgrowth of the *Kasayulie v. State of Alaska* lawsuit. The legislation has a good chance of passing since it is tied to a continuation of the 70 percent reimbursements of municipal school bond debt retirement. The bill provides for State aid for school construction in regional educational attendance areas, and creates a regional education attendance area school fund. There is still a need for a funding mechanism that would deal with school construction in small city districts, which have limited bonding capacity.

Chairman Dan Harrelson has set the dates for NSEDC's first quarter meetings. Please see the schedule below for locations and times. Meetings held in Unalakleet.

Meeting date/meeting type:	Location:	Time:
April 26, 2010		
Executive Committee Meeting	Memorial Hall	9:00 a.m.
Finance Committee	Memorial Hall	1:30 p.m.
Rules & Bylaws Committee	Memorial Hall	4:45 p.m.
April 27, 2010		
Scholarship Committee	EET Office	9:00 a.m.
Fisheries Development Committee	Memorial Hall	10:00 a.m.
NSSP Working Group	Memorial Hall	1:30 p.m.
April 28, 2010		
Board of Director's Meeting	Memorial Hall	9:00 a.m.
April 29, 2010		
Board of Director's Meeting	Memorial Hall	9:00 a.m.

Portions of these meetings may be held in Executive session to conduct confidential business of the organization.

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Court

Week ending 4/9

Civil

Minor Party vs. Minor Party; Stalking Protect Proceed: Both Ex Parte & Long Term
In the Matter of: Analoak, William P.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Anseth, Cynthia A.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Anungazuk, Toby M.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Aukongak, Rayne B.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Bright, Desjarles R.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Fahey, Laura J.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Gelzer, Beverly F.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Homelvig, Tyler J.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Kim, Ae Ran; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Kim, Hae J.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Kowchee, Joe A.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Moto, Jerry D.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Noyakuk, Mary D.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Omiak, Patrick A.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Oozevasuk, Christine M.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Sebwenna, Eleanor M.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
In the Matter of: Shin, Timothy; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Coffey, Darla R.; Debt - District Court
Capital One Bank (USA) N A vs. Anseth, Cortland M.; Debt - District Court
Willoya, Roger Dean vs. Simon, Flora; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term

Small Claims

Cornerstone Credit Services LLC vs. Ellanna-Brandt, Lisa; SC $2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Criminal Cases

State of Alaska v. Christopher L. Paniptchuk (1/28/74); Finding on Petition to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110826504; After a hearing, the court finds that the defendant has not violated conditions of probation; IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED: Bail and conditions of release on the Petition to Revoke Probation are exonerated; All other terms and conditions in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Richard Rollins (6/27/63); Count 2: Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 3/29/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 001; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 90 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, **consecutive to 2NO-07-559CR**; 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. George Washington (5/3/87); 2NO-10-182CR Failure to Register as a Sex Offender 2º; Date of offense: 4/3/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 35 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 35 days 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. George Washington (5/3/87); 2NO-10-191CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violating Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 4/7/10.

State of Alaska v. Kevin Kava (12/21/65); Criminal Trespass 1º; Date of offense: 3/1/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days 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. Kenneth Smith (11/22/82); Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 4/1/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 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 6/30/10; 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 consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Bertha Iya (7/25/75); Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 4/6/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days 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; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Jermaine A. Lockwood (12/23/82); 2NO-08-622CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110126745; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to be consistent with felony probation in 2NO-09-421CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Jermaine A. Lockwood (12/23/82); 2NO-08-890CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110126952; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to be consistent with felony probation in 2NO-09-421CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Paul W. Hickerson (6/22/88); 2NO-08-99CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110827584; Violated conditions of probation; Sentence imposed as stated in the attached supplemental judgment.

State of Alaska v. Paul W. Hickerson (6/22/88); 2NO-08-99CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; ATN: 110827584; Count 2: Burglary 2º; Date of offense: 2/8/08; The following charges were dismissed pursuant to Criminal rule 43(a): Count 001: Burglary 1—Armed With Firearm; Count 003: Theft 2—Firearm Or Explosive; Count 004: Theft 2—Value $500—$24,999; Count 005: Theft 3—Value $50—$499; Count 6 and 7: Crim Mischief 4-Prop Dam $50—$499; Date of offenses: 2/8/08; Count 002: 18 months, 14 months suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately; Defendant credited for time already served in this case; 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: $100; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of $100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the 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; IT IS ORDERED THAT, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed or probation for 2 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Ilmar (2/25/78); Assault 4º; DV; Date of offense: 11/10/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 360 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 180 days shall not exceed time served; 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 4/2/12; 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 contact, directly or indirectly, K.I. without consent; Shall not consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.

State of Alaska v. Ladd Soonagrook (11/24/59); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110007108; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Alcohol Assessment Screening Recommended; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 60 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Walter Analoak (12/1/82); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110010627; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Vivian Washington (3/24/82); 2NO-10-81CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110010249; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 4/2/11; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Vivian Washington (3/24/82); 2NO-10-179CR Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 4/1/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days 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. Mark Henry (2/26/81); Assault 4º; DV; Date of offense: 3/11/10; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 30 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 4/2/12; 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 in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer in such community.

State of Alaska v. Maynard Kava (5/14/37); Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 10/16/09; Binding Plea Agreement; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 5/1/10; Fine: $1500 with $0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended $1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 3/31/11; Forfeit alcohol (12 bottles) to State; 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 4/7/11; 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 local option community; Person and baggage subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Harry Olanna (12/4/89); Escape 4º; Date of offense: 1/27/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 4/30/10; 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.

State of Alaska v. William Iyakitan (12/16/88); DUI; Date of offense: 2/21/10; 60 days, 40 days suspended; Report immediately; Consecutive to 2NO-09-116CR; Fine: $3000 with $0 suspended; Amount due: $3000, due date: 3/31/11, payable to Clerk of Court; Police Training Surcharge: $75 with $0 suspended; Amount due: $75 due in 10 days, payable to Clerk of Court; Suspended Jail Surcharge: $100 with $100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: $1467 (2nd offense) with $0 suspended; Amount due: Full amount ordered, payable to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: Contact other: VBC or NSBHS within 21 days; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; File proof by 5/15/10 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 8/1/10 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 1 year; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: Costs of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before fine due dates; After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 24 months during your probation period; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 4/8/10), subject to the following conditions: Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 24 months from date of this judgment; Other: Not have alcohol in residence; Subject to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Delight Aukon (3/22/87); Assault 4º; Assault on Peace Officer; Date of offense: 2/22/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 270 days, 210 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 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 4/8/12; 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; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in her 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.

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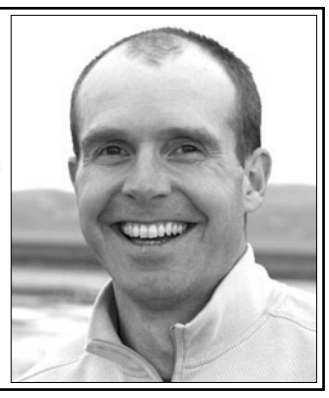

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FINALLY HOME (top)—Kotzebue musher Quinn Iten drives his dogs to the finish line of the Kobuk 440 sled dog race April 11 on the sea ice that fronts his home town. Iten finished the race in fourth position.

SPRING FUN (above)—Kids enjoyed the snowshoe races held as part of spring carnival celebrations April 11 on the sea ice in front of Kotzebue.

CAT AND DOGS (right)—Tok musher Hugh Neff took along the Cat in a Hat on the Kobuk 440 trail as he headed out of Kotzebue on the 440-mile long sled dog race April 9. Neff finished the race in second place behind the winner, Kotzebue's John Baker.

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not by airplane, but had decided to snowmachine from Shishmaref to Kotzebue with his wife Evelyn and handlers, towing their dogs in a dog box across the rough trail on the sea ice. Olanna said his main leader sustained injuries on the trip as the dog box tipped over a few times when they were hitting rough spots on the trail. Olanna ended up winning the Sportsmanship Award of the Arctic Circle Championship race. The Kotzebue Dog Musher Association decided to let the one-day results stand as final results.

The only race that had a start, middle and end was the Kobuk 440 as 12 mushers headed into the beginning of the storm on Friday at 4:40 p.m. They had to battle winds, soft trails and whiteout conditions during the storm, but all prevailed and finished. Familiar names were right there up at the top with John Baker of Kotzebue winning the event, and Tok's Hugh Neff coming in second. Bethel's Pete Kaiser finished third with local racer Quinn Iten following only five minutes later to a fourth place finish. Tracey Schaeffer, who won the Comeback Award as well as the Humanitarian Award at Monday night's musher's banquet, finished the race on Monday at 3:49 p.m. with nine dogs in 12th place. Schaeffer had suffered serious injuries during a horrific collision of her dog team with a snowmachine driver last year. A person who she took out for the first time on a dog sled was killed in the accident. Schaeffer said at the beginning of the race that she worked hard all year to get her team and herself to reach the goal of finishing the Kobuk 440 this season.

When the blizzard took a break on Sunday, sun and blue skies drew locals out to the sea ice to watch the first-ever spring festival harpoon-throwing contest. Soldiers involved with the joint military exercise Operation Arctic Care lined up on the sea wall, cameras in hand to take photos of the activities on the sea ice. Harpoon thrower Kirk Howard won the 40-foot target-hitting contest. Chris Norton won the distance-throwing contest when he thrust his harpoon 86.9 feet onto the sea ice.

Kobuk 440 results (finishing times not available at press time): 1) John Baker; 2) Hugh Neff; 3) Pete Kaiser; 4) Quinn Iten; 5) Jim Bourquin; 6) Kelley Griffin; 7) Jodi Bailey; 8) Karl Leissner; 9) Jake Berkowitz; 10) Micah Degerlund; 110 Harry Douglas; 12) Tracey Schaeffer.

Arctic Circle Championship results (20-miles): 1) Gregg Taylor, 1:11:36; 2) Shane Goosen, 1:12:23; 3) Paul Hanson, 1:12:59; 4) Luke Sampson, 1:13:23; 5) Bill Kornmuller, 1:13:39; 6) John Gallahorn, 1:15:13; 7) Cyrus Harris, 1:17:31; 8) Nils Hahn, 1:18:22; 9) Diana Haecker, 1:24:40; 10) Daniel Olanna, 1:27:06.

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