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HONORING THE FALLEN-Veterans lead the procession from the cemetery to Belmont Point during Nome's Memorial Day celebration May 31.

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SIGN OF THE TIMES—June Walunga, the Gambell representative on the Norton Sound Health Corp. board of directors, joins fellow board members in signing the final steel beam to be installed at Nome's new hospital May 26. The top-off ceremony brought together principal players in the new facility's development.

Vote tally unkown

Recall appears to fail for 4 of 5 school board members, count still unofficial

By Tyler Rhodes

By the time Tuesday rolled around-a full week after Nome voters had gone to the ballot box to determine the fate of its school board-Heather Payenna had spent a week uncertain of whether or not she would keep her seat.

"I'm just ready, one way or the other, to have this election be certified and be in the books," Payenna said outside city hall just after noon on June 1. As of Tuesday afternoon, it looked like she would still have to wait.

Payenna was on her way to an expected Nome Common Council meeting to canvass and certify the results from the May 25 vote. That she was a few minutes late didn't matter; the council was unable to meet and recall election still unsettled for at enough that it appeared safe to call least another couple of days.

After several tabulations and re-

counts, the most recent conducted by hand on May 28, the shifting results appeared as of press time to have only succeeded in removing one person, Albert McComas, from the five-member board. With razorthin margins between their "yes" and "no" votes, Payenna and fellow board member Kirsten Timbers have oscillated between being recalled and retained as the succeeding unofficial tallies have come in.

The most recent numbers—observed by witnesses to the May 28 hand recount-would keep both women on the board with Timbers enjoying a two-vote margin (484 to retain vs. 482 to recall) and Payenna up by a single vote (478-477).

While also close, the margins between the votes concerning McCo-

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Bering Straits, Sitnasuak to talk Front Street with DOT

By Laurie McNicholas

The top officers of Bering Straits Native and Sitnasuak Native corporations will present their objections to the proposed Steadman Street site for a new state office building to Commissioner Leo von Scheben of the Department of Trans-

portation and Public Facilities, other state officials and the Nome Common Council at a work session June 9 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

All council work sessions are open to the public, but no public testimony is taken during work sessions, notes Mayor Denise Michels.

A recent letter to von Scheben from BSNC leaders outlined the corporation's investments in Nome's economy, said that a segregated building for all of Nome's state offices would do nothing to generate a local economy, criti-

cized the site DOTPF selected for the building at the north end of Steadman Street, and called for well-publicized local hearings about the effects of the plan on Nome and the surrounding

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Temporary fix slated for corroded port fuel valves

By Laurie McNicholas

The Nome Port Commission discussed measures to address the corrosion of expansion joints on all three fuel pipelines suspended under the causeway bridge with Harbormaster Joy Baker at a meeting on May 27. The lines are used to transfer fuel from barges to the city's bulk fuel storage tanks adjacent to the Nome harbor.

Significant corrosion of expansion

joints on the lines, including the body and chromed sliding surface of the joint, were detected by a fueling company in May 2009, according to report from SEAKERS Inc.

"A follow up inspection was performed in March of 2010 by Brent Goering Mechanical Engineering,' wrote Todd Fisher of SEAKERS in a letter to Baker dated May 8. "[The] inspection indicates all six Hyspan expansion valves are corroded to some degree and the chromed sliding joint surface is significantly deteriorated in the three northern valves and it is likely that one of the three joints is currently inoperable and will ultimately result in a fuel leak.'

Baker reports the city has asked the Army Corps of Engineers to have the joints replaced, but it will take six months to obtain the hardware and the replacement work is best done in the winter. She asked the commission to endorse a stopgap measure proposed by SEAKERS to ensure use of the pipelines this summer.

The commission approved \$19,199 for SEAKERS to perform the following work. SEAKERS will remove and discard existing wet can-

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Letters -

Dear Editor,

I have been the recent victim of identity theft in unusual way. Someone has written some fairly insulting opinions on the Anchorage Daily News Rural Alaska Blog site addressing the recent recall vote of the Nome School Board. I did not become aware of the blog and its content until things were well along. I have a long career of dealing with speculation on my actions as a biologist and emergency services. When I have taken a position on a subject, I usually make a statement and try not to banter back and forth. I can respect those who disagree with me, and in my experience, calling the other side names generally means that party has run out of logical arguments.

For the record I have attended Nome Public Schools. My children have attended Nome Public Schools, My wife has taught at Nome Public Schools, and we all have degrees from universities. I work with and employ people from Nome Public Schools. There is room for improvement in all schools and with their administration, but that does not translate to any disrespect to Nome school graduates.

The person who wrote these communications apparently was beyond their comfort level on the topics. They were certainly beyond mine. I have to wonder if the over the top statements were meant to defame me. Why else would they sign my name rather than their own? All I can ask is that readers take those communications as the view point of a person unwilling to take ownership and of a person who at some level knew they were doing something dishonest.

On the issue of the School Board I was torn. There are points on either side of the issue that I can agree with. I went to the ballot box still thinking. I hope that true discussion of the issues can prevail.

Sincerely, Charlie Lean

Nome, AK

Dear Editor.

I'm making a big stink about the stink in Stebbins as a resident of Stebbins. I know firsthand about what the stink can cause. So may many others that live in Stebbins, have open trash containers as well as uncovered, overfilled honeybucket containers that rarely are sanitized after an overfill.

As overfilled containers are taken to get emptied, these containers spill out when running over bumps on the same public road travelers use when going into and out of Stebbins, creating a health hazard, especially upon returning to town.

Health hazards may include but

are not limited to long-term respiratory illnesses, open wound infections, cardiovascular problems and many other problems.

To make an in-depth, detailed, long story short, action has be taken! Why are our mayor, administrator, city council members waiting for something bad to happen to someone before doing something about it? These elected officials that we've chosen to govern our town are the same ones who are supposed to help our community, not just financially but environmentally as well.

Although this letter may create bad publicity towards the city of Stebbins, I'm also trying to prevent further damage our community is doing to the health and safety of our next generation. Thank you! George I. Dan, Jr.

Stebbins, AK 99671

Dear Nancy,

Like the song, "Here I Go Again," I have this need to voice my opinion and concern.

By the time this letter gets printed the massive, illegal, Health Care Reform bill will have passed.

When I say "illegal," I mean our politicians in Washington, D.C. have given out a "Right" which is actually a "Privilege."

Health Care us a commodity, which all Americans have access to.

Having a choice of which car to buy or food, clothing, etc. to purchase, again these are commodities. Choosing to buy Health Care coverage is also a choice.

Having the government mandating that I purchase an insurance policy to cover my medial expenses is not a choice.

I've left Senator Mark Begich a phone message (he never answers it himself) that I'd rather eat a bullet then be forced to buy something I don't want. I pay my own way or I go without.

You all remember Senator Begich, the Democrat who has voted along party lines since being sworn in. To me, he has abandoned Alaskans. He has sold us out so he can reap the rewards of being "a good party mem-

Senator Begich will tell you he has voted along party lines to better all Alaskans and the American people. In reality he has only helped "the anointed one, Obama," take control of 1/6th of the American economy. Bureaucrat appointees (more Obama radicals), will decide who gets the heart transplant, the college scholarships and education, which are now part of the "Health Care Reform Act.'

People, you must open your eyes

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Editorial

include an address and phone number. Thank yous

and political endorsements are considered ads.

Letters to the editor must be signed and

The Heart of Nome

Front Street has been the historic heart of Nome since the first days of our city. It's Nome's pulse. It's where business offices are located, where we get our mail. It's where we go to court, where we buy our gifts, go out for dinner, grab a cup of coffee or a cold drink. It's where we lodge our guests and hold meetings. In spite of the voluje of commerce that takes place, we have let our town center get a bit shabby. We have too many vacant lots and empty, ugly buildings. We need to get busy and power up the bulldozers and fill some flowerpots. We could also add a couple park benches for some weary walkers to rest their feet.

The spruce-up job would not be outrageously expensive or labor intensive— well, maybe getting rid of that Wein Building eyesore would take some doing. The empty lots could be made into parking lots and pocket parks. However, the real danger we face is from the absolute abandonment of our historic downtown. The State of Alaska without an if-you-please has threatened to suck the life out of Front Street and move it to a big box on Sixth Avenue. While Nomeites scratch their heads and say, "What the ...?" the state goes full bore ahead thinking it knows what's best for us. Woah! If we are to have new state offices let's assess the available lots on Front Street. Let's also look at the office space that is available. Let's look at the new building's architectural design. Let's make sure it fits our historic image and let's let our local contractors build it. Let's put a stop to putting business structures helter-skelter in areas that can be better utilized for housing and recre-

Let's put the brakes on the state's steam roller. The State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities will be at the City Council Work Session Wednesday June 9 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at City Hall. They aren't taking public testimony, but they can see us.

Illegitimus non carborundum

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MEMORIAL DAY - Interior of Eagle Hall, 1910.

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Alaska State News Briefs

Compiled by Diana Haecker

Avalanche in the Ruth Gorge kills two climbers

In the Denali National Park and Preserve, an avalanche killed two climbers on Saturday afternoon. Canadian Andrew Herzenberg, 39, and Israeli Avner Magen, 42, were descending a steep snow and ice gully on the southeast side of the Gorge when the avalanche occurred. Another climbing party in the Ruth Gorge witnessed the avalanche and spotted what appeared to be two climbers and gear in the avalanche debris. They called for help and a helicopter flew to the site, where rangers confirmed that the two men had died in the fall. Both bodies were recovered on Sunday morning. Earlier this week, rangers were busy rescuing four climbers. One Canadian miraculously survived a 1,000-foot fall on a technically difficult route up to Mt. McKinley with only a shoulder injury. The other three had altitude-related illnesses and required escorts down the mountain.



Grizzly bear shot by backpackers in Denali National **Park**

In the first shooting since a new federal law allows handguns in National Parks, a man shot a grizzly bear last week when hiking in Denali National Park. The man was in the company of a woman and they chose to hike in dense brush along the edge of a creek, only one and a half mile away from the Parks road. The man drew a .45 caliber semiautomatic pistol when they heard a noise coming from the brush. When the bear emerged from the thicket and ran toward the other hiker, he fired nine rounds in its general direction. The backpackers ran back to the road, where they encountered a National Park Service employee. Rangers closed the area

until they sent out wildlife technicians to the scene. They found the dead bear, and its body was transported via helicopter to the park's headquarters for investigation. Park wildlife biologists and rangers are trying to determine if there was a justification for shooting the animal. It is now legal to carry a firearm in the former Mt. McKinley National Park portion of the park, but it is not legal to discharge it. The case is still under investigation, and the names of the backpackers are not being released. This is the first known instance of a grizzly bear being shot by a visitor in the wilderness portion of the park. The estimated grizzly bear population in the park north of the Alaska Range north is 300 to 350 animals.

Governor signs more bills

Last week, Governor Sean Parnell signed legislation that extends the Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend's charitable program called Pick.Click. Give. The bill also amends the law to allow heirs to apply for dividend checks of people who died that year. SB 171 repeals the sunset clause in the 'Pick. Click. Give.' program, which was set to end on December 31, 2011. The bill also relaxes eligibility requirements to allow more organizations to qualify and makes changes to streamline the process. In Nome, the Bering Sea Women's Group, the Nome Preschool Association and Kawerak Inc. were listed as eligible non-profits to receive donations through Pick.Click.Give.

Parnell also signed House Bill 186, the Firearms Freedom Act. The bill establishes that a personal firearm, firearm accessory or ammunition that is made either commercially or privately in Alaska and that remains in the state is not subject to federal law or regulation. Parnell says the law frees the State of Alaska from restrictive federal firearm regulation and allows the state to take responsible firearm regulation into their own hands.

Parnell signed House Bill 319. which changes statutes on Alaska concealed handgun permits. The bill says that a permit does not have to be surrendered when it expires or when a permit holder moves out of the state. The bill also clarifies that an expired permit can be displayed, as long as the permit holder is not claiming that it is a valid permit. It also requires the Department of Public Safety to mail a notice to the permit holder at least 90 days prior to the expiration of a permit.

State clashes with feds over Unimak predator control

The State of Alaska last week filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for blocking a proposed predator control action on Unimak Island intended to preserve a caribou herd. The lawsuit claims that the US Fish and Wildlife Service has violated the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act, the Administrative Procedure Act and a Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Alaska. The state ok'd the killing of seven wolves as the wolf population is blamed for decimating the caribou herd. The USFWS said more studies are needed. The USFWS threatened immediate criminal prosecution of any state employees who would trespass within the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge, which covers almost all of Unimak Island. U.S. Sen. Lisa Murkowski threw her weight behind the state and said she strongly supports the State of Alaska's legal action.

Wildfires start early in Alaska

An early fire season started in the Interior of Alaska due to early snowmelt. a lack of precipitation and warm temperatures. So far, 220 fires, 87 still active, have scorched more than 260,000 acres of land. A fire near Tok caused the evacuation of the small communities of Tanacross and Eagle Subdivision. The so-called Eagle Trail fire is within a half mile of Tanacross and burned almost 8,600 acres. It is not contained and 529 personnel are fighting the blaze. The Gilles Creek Fire 18 miles up the Pogo Road has burned 15,000 acres, with 175 personnel dispatched to fight it. Out of precaution, electricity to the Pogo mine has been shut down and the Pogo Mine road is closed. The Toklat fire, roughly 25 miles southwest of Nenana, burned 100,136 acres, with 174 fire fighters dispatched. The Applegate fire northeast of Manley Hot Springs burned12,000 acres and has crossed the Elliot Highway in multiple sections.

Located on east Front

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

June 3 - June 9, 2010

PLACE

Thursday, June 3

*Tennis
*High School Practice
*NACTEC Classes
*Open Gym
'Children's Library Hour
Crafts and Activities (ages 6-13)
*Lap Swim
*Tennis
*Infertility video
*Open Gym
Nome Planning Commission
Open House
*Strength Training with Robin
*Pediatric CPR: A Life Safer Guide video
*Lap Swim
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.
*Nome Food Bank
*Water Aerobics
*City League Volleyball
*Swing Dancing with Seiji
*Thrift Shop
You Call We Haul Week

Kegoayah Library Pool Nome Rec Center Council Chambers

Nome Rec Center Prematernal Home Pool Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center Bering & Seppala Pool Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center Methodist Church

5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m. 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. 7 a.m. - noon 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. noon - 2 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. 3 p.m. - 8 p.m.

4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY

Friday, June 4

Nome Rec Center Pool *Pick-up Basketball *Lap Swim *NACTEC Classes *Open Gym *Kindergym *Open Gym *Medicaid/Denali Kid Care class Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center Prematernal Home **Reginning Ballet 5-9 years old **Soccer Grades 1-2 **Nome Rec Center **Prevent Baby Bottle Tooth Decay video **Prevent Baby Bottle Tooth Decay video **Nome Rec Center **Prevent Grades 3-5 **Nome Rec Center **Port Commission WS - budget **Open City Chamber Council Chamber Chamber Council Chamber Cham Nome Rec Center Council Chambers

*Open Gym *Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan **Port Commission Reg Mtg** Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center Council Chambers *AA Meeting *Adult Drop-in Soccer **You Call We Haul Week**

5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m. 6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m. 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. 10 a.m. - noon noon - 4 p.m. 2 p.m. 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. **6 p.m.** 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. 6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. 2 p.m.

Lutheran Church (rear) 8 p.m. Nome Rec Center 8 p.m. - 10 p.m

Saturday, June 5

*UMW Thrift Shop *Spring Clean-up Raffle Day
*Sex: A Topic for Conversation video
*Family Swim Open Swim

*Lap Swim Pool 5 p.m. - 6:30 **Nome Rec Center started their summer hours and will be closed weeke You Call We Haul Week

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. noon - 5 p.m. **noon - 5 p.m.** 1:30 p.m. 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m

Sunday, June 6 1:30 p.m.

Old St. Joe's Hall

*Discipline: Teaching Limits with Love video WC: Expecting the Best video Prematernal Home Stroke-n-Croak registration Stroke-n-Croak race Pool

Monday, June 7

*Pick-up Basketball

*Pick-up Basketball
*Lap Swim
*NACTEC Classes
*Open Gym
*Kindergym
*Open Gym
*Pregnancy: Mom and the Unborn
Baby video
*Beginning Yoga with Kari
*Fetal Alcohol Syndrome:
A Lifetime Sentence video
*Water Aerobics
*City League Volleyball
*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan
*AA Meeting

5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m. 6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m. 8 a.m. - 10 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. 10 a.m. - noon noon - 6:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m Nome Rec Center Pool Pool

4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 8 5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m. 8 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. 7 a.m. - noon 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

*Tennis

*Nome Rec Center

*Pool
Nome Rec Center

*Pool
Nome Rec Center

*Regoayah Library
Storytime and Crafts (ages 3-5)

*Lap Swim
*Contraception: Know your Options video

*Open Gym
*Open Gym
*Strength Training with Robin
*Nome Rec Center
Prematernal Home
Pool
Nome Rec Center

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. 10:00 - 2 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. 7 p.m. 7 p.m. 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY

Wednesday, June 9 Nome Rec Center 5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.

*Pick-up Basketball *Lap Swim *NACTEC Classes *Open Gym *Kindergym *Rotary Club *ACSA Swimming *Breastfeeding video

*Yelling, Threatening and Putting Down video *Family Swim *Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan *Hello Central (also on Channel 98)

Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center Airport Pizza Prematernal Home Prematernal Home

noon - 10 p.m. Nome Rec Center

4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. 6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m. 8 a.m - 10 a.m.

10 a.m. - noon

Community points of interest hours of operation:

>>>>> Library Hours

>>>>> Nome Visitor Center Northwest Campus Library

Nome Visitors Center

Center Street

Front Street noon - 5:30 p.m. (Tu - F)
1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Sa)
additional hours by appointment
Kegoayah Library noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Front Street 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (M - F)
Northwest Campus 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th)
1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)
Center Street 8 a m - 4 p.m. (Th)

8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Tu - F)

Protect your eyes!

Cataracts are inevitable with age, but UV rays make this condition appear sooner. Wear tinted or clear lenses with built-in UV protection. Find out more at NSHC eye NSHC care, (907) 443-3235.

Community Calendar sponsored by Norton Sound Health Corporation, 443-3311

Norton Sound Health Corporation

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Breakfast menu to include, but not limited to:

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GOLD COAST CINEMA 443-8200

Starting Friday, June 4 *Iron Man 2 (PG-13)* 7 p.m.

A Nightmare on Elm Street (R) 9:30 p.m.

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



Listen to ICY 100.3 FM, Coffee Crew, 7 - 9 a.m., and find out how you can win free movie tickets!

NJUS has full plate with summer work slate

near Center Creek Road, with work

By Sandra L. Medearis

It will be difficult to ride around town this summer without seeing utility employees in safety vests as they work a sewer and water construction timeline from right now until November.

At its May 25 meeting, the Nome Joint Utility System board of directors reviewed a schedule of half a

dozen projects and passed resolutions approving funding. The projects, assigned to two crews, extend the services and at the same time, benefit already existing rate-payers.

tion Crew No. 1, the work orders include:

• Plumbing and electrical upgrades to the National Guard Hangar

already underway and a completion goal of mid-June. The project will comprise final electrical connections within the Guard building. • A new sewer main for Bypass For Sewer and Water Construc-Road (Seventh Avenue) running from East K to East N streets to serve the new hospital, work slated to finish by October. At the first part of

> in a pressure reducing station. • Additional work on replacing the transmission line carrying water from Moonlight Springs into homes and businesses in town, with Phase Two starting in mid-September and going on for six weeks.

summer, workers will construct util-

ity trench upgrades and later on put

• Upgrades to the Gold Avenue water main and work at the River Street Lift Station, during October, finishing with planting grass in the area.

While all this is going on, Sewer and Water Construction Crew No. 2 will work on Sixth Avenue Pump House upgrades, scheduled to finish at the beginning of November. This

work will enable NJUS to serve the hospital with a higher water pressure gradient and at the same time, improve water pressure to Icy View, especially for firefighting, according to NJUS manager John K. Handeland.

In other upgrade work, NJUS will install a SCADA system to monitor its connection to Banner Wind Farm. And what is a SCADA system? SCADA is an acronym that stands for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition. SCADA refers to a system that collects data from various sensors at a remote location and then sends this data to a central computer which then manages and controls the data. This is good, Handeland said Monday.

"Right now, our knowledge of what is happening comes from looking out the window," he said.

In other business, the board passed on a resolution to state Department of Transportation and Public Facilities advising them that after the new Snake River Bridge went in, the state would need to continue maintenance on the existing Snake

River Bridge.

Why? Because utilities crossing the existing bridge will not be relocated to the new bridge. The existing bridge will remain in service to carry the following functions across the river:

- Water feed from Moonlight Springs to the community.
- Water feed connecting to Seppala Drive to distribute potable water and fire protection to the community.
- Water supply and return lines to distribute drinking water and fire protection to the Nome Airport.
 - Sewer force main from the airport.
- Power feeder to Nome Airport, FAA Housing and other facilities, the National Guard Hangar, and the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center. The bridge also allows NJUS to route power in emergency situations to keep the lights on at the high school, DOT offices and maintenance complexes, Icy View, the existing hospital, and existing emergency services facilities-fire, police and ambulance.
 - Lines of other utility services.

CITGO picks up the fuel tab

Free heating fuel program back again

Kawerak Inc. has announced that the region's residents, including those living in Nome, are again eligible for credit toward their heating fuel bills through the petroleum company CITGO.

This year's credit will be \$450 for all households in the region. According to a press release from Kawerak, there are no income standards or tribal affiliation requirements. The \$450 is a one-time gift per household.

For residents of Nome, a voucher drive will be held in the lobby of the Sitnasuak Building located on Front Street. To qualify, recipients must reside in the Nome area. The drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 7-11. The building is the large yellow structure with the polar bear statue.

Residents in the region's villages can begin picking up fuel from their

Children's Library Hour

Recommended for children 6 and up

Twisting begins at 10:30 a.m.

vendors starting June 7.

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Range marker lights

Baker showed the commissioners photos of two range marker lights the U.S. Coast Guard plans to install for safe navigation of the entrance to the Nome harbor. The front ranger light is to be located in lot 64A, block 57 off Seppala Drive, and the rear range light is to be placed on land adjacent to West I Street between the Nome Cemetery and blocks 102 and 134.

Baker said each range marker is 6 feet wide and 15 feet high with an elevation of more than 20 feet because it will stand on a mound. The state

Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOTPF) has informed her that the range markers will not violate airspace and the Federal Aviation Administration has said no application will be needed for the range markers, she added.

Commissioner Charlie Lean asked if the range markers' lights will be have directional shrouds to prevent flares that could cause problems for aircraft in flight. Baker said the lights will flash every six seconds and will be directed at the harbor entrance, not toward the airport. Lean noted that landing lights at the airport have directional shrouds. The Nome Common Council plans to take final action on a proposed ordinance to lease municipal land to the Coast Guard for the range markers at a regular meeting on June 14.

FY 2011 draft budget

Baker presented a draft budget for FY 2011 to the commission. Chairman Jim West Jr. asked why the cost for professional services to prepare a port and harbor development plan is budgeted at \$40,000 instead of the \$30,000 figure approved by

the commission. Baker said when the scope of work for a 10-year plan was discussed, \$30,000 did not seem sufficient. West said to budget \$30,000 for the project, and if bids exceed that amount, the budget can be amended. Baker provided the commissioners with a draft of the request for proposals to develop the plan.

Baker relayed a report to the commission from City Manager Josie Bahnke that the status of funding the city requested from the Legislature for the port is not yet known. The city asked for \$600,000 to install high mast lighting at the causeway and inner harbor, \$50,000 for public restroom facilities at the port, and \$500,000 to install utility hookups for vessels at four docks in the inner harbor and causeway.

The commission decided to schedule a work session on the budget June 11 at 6 p.m., followed by a regular meeting at 7 p.m. West said he would like to obtain more information about potential revenue sources for the port next year, and asked Baker to invite City Controller Cussy Kauer to participate in the June 11 work session.

Baker said the city's new search and rescue/oil spill response boat is on a barge bound for Nome. A grant of \$102,000 from Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. and port funds will pay for the 28x10foot Packman port workboat, which cost \$185,000.

Airport plan alternatives

Lean described the content of a letter he drafted to DOTPF after he heard the agency still is considering moving the Snake River as an alternative in the Nome airport runway safety area expansion project. If water from the river does not continue to flow through the small harbor and the large harbor, a delay in ice leaving the harbors and a loss of commerce will result, Lean said.

"I am concerned about sanitation," he added. "Water moving through the harbor prevents stagnation. The loss of a freshwater/saltwater mixing zone would have bad effects on salmon and other fish. The airport would be improved by moving it northwest because of traffic patterns. Move the airport instead of the river."

'Is anyone in the city in favor of moving the river?" Commissioner Jeff Darling asked. "I feel as Charlie does. As a commission will we take a stand on behalf of the city?

'We can," Baker replied. She said Mayor Denise Michels has expressed opposition to moving the river in a letter to DOTPF. Lean suggested that the Port Commission send a letter similar to his draft to the mayor or the Nome Common Council. Baker said she has information to add to the letter and she asked Lean for time to provide input after reading it carefully. A final version of the letter was not available at press time.

All members of the Port Commission attended the meeting except for Campbell Kristenson.

Attempted bootlegging proves costly

Botched booze run costs Elim man a boat, motor, four-wheeler and two years

An Elim man was sentenced to two years in jail and will lose a boat, motor and four-wheeler in the resolution of a botched bootlegging scheme attempted last August.

Timothy L. Moore, 40, was handed the two-year sentence and order to forfeit his property from Judge Ben Esch May 25 in Nome. Moore was convicted by a jury in February for one count of felony alcohol importation. The 18-foot Lund skiff, its motor and a Honda four-wheeler were all used in the effort to deliver more than 80 bottles of hard liquor and several cases of beer from Nome to Elim, a community which forbids the use and possession of alcohol.

Testimony in Moore's trial revealed how Moore and his nephew, Martin Saccheus, boated from Elim with the four-wheeler on board to the Solomon River, east of Nome last August. The two continued to Nome on the four-wheeler where they met up with Wayne Moses, who aided them in purchasing the alcohol and getting it back to the boat.

While Moses took the fourwheeler back to Nome, Moore and Saccheus made their way toward Flim in the boat. Their return home, however, was stalled when the boat's motor lost its prop, stranding the two at sea. With the aide of the U.S. Coast Guard and a good Samaritan vessel, the two and their boat were brought to Golovin where Alaska State Trooper Jay Sears was waiting. While most of the alcohol that was onboard had been jettisoned into the sea, a small amount remained on the boat when Sears investigated. More evidence began to wash up on the beaches near Golovin in the days that followed.

Moses and Saccheus agreed to work with state prosecutors in exchange for dropped or reduced charges for their roles in the scheme. Saccheus pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge last November of importing alcohol. Moses had a charge of felony transport of alcohol to a dry community dropped for his cooperation.

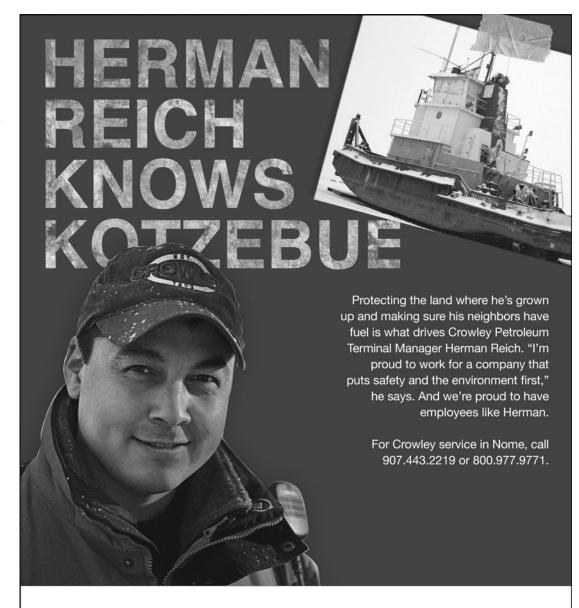
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Recall recount

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their races. McComas looks to have been recalled by a vote of 493 to 469. Karmun should keep her seat with a vote of 496 to retain her and 446 to recall. The fifth board member, Barb Nickels, enjoyed the widest margin, receiving an unofficial tally of 580 to retain and 362 to recall. The vote tallies for the three members reflect the unofficial results from a machine recount conducted May 26.

All vote tallies remain unofficial until the Nome Common Council meets to canvass and certify the results. That was initially to take place May 27, however, the requests for hand recounts of the ballots for Payenna and Timbers spurred the council to delay its action until June 1. That June 1 meeting never materialized.

With most of the school board members sitting in the chambers at noon June 1, only Nome Mayor Denise Michels and Councilman Jerald Brown were sitting at the table. As the noon whistle blew, Michels told the crowd that their attendance was in vain. The council meeting had not been publically announced, and even if it had been, the council had no report from the election judges to review. "The council is not here because we can't make a decision because we weren't properly advertised," Michels said.

Michels said the council would tentatively try and meet on Friday at noon.

The most recent unofficial tallies as of press time for Timbers and Payenna come from a May 28 hand recount that came after two Nome citizens made the request for each candidate. Up until that recount, the results showed Payenna narrowly losing her seat. When the polls closed May 25 Payenna faced an unofficial tally of 479 to recall and 467 to retain. After questioned and other ballots that could not be read by the machine were tallied the next day, Payenna's unofficial total stood at 479 to 471, still appearing to have resulted in recall. After a machine recount conducted later in the day May 26, the margin narrowed but still would have had the same result with a tally of

481-475. It wasn't until the hand recount, requested by Louis Green Jr., that Payenna's fate appeared to change with the 478 votes to retain her versus the 477 to recall her.

The progression for Timbers also saw a changing bottom line with each successive count. At the polls closure, the unofficial numbers had Timbers losing her seat by two votes (475 to recall vs. 473 to retain). After the questioned and other remaining ballots were counted the next day, she looked to keep her seat by two votes (478 to retain vs. 476 to recall). The May 26 machine recount put her at an even 478 to 478 votes, meaning she would remain on the board since it requires a majority to unseat a sitting board member. The May 28 hand recount, requested by Joe Kennedy, appeared to give her a bit more breathing room with a total of 484 voting to retain and 482 voting to recall.

Kennedy's request for the hand recount of the ballots concerning Timbers came as the common council started their May 27 meeting to canvas the votes. Later in the meeting, Councilman Brown suggested a second hand recount be conducted. "There was another seat there that was very close," Brown said. "I think to avoid the appearance of something evil...we should also recount the ballot for Heather Payenna."

While it was Brown who put the idea on the table, it was Green who put it in writing to request the hand recount for Payenna. Green was sitting in the audience observing the meeting and reluctantly stepped forward to make the request.

The requests set off a discussion of how ballots with questionable markings would be counted. Councilman Stan Andersen wanted to be certain that a policy was in place to establish a final arbitrator on questionable ballots before the count started. "I want something in writing that says who makes the final decision," Andersen said. "I don't want us as a collective board making that decision. I want something in writing from somebody else.'

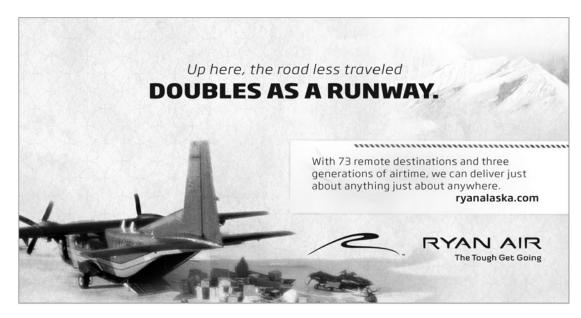
Andersen got his wish. City attorney Brooks Chandler advised the



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COUNTED AND RECOUNTED—Election worker Mary Straub, left, Region IV Elections Supervisor Becka Baker, center, and Nome City Clerk Sandy Babcock work their way through the ballots for all five school board members in a machine recount conducted May 26 at Nome City Hall. A subsequent hand recount was conducted for members Heather Payenna and Kirsten Timbers. All results were still unofficial as of press time June 1 as the Nome Common Council had yet to meet to certify the count.

council to meet the next morning and appoint an election board to handle the recount. The council followed the advice and selected Francis Alvanna as judge inspector, Donna Morgan as judge chairperson, Mary Straub as judge, and Eleanor Oakes and Shirley Tisdale as election clerks. The five newly appointed board members handled the hand recount of Timbers' and Payenna's ballots May 28.



Front Street

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region. A copy of the letter appeared in the May 20 edition of *The Nugget*.

Teri Veasey of DOTPF said the department is not prepared to hold public hearings on the issue at this time, but von Scheben wants to listen to comments from BSNC and Sitnasuak officials. Sitnasuak representatives have suggested downtown alternatives to the Steadman Street site for state offices at meetings of the Nome Planning Commission and the Common Council.

The NPC unanimously approved a preliminary plat for the new state office building on Steadman Street at a meeting May 4. The move indicates the proposed land use, as mapped, meets the City codes under which a project site is evaluated, with required fees paid to the city. The approval does not mean the commission takes a position on the

location of the building. The Common Council adopted a resolution approving the Steadman Street site in March, but reversed that stand April 12, rejecting the site in favor of a Front Street location.

In addition to von Scheben, participants at the council's work session June 9 will include Frank Richards, deputy commissioner, and Matt Desalernos, engineer/architect, DOTPF; Mike Black, deputy commissioner, Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development; Chris Christensen, deputy administrative director, and Lesa Hall, facilities manager, Alaska Court System; Tim Towarak, president. Gail Schubert, chief executive officer, and Jerald Brown, vice president, BSNC; Trudy Sobocienski, president and CEO of Sitnasuak; Michels and council members. Brown is a member of the NPC and of the Common Council.

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OCS drilling in the Chukchi or Beaufort Seas suspended

By Diana Haecker

In response to the ongoing oil spill disaster caused by the explosion of the BP drill platform Deepwater Horizon in the Gulf of Mexico, the U.S. Department of the Interior Secretary Ken Salazar last Sunday put in writing what President Barak Obama announced last week: no more offshore continental oil lease sales, no drilling in the Arctic and a moratorium on deepwater drilling.

Salazar canceled lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico and a proposed lease sale off the coast of Virginia. He also suspended proposed exploratory drilling in the Arctic. The suspension has no time limit attached, but it could last until next year. Salazar also placed a sixmonth moratorium on deepwater drilling - deeper than 500 feet - to implement new safety requirements. Oil companies are allowed to continue retrieving oil from already completed wells, but are not allowed to do any kind of drilling to initiate or complete new wells. This is in response to criticism that the Dept. of Interior's previous moratorium continued to allow the very same kind of drilling that was occurring on BP's Deepwater Horizon when it exploded. The new moratorium does not allow such drilling types.

Shell had plans to drill two exploratory wells in the Chukchi Sea and in the Beaufort this summer. In response to the drilling ban, Governor Sean Parnell alleges that Salazar's decision to suspend drilling in the Arctic is based on fear, not sound science. He said Shell's exploration plans have been reviewed extensively and that he "simply cannot understand how the federal government could approve plans of exploration only five months ago approvals that were upheld by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals – but now refuse to take the final step in a long regulatory process and not authorize Shell's permits to drill." Par-nell played the economy card and said that Shell's oil and gas development and production "would have immediately created hundreds of jobs, generated revenue for federal, state and local governments, and helped extend the life of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System.'

Parnell also argued that development and production would have provided a domestic source of oil to help meet the nation's energy needs and ease the dependence on foreign sources.

Earlier this month, the Ninth Circuit court struck down a lawsuit to halt Shell's drilling plans. The Alaska Whaling Commission, the Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope the village of Point Hope and nationwide environmental groups challenged the permit issued by the federal Mineral Management Service on grounds that the agency failed to conduct proper assessment of environmental impacts.

Alaska's congressional delegation stands together in their opinion that the suspension of Shell's OCS drilling is unjustified. Senator Mark Begich said in a statement that he is frustrated with the Obama Administration's decision to halt offshore development. He said this delay would cause higher costs for domestic oil and gas production to meet the nation's energy needs. And he defended Shell's plans saying, "The Gulf of Mexico tragedy has highlighted the need for much stronger oversight and accountability of oil companies working offshore, but Shell has updated its plans at the administration's request and made significant investments to address the concerns raised by the Gulf spill. They make an effective case that we can safely explore for oil and gas this summer in the Arctic." Congressman Don Young used harsher language and called the administration's decision "irrational" and "careless." "It is based only in response to the hysteria of interest groups that want to cripple our country," said Young. "We need to figure out what went wrong and fix the problem and not put our economy in further gridlock because of fear mongering from extremists. It's not smart and it's not right."

Senator Lisa Murkowski has not commented on the drill suspension but proposed legislation to streamline claims to make sure that victims of the BP oil spill get financial compensation fast. "This bill allows those affected by the spill to recover damages without having to rely on lawyers for a decades-long legal fight like Alaskans experienced with the Exxon Valdez,"

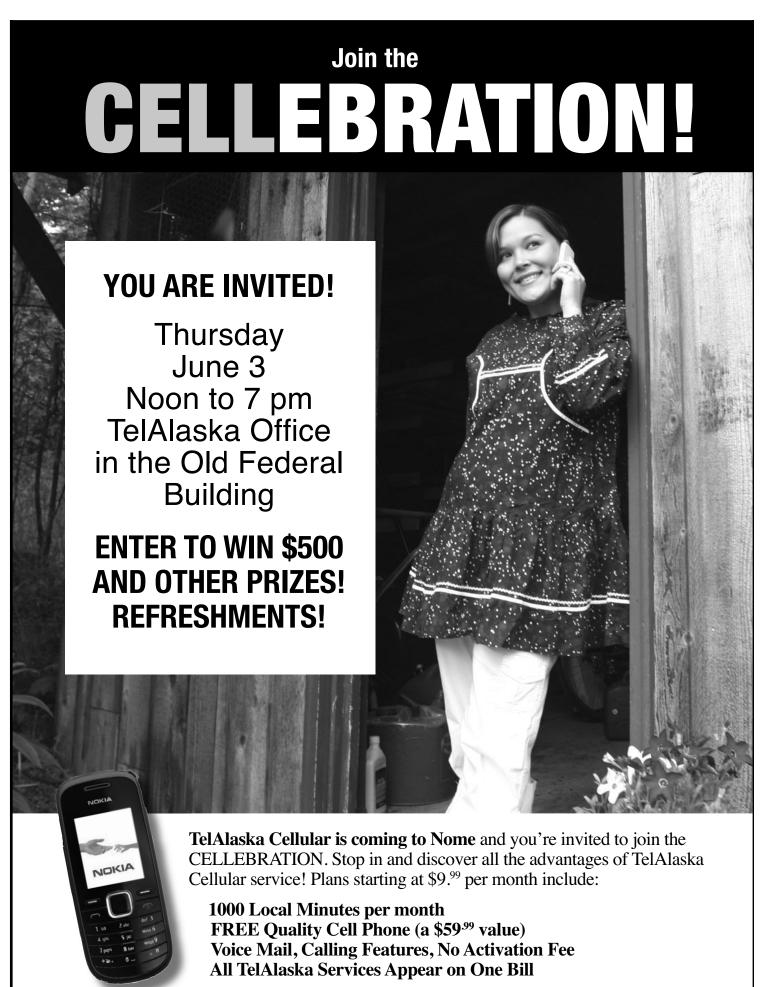
Murkowski said.

The Center of Biological Diversity, a national conservation organization that made headlines for their successful petitions on listing polar bears as an endangered species, has been pushing for restrictions on all offshore oil drilling. "We're glad to see the moratorium has been expanded to cover all deepwater drilling," said Kierán Suckling, executive director of the Center, "but we're very upset that restrictions on shallower water drilling have been lifted. All offshore oil drilling, whether deep or shallow, is dangerous and should be suspended."

Suckling said that the Interior Department continued to exempt all drilling plans from environmental review under a previously announced moratorium and that 17 new deepwater well drilling projects were allowed to proceed. He said, "It's not only illegal, but also deeply unethical for Salazar to allow these waivers to continue in the midst of the greatest environmental catastrophe in American history." As the government continues to probe into the cause of the spill and MMS's failed regulatory oversight, the inner workings of the MMS revealed a cozy relation-

ship with the oil industry. Suckling suggested that Salazar remove former BP executive Sylvia Baca from her job as deputy assistant secretary for land and minerals management. This is in response to the inspector general's finding earlier this week that the revolving door between the oil industry and the MMS has undermined the agency's effectiveness and credibility.

The Center called for a permanent ban on all new offshore oil drilling, beginning in Alaska, arguing that instead of going after more oil, the nation should transition to clean energy sources such as sun and wind.



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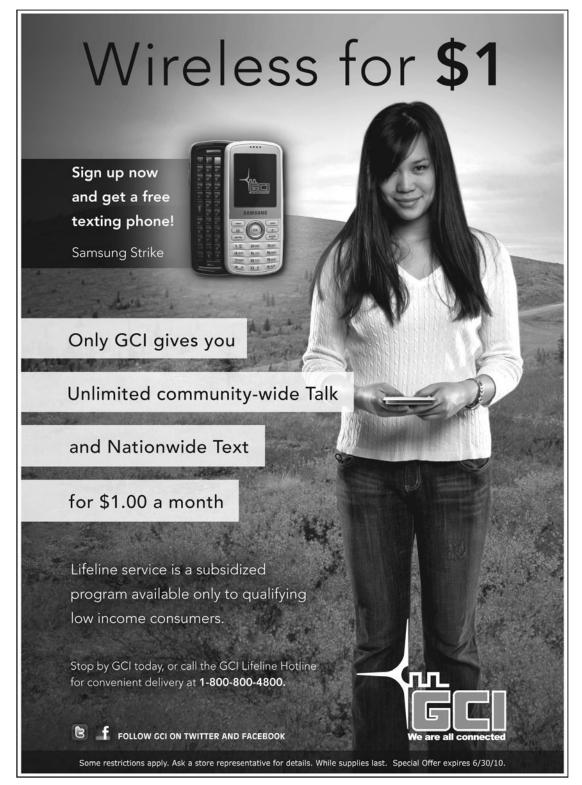
Ranger Talk - June 10th at 2:00pm Fun topics, held at the Nome Visitor Center. More information call 443-2522





Norton Sound Health Corporation wishes the gradutes of both the Bering Strait School District and Nome Public Schools congratulations on your achievement - as well as wishing you all the luck in your future endeavors!

Congratulations to all scholarship recipients! Also, a big congratulations to all graduates from around the Sound!



the beach at Safety



Student Broadcasting Team Interviews Governor

By Damon Hargraves, Student Broadcasting Facilitator, District Office

Governor Sean Parnell payed a surprise visit to Native Youth Olympic participants and fans this year at the State Games in Anchorage. After speaking to the crowd and handing out awards, Governor Parnell spent time talking to the BSSD Student Broadcasting Team. Janice Homekingkeo from Koyuk even spent time interviewing the Governor. Video for this interview can still be seen at http://sbt.bssd.org.

As has been the tradition for several years now, the Student Broadcasting Team has covered the State Native Youth Olympic games in Anchorage. The games proved to be exciting and entertaining as usual. Records were broken and tremendous sportsmanship was shown as we watched the athletes compete.

In addition to the Governor, Janice interviewed Anchorage Mayor Dan Sullivan. Another Student Broadcaster, Kevin Tocktoo from Brevig Mission, landed an interview with Olympic Snowboarder Callan Cythlook-Sifsof. Callan is from Alaska and participated in NYO growing up.









Farewell Address From the Superintendent

Another school year has concluded and graduations have been completed. With over 95 students graduating this year, we are quite proud of this year's senior class.

Over the past five years, the District has continued to raise our standards, and our students continue to meet the challenge.

More BSSD students are learning to high standards than ever before. With the release of the latest state assessment results, students are scoring at the highest levels in reading, writing and math. As I have continued to say, we are making progress but we still have work to do and a ways to go before we fulfill our mission of teaching ALL children.

This effort has required some students to return to school for a 13th year. We say that is great. We are more concerned with our students graduating than we are with the date on a calendar. As a result, more students who are returning to school are completing the needed requirements to earn a full BSSD high school diploma. Congratulations to those who persevere.

This work has been hard and I want to thank the District Office administration, principals, teachers and staff of our school district. You have taken on an enormous challenge and made progress I could not have imagined. I also wish to thank our school board for their support and demanding that we do better for the students of our region. Our Board recognized that if some students were failing we were not fulfilling our mission. Our mission is to teach all our students.

Two exceptional people have dedicated their professional lives to this district and have left a lasting mark because of their efforts. BSSD will greatly miss Kim and Greg Johnson next year.

Mrs. Kim Johnson, has served BSSD for the past fifteen (15) years and will be moving to Montana this July with her family. Mrs. Johnson has helped lead our district in raising student achievement in the area of reading. I am proud to say that as a district, our reading scores on the latest assessments are at the highest levels in the history of BSSD. She has also been instrumental in our Early Childhood Education (ECE) program and our Staff Development program. We will have ECE programs in all fifteen schools next year. I thank Mrs. Johnson for the many years of outstanding services to the students and staff in BSSD and for all of the support she has given me over the years.

Next, I would like to congratulate and thank Mr. Greg Johnson on his retirement. Mr. Johnson has worked for BSSD for the past twenty-six [26] years. He has been the Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the past ten years. Mr. Johnson has spent his entire professional career in BSSD and no one better represents the best of our district. He has lead BSSD in our instructional reform that has produced the highest achievement levels and the largest number of graduates. With the newly adopted five year strategic plan and the newly adopted curriculum and resources in Math and Science, he leaves BSSD with a path set for continued improvement. It has been an honor to work with him.

This will be my last Strait Talk article as Superintendent. It is with a heavy heart that I will be retiring after twenty-nine (29) years with BSSD. I have been fortunate enough to lead a talented and passionate group of educators the past three years. I am proud of the accomplishments of our students. This would not be possible without the commitment of the staff in BSSD and the support of the parents in our communities. The future is bright for our students.

I would like to thank the BSSD School Board for the opportunity to serve the students in our region. We have a dedicated Board that works as a team to serve all students. It has been an honor to work with you.

On a personal note, I would like to thank the community of Unalakleet for being a great place to live and raise a family and for making us part of the community. I am proud to have raised my sons from pre-school to high school graduation in Unalakleet.

Finally, I would like to thank the people of the region for their support over these many years. I have been fortunate enough to visit our communities many times and have had the opportunity to get to know many wonderful caring people in our region. I will miss all of you, but hope to visit again in the future

I wish everyone the best. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Jim Hickerson, Superintendent



Allen Kimoktoak holds his award, accompanied by Superintendent Jim Hickerson, Director of Facilities Bob Dickens, and Maintenance Supervisor Ric Ried.

Allen Kimoktoak Named Maintenance Person of the Year

Allen Kimoktoak, maintenance worker from Koyuk-Malemute School, was selected as 2009 BSSD Maintenance Person of the Year by a district maintenance panel. Allen has worked at Koyuk school since 1988 and was selected based on several qualities and strengths. First and foremost, the pride Allen takes in his work is obvious to all. He is willing to do the extra things to make sure the school reflects Koyuk in a positive manner. He is dedicated to ensuring the school functions properly and is a safe and comfortable place for student learning. Also, Allen is a dependable employee, completing monthly paperwork and working independently to solve maintenance problems. He is willing to ask questions of supervisors when necessary, and then tackle the tasks at hand. Finally, Allen has shown his willingness to work with others, both site custodians/staff and district itinerant workers, in a cooperative manner. For these and many more reasons, Koyuk-Malemute School and BSSD is proud to recognize the efforts of Allen Kimoktoak. Congratulations Allen Kimoktoak, Maintenance Worker, Koyuk Malemute School.

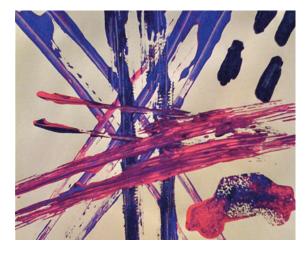
Here Come the Arts!

By Jim Nelson

After about a decade of slow decline, the arts are making a strong comeback in the schools of the Bering Strait School District. Emphasis on standardized test scores (brought about as part of a nation-wide response to the federal No Child Left Behind Act) has made it difficult for teachers in recent years to squeeze in some curricula at one time more prominently featured...like the arts.







However, as a result of both a national movement to return the arts to our schools (for the sake of art itself) combined with a growing understanding that many students learn better in all of the content areas when information is presented both linguistically (words and numbers) and nonlinguistically (pictures, graphs, music, photos, and video sequences); teachers are finding more and more ways to bring art back into their classrooms.

To support this, the Bering Strait School District has formed an Arts In Education committee which has sponsored several events including "miniresidencies" – where professional artists visit school sites and teach the students various art techniques—and "working weekends"—where

teachers receive intensive training in art which they use in their instruction, or encourage students to use for assignments.

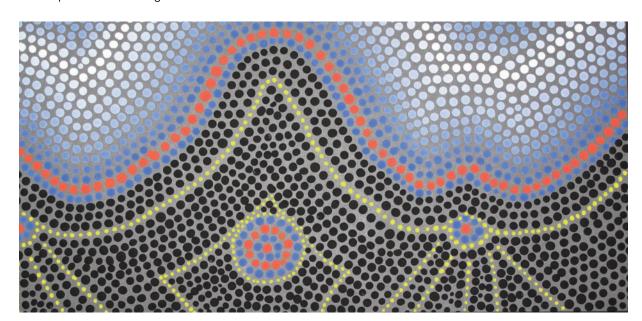




Art-be it visual, musical or performed—is one of the most ancient and enduring of all human traditions. All cultures have art and value it. Van Gough's paintings have been claimed to be among the most valuable objects on the planet. Money earned by many people, regardless of what they do to earn it, is often spent purchasing objects of art, or traveling to foreign lands to sightsee architecture, museums and culturally rich centers of music, film, or theatre.



Imagine a world in which all of people became highly educated in reading, writing and mathematics, but in which no art existed to express joy, frustration, contentment or passion. What would they do in their spare time? What would they value? How could they surround themselves with beauty?



Longevity Awards for Service in BSSD

5 YEARS

Jane Olanna-KTS Dianna Gharst-ELI Tracy Saccheus-ELI Johanna Koonooka-GAM Sandy McFarland-KKA Ethel Fuller-SKK Angie Alston-SHH Steve Alston-SHH Andrew Ningeulook-SHH Jodi Grewe-SMK Robin Hanks-SMK Lauren Anderson-WBB Ben Dolgner-WBB Heidi Hargraves-UNK Jessica Keller-UNK April Storms-UNK Patty Vink-UNK Jack Adams-WMO Maryam Bassir-DO Darla Grediagin-DO Damon Hargraves-DO Yannita Ivanoff-DO Stacey Stansell-DO Ted VanBronkhorst-DO

10 YEARS

Laura Esparza-GLV Linda Akeya-SVA Carol Miklahook-SVA Patrick Reynolds-SVA Amanda Paniptchuk-SKK Susan Rilling-SHH Bea Stough-SHH Bibiana Billingsley-SMK Janice Delaney-TLA Donald Weyanna-TLA Quinn Ivanoff-UNK Lillian Katongan-UNK Nancy Dean-WAA Tim Daniels-DO Tammy Dodd-DO

15 YEARS

Doris Amaktoolik-ELI
Abel Saccheus-ELI
Carol Henry-GAM
William Nassuk-KKA
Stella Ningeulook-SHH
Ray Caudill-UNK
Ben Howard-UNK
Christine KomonaseakWAA
Kim Johnson-DO

20 YEARS

Annie Woods-DO

Emily Murray-ELI Thomas Saccheus-ELI Florina Snell-SHH Michelle Ongtowasruk-WAA Luann Ashenfelter-WMO Maggie Ivanoff-DO

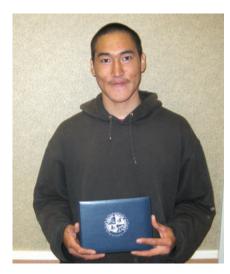
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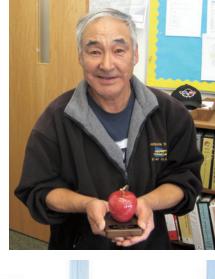
Dora Ahkinga-DIO Ruth Daniels-ELI Elsie Cheemuk-SMK Lynn Jackson-DO

30 YEARS

Molly Moon-KKA Glenn Katongan-UNK

















Shaktoolik Says Aloha

3y Lynda Bekoalok, Teacher, Shaktoolik

3SSD encourages its students to think outside the box. Ten Shaktoolik students not only thought butside the box, they lived outside the box for ten days in Hawaii.

n March 2009, my elementary students (ages 3-12) asked if my husband and I would take them to Hawaii. I told them if they raised the money we would take them wherever they wanted to go. That very day after school the class had a meeting lead by class president McKenzie Sagoonick. They started brainstorming fundraising ideas and who they would write letters to asking for help. Three days later they had their first fundraiser and made \$128. After writing literally hundreds of letters and 97 fundraising events later, on April 28th we anded in Honolulu, Hawaii!

The students: Donald Auliye, Crystal Katchatag, Anikan Paniptchuk, Everson Paniptchuk, Desiree Rock, Kacie Rock, McKenzie Sagoonick, Levi Sagoonick, Nathan Savetilik, and Ashley Sookiayak along with chaperones Amanda and Reuben Paniptchuk, Gary Bekoalok and myself spent ten wonderful days on the island of Oahu, Hawaii. As we came out of the clouds to see the Islands of Hawaii below us, the students started laughing and saying "YES! We made it!!" Donald said "For two weeks I have been dreaming of Hawaii and now my dreams have come true."

have been working on my master's degree online, one of my classmates, Tymmie, is from Hawaii. Tymmie Keala Ah-Chong and Kordell Keoka (the Chaplin at King Kamehameha Schools) arranged for us to stay at a wonderful house on the King Kamehameha School campus in Honolulu for the first five days. Tymmie is a teacher at the Hālau Lōkahi Public Charter School. She and her family met us at the airport with the traditional lei preeting.

While in Honolulu the students met their pen pals from the Hālau Lōkahi Public Charter School. The pen pals exchanged gifts along with cultural songs and dances. Together we toured the Bishop Museum. Crystal commented that if was fun going to the planetarium with our pen pals and seeing the stars, sun and moon. We then all went to Jncle Gabe's. Uncle Gabe is a retired fireman who oves children. He has a beautiful pasis behind his



house with ponds, trees, and flowers. The students made bamboo flutes and enjoyed hula dancing by they're new Hawaiian friends. We then went to the Mauna'ala The Hawaiian Royal Mausoleum where all of the Ali'i (Hawaiian Royalty) are buried. The students were amazed that while at the Mausoleum we were on not in the United States as it is on Sovereign Hawaiian land.

We enjoyed tours of the US Arizona Memorial, USS Missouri and the USS Bowfin. Everson said the Missouri was huge. "We went up real high on the ship and were way above the water. It was really scary being that high." Donald thought the Bowfin submarine was one of the coolest things he had ever seen.



Among the many activities the group experienced was lolani Palace. The students were greatly impacted by the fact that the Queen Lili'uokalani was arrested for treason falsely and held prisoner in her own palace for six months. She eventually died of a broken heart. Seeing her bare room with only a small desk and a tiny bed was sad, but the students saw the importance of standing firm and holding fast to your beliefs.

The group Eskimo danced and sang a song in Inupiaq at the King Kamehameha Chapel and at the Waolani Judd Nazarene School. They enjoyed meeting their new "cousins" and exchanging cultures. Kacie said she enjoyed eating donuts, drinking milk and playing on the play ground with their new friends at the Waolani Judd school.

We stayed at a penthouse condo at Pat's in Punalu'u for four days. Everyone enjoyed swimming at the the beach and pool. The highlight was spending a day at the Polynesian Cultural Center. We had a private tour of the seven islands of Polynesia, a canoe ride, luau and the best seats in the house at the show Ha'Da Breath of Life. Anikan's favorite part of the luau was the real pineapple that had a smoothie in it. "It was really good!" she said. The students jaw dropped when Kap Te'o Tafiti danced with fire knives. When he put the burning knives on his bare feet many of the students were beyond disbelief.

Another activity the students really enjoyed was riding horses at the Kualoa Ranch. They couldn't believe how big the horses were and how it wiggled when they walked. They also got to pet a pig, a donkey, a chicken. They saw a parrot, spider monkey and an ostrich. On the last day they students were treated to a surprise day at the Wet and Wild Water Park.

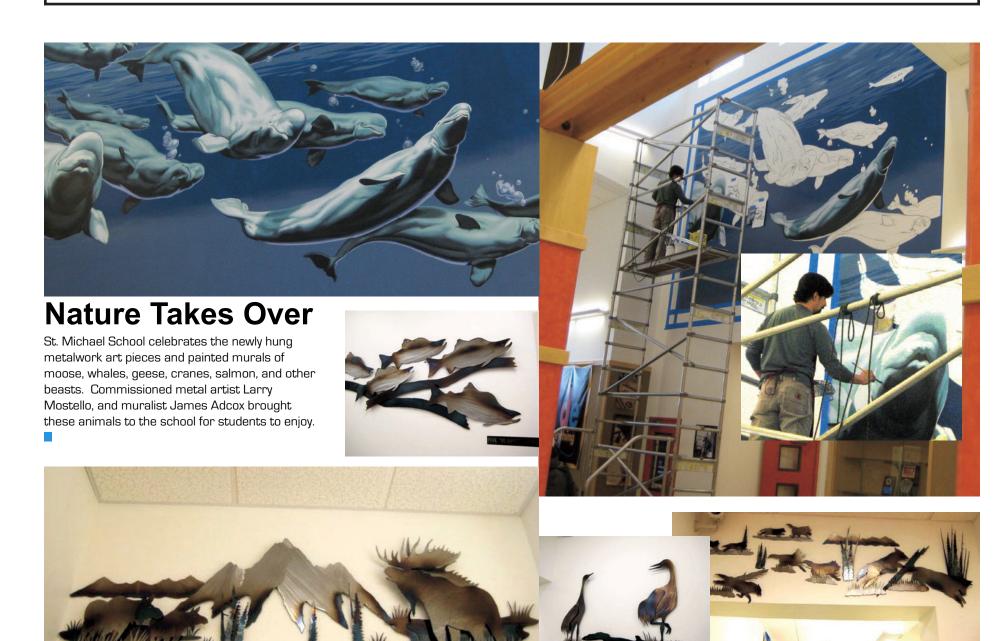


I was very proud of the students. Everywhere we went people complimented on how well behaved and respectful they were. Alaska, BSSD, Shaktoolik, their culture and their families should be very proud of them. They soaked in every ounce of the experience each day. They wanted to glean the most they could from every place we visited and every person they met. They saw how the Eskimo culture and the Hawaiian culture have many similarities and how they can learn from each other.

These ten students along with their families, worked extremely hard for over a year to make this happen. Many thought it was an impossible feat for ten children this age to make this happen. But as I told them from the beginning, if you believe in something strong enough and work hard enough, you can make it happen.

If you would like to see more on this adventure check out our blog at nauruq10.blogspot.com.







What's the Hang Up?

White Mountain School has a new hang up. Community members and students cooperated to create the 89 piece fence project as part of their latest commissioned art. They designed, traced, cut, filed, drilled, primed, painted, sealed and then hung the artwork on the 90' fence outside the school. This project was made possible through the generous support of the Bering Strait School District, the Alaska State Council on the Arts and NSEDC. Next time you are in White Mountain, make sure to check out our newest creation.?







Michelle Saccheus

WHITE MOUNTAIN

Roberta Charles, Paul Tomalonis, and Deanne Lincoln



Dawn Dominique Ozenna, and Kristy Kelly Aliceson Kunayak

UNALAKLEET



Lucinda Ivanoff (Bering Straits Foundation Scholarship, NSEDC Scholarship, Massie Foundation Scholarship), Max Fancher, JoAnne Anderson (Bering Straits Foundation Scholarship, NSEDC Scholarship), Ana Lee Swanson (Salutatorian, Region I Scholarship, Bering Straits Foundation, Massie Foundation, UA Scholarship), Allison Ivanoff, Cameron Gray (Certificate of Achievement), Rebecca Paniptchuk, Pete Katongan, Willow Leedy (John Russin Scholarship, UA Grant, Bering Straits Foundation, Massie Foundation), Preston Bradley, Joanne Semaken (UA Grant, Wells Fargo Scholarship, Bering Straits Foundation Scholarship, Massie Foundation Scholarship, NSEDC Scholarship), Katiya Erickson (Valedictorian, Covenant member Grant, Region I Scholarship, Bering Straits Foundation, Massie Foundation, North Park University Grant, NSEDC Scholarship, North Park Dean's Scholarship, UA Scholarship), Jodi Gilley (Bering Straits Foundation, Massie Foundation Scholarship)

Courtesy of NSEDC

Cecelia Tingook, Katherine Kitchen (UA Scholarship), Lloyd Oxereok, and Julia Ongtowasruk

KOYUK



Kyle Sagoonick (Salutatorian, NSEDC Scholarship), Roy Anasogak, Steven Hoogendorn, Jr., Nikko Adams, Garrett Kimoktoak, Kenneth Dewey, Luann Charles, Dylanne Nassuk (NSEDC Scholarship, BA Scholarship), Molly Nassuk (UA Scholar Award), Jenna Homekingkeo (Valedictorian), Melanie Nassuk



Marie Olanna, Johnny Seetot, Kevin Henry, Swenson Tocktoo, Ashton Nayokpuk, Janeen Barr



Michael Kralik, Meranda Okoomealingok, Theodore Kingeekuk, Allison Miklahook, Elmer Rookok, Kelsey Gologergen, Derek Toolie, Rosina Toolie, Christopher Miklahook Not Pictured: Dorothy Kava

Class of 2010

SHISHMAREF



James Sockpick (Roe Scholarship), Jack Pootoogooluk, Frieda Grierson (Valedictorian, Bering Strait Foundation, City of Shishmaref, Kawerak, Native Village of Shishmareed, NSEDC, Roe Scholarship, Superintendent of the Year Scholarship, UA Grand, UA Scholars), Heather Sinnok (Salutatorian, Bering Strait Foundation, City of Shishmaref, Kawerak, NSEDC, Roe Scholarship, UA Scholars), Jackie Eningowuk, Holly Nayokpuk (Roe Scholarship)



Keith Lockwood, Randy Elachik, Timothy Nickoli Page Myomick, Maasingah Nakak, Julie Oxerok, Andrea Myomick, Grace Johnson, Molly Tom Keith Lockwood, Randy Elachik, Timothy Nickoli

GOLOVIN



Harvey Miller Jr., Frank Amaktoolik Jr., Travis Fagerstrom (Valedictorian), Tashina Esparza (UA Scholarship, Bering Straits Foundation Scholorship, NSEDC Scholorship)

SHAKTOOLIK



Marie Sookiayak, Zachary Sagoonick, and Raymond

TELLER



Tommy Okleasik, Janelle Menadelook, and Jamie Ablowaluk

STEBBINS



Marcus Snowball, Vanessa Bouchan, Shannon Bouchan, Ariel Odinzoff, Amber Atchak, Brandon Mike, Jared Raymond

GAMBELL



Steven James, Cliffy Apassingok, Melanie Campbell, Ashana Iworrigan, Dusty Iworrigan, Lida Kaningok, Boy-Boy (Filmer) Campbell, Bobbi Slwooko

Completed at Least One Level Spring 2010

Brevig Mission

Maude Adam Benjamin Adams Ronald Adams Johanna Adams Janet Adams Lynette Adams Allen Ahnangnatoguk Steven Ahnangnatoguk Tracy Ahnangnatoguk Don Ahnangnatoguk Adrian Barr Jr Shaylene Barr-Komok Shane Bruns Randy Bruns Jr Mary Crockett Carl Crockett Doreen Divers Matthew Goodhope Kevin Henry Sean Huls Hans Huls Tommy Iyapana Brianne Jones Kayla Kakoona Sherri Kakoona Maranda Kakoona Archie Kakoona Paul Kakoona Elizabeth Kakoona Ivan Kakoona Anthony Kakoona Helen Kakoona-Bruns Laura Kugzruk Bert Kuzuguk Kaitlin Kuzuguk Ashton Nayokpuk Anna Okpealul Waylon Okpealuk Rickie Okpealuk David K Olanna Wesley Olanna Angela Olanna Arnold Olanna Mary Olanna Carl Olanna Kevin Olanna Dora Olanna Edna Olanna Karen Olanna Lillian Olanna David Michael Olanna Marie C Olanna Martha Olanna Darcy Olanna Dorothy Olanna Peter Olanna Jamie Olanna Fannie Olanna Reuben Oxereok Kyle Picnalook Lennea Picnalook Jenna Picnalook Michael Picnalook Elton Picnalool Ida Rock Kelsi Rock Kenneth Rock Robert Rock Warren Rock Tammy Rock Norton Rock Belinda Rock Francine Rock Lisa Seetot Carl Seetot Louis Seetot Johnson Seetot Roger Seetot Johnny Seetot Ida Seetot Victoria Seetot Wesley Seetot Shawn Tocktoo Brenda Tocktoo David Tocktoo Kevin Tocktoo Brandon Tocktoo Gwendolyn Tocktoo Swenson Tocktoo Elmer Tocktoo

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Roy Tocktoo

Heather Tocktoo

Shannon Tocktoo

Ryan Tocktoo

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Snowfyre Angi James Aningayou Gladys Aningayou Danny Aningayou Deanna Aningayou Andrew Aningayou-Apangalook Jasmine Aningayou-Oozeva Justin Annogiyuk Earl Annogiyuk Helen Annogiyuk Leonard Apangalook Benjamin Apangalook Tayler Apangalook Dominic Apangalook Kristi Apangalook Luceen Apangalook Valerie Apangalook Ashton Apangalook-Aningayou Austin Apassingok Shannon Apassingok Lydia Apassingok Inana Apassingok Junelle Apassingok Sandy Apassingok Irene Apassingok Kristina Apassingok Jani Apassingok Melinda Apassingok Herbert Apassingok Christian Apassingok Lilly Apassingok Chase Apassingol Emily Apassingok-Apatiki

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Timothy Tungiyan

Jordy Tungiyan

Jerry Tungiyan

Tucker Tungiyan

Hunter Tungiyan

Edward Ungott

Ginger Ungott

Skyley Ungwiluk

Calvin Walunga

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White Mountain Biathlon Championships



BSSD Championships '10 White Mountain photo By Mark Thompson

WMO skier Vicent Tomalonis takes aim during the championship biahtlon race. Lane official, Irving Ashenfelter of WMO, records hits/misses for biathletes. Tomalonis finished 4th in the high school boys biathlon championships earning him a spot on BSSD WISA team.

Unalakleet Elementary Skiiing



Karlee Katchatag, Ravenne Storms, Allie Ivanoff, Summer Sagoonick, Kailyn Haugen and Jewel Wilson enjoying ski practice on a wonderful sunny March day.



Ravenne Storms heading into the finish during the Community ski race with Payton Commack right behind her.



Elementary WolfPup skiers are enjoying a great day of skiing in the sun after school in March.



Darrell Semaken 344 and Michael Haugen 347 challenge each other in the Unalakleet Community Ski Race in March.



Photo by Jeff Erickson Jayden Wilson of Unalakleet leaves his firing station to continue the biathlon race. Racers ski two laps and shoot twice. Any missed targets a racer has to ski a penalty loop for each miss.



Photo Melaine Sagoonick Corey Ningeulook from Shishmaref heading out on his second lap of the biathlon race. Ningeulook finished 3rd in the cross-country race and won the junior high boys biathlon race hitting 7 out of 10 targets. Corey's first place finish 41 seconds ahead of Hank Henry earned him a spot on the BSSD WISA team.

Unalakleet Community Race



Summer Sagoonick, Karlee Katchatag, Christa Eakon, Ravenne Storms, John Rochon, and Alex Johnson line up for the race start.



Elementary skiers completing their warm-up lap before their race start in the Unalakleet Community Ski Race March'10.



Katie Daniels powers up a hill on the Dragon's Back leading in the Open Race followed closely by Aly Daniels and Jonisha Wilson.

St. Michael Shop Students Build Snowmachines to Ride to Unalakleet

By Mark Thompson, Teacher, St. Michael

This year we finally reached a goal which was set quite a few years ago. That goal was to be able to use student efforts, to learn and use skills, to transport ourselves safely. The original plan involved building both sleds and machines - or parts thereofto make it happen. The "internal objective" was to provide students with as much of the "know-how" as possible so that they would have something they could use for the rest of their lives, skills which are quite practical for life in this part of the world.

We didn't begin the year with the idea that this goal would be developed during the year. It actually evolved after some scheduling changes seemed to leave us with a pile of lemons. So we started by dabbling a bit with the basics of gasoline-powered machines. That grew into themes of greater depth and involvement. Finally, as student enthusiasm and motivation swelled, we began to talk about ultimate goals. Seeing the positive growth that students involved were demonstrating, our Principal, Mr. Dan Eide was enthusiastic about giving the kids his support. So the train was rolling.

Students demonstrated skills development through various trials and tests, errors and corrections.

Mistakes were made, in some cases

on it to see it run in the end." - Al Otten

at significant monetary expense. But learning usually has some cost. And the big test was yet to be given.

Finally, with weather becoming an issue as winter began to give way to spring, it looked like we might not be able to make the final test of all the hard work. But we waited, impatient though we were, for the week of important academic tests to be completed. Then, with what we hoped was the best weather we might still have to safely travel, we began our trials. All but one machine had been tested and proven. One machine, a machine that had between 15-25,000 miles started the journey with a freshly rebuilt motor, a motor which had only 15 miles of break-in testing. Of the five machines we worked on, the odometer totals came to over 70,000 miles.

But the final test was an ace. We traveled safely, starting with seven students and myself and traveling with seven machines. We made the trip from Saint Michael to Unalakleet, a distance, one-way, of 70 miles. The students were able to make short presentations in Unalakleet the second day before returning to Saint Michael. It was no surprise to me that every student and every machine performed flawlessly. The only loose screws we had - two of them- were machinery related. The kids might argue otherwise about their chaperone, though, I suppose.

Mistakes were made, in some cases

"I remember when the 500 body came into the shop. It didn't look like much. Then we started working on it for a while and it started to look like a snowmachine. Parts came in pretty slow. Then part by part the

500 started coming to life. It was worth it to take all that time working



Natalia and Celeste work on a hood.

This was how the "eBay Express" looked in January. This 500 chassis was the basis for the 340 powered machine we built. It gave no trouble and ran perfectly on our 140 mile trip.

"I remember when we were working on all the snowmachines we put together from eBay parts. We had some problems with a couple rigs, but we were able to find out what it was and fix it. After we got like five snowmachines fixed, we planned a trip to Unalakleet. The trip was fun, the presentation went well and we made it back with all the machines well and running good." - Petey Lockwood

"The fun thing about the shop class was when we had to rebuild two engines. One was a 550 SuperSport; the other we called the "eBay Express". We had to rebuild the SuperSport because we had an incident going to the steamboats. We were bringing an art lady there. Her name was Barbara Short. We started "eBay" with just a body from the Stebbins dump, nothing else was in it. We had to rebuild and fix up enough engines so we could have a school trip

to Unalakleet." - John Ishnook



Kinik studies the problem of taking a clutch apart.



John and Jarad use microfiche print-outs to assemble suspension parts from a variety of sources.





Andrea "solves" a clutch problem by Students worked on most every machine. Here using a mallet.

Brandon and Al work on a Polaris 488 engine.

We made some "gas money" for our trip by doing afterschool wood gathering; wood which we cut, split, and sold.

This year we started a project to fix up enough snowmachines so that we will be able to take a class trip to Unalakleet. As the weeks went by, we repaired a lot of engines. One of the machines that we put together started off as just a frame that came from the Stebbins dump. After days of waiting for the necessary parts to arrive from eBay, we started to have something that resembled a real working snowmachine. Eventually, we had enough working machines to attempt a trip. Unfortunately for me, I broke my leg two weeks before the trip started. I got to watch my classmates start their trip without me. When they got back, I got to hear about a good trip."

- Jarad Billingsley



This machine was the focus of the greatest effort and pride. This is the "eBay Express", a machine which was built mostly from parts which were purchased through eBay. It has parts from Minnesota, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Iowa, Montana, Colorado, Vermont, Michigan, as well as from a local dump.



We stopped for a short break and to enjoy the view at Toik Hill. Two loose bolts were the sum of the problems we experienced with the machines.



Students Enroll and Tour UAF Campus

High school Seniors from BSSD went on an orientation tour of the University of Alaska Fairbanks. These seven seniors are officially admitted and plan on attending UAF next Fall semester. Two of the students are currently enrolled in dual-credit courses with Northwest Campus and two have been accepted to RAHI this summer. Such an ambitious and bright group of students!

At UAF the students went on a campus tour, attended various classes, met with a financial aid advisor, registered for classes for next fall semester, prepared their on campus housing arrangements and visited various departments on campus [School of Fisheries, Justice, Tanana Valley Campus, Large Animal Research Farm, University of Alaska Museum, Library Archives]. They were also welcomed to campus one night with a potluck hosted by Rural Student Services! It was definitely a busy and productive week for the students. The time in Fairbanks provided each student an opportunity to become more prepared for their "big step" next fall and helped them feel more confident about their futures at UAF!



Student Lincoln Saccheus and his mother pose with Governor Sean Parnell

Elim Student Helps Pass State House Bill

By Jon Crocker, Teacher, Elim

In early February of this year, an email went out to teachers across the state making a simple request: help us get the Alaskan Malamute named as the official state dog of Alaska. The request had come from the Polaris K-12 school, a school in Anchorage where a group of over 100 students have been trying to get the Alaskan Malamute named as state dog for over three years. In Elim, a sixth grader named Lincoln Saccheus answered that call by writing a letter of support for the malamute. He noted that the malamute would be an appropriate

choice for state dog, as it has an extensive history in Alaska (between 4,000 and 20,000 years) and has also had a very close relationship with Alaska Natives.

He didn't know that his letter would make it all the way to the governor. The Polaris students had included Lincoln's letter in a packet that was given to the governor, as well as to each senator. Jamie Rodriguez, a 4th/ 5th grade teacher at Polaris, had this to say: "After a two year effort and the bill being stuck in the rules committee looking like it would die, Lincoln's letter charged their [the Polaris students'] batteries...He made their research come alive and they were newly charged to fight to make it happen to honor the first Alaskans." The bill was successfully passed by the Alaska Legislature. All it needed in order to become official was the governor's signature.

The signing took place at 10:30 am on May 12th at the Polaris School in Anchorage. Having helped in the passage of the bill, Lincoln was invited to attend- he did, and took his mother along as well. The two got to meet governor Sean Parnell. They also got to watch as a small part of Alaskan history took place. Alaska now has an official state dog: the Alaskan Malamute. And it might not have happened if Lincoln hadn't taken a few minutes out of his day to write a letter!

SBT Visits Alaska Dispatch

By Roberta Charles, Student Broadcaster, White Mountain

While we, the student broadcasting team, were in Anchorage to broadcast the state basketball tournament, we were able to go to Alaska Dispatch. They told us what they were and what they did. They also answered lots of questions that we had for them.

Alaska Dispatch started about two years ago. Alaska Dispatch is an online news source. It reports statewide news, events and issues of Alaska.

It's not only Alaska Dispatch journalists who can enter reports, but also people from all over Alaska can enter a writing piece about local news, or what is going on where they live. Alaska Dispatch likes to see local journalism submitted to them. So anyone can contribute to the Alaska Dispatch.

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My Experience With Student Broadcasting

By Danny Pungowiyi, Student Broadcaster, Savoonga

I went to anchorage for Student Broadcasting Team (SBT). The things that I learned in Anchorage were how to be a camera man for people that couldn't fly to Anchorage and watch. We had to stream the games on the internet for people all over Alaska to watch. I learned how to control the mixer. The mixer is a machine that all the different cameras are run to. The mixer allows us to change the cameras from one view to another. We can change to the line that is coming from the camera that we want.

We also developed some questions for interviewing fans, winning team players, winning coaches, losing team players, losing team coaches, and the people that held the state tournament. Everybody got a chance to interview except for me because I was too nervous to be in front of the camera. We had to wake up earlier than we normally wake up for school because the games were starting at 8 or 9 am and it was hard. I don't like waking up too early. The things that were fun about Anchorage were learning how to use different forms of technology and equipment, meeting my friends from all over Alaska, and getting to watch the state basketball tournament.





Golovin Hosts Inupiaq Fashion Show

By Rachel Olson, Student, Golovin

Martin L. Olson School Bilingual Classes hosted an Inupiaq Fashion Show on January 28, 2010. Community members brought crafts and clothing for the students to display and tell about. The show was well attended and hugely appreciated.





Editor's Note: It has been my pleasure to edit StraitTalk and build upon the efforts of those before me these past three years. As editor, I have had a unique perspective of the district that I will miss next year. It's great to see all of the wonderful things happening, even the many things that don't get published. Thanks BSSD and the people of the Bering Strait.

Sincerely, Damon Hargraves

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1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Monday—Friday.
6/3-10-17-24

in a narrow bend of the river when it struck a boat traveling in the oppo-

site direction. The Troopers said no

played a role in the incident.

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SALE- ONAN 60KW standby generator, Cummings diesel, under 500/mo. With 250 gallon fuel tank, \$8,000.

-Ford dually conversion bit with 7 wheels and Contact Matt 208-308-1777.

Seawall

5/27Cory Wells, 30, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4º, DV. Diane Powers, 21, received a citation for Driving without a Valid Driver's License.

Ladd Soonagrook, 50, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4º, DV, Harassment and Violating Conditions of Probation. Gabriel Muktoyuk, 37, was arrested and remanded

for 4°, DV. Lawrence Martin, 23, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor and Violating Conditions of Probation.

Yvonne Pete, 19, received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

5/29
Marlene Nakarak, 22, received a citation for Endangering the Welfare of a Child 2º. Kourak Nakak, 39, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4º, DV.

Michael Bowman, 19, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Jacob Seppilu, 24, arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass 2º.

AMCC for Criminal Trespass 2º. Larry Sherman, 30, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4º. Calvin Weyanna, 21, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass 2º. Michael Aukon, 20, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Grant Avessuk, 23, received a citation for Open

During this reporting period two (2) persons were transported to the hospital for a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

other serious injuries were reported and alcohol was not believed to have

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White Mountain man dies in

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Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MARGARET PICNALOOK, 2NO-10-16 PR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given Mina Picnalook has been appointed personal representative of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this professional decima will first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Mina Picnalook, c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762. DATED this 14 day of May, 2010.

H. Conner, Thomas, Attorney for Personal Representative, Box 6I, Nome, AK 99762 5/20-27; 6/3

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Real Estate

Nome Sweet Homes Melissa Ford Broker

1009 Front Street - \$334,000

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Trooper Beat

PO BOX 1289 • Nome, AK 99762 Helen "Huda" Ivanoff, Manage

On May 19, Eli Mendenhall, of Nome, was conof Imay 19, and the Nome Court of four counts of Commercially Fishing / Crabbing Without Employing the Use of Escape Rings. The case was a result of illegally configured pots discovered by Alaska Wildlife Troopers during a patrol in March, 2010. Mendenhall was sentenced to fines totaling \$2000.00 and one-year probation.

On May 22, the Alaska State Troopers re sponded to a report of domestic violence at a cabin near Cape Nome. Investigation revealed that Ernest Wilkalkia Jr., 34, of Nome, assaulted that Erriest Winkakia Jr., 34, of Nollie, assaulted his girlfriend during an argument. Alcohol was involved. The victim was taken to Norton Sound Health Clinic and treated for her injuries. E. Wil-kalkia Jr. was arrested and remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center for Domestic Violence Academy. lence Assault.

On May 24, AST received a report from Gambell that Jan Campbell, 31, was intoxicated and creating a disturbance. J. Campbell was later arrested and remanded to AMCC for violating his

On May 24, AST received a report from Gambell VPOs that Jan Campbell, 31, of Gambell, was intoxicated and creating a disturbance. Investigation showed that J. Campbell was on felony probation and was subsequently arrested.

Campbell was transported and remanded to AMCC in Nome for violating his probation.

On May 25, AST arrested Elfie Apangalook, 17, of Gambell, on an order for detention. E. Apan-galook was transported to Nome Youth Facility.

On May 25, AST arrested Brandon Apangalook, 16, of Gambell, on a court ordered bench warrant for failure to appear in court. B. Apangalook was transported Nome Youth Facility.

On May 25, Timothy L. Moore, 40, of Elim, was sentenced in the Nome District Court for his Felony Alcohol Importation jury conviction. Moore was prime suspect in an alcohol importation scheme on August 24, 2009 that included buying 84 750ml bottles of alcohol, 72 12oz cans of beer and attempting to take it to Elim in his skiff. Moore was sentenced to 2 years in jail with 0 days suspended and ordered to forfeit the 18-foot Lund skiff and motor, the Honda four-wheeler and the ATV trailer to the State of Alaska.

On May 26, at 9:00 a.m., AST received a report of a parolee in possession of a sawed-off shotgun. Subsequent investigation led to the ar-rest of Joseph Kakik, 51, for Misconduct Involving Weapons III. Kakik was remanded to AMCC.

NOW HIRING, Join the crew!

Already applied? Make sure your application is current and complete.





Nome Eskimo Community

Construction is underway for the Hospital Replacement Project. We need: carpenters, electricians, ironworkers, laborers, support staff and more. This project has an Alaska Native/American Indian hiring preference and pays Davis Bacon wages. Nome Eskimo Community is creating and managing a large labor pool of applicants to support the hiring process throughout construction. You can be a part of this exciting project. Apply today at the following locations:!

- Nome Eskimo Community: 200 West 5th Avenue or www.necalaska.org
- Nome Job Center: 214 Front Street, Suite 130
- Your local IRA Office

For more information contact Dora Davis at 443-9124 or toll-free 1-877-943-2246.

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE: ALL APPLICANTS MUST PASS PRE-EMPLOYMENT DRUG SCREENING



More Legals

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DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY LEASE TO THE UNITED STATES COAST

The City of Nome is considering disposal of municipal property by lease to the United States Coast Guard for the purpose of providing a necessary public service, specifically, the installation of two Range Marker Lights for the safe naviga-tion of the Entrance to the Nome Harbor. The property is a portion of Lot 64A, Block 57 contain-ing approximately 400 sq. ft. and an approximately 400 sq. ft. parcel adjacent to West "I" Street lo-cated between the Nome Cemetery and Blocks 102 st 134. The estimated fair marks while for the 102 & 134. The estimated fair market value for the lease is \$25,000. The disposal of said properly will be by ordinance enacted by the Nome City Council duly noticed by agenda and public notice. Further information may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Clerk. 5/20-27; 6/3-10

PUBLIC NOTICE

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)

Wastewater Discharge Authorizations Program

610 University Avenue Fairbanks, Alaska 99709

Alaska's Department of Environmental Conserva-tion (ADEC), Division of Water received an appli-cation for a State of Alaska non-domestic wastewater Land Application Permit under Alaska Statutes 46.03 and the Alaska Administrative Code (AAC), 18 AAC 15, 18 AAC 60, 18 AAC 70, and 18 AAC 72.
ADEC Contact: Tim Pilon (907) 451-2136 tim.pilon@alaska.gov

Public Notice Issuance Date: May 27, 2010
Public Notice Expiration Date: July 6, 2010
Permit No.: Land Application Permit 2010DB0011

Applicant NovaGold Resources, Inc. Rock Creek Project P.O. Box 640

Nome, AK 99762-0640

Proposed Project and Location
Activities: Excess wastewater from precipitation

snowmelt, runoff, and groundwater collects in the mine's paste Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) and the Main sump below the TSF. This water will be discharged using up to three spray evaporators over an area of approximately 10 acres located directly uphill from the TSF, bounded upslope by Diversion Channel 1 and downslope by Diversion Channel 1 and downslope by Diversion. version Channel 1 and downslope by Diversion Channel 3, at the Rock Creek Project. will soak into the land surface, but puddling and

will soak into the land surface, but pudging and surface runoff are prohibited. **Location:** The Rock Creek Project is located ap-proximately 6 miles north of Nome, AK, in the Snake River Drainage, within sections 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 33, T10S, R34E, Kateel River

Tentative Determination

The ADEC has tentatively determined to issue permit to the above listed applicant. Public Comments

Written comments on the proposed permit must be submitted within 30 days of the second publi-cation of this public notice, or no later than July 6, 2010. Please direct written comments to the at-tention of Tim Pilon at the address or email identified above. All comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the commenter and a concise statement of comment on the permit condition(s) and the relevant facts upon which the comment is based. Comments of either support or concern, which are directed at specific, cited permit requirements are appreci-ated. Comments must be postmarked on or be-fore the expiration date of the public notice.

DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS:
July 6, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. ADT
Administrative Record Copies of the proposed permit and application documents are available for public review at the

ADEC website:

http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/wwdp/index.ht m. The Public Notice can be viewed at the DEC Public Notices website: http://www.dec.state.ak.us/public_notices.htm.

For inquiries and copies of documents, contact Tim Pilon at the address listed above, by email

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Disability Reasonable Accommodation Notice:
The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Deborah Pock at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary ac-commodations can be provided.

CITY OF NOME **PUBLIC NOTICE**

O-10- 05-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11.50 TO ADOPT PROVI-SIONS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

This ordinance had first reading at a regular meeting of the Nome City Council on May 24, 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 June 14, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinance are available in the office of the City Clerk. 5/27; 6/3

CITY OF NOME

CITY OF NOME
PUBLIC NOTICE
0-10- 05-02 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
THE DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY
BY LEASE TO UNITED STATES COAST
GUARD (USCG)

This ordinance had first reading at a regular meeting of the Nome City Council on May 24, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a Special meeting of the Council scheduled for June 21, 2010 at 12:00 p.m. NOON, in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of

the ordinances are available in the office of the 5/27: 6/3-10

The City of Nome is accepting bids for Vehicle(s) Repair and Service contracts. All bid requirements and documents are available at the City Clerk's of and oocuments are available at the City Clerk's office. All sealed bids must be received in the City Clerk's office located at 102 Division Street, Nome, City Hall, P.O. Box 281, Nome, Alaska, 99762, by 5:00 PM, June 18, 2010. The bid opening will be held at 11:00 AM on Monday, June 21, 2010. The City Council shall award the bid at their regular meeting of June 28, 2010 or at the next date at which a quorum is present.

The City of Nome reserves the right to reject any 6/3-10-17

NOTICE OF SALE Trustee, Alaska Trustee, LLC will sell realty for cash to the highest bidder at the Main entrance to the Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street on July 29, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. with other sales that may be conducted. Proceeds will apply to the Deed of Trust naming Tommy J. Guilliam and Dolores Guilliam, Trustor, Tommy J. Guilliam and Dolores Guilliam, Record Owner, recorded on June 10, 1999 in Book 353, on Page 866, Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, Alaska, describing: Lot 7, block 68, DISTRICT, AIASKA, GESCRIDING: LOT 7, DIOCK 05, TOWNSITE OF NOME, BEING WITHIN U.S. AMENDED SURVEY NO. 451, RECORDS OF THE CAPE NOME RECORDING DISTRICT, SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, STATE OF ALASKA EXCEPT THE NORTH 55 FEET

THEREOF, a/k/a/ 402 G Street, Nome, AK 99762. \$122,733.11 is due, plus interest, advance Go to alaskatrustee.com or foreclosure.com for status. 6/3-10-17

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

An application for a new oil discharge prevention and contingency plan (Plan), under Alaska Statute 46.04.03 and in accordance with 18 AAC 75, has been received by the Department of Environmental Conservation. The details are as

Applicant: Pacific Fishing Assets
Proposed Activity: The applicant will transport
diesel, heating oil, and/or gasoline using tank
barges with a maximum cargo capacity of 420,000
gallons. A Plan is required that will commit adequate resources for the containment, control and cleanup of petroleum products equal to the re-sponse planning standard volume of 63,000 gal-lons. The review document consists of the Plan, dated May 12, 2010. The Chadux Technical Man-ual is a supporting document.

ual is a supporting document.

Potential Results: A potential risk exists of oil discharges from vessels entering the lands or waters of the state as a result of this operation.

Location of Activity: Aleutians, Bristol Bay, Western Alaska, Northwest Arctic, North Slope and In-

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Arctic ICANS — A nonprofit cancer survivor support group.

Arctic ICANS next meeting

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

Thursday, June 3 • 7:30 p.m.

Guest speaker: Brent Herman, Norton Sound Pharmacy Director

For more information call 443-5726.

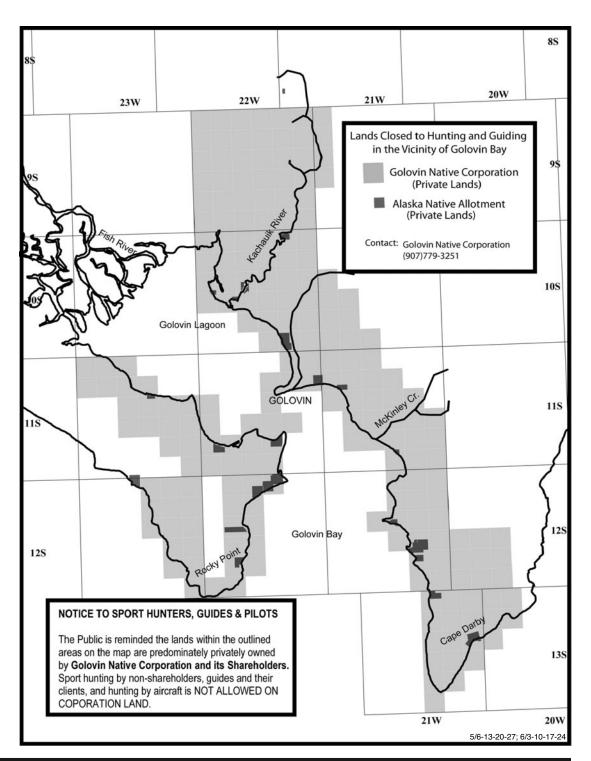
Looking for a companion?

This is Snowflake, a two year old male, neutered, all white cat available for adoption from the Nome Animal Shelter!



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and ears. You can't allow the "Progressive" politicians to turn this great nation into one great "welfare

Obama and the Democrats are already working on Immigration Reform. Open borders? Amnesty for the 12 million plus illegal already

here? With massive unemployment in this country already the Dem.'s want more immigration. Come on!!

Our President, Senator Begich and the other Democrats in Washington are not listening to the people.

Only they know what's best for us because we're too stupid to take care of ourselves. Their response: You voted us in, we won, you lost.

More Legals

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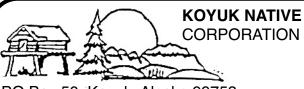
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Activity Identified As: Pacific Fishing Assets Oil
Discharge Prevention and Contingency Plan review Any person wishing to submit a request for
additional information or provide comments regarding the application may do so in writing to the
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation 555 Condays Stock Application MC 405611 tion, 555 Cordova Street Anchorage AK 99501, by facsimile to 907-269-8403 or e-mail to martin.farris@ialaska.gov. The review schedule for this Plan will begin soon after publication of this public notice. Please check the Department website at http://dec.alaska.gov/publicnotices.htm for the re-view schedule._It is the responsibility of the commenter to verify e-mail submissions are received

by the applicable deadline.
Copies of the application are available for review at the Department's Anchorage office at 555 Cordova Street. Please call (907) 269-7566 to sched-

If determined necessary by public comments received, the Department will announce and hold

ceived, the Department will announce and noid public hearing(s) on the above referenced plan. Residents in the affected areas or the governing body of an affected municipality may request a public hearing by writing to the Department of Environmental Conservation, at the above address, within 30 days of publication of this notice within 30 days of publication or tris notice.

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PO Box 50, Koyuk, Alaska 99753 907-963-3551

KOYUK NATIVE CORPORATION announces an extension of its Section 14 (c) 1 and (c) 2 program. Individuals or organizations who occupied lands on December 18, 1971, which are now owned by Koyuk Native Corporation,

- 1.) a primary place of residence
- 2.) a primary place of business
- 3.) a subsistence campsite
- 4.) a site used by a non-profit organization Are eligible to apply for the surface title to

Applications will be accepted beginning May 24, 2010 through August 31, 2010 **Koyuk Native Corporation** PO Box 530050

Koyuk, AK 99753 Phone 907-963-2423



Nome **Public** Schools

Public Notice

The Nome Public Schools SCHOOL **BOARD** is accepting applications to fill a current vacancy until the Fall elections.

To be considered you must mail a signed letter of interest to School Board Secretary Bill Gartung. You may also deliver your signed letter of interest to Bill Gartung in the District Office located on the campus of Nome-Beltz Jr./Sr. High School.

No e-mail letters will be accepted.

Deadline to receive applications will be June 15 by 4 p.m.

Bill Gartung Nome Public Schools PO Box 131 Nome, AK 99762

For questions, please call the NPS District Office at 443-2231

Mr. Begich, President Obama, and all you Democrats who voted for this

Health Care Reform Bill, we can vote you out of office. The question is, how much damage are you going

to do before, "you're outta here!" Joseph Lyon Nome, AK

The Kavairlook Family expresses their appreciation for everyone who contributed in the ceremony of recalling and rejoicing in the memory of a life lived by a beautiful lady, Agnaloak "A fine Lady" Irene Laura Kavairlook. You all know her as Grandma or Auntie which ever name you had for her our memory of her is the same, the life

she lived is an inspiration for us all.

Thank you for the following: Financial donations:
Thelma Barnum, Martha Majors, Barb Ross, Edna Purcell. Airfares: Bering Air. Public Assistance Christine Schultz at NSHC. Koyuk Health Aides, and the staff at NSHC who treated her as a person as well as a patient. Koyuk IRA, City Bingo. Casket Material: Elim Native Store; Cross assembly: Dennis Adams, Ricky Adams; Grave excavation: Morris Nassuk, Richard Nassuk, and Charles Swanson. Paul Nagaruk for making the Casket. Food donations: Chris Perrigo, Irene and Ashley Moses,

Rose and Dumma Otton, Colleen, Charles Saccheus Jr. Maggie Cross, Judy Jaworski, Lily Mayland volunteering to serve three months of Eskimo food. Elizabeth would like to express a special thanks to Daniel and his friends who cared for Irene as Elizabeth slept. Elizabeth also appreciates Irene and Ashley Moses for repeatedly making trips from Elim to Koyuk to help in caring for Írene's needs and comforts. Special thanks to Marlene Saccheus for consistent support and comfort. And finally an appreciative thank you to Elizabeth Kavairlook whose love and compassion was displayed in year's of consistent and loving support for her mother's needs in her later years. The list is lengthy and if we forgot to mention you Irene in Heaven is smiling upon you with her appreciation.

. Thank you everyone.



Bering Sea Women's Group May 8 Bake Sale/Raffle was a huge success! We thank the following:

Norma at XYZ, Bill Cash at Nome Trading Co., Mike at the AC, Sara at Midnight Sun Tanning and Scott Henderson at Bonanza. Thanks to John Handeland and all who attended and supported the shelter in their fund raising effort.

The winners of the raffle and door prizes were:

Lynn Anasagok - 2 airline mileage tickets Sharon Walker - tanning session Brenna Ahmasuk - video MP3 player Ruth Loyer - 50 gallons of heating fuel

Door prizes: Linda Hildreth, Roberta Rodin, Russell Walluk, Cindy Madsen and Cheryl Thompson

The public is reminded that lands located within the shaded areas on the map are privately owned by Wales Native Corporation. Non-shareholders and non-residents can obtain access by land permits. Contact Wales Native Corporation, PO Box 529, Wales, AK 99783. 907-664-3641 or e-mail wnccorpland@gmail.com or tcrisci_wnc@yahoo.com.





Friends of DeShawn Williams and Kellie Brown are proud to announce their engagement on December 25, 2009. They will be married on June 21, 2010. DeShawn's parents are Veta and Darrel Williams. Kellie's parents are Bernice and Charlie Brown.

Charch Services Directory

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

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

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

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Thrift Shop — Tuesday & Thursday 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Nome Covenant Church 101 Bering St. 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey Sunday School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m. Wednesday Youth Group 7 p.m. (call 443-7218 for location)

Friday Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Our Savior Lutheran Church 5th & Bering, **443-5295**

Wednesdays in Lent 7 p.m **Sunday** School 9:45 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. & Worship 11 a.m.

River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333 Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.

Wednesday Night Service 6:30 p.m. St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527 Corner of Steadman & King Place

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

Seventh-Day Adventist (Icy View), **443-5137** Saturday Sabbath School 10 a.m. Saturday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Nome Church of Nazarene 3rd & Division, **443-2805 Sunday** Prayer Meeting 9:30 a.m.

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

The Alaska Village Electric Cooperative (AVEC) is proposing to install an electrical distribution intertie



between the communities of Brevig Mission and Teller in western Alaska. The intertie would be funded in part by the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Utilities Service (RUS). AVEC, in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), is initiating a Categorical Exclusion (CE) to analyze the proposed intertie. It has been determined that the project, as proposed, would be located in wetlands and floodplains. The project would occupy less than one quarter of an acre of wetlands and floodplains.

AVEC has considered a variety of alternatives. including no action, and believes that there is no practicable alternative that would avoid locating the project in wetlands and floodplains.

Additional information on the project can be obtained from Brent Petrie at (907) 561.1818 or bpetrie@avec.org.

Comments on the environmental aspects of the proposed project should be submitted in writing to AVEC within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Copies of all comments received will be forwarded to the Rural Utilities Service for consideration prior to approval of financing assistance or taking other federal action related to the project.







might learn a thing

amer in you come out this week A loved one grows distant. Don't take it personally, Pisces. They are dealing





TAURUS

March 21-

May 21-June 21



have to succumb to their every wish. Learn to say no and protect yourself, Gemini.

commendable. An act of kindness goes a long way.

ave to explain

ourself, Taurus.

Proceed as usual and

leave the explaining

to others. A relative

needs a favor fast;

help them.

VIRGO

feel guilty for doing so. You deserve time to do the things you August 23-

LEO

August 22



You tend to be very private, but if you

want to get anywhere with a

certain person, you

Open up, Leo.

Then have some,

Virgo, and don't let

are going to have to

September 23-

revives your joy for life. Get out there, Libra, and meet new people and try new things. The world is your oyster. A friend returns a favor



You've got a barrel of issues to deal with at home. Confront them one at a time, Scorpio, and use reason rather than emotion to resolve

SCORPIO them.

You're on top of the world this week, Sagittarius

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REVISION TO POWER COST EQUALIZATION BASE AMOUNT

The REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA (Commission) gives notice that pursuant to AS42.45.110(c)(2), it proposes to adjust the base amount for Power Cost Equalization (PCE) calculations (Docket U-10-030). AS42.45.110(c)(2) provides in part:

each year, the commission shall adjust the power costs for which power cost equalization may be paid to an electric utility based on the weighted average retail residential rate in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau . . .

The current base amount is 14.12 cents per kilowatt-hour (¢/kWh). The Commission proposes to adjust the base amount to 14.39¢/kWh. The proposed 14.39¢/kWh base amount is a calculation of the weighted average cost of residential energy sales within Fairbanks, Anchorage and Juneau during calendar year 2009.

The utilities providing service to these areas during 2009 were Chugach Electric Association, Inc. (Chugach); Matanuska Electric Association, Inc. (MEA); and the Municipality of Anchorage d/b/a Municipal Light and Power Department (ML&P) in Anchorage; Golden Valley Electric Association, Inc. (GVEA) in Fairbanks; and Alaska Light and Power Company (AEL&P) in Juneau. The proposed 14.39¢/kWh base amount calculations are as follows:

Utility	Total Residential Sales (kWh)	Total Residential Sales (\$)	Total Residential Sales (\$/kWh)	% Total Residential (kWh)	Weighted Aver- age per kWh
AEL&P	130,203,000	14,829,357	0.113894	13.00%	0.014812
Chugach	545,670,860	81,459,319	0.149283	54.50%	0.081362
GVEA	64,452,127	11,573,109	0.179561	6.44%	0.011559
MEA	113,226,147	18,244,096	0.16113	11.31%	0.018222
ML&P	147,643,000	17,973,827	0.121738	14.75%	0.017952
Total	1,001,195,134	144,079,708		100.00%	0.143908

Any interested person may present written statements or arguments relevant to the proposed action by writing to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, 701 West Eighth Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99501 so that comments are received by 4:30 p.m, June 21, 2010.

Comments may also be filed electronically on the Commission's website under the public notice section via our website at:

https://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/WhatsNew/PublicNoticesComments.aspx. Please reference U-10-030 in the subject line of your comments.

In addition a public hearing will be held on June 22, 2010, in the Commission's hearing room, 701 West Eighth Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska to consider comments on the proposed action. Individuals wishing to present oral comments at the public hearing are requested to notify the commission of that intent by June 21, 2010; however, such notification is not mandatory.

Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or service, or alternative communication formats, please contact Joyce McGowan at (907) 276-6222, toll-free at 1-800-390-2782, or TTY (907) 276-4533 by June 21, 2010.

Additional information about the calculation of the proposed base amount may be obtained from Tariff Section Staff at the Commission's office at 701 West Eighth Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. The Commission's telephone number is (907) 276-6222, email address is rca.mail@alaska.gov.

The Commission, after the deadline stated above, will either adopt this or other proposals dealing with the same subject without further notice, or decide to take no action on them.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 28th day of May, 2010.

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

Robert M. Pickett Chairman

American Heart Association endorses active video games

ByBob Lawrence, MD

The well known "heart check logo" of the American Heart Association (AHA) may show up soon on more than just heart-healthy foods. Last week the AHA granted permission for Nintendo, the maker of the Wii video game system, to place a version of the AHA endorsement logo on games that meet the association's criteria for increasing physical activity.

This endorsement represents a change in the way the medical community views video games.

Obesity is now considered a public health epidemic in the United States, and for decades, video games were seen as part of the problem. To encour-



age more active play and athletic participation, the American Academy of Pediatrics guidelines previously recommended limiting screen time for children to only two hours daily.

But video games have become more active, and studies show that active games increase energy expen-

diture to levels similar to other forms of active play. For example, a study published in the journal *Pediatrics* in 2006 showed that playing a video game while seated increases energy expenditure only 20 percent above resting rates, but playing the active game Dance Dance Revolution (Konami Digital Entertainment) increased energy expenditure by 170 percent over resting rates.

Nintendo has agreed to donate \$1.5 million to the American Heart Association as part of the new partnership, causing critics to question whether the AHA logo can be bought. However, the AHA insists the endorsement is targeted at people of all ages who are at increased risk of cardiovascular disease and diabetes mellitus due to inactivity. The AHA "Get Active" website now features children and adults playing the Nintendo Wii.

Certain Nintendo Wii games allow participants to play well-known sports like tennis, golf, bowling, bicycling, and boxing. The Wii Fit uses a balance board that will measure weight, calculate body mass index (BMI), and trend a player's fitness over time. The games tend to engage family members of all ages allowing grandparents and children to play along side, and often against, each other.

Interestingly, active video games like Wii Sports have brought on a new form of sports injury jokingly called "Nintenditis" or "Wii-itis." Just like any sports activity, active play on video games can cause overuse injuries like sore muscles, tendonitis, low back pain, and in severe cases, torn muscles or ligaments. But true injuries are rare, and most physicians would much prefer to hear active patients say, "I am having a little pain in my knees" than to hear inactive patients say, "I'm having a little pain in my chest."

No one endorses the idea that video games will replace the healthy aspects of authentic play or athletic participation, but the American Heart Association believes the Nintendo Wii provides a forum for otherwise sedentary patients to stay active and thereby lower their risk of cardiovascular disease.

So don't be ashamed to tell your doctor the new shoulder pain is from playing video games. He will likely approve. Just don't tell him it occurred while boxing with your grandkids.

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Annual Tier II reports are required by organizations that maintain a physical inventory of applicable hazardous chemicals in quantities that are equal to or exceed threshold limits. Some organizations are exempt from reporting requirements per SARA Title III or other federal regulations. All organizations are exempt for inventory below threshold limits.

Tier II reporting provides specific information to the public, local government (including the Fire Department), and state government, about hazardous chemicals present at your facility at any time during the year. Complete reporting includes submitting a copy of the Materials Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for all chemicals that meet threshold limits.

Your organization may receive a letter in the next few weeks. Detailed information and instructions will be included in the packet. If you do not receive a letter, please contact the Nome LEPC by calling (907)443-7824 if you have any questions as to whether or not your organization may be required to submit annual inventory reports in accordance with the Act.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please call the Nome LEPC Coordinator at (907)443-7824 for any questions or concerns.

This notice is paid for by the Local Emergency Planning Committee Grant, State of Alaska.

Obituaries

Irene Laura Kavairlook

Irene Laura Kavairlook was born in Koyuk, Alaska on July 7, 1928 to Paul and Maggie (Nassuk) Nagaruk. Irene died early Sunday morning, April 18. We were blessed to have her in our lives for 81 years, nine months, and eleven days.

Irene married Walter Kavairlook, Sr. (1936-1968) on November 30, 1954. They were blessed with seven children; Margie (Charles) Saccheus, Frank (Norma) Kavairlook, Elizabeth Kavairlook, Laura (Ricky) Nassuk, Walter "Sonny" Kavairlook, Freida "Boobooks" Kavairlook, and infant Kavairlook.

Irene is survived by 22 grandchildren; Cheryl, Charles Jr. "Doos", Marlene, and Arnie "Souggy" Saccheus; Diane, Cherilyn, Frank Jr., Michelle, Leah, Kevin, Gary, Fred, Vince, Milton, Irene, and Daniel Kavirlook; and Jamie, Arnie, Christine, Josephine, Gus, Joseph, and Walter Nassuk. She also left 32 great-grandchildren.

Irene will always love her ten sisters and four brothers, Elizabeth Nagaruk, Esther (Albert) Kimoktoak, Edna (John) Purcell, Hannah (Lynn) Takak, Lillian (Hugh) Keith, Maggie (Milton) Cross, Judy (John) Jaworski, Ida (Joe) Murray, Ruby Jane Nagaruk, Nathan (Christine Perrigo) Nagaruk, Luther (Jeri) Nagaruk, Sheldon (Emily) Nagaruk, and Carolyn (Fred) Bradley.

Irene was preceded in death by her parents Paul and Maggie (Nassuk) Nagaruk, her husband Walter Kavairlook, Sr., her children Walter, Freida, and Infant, her grandchildren Arnie "Souggy" and Eugene Saccheus, and three great grandchildren.

Irene's favorite verses she had written in her Bible were Psalm 34: 4-8, and 1 Peter 5: 6-7. Her favorite song was "I Don't Know About Tomorrow.

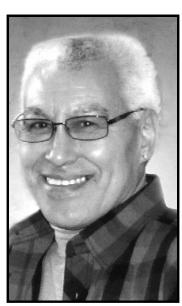
Irene attended school in Koyuk through the eighth grade. When she was a young girl she took care of her brothers and sisters. She was a head school cook for approximately 30 years, which she loved with a passion, three of those years as a volunteer. She was on the Church Board. IRA, and City Council. She also participated in Sewing Circle, was a mid-wife, and a mortician. Irene was active in the Koyuk choir. She also enjoyed being a Sunday school

Irene also worked on Irene Boat, which was named after her. She worked on a fish processing boat. She kept her home open for a Women's Shelter for two years. At approximately age 17, she was the cook's helper, cooking for gold miners at Haycock. With a sense of humor she recalled her days as an emergency firefighter. She loved to guide the boat driver(s) to special places where it was rich with berries or had plenty of fish. She loved spending time with family, and it was outdoors where she would

No one can recall their birth, or can predict when we will be called to heaven, but we can choose to recall the days of the memories of when we lived. Irene lived in every moment as it was a gift and a blessing from our Lord. Irene affectionately passed on knowledge and wisdom from a fulfilling life that has a profound impact on our way of life

in the aspect of personal traits. She influenced our morals and ethics with an insight unique to her own

Irene's legacy is this: Our mother blessed our friendship before us, as we will bless our children's in hope for a prosperous, joyful, fulfilling future for us all. Our strength runs through our blood, and all the events we endure together will tie the bonds between us and give birth to the concept of family. Irene lived for her family. No words can describe the compassion and love she had for us all, but if she was in your life you are aware of her love that she will continue to have for you here on earth or in heaven.



Ivan Charlie Mills

Ivan Charlie Mills

Ivan Charlie Mills was born on December 21, 1942, in Deering. After graduating from Mt. Edgecumbe High School in1962, he served in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged. He worked in various jobs throughout the United States before settling in Portland, Oregon, where he trained to receive his beautician/barber license, which would be his profession since the mid-1970s.

When his parents, respected Inupiaq elders Levi Mills, Sr. and Annie Baldwin Mills, became elderly, he returned to Kotzebue in 1984 to care for them until they died, Levi in 1999 at age 96 and Annie in 2007 at age 100.

An accomplished hunter, successful business owner and capable handyman, Charlie built his shop and operated Arctic Hare Beauty Salon for more than 25 years. His

clients came from all over the NANA region, and many became dear friends. In addition to operating his business, he loved sharing his subsistence activities and wonderful cooking with family and friends.

He is survived by his brother Clifford Mills Sr., sister and brother-inlaw Lorena and Ron Engstrom, brother and sister-in-law Norma and Homer Mills, Sr.; many special nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents Annie and Levi Mills, Sr., and his brothers 1st Homer Mills, Raymond Mills, Levy Mills, Jr. and Gary Mills

Pallbearers were Tim Gilbert, Art Mills, Franklin Mills, Kelly Mills, James Monroe and Stephen Zella.

Honorary pallbearers were Ralph Bendixen, Scott Boehler, Steven Koenig, Brent Mills, Clifford Mills Jr., Dana Mills, Homer Mills Jr., Jay Mills, Randy Mills and Thomas Mills.



Arctic tern in the air over Nome.

Photo by Nadja Roessek

Court

Week ending 5/28

No current cases on file. No current cases on file. **Small Claims**

Criminal Cases

State of Alaska v. Arthur Kakoona (1/6/77); Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 3/16/10; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 45 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: Prohatige: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/27/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for alcohol.

f Alaska v. Jan Campbell (3/23/78); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110827143; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 iail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Timothy L. Moore (10/20/69); Judgment and Commitment; Count 002: Import Alcohol-Dry Area-Large Amount; Date of offense: 8/24/09; The following charges were previously dismissed: Count 001: Tamper Phys Evid-Destroy/Alter/Suppress; Date of offense: 8/26/09; Count 003: Send/Bring Alcohol To Dry Area-Sm Amt; Date of offenses: 8/24/09; Count 004: Violate Cond Of Release For Misd; Date

of offense: 8/24/09; Defendant committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for the following period(s): 002: 2 years, 0 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with defendant remanded into custody; Police Training Surcharge: \$100 due within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: immediately pay correctional facility surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the seized vehicle, four-wheeler, trailer, boat, and motor are hereby forfeited to the State of Alaska; Any appearance or performance bond in

State of Alaska v. Frederick Daniel Pete, II (4/30/77); Count 1: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 3/27/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 002; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 300 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Shall receive credit for time served; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 da AGS Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/24/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall comations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not have face to face contact with B.B. except in context

of Divorce or Custody Proceedings.
State of Alaska v. Randall Huffman (12/17/70); Count 2: Assault 49; Date of offense: 3/31/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Shall receive credit for 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 5/24/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of

probation: Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject

to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Thelma Ahkvaluk (3/13/88); 2NO-10-228CR Count 2: Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 4/22/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-10-289CR; 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

State of Alaska v. Thelma Ahkvaluk (3/13/88); 2NO-10-289CR Count 1: Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 5/19/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 70 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-10-228CR, credit time served; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/24/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, 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 for

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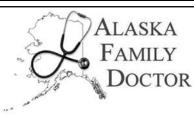
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STOKED (upper left)—Nome-Beltz High School 2010 graduate Niki McGuffey celebrates as she crosses the stage after receiving her diploma May 26 at the high school.

A HUG FROM MOM (upper right)—Cussy Kauer gives her son, Dawson Kauer, a hug after presenting him with the final Nome-Beltz Alumni scholarship of the evening. Cussy teared up a bit as she acknowledged that Dawson was her last child to cross the stage.

WE DID IT (right)—Gregory Saclamana, left, bumps fists with Michael McGowan at the conclusion of the graduation ceremony May 26.

IT'S OVER (left)—The class of 2010 tosses their graduation caps just before pulling the cord to release balloons from the ceiling at the end of the ceremony at the high school.

