

SUMMER'S BOUNTY-Salmon caught July 10 hangs to dry at Fort Davis just east on Nome.

Photo by Denise Olin

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HELP FROM BIG BROTHER—David Olin, 15, gives little sister Joss, 3, a kayak paddling lesson near the mouth of the Nome River June 22 when Nome was still enjoying healthy doses of sunshine.

# Complex plot hatched for state building

### By Sandra L. Medearis

The City of Nome has sent the state governor's office a letter laying out a plan whose success would have a three-story state building cast a tall shadow on Front Street and short-circuit State of Alaska procurement laws, mostly with the use of private money.

The letter is a response to a Department of Administration call for letters of interest in providing office space for local offices of state agencies. The request came after Front Street business owners protested state Department of Transportation and Public Facilities plans to build the \$40 million, 60,000-square-foot building at the north end of Steadman Street on

land purchased from Alaska Gold Co.

The state has made it perfectly clear that it wants ideas but will not award a project based on the letters of interest. The city's response essentially tells the state to keep their \$40 million and to keep the new state building on city tax rolls. The state has been cruising a site for a building to replace the current storm-rotted building standing by the seawall in the floodplain.

The city's plan possibly provides a way for the state to work around procurement laws that rule out sole-source, non-competitive "sweetheart" deals,

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# Uranium found in Wales water supply

### By Tyler Rhodes

The discovery of uranium in the water supply in Wales has residents in the community at the tip of the Seward Peninsula worried and state officials scrambling to figure out the cause.

"This is a complete surprise to everyone in the state. No one in the state has elevated levels of uranium in their drinking water," said Mike Phillips, an engineer and project manager for the state's Village Safe Water program.

Phillips was to travel to Wales Monday and

Tuesday to try to ascertain how and where the uranium was entering the village's water system. "We need to first resample before we actually know what's going on there," he said.

Wales Mayor Frank Crisci said the village was notified July 12 of the presence of the radioactive element in its well water. "To have uranium pop out like that is unexplainable," Crisci said.

Tests conducted June 8 by Analytica Group on several water samples taken between Sept. 21,

2009 and May 3, 2010 show a result of 32.5 micrograms per liter of uranium. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's standard for drinking water is a limit of 30 micrograms per liter.

According to Phillips, the wells were drilled in 2000 and 2001, but were not used for the city's water supply until 2007-2008. Phillips said it isn't until the second year of operation that rules require groundwater to be tested for radionuclides. The EPA warns that the presence of uranium in water can lead to kidney damage

and increase the risk of getting cancer.

Crisci said the announcement has spurred concern in his small community of approximately 150 residents. Particularly troubling for the mayor is the inability to provide information to his fellow residents beyond the fact that the uranium is present. "A lot of people are calling it junk water. Some people have questions about it which I can't answer at this point."

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# Council declines to bring back city clerk

### By Laurie McNicholas

Sandy Sturgis-Babcock's last day as Nome's city clerk/city treasurer was July 15.

Babcock assumed the position on May 14, 2007 under a three-year contract with the city. She was hired by the Nome Common Council and su-

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pervised by City Manager Josie Bahnke. On July 16 *The Nome Nugget* learned by hearsay that Babcock was no longer employed by the city.

"My three-year contract was up and wasn't renewed," Babcock explained in a phone interview with the Nugget. "I think the council or the city manager want to go in a different direction." She said Mayor Denise Michels informed her of the council's decision during an executive session at a council meeting on July 12 and told her she would receive three months of severance pay.

In keeping with terms of her contract, Babcock said she had notified the city 90 days before its expiration date that she was interested in renewing the contract for another three years. She

said she doesn't know why the council didn't discuss contract renewal with her during that period. Her contract was extended through July 15.

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Babcock said she initially discussed matters related to contract renewal with council members in an executive session at a council meeting on June 28. "We all thought we would talk about the contract on the 28th, but Josie [Bahnke] was sick," she noted. "[The council], asked me a lot of questions and I responded." Discussion of her contract was postponed until July 12 so Bahnke could participate.

Babcock said potential changes in the city clerk/city treasurer position were suggested at the July 12 meeting, but they were discussed in executive session so she declined to describe them. She said she was excused from the meeting at Bahnke's request while discussion continued among council members and Bahnke. When Babcock was called back into the executive session, she learned that her contract would not be renewed. "I did not ask for details why they wanted to change the job description," she said.

### Mayor outlines changes

In a phone interview with the *Nugget* on July 17, Michels said the council wants to separate the city clerk/treasurer position and move financial aspects of the position back to finance, where they should be, and rewrite the position for just a city clerk. She said several of Nome's city managers have recommended the

separation; the topic had been discussed in relation to a new finance/clerk computer software upgrade, and reclassification of the position in the offing. "The city clerk was working to the max," she noted. Michels said she thanks Babcock "for her service working as city clerk/city treasurer through the years."

On July 19 the *Nugget* received a request from the city manager's office to advertise a job opening for city clerk/treasurer for four weeks beginning July 22. The ad lists these qualifications: "Bachelor's degree (B.A.) in business administration and four years experience as an administrative officer. Work experience as an administrative

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### Letters

Dear Nancy,

I'm writing this letter in regards to how political actions and decisions are being taken care of in our village of Golovin. I served my community as mayor for a while but am no longer on the council. I have followed every rule of conduct while I was mayor to run the city in a manner that I not only thought was right but knew was right. I am really upset about how things have been taken care of lately. There has been family members of the city council being hired with the family members on the council voting on the matter. It seems that certain council members are on the council to make it better for themselves and their family instead of making it better for the community. The council should already understand what a conflict of interest means. If a conflict of interest is declared then the declared individual(s) may not take part in the discussion or the decision of the matter

stated Golovin's in ordinances. Every council member was sworn into office and by doing so agreed to follow the rules and ordinances that the city has in place. I hope we can work things out and get it right before the City of Golovin gets into a situation that no government body wants to be in. Sincerely, Donald Oliver Golovin, AK

### Dear Editor,

As an Alaskan Yupik Native, I have experienced a horrible multitude of discrimination towards myself, as many of us have as Eskimo's.

However, it has become so much like a cancer that only builds on itself that now even immediate and extended family members have been maligned by this atrocity. Now, keep in mind, that I am 32 years old and am immensely contributing member to the good of humanity.

As an alcoholic struggling to quit,

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

# **Editorial**

### Hush!

There are no secrets in small towns where everyone seems to know everyone else's business. Why bother with "secret" meetings in the public forum? City Council meets in not quite kosher executive sessions with private corporations, the school board meets in hokey executive sessions. Personnel are not quite legally let go in executive

Do we know how much money is paid out in legal settlements to employees who were not given due course? It would seem that we have far too many issues decided beforehand and have the appearance of done-deals before the official public input sessions. One wonders why the secrecy. Corporations are not government entities and should not be doing secret dealings with government. The public, yes the "Little People," deserve to know how their public boards and councils are conducting public business and spending public money.

The citizens of Nome are not ignorant, they are, however, somewhat disgusted with the way public business is done. The problem is that they find out after the deed is done. Nomeites, we need to get more involved in local government. We need to attend council meetings, school board meetings, planning commission meetings, port commission and utility board meetings. We need to scrutinize, give testimony and witness events. We have a right to transparency in our local government, not stonewalling. - N.L.M.-

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I can understand how people in general stereotype our fellow Natives. That much is understandable, but our very own family!

A very stern reminder to everyone - cherish your family while they are with you because no matter how you cut it, they're the only things that

will be there and time is very limited. At the time of birth we have begun to die. Look at your son or daughter, brother, sister, aunt, uncle and be happy that our Lord God gave this beautiful life to you and know that maybe, just maybe, they maybe the person that may offer the unconditional love that we all crave in this cold, uncaring world.

A very concerned family member and father. Jacob Milligrock Stebbins, AK

# A Look at the Past



Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

THE GIANTS AT WORK - This is an excellent example of the hydraulic mining method in practice by the Miocene Ditch Company on Glacier Creek. They used a giant hose to blast away the overburden to get down to bedrock where the gold is located. Note the gold pan. This photo was taken on August 7, 1910. The exact location is at the intersection of the original Glacier Creek Road and Glacier Creek.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — July 22 - 28, 2010												
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Sa	07/24	06:29 a.m. LD	1.2H	09:43 a.m.	LDT	1.0L	03:41 p.m.	LDT	1.3H	11:31 p.m. LD	T -0.1L	
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ON THE DOUBLE-Nome Volunteer Fire Dept. members arrived at a report of smoke and fire beneath Hanson's Safeway, strapped on their air packs, and put practice to work feeding hose under the store.

# Young arsonists put shoppers in jeopardy

Preliminary evidence said children playing with matches brought out firefighters and law investigating enforcement Monday afternoon.

Staff at Hanson's Safeway smelled smoke in the video and clothing departments around 3:30 p.m.

"The manager, Pam Parnell, and I

went down to the furnace, the first thing we checked," Craig Teesateskie said. However, firefighters found insulation burning beneath the building from an entry on the south side of the building that borders Warren Place, the street that separates store property from Old St. Joe's Heritage Park. Behind the building to the east and away

from view, a company owned pickup truck held evidence of arsonists burning items inside. Litter on the ground by the right door also showed signs of fire. Teesateskie blamed children, unsupervised by parents, for the damage.

Nome Police Department is investigating.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

July 22 - July 28, 2010

# Thursday, July 22

Pool

Pool

\*Tennis \*Open Gym \*Children's Library Hour Crafts and Activities (ages 6-13)
\*Lap Swim
\*Summercise

\*Be Who You Are video
\*Strength Training with Robin
\*SIDS Awareness Project video \*Lap Swim

Midnight Sun Running Group Port Commission meeting
\*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.
\*Water Aerobics

\*Swing Dancing with Seiji
\*Thrift Shop
Vacation Bible School

Pool Methodist Church
United Methodist Church

Nome Rec Center Kegoayah Library

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. noon - 4:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. Nome Rec Center Prematernal Home Nome Rec Center Prematernal Home

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5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.

7 a.m. - noon 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

# Friday, July 23

\*Pick-up Basketball \*Prick-up basketoaii
\*Lap Swim
\*Open Gym
\*Quiet time (ages 3 - 13)
\*Kindergym
\*Cuddle Care class
\*Open Gym
\*CAMP Class
\*Poor Man's Paradise Gold
\*Panning Contest
\*Pre-ballet with Cheryl
Midnight Sun Walking Group
\*Arms and Abs

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\*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan
\*AA Meeting
\*Adult Drop-in Soccer
Fairweather arrival

Nome Rec Center Pool Nome Rec Center Kegoayah Library Nome Rec Center Prematernal Home Nome Rec Center Prematernal home Anvil City Square

Nome Rec Center
CAMP
Nome Rec Center
Nome Rec Center
Lutheran Church (rear)
Nome Rec Center
Port of Nome

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# Saturday, July 24

\*UMW Thrift Shop \*Contraception video <del>\*Open Swim</del> \*The Medula Pump video <del>-ъар-Swim</del> Free Dump Day Fairweather

Prematernal Home Prematernal Home Landfill

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. 1:30 p.m. <del>5 p.m. 6:30 p.</del>m 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

### Sunday, July 25

# Monday, July 26

\*Pick-up Basketball
\*Lap Swim
\*NACTEC Classes
\*Open Gym
\*Kindergym
\*Summercise
\*Audiology class
\*Pregnancy Plus Workout video
\*Open Gym
Midnight Sun Walking Group
Midnight Sun Running Group
Total Body Toning
\*Water Aerobics
\*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan
\*Nome Common Council reg mtg
\*Adult Drop-In Volleyball
\*AA Meeting
\*Fairweather departs Fairweather departs

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# Tuesday, July 27

\*Tennis Nome Rec Center
\*Open Gym Nome Rec Center
\*Children's Library Hour
Storytime and Crafts (ages 3-5)
\*Lap Swim
\*Summercise Nome Rec Center
\*Social Services class
\*Summercise Swimming
\*Strength Training with Robin
\*Breast Cancer video Prematernal Home
\*Lap Swim
\*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.
\*Open Gym Nome Rec Center
\*Nome Food Bank Pool
\*Nome Rec Center
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\*Thrift Shop \*Adult Drop-In Volleyball

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7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

### Wednesday, July 28

\*Pick-up Basketball \*Lap Swim \*Open Gym

\*Summercise swimming
\*Eating on a Healthy Budget video \*Baton with Jay \*Open Gym Midnight Sun Walking Group Midnight Sun Running Group

\*Tutts and Guts Nome Rec Center

\*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan

\*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)

\*Caxwr

Nome Rec Center

Nome Rec Center

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officer in a related field with equivalent responsibilities or paralegal experience will substitute for education on a year for year basis." The salary range is \$59,000-72,000, depending on experience. Bahnke said Deputy City Clerk Camille Ten Eyck will serve as interim city clerk/treasurer.

Michels said council members did not vote on the question of renewing the contract; they let the agreement end without taking action. When the executive session ended, the regular meeting was reconvened and then adjourned, she added.

In an e-mail to the *Nugget* on July 19, Michels specified that the council chose not to renew the agreement with Babcock per section 5 of the city clerk/city treasurer contract which reads: "Upon the completion of the Initial Term of the Agreement, it shall specifically not be considered renewed without further action upon the part of the City." Michels said she informed Babcock of the council's decision because as mayor, she is the chief spokesperson for the City of Nome.

Michels e-mailed copies of the agreement and job description for the city clerk/city treasurer to the *Nugget*. Duties assigned to the city treasurer include signing warrants and checks, receipting funds paid at the counter or by mail; and administering the city sales tax program in conjunction the city's finance department including reporting, collection and enforcement.

During the phone interview with Michels on July 17, the *Nugget* asked why the city had not made public the council's decision not to renew the contract with Babcock. "She's a contract employee," Michels replied. "...When we choose not to renew a contract, we don't do a press release."

The *Nugget* asked Michels why the council had not discussed renewal of the contract with Babcock within 90 days after receiving her written notification of interest in renewing the contract.

"I don't know," Michels replied. She suggested asking the council, so the *Nugget* asked Councilwoman Mary Knodel why the council had not discussed contract renewal with Babcock in a timely manner.

"That's the screwy part; we do the hiring but not the supervising," Kn-

odel replied. Asked who is responsible for scheduling discussion of contract renewal between the council and the city clerk/treasurer, Knodel said the city manager is responsible because she supervises the position.

The *Nugget* asked Knodel if she wants the council to supervise the city clerk. "No, it used to be that way," she replied. "...We changed it to put the city manager in charge [of the city clerk], but did not change the part that says the council does the hiring and firing. It puts the city manager in a bad position." Knodel supports shifting hiring and firing authority for the city clerk position from the council to the city manager. She said Bahnke suggested separating the city clerk/city treasurer position.

city clerk/city treasurer position.
"I think Sandy is a great person and did a good job for the city," Knodel added.

The Nugget asked Bahnke why she did not arrange for the council to discuss contract renewal with Babcock within 90 days after receiving notice of her interest in renewing the contract. "We did discuss some strategy to negotiate an agreement," she said, adding that she believed the strategy discussion had taken place in executive session at a council meeting. After checking meeting records, Bahnke informed the Nugget by email that the agenda topic, "Personnel: Discussion of a Contract Renewal with the City Clerk" was addressed in executive session at a council meeting on April 26.

Bahnke e-mailed copies of the agenda and minutes for the April 26 council meeting to the *Nugget* on request. Agenda items for the executive session in addition to discussion of contract renewal with the city clerk were: Real property issue — Financial and legal strategies which may have an adverse effect on city finances; and City attorney-client privilege — Litigation affecting the City of Nome. The executive session lasted 92 minutes, from 7.59 p.m. to 9:31 p.m.

Babcock said the real property issue was discussed first, probably to accommodate John Handeland, who participated in discussion of the topic, and then the attorney-client issue was discussed. When the council began to address the agenda item titled "Personnel: Discussion of a Contract Renewal with the City Clerk," Babcock

said she was excused from the session at Bahnke's request. Babcock estimates that she waited about 30 minutes in her office until the executive session ended and she was asked to return to the council chambers. Then the meeting was adjourned.

Babcock doesn't know what the council discussed while she waited outside the executive session that was convened for the stated reason of discussing contract renewal with her. She said no contract negotiations between her and Bahnke had occurred prior to the April 26 meeting, so there were no contract renewal details to present to the council. "[April] was budget time, and Josie was meeting with each de-

partment head, and she had not met with me," Babcock added. She said Bahnke never discussed the city clerk/city treasurer contract with her prior to the July 12 council meeting.

Bahnke told the *Nugget* that she had been faced with deaths in her family shortly after the April 26 council meeting. "My whole life fell apart April 28," she said. She explained that her father's girlfriend died on that day and her father died 10 days later.

### **Looking to the future**

Babcock looks forward to helping her son and daughter settle into an apartment they will share near the University of Alaska Anchorage campus where both will attend classes this fall. "I was lucky to find the apartment—they can walk to the campus," she said.

Babcock feels she could not have quit her job as city clerk/treasurer even though the workload was heavy and the hours long. "It's one of those jobs where you are really needed," she noted. "It's a lot of responsibility, and to do a responsible job for the City [requires] all those nights and meetings. I'd be there later at night and my husband would ask why, and I said, 'Not because I want to; I have to be." She said the council was fair with her in providing three months of severance pay.

### An Open Letter to the Community of Nome and Surrounding Villages Regarding Ownership and Use of Pilgrim Hot Springs

If you read the most recent Nome Nugget, you will have seen two articles related to Pilgrim Hot Springs. Both discussed the current need for visitors to the Springs to obtain a permit from Unaatuq, LLC, through its managing partner Bering Straits Native Corporation. Unaatuq, LLC is taking this opportunity to explain the purchase of the property from the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska, as well as the LLC's developing plans for the land.

It is without question that Pilgrim is a place of great importance to the residents of Nome and the greater Bering Straits region. Because of the land's history, particularly its place in the terrible events of 1918, and the orphanage that was operated there until 1942, BSNC began seeking an interest in property in mid-1990's. BSNC met with the CBNA and repeatedly appealed to the Diocese to either sell the property, or allow BSNC to oversee, manage, or improve the property. The BSNC Board of Directors' motives were simple: the property would have been available for selection and conveyance under ANCSA had it been available, and it is a significant site in the family histories of many of BSNC's shareholders. However, these efforts bore no fruit in part due to the existence of a 99-year lease on the property held by Pilgrim Springs Limited.

When the CBNA was forced to enter into bankruptcy proceedings and liquidate its assets, BSNC realized the opportunity to finally obtain the property was now at hand. It was understood that the price for this property would be high, and BSNC appealed to the re gion's village corporations and other local organizations to jointly pursue the acquisition. BSNC along with Sitnasuak Native Corporation, Kawerak, Inc., Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation, Mary's Igloo Native Corporation, Teller Native Corporation, and White Mountain Native Corporation, pooled their financial resources and purchased Pilgrim Hot Springs on March 5th through an auction in Federal Bankruptcy Court. On April 27, 2010 the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska issued a quit claim deed to the property and the transaction was finalized. Any and all prior claims or liens to the property were extinguished and deemed invalid, and the property's ownership passed to Unaatug, LLC.

While production of electricity from the geothermal re-

serves has been discussed for many years and by many parties, the current cost for drilling, plant construction and transmission lines make this prospect highly unlikely into the foreseeable future. Additionally, it is unclear where the actual source of the heat in the valley is located. The University of Alaska has undertaken a study project at the Springs, but the program's goal is not the eventual production of electricity there. Unaatuq, LLC will continue to work with research agencies interested in analyzing and utilizing the geothermal resource for heat, electricity, and agricultural potential.

So the questions now are what does the future hold for Pilgrim Hot Springs, and more importantly how does the change in ownership effect people's use of the property? Unaatuq, LLC is developing a land management plan for the property that will guide future efforts in the preservation of property and buildings, outline the parameters for what type of improvements and development may occur there, and what uses are consistent with the region's needs and the property's importance to local residents. One of the plan's core components is preservation of the ecosystem and historical nature of the property. The current plan requires permits for visiting the Property, which currently are issued at no charge. This is a sound management practice, as it protects the user, the LLC, and provides valuable information on the level of traffic and use at the property. Unaatuq, LLC thanks those who have already visited the BSNC office to receive permits. Unaatuq, LLC would also like to encourage local individuals and organizations that have an interest in improving and maintaining the Springs to contact us and discuss possible projects.

Through the years the community of Nome and the region's residents have used the property responsibly. Let's move ahead together for the benefit of the property and preserve the unique characteristics that make Pilgrim Hot Springs such a valuable resource for all. You may contact Unaatuq, LLC through the managing partner, Bering Straits Native Corporation, 110 Front Street, Suite 300, Nome, AK 99762, (907)443-5252 or land@beringstraits.com.

Unaatuq, LLC July 19, 2010

# Capsized boat claims one in Shaktoolik

Two men were saved and one perished near Shaktoolik late last week when their boat capsized while working commercial fishing nets in Norton Sound.

According to the Alaska State Troopers, brothers Clarence, 24, and Brian Savetilik, 19, were rescued after being found clinging to a buoy on July 16. A third crewman, Thomas Sagoonick, 36, could not be located at the time the Savetiliks were rescued and was later found deceased on July 18.

Seas were reportedly rough the day the three men went out on the 22-foot aluminum boat. The brothers were rescued by friends who arrived in another boat to pull them from the water. According to the Troopers, none of the men were wearing life jackets.





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# District settles with Boyer, fills teacher vacancies

By Tyler Rhodes

As the dust settles after months of contention and a bitter community rift over the Nome Board of Education's handling of the contracts for the two former administrators at Nome-Beltz, one of those relieved from duty has received a settlement from the district.

Board member Barb Nickels revealed that the district had agreed to some sort of settlement with Doug Boyer, the former assistant principal at the junior/senior high school, during the July 13 board meeting. During the time allotted for board members' open discussion, Nickels requested that the board be provided with the dollar figure on what the district has spent on attorney's fees since the Jan. 12 decision to not renew the two contracts and the settlement offer for Boyer.

Superintendent Jon Wehde confirmed that a settlement had been reached, but said the terms of the agreement prevented him from giving any more detail. "There is an action that can be correctly referred to as a settlement," he said. "The provisions preclude the district from comment. It certainly isn't a spectacular piece of work." Wehde referred to the settlement as a separation agreement and noted that a modest sum of money was paid.

A message sent to Boyer seeking

comment was not returned as of press time.

Although Boyer had said at previous board meetings that he was inclined to take his case to court after working through the district's appeal process, Wehde said no lawsuit was filed by Boyer against the district.

Outside of saying Boyer's contract was initially withheld for budgetary reasons in January, the school board has never offered an explanation for not bringing the assistant principal or principal Janeen Sullivan back for another year. The issue bitterly divided much of the community and resulted in a recall election for the entire board. Two board members lost their seats after a protracted election process that had an ever-changing vote count.

Boyer will work as an administrator in the Bethel School District next year. Sullivan will remain with Nome Public Schools as the district's new coordinator of curriculum and assessment.

Taking the helm at Nome-Beltz this year will be Steve Gast, who has spent the majority of his career working as a principal in various schools in Texas. Joining Gast at the junior/senior high school will be Carmen Russo who is set to receive her administrator certification this summer.

New leadership will also take the reins at Nome Elementary School as David Keller returns to the district. In addition to running the elementary school, Keller will serve as the district's special education director.

In addition to the openings at the top, the district also had to staff several teaching positions, chiefly at Nome-Beltz. New to the district next year will be junior high math teacher Kevin Busk, junior high social studies teacher Josh Vaughn, junior high/elementary special education teacher Janice Glover, senior high English teacher Randi Taylor-Habib, senior high social studies teacher Kent Runion, senior high math teacher Rebecca Lindquist, elementary special education teacher Linda Todd and junior/senior high special education teacher Marty Wood. Returning to the district after an absence will be Lynn DeFilippo as a junior high English teacher. Krista Marvin will be moving from the junior high to the elementary school as a fifth-sixth grade teacher in the district's new program for those two grade levels. Brian Marvin will be joining the district from the Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center to work as a high school science teacher.

Despite all the new faces, the district is looking to fill out a few more spots. The board learned of the resignation of Bernie Alvanna-Stimpfle as the Alaska Native Education Coordinator and Margaret Thomas as a Title 1 paraprofessional. The district is still on a continual lookout for a senior Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps instructor.

The JROTC program in Nome made a comeback after being on the brink due to funding cuts from the district and city. The private sector stepped in with Sitnasuak footing the bill for the program through a state program that allows the donation as a tax write-off. The Nome program has been on a probationary status, however, as the national JROTC program requires a senior instructor to continue. "It's all over on June 30, 2011, if we can't have an officer come on board," Wehde told board members at the July 13 meeting.

### In other business...

With the recall election settled and two newly appointed members on

board, the school board voted to reorganize its leadership. Gloria Karmun remained as president. Kirsten Timbers was named vice president/clerk. Barb Amarok was named treasurer.

The board officially changed the district's mission statement. A new statement was developed during the district's strategic planning process held in late 2009 and early 2010, but was never officially ratified by the board. The new statement, now official, reads, "Nome Public Schools will educate students in a positive learning environment to be competent and productive citizens."

The board has cancelled its work session scheduled for July 27. The agenda will be moved to the August session which should be held Aug. 24. At that meeting, the board intends to address the question of whether security cameras are needed for the district, the requirement that employees wear identification badges, board committee assignments, the use of federal stimulus funds to pay for energy efficient lighting, and the use of the pool for school classes, among other subjects.

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# Unlocked car doors, left keys tempt thieves

By Tyler Rhodes

Nome has recently experienced a rash of car thefts, and police say the incidents have all had one element in common—the owners left their keys somewhere in the car.

"In the last week, there have been several vehicles that have been stolen and recovered locally. In each and every one of these vehicles a set of keys have been left to allow someone to steal their vehicle," reads a press release from the Nome Police Department.

Police Sergeant Byron Redburn said Monday that the department has a couple of suspects but has made no arrests in the matter. He said the investigation is ongoing.

Redburn said those who had reported their vehicles taken were lucky to get them back relatively in order. "All have been recovered and none are severely damaged," he said. "But it's just a matter of time."

Redburn said stolen cars are not unheard of each year when it gets warm in Nome. "It will happen in the summer generally, but for each and every vehicle that has been stolen, the keys have been left there for them," he said. "I have yet to see them hot wired, unless it was the old, beat-up truck where you stick the screwdriver in the ignition; and even those still had the screwdriver in it."

In addition to the cars themselves, vehicles with unlocked doors in Nome have been easy prey for thieves who rifle through to find iPods, cash and other valuables for the taking. Redburn and the department urge citizens to both remove their keys from the car and lock the doors to help prevent theft.

The lesson does not only apply to cars. A number of people have also reported stolen bikes over the last few weeks. "Every summer people report stolen bikes, every winter people report stolen snowmachines," Redburn said. "There again, people are not securing their property."

The department asks that anyone witnessing cars being broken into call the police at 443-5262.



# Sitnasuak again searches for a new president/CEO

Sitnasuak Native Corp. is again looking for someone to fill the seat at the top.

Trudy Sobocienski, who has served as the Nome area Alaska Native Corporation's president and chief executive officer since the spring of 2009, said the corporation's board of directors has voted to not renew her contract. "I was told the executive committee chose to not renew my contract," she said Monday.

Sitnasuak is advertising the CEO position on its website and in this week's Nome Nugget.

While out of one job, Sobocienski will be landing into another. She said she has accepted

a job as the chief executive officer of another village corporation with offices in Anchorage. She declined to name the corporation.

Sobocienski said she informed the board of the pending job offer with the other village corporation as the board was reviewing her contract and salary agreement. "I let the chair know that there was another job offer out there and I needed to respond to them," she said. "I need to know I have employment so I can feed my family.

Sobocienski would not go into detail over possible rifts between her and the board of directors. "I think the board and I have two very

different visions for the future," she said. "I would hope that their vision is going to be successful because I am a shareholder.

A message left with Sitnasuak board chair Crystal Andersen-Booth for comment was not returned by press time.

Sobocienski had a one-year contract with the board that is set to expire Aug. 31. Before being officially named to the position, she served in the role in an interim capacity while still serving on the corporation's board of directors. Sobocienski replaced Robbie Fagerstrom who was ousted from his position in May 2009. Fagerstrom is involved in a legal dispute with the corporation that is largely centered on the handling of one of the corporation's subsidiaries.

Sobocienski said when she took over the reins as president and CEO, the corporation was in need of a housecleaning. "We accomplished a lot of things. There was a lot of cleanup that needed to be done," she said.

Sobocienski said Monday morning that she was unaware of how the board would deal with the remainder of her contract until the end of August. "I'm just in a holding pattern," she said. "I'm assuming I'm just kind of hanging around until they come up with a transition plan.'

# State building

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using a loophole in the law that allows noncompetitive deals on a governmentto-government basis. The proposal then clears the way for City of Nome to sign a sole-source, non-competitive contract allowing Sitnasuak to build, manage and collect public money in rents from a state building on Sitnasuak's large lot on Front Street. The plan would require Sitnasuak to buy land from two other private landowners, Mark Sackett and Councilman Jim West Jr., for parking

The city, in secret meetings with Sitnasuak and landowners, has developed three options, one of which would require vacating Lanes Way and selling it to Sitnasuak. The fivepage proposal comprises a two-page letter and three design drawings involving public funds, the discussion of which was not available to the public. Open meeting laws are predicated on allowing the public to witness debate and follow the thinking of their representatives while they arrive at decisions involving expenditures of public money and resources, i.e., sale of a public street. Stapled to the proposal is a letter of support from Nome Chamber of Commerce and letters from Sackett and West vowing to negotiate sale of their land in good faith.

On the one hand, the document starts off with, "The City is very interested in entering a binding agreement or contract on a government to government basis with the State of Alaska to design, bid, build and then lease with the option to purchase a new State Office Building [sic] in the City of Nome."

Bid? Not in the plans. "Given the unique nature of this public/private sector partnership, it would be the intent of the City to contract the construction and management of the building to Nanuaq, LLC (a subsidiary of Sitnasuak Native Corp.) who is also majority landholder in the proposed project. Nanuaq LLC would act as the construction manager/general contractor on the project pulling together the long-term financing, design and construction of the project."

Business owners said taking the state offices off Front Street would make the main drag seem deserted and would drop their property values. The for-profit Sitnasuak Native Corp. executives sounded the alarm that losing state rentals from their Front Street

building would damage the interests of Sitnasuak shareholders. Others objected to causing traffic congestion and hazards on Steadman Street.

Councilwoman Mary Knodel laid out the details of the plan developed in private between the city and Sitnasuak. This plan proposes the government-to-government relationship between the city and the state.

The city would, in a contract with the state, guarantee a building to suit the state specifications for office space within 10 months from signing of construction documents. The state's June 25 request for information/letter of interest asked for a statement of the size of a proposed building constructed within a 3.5-mile radius of the post office on Front Street, in ADA compliance, with the parking plan for visitors and employees spelled out, the relation of the location to flood zones, and when the building would be ready to receive state agency offices. Additionally, the project must be within 250 feet of the existing public road and utility system. Both the Sitnasuak and Alaska Gold Co. sites satisfy the parameters.

Sitnasuak would be required to purchase a bond to cover fines, delays in building and failure of funds. Memoranda of understanding between the city, Sitnasuak and state would spell out the agreements under which Sitnasuak would handle management of the building but lease the building to the city. The city would in return lease the building to the state, with Sitnasuak paying an administrative fee to the city to service the state lease. After 15 to 20 years, the state would have the option to buy the building from Sitnasuak. But lots of details have to be worked out, according to Knodel.

'Some options have to be worked out, but in a way that it won't cost taxpayers anything," Knodel said. "Sitnasuak will have to buy the vacated portion of Lanes Way from the city at a fair-market-value price."

Meanwhile, the success of the city's proposal would leave Alaska Gold holding the bag on its intended sale of acreage for the state building site. The DOT has provided preliminary design work and environmental studies on that land. In May, Alaska Gold sought and achieved approval from Nome Planning Commission on a preliminary plat of the land the state was poised to buy.

Earlier this year, DOT project



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

PROPOSED SITE—A pitch from the city to State of Alaska spells out a deal with Sitnasuak Native Corp. to put a three-story building on this Front Street vacant lot owned by Sitnasuak and currently used for parking.

manager Matt Desalernos said preliminary site studies told him he could not find a lot of sufficient size, out of the flood plain, and yet on Front Street, to accommodate a building large enough to house the justice secured space under one roof, the state court system and other agencies wanting to join the new building. The small size of lots drawn on an old town plat would necessitate dealing with several owners, something the state did not want to do, according to Desalernos.

Nikolai Ivanoff, land manager for Alaska Gold in Nome, echoed this thought last week outside a Nome Common Council executive session on the issue.

"They are planning to build a 21st century building on a 1905 Nome township plat," Ivanoff said of the pieced together downtown site.

The city's plan involving Sitnasuak would remove the need for the state to be a land broker. Instead, Sitnasuak, as major landholder, would work out the deal with West and Sackett.

However, a rumor persists that payment to Sackett and West for their land would involve trading of favorable land elsewhere.

The Department of Administration did not immediately return a phone call Monday. It was unknown whether there were any other responses to the request for letters of interest. It is likely that any responses regarded as feasible would have to go to the Department of Justice for a ruling on the noncompetitive procurement issue.

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# KNOM's new path will sound a lot like its old one

By Tyler Rhodes

Surrounded by a small group of visitors, Ric Schmidt unsheathed the old 45 rpm record and gave a short primer to the younger members in the tour how the small wax disc produced music.

As he began to usher the group into the next room full of CDs, the KNOM general manager pointed to 8-tracks and even a reel-to-reel player tucked away on a shelf. The abundance of relics from the recording industry helped give away the radio station's age and seemed a fitting aspect to include during KNOM's July 14 birthday celebration.

For the celebration, the Nome-based radio station opened its doors all day July 14 to the community for tours, snacks, birthday cake and some reminiscing over the station's 39-year history. The party, however, wasn't entirely dedicated to looking back; it was as much about KNOM's future as it was its past.

The open house came in the midst of the radio station's transition from one owner to another as a newly formed nonprofit organization gradually takes over KNOM from the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska headquartered in Fairbanks. "The covers come off it today," Schmidt said.

The new organization, Alaska Radio Mission-KNOM, essentially puts KNOM in charge of KNOM. While Schmidt said the radio station has always enjoyed a large amount of autonomy, the new organization will put all the control, decision-making and management in the hands of nonprofit. Schmidt said eventually a seven-member board of directors will oversee the organization.

The legal separation of the radio station from the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska comes as a result of the bishop's reorganization under bankruptcy protection. The bishop is required to pay out millions of dollars under a settlement with victims of sexual abuse by clergy and



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

BIG BIRTHDAY CARD—Carolyn Reader signs the card at KNOM's studios to wish the station a happy 39th. The open house allowed the community to tour the station and even get on air to send out their well-wishes.

church workers. In addition to the changes at KNOM, the bankruptcy has resulted in the sale of Pilgrim Hot Springs to a consortium of area Native corporations and organizations.

Breaking ties with the bishop does not come free for the new organization. The July 14 birthday party also served as a kick-off of the nonprofit's effort to raise \$1 million to cover

the costs of acquiring the property, equipment, radio license and intellectual property from the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska.

KNOM has always run off donations, mostly from donors who live outside the state. Schmidt said the new nonprofit will maintain that model. "It's not going to be easy," Schmidt said. "It would have been easier five years ago

in that economy." Schmidt said once the non-profit owns the station outright it will cost approximately \$1.2 million a year to operate.

Schmidt said he realizes that most people living in the region do not have the means to donate to the station. "We understand most people in this region can't give us a dime," he said. He suggested, however, if people want to help support the station in other manners, they can write a letter of support, telling what the station has meant to them. Such letters, he said, can be invaluable when approaching potential donors or granting agencies.

Broadcasting on both AM and FM frequencies, KNOM provides an eclectic mix of programming. Music of nearly all varieties is mingled with local news, weather reports and personal messages sent over the airwaves. Alaska Native songs and drumming can be heard following an inspirational message or a locally hosted music show dedicated to a specific genre. When the Iditarod and snowmachine races roll through town, KNOM volunteers and reporters are out at all hours to deliver results and interview racers. "The people are wonderful who are listening. The volunteers are wonderful. The staff is wonderful. There's a large drive by the people here to serve the community," Schmidt said.

The station's on-air personalities are largely volunteers who receive housing and a small stipend during their year or two of service. Many of the volunteers end up staying and creating a life for themselves in Nome.

Schmidt said the change in ownership should not change the programming nor the manner in which the station is run.

For more information on the radio station's transition to new ownership or making a donation, the station can be contacted at (907) 443-5221.

# • Uranium

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Uranium is naturally occurring in the earth's crust and not unheard of on the Seward Peninsula. Deposits have been eyed approximately 180 miles to the southeast near Elim by a mining corporation. While the presence of uranium in Wales' water system appears to be an anomaly for Alaska, it is not uncommon in other parts of the nation. Many states' health departments have readily available literature advising residents who encounter above-normal levels of the element in their wells.

Information sampled from those departments note that treatment systems can be employed to decrease the uranium levels. Most recommended are reverse-osmosis filters that prevent uranium from passing through or ion exchange systems that replace uranium with a safer compound. Health departments report bathing and showering in uranium-contaminated water is not a health concern since it is not absorbed through the skin.

Such filtrations systems cost anywhere from a few hundred to a few thousand dollars at Lower-48 prices and are not the type of thing one would find on the shelf of the Wales Native Store. Bottled water in the

village goes for nearly \$3 per 20ounce container.

Village Safe Water's Phillips said a household charcoal filter would help reduce the level of uranium in the water. He also said sand filters that were used with the previous public water system could be put back online quickly to treat the water.

The wells in question are approximately 60 feet deep and are used once a year to fill the community's 500,000-gallon tank. The village's school, clinic and washeteria are all served by water lines from the tank. Residents in the village get water from their homes by filling up tanks at the washeteria, Crisci said. "Pretty much the whole village uses the water," he said.

Before the wells were brought online, the village collected surface water for its needs. Crisci said the water needed to be treated to the extent that the process was damaging the pipes. "It was eating up the plumbing," he said. "We get away from the surface water and we run right into uranium."

Crisci said his concern goes beyond those who are currently in the village. He noted that several people come through the village, whether they are working with the school, power utility or other entity. "What

we are trying to do is inform people who might have come here and used this water," Crisci said. "We are trying to also notify them, 'Hey you have been drinking this water, this is

what we've got."

Phillips said his first job in Wales was to be testing the water at several points to determine where the uranium is entering the supply. He said the previous tests were all conducted at one point. He said both wells would be tested, as well as the surface of the water in the tank and where the water exits the tank. "The lab here in Anchorage can turn around the one

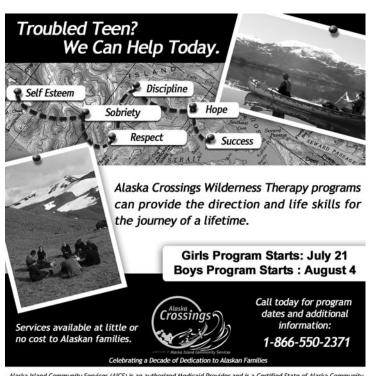
test for uranium in a week," he said.
"Once we get a reading on that, that's going to tell us a lot."

Phillips said one of the readings that was attributed to uranium could have actually been caused by potassium-40, a radioactive isotope of potassium. "If it's…from potassium-40, then it's harmless and acceptable because it's naturally occurring," he said.

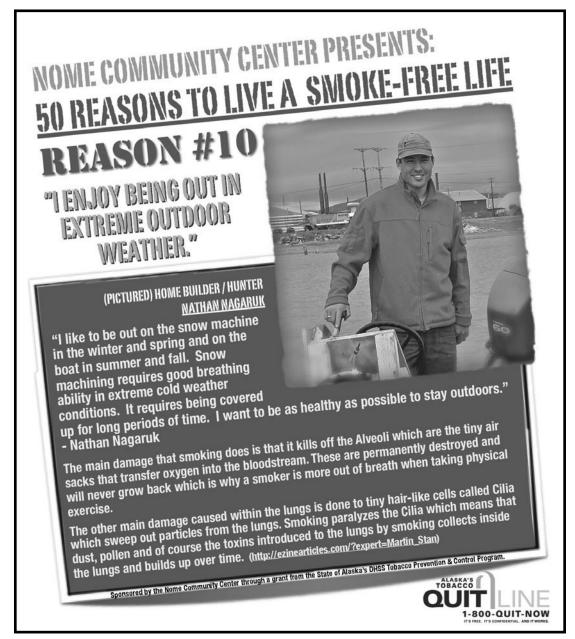
Phillips suspects that the source of the uranium would be naturally occurring given the location of the wells about one mile outside of the village. "There should be no human influence on that water. It's pristine tundra,

rocky ground," he said. "As far as I know it has never been disturbed except for a road that goes to Tin City. At 60 feet there shouldn't be any influence from surface water."

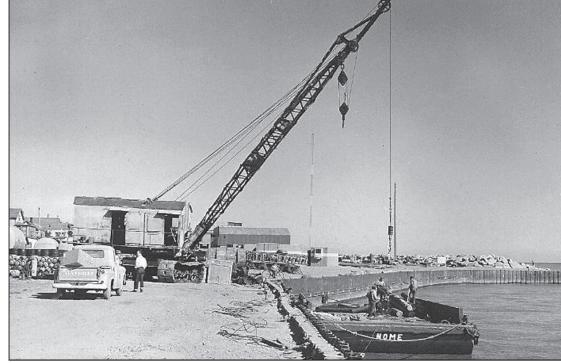
With the state of his village's wells in question, Mayor Crisci laments that surface water can no longer be used to supply the community. "There're alternatives (to the well) at this point—one is contaminated with fish, the other is yellow," Crisci said of the surface water sources previously used. "The problem is you have to have good rain to wash it out."



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WHITE ALICE ARRIVES (above)—In mid-1950s the White Alice station whose antennas still stand on Anvil Mountain came to Nome's jetty piece by piece. The USAF assigned construction to Bell System's Western Electric Co. Personnel from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and construction trades also earned high wages from the project.

BUILT TO LAST (left)—Interior reinforcements of White Alice shown under construction during the 1950s have helped keep White Alice towers standing on Anvil Mountain north of town. Before wiring and equipment was stripped, the towers weighed around 100 tons. Most White Alice Communications installations throughout the state have been demolished.

# White Alice gave Nomeites the gift of gab

By Sandra L. Medearis

White Alice towers have stood on Anvil Mountain since their completion in 1958. The curved antennas once belonged to a chain of quadruple sets that stretched across remote mountains and flatlands to carry military and civilian messages even before Alaska became a state. Before then, people in remote areas had to make appointments to use the phone.

This week the towers were still standing, but future issues of *The Nome Nugget* may show photos of the demolition process. Sitnasuak Native Corp. is in line to receive the land from the U.S. Air Force. Before that can happen the site must be cleared of contaminants to meet satisfaction of the federal Bureau of Land Management, the clearinghouse for Alaska Native land claims.

The USAF subcontractors recently began clearing the PCBs from the soil. However, the back panels of the towers are contaminated by Glassbestos, a type of insulation combining glass and asbestos, according to an analysis conducted by USAF. The City of Nome has a cell in the landfill rated for disposal of the Glassbestos. Friends of White Alice are hoping for a solution that would have the USAF discard the Glassbestos-laden antenna covers locally under a program that cleans Formerly Used Defense Sites and use the avoided shipping costs to cover the antenna backs with safe material. A satisfactory solution to this contamination could save the towers and get them past the BLM contamination standards depending People from Nome and Lower 48 who treasure relics of history want to see White Alice survive.

"Tearing down historical monuments is not the way to go," Laura

"Tearing down historical monuments is not the way to go. We should appreciate and remember the efforts of those who built this town and this state."

Laura Samuelson, Carrie M.
 McLain Memorial Museum director

on whether SNC found maintenance costs feasible thereafter. Last week, Trudy Sobocienski, CEO of SNC, extended to July 21 the drop-dead day of decision on the towers' fate.

Samuelson, Carrie M. McLain Memorial museum director, said. "We should appreciate and remember the efforts of those who built this town and this state."

The White Alice network, conceived by Bell Telephone Laboratories engineers in 1954, answered the need for a modern communications system to serve civilian and military needs to get messages through static and all weather conditions. The military relied on White Alice connections as an early warning system in event of Soviet attack.

BTL engineers recommended a new technology that used a "feed horn" in front of the antenna to spray a radio signal containing many telephone conversations and telegraph messages against the curved surface of the antenna which then beamed it toward the horizon. A very small fraction of the signal would survive and then bounce down off a layer of atmosphere surrounding the earth called the troposphere. An antenna at the next White Alice station would pick up the signal, amplify it, and bounce it on its way to the person waiting at the end of the circuit. The two pairs of antennas stood in opposite directions to catch and forward messages coming and going.

The stations used a large amount of electrical power to get their messages across. White Alice station on Anvil Mountain, designated AVM on system maps, generated all its own power, according to Stan Harhut of Anchorage, boss of the station for most of his 22 years on the mountain.

Some of the antennas looked like

Nome's, like huge drive-in movie screens, standing 60 feet high and weighing up to 100 tons. Nowadays Nome's antennas are shell-like remnants with guts removed and copper wiring scavenged.

The White Alice system of 33 stations at intervals of up to 200 miles covered 3,100 miles of routes during the Cold War. The telecommunications system was a part of Alaska's defense industry valued at \$300 million annually in the late 1950s and early 1960s, according to documents published by telecommunications industry.

The White Alice antennas brought communication to remote villages in Alaska. Alaskans liked to talk. Almost the heaviest phone users in the nation in 1959, Alaskans averaged 550 conversations over that year, above the average in the Lower 48 states but behind Hawaiians. But before White Alice came to stand on Anvil Mountain, a resident of Nome wanting to make a long distance call had to make a reservation to use one of two circuits out of town. White Alice boosted that number to a whopping 15 circuits and expanded the opportunity for chitchat. Whoo-

The reporter credits some info to a booklet published in 1960 by Western Electric, found on telecommunication historian Bill Everly's Web site at www.whitealice.net

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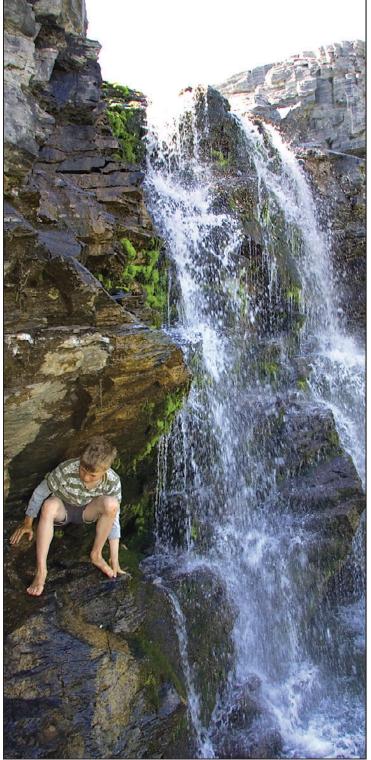
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# A magic hiking trip to Dorothy Falls

By Nadja Roessek

Folks don't need "ruby slippers" to get to Dorothy Falls; but the beautiful, easy hike is a worthwhile scenic trip.

The hike starts approximately at Mile 24 on the Kougarok Road. The round trip distance is about 4 miles and requires the crossing of the Nome River. After the river crossing the hike leads uphill, gaining about 700 feet.

The climber is rewarded with a breathtaking view of the surrounding hills. After hiking along the mountain ridge one can see Dorothy Falls on the right in the river valley. A steep trail leads down to the falls which requires some experience and safe walking.

The return hike along Dorothy Creek, which is slippery on some spots, goes past the remains of a siphon on the Miocene Ditch. The Miocene ditch was completed in 1904 and the siphon was used to carry water across the valley to the ditch, which carried water to the gold fields outside of Nome. The water was used for hydraulic mining. Please note: Grizzly bears can be encountered in this area and caution is advised.



Photos by Nadja Roessek

FIGHTING THE WIND (top)-Hiking uphill and a strong wind does not slow Hudson, 9, and Tate Coggins, 7, on a hike to Dorothy Falls, Sunday July 11.

EXPLORING (left)-Hudson Coggins, 9, investigates the Dorothy Falls gorge.

REWARDING (above)-The gorge invites a picnic or resting stop right in front of the falls.









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### Norton Sound commercial fishers target silver salmon starting July 26

### Courtesy of Alaska Dept. of Fish and

The Norton Sound staff of the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game extends condolences to the family of Tom Sagoonick, who lost his life July 16 while commercial fishing in the Shaktoolik subdistrict. (See story on page 4.)

The following report of Norton Sound fisheries activities through July 16 was provided by Jim Menard, ADF&G area manager for Norton Sound and Kotzebue. The figures do not include catches for the fishing period that ended July 17.

This is the last week of commercial chum salmon fishing in Norton Sound for 2010. The ADF&G will switch to coho salmon management beginning July 26. This week's commercial fishing scheduled is from 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Wednesday and from 6 p.m. Thursday until 6 p.m. Saturday for the Golovin, Elim, Norton Bay, Shaktoolik and Unalakleet subdistricts. Nets are limited to 100 fathoms in aggregate length and stretch mesh measure is restricted to 6 inches or less.

Crabbers have harvested all 30,000 pounds of the Community Development Quota in the Norton Sound commercial red king crab fishery. The catch in the open access fishery totaled 50,000 pounds of the 370,000-pound crab quota through July 16. Currently 23 fishermen are registered for the open access fishery.

### Unalakleet subdistrict

Subsistence fishing nets in marine waters are restricted to 6 inches or less stretched mesh. Net fishing and beach seining are allowed in marine waters 7 days a week. Any king salmon caught in beach seines must be immediately released.

Subsistence fishing nets are restricted to 4-1/2 inches or less stretched mesh in the Unalakleet River. Net fishing and beach seining are allowed 7 days a week. Any king salmon caught in beach seines must be immediately released.

Sport fishing for king salmon is closed in the Unalakleet River and the use of bait is prohibited. Any king salmon incidentally hooked while targeting other fish species must be immediately released.

Commercial catches total 72 kings, 12,104 chums, 8,390 pinks, 12 sockeyes and 11 silvers for 30 permit holders. The chum catches have been well above av-

Catches at the Unalakleet River Test Fish project through July 16 were 38 kings, 1,003 chums and 603 pinks. The chum catch ranks second best in the project's 26-year project history. The average third quarter point for the run is July 27. Historically the 99 percent point for king salmon test net catches is July 16. The king catch is only one-half of the recent 10-year average, and only 2002 and 2003 had lower king catches than this year in the past decade. The pink catch is lagging well behind at less than half the even-year average. It ranks 9th out of 13 even-numbered years in the project's history. The average third-quarter point is July 16. ADF&G operates the project with assistance from Norton Sound Economic Development (NSEDC).

Escapement goals at the North River Tower are kings, 1,200-2,600; chums, no goals established; pinks 25,000; and silvers, 550-1,100 (aerial survey goal). Cumulative counts through July 16 were 258 kings, 6,030 chums and 93,510 pinks. Kings are about one-quarter of the recent 5 and 10-year averages for this date. The average third quarter point is

Chum passage ranks second highest at

the North River Tower and is double the 5 and 10-year averages. The average midpoint is July 21. Pink passage ranks 5th out of 8 years of even-year counts. The average 90 percent point of the run is July 20. The tower is a cooperative project of ADF&G and NSEDC.

No escapement goals have been estab-lished for the new Unalakleet River floating weir. Cumulative counts at the weir through July 16 were 536 kings, 36,438 chums and 499,101 pinks. The weir is a cooperative project of ADF&G, the Native Village of Unalakleet, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and NSEDC. Major funding for the project was provided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office of Subsistence Management.

#### Shaktoolik subdistrict

Subsistence fishing nets in marine waters of the Shaktoolik subdistrict are restricted to 6 inches or less stretched mesh measure. Net fishing and beach seining in marine waters are allowed 7 days a week. Any king salmon caught in beach seines must be immediately released. Beach seining is allowed in the Shaktoolik River 7 days a week, and any king salmon caught in beach seines must be immediately released.

Sport fishing for king salmon is closed in the Shaktoolik River, and the use of bait is prohibited. Any king salmon incidentally hooked while targeting other fish species must be immediately released.

Commercial catches totaled 4 kings, 24,841 chums, 6,787 pinks, 5 sockeyes and 3 silvers for 22 permit holders.

#### Norton Bay subdistrict

Commercial catches totaled 2,446 chums and 1,260 pinks for 4 permit holders. The chum catches have been above average.

### Elim subdistrict

Commercial catches totaled 1 king, 16,572 chums and 7,334 pinks for 19 permit holders. The chum catches are well above average.

Escapement goals at the Kwiniuk River Tower are 300-550 kings; 11,500-23,000 chums; 8,400 pinks; and 650-1,300 silvers (aerial survey goal). Cumulative counts through July 16 are 108 kings, 56,217 chums and 400,534 pinks. King counts are one-half the recent 5-year average and one-third the recent 10-year average. The average 90% point is July 20. Chum counts are the second highest in the 46-year project history for this date. The average 90 percent point is July 19. Pink counts are about one-third of those for the even years in the 2000s. The average 90 percent point

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is July 22. The tower is an ADF&G project with assistance from NSEDC.

#### Golovin subdistrict

Commercial catches totaled 9,954 chums and 1,880 pinks for 6 permit holders. The chum catches are well above av-The sport fishing bag and possession limit for pink salmon has been raised from 10 a day to 20 a day.

Escapement goals at the Niukluk River Tower are pinks, 10,500; chums, minimum of 23,000; kings, minimum of 100 (combined Fish River and Boston Creek aerial survey); and silvers, 2,400-7,200. Cumulative counts through July 16 were 42 kings, 27,329 chums and 344,579 pinks. King counts rank 9th out of 16 The average 90 percent point is July 24. Chum counts are nearly 80 percent above the 5-year average and 70 percent above the 10-year average. The average third quarter point is July 20. Pink counts are about half the 10-year average for an even year. The average third quarter point is July 17. The tower is an ADF&G project with assistance from

### Nome subdistrict

In marine waters of the Nome subdistrict, the subsistence set gillnet schedule—from 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Sunday-is in effect until the coho salmon season begins on July 26. Then the schedule will change to 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Saturday by regulation. The fresh water subsistence area schedule is from 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Wednesday and from 6 p.m. Thursday until 6 p.m. Saturday.

Beach seining is allowed in all subsistence areas of the Nome subdistrict during the scheduled gillnet openings until coho (silver) season when beach seining will no longer be allowed. All limits on chum and pink salmon have been waived in the subsistence areas. The sport fish bag and possession limit on pink salmon has been raised from 10 a day to 20 a day.

The escapement goal for the Eldorado River weir is from 6,000 to 9,000 chums. The cumulative count through July 16 was 20 kings, 13,859 chums, 38,554 pinks and 4 sockeyes. The chum count is double the 10-year average. The average third quarter point is July 20. The pink count is less than half the average for an even year. The average third quarter point

The escapement goal at the Nome River weir is 2,900-4,300 chums and 13,000 pinks in even-numbered years. The cumulative count is 1,316 chums, 62,441 pinks and 3 sockeyes. The chum count has fallen 10 percent below the 10-

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year average. The average midpoint is July 21. The pink count has fallen off; it is 6th highest out of 9 even years and is one quarter of the million-plus runs of 2004 and 2008 for July 16. The average midpoint is July 19.

The Snake River weir escapement goal is chums, 1,600-2,500. The cumulative count through July 16 is 1 king, 1,590 chums and 10,027 pinks. The chum count is nearly double the 5-year average. The average quarter point is July 16, and the average midpoint is July 22. The pink count is at the median and about half the 10-year average. The average quarter point is July 15 and the average midpoint is July 20.

The Glacial Lake weir escapement

goal for sockeyes (aerial survey) is 800-1,600. The cumulative count through July 16 is 736 sockeyes. The sockeye count is only ahead of last year's worst run in the 9-year project history. The average 90 percent point is July 18.

The weirs at the Eldorado, Nome and

Snake rivers and at Glacier Lake are cooperative projects between ADF&G and

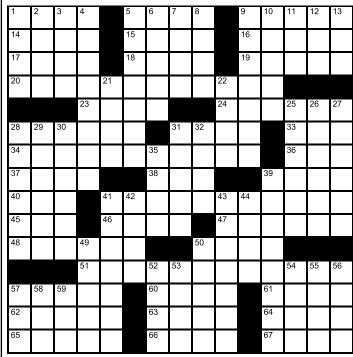
#### **Port Clarence district**

All net fishing is closed in the Kuzitrin and Pilgrim rivers until further notice.

The Pilgrim River weir escapement goal (aerial survey at Salmon Lake and Grand Central, tributary to Salmon Lake) is 4,000-8,000 sockeyes. The cumulative count through July 16 was 297 sockeyes, 941 chums and 3,451 pinks. The sockeye and chum counts are the second worst since the weir project started in 2003, and the pink salmon count is the second worst for an even year since the project began. The average midpoint for the sockeye run is July 16 and the average third quarter point is July 24. The average midpoint for the chum run is August 1, and the average midpoint for the pink run is July 20. The weir is a cooperative project between NSEDC and ADF&G.

### Kotzebue district

The commercial harvest in the Kotzebue district totaled 9,253 chums for 15 fishermen in the first week of fishing, which opened July 12. The catch and effort were average for the first week. The commercial fishing schedule is Monday from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Tuesday through Saturday from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. The buyer, Great Pacific, may shorten the fleet's hours and may not buy some days during the peak weeks of fishing due to capacity concerns. The ADF&G Kobuk River Test Fish project posted average catches of 11 chums and 75 sheefish from



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Moral instruction "Fantasy Island" prop

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48. Bivouac

50. Sundae topper, perhaps 51. Romaine lettuce salads

57. Looks out for, maybe

fruit

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63. Sweet treat, for short

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Boston or Chicago, e.g.
 Small, decorative case
 of Maine (toothpaste brand)

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work, but no more

Pisces. You must take

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TAURUS

GEMINI

May 21-June 21

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others, Gemini, and

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A romantic gesture gets the week off to a good start. A long-ost friend returns

earing news.

open arms, Aries.

LEO

CANCER

yesteryear push you to start a new tradition. Get the little ones involved. Leo. A financial risk pays off big time, allowing you to

Do it if it is within

our power. A well-researched idea

Just one more bit of information, Cancer, and you will finally have everything need to make your big decision. Move

swiftly but safely





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September 23-

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Proceed swiftly but

been waiting for

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ARIES

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# Do you know your medication's side effects?

### Bob Lawrence, MD Alaska Family Doctor

I remember reading a B.C. comic years ago in which Johnny Hart gives this advice through one of his prehistoric sages: "Never take a medication that has more side effects than you have symptoms."

This advice has merit, especially given the ever-growing list of new medications and the endless advertising to get you to ask your



doctor about this or that new drug.

Every medication has certain risks, or side effects, that must be weighed against the benefits of taking the drug. Acetaminophen (Tylenol), for example, may cause liver problems. But these effects are rare in otherwise healthy people, and therefore the benefits of taking acetaminophen for a disease like osteoarthritis usually outweigh the risks in most people.

Sometimes the risk of taking a medication outweighs the benefit. A few years ago, the drug company Merck withdrew one of its most popular arthritis medications, rofecoxib (Vioxx), because the medication was found to increase the risk of heart attacks in long-term users. The Food and Drug Administration is currently evaluating whether a diabetes drug called rosiglitazone (Avandia) should be removed from the market for the same reason. Avandia helps lower the blood sugar in people with diabetes, but several studies show it increases the risk of heart attacks, heart disease related-deaths, and

Most of the time, the risk-benefit balance of a drug is not clearly tilted one way or the other. The American Heart Association recently stated that the benefit of taking a daily aspirin to reduce the risk of a heart attack is only worth the risk of gastrointestinal bleeding if a person's overall risk of car-

diovascular disease is elevated above ten percent. Therefore the risks and benefits of most medications, like aspirin, must be weighed individually in light of each patient's overall health.

To whatever extent possible, every patient should become an expert regarding their prescription medications and weigh the benefits against the risks. This is true whether the medication is for a temporary problem or a life-long chronic disorder.

Pharmaceutical manufacturers are required to be upfront about a drug's effects, both good and bad. The fine print often provides important details about whether or not taking a medication is a good idea.

You may have noticed a commercial for a popular drug for people at risk of heart disease that lowers triglycerides and raises HDL (good) cholesterol. The advertisement concludes with a disclaimer that the medication has a long list of side effects and in the end does not lower the risk of heart attack or stroke. The point is that medicines like this may make your lab work look better, but the fine print reveals serious side effects that may not be worth the risk if the medication does not change your risk of serious disease.

Learning about your medications does not have to be complicated. In the past, researching a medication took hours in a library. Now the Internet provides an amazing amount of easily accessed information regarding medications and their side effects. One of favorite sites medlineplus.gov. It provides nonproprietary information collected by trusted sources like the Mayo Clinic, the American Academy of Family Medicine, and the National Institutes of Health.

It is also important to check for adverse drug interactions when you are prescribed more than one medication at a time or if you take over-the-counter medications. Again, the Internet provides several sites that help you compare the possible effects of interactions between various medications.

Your provider or local pharmacist can also review your medication list for any possible adverse interactions.

Reading about your medications and their side effects will no doubt

lead to many questions. Your medical provider can help you sift through this information and weigh the benefits and risks of taking certain drugs. Learning about your medications takes time; but

remember that your health is an investment. Just like any investment, you must ensure the benefits outweigh the risk.

# **All Around the Sound**

NewArrivals

Dade Kierce Ellanna was born to Katie Wilson and Charles Ellanna of Nome. He was born at 10:25 a.m. at Norton Sound Hospital on Father's Day, June 20. He weighed 7 lbs 10.8 oz and was 20.5 in. long.



Dade Kierce Ellanna

Vanessa K. Blue and Richard J. Redmond announce the birth of their daughter **Irene Mary Redmond**, born June 29 at 6:19 p.m. She weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 21" in length. Maternal grandmother is Elaine Blue of Togiak and paternal grandmother is Mary Redmond of Indian.

Audrey Kulowiyi and Derek Seppilu of Savoonga announce the birth of their son Maximilian David "Sipela" Seppilu, born July 5 at 2:04 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 19 ½" in length. Siblings are Elijah Ian and Derek Todd Seppilu, Jr. The Kulowiyi and Seppilu families are very blessed to have Max joining them.



Maximilian David "Sipela" Seppilu

Seppilu

Joyce L. Fagerstrom and Jacob S.

Hannon of Koyuk announce the

birth of their daughter **Loleta Glean Hannon**, born July 10 at 7:34 a.m. She weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces, and was 20" in length. Maternal grandparents are Larry and Kathy Fagerstrom of Golovin. Paternal grandparents are Bob and Lola Hannon of Koyuk.

Wedding Bells

Colin Kulukhon-Lincoln and his beautiful bride, Leslie Kulukhon-Lincoln, were united in marriage July 4, in Council, surrounded by family from far and near.



JUST MARRIED—Cynthia Gray and Ralph (Chubby) Olanna Jr. were married on July 3 with their children beside them, and in front of family and friends. The couple exchanged personally written vows at the beautiful Last Train to Nowhere at Solomon, where Cynthia's family originates. It was a beautiful day of sunshine and love. The Olannas reside in Nome.

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### **Trooper Beat**

On July 10, at 2 a.m., the Alaska State Troopor John Mark at Attn., the Alaska State Proppers received a report of a disturbance in Fort Davis, near Nome. Shane Mike, 18, of Nome, was subsequently charged with Minor Consuming Alcohol, Probation Violation, and Criminal Mischief IV. Mike was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for treatment of injuries sustained from punching a window

On July 14, Unalakleet AST received a report of an assault in St. Michael. Investigation revealed that Roland Lockwood, 20, of St. Michael vealed that Holland Lockwood, 2U, of St. Michael had assaulted his pregnant girlfriend earlier in the day. The victim was treated and released from the St. Michael Clinic. The St. Michael Village Police Officer located Lockwood, who ran away from the VPO, but a short while later was located and after Lockwood resisted arrest and attempted to assault the VPO, he was taken into custody. assault file VPC, He was taken lind custody.

Lockwood was eventually transported to Nome and lodged at Anvil Mountain Correctional Center pending arraignment on charges of Assault in the Third Degree, 2 counts of Assault in the Fourth Degree, Interfering with the Report of a DV and Resisting Arrest. Alcohol was not involved.

On July 14, at 1:45 p.m. AST received a report of a burglary in Savoonga. Investigation shows a residence was broken into at which time tools and other small items were stolen. Investigation con-

On July 14, at 3:15 p.m. AST arrested Alex Vaughn, 41, of Nome, with an arrest warrant for failure to satisfy judgment after he failed to complete the satisfy properties of the satisfy properties. plete community work service. Vaughn's original charge was Driving While License Revoked. Vaughn was remanded to AMCC with \$500 bail.

On July 16, at 3:10 p.m. AST received a report of a capsized fishing boat near Shaktoolik. Two crewmen were found clinging to a buoy and were crewmen were round clinging to a budy and were rescued. Personal flotation devices were not used. The third crewman, Thomas Sagoonick, 36, of Shaktoolik, was found deceased on July 18. Personal flotation devices were not used. No foul play is suspected. Investigation continues.

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Sitnasuak Native Corporation seeks a CEO for its Nome based holding company, Nome Native Community Enterprises. The

Job Responsibilities include: budget development and management; client satisfaction management; development and implementation of staffing plans; staff management and evaluation, and; subsidiary reporting and compliance.

Please view the complete job description on line at: www.snc.org. Candidates can send their resume and/or application to: Isullivan@snc-anc.org.

Sitnasuak Native Corporation is EEO Employer and has a Shareholder hire preference.

### Seawall

Edwin Kiminok, 53, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Misconduct of Controlled Substance in the 6<sup>th</sup> Degree.

Crystal Ozenna, 25, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violation of Conditions of Re-

Trudy Mutchler, 21, was arrested and remanded to AMCC on an Arrest Warrant.

Jerry Bernhardt, 37, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree,

manded to AMCC for Assault in the 4" Degree, Domestic Violence. 7/14
Terry Stamey, 57, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree. Nora Katchatag, 48, was arrested and re-manded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Degree.
John Saclmana, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree.
Hamza Azzam, 27, received a citation for Parking Regulations.

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Barton Johnson, 19, received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol. Michael Saclamana, 47, was arrested and re-manded to AMCC for Concealment of Merchan-

Iris Wieler. 19. was arrested and remanded to

AMCC on an Arrest Warrant.
Robert Apok, 43, was arrested and remanded

to AMCC for Concealment of Merchandise. Karlene Waghiyi, 35, was arrested and re-manded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Re-

7/16
Elia Abruska, 25, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for four counts of Assault in the 3<sup>rd</sup> De-

gree.
Curtis Williams, 32, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Disorderly Conduct.

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### Legals

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

CASE NO: 2NO-10-00137CI ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING Notice of Petition to Change Name

Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court
(Case # 2NO-10-00137CI) requesting a name
change from (current name) Psymon Traeson
Alicum Stalker to Psymon Mason Alicum Stalker.
A hearing on this request will be held on July 22,
2010 at 4:00 pm at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front
Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK. 7/1-8-15-22

Nome Public Schools

Nome Public Schools is accepting sealed bids for the following item until 4 p.m. on Friday,

2000 Regular Cab Chevrolet Truck

\$3,500.00 minimum bid. Deliver bids to Nome Public Schools Business Office, marked "Sealed Bid - Chevrolet Truck," PO Box 131, Nome, AK 99762. The district reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.

For additional information, contact Larry

Thomas, 443-6162. 7/8-15-22

INVITATION FOR BIDS Furnish Crushed Aggregate For Road Sur-

Sealed bids in single copy for furnishing all labor, materials, equipment and performing all vork described herein, will be received until 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, Wednesday, August 4, 2010, at Nome City Hall, 102 Division Street, Nome, Alaska 99762. Bids will be opened and publicly read at 11:00 a.m., prevailing time, Thursday, August 5, 2010 at Nome City Hall.

The project will consist of supplying 2,500 tons of crushed Aggregate Road Surface Course delivered to City of Nome designated stockpile(s) as directed by the City Engineer. The City reserves the option to purchase an additional 2,500 tons of Crushed Aggregate Road Surface Course in the

Crushed Aggregate Road Surface Course in the year 2011 at the same unit price.

All work to supply 2,500 tons of crushed aggregate shall be started no later than September 1, 2010 and be completed by September 30, 2010.

Questions regarding this solicitation shall be addressed to Josie Bahnke, City Manager, phone (907) 443-6600 and fax (907) 443-5349. 7/15-22-29



Photo courtesy of Neal Foster

IRONMAN 70.3 TRIATHLON A SUCCESS! - Newly married Lahka Peacock and Debbie Evans-Peacock, Kavik Peacock, Chelsea Ryan and Neal Foster finished the 1.2-mile swim, 56-mile bike and 13-mile run (totaling 70.3 miles) in Sonoma, Calif., on a sweltering 90°F day. Pictured from left to right with their support crew are: Neal Foster, Hoa Nhi Foster, Chelsea Ryan, Justin Jones, Debbie Evans-Peacock, Lahka Peacock, Kavik Peacock, Chloe Keller, Al Peacock, Granite Peacock and Pat Peacock.

### **Ulu News**

By Senator Donald Olson

### **Elections General Information**

The right to vote is one that we Alaskans sometimes take for granted. Alaska Natives and Native Americans were denied the right to vote longer than any other community in the United States. It wasn't until 1924 that Congress extended citizenship to all indigenous peoples in the United States. Here's some history to share: William Paul Sr. (May 7, 1885 – March 4, 1977) was the first Native elected to the Alaska Territorial Legislature in 1924. Paul was an attorney, legislator, and political activist from the Tlingit nation of southeast Alaska. He was a recognized leader in the Alaska Native Brotherhood. William Paul was the first Alaska Native to become an attorney, the first to be elected to Alaska's House of Representatives, and the first to serve as an officer in the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs. He helped draft the legislation that adopted Alaska's flag in 1927. Among many other efforts, he also played a major role in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) of 1971.

Although our communities make up a smaller percentage of the statewide population, each vote is critical. For instance, the 2000 Pres-

idential election was decided by an extremely narrow margin. George W. Bush won the state of Florida by just 537 votes, making him the next President of the United States. Close to 6 million voters went to the polls in Florida. Another example is in the 2006 Democratic primary election in Alaska District 37. The race between Carl Moses and Bryce Edgmon ended in a tie, ultimately requiring a coin toss that decided the race. Edgmon has served in the Alaska House of Representatives since. Just a reminder— the last day to

register to vote or update your voter registration is Sunday, July 25, 2010 to be able to vote in the August 24 Primary Election. If you've moved, or would like to change your party affiliation, now is the time to do so. You can check your voter registration status at the Division of Elecwebsite: http://www.elections.alaska.gov/inde x.php. In order to register, a current and valid state ID card or birth cer-

card, visit the DMV website at http://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/. I'd also like to mention that a bill I sponsored will be on the General Election ballot this year. Senate

Joint Resolution 21 "Increase Num-

tificate is required. Tribal ID cards

are not accepted by the State as valid

identification. To apply for a state ID

ber of Legislators and Districts" is scheduled to be Ballot Measure 1 in November. This Act will amend the Alaska Constitution to increase the number of state legislators from 60 to 66. Six new legislative districts will be created as a result, adding 4 representatives and 2 senators to the Legislature. The changes proposed by the Act will become effective after a new redistricting plan is adopted following the 2010 federal

#### **Inuit Circumpolar Council Con**ference in Greenland

My wife Willow and I were honored to attend the 11th General Assembly of the Inuit Circumpolar Council in Nuuk, Greenland from June 25 – July 3. We joined over one hundred fellow Alaskans representing the North Slope, the Northwest Arctic, Bering Strait and AVCP regions of Alaska. The ICC, formed by the late Eben Hopson, Sr. of Barrow in 1977, creates a forum to promote Inuit interests and rights at the international level. ICC member include Greenland, countries Canada, Russia (Chukotka) and the United States (Alaska).

Also at the conference were Representative Reggie Joule and Representative Neal Foster. We met with the Greenland government's Ministry of Fisheries, Hunting, and Agriculture to hear about the country's management of fish and game. In Greenland, hunters gather for subsistence purposes and also sell the wild fish and game in grocery stores and local fish and meat markets in downtown Nuuk.

We enjoyed listening to the speeches and presentations of the many presenters including Mayor Edward Itta from the North Slope Borough, Carl Weisner, Vice President of the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly, and Marie Greene, President of NANA Corporation, who delivered a speech via video conferencing. Her address on NANA's involvement in resource development on the Inuit homeland was inspiring.

During the conference, Aqqaluk Lynge of Greenland was elected as the Chair of the ICC and will serve a four-year term. Lynge has served at ICC since its creation in 1977 in a variety of leadership roles including former Chair of ICC. Appointed to

More Seawall

Johnee Seetot, 54, received a citation for Open

Container in a Public Place.

Brendon Oseuk, 35, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, Domestic Violence and Violating Conditions of

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the ICC Executive Council from Alaska were Jimmy Stotts (outgoing ICC Chair) of Barrow and Anchorage and Vera Metcalf from Savoonga. Vera also serves as Director of the Alaska Eskimo Walrus Commission. Congratulations to both Jimmy and Vera.

The General Assembly ended with the delegation adopting "The Nuuk Declaration" setting organizational priorities of the ICC over the next four years aimed to move forward toward healthier and safer sovereign Inuit communities. For information on the Nuuk Declaration, visit: http://inuit.org/index.php?id=409.

### **Alcohol Violation Laws Strength-**

In June, Governor Sean Parnell signed into law a package of legislation strengthening laws concerning alcohol-related crimes. "Alcohol abuse continues to be a devastating problem in our state," Governor Par-

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# **Obituary**

**Lincoln Edward Milligrock** (Mayac) April 14, 1931-July 12, 2010

Lincoln Edward Milligrock died peacefully in Anchorage at the Alaska Native Medical Center July 12, 2010. He was a worldwide noted ivory carver, boat builder and hunter. He lived all his life in Alaska, was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother and uncle to many. In addition, he acquired many friends in Alaska and other parts of the world.

He is survived by his childhood sweetheart and beloved wife of 61 years, Emily Milligrock, beloved children Sylvia Eningowuk of

of need.

Nome, Martha Didio of Minnesota, Rose Guilbean of Kenai, Sarah Milligrock of Anchorage and Mark Milligrock of Nikiski. He is also survived by loving brothers Vernon Milligrock of Stebbins, Douglas and Dwight Jr. Milligrock of Anchorage; sisters Lydia Milligrock of Anchorage, Marilyn Grills of Reno, Nev., Elizabeth Ahwinona and Mesonga Atkinson of Anchorage and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

biological parents, mother Martha. father Dwight Milligrock Sr. and step-mother Jessie Milligrock; sons Thomas and Playdon Storis Milli-

having been with him.

He was preceded in death by his

grock; daughter Deborah Milligrock; sister Irene Nuglene, Susie Milligrock; brother Alfred Milligrock; half-brothers Oscar, Percy, and stepbrother Ed Morris Milligrock. He will be missed by many who will keep fond and loved memories of

Funeral services are pending. Burial will be in Nome.



**Lincoln Edward Milligrock** (Mayac)

Nicole Topkok, 19, received a citation for Re-peat Minor Consuming Alcohol. Samuel Goldsberry, 25, was arrested and re-manded to AMCC for Assault in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree,

**7/18** John Nattanguk, 37, was arrested and

remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Pro-

bation.

7/19 Memory Mike, 19, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, Domestic Violence and Violating Conditions of

During this reporting period 10 persons were transported to the hospital for a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.



# **Notice: Access to Pilgrim Hot Springs**

The public is hereby notified that the property known as Pilgrim Hot Springs is owned by Unaatuq, LLC. Bering Straits Native Corporation is the managing partner of Unaatuq, LLC. All visitors to the Springs are required to obtain a permit prior to going to the Springs. No hunting or fishing is allowed on the property, and any vandalism and/or unauthorized use will be prosecuted. To obtain a permit for visiting the Springs, please contact BSNC Land and Resource Department at (907)443-4312 or (907)443-5252 or pick one up at the **BSNC office** located on 110 Front Street in Suite 300.

# **Candidacy for Board of Directors**

Thank you to the volunteers who helped make the bake sale possible back in February—bakers

and their helpers, those who bought items and to

Doris Angusuc and her family/friends who organ-

ized the event. Your donations helped me in time

I also appreciated the prayers, flowers, cards

Stebbins Native Corporation 37th Annual Meeting of shareholders is scheduled for:

- September 3, 2010
- 7 p.m.

and messages that were offered.

May God Bless You,

Helen M. Pootoogooluk

• Stebbins City Hall

Purpose: to elect 3 directors and transact such other business as may come before the meeting relating to Stebbins Native Corporation.

Shareholders who are at least 18 years, who want to run for 1 of 3 seats open are requested to send/submit a letter of intent to:

> **Stebbins Native Corporation** PO Box 71110 Stebbins, Alaska 99671

> > 7/15-22

Letters of intent must be received by Stebbins Native Corporation, 5 p.m., July 22, 2010.

### **Chairman Dan Harrelson has set the** dates for NSEDC's 2nd Quarter meetings. Please see the schedule below for locations and times.

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Meeting date/meeting type:	Location:	Time:				
August 3, 2010 Executive Committee Finance Committee	BSNC Boardroom BSNC Boardroom	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.				
August 4, 2010 Scholarship Committee Rules & Bylaws Committee Fisheries Development Committee	BSNC Boardroom BSNC Boardroom e BSNC Boardroom	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.				
August 5, 2010 Board of Directors	BSNC Boardroom	9:00 a.m.				
August 6, 2010 Board of Directors	BSNC Boardroom	9:00 a.m.				
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Portions of these meetings may be held in Executive session to conduct confidential business of the organization.

### More Ulu News

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nell said. "These bills will give prosecutors additional tools to punish and hold accountable those convicted of alcohol-related crimes."

In an effort to combat bootlegging, Representative Jay Ramras sponsored a bill that brings bootlegging penalties in line with those for DUI penalties and ensures that those convicted for repeat minor consuming offenses will receive the appropriate penalties. Additionally, two bills affecting the State Alcoholic Beverage Control Board were signed by the Governor. Senate Bill 261, sponsored by myself, adds a rural seat to the board. I feel that it is important to have rural representation on the State ABC in statewide policy making efforts. Having a rural seat on this board will allow for a direct exchange of communication between rural and urban viewpoints when it comes to alcohol regulations. Senator Kevin Meyer sponsored an additional two bills. One bill extends the State ABC to June 30, 2011 and the other, increasescivil damages for the purchase of alcohol for minors. The bill encourages licensees to continue enforcement of underage drinking laws.

Also signed was a resolution that will designate September 9, 2010 as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day to promote awareness of the effects of prenatal exposure to alcohol.

#### Update on Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Assault

The Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault is accepting applications for its Third annual LeadOn! for Peace and Equality Youth Leadership conference. It is a 3-day youth planned and led minisummit for youth across Alaska. This is an opportunity to inspire, share, and plan for youth-led efforts that promote nonviolence in relationships and healthy communities. More than 120 youth and adults attend this event and prepare for planning projects in their home community. Through DHSS-Women's Children's and Family Health we were able to offer funding for Lead On! youth and other communities to carry out projects in their home communities. To learn more about the summit and to download a 2010 application visit: http://www.andvsa.org/?page\_id=53

The Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual assault is comprised of 18 member programs spanning the state of Alaska providing a wide range of services to women, children, and men who are victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Those services include immediate safety, shelter, legal advocacy, crisis counseling, job training, housing assistance, medical accompaniments, intervention services to perpetrators of domestic violence, training and technical assistance for first responders to these crimes. community education to citizens interested in ending violence against women and children, and evidencebased primary prevention strategies to shift social norms in our homes, schools, and communities. Please visit their website www.andvsa.org for more information. It is a great resource for statistics, contact information for their member program for individuals seeking services, and the Network's training, legal advocacy, public policy and prevention programs.

### **AEA Seeks Qualified Applicants for Round IV Grants**

The Alaska Energy Authority is soliciting competitive grant applications from qualified applicants for renewable energy projects to be funded by the Alaska State Legislature. The Round IV application period opens July 21. AEA must receive Round IV applications no later than 5:00 PM Wednesday, September 15, 2010.

In 2008, the Alaska Legislature established the Renewable Energy Fund and authorized AEA to administer procedures for awarding the grants and distributing grant funds. AEA received more than 350 Rounds I, II and III applications, which were thoroughly evaluated in accordance with criteria set forth in the legislation. Following AEA's recommendations, the Legislature approved 129 Round I, Round II and Round III renewable energy projects

totaling \$150 million.

AEA is seeking to recommend projects based on applications that clearly demonstrate a public benefit from the proposed project. From Round IV applications received, AEA will make project recommendations to the Legislature for FY2012 funding.

Beginning July 21, a new link to the Round IV web page is available from AEA's home page, www.akenergyauthority.org. The link will access the Request for Application, application forms and all supporting information. Applicants may also contact Renewable Energy Fund Grants Administrator Butch White by e-mail at re\_fund@aidea.org, or telephone (907) 771-3048.

This year marks the second Renewable Energy Fund construction

season. Seven projects across Alaska were completed and twenty additional projects are scheduled for completion this year. For the first \$125 million appropriated in Rounds I and II, 97 grants to successful applicants are in place. AEA expects to have Round III grants in place in early July. Funds are disbursed to grantees as work proceeds and invoices are submitted to the Authority.

#### **Interim Ambassador for Kotzebue Region**

I am delighted to have Greta Schuerch return to work among my staff as an Ambassador for our Northwest Arctic region during our interim period. Greta will be available part-time out of Kiana and will be with us through the summer.

Greta has worked previously at my Juneau, Anchorage and Kotzebue offices in 2005 and 2006. In 2006, she left her position to be a full-time mother to her newborn son Lewis and began a small consulting business, allowing her to remain involved in rural interests while raising Lewis. Recently, Greta has been working at the Alaska Humanities Forum and continues to work in short-term contracting projects. Greta is passionate about advancing the interests of Alaska Natives in education, culture, health, wellness and the environment. Her interests include family, outdoor activities, reading, writing and travel. Greta can be reached at (907) 444-6831 or via egreta\_schuerch@legis.state.ak.us.

greta\_schuerch@legis.state.ak.u Welcome back Greta!



Photo by Jason Evans

A GLANCE AT NUUK-Nuuk, reenland, site of the Inuit Circumpolar Conference in June

### Court

### Week ending 7/16 **Civil**

Johnson, Barton T. vs. Johnson, Albert J.; Ex Parte with Children Oozevaseuk, Dawn vs. Johnson, Albert; Ex Parte with Children Cross Jr., Joseph L. vs. Boolowon, Reva; Ex Parte Without Chil-

Jennings, Marcia A. vs. West, Michael G.; Ex Parte Without Children

Boolowon, Reva C. vs. Cross Jr., Joseph L.; Ex Parte with Children State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD vs. Charles, Clifford B.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend

State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD vs. Charles, Clifford B.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend

Capital One Bank (USA) NA vs. Pete, Brent L.; Debt - District Court

Citibank (South Dakota) NA vs. Malone, Mary E.; Debt - District Court

Patino, Tabitha vs. Rose, Walter; Ex Parte Without Children Patino, Tabitha vs. Lockwood, Doreen; Ex Parte Without Children

### Small Claims

Credit Union 1 vs. Tocktoo, Rhonda M. et al; Small Claims \$2500 or Less

Rural Credit Services vs. Kuzuguk Sr., Leonard; SC More Than \$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

### Criminal

State of Alaska v. Stephen Alvanna (10/6/91); Corrected Judgment; Driving Without Valid License; Date of offense: 6/5/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days, 20 days suspended: Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50

Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days, 20 days suspended; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Probation until 1/6/11; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for violations of probation; No violations of law, including operating motor vehicle without license or while license is canceled, suspended or revoked or in violation of lim-

State of Alaska v. Jimmy Weyiouanna (3/17/67); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110704041; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Randall Huffman (12/17/70); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110010789; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time; Court recommends placement at Seaside CRC; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Ernest Iyapana, Jr. (8/15/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110704797; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall leave Nome within 10 days of release from custody and shall not return to Nome without written permission of the court; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

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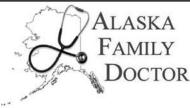
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