



Photo by Diana Haecker

READY TO RUMBLE— Under blue skies and warm temperatures, 12 human runners and one canine competed in the annual Anvil Mountain Challenge on Thursday, August 18. The runners ready to take off at the base of Anvil Mt. are (left to right) Tyler Rhodes, Nils Hahn, Erika Rhodes, Natalie Tobuk, Roy Tobuk III, Crystal Tobuk, Roxane Rigo, Jessica Hurst, Lizzy Hahn, Erin Lillie, Elise Rasmussen. See results and photos on page 24.

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FRIENDLY PERSUASION— Nome Police Chief John Papasodora ended a standoff between a lone musk ox bull and the Nome police at Belmont Point on Sunday evening with the help of a long pole, prodding the reluctant animal to leave the neighborhood. See story page 6.

Two wounded in murder/suicide attempt

Shortly after noon Sunday August 21 the Nome Police Department received a report of a man attacking a woman near 300 W. Fourth Avenue. When police arrived at the scene they found the victim, Brenda Ahnangnatoguk, 48, in front of the residence. She was suffering from multiple lacerations and a gunshot wound. Nome Volunteer Ambulance arrived on the scene, provided emergency care and transported her to the Norton Sound Hospital.

When police were arriving they saw Al robbie Ahnangnatoguk, 53, fleeing the area with a rifle. He was later located at Norton Sound Hospital suffering from what appeared to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the chest.

Police say that preliminary investigation reveals that Al robbie Ahnangnatoguk attacked his sister

Brenda Ahnangnatoguk with an ulu. Brenda was able to flee the residence and gain control of the ulu. However Al robbie retrieved a rifle from inside the residence and shot Brenda one time in the upper torso. Brenda also had a finger cut off. Al robbie went back inside the residence where he shot himself in the chest, but was unsuccessful in his attempt at suicide. He fled the residence and was later found at the hospital.

Both Brenda and Al robbie were medivaced to Anchorage for further medical treatment. Police indicate that alcohol was not involved in this incident and they also refused to release the birth dates of the people involved.

Police are continuing to investigate this case and encourage anyone with information about this event to call NPD at 443-5262.

City refuses to postpone enactment of smoking law

By Sandra L. Medearis

Two years have passed in the making and passage of an ordinance to reduce public exposure to the proven health risks of second-hand smoke. Still, bar and liquor store operators using their collective stationery asked the Nome Common Council Monday to delay the Sept. 20 enforcement of the smoking ordinance

and allow it to appear on the ballot Oct. 4 for a vote.

Councilwoman Mary Knodel had her thimble at ready and brought it down on heads, hard.

"No," Knodel said. Mayor Denise Bahnke wanted a work session with the city manager to discuss enforcement. "No," Knodel said. Two

years had been long enough to discuss enforcement.

"I don't see why we need to delay this any longer," Knodel said.

Mark Sackett, president of CHARR and representing Nome bar owners and liquor store owners, said they were struggling with interpretation and implementation of the Smoking

Pollution Control law passed by the Council May 23.

"We were shocked at the passage of the ordinance, and it is our opinion this should have been presented to the general public for passage or rejection in the form of a ballot, voted on by

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Public drunkenness: *No law against it*

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Common Council, NPD Chief John Papasodora and interested parties met Aug. 19 in a work session to consider the current and long-standing—quite often lying down—presence of inebriates on

city streets and in public areas. The discussion considered a number of improvements to the "band-aids" currently being applied to the issue, but came up with no solutions, so far, to the rampant prevalence of alcohol abuse and its manifestations on Front Street and other public areas behind the library, behind the Mini Convention Center, behind the Visitors Center and on the seawall.

Yes, the problem is the responsibility of the community, Papasodora told the Council. He would like to see names of frequent offenders on a "no sell" list for alcohol, with an ordinance on the books to allow him to enforce it, with compliance and cooperation from bars and liquor stores. Additionally Papasodora said he would like to see cooperation

from Native corporations in getting treatment established for alcohol abuse. Not that abusers should escape responsibility for their actions—the outrageous behavior and posing a risk to themselves and others—Papasodora stressed.

"There have to be consequences for the behavior, consequences have to be severe enough that they are going to dissuade people from the behavior, to affect personal behavior choices" Papasodora said.

Right now, there is no state law against public drunkenness and the expensive circus it presents, or even a baseline definition of drunkenness. The City can adopt such a law, but may have the expense of prosecuting offenders in court, according to Pa-

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BACK TO SCHOOL— Second grader Danielle Bogart is ready for a new school year in Mrs. Nikki Scherrer's class, showing off her first piece of art made even before the school bell rang to start class.

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Letters

Dear Editor:

I am not from Nome so do not know the political landscape other than what I read in the *Nugget*. However, I feel compelled to speak to a situation that has been treading water over the past several months.

Nome Beltz has in its employ a young man who has rendered his services admirably for the past 7-8 years. Pat Callahan may not have the sunniest external demeanor all the time and he may not bend to the will of the wishes and whims of others. He will, and has, represented the school and community of Nome very well during his tenure. Once past the exterior he is a personable and highly principled individual who loves working with kids and providing positive experiences for them.

I knew Pat professionally at first, and more personally lately, and can vouch for his hard work and able representation. As a coach he has had a very successful run, arguably as good as any coach in Nome-Beltz history. As an Activities Director I work with Pat on the Region 1 Board and he advocates for Nome vocally and follows through in his actions. Nome hosts many invitational tournaments annually and runs a very comprehensive activities program. While maintaining his basketball program and the travel associated with it, Pat still manages to provide leadership in promoting well-organized events. Understanding full well that these events do not happen without the involvement of many, it still takes someone to plan and implement them.

I have watched with amazement the ongoing discussion about the Nome-Beltz Activities Director contract. I'm not sure how the Board of Education thinks this job is best filled, but I'll guarantee you that it isn't one that you plan to hire in September. With cross country and girls' volleyball season already upon you, it's beyond me why a decision hasn't been made and why a person with such positive credentials and experience is left to dangle in the wind.

I hope that there is quick resolution to this and that the Board makes a decision that not only rewards great performance, but also the students of Nome-Beltz.

Respectfully,
Jeff Erickson
Bering Strait School District Activities Director

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

Editorial

A Worth Greater Than Gold

The value of education is beyond measure. It can never be lost or stolen. It can never be taken away. It has the power to strike fear into the hearts of tyrants and the power to bring peace and serenity into the souls of a nation. The beauty of education is that it is available to us all. Oh, sure we have to work for it, but never the less, it is there just for the taking.

School is back in session and as we get older, the summer just seems to get shorter and shorter. Now is the time for students to put all systems on full alert. Students of Nome and western Alaska, you are starting the new school year with a clean slate. Students, you have a responsibility to yourselves and to your future. Your job is to get a good education— as much and as high quality as you can fit into your brain. The resources of your family, your community, your state and your nation are at your fingertips.

Students, you are our future, Your parents will do all they can to get you ready for school. They provide the strength of family, the food on your table, the roof over your head and the clothes on your back. They love you and want the best for your future. They know the value of an education. So, make the best of this school year and have a fantastic learning experience. Remember, what you learn is yours forever, and what you don't learn, well, that's yours too.

— N.L.M. —

A Look at the Past



Comments and photo courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

JUST HORISING AROUND – For some reason on July 2, 1907, the sidewalk superintendents of Nome gathered to watch the delivery of a brand new cook stove by the horses and wagon owned by the hardware store of Darling and Dean. Maybe it was the first free delivery of the century!

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — August 25 - August 31, 2011									
Date	Day	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
08/25	Th	12:07 p.m. LDT	1.3 H	09:06 p.m. LDT	0.2 L				
08/26	F	01:21 p.m. LDT	1.3 H	09:51 p.m. LDT	0.1 L				
08/27	Sa	05:51 a.m. LDT	1.0 H	08:52 a.m. LDT	0.9 L	02:43 p.m. LDT	1.3 H	10:34 p.m. LDT	0.0 L
08/28	Su	05:52 a.m. LDT	1.1 H	10:02 a.m. LDT	0.9 L	03:53 p.m. LDT	1.4 H	11:15 p.m. LDT	-0.1 L
08/29	M	06:13 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	11:05 a.m. LDT	0.8 L	04:58 p.m. LDT	1.4 H	11:56 p.m. LDT	-0.1 L
08/30	Tu	06:41 a.m. LDT	1.3 H	12:05 p.m. LDT	0.7 L	06:01 p.m. LDT	1.4 H		
08/31	W	12:38 a.m. LDT	-0.1 L	07:14 a.m. LDT	1.4 H	01:02 p.m. LDT	0.5 L	07:03 p.m. LDT	1.4 H

All times are listed in Local Standard Time(LST) or, Local Daylight Time (LDT) (when applicable). All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

Weather Statistics			
Sunrise	08/25/11 07:00 a.m.	High Temp	70° 08/19/11
	09/01/11 07:18 a.m.	Low Temp	36° 08/23/11
		Peak Wind	30 mph, NE, 08/19/11
Sunset	08/25/11 11:09 a.m.	Precip. to Date	11.94"
	09/01/11 10:47 a.m.	Normal	9.57"
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U.S. General Services Administration lowers bid on Nome Federal building

The U.S. General Services Administration is still taking bids during on-line bidding auction to sell the Federal Building at 240 Front Street in Nome. The auction began on June 8, 2011 with an original minimum bid of \$300,000. A new suggested bid of \$100,000 has been set to draw additional interest in the property. The on-line auction closes September 1, 2011. The starting bid amount does not represent the value of the property but rather provides a starting point for the online auction. The two-story building was constructed in 1958 to house Federal agencies and the U.S. Courts. Currently, the major tenants are the State of Alaska and the U.S. Postal Service.

Wales and White Mountain post offices off the chopping block

The United States Postal Service took 25 post offices off a list of post offices for potential closure. The USPS said that they would not close post offices off the road system, including those in White Mountain and Wales. Sen. Mark Begich met with Anchorage post office officials this week and heard from USPS District Manager for Alaska Diane Horbuchuk that the USPS has already determined 25 Alaska offices off the road system are in the clear and will not be closed. Last month, the USPS announced nearly 3,700 post offices, including 36 in Alaska, had been targeted for possible closure as a way to reduce costs and expenses.

Senate holds hearings on oil industry's hiring practices

The Senate Labor & Commerce committee will hold hearings on the oil industry's hiring of Alaskans. Hearings are scheduled for September 6 in Fairbanks and September 8 in Anchorage. The committee's chairman Dennis Eagan said that Alaskans are concerned that at a time of near-record employment in the oil industry, fewer of those jobs are going to Alaskans. Alaska Depart-

ment of Labor and Workforce Development figures show more than half of industry new-hires are from out of state. Egan explained that his committee is considering the potential effects of House Bill 110, the governor's proposal to rewrite Alaska's Clear and Equitable Share oil tax law, and seeks to find ways to increase the percentage of Alaskans employed in the industry.



Orange goo in Kivalina is fungi, not microscopic eggs

Researchers with the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration backtracked on their verdict that microscopic eggs caused the ocean in front of Kivalina to turn orange. They found out that it's actually a mass of fungal spores. NPR reports that researchers are not yet sure whether this particular type of rust fungus is one of the 7,800 species of rust fungi that have already been identified. Samples of the orange substance were sent to labs at NOAA's Alaska Fisheries facility, which initially determined that the goo was actually a mass of microscopic eggs, and to NOAA's National Ocean Service Center for Coastal Environmental Health and Biomolecular Research in Charleston. Scientists at the South Carolina facility who analyzed the microbiological phenomena with electron scanning microscopes and other equipment "determined that the substance is consistent with spores from a fungi that cause rust," according to a NOAA press release.

Alaska unemployment rate at 7.7 percent

The Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development released preliminary numbers on the state's unemployment rates. In July, 7.7 percent of Alaskans were unem-

ployed, compared to 7.9 percent last year and 7.5 percent in June. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rates nationwide is 9.1 percent, compared to 9.5 percent last July. The state's economist Neal Fried writes that this year represents an all time high of employment with 355,100 Alaskans working. Employment in Alaska has grown every year since 1988 with the only exception of the tail end of the national recession in 2009.

NOAA administrator to visit Alaska this week

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administrator Dr. Jane Lubchenco is in Alaska this week for a series of meetings with Alaskans on the future of oil and gas development in Cook Inlet, fisheries and other issues. U.S. Senator Mark Begich and Lubchenco will host a series of meetings including an aviation weather roundtable on oil and gas development. "As we move forward on oil and gas development in Cook Inlet, this will be an excellent opportunity for Dr. Lubchenco to talk with Alaskans about ways to streamline permitting, issues surrounding the beluga whale, fisheries, and essentially the overall importance of NOAA's relationship with our state," Begich said.

Russian polar bear chases drilling team

A polar bear stopped the survey of a new Arctic region oil field by chasing a Russian geological team from a proposed drilling site, the Russian Interfax news agency reported last week. The incident happened in Russia's far northern Yamalo-Nenetsk autonomous region as the three scientists were constructing a field camp.

The survey team was forced to retreat five kilometres to a working drill rig to evade the animal, abandoning their tent camp and its contents in the process, Interfax reported. The camp's abandonment and the bear's probable continued presence nearby had brought development plans in the area to almost a full halt, officials with the company Geointek said.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

August 25 - August 31, 2011

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, August 25		
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Medicaid/Denali Kid Care class	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Your Baby's Hearing Test video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*World Dance with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Friday, August 26		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Quiet Time	Kegoayah Library	10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*CAMP class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Soccer (grades 1 - 2)	Nome Rec Center	2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Journey Through the Healing Class	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Soccer (Grades 3 - 5)	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Zumba with Elizabeth M.	Nome Rec Center	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Youth Climbing (8 & younger)	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Youth Climbing (9 & older)	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Advanced Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Saturday, August 27

Nome Rec Center closed on weekends during the summer.

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Closed on weekends
*Circuit Training	Nome Rec Center	Closed on weekends
*STDs: Guide to Prevention video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*All About Babies part 1&2	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 28

*Water Aerobics	Pool	Closed through July
*Worth the Trip video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Special Delivery video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.

Monday, August 29

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1:15 p.m.
*Making a Difference: Mother's Guide	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*I Am Your Child video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 - 5:15
*Zumba with Elizabeth M.	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Advanced Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Lap swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Water Aerobics	Pool	Closed through July
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

Tuesday, August 30

*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Lunch Laps	Pool	Closed through July
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Having Your Baby video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Birth Control: Know Your Options	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Kickbox/Tone with Jennie	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY

Wednesday, August 31

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1:15 p.m.
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*Smoking A Time to Quit video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Circumcision video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Gymnastics Grades 3+ with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Beginning Baton	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 5:30
*Intermediate Baton	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Advanced Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Nome Common Council	Council Chambers	7 p.m.
*Special Meeting Re: Abatement		
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.
*Night Owl Yoga with Kelly B.	Nome Rec Center	9 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Community points of interest hours of operation:

Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (M-F)
Kegoayah Kozga Library	Front Street	1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa, Su)
		noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	10 a.m. (Tuesday)
		8 a.m. - 7 p.m. (M-F)
		10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Sa, Su)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th)
		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)
XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (M - F)



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Planet of the Apes at 4 p.m.

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Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

LAND, LOTS OF LAND—The Nome Common Council has approved a purchase of two lots on the Snake River from Alaska Gold Co. for \$85,000 for port expansion. City administration is also eyeing land shown with the two Quonsets that belongs to Jim Gribben, but that industrial land currently bears a price tag of \$650,000.

• City Council smoking law

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those that frequent our businesses to see what they wanted as part of their socializing experience,” Sackett’s letter said. Sackett said the local liquor industry was concerned for their employees who would have no place to go to smoke, concerned for patrons who would have to struggle in winter months to smoke 20 feet from somewhere and for the additional smoking debris that would undoubtedly appear to be frozen in eight months of the year.

Michels said the city clerk had provided Sackett the information and forms to get signatures to put the question on the ballot.

Asked if he had what he needed to enforce the smoking law, NPD Chief John Papasodora responded, “The ordinance will enforce it.”

Nome Community Center submitted a letter to the Council packet thanking the panel for passing the ordinance.

“This decision will help to protect the health of all workers and patrons of Nome businesses from the dangers of second-hand smoke, which include lung cancer, emphysema, heart disease, birth defects ...” said the letter. NCC, through a grant program, plans to canvas businesses to

see how they can help with needs demanded by the smoking law. They have purchased ash cans to reduce litter along high-traffic areas of town and have purchased signs to distribute to local businesses to help customers know where smoking is and is not permitted.

In other business, the Council:

- Passed into second reading an ordinance authorizing the sale of the ambulance garage located on Bering Street across from the old cop shop and fire department headquarters. The building and lot would go for the highest responsible and responsive bid above the reserve of \$144,800, the current appraised value. If the ordinance is adopted at the Sept. 12 Council meeting, the bid deadline will be Oct. 17.

- Adopted an ordinance permitting the City to buy two lots at Port of Nome from the Alaska Gold Co. for \$85,000 with funds coming from the Port of Nome’s approved FY2012 spending plan. The land will be used for port expansion and enlarged access to the Snake River. The City also has eyes on land at the port owned by Jim Gribben, who has listed that holding next to the Alaska Gold property for over \$600,000.

- Adopted an ordinance amending

an existing law to increase the membership of the Nome Port Commission from five to seven members. Councilman Stan Andersen tried to tweak the revised ordinance to say that the mayor and council members would be ex officio members of the commission but would not have a vote. Councilman Jim West Jr. is a member of the Port Commission. That amendment to the amendment did not fly, after Councilwoman Mary Knodel noted that the part that Andersen wanted to change had not been advertised according to City law. The Council later in the meeting approved Michels’ reappointment of Charlie Weiss to the planning Commission and the new appointment of Larry W. Pederson to the Planning Commission. Pedersen, a member of Alaska Miners Assn., is a land and resource manager for Bering Straits Native Corporation. He has been a resident of Nome for 35 years.

- Passed a resolution supporting a state funded transportation program.

- Passed a resolution supporting state Department of Transportation efforts to update the Alaska State Rail Plan.

Chief: Higher pay, subsidized housing could help keep police officers

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome Police Department is having difficulty recruiting and keeping officers who, once they arrive in Nome, face the economic hardships that face many in Nome: high cost of housing, heat and food, and low pay. Add burnout on the job and lack of opportunity to advance, as well as greener grass in police departments elsewhere that tend to take police personnel back out of Nome.

The chief delivered a “white paper” on the topic Aug. 19 at a Nome Common Council public work session that included a discussion of police personnel retention.

The force is doing more work with fewer resources than several years ago, according to NPD Chief John Papasodora.

The number of persons who qualify and want to enter law enforcement is a small percentage of the population, Papasodora told the Council panel.

“Attracting these candidates to live and work in western Alaska is a significant challenge,” he said. “The cost of living is high; the pay is too low. These guys are scraping by.”

To be certified by the Alaska Police Standards Council and be employable, a candidate must meet

minimum qualifications: age 21, high school education, no serious criminal violations, no domestic violence convictions, of good moral character and no marijuana use within a year; no other illicit drug use within 10 years. Next comes a life-examining polygraph test, a psychological evaluation, a full medical exam and an intense background investigation.

In police work, three distinct periods of burnout affect almost every police officer at two years, five years and 10 years. In small departments,

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Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

DELIVERING THE DATA—Nome Police Chief John Papasodora delivers the hard facts to Nome Common Council on getting drunks off Front Street and downtown: There is no state law against being drunk in public. Incapacitated persons must, by law, be picked up and taken for a medical screening, followed by release to a third party’s supervision or, in most cases, to the jail on Center Creek Road for a 12-hour hold, and then be released to return to the party unless other charges apply, like violating probation. Nome has no treatment center to receive such cases.

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pasodora. The City has an ordinance against open containers, but according to a memo to the police force from NPD Sgt. Byron Redburn, the State of Alaska does not represent the City in such violations. Police are the prosecutors and must take evidence, photos and notes to court. This would be true with a law on vagrancy.

Once you criminalize something, it becomes a financial liability, Papasodora said.

State law says that inebriates cannot be treated as a different class.

“Whatever we do has to be constitutional. Whatever we do has to be defensible legally,” Papasodora said.

Police cannot take a bottle, unless it is an open container. The public calling in open containers would help, he said.

The City does have peripheral laws affecting drunken behavior to work with: Criminal Trespass II—remaining on premises after a person with authority over the place have asked one to leave; Open Container/Public Consumption—alcohol is seized for evidence and the charge requires mandatory court appearance with a maximum fine of \$500; Drunk on Premises—violation is arrested and incarcerated with a misdemeanor offense. If a licensee or employee (of a bar, for example)

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DOT abandons idea to relocate Snake River for airport

By Diana Haecker

The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities decided to abandon the idea of relocating a portion of the Snake River as was planned for the improvement of the main runway at the Nome airport. DOT spokeswoman Meadow Bailey said that the decision was made in July because the costs were too high. She said in an email to *The Nome Nugget* that the estimates for relocating the Snake River, constructing the safety area and acquiring the right-of-way came out to be approximately \$40 million.

Since the runway at present has no safety area beyond the existing 300 feet, the DOT&PF proposed to construct a 1,000-foot runway safety

area on each end of the runway and a 500-foot wide runway safety area along the entire paved runway.

Per FAA design standards, a runway servicing commercial jet traffic should include a safety area that is 500 feet wide and extends 1,000 feet beyond each runway end. The west end of the existing runway borders the Snake River and it was proposed to re-route the river channel to the south from river mile 2 to river mile 3.

After months of study and two public meetings in fall 2009 and summer 2010, the DOT posted a note on the project's website that said that "after further studies, the proposed relocation of the Snake River has been found impracticable because of

the estimated construction cost."

The DOT&PF is currently looking at other options for RSA improvement for Runway 10 that will fit within the available funding. Bailey said that there is no preferred alternative yet, but that they are evaluating an engineered materials arrestor system, also called EMAS. The ar-

restor systems are intended to stop aircraft that have overshot a runway when there is insufficient space for a standard runway safety area. The EMAS is used at New York City's John F. Kennedy International Airport and in Alaska at the Cordova Airport.

If this ends up to be the alternative

that the DOT would prefer, the runway would be extended 190 feet instead of 1,000 feet.

Bailey said that the DOT needs to complete the draft environmental assessment document, which will be put out for public comments. The next public meeting is planned for October.

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allows the person to remain or serves a drunken person, the vendor can be charged with Sale to Drunken Persons.

Nome's law-abiding citizens, merchants, Chamber of Commerce, law enforcement and hospital staff are wringing their hands in frustration with the public nuisance of drunkenness and associated out-of-control behavior vexing the sights of tourists, children and passersby, along with the dollars-and-cents cost of hauling in drunks, many as repeat offenders, to the hospital and the jail, where drunks need to be restrained and may defecate, urinate, spit, and assault responders. Caring for drunks diverts the police from other law enforcement, the greater part of which has an alcohol factor, according to Papasodora.

Councilman Jim West Jr., a volunteer for Nome Volunteer Ambulance, estimated that out of about 650 ambulance calls per year, roughly 85-90 percent have a relation to alcohol consumption. Many of the calls come to volunteers' phones after bar closing and pull them out of bed for "drunk down."

What the police are doing is what they legally have to do, Papasodora told the Council. They had a report from him to back up his presentation. Once police know a person is impaired, they have to pick him up for safety reasons as a potential harm to himself or others, according to law. Having been picked up, the person must go to the hospital emergency room for medical screening and released to the safety of third-party custody. Problem is, Papasodora told the Council, many of those picked up for Title 47 protective custody contact have no relatives in town or do not have relatives willing to take responsibility, thus the drunks remain at the hospital, monitored, to "sleep it off" or go to absorb resources at Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

Alaska state law is unclear on what "drunken" means. Again, according to Papasodora's report, there is no state law against public drunkenness. Yet, the state Supreme Court ruled in 1987 that the City of Anchorage had a responsibility to take persons incapacitated by alcohol in a public place into protective custody. The ruling stems from an incident in

1980 when Thomas Busby was walking about two feet into the traffic lane on East Fifth Avenue in Anchorage. A police officer spotted Busby, stopped him, moved him to the side of the road, talked with him and determined that he was intoxicated. The officer ran a warrant check on Busby, but did not place him in custody. Shortly after the officer drove off, a car struck Busby who suffered injuries. Busby alleged in a trial court that Anchorage was negligent and reckless in not taking him into protective custody. The trial court disagreed, but the higher court said the City of Anchorage did have a responsibility to take people incapacitated by alcohol into protective custody.

Meantime, the police force follows policies established a year ago in a tri-agency meeting among representatives of Norton Sound Health Corp., NPd, and AMCC. These procedures include keeping a supply of citizen's arrest forms on hand in the hospital emergency room when individuals slap, punch, kick, bite or otherwise injure hospital personnel.

Mitch Erickson of Nome Chamber of Commerce suggested that Nome put a law making public drunkenness illegal at the top of the City's priority list. Nome resident Sue Steinacher wants a community task force drawn together to confront the falling-down-drunk—in public issue. "Maybe we could come up with some creative solutions," she said. Another member of the public recommended restricting habitual public drunks to buying only beer to slow them down. Another pointed out that Nome could become a legal medical marijuana distribution center that would temper behavior. The chief did not go there.

Would having a second Community Service Officer help? Councilwoman Mary Knodel asked. "Yes," said the chief.

The police chief stressed that what he wants for now is a clear-cut law to enforce and a no -sell list. Limiting hours of sales was not the answer, he said. Unless one has the mechanics to change the culture, whether it comes from a package store or bars until 3 a.m., it is the same.

The Council expects an additional report and session with Papasodora in mid-September.

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such as Nome's, job rotation and cross training to alleviate burnout are not readily available, as resources do not exist to support such solutions, according to Papasodora. Most officers make it through the two-year phase, but the critical burnout phase is at five years when the employee will most likely seek other jobs. Burnout at about 10 years is when posttraumatic stress syndrome may affect the officer's view of life and the job. Papasodora said that maintaining full staffing of Nome's department could allow some strategies to reduce burnout—job rotation, reassignment, promotional opportunities and career development.

However, outside influences lead to loss of personnel, such as local economic issues and wages. The starting wage for Police Officer I candidates in Nome effective the beginning of the year is \$24.55 per hour, an average of \$3,928 for a 160-hour work month, and \$47,136 per year. This is 35 percent below the median household income for the community, according to Papasodora. After average taxes, the net is \$2,749 per month. Even a Police Officer II at the end of the scale would gross \$68,827 per year, too low to qualify for the average-priced home at \$209,558. Home ownership is an important tie to the community that encourages permanence.

By comparison, according to Papasodora, a similar sized city such as Soldotna starts police officers at \$29.13, almost \$5 an hour higher, and \$55,929.60 annually. Consumer

costs are comparable to Anchorage.

High prices for groceries, rent and fuel as well as the availability of quality and affordable housing are a detriment to recruitment and retention of police personnel.

"The wage scales for Police Officer I and II are insufficient to provide economic incentive for long-term employment with City of Nome, Papasodora said.

Less than 10 percent of applicants who apply for police work actually make it to the final job offer. Most small agencies lack the incentives to recruit the 10 qualified applicants it would take to hire one or two officers, Papasodora said.

"As trained personnel leave the agency, it can take two months to find a replacement and an additional eight months of training to put a qualified officer on the streets" Papasodora said. "Therefore, a vacancy today is actually a vacancy for up to 10 months."

The department has instituted some strategies to keep police officers, but more incentives need to be developed, the chief said. So far, new practices are underway that include:

Reestablishing the avenues of upward mobility with re-establishing the lieutenant position.

Succession planning—training officers to assume roles of greater responsibility in the organization as well as building depth of experience so that burnout is reduced by job enrichment.

To foster team building and a squad, or team, "esprit de corps" mentality, the department imple-

mented a serious firearms training program and went into team scheduling.

If the City is serious about the goal to create and maintain a highly skilled and competent police department, then additional strategies are required, according to Papasodora:

Remove the police department from general collective bargaining unit and treat police services as a sub-chapter of the main agreement, recognizing that police services are unlike any other sector in the City in terms of operation and function. Such a separation would allow the City to separately address retention within the police department.

Revise position classifications to include Police Officer I, II and III in order to provide more advancement and upward mobility.

Ease costs for new officers entering the community by providing subsidized housing at a reasonable cost, or establish subsidized home purchases with the City acting as lender.

Provide an effective employee evaluation process to provide feedback on performance.

A housing subsidy could be part of the union negotiation, Councilman Stan Andersen commented.

The Council has planned a work session with Papasodora to address police issues.

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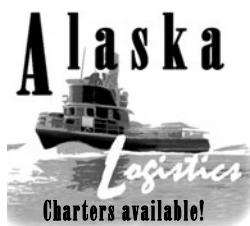
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FAST RUNNER—A lone musk ox bull is galloping across Sepalla Drive after the Nome police chief drove him out of the Belmont Point neighborhood and back into a more natural setting on Sunday evening.

Musk oxen move into Nome

NPD busy hazing musk oxen out of neighborhoods, ADF&G opens limited hunt

By Diana Haecker

A Belmont Point resident tended to his barbeque and flipped a burger on his porch oblivious to the fact that a large shaggy, brown silver-backed creature casually walked behind his house. The scene played out on Sunday night when a lone musk ox bull hung out around the Prospect Apartments on Prospect Lane at Belmont Point. Residents of the apartments said he had been hanging out there all day, eating on the scarce greens and resting. By evening, the police were trying to get the bull out of the neighborhood, a difficult task that was eventually accomplished with a long stick and human stubbornness surpassing that of the beast.

At first, John Handeland tried to persuade the animal to leave with noise. Handeland's weapon of choice was the Lions' Club Nome River raft race starter cannon. The cannon boomed twice while the musk ox lingered on a hillside between Larry's Auto and houses on the west side of McLain Lane. The noise had some effect and got the musk ox moving, but the animal was in a tight spot that didn't allow for escape. Along the road, police officers secured the area of curious on-lookers and stood with flashing lights on Seppala Drive to slow down traffic. Police Chief John Papasodora then took matters into his hands, approached the bull from behind and prodded the animal with a 30-foot pole. After a couple of whacks with the pole, the musk ox moved along, made it down the hill to Seppala Drive, galloped across the street and escaped into the cemetery

area. But around midnight, the musk ox returned and chief Papasodora had to climb out of bed again to haze the animal on his four-wheeler out of the Belmont area again and further up to the cemetery area.

No persons and no dogs were hurt in the incident. This is not the first time that NPD were called to escort musk ox out of populated areas. Some incidents didn't end as peaceful. In the past two months, one dog was killed by a musk ox in Icy View and just a few weeks ago, a musk ox attacked and injured two other dogs in the area. And with every summer, musk oxen seem to move closer to human settlements.

While the lone bull was hanging out in the Belmont neighborhood on Sunday, a herd of 14 musk oxen milled around across the Snake River at the small harbor barge ramp and in between cargo containers. The herd consisted of cows, calves and a bull. At times they were just inches away from the Port Road and remained calm and unfazed as cars, trucks and even a couple of bicycles went by. This may be unusual in most places, but musk oxen seeking out urban areas to hang out seem to be an increasing trend in Nome.

Tony Gorn, area biologist for Alaska Department of Fish and Game, said that for the last five years he has spent more time working on musk oxen than on anything else. He added it hasn't been that long ago since musk oxen were a rare sight in the close Nome vicinity. "It's pretty noteworthy that in 2001, we only had a group or two but not that many animals this close to town," Gorn

said. They were out there, near the Flambeau River, Army Peak, Newton Peak and some at the Snake River. Gorn went on explaining that the musk ox population in unit 22C grew rapidly in the past decade. "In just a two-year period the population

and closes March 15.

Alaska State Wildlife Trooper Brian Miller is one of the first responders dealing with the increasing calls when musk ox tangle with dogs or get too close for comfort. He said that the Nome Police Department re-

less they have to. But they don't appear to be lazy either. A herd that was in one place for days on end, suddenly disappears and is nowhere to be seen. They appear as fast as they vanish and people wake up to find 14 musk oxen standing in their gardens,



Photo by Diana Haecker

GUESS WHO'S IN MY BACKYARD?—Belmont Point resident Peter Irrigoo is on the phone with his sister as the musk ox bull that has been hanging out in the neighborhood all day was convinced to move on.

grew from 220 to 445," Gorn said. This changed the distribution of the musk ox groups and they moved closer and closer to Nome.

Nome proper seems to be a good place to be a musk ox. People see them through their viewfinders instead of cross hairs. Hunting the musk oxen around town was not allowed and the animals learned that people are not dangerous. Hunting was allowed in 22c, some years there were even 28 permits handed out, but the area from the east bank of the Penny to the west bank of the Flambeau rivers was closed for harvest.

Gorn said that while it seems like there are a lot of musk oxen in the area, they are just concentrated in Nome. On the entire Seward Peninsula, the latest count was 2,616 animals. Later this year, ADF&G will perform another musk ox count on the Seward Peninsula.

Despite the fact that they seem to be everywhere locally, Gorn said there are indications that the greater Seward Peninsula population may decline. "We do see a rapid decline in bull to cow ratio," said Gorn. In only five years, the bull to cow ratio plummeted from 70 bulls per 100 cows, to 20 bulls per 100 cows. "We learned that our harvest rates were higher than was sustainable," Gorn said.

He explained that hunters instead of taking the younger, tender bulls, ended up killing the biggest bull of the herd. "We don't encourage that," he said. With the biggest and strongest specimen of the gene pool removed, the bull to cow ratio has crashed. In direct response to that and the mounting conflict with humans claiming their space, ADF&G opened a hunt in an area that was previously closed to musk ox harvest.

The area now open to hunt is between the east bank of Penny River and the west bank of the Flambeau River, along Safety Sound to Safety Bridge, the Snake River drainage and the Nome River drainage. Gorn already gave out eight permits for musk ox cows, not bulls. Hunting within the city limits is prohibited, and the weapons are restricted to shotguns with slugs or bow and arrow. The hunt opens on January 1

sponds to calls of musk ox within city limits. "But if they are not available, troopers and the wildlife trooper certainly try to respond," Miller said. In his observation, so far, it has been mostly a lone bachelor bull—not the herd's main bull—who gets into trouble. In talks with Tony Gorn, he suggested to open a hunt on the animals that were so far taboo for hunting and for wildlife viewing purposes only. "My hope with that the hunt will help re-indoctrinate the herd to stay away from people," Miller said.

While the book on musk oxen behavior yet has to be written, the local experts found out several things.

Tony Gorn believes that spraying a musk ox with a water hose is an effective way to get them moving. Wildlife trooper Miller said while percussion-like sounds of banging pots or pans don't seem to be effective and may even antagonize the bulls, high pitched sounds like air horns send the musk ox running. UAF Northwest Campus biology professor and musk ox researcher Claudia Ihl has followed a herd of musk oxen near Cape Krusenstern for months and has observed that the animals don't like physical contact—not even among their own—and especially loathe being touched on the rear end. This was confirmed by chief Papasodora's success to move the musk ox by whacking him across the rear end with the pole.

The only exception, Ihl notes, is when a bull pursues a willing female. As most attacks against dogs happen during summer, Ihl also offers an explanation that the attacks mostly involve lone bulls. As the August/September rutting season nears, the main bulls in the herd start driving away bachelor bulls of breeding age. "The main bull will not tolerate another bull in his herd at that time," Ihl said. The bulls' testosterone levels rise and while driven away from their herd, the bachelors may form a group or just wander around by themselves. "The young bulls are very mobile and are searching for opportunities somewhere else," said Ihl.

Ihl said that at other times, the animals are geared to conserve their energy and don't move around un-

munching on everything, including the rhubarb.

Gorn said that there is a common misperception that musk oxen don't move around very much. ADF&G radio-collared several cows and Gorn reported that one cow from Nome walked to Teller within a day and another cow traveled from Council to the lava beds at the headwaters of the Kuzitrin and back within a couple of months.

Not only do musk oxen get habituated to people, it seems the same holds true the other way around. Gorn finds it amazing that people didn't get hurt yet. "The musk oxen have been amazingly patient with people," Gorn said. He said people get too close to them, try to take photos close-up with their cell phones and just don't give them enough room. "You need to treat them like you would treat a moose cow with a freshly dropped calf," said Gorn. "Treat them with respect. Give them room," he said. "The number one thing with all wild animals is to give them space." Gorn said that he gets calls from residents that cover the spectrum from, "We're so lucky to live in a wild place like Nome where musk ox roam," to "They're a nuisance, eradicate them already."

As for musk ox attacking dogs, Gorn said that it is legal to kill a musk ox in defense of life and property, but he said that ADF&G needs to be notified, the animal needs to be field dressed and the meat taken care of.

At Belmont Point, Peter Irrigoo and his mother Alice didn't seem to be too aggravated about a musk ox in their yard. They watched as the bull slowly walked underneath their window and Peter gave an up-to-the minute account to his sister on the phone. The Irrigoos were joking that the police chased away their pet, but then Alice Irrigoo added that she was a little bit worried that the musk ox may ram the house.

Another resident at the Prospect apartments said the bull just ate and rested, and didn't bother her either. However, chief Papasodora didn't want to run the risk of having kids in the area for the first day of school when the musk ox is hanging around.



Photo by Diana Haecker

URBAN MUSK OX—A herd of 14 musk oxen milled around the port area in between cargo containers near the barge ramp on Port Road. They have been frequenting the area for a week.



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Chum harvest tops 236,000 fish in Kotzebue

The commercial harvest of chum salmon in the Kotzebue district reached a season total of 236,000 fish caught by 87 permit holders last week, reports Jim Menard, area manager for Norton Sound and Kotzebue, Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game.

Menard said 60,000 chums (the best catch of the season) took place last week when the main runway at the Kotzebue airport was open. The runway often has been closed for construction this summer. The commercial catch forecast for Kotzebue of 230,000 to 260,000 chum salmon was reached, he noted.

"More runway closures are scheduled for the rest of the month, but with the late season surge of chum salmon, it's possible to beat last year's harvest of 270,000 chum salmon," Menard said. "The number of permit holders fishing this late in August is more than double the number in the past decade, and is likely due to the evening fishing hours for the first time since the 1990s."

Norton Sound district

The following information is based on Menard's most recent fisheries update. The total commercial salmon harvest through Aug. 19 in Norton Sound was 137 kings, 300 sockeyes, 108,632 chums, 7,119 pinks and 45,269 silvers. The silver run is average in southern Norton Sound, but

below average in the northern portion of the district.

The cumulative commercial silver salmon catch by each Norton Sound subdistrict through Aug. 19 was: Unalakleet, 20,534; Shaktoolik, 14,022; Norton Bay, 4,509; Elim, 5,345; and Golovin, 859. No commercial fishing is expected in the Golovin subdistrict because the silver escapement has dropped off and projections show the escapement may fall short of the goal.

Nome subdistrict

The subsistence set gillnet schedule for silver salmon in the last half of August is in effect in the Nome subdistrict. The marine waters are open seven days a week. The fresh water subsistence area set gillnet schedule is from 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Wednesday and from 6 p.m. Thursday until 6 p.m. Saturday.

The silver run to Nome subdistrict rivers should peak this week. If the run does not improve this week, subsistence restrictions may be required next week.

Port Clarence district

Chum salmon catch limits on the Pilgrim River have been waived. Only 11 silvers salmon were counted at the Pilgrim River weir through Aug. 19. The silver count is trailing all years in the project's nine-year history.

The Dock Walk

Nome Harbor master Joy Baker reports what has been going on in the past week at the docks in Nome's port and small harbor.

After what seemed weeks of wet and rainy weather, it's been beautiful this past week. Halibut fishing is in full swing and fishermen could go out and chase fish all week long. Gold dredgers were able to go out to work and enjoy being out there. A herd of musk oxen kept showing up very early in the morning at the port, grazing on the bank and as soon as traffic starts in the morning, they move along up the hill towards the tundra on West Beach.

It was a busy week at the harbor. On Monday a mainline barge brought cargo into Nome and a landing craft came in to get cargo for Kotzebue.

The Alaska Fish and Game vessel *Pandalus* was in the harbor on Tuesday, Wednesday and left on Thursday. On Wednesday, a gravel barge came to pick up gravel for Alakanuk and a research vessel called *The*

Mystery Bay doing research for NOAA arrived on Wednesday and left the next day.

On Thursday and Friday, landing crafts came in from Gambell, bringing back equipment from the Tumet road project there. Also there were more landing craft taking cargo to Little Diomede. On Saturday a gravel barge took material to Kotzebue and on Sunday another demobilization landing craft came in from Gambell, taking on a load of gravel to Alakanuk.

On Monday Northland came in and was offloading cargo on the outer cell at the port. A landing craft left for Northeast Cape on St. Lawrence Island to pick up more "dirty" dirt to be hauled off. The dirty dirt is contaminated soil from the formerly used defense site. Bagged piles of the dirt were staged at the port and then loaded on the barge bound to Seattle.

The Korean icebreaker *Araon* also showed up for a couple days, anchored offshore.

Local emergency planner leaves Nome

By Diana Haecker

Last week's local emergency planning commission meeting set a whole new standard in culinary treats served at such occasions as the city's emergency services administrators Mimi Farley and Seiji Heck set the buffet consisting of freshly caught, baked silvers served with rice and green salad. The occasion marked the last meeting that disaster planner Seiji Heck is on the job as he is leaving Nome to pursue a paramedic degree in Fairbanks for the next two years. Heck promised he'd bring the acquired knowledge back to Nome.

In other business, the commission set the date for the tri-annual emergency exercise for October 26. The exercise will involve simulating a large aircraft incident.

Mimi Farley announced that the city's Emergency Operations Plan has been approved by the State of Alaska Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services. The plan now needs to go to Nome Common Council to be adopted.

The body discussed that more National Incident Management System training is needed for first responders as well as upper level city management. Tom Vaden offered to teach some classes. Other class levels are offered online. According to FEMA, the National Integration Center recommends that elected officials who will be interacting with multiple jurisdic-

tions and agencies during an incident should complete Incident Command 700, and Introduction to Incident Command and ICS-100. The classes aim to provide a basic understanding of the National Incident Management System and the Incident Command System, to understand reporting structures, common terminology etc.

Under old business, the body discussed Tier II reporting. Under Tier II reporting, businesses report substances that are hazardous chemicals, materials and waste. LEPC chair Tom Vaden said that the commission has not received Tier 2 reports from NovaGold Resources Inc., the owner of Rock Creek Mine. While the company's representative in Nome John Odden was not present at the meeting, fire chief Matt Johnson said that he received a tour and saw that at the company's staging area at Satellite Field there is still ammonium nitrate stored. Johnson said it is kept in containers that are parked door-to-door.

Johnson said that the company is under the impression that they don't need Tier II reporting as the mine is regulated under the Mine Safety and Health Administration, MSHA. The cyanide components that were stored at the mine site, have been transported out of Nome. Fire chief Johnson said that the company gave the fire department a courtesy call when the substance was trucked out and put on the barge.



Photo courtesy of Marine Advisory Program

FEARSOME FISH— The featured fish this week is the antlered sculpin. Over 40 different species of sculpin have been documented in the ocean waters of Alaska. Sculpin live at or near the seafloor. Many are good to eat but sculpins are not important commercially. This antlered sculpin from Norton Sound has spined antler-like projections on its head and uses them for defense against trouble. Antlered sculpin can be found from Barrow to Southeast as well as on the Russian side of the Bering Sea as far south as the Aleutians.

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Teacher shuffling at the elementary school

By Lori Head

Nome Board of Education met in a regular meeting on August 16 with action items regarding a JROTC contract addendum, four certified contracts and administrative salary increases. All three agenda items were approved.

Additional Kindergarten teacher request

The meeting began with several parents of incoming kindergarteners expressing concerns about this year's class size. As it stood, the approximate 70 kindergarteners were to be taught by three teachers, resulting in class sizes of about 23 students each. The parents urged that a fourth teacher be added. One parent offered the potential solution of taking a currently assigned 4th grade teacher and reassigning them to kindergarten since the 4th grade classes currently maintained lower teacher/student ratios. A parent of two 4th graders then addressed the board and respectfully asked that they consider the issue of large kindergarten classes but leave the 4th grade teachers in place. Dave Keller, principal of Nome Elementary School, and a parent of an incoming kindergartener himself, later explained that he would verify incoming numbers as much as possible and make a decision by Friday, August 19.

It was announced on Friday that Jeff Collins, formerly assigned to 4th grade, would instead teach kindergarten this year. In an email to *The Nome Nugget* Keller added, "We are also concerned about and are carefully watching our 4th grade class size."

JROTC program clarifications

Master Sergeant Knowlton addressed the board in an effort to clear up confusion generated from a previous school board meeting where the JROTC Program was discussed. "Right now, both of the instructors that we have on board, myself and Sergeant First Class Doll, are currently certified by Cadet Command," clarified Knowlton. He continued, "...there is confusion as far as our status as being on probation with Cadet Command. We were on probation...2009-2010 school year, we were on probation with Cadet Command. And that probation was not due to instructor certification. It was due to the fact that we had only one instructor of the two that are required. Sergeant Doll coming on board last year took us out of that probationary status." Knowlton also noted that on March 27, 2012 Nome's JROTC program will have a formal inspection and is hopeful they will advance up to an Honor Unit with Distinction ranking.

Athletic Director position

Superintendent Michael Brawner submitted a six page, detailed Activity Director research document, as well as a ten page calendar estimating AD time commitments. Board Member Barb Nickels requested the AD position be added to the agenda. Board Chair Gloria Karmun instructed it could only be added as an action item by one of the naysayers, referring to board members Barb Amarok or Marie Tozier, and suggested it could be discussed during Board Members Open Discussion instead.

Brawner did briefly summarize the document during open discussion, however, it was stifled at points due to the absence of Amarok, in the interest she hear the information at the work session on August 23 dedicated to the topic.

Board Member Betsy Brennan expressed frustration at the time and energy that this issue had consumed while academic issues suffered. Nickels expressed similar sentiments citing that this issue had endured six weeks, three meetings, a special meeting and a work session while the specific concerns of the position were still unclear to her. Tozier added later, "For me, it's obvious that this position has caused problems in the past and I wanted to see it laid out." Tozier was referring to the detailed information

from Brawner that seemed to be what she needed to move forward to a conclusion at the August 23 work session.

Brawner informed the board that without objection, he would assign the AD duties to a two-period per school day temporary position and the after school AD activities would be voluntary. He explained that the temporary position would also potentially involve the district paying a stipend of \$150 to \$250 for weekend events until the board reached a decision on the AD contract.

NBHS mandatory after school tutorials

Steve Gast, Nome Beltz Jr/Sr High principal, reported a successful summer school of 23 students who either started or recovered credits. He also informed the board of mandatory after school tutorials this year. Any student who has a grade below 60 percent at anytime will be required to attend until the grade moves above 60 percent. The tutorials will also be available for all students on a voluntary basis if they are looking for additional help in any course.

Elementary school updates

Dave Keller, Nome Elementary principal, informed the board of two recent vacancies. Kelly Thrun resigned as a 5/6 team teacher to accept a teaching position in the North Star Borough School District and Janet Balice, per her request, returned to the preschool program with Kawerak Headstart.

Important Elementary dates announced:

September 16 Back to School Night — 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

September 27 Hearing Screening (will be coordinated with ACSA and Beltz Jr/Sr High also)

October 5 Vision Screening (will be coordinated with ACSA and Beltz Jr/Sr High also)

State of Alaska: PERS Salary Floor

Michael Brawner, superintendent of Nome Public Schools, alerted the board that NPS currently owed the State of Alaska roughly \$51,000 for FY2009 and FY2010 PERS salary floor shortfalls. He explained that due to unique circumstances including a student population loss of 79 students between the school years of 2007 and 2009, thereby reducing some classified staff, NPS had "come short of their salary floor," which was determined in FY2008. Brawner is drafting a letter to the State explaining Nome's specific circumstances and noted that Alaska Association of School Business Officials (ALASBO) was working on a position paper, as well, to submit to the legislature asking for reconsideration since it affects fifteen other school districts.

NPS adds in-service day

Hearing no objection from the board, Brawner also announced that September 19 would be changed to an in-service day (no school for students) to accommodate a Reading Mastery training. NPS had one day of in-service available and all other scheduled in-service days will remain.

NPS Administrative Salary Schedule

In January, the Nome School Board tabled a salary schedule for NPS certified directors, coordinators and principals which incorporated a 3 percent increase. The FY 2011-12 budget did include this increase and the schedule was brought before the board again as an action item at this regular meeting. Brennan, Nickels and Karmun voted in favor, Tozier opposed it.

The Nome Board of Education meets again on September 13 at 5:30 p.m. in regular session at the NES Library.



Photo by Diana Haecker

READY TO LEARN— Nome Elementary school student Jade Greene is at the threshold of stepping into the world of Mrs. Sandi Keller's first grade class.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

WAITING FOR THE BUS— Nome Elementary School students line up for their first day of school.



Photo by Diana Haecker

BUSY— Mrs. Nikki Scherrer's second grade class was busy from the get-go the first day of school on August 22 at the Nome Elementary School. Natalie Tobuk, Aralye Lie, David Contreras and Danielle Bogart worked on coloring bookmarks.



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DESCRIBING RESEARCH—Brett Sandercock (second from right) answers questions from members of a Nome birding class in late May about a four-year study of western and semipalmated sandpipers at a research site in the Safety Sound area. Sandercock is an associate professor of wildlife ecology at Kansas State University and co-investigator for the project. Standing next to him is Erika Escajeda, a recent graduate of University of California Berkeley who participated in the research. At left (with scope) is Peter Bente of Nome who taught the birding class.

Photo top right:

FEATHERS TELL— Scientists can figure out where a bird grew a feather by looking at the isotopes of carbon and nitrogen within each feather, which are a signature of the location where the birds spent the winter and grew their feathers. Feather samples were taken from birds at the Safety Sound research site for stable isotope analysis.

Safety Sound sandpiper research linked to Arctic Shorebird Demographics Network



Photo by Eun bi Kwon and Melanie Wilson

NUMBER 126—Researchers have attached a numbered metal band and colored leg band to this western sandpiper at Safety Sound to uniquely mark it. They try to band both the male and female on each nest. If both mates survive and return to the breeding grounds, there's a good chance they'll remate. Western sandpipers often return to the same nest site year after year.

By Laurie McNicholas

If you were in the Safety Sound area in June or July, you probably saw several young adults toting small green nest traps across the tundra and wondered who they are, what they're doing.

They are students from American and Canadian universities who recently completed the second year of field work in a four-year study focusing on western and semipalmated sandpipers at a research site on land owned by Sitnasuak Native Corp. The study looks for changes in the population structure (demography) of the breeding sandpipers in relation to environmental change.

Co-investigators for the project are Brett Sandercock, associate professor of Wildlife Ecology at Kansas State University, and David (Dov) Lank, research associate and adjunct professor at Simon Fraser University. Findings of the study will be compared with demographic data on the same species gathered at the site in the mid to late 1990s by Sandercock as part of his PhD study at SFU and by other graduate students. Lank served on Sandercock's doctoral thesis committee at that time.

The current field study at Safety Sound is part of a much larger network of sites for research on migratory shorebirds across arctic sites in

Alaska and Canada. The Arctic Shorebird Demographics Network was formed in 2009 to examine the reproductive biology, survival and environmental factors limiting population numbers of arctic-breeding shorebirds. Fifteen organizational partners are working together to conduct demographic field research at 10 sites from Nome in the west to sites in northern Manitoba, Canada in the east.

"I thank Sitnasuak for their cooperation, and we are very grateful to have the opportunity to work on their lands," Sandercock told *The Nome Nugget* in an interview June 4 at a

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camp near the research site. He worked on the study plot with the five-student research crew for three weeks starting in mid-May. Lank had arrived that day for a brief stay. He and Sandercock dined with the students at a rough-hewn table in front of three Weatherport tents that shelter food and supplies and look like miniature Quonset huts. Nearby stood a cluster of tents.

or semipalmated sandpipers, Kwon reports. “We were most struck by their fast, synchronized reproduction,” she added. “Our first found sandpiper nest hatched on June 14, and the last nest hatched around July 7. If every nest successfully produces four chicks, then there would have been 608 chicks hatched in three weeks.

“We use the data gathered to estimate populations, sensitivity to climate change, and population viability, so the larger the sample size

analyzed for avian malaria and are used to identify a bird’s sex, Kwon explained. She said it is easy to distinguish a male from a female western sandpiper by the length of the female’s beak, but the sex of the semipalmated sandpiper is difficult to identify.

Mating strategies vary

Western and semipalmated sandpipers are socially monogamous—one male pairs with one female—and both sexes incubate the eggs. Males

and five percent of chicks banded at the nest.”

Sandercock said red-necked phalaropes do not return to the same nest site they used the previous year, and the female leaves the nest as soon as she completes laying her eggs (usually four). “She goes to get a second mate,” he said. The male incubates the eggs.

Kwon described the research English conducted at nests of red-necked phalaropes this year. “The male needs to incubate the whole time, but he has to forage for food to survive,” she noted. “Willow wonders if that’s why the egg size is smaller. The energy expenditure depends on the egg mass. Willow measured the eggs and monitored the incubation periods. She kept a temperature log on each phalarope. She placed a small probe—a temperature logger—on the bottom of each nest right at the middle.

“The logger is sensitive, so as the phalarope leaves the nest the temperature drops, and it rises again when he returns,” Kwon explained. “Willow collected the probes from every nest and downloaded the data. She was able to log the time and temperature as each male incubated, foraged, incubated, so she can tell how much effort each male made.”

Kwon said rainstorms on two days in July flooded several of the phalarope nests but none of the sandpiper nests. “Willow and Melanie were bummed,” she noted.

New tracking technology

Western sandpipers banded at Safety Sound may spend the winter at sites from northern Mexico to Ecuador. Until recently, researchers have depended on infrequent information—sightings reports of the banded birds—to learn where some of them spend the winter. Sandercock said if the birds winter further south than North America, they may skip the first breeding season and stay at their winter quarters. “We know about delayed breeding because of the research network Dov directs,” he explained. “Arctic breeding semipalmated sandpipers winter in northern South America, particularly Suriname, Guyana, and French Guiana.”

Sandercock said a new device called a geolocator can be used to track the entire migration route of an individual sandpiper from Safety

Sound to its winter quarters and back to its nest site. The battery-powered devices record light and store data on sunrise and sunset times, which vary with latitude and longitude. They are small and light enough for sandpipers to carry.

“A geolocator weighing 0.8 grams is attached to a leg band,” Sandercock explained. “Both species of sandpipers weigh about 25 grams (less than an ounce). When they migrate they weigh 35 to 40 grams.” When a bird with a geolocator returns to its nesting site, researchers will livetrack it, remove the geolocator and download its data, he added.

Kwon said she shrank PVC tubes to a size appropriate for sandpipers and placed them on the legs of 14 birds (9 semipalmated sandpipers and 5 western sandpipers) with geolocators attached to each of them. “If you do not know where they spend the winter, you don’t know what is affecting their demography and viability,” she noted.

Sandercock said female sandpipers leave the breeding grounds first, followed by males and then juveniles. Juveniles migrate about three weeks after they hatch. They were flocking in preparation for migration in late July. Weather conditions were rainy and windy for much of July. Kwon wonders whether the birds were able to forage for food in such weather. She said strong winds limited the use of mist-nets to capture and band juveniles to three times this year.

Stable isotope analysis of feathers is another technique for tracking migrating birds. Feather samples were collected from birds on the study plot, including the birds carrying geolocators. Scientists can figure out where a bird grew a feather by looking at the isotopes of carbon and nitrogen within each feather, which are a signature of the location where the birds spent the winter and grew their feathers.

What’s for dinner?

“Western and semipalmated sandpipers forage on insect larvae from the ground, probing in muddy flats at the edge of water,” said Kwon. “Phalaropes forage in the open water.” Red-necked phalaropes spin like tops on the surface of ponds to bring aquatic insects and other food

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Photo by Eun bi Kwon and Melanie Wilson

PORTRAIT—A red-necked phalarope chick rests on the hand of a researcher this summer in the Safety Sound area. Breeding female red-necked phalaropes leave the nest as soon as they complete laying their eggs. Their mates incubate the eggs.

Eun bi Kwon, a graduate student at KSU, pointed out a weather station next to one of the Weatherports. “The weather station records climate conditions and is directly related to the study plot,” she noted. The research project is part of Kwon’s PhD study. She directed the student crew in work at the plot throughout the season. Periodically they drove to Nome to resupply, shower and pick up mail.

Assisting Kwon as field technicians were recent college graduates Erika Escajeda, University of California Berkeley, originally from Boulder, Colorado, and Tommy Esson, Virginia Polytechnic University, whose hometown is Wells, Maine. Willow English, a master’s student at SFU conducted a separate study on the mating strategies of red-necked phalaropes and how they affect reproduction. Her field technician was Melanie Wilson, an ecosystems biologist with a master’s degree from Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia.

Finding and minding nests

The crew searched for nests on the 1-kilometer by 2-kilometer study plot as eagerly as kids hunting Easter eggs. Their efforts paid off.

“The season went really well,” Kwon told the *Nugget* in an interview on July 24. “We found 152 nests of western and semipalmated sandpipers and 52 nests of red-necked phalaropes. The goal was 120 nests for western and semipalmated sandpipers.”

Chicks hatched and were measured at 72 nests occupied by western

the better to estimate nest survival rates and test our predictions,” Kwon noted.

The students use GPS handheld units to record coordinates for the location of each nest they find, upload the data to computers and plot a map of nests in the study area. Breeding western and semipalmated sandpipers often return to the same nest site they used the previous year, so the students look for the same bird at the same nest year after year to see if it made it back.

When the students find a nest, they place a wire trap over it, wait for the bird to enter and then shut the trap door. They attach a numbered metal band and colored leg band to the bird’s leg to uniquely mark each bird. “We try to band both female and male on each nest” Kwon said. “We find 10 to 15 nests daily, so there will be 20 to 30 more birds to band. We can only band sandpipers during the time of incubation.” This year one parent was captured at 64 nests but both parents were captured at 85 nests among the western and semipalmated sandpiper nests the crew located, she reports.

The students measure eggs in each nest, estimate the hatch date and schedule daily monitoring of the nest four days prior to the hatch date. The chicks are precocial, meaning they leave the nest soon after hatching, so if researchers miss the hatch date, they miss the opportunity to measure the chicks and may find it hard to determine whether the chicks left the nest or were eaten by a predator just before or after hatching.

Blood samples from the birds are

build scrapes (nest cups) on the tundra lined with grass, moss and leaves. The clutch size is almost always four eggs. The eggs are arranged with the quite pointed ends facing inward at the center of the nest. This places them close together so they are fully covered and kept warm by incubating parents.

“If both mates survive and come back, there’s a good chance they’ll remate,” Sandercock said. “There are some divorces. They may be related to the timing of arrival. We saw some pairs banded last year foraging together. We recapture 50 to 60 percent of the adults banded at the nest

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OBSERVING NEST TRAP—Erika Escajeda watches a trap placed over a sandpiper nest at a study plot. When a breeding sandpiper returns to the nest, researchers shut the trap door and attach identifying bands to the bird's leg. They also take blood and feather samples from the bird and measure eggs in the nest. Escajeda recently graduated from University of California Berkeley and this summer participated in research focusing on western and semipalmated sandpipers at a Safety Sound site.

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items up to them from deeper layers. “We collected terrestrial and aquatic insects every three days,” Kwon said. “For aquatic sampling, we used five ponds isolated from other water bodies so they do not contain any salt water from the Sound. We placed bottle traps 10 centimeters from the water’s surface. We also used dipnets to collect insect exoskeletons from the surface of the water. We are interested in the change in insect abundance throughout the season and the timing of insect emergence in relation to the timing of hatching of the sandpipers. Sandpipers, lemmings and voles share the same group of predators—Arctic foxes, red foxes, ravens, ermines, weasels and jaegers. Jaegers also take eggs from sandpiper nests. Lemmings and voles experience boom and bust population cycles. Kwon said the students tried to assess the availability of lemmings and voles on the study plot because research shows predation on shorebirds increases when lemming and vole populations crash. Early in the season the crew set up a pilot project with 20 of the 200 small mammal traps they brought with them. They planned to capture the little rodents, attach tags with unique number series to their ears, release them and recapture them to estimate their population size. Lemming populations were low in 2011 and they caught none.

Nobody’s home

Kwon said 42 nests of western and semipalmated sandpipers were depredated (preyed upon), but the researchers need more information on lemming densities to be sure the depredation rates are related to rodent population numbers. “The population is definitely low, because

when you see lemmings they are all over,” she noted. “When we find an empty nest we check the estimated hatch date for the eggs,” Kwon said. “If the hatch date is way off, we smell the nest cup for urine. Foxes urinate on nests. And we look for shells around the nest and if the scrape has been disturbed.” The fate of 22 western and semipalmated sandpiper nests is unknown because the research crew missed the hatch date and could not relocate the breeder or chicks, Kwon reports. She said 16 nests were abandoned. “When we see eggs in the nest but see no breeders for three or four days, we know the nest has been abandoned,” she explained. “It’s easy to tell because the eggs must be incubated and maintained at a temperature of 36 to 37 degrees Celsius. If one parent is killed by a predator, the remaining parent cannot take care of the eggs alone and the nest will be abandoned.” Kwon and some of the other students plan to arrive at the Safety Sound research site next spring at about the same time as the migratory shorebirds they study. Nomeites who have become acquainted with them look forward to their return.

Research project support
The project has been made possible by cooperation and land access from the Sitnasuak Native Corporation. Grants from the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game and the National Science Foundation, Office of Polar Programs provide primary support for the research project, titled “Decadal changes in the demography of shorebirds near Nome, Alaska.” KSU and SFU provide matching funds. The Nome offices of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the National Park Service and friends in the Nome area have provided logistical support. “Five of us camped out all summer barring stormy weather in our tents,” said Kwon. “However, we felt like we were at home with Pearl Johnson and Dawyn Sawyer who showed enormous hospitality, with Jim Menard who visited our camp often, bringing magazines and cookies, and with Margaret and Conner Thomas who helped us at all times, even after we left Nome. We also appreciated help from ADF&G, the National Park Service and warm-hearted Koreans around town. We will miss all the faces, our birds and the summer in Nome.”



Photo right:
GEOLATOR—The geolocator attached to the leg of this western sandpiper can be used to track its entire migration route from its breeding grounds at Safety Sound to its winter quarters and back to its nest site. Western sandpipers banded at Safety Sound may spend the winter at sites from northern Mexico to Ecuador.

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caribou are beautiful, but the greatest beauty of all are the smiles on the young people who will walk this week through the doors of our schools.

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2011-2012 EVENTS

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
AUG. 1	CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING BEGINS	DISTRICT-WIDE
AUG. 27	NOME CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING INVITATIONAL	NOME
SEPT. 3	WHITE MOUNTAIN CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING INVITATIONAL	WHITE MOUNTAIN
SEPT. 10	KOTZEBUE XC INVITATIONAL	KOTZEBUE
	UNALAKLEET XC INVITATIONAL	UNALAKLEET
SEPT. 17	KOYUK CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING INVITATIONAL	KOYUK
SEPT. 24	REGION 1 (NORTH) HS CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING MEET	KOTZEBUE
SEPT. 26	MIXED SIX VOLLEYBALL BEGINS	DISTRICT-WIDE
	HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING PRACTICE BEGINS	DISTRICT-WIDE
OCT. 1	STATE CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING MEET	BARTLETT
OCT. 7-8	NOME WRESTLING INVITATIONAL	NOME
OCT. 13-15	ALASKA ASSOCIATION SCHOOL STUDENT GOVERNMENT FALL CONFERENCE	BETHEL
	AFN ELDERS/YOUTH CONFERENCE	THE DENA'INA CENTER, ANCHORAGE
OCT. 17-19	KOTZEBUE BUSH BRAWL WRESTLING INVITATIONAL	KOTZEBUE
OCT. 21-22	NOME MIXED SIX VOLLEYBALL INVITATIONAL	NOME
OCT. 28-29	ELEMENTARY/JR. HIGH CHEERLEADING/ WRESTLING TOURNAMENT	UNALAKLEET
NOV. 9-10	UNALAKLEET MAT TIME WRESTLING INVITATIONAL	UNALAKLEET
NOV. 11-12	ALL STATE MUSIC FESTIVAL	ANCHORAGE
NOV. 17-19	HS BASKETBALL PRACTICE BEGINS	DISTRICT-WIDE
NOV. 28	WESTERN CONFERENCE MIXED-6 VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT	TELLER
DEC. 1-3	NORTHERN CONFERENCE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT	NOME
DEC. 2-3	STATE HS MIXED SIX VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT	DIMOND
DEC. 8-10	STATE HS 1A, 2A, 3A WRESTLING TOURNAMENT	NIKISKI
DEC. 9-10	14TH ANNUAL BSSD SPELLING BEE (GRADES 4-8)	SHISHMAREF
JAN. 24	UNALAKLEET BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL	UNALAKLEET
JAN. 26-28	BSSD ACADEMIC DECATHLON	STEBBINS
JAN. 31-FEB. 1	NORTON SOUND SHOOTOUT BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL	NOME
FEB. 4-6	BSSD BATTLE OF THE BOOKS (3-12TH GRADES)	VIDEO TELECONFERENCE
FEB. 13-17	BSSD BATTLE OF THE BOOKS (KINDERGARTEN-2ND GRADES)	VIDEO TELECONFERENCE
FEB. 21-25	ALASKA ACADEMIC DECATHLON	ANCHORAGE
FEB. 23-25	STATE BATTLE OF THE BOOKS (3RD-12TH GRADES)	ANCHORAGE
FEB. 27-MAR. 3	GREAT NORTHWEST CONFERENCE 2A BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS (B/G)	VIDEO TELECONFERENCE
FEB. 29-MAR. 3	BERING SEA CONFERENCE 1A BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS (B/G)	UNALAKLEET
MAR. 1-3	TSUNAMI BOWL (NATIONAL OCEANIC SCIENCE BOWL)	TBA
MAR. 2-4	STATE SPELLING BEE	SEWARD
MAR. 3	INVITATIONAL SKI MEET (5TH-12TH GRADES)	ANCHORAGE
TBA	BSSD SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR	KOYUK
MAR. 12-14	STATE 1A & 2A BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT (B/G)	TBA
TBA	MATH COUNTS STATE COMPETITION	ANCHORAGE
MAR. 22-24	YUPIK DAYS	GAMBELL
	BSSD JR/SR HIGH CROSS COUNTRY SKI/BIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS	WHITE MOUNTAIN
MAR. 23-25	ALASKA SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR	ANCHORAGE
MAR. 29-31	WESTERN/INTERIOR CROSS COUNTRY SKI/BIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS	ANCHORAGE
APR. 12-14	REGION 1 MUSIC FESTIVAL	GALENA
	STUDENT GOVERNMENT SPRING CONFERENCE	KOTZEBUE
APR. 14	ELEMENTARY SOUTH SKI MEET (1ST-5TH GRADES)	KODIAK
	ELEMENTARY NORTH SKI MEET (1ST-5TH GRADES)	TBA
APR. 19-21	BSSD NATIVE YOUTH OLYMPICS	TBA
APR. 27-29	STATE NATIVE YOUTH OLYMPICS	THE DENA'INA CTR. ANCHORAGE
MAY 11-12	STATE MUSIC SOLO/ENSEMBLE	ANCHORAGE-UAA

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Northern Bering Sea survey seeks insights to king salmon declines

By Laurie McNicholas

Scientists will collect information about the juvenile life history of Norton Sound and Yukon River salmon stocks during a surface trawl survey of the northern Bering Sea shelf Aug. 29 through Sept. 18.

"This survey provides information on a broad spectrum of pelagic fish species, but it is principally designed to address the juvenile life-history stages of Norton Sound and Yukon River salmon stocks," wrote chief scientist James Murphy in an email to *The Nome Nugget*. "The survey also collects oceanographic data to improve our understanding of how recent changes in climate and habitat are impacting salmon and other marine resources in the northern Bering Sea."

Murphy is a fisheries research biologist with the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service. He will lead a research team composed of fish biologists Alex Andrews and Keith Cox, oceanographer Lisa Eisner, and acoustician Taina Honkalehto, all of AFSC, and food habits scientist Mary Auburn-Cook of Invert Inc.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has contracted with the *F/V Bristol Explorer* for the northern Bering Sea research cruise. The 180-foot trawler is blue with a white forward house and a large placard identifying it as a NOAA research vessel. The ship is due to arrive at Nome on Saturday morning, Aug. 27 and to depart that evening.

Murphy had intended to invite the public aboard to meet the scientists and learn about data collected on such surveys, but this week he learned the vessel's Nome port call has to be scheduled around barge operations. "Gravel operations are also ongoing on the causeway and this creates an issue with opening up the causeway to the general public," he noted.

From Nome the *Bristol Explorer* will cruise south to 60 degrees north longitude to begin collecting data at regularly spaced trawl stations between Nunivak Island and St.

Matthew Island. Then the vessel will work northward from trawl station to trawl station into Norton Sound and Bering Strait.

"We will be sampling from east to west along the northern shore of Norton Sound around Sept. 11-12, but will be 20 miles or so from land in most locations other than one station near Nome area," said Murphy. "Our northernmost station will be over 30 miles south of the Diomed Islands.... We will be sampling along the north shore of St. Lawrence [Island] at the end of the survey, around Sept. 17, but will remain over 20

miles offshore of St. Lawrence."

Murphy said the survey is funded through the Alaska Sustainable Salmon Fund and the Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Sustainable Salmon Initiative and will address recent declines in Yukon River Chinook salmon. "It is a cooperative research project with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game designed to improve pre-season forecasts of adult returns and assist the harvest management of Canadian origin Chinook salmon from the Yukon River," he added.



Photo by Diana Haecker

HONORING "STINKY" HARDY—The Alaska Legislature passed a resolution in memoriam honoring legendary Lloyd "Stinky" Hardy. He died on May 10, 2010. Representative Neal Foster sponsored the resolution which was co-sponsored by the entire Alaska House of Representatives and presented to Stinky's family. Hardy's daughter Josie Bahnke holds a copy of the original resolution when it arrived in Nome.

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The Norton Sound Health Corporation Board of Directors is in the process of accepting letters of interest to serve on the NSHC Board of Directors in the Community-At-Large seat and/or the Region-At-Large seat. Community-At-Large means the vicinity of Nome, Alaska. Region-At-Large means the area served by NSHC. The Board of Directors will hold elections at its annual meeting on September 19, 2011 to fill these seats for a three year term beginning in September 2011 and ending in September 2014. Any interested person should send a letter of interest with a brief resume by August 29, 2011 to:

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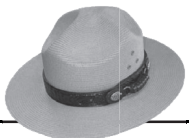
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Health advice for the new school year

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Education experts tell us that a healthy child can better handle the rigors of education. Here are a few health tips for preparing students for a healthy school year.

Nutrition: Focus on eating real food this year. Many of us eat a diet high in a processed concoction of chemicals and modified nutrients like carbohydrates, fats, proteins, and certain vitamins. Distinguishing between real healthy foods and unhealthy foods labeled to look healthy can be confusing to children and parents alike. Nutritionists now encourage us to eat "real foods" as opposed to processed foods. This means looking for foods that have an ingredients list of one item or a short list of real foods. For example look for a label that says, "Ingredients: Apples," or "Ingredients: Wheat, yeast, water, and salt." Also, foods harvested from the ocean or tundra are very nutritious. Limit foods la-



beled with hydrogenated oils, nitrates, high fructose corn syrup, or artificial colors and flavors. Processed foods that contain a long list of chemicals or modified ingredients may inhibit learning, increase mental fatigue, worsen attention deficits, and exacerbate behavior problems at school.

Medications: If your child takes prescription medications, make sure the prescriptions are up-to-date. It is a good idea to schedule a follow up visit with your child's doctor during the first few weeks of school to ensure that the dose of any medication is adjusted to match your child's new weight and school environment. You may also want to ask for a spare supply of some medications, like asthma treatments, to be kept in the school office for emergency use. An annual well child exam is also a good opportunity to ensure immunizations are up-to-date.

Vision: Around 80 percent of a child's learning involves the eyes. Most children will not tell a parent or teacher about blurred vision because they assume their vision is normal. Therefore, all children should receive vision screening annually. Consider formal testing with an eye doctor if your child has trouble with activities that require good vision like participation sports or reading the board from the back of a classroom. Headaches or trouble reading for long periods may be other signs of eye strain that may be corrected with glasses.

Sleep: Restorative sleep is essential to learning. The American Academy of Pediatrics reports that school-aged children need 9 – 10 hours of sleep each night. Sleep-deprived children will develop increasing problems with concentration, irritability, emotional swings, aggressive behavior, and susceptibility to illness. A recent study in the journal *Pediatrics* found a connection between sleep deprivation and obesity.

Clean Hands: Teach your child to wash his or her hands after using

the restroom, after playing on the playground, before eating lunch or snacks, and after using school supplies shared with others. Washing hands regularly may be the single best way to reduce the transmission of viruses and bacteria in the school.

Activity: Research consistently shows that exercise improves a child's ability to learn. Even after seemingly light activities, like walking, a child can pay attention longer, score higher on standard tests, and read with better comprehension than when sedentary for long periods of time. As schools are forced to reduce physical education time to make room for meeting national standards it becomes imperative that parents allow time for active play and sports participation in their child's daily routine.

Safe travel: Whether your child is walking, biking, driving, or riding the bus to school it is a good idea to discuss basic safety precautions with them. Wearing bright clothing, look-

ing both ways before crossing, walking around vehicles in full view of the driver, and wearing a bike helmet may seem simple. They are very important parts of public safety during the congested start and end of each school day.

Anxiety: Children respond differently to a new school year. Some children develop anxiety regarding school or interactions with other students. Physical signs of internal emotions may be expressed as headaches, stomach pain, or irritability. Take time to speak with your child about any fears or frustrations regarding their school environment. Monitor and immediately address any signs of bullying.

Setting a good educational foundation for our children will benefit them greatly. Following these guidelines will help provide a positive learning experience for our students.

Port commission mulls land acquisition, fender repairs and removal of Lulu

By Diana Haecker

The port commission, with commissioners Charlie Lean, Cam Kristenson, Jim West Jr., and Jimmy Adams present, had a full plate during last week's meeting, hearing from harbormaster Joy Baker and discussing maintenance, improvement and future planning issues.

Baker said that port activity in June saw two mainline barges, multiple cargo vessels serving the villages, two herring fishing tenders and the cruise ship *M/S Bremen*. The total amount of cargo offloaded in June from the ships were 3,635 tons, which included 80 tons of herring. Only 574 tons left Nome. No fuel

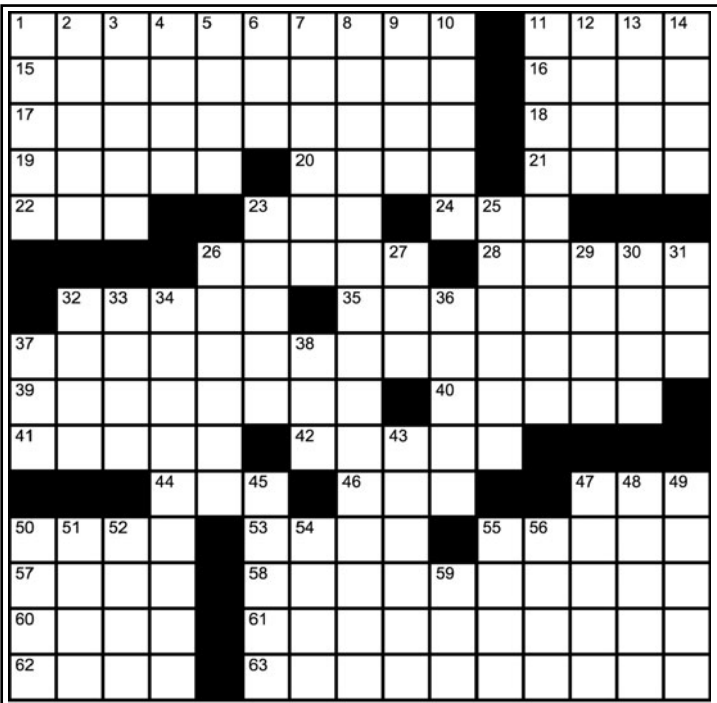
was delivered in June. June billing totaled more than \$76,000.

The pace changed in July, when the port got really busy and cargo, fuel, gravel, research and equipment vessels in addition to a US Coast Guard cutter and a Korean ice-breaker anchoring offshore. Inbound cargo totaled almost 3,400 tons, 5,000 tons of gravel were exported and about 3 million gallons of fuel delivered. Invoicing for July totaled more than \$300,000 for all port facility operations.

Addressing the ongoing question about fenders that suffer ice damage in the winter, PND Engineers proposed the installation of so-called

camels. Camels are thick rubber buffer or hanging floats that are suspended by heavy chains along the walls of the harbor. Come winter, the camels would be hauled out of the water and not sustain any damage due to heaving ice. Commissioners had a concern how the camels would perform when barges maneuver along the east wall at the small boat harbor to pivot in and out of position. The commission didn't act on the issue, but asked Baker to go back to PND and ask to address the issue of barges pivoting. PND Engineers submitted a cost proposal to fix the fend-

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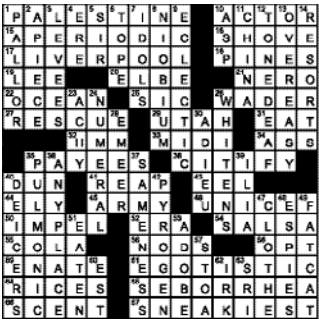
Across

- 1. Malignant skin tumor
- 11. Boor's lack
- 15. Founder
- 16. Bounce back, in a way
- 17. Naively
- 18. Arabic for "commander"
- 19. Surround and capture
- 20. "___-Team" (2 wd)
- 21. Transmitted
- 22. Big ___ Conference
- 23. "... ___ he drove out of sight"
- 24. ___ power
- 26. Mark
- 28. Some people can't take them
- 32. Buzzing
- 35. New Zealand honeysuckle
- 37. Human-centered
- 39. Wood anemone
- 40. Inebriate
- 41. Kind of cross
- 42. Medicine amounts
- 44. Porcino
- 46. In favor of
- 47. Clairvoyance, e.g.
- 50. Arduous journey
- 53. Be itinerant
- 55. Quartet member
- 57. Woman's dress, in India
- 58. Breathing in
- 60. Not "fer"
- 61. Deadlocked
- 62. "You ___?"
- 63. Unprovoked

Down

- 1. Tearful
- 2. Bert and ___
- 3. Flax fabric
- 4. All excited
- 5. "Good going!"
- 6. "___ moment"
- 7. "Om," e.g.
- 8. Without delay (6 wd)
- 9. Lacquered metalware
- 10. Indo-European
- 11. Men's undergarments
- 12. #1 spot
- 13. Gab
- 14. Cause for a lawsuit
- 23. Overthrow, e.g.
- 25. Feudal lords
- 26. Encircle
- 27. Common Market inits.
- 29. "I, Claudius" role
- 30. Blockhead
- 31. Amniotic
- 32. "___ and the King of Siam"
- 33. "Cut it out!"
- 34. Hitting with a flat object
- 36. Artist Max
- 37. Death on the Nile cause, perhaps
- 38. Detachable container
- 43. Djibouti language
- 45. Geometrical solid
- 47. A-list
- 48. Astringent fruit
- 49. Small lakes
- 50. Boris Godunov, for one
- 51. Eastern music
- 52. "___ Brockovich"
- 54. "I'm ___ you!"
- 55. Amounted (to)
- 56. And others, for short
- 59. "My Name Is Asher ___" (Chaim Potok novel)

Last week's answers



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The Fire Department has also Firefighter Boots displayed all over town at local businesses. These boots are intended for a "fireman's fill the boot fund" to gather donations for Wes and his family. The Nome Volunteer Fire Department thanks each and every one of you for your support and sends thoughts and prayers to Wes and his family.

HOROSCOPES

August 25 - 31, 2011

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Save the pity party for another day, Capricorn. You're in the same boat as everyone else and the sooner you get to work, the less you'll have to do.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

You get a jump on a project at home, and things begin taking shape. An accounting error is rectified in your favor. Make a mental note not to let that happen again, Aries.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Stick to the plan, Cancer. There may be a better way, but this is not the time to make a radical change. The deadline is too near. An old friend stops by for a visit.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

The great escape of summer is about to begin. Be bold. Be brave. Try things you have never done, Libra, and experience a new side of yourself.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

Temptation beckons, Aquarius. Resist it with all of your might and focus on the end result. A change in venue makes the planning of a special event a snap.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

A sudden move on the part of a friend stuns everyone. There is no point in arguing with them, Taurus. They have made up their mind. Be there for them.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Make no mistake, Leo. Something is not right at home. Uncovering it might not be in your best interest. Leave it be and see if it plays out on its own.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

Bit off more than you could chew, didn't you, Scorpio? Admit it, and relief will come. A home improvement project turns out beautifully.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

You're up to your ears in work, and the only way you're going to get it all done is to delegate. Divide and conquer is the name of the game, Pisces.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

Kind words here and there make your week, Gemini. Show your gratitude with some special treats. A little shopping trip results in a cool, one-of-a-kind find.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

A relative announces their intention to make a big move. Keep your reservations to yourself, Virgo. They have done their homework and made the right decision.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Push full steam ahead, Sagittarius, and an assignment will be yours. The artistry of a friend astounds you. Encourage them to put their talents to work.

• Port Commission

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ers at the south wall for \$1.4 million. In comparison, installation of the camels would cost \$632,000. The commission also contemplated the acquisition of a tract owned by Alaska Gold for possible future harbor expansion. The tract is north of the Bonanza tank farm. Commissioner Lean said the property is a clean piece of land, adjacent to city property and the power plant. “It would be a logical place to reserve for the future,” Lean said. The

commissioners didn’t act on the discussion and instructed harbormaster Baker to look at the particulars and the price and to come up with something concrete to be presented to the Nome Common Council. Two companies submitted a rough estimate and removal plans for the derelict barge *Lulu* that is sitting in the outer harbor, stranded and full of sand. A company called Global Diving and Salvage estimated a removal cost of almost \$1.6 million, the company Magone Marine Service esti-

mated a cost of almost \$2.3 million. The commission voted unanimously to put out a request for proposals and see what other proposals and plans come back. In new business, PND Engineers, design contractors for the Port of Nome, submitted a proposal to expand the inner boat harbor by adding mooring on the western bank of the Snake River. They propose to dredge a significant portion of the area to accommodate more boats. Baker said that holding back on having the design work done would not really be an option since Corps of Engineers permits are needed. “Getting a permit is not an easy task, there will be a lot of paperwork going back and forth,” said Baker. PND offered to do a pre-engineering design study, partial design and the final design with bidding and construction documents with cost estimates for \$286,000. In other business, Mayor Denise Michels requested in a letter to U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Thomas Ostebo that the Coast Guard consider the Nome port to station one of four new fast response cutters for the purpose of patrolling Norton Sound, the Bering Strait, Kotzebue Sound, Chukchi and Beaufort Seas and the Arctic Ocean.

The Elias John Akaran Sr. “Unuqturraq” family wishes to thank Albert Bogeyaktuk, Cyril Pete, Glen Shipton, Stebbins/St. Michael Health Aides, Bering Air and the medivac, Alice Fitka, Alaska Native Medical Center nurses; Ginger Buck, Ashley Brandt, Emilyn Brooks, Henry Sacco, and Tracy; the surgeons Amy Peryea, Dr. Black, Dr. Zeilinger, ANMC Social Services (Theresa), John and Virginia Shipton, City of St Michael, the Native Village of St. Michael, the St. Michael Native Corporation, Campfire; Douglas P. McKown at Evergreen Memorial, St. Michael Fuel Company, AC Store, Dan at Nome Public Assistance, Ryan Air, St. Michael Band and Singers.

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**When You’re Willing to Lose
By Pastor Mike Christian, Jr.
River of Life Assembly of God
Member of the Nome Ministerial Association**

“For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save It.” — Luke 9:24 —

James O. White, 44, thought his civilian job at McClellan Air Force Base was a waste of time and money. So, doing the opposite of what most folks would have done, White took a pencil and paper in hand and wrote a suggestion for the suggestion box. He told his superiors that the abolishment of his position as an inventory management specialist was in the best interest of all concerned. Now that’s something the average person wouldn’t do! We would try to hang on to our job as long as possible. But White wasn’t the average person. The suggestion sluggishly moved through the bureaucratic channels for several months until it finally reached the Air Force Logistics Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. Along the way it undoubtedly raised many an eyebrow and a chuckle as well. But at Wright-Patterson, someone appreciated White’s idea and agreed with him. So, in a short time, his job was scrapped. The passage in Luke 9:24 says that whoever loses himself will find himself. James White’s actions were an example of that law being put into practice. He considered his job a burden on the taxpayers and saw a better way of getting the job done. And he was willing to risk his livelihood for the betterment of his employer. He got self out of the way and put a desire to do what was best above his own personal interests. All of us should follow White’s example. Many of us have never “lost ourselves.” We think of ourselves as the number-one player in this game of life, and our thoughts hardly ever go beyond our own interests. Years ago a “Carpenter” (Jesus), told some friends of his that if they would lose themselves they could find themselves. In fact, he said, one could never find one’s true self until one had lost one’s self. And he went on to say that the person who was continually looking out for number one would inevitably lose what he did have. The principle is true not only in a spiritual sense but in the whole of life itself. When we are ready to lose, then we are ready to find. And what became of James O. White? It’s true that he lost his job, but he also received a check for a thousand dollars for his suggestion. And he was promoted to supervisor. He lost himself to find himself. May the Lord help each of us seek his good and perfect will for our lives and learn to let go of our own selfish desires so that others may be blessed and their needs be met.

Obituary

**“Unuqturraq”
Elias John Akaran Sr.**
Elias John Akaran Sr. was born September 9, 1934 at Pastolik, to Joseph and Anna Akaran. On January 6, 1958, Elias married Natalia Ada Lupsin. Together they had ten children (four deceased). The children are Rosaline, Elsie, Justina, Ursula, Dorothy, Joseph, Elias, Jr., Nora, Maggie Lou, and Daniel. Elias completed as far as the third grade at Chaneliak. He left school to provide for his family and gather food— the subsistence lifestyle. In his early years, he worked as a carpenter, longshoreman, emergency firefighter, Army National Guardsman and a Chevron employee. Dad always had his own ways of

teasing all his children and grandchildren by nicknames he gave them, not by their given names. Elias enjoyed driving his ATV with his wife Natalia and son Daniel, Eskimo dancing and singing, listening to fiddle dance and country music. He enjoyed teaching his grandchildren the subsistence way of life. He also liked to dance to fiddle music. Most of all he enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. When each grandchild or great-grandchild was able to grasp, he would always tease them with “Tootsie Pops” smiling and laughing. Elias Akaran, Sr. was preceded in death by his children Elias Jr., Dorothy, Jenny and an infant; his brother and sister-in-law Nicholas and Pauline Akaran, sister Mary

Trader, nieces Diane Gallagher, Aida Kamkoff, nephew Michael Akaran, grandson Johnny Prince, granddaughter Sienna Lockwood; Daisy Akaran, Kenneth Akaran, Marcia Akaran and Benjamin Akaran. Elias Sr. is survived by his sons Joseph, Elias Jr., Daniel, daughters Rosaline and son-in-law Frank Shane, Sr. and family, Elsie and son-in-law Thomas Cheemuk, Sr. and family, Justina and son-in-law Frank B. Myomick and family, Ursula and family, Dorothy and son-in-law John Lockwood and family, Nora and family, Maggie Lou and family; and many nieces, nephews, 42 grandchildren plus one unborn, and 17 great grandchildren.

For news anytime, find us Online at
www.nomenugget.net

Church Services Directory

- Bible Baptist Church Service Schedule, 443-2144**
Sunday School 10 a.m./Worship Hour 11 a.m.
- Community Baptist Church-SBC**
108 West Third, **443-5448 • Pastor Bruce Landry**
Small Group Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
- Community United Methodist**
2nd Ave. West, **443-2865**
—**Sunday** Worship 11 a.m.
Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Thrift Shop** — Tuesday & Thursday 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- Nome Covenant Church**
101 Bering St. **443-2565 • Pastor Harvey**
Sunday School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Youth Group 7 p.m. (call **443-7218** for location)
Friday Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Nome Presbyterian Church**
405 E. 5th Ave, **443-5450**
Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Praising & Bible Study 7 p.m.
- Our Savior Lutheran Church**
5th & Bering, **443-5295**
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side
- River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7 p.m.
- St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527**
Corner of Steadman & King Place
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 p.m./**Sunday** 10:30 p.m.
- Seventh-Day Adventist**
(Icy View), **443-5137**
Saturday Sabbath School 10 a.m.
Saturday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
- Nome Church of Nazarene**
3rd & Division, **443-2805**
Sunday Prayer Meeting 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. & Worship Service 11 a.m.

Fishing Reports.

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Hear the latest fishing information from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game as well as local tides and marine weather: Monday through Sunday at 9:20 AM, 12:20 PM and 6:20 PM

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Employment



Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) is committed to providing quality health services and promoting wellness within our people and environment.

NSHC is currently recruiting for the following positions:

- Administrative Specialist III, \$20.34 + DOE
- Education Coordinator, \$22.00 + DOE
- Patient Accounts Representative, \$18.80 + DOE
- Pharmacy Technician, \$17.38 + DOE
- Health Aides (ELI, GAM, GLV, KKA, SVA, SKK) \$16.07 + DOE

For a complete list of our vacancies and more information, please go to www.nortonsoundhealth.org or visit the NSHC Human Resources Department.

Norton Sound Health Corporation
NSHC Human Resources Department
306 W 5th Ave
Nome, AK 99762
907-443-4530

NSHC offers competitive wages and benefits. NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638), EEO, Veteran Preferences. To ensure consumers are protected to the degree prescribed under federal and state laws, all applicants are subject to a pre-employment background check and drug screen.



Trooper Beat

On August 17, Nome WAANT located a suspicious mail parcel headed to an adult male in Gambell. Incident to contact, 105.2 grams of marijuana was seized from the package. Investigation continues.

On August 18, Nome WAANT discovered a suspicious mail parcel at the Nome Post Office. Investigation revealed that person(s) unknown shipped 12.8 grams of marijuana from Seattle, WA to an adult male in Nome. Subjects have been identified and the investigation continues.

Real Estate

House for sale! New on market!

Just finished remodel! New appliances, paint and carpet! 9 miles from Nome on state maintained road, summer and winter! Magnificent views of mountains! Nome River frontage! This house has it all, phone, DSL and, Dish network! Great tasting

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- Rent subsidized by USDA Rural Development

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Helen “Huda” Ivanoff, Manager

(907) 443-5220
Fax: (907) 443-5318
Hearing Impaired: 1-800-770-8973

Seawall

8/15

Three Nome juveniles were issued a Minor Consuming Alcohol citation.

Tyson Asicksik, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Felony Probation.

8/16

Melanie Kulukhon, 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Disorderly Conduct and Harassment 1st.

8/18

Robert Soolook, 45, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Drunk on Licensed Premises and Introduction of Alcohol into Licensed Premises.

Jennie Tokeinna, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4th, Domestic Violence and Violating Conditions of Probation.

Clara Evans, 63, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Conditions of Release.

Dannita Malewotkuk, 25, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

8/19

Gabriel Muktoyuk, 38, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for an Arrest Warrant.

Robert Russell, 28, was arrested and remanded

to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence.

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Melody Rookok, 35, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Fredrick Ozenna, 33, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Steven Hoogendorn, 20, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Preston Dixon, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4th, DV.

Dawn Oozevaseuk, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating A Long Term Protective Order.

George Washington, Jr., 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4th, DV.

8/21

Denise Curtis, 35, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Disorderly Conduct.

John Kokuluk, 39, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

During this reporting period we had three (3) persons taken to the hospital/AMCC for Title 47 Hold.



1972 32' Aluminum F/V BPII

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is accepting sealed bids for the F/V BPII located at the Port of Nome 07 Belmont St. Nome, AK 99762. The vessel is being sold by private sale, as is, where is, without warranty and with all faults. Bids will be accepted until 12:00pm on 09/05/11 at which time the bank will accept the highest and best bid. Wells Fargo Bank reserves the right to establish a minimum bid, reject all bids and postpone the sale at any time. To schedule an inspection of the boat an appointment must be made with Joy Baker, Harbormaster 907-443-6619. For more information or to place a bid contact Joshua Worby, Wells Fargo Bank 907-265-2118.

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Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME CASE NO: 2NO-11-00177CI ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING

In the Matter of a Change of Name for:
Kallen Christian William Ivanoff
Current name of Minor.

Notice of Petition to Change Name

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case #2NO-11-00177CI) requesting a name change from (current name) **Kallen Christian William Ivanoff** to **Kallen Christian William Johnson**. A hearing on this request will be held on **August 29, 2011 at 4:00 pm at Nome Court-house, 113 Front Street PO Box 110 Nome, AK. 8/4-11-18-25**

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

In the Matter of the Estate of EMIL LEONARD ANAGICK, Deceased.

Case NO. 2NO-11-32 PR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(A.S. 13.16.450-.480)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the captioned estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims shall be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the Law Office of Ella Anagick, 525 West 3rd Avenue, Suite 104, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 8/9/11.
Elizabeth “Betty” Anagick
Personal Representative
8/18-25-9/1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: INGEBORG HANDELAND Deceased.
Case No. 2NO-11-36 PR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Arne Handeland has been appointed personal representative of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Arne Handeland, c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762.
DATED at Nome, Alaska this 18th day of August,

2011.
LEWIS & THOMAS, P.C.
ATTORNEYS FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Robert D. Lewis, ABA#7811113
8/25-9/1-8

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT KOTZEBUE
In the Matter of:
Ticket, Thaddeus Caspian,
Name of Minor

Case No. 2KB-11-185CI
Notice of Petition to Change Name

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case No: 2KB-11-185CI) requesting a name change from Thaddeus Caspian Ticket to Johnnie Emil Ticket Jr. A hearing on this request will be held on October 13, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at the Kotzebue Courthouse at 605 Third Avenue, Kotzebue, Alaska.
8/25-9/1-8-15

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Nome Eskimo Community is requesting written, lump-sum, fixed price proposals from qualified licensed and insured contractors for the exterior paint work in a residential home located on Lomen Street. Nome Eskimo Community will accept proposals until 12:00 pm (noon) local time, on Friday, September 2, 2011. Proposals should be submitted to:

Nome Eskimo Community
Attn: Denise Barengo
P.O. Box 1090
200 West 5th Ave.
Nome, AK 99762

IFB and all required forms, wage determinations, proposal rating factors and other information may be obtained from the NEC Housing office.

A site visit is recommended. Each contractor should visit the project site prior to submitting a proposal for a clear understanding of the scope of work. Site visits may be arranged by contacting NEC, at least 24 hours in advance.

For additional information regarding this IFB, contact Glen Parly, at (907) 443-9105.
8/25-9/1

Request for Offers to Sell

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) desires to purchase 3 single family homes in Nome for use in its NAHASDA funded low income Home Buyer program associated with the Native Villages of Council and Solomon. BSRHA will receive written offers in a sealed envelop until

4:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, 2011 at its offices 415 E. 3rd Ave or mail PO Box 995, Nome, AK 99762.

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY FOR SALE



NOME FEDERAL BUILDING

240 Front St., Nome, AK 99726
27,503+ SF

Online Auction
CLOSES 9/1/2011

Suggested starting bid: \$100,000



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RealEstateSales.gov

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Get your nursing degree in Nome!

JOIN THE INFORMATIONAL MEETING
Tuesday, August 30 • 5:30 p.m.
Northwest Campus Conference Room

The Nome-based associate degree nursing program of the University of Alaska Anchorage will admit its second cohort of four students in January 2013.

SOUND FAR AWAY? It's not! You must complete more than 30 credits in other courses *before* applying.

FIND OUT MORE at a meeting at Northwest Campus on August 30. Village residents may call in:

- **Audio conference number:** 1-800-893-8850
- **PIN:** 622-5300



• More Legals

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Written offers must be signed by the owner(s) or authorized agent of the owner(s). The offer must: a) identify the property location by street address and legal description, b) contain certain required assurances, c) the year the home was first constructed and the year of major remodels and/or additions, d) state the asking price and that the offered price is valid for a minimum of 90 days.

Interested parties may contact Paul Whipple

at 443-8629 or by email at pwhipple@bsrha.org for more information. Additionally information will be made available on the website: www.bsrha.org

The homes being offered shall be of good quality and condition and may be either existing, less than 25 years of age, or new 3 or 4 bedrooms of no less than 1,100 square feet. Prior to final selection preference may be granted to qualified American Indian/Alaskan Native Individuals and/or Enterprises when two separate offers are otherwise determined to be equal.

8/25-9/1-8-15

Former Nomeite buys the Sounder

Jason Evans who was born and raised in Nome and his wife Kiana Peacock, born and raised in Kotzebue have purchased three newspapers: *The Arctic Sounder*, *The Dutch Harbor Fisherman* and *The Bristol Bay Times*. They also purchased two specialty papers, *The Equipment Shopper* and *The Bush Shopper*.

Evans says he has always been a supporter of community newspapers and knows how anxious people are to get their paper as quickly as possible. Although he and his wife reside in Anchorage, Evans says he will be working out the logistics of hiring a reporter in Kotzebue and covering the news in Barrow.

They purchased the publications from Calista Corporation. Calista said the increasing cost of printing, fuel, paper and distribution were not in their long-term financial interests and decided to liquidate the Alaska Newspaper Inc. chain.

Evans is vice-president of consulting for Alaska Growth Co. and owner of Financial Alaska. He is a board member of Alaska Community Foundation, Chairman of Sitenasuak, on the board of Bering Straits Native Corporation, and a community advisory member of KNBA Radio. Peacock works for Alaska Airlines and is president of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 601 and chief shop steward for employees of Alaska Airlines



PUBLIC NOTICE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD MEETING

Pursuant to Alaska Statutes, 04.06.050, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board is holding its regular meeting to consider its agenda covering liquor license applications, license suspension, regulations, and other matters that may come before it. The board will take public comment upon items of agenda business and other issues of public interest related to alcoholic beverages, including the conduct of business by licensees and the compliance by licensees and others with the statutes and regulations related to alcoholic beverages. Persons may appear at any time during the meeting. Comments may also be submitted to the board in writing by any person at any time or by contacting the board collect by telephone at 907-269-0350. Address: 5848 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507.

The meeting will be a held in Nome on September 7, 2011. The meeting will be at the Nome City Council Chambers, 102 Division Street. There will be a short briefing with the Director at 9:30 a.m.; the meeting will begin at 9:45 a.m.

The State of Alaska Department of Public Safety complies with Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids or services or special modifications to participate in this public meeting should contact Gil Nelson at 269-0352 to make any necessary arrangements.

Shirley A. Gifford, Director (907) 269-0350

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NOTICE OF UTILITY TARIFF FILING

The REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA gives notice that Alaska Pacific Environmental Services – Nome, LLC d/b/a Andersen Services (APES-Nome) has filed tariff revision TA13-655, which seeks to revise rates for its refuse collection services. In TA13-655, APES-Nome proposes an across-the-board interim and refundable rate increase of 11.69% and a permanent across-the-board increase of 14.61%. APES-Nome requests that the proposed interim rates become effective for bills rendered on or after October 1, 2011. A stipulation between APES-Nome and the Attorney General, entered into on June 17, 2009, and accepted by the Commission in Order No. U-08-126(5) on July 17, 2009, required APES-Nome to file a cost of service and rate design study (COSS) "every six years with the next study to be filed in 2011." APES-Nome has, by motion, requested an extension for filing its COSS until 2013. The following tables list some of the current rates, proposed interim rates and proposed permanent rates.

Standard Can Service (Monthly Charges)			
No. of Pickups Weekly – Residential Can Service	Current	Interim (Proposed)	Permanent (Proposed)
1	\$23.06	\$25.76	\$26.43
2	\$46.10	\$51.49	\$52.84
No. of Pickups Weekly – Light Commercial Can Service	Current	Interim (Proposed)	Permanent (Proposed)
1	\$43.23	\$48.28	\$49.55
3	\$100.86	\$112.65	\$115.60
5	\$158.50	\$177.03	\$181.66
7	\$206.54	\$230.68	\$236.72
No. of Pickups Weekly – Heavy Commercial Can Service	Current	Interim (Proposed)	Permanent (Proposed)
1	\$72.05	\$80.47	\$82.58
3	\$158.50	\$177.03	\$181.66
5	\$244.96	\$273.59	\$280.75
7	\$331.40	\$370.13	\$379.82

Roll-On/Roll-Off Container Rates			
	Current	Interim (Proposed)	Permanent (Proposed)
Daily Roll-On/Roll-Off Container Service	\$968.93/Month	\$1082.18/Month	\$1110.49/Month

Additional, Occasional or Unscheduled Pickup Services						
	Current		Interim (Proposed)		Permanent (Proposed)	
Service	Rate/Hour*	Minimum	Rate/Hour*	Minimum	Rate/Hour*	Minimum
Vehicle with one man	\$138.32	\$138.32	\$154.49	\$154.49	\$158.53	\$158.53
- Each Additional Man	\$69.16	\$69.16	\$77.24	\$77.24	\$79.26	\$79.26
*All of the above charges shall be subject to overtime charges as computed by the utility for holidays and overtime services.						

This notice does not contain a detailed description of every proposed revision. The Commission may approve a rate or classification which varies from that proposed. You may obtain more information about this filing from APES-Nome at 5211 Stark Street, Juneau, AK 99801. You may inspect the filing at the Commission's offices at **701 West Eighth Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99501**. You may also view the filing via our website at <http://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/home.aspx>.

To comment on this filing, please file your comments by September 22, 2011, at either the Commission address given above or via our website at <https://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/WhatsNew/PublicNoticesComments.aspx>. Please reference TA13-655 in the subject line of your comments and include a statement that you have filed a copy of the comments with APES-Nome at its address given above or gthompson@akpacific.com. Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or service, or alternative communication formats, please contact Joyce McGowan at 276-6222, toll-free at 1-800-390-2782, or TDD (907) 276-4533 by September 15, 2011.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 23rd day of August 2011.

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

Robert K. Lindquist, Chief, Tariff Section

8/25



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Contribute?

Make your
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Adopt a pet and get a **FREE** bag of dog/cat food when you adopt a dog/cat. Dog food, cat food, cat litter and other donations are always welcome at the Nome Animal Shelter!

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Arctic ICANS —
A nonprofit cancer
survivor support group.

Arctic ICANS next meeting

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

Friday, September 2 • 6 p.m.

No regular meeting

Picnic

6 p.m.

Gelzer's Camp on Nome River

For more information call 443-5726.

ARE YOU REGISTERED
TO VOTE?

If you plan to vote in the October 4, 2011 City of Nome Municipal Election, you must be registered to vote at a RESIDENCE ADDRESS IN NOME by **September 4, 2011.**

Contact the Office of Election in the State Office Building or contact the City Clerk at City Hall to register to vote or to change your address.

8/11-18-25 9/1



Prepare for a
career in the
seafood industry

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSED) is sponsoring entry-level seafood processing training through the Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC) in Seward for Norton Sound residents. **NSED will pay tuition, employment documentation costs, transportation, food, and lodging expenses for selected applicants. Class size is limited to 10.**

Training dates: **Oct. 3-12**

Application deadline: **Sept. 25**

Applications are available online at www.nsedc.com or by contacting Jerry Ivanoff. Completed applications should be returned to Ivanoff at the following address:

Jerry Ivanoff, NSED EET Coordinator
PO Box 193
Unalakleet, AK 99684
tel. - (800) 385-3190
fax - (907) 624-3183

NSED DOES NOT GUARANTEE EMPLOYMENT FOR TRAINEES OR PLACE TRAINEES DIRECTLY INTO EMPLOYMENT. However, trainees who successfully complete the program will become certified seafood processors who are eligible for hire in onshore processing plants and on processor vessels. NSED works with its harvesting partners to obtain as many jobs for Norton Sound Residents as possible. During the training, Glacier Fish Company human resources personnel will be interviewing trainees for possible employment.

www.nsedc.com

National Park Service Shared Beringian Heritage Program



Beringia Days Conference 2011

Mini Convention Center - Nome, AK
September 9th and 10th

September 9th	Conference	- 8:30am - 3:30pm
	Poster Session	- 4:30pm - 6:00pm
	Welcome Reception	- 6:00pm - 9:00pm
	Community Social w/ music Pioneer Igloo #1	
September 10th	Conference	- 8:30am - 3:30pm
	Youth Forum	- 3:30pm - 4:00pm
	Closing Remarks	- 4:00pm - 4:30pm

All Events are free and open to the community.

Get a complete copy of the agenda on line at:

www.nps.gov/akso/beringia



CITY OF NOME
NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL MUNICIPAL, SCHOOL BOARD AND UTILITY BOARD ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2011, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 AM AND 8:00 PM OF THE SAME DAY.

The polling place for electors will be Old St. Joseph's Church, Anvil City Square, 407 Bering Street, for those persons living in Nome Precinct No. 1 (39-924) and Nome Precinct No. 2 (39-926).

THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTORS AT SAID ELECTION SHALL BE:

1. U.S. Citizen qualified to vote in state elections.
2. Resident of the City of Nome for thirty (30) days immediately preceding the election.
3. Registered to vote in state elections at a residence address within the municipality at least thirty (30) days before the municipal election at which the person seeks to vote.
4. Is not disqualified under Article V of the Alaska Constitution.

THE PURPOSE IS THE ELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING SEATS:

1. Mayor, to be elected to a 2 year term:

	Term	Incumbent
Mayor	2 Yr.	Denise Michels

2. Two members of the Nome Common Council, each to be elected to a 3 year term:

Seat	Term	Incumbent
"A"	3 Yr.	Mary Knodel
"B"	3 Yr.	James West Jr.

3. Two members of the Utility Board, one to be elected for a 2 year term and one to be elected to a 3 year term:

Seat	Term	Incumbent
"A"	2 Yr.	Pat Johanson
"E"	3 Yr.	Carl Emmons

4. Two members of the Nome School Board, to be elected to a 3 year term:

Seat	Term	Incumbent
"A"	3 Yr.	Marie Tozier
"B"	3 Yr.	Barb Nickels

FILING DATES FOR THE ABOVE LISTED OFFICES:

August 22, 2011 through September 12, 2011 5:00 PM in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall. Contact the City Clerk's office if you are interested in filing for office and to obtain the forms necessary to file.

The names of all candidates for office are available for inspection at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 102 Division Street, Nome, Alaska.

8/18-25; 9/1-8

Judge approves
Jesuits’ reor-
ganization plan
*Checks on the way to
settle with Alaska
sexual abuse victims*

By Diana Haecker

With the confirmation of the reorganization plan for the Society of Jesus, Oregon Province, the last chapter of the legal battle for justice is written in the almost decade-long fight of sexual abuse victims at the hands of Catholic clergy in Alaska and other parts of the Pacific Northwest.

Last week, US bankruptcy judge Elizabeth Perris in Oregon approved the Jesuits’ plan to reorganize and come out of Chapter 11 bankruptcy. This means that months of negotiations between the Jesuits, their insurance companies, the creditor’s committee – a committee representing the abuse victims – and various state lawyers have come to an end and that victims will receive their share of the \$167.8 million soon.

James Stang of Los Angeles, the bankruptcy lawyer representing the creditors, said that checks for 25 percent of the total amount that victims get paid, are already in the mail and distributed. The remainder of the money will be paid by mid-September, once the Jesuits settle the entire balance. Stang declined to reveal the range of payments made to victims. He said there were 510 sexual abuse survivors who had filed a claim against the Jesuits, but also there were some physical abuse claimants.

A retired judge from California, William Bettinelli, was selected to decide the amount that each abuse survivor is paid out. Stang said that process included reviewing the paperwork on each claimant and a personal interview upon request. Stang said that the creditors’ committee suggested guidelines that took into account the age of the victim when the abuse happened, the extent of the abuse and how it affected the adult lives of the abused.

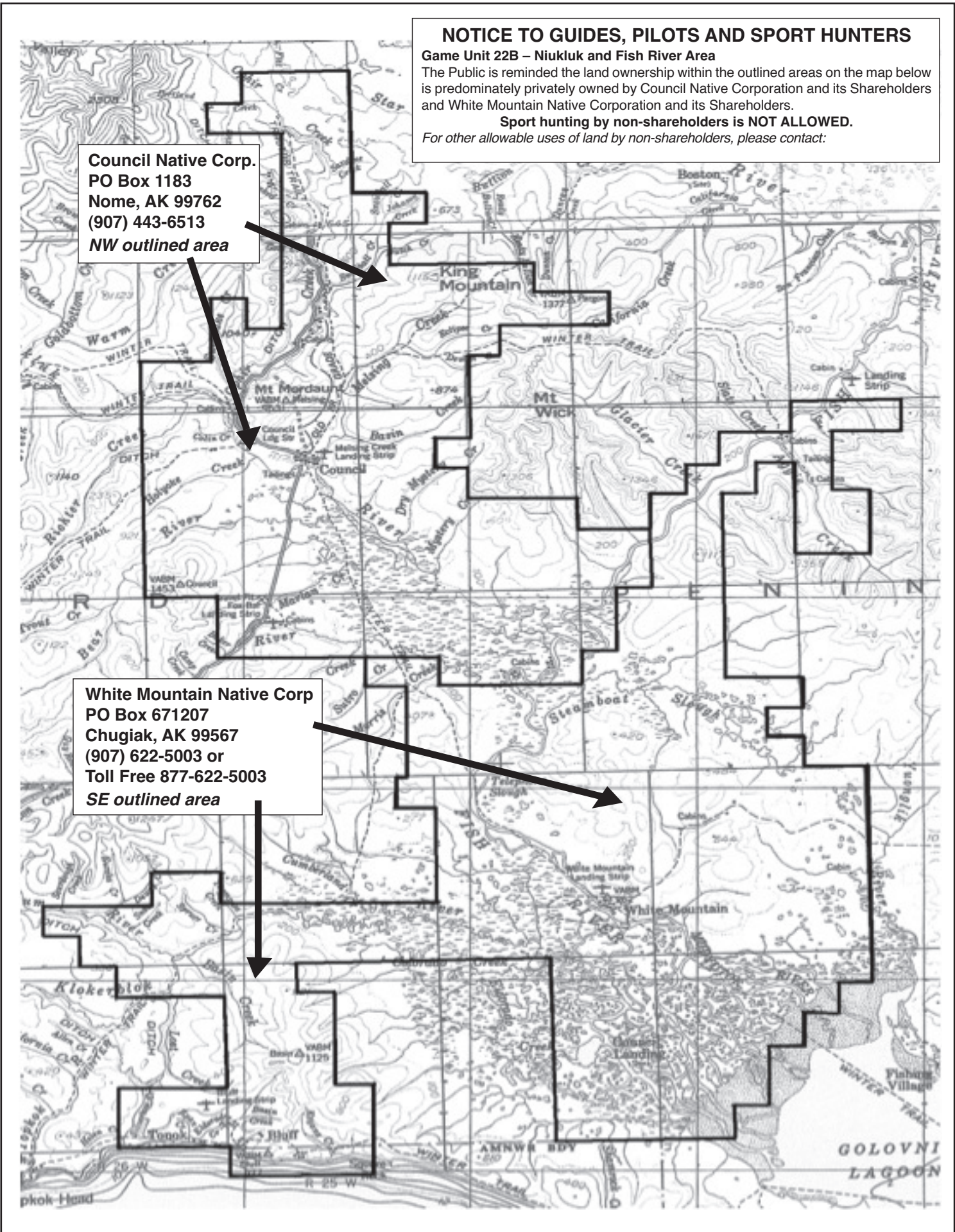
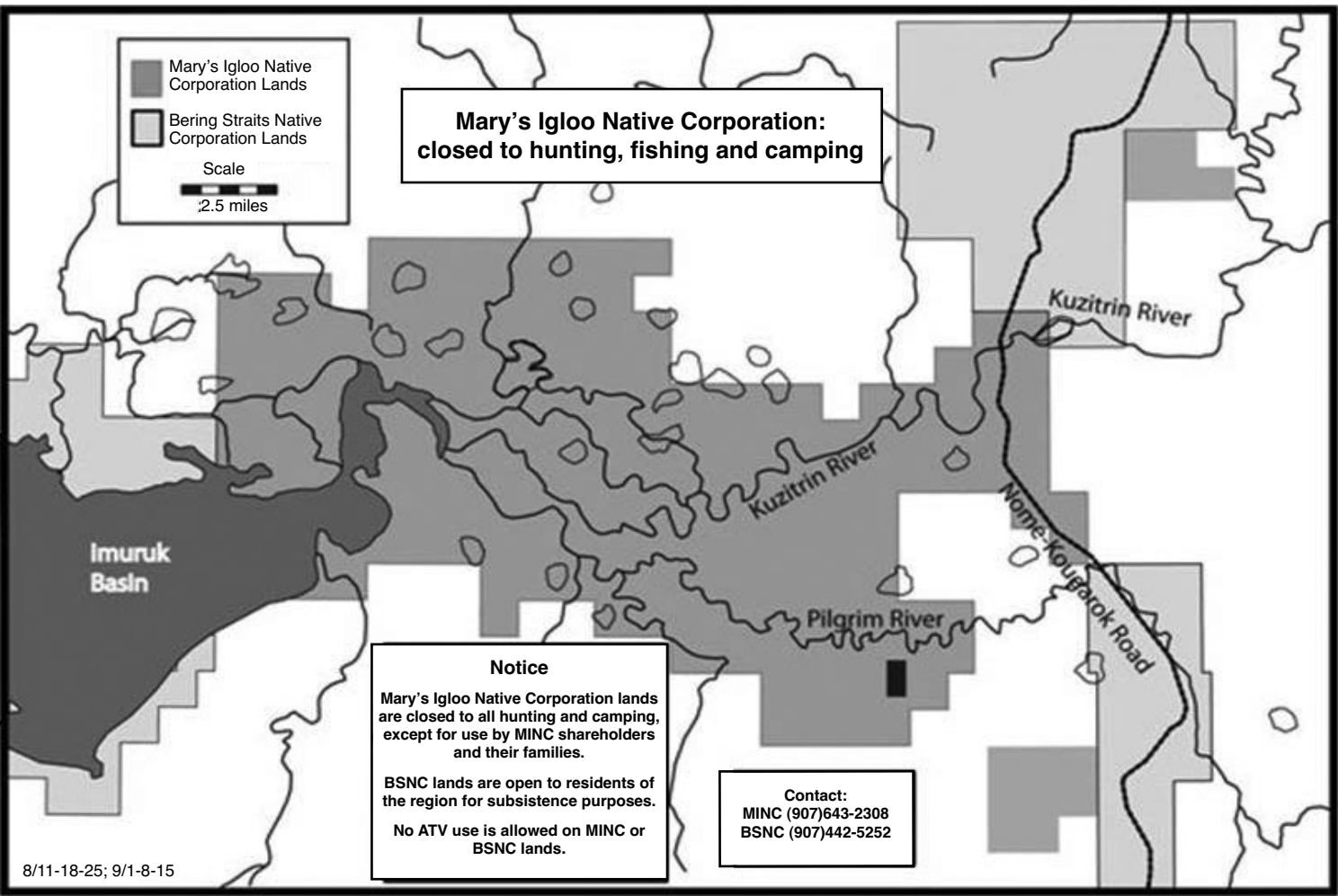
The provincial superior of the Society of Jesus, Oregon Province issued a public statement but was not available for additional comment. The Very Rev. Patrick Lee said in the statement that the emergence from Chapter 11 is not just the end to a long, legal proceeding, but also a beginning to lasting healing and peace. “On behalf of my fellow Jesuits, I want to express our most sincere sorrow and apology for the pain and hurt caused by our men who did not live up to their vows,” the statement said. “It has been a sad period of time for all involved. My prayer is for all who are hurting to begin healing; to find forgiveness; and to achieve the peace of heart and mind that they deserve.” Lee also thanked friends of the Jesuits. “Without their encouragement and prayers this sad and difficult time would have been that much more challenging for us to endure.”

Lee wrote that they now refocus their energies to support the Jesuits’ works in education, spiritual formation, parish work and other assignments dedicated to social justice. “[...] we will not forget the actions of the past and the pain we have caused. We will work and pray to ensure that this sad history is not repeated.” Lee wrote.

Alaska lawyer Ken Roosa, who represented close to 210 Alaska sex abuse survivors said that the settlement included a future claims fund endowed with \$7 million. “This is so that people still can come forward, but they can only make a claim against the claims fund, not against the order,” Roosa explained.

The settlement between the victims and the Northwest chapter of the Jesuits order marks the third largest settlement in the United States. The Los Angeles Archdiocese paid out \$660 million and San Diego \$198 million. Roosa said he received the first letter claiming abuse at the hand of Catholic clergy in April 2002. That year, hundreds of people came forward in Boston claiming they were sexually abused by priests as children. The flood of claims forced Catholic dioceses across the country to seek bankruptcy protection, including the Fairbanks Diocese and the Jesuit order.

Roosa said that villages where priests and church workers abused minors included Chevak, Hooper Bay, Kotlik, Nunam Iqua, St. Mary’s, Emmonak, Holy Cross, Nulato, Kaltak, St. Michael, Stebbins and Nome. Nome priest Jim Poole was named in multiple lawsuits alleging sexual abuse of young girls in Nome, St. Mary’s, Portland and Barrow. “This marks the end of a long legal process,” Roosa said. “But it’s not the end for the victims because they have to live with the consequences of the abuse.”



Broadband internet services on the horizon for Nome and region

By Diana Haecker

Only one person of the Nome public attended an informational meeting last week on plans to expand broadband internet service to Nome and some of the Bering Strait region. While southwest Alaska has been connected via microwave repeater towers and fiber optic cables earlier this year, plans are already in the making to extend the system from Grayling to Nome starting next year.

The project is called Terra Northwest and is paid by Unicom, a subsidiary of GCI, with funding from the Regulatory Commission of Alaska. They propose to install six remote mountain top repeaters, two repeaters towers in Unalakleet and Shaktoolik, and to bury fiber optic cable along the Nome-Council Highway.

Currently, internet service in this region is made possible by receiving signals via satellite. Sun storms and earthly weather sometimes interferes with connectivity and in order to get better, faster and more reliable internet service, the project will pick up where Terra Southwest left off in Grayling.

Three GCI representatives, one Bureau of Land Management man-

ager and an environmental planner were on hand to present the benefits of the extended broadband internet access. The BLM is involved because the project requires BLM rights of way at Otter Creek and the Golovin alternate tower and the buried cable along the Nome-Council Road. With this comes that the project needs to go through the National Environmental Policy Act process, to prepare a scientific assessment of environmental consequences and to give the public a chance to comment.

Presenter Taylor Brelsford with URS said that the project would greatly improve the speed and reliability for telecommunications. This would not only mean faster downloads for recreational internet surfers, but would allow for serious improvements in the field of health care through telemedicine and distance education.

Phase I would begin in 2012 with the installation of a repeater in the Holy Cross Hills, a repeater between Grayling and St. Michael on BLM land, a repeater in Unalakleet at the corner of Main St. and Beach Rd., a repeater ten miles north of Unalakleet and a repeater tower in Shaktoolik at the current GCI antenna.

Phase II would begin in 2013 and put up repeaters at the Reindeer Repeater tower northwest of Shaktoolik, a Golovin alternate repeater ten miles east of Golovin on BLM land, a Skookum Pass repeater at mile 53 of the Nome-Council Highway on State of Alaska land, and a buried fiber optic cable adjacent to the Nome-Council road on BLM managed parcels.

The life-span of the towers is expected to be 25 years. The proposed sites would take up less than an acre and feature a 60-foot high lattice-type tower, microwave antennas about 8 feet in diameter, two 10-ft.

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PUBLIC NOTICE PORT COMMISSION SEAT APPOINTMENTS

Port Commission has two seats up for re-appointment. Anyone interested on serving on the Port Commission should submit an application to the **City Clerk's Office** by **Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 5:00 PM.**

Applications are available at City Hall or on the City of Nome website: www.nomealaska.org
Please call **443-6603** for more information.

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SOLOMON NATIVE CORPORATION (SNC) NOTICE OF ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

THIS SHALL SERVE AS NOTICE that the Annual Meeting for the Shareholders of the Solomon Native Corporation will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2011 at the Pioneer Hall in Nome.

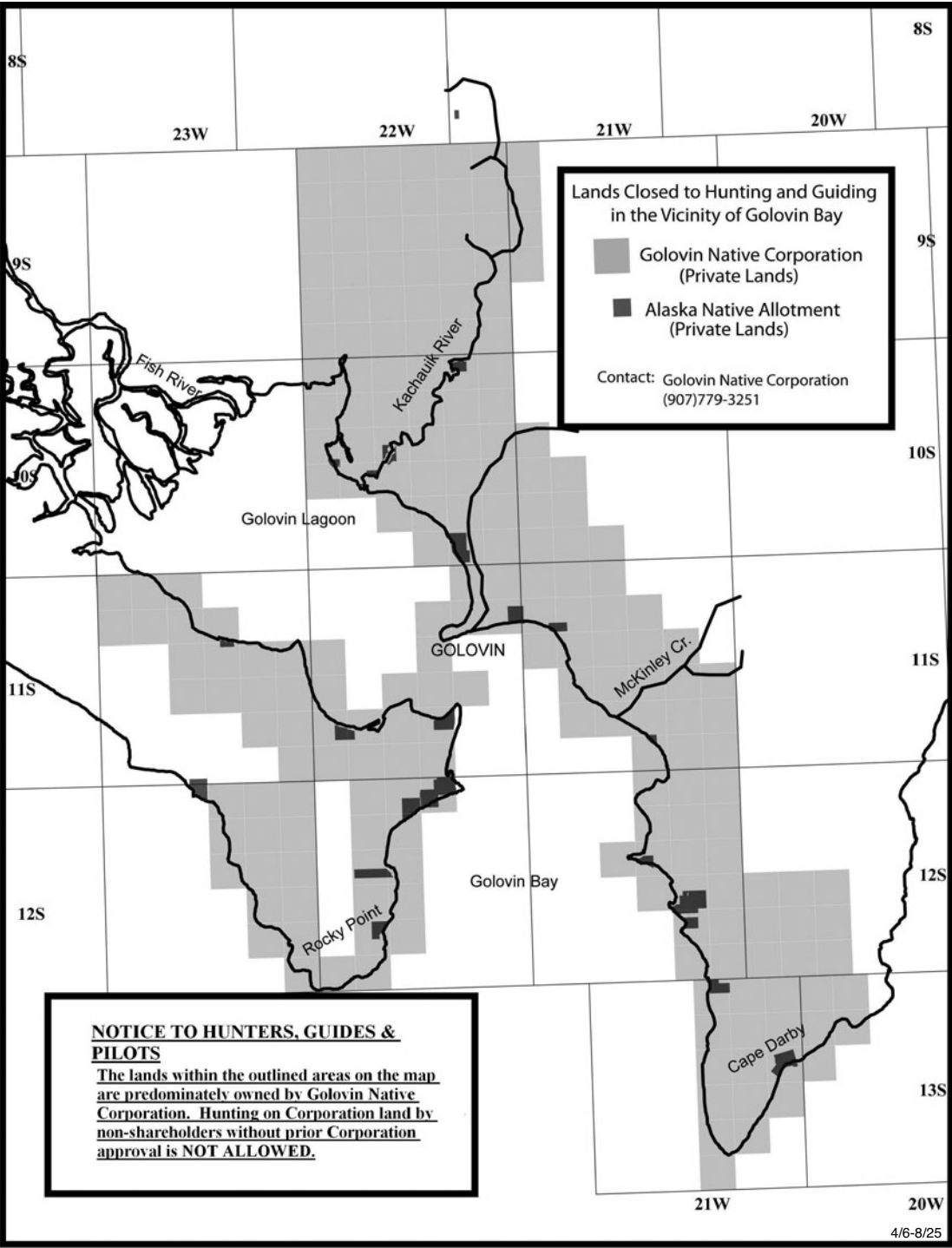
PLEASE ALSO TAKE NOTICE that there are three (3) SEATS up for election to serve on the SNC Board of Directors. Letters of interest must be received by close of business on August 31, 2011 via USPS mailing address:

Solomon Native Corporation
Box 243
Nome, Alaska 99762

or via email:
eliz_curranjohanson3@yahoo.com

For any questions or concerns, please contact Liz Johnson, Vice President at the above email or (907) 387-4936.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -ABATEMENT PROCEEDINGS-

The Nome City Council a special meeting will have a public hearing to hear comments regarding the City of Nome's abatement proceedings. The building(s) located on the following properties have been recommended for abatement:

Physical Address	Tax Lot No.	Block/Lot	Owner of record
201 W E St.	001.281.41	Blk 25, Lot 18A	Lucie Okie
404 W 2nd	001.291.41	Blk 53 Lot 9A	James West Jr.
114 Warren Pl	001.231.09B	Blk 65 Lot 11 ptn	Neal & Jane Foster
709 Out of the Way	198.2.428	Blk 10 Lot 11	Floy Gilder
204 Kings Pl	001.231.40	Blk 65 Lot 46	Ca Van Phan
409 W. D St	001.301.08	Blk 62 Lot 1 ptn	Beatrice Pierce
210 McLain Lane	001.411.11	Blk 57 Lot 41B	Allen Ahnangnatoguk
304 W D St	001.291.32	Blk 55 Lot 8ptn	Jay & Lucinda Wieler
119 W 4th Ave	001.231.15	Blk 65 Lot 8&9ptn	Shane McHale
406 River St	001.271.03	Blk 21A Lot 10B	James D. West Sr. Trustee
226/224 Front St	001.242.18A	Blk D Lot 1A	Mary Jean Herman & Rodney & Wilfred Boucher

The meeting will be held on August 31, 2011 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers. The public, owners of record or their representatives will have the opportunity to make comments, present evidence or provide proof that the deficiencies reported have been substantially remedied or that steps to remedy the deficiencies have been taken.

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by 20-ft. communications and power equipment shelters and two 4,500 gallon fuel tanks to power the whole unit for one year. Brelsford said that the towers would not have lights on them to reduce environmental impact. Construction would be done by flying materials and crews in by helicopter. Brelsford said noise was identified as one of the concerns. The noisiest time would be during the 150-day construction period when helicopter traffic, and heavy equipment would cause construction noise. After that, he said, noise wouldn't be much of an issue as the generators are equipped with hospital-grade silencers. Two annual maintenance flights would be done and fuel deliveries would occur twice a year for a time period of two to four days.

Environmental concerns include bird strikes on the towers, wildlife disturbance during construction and the possibility of fuel spills.

Brelsford said that during public meetings in Golovin, they were asked to co-located cell phone antennas to the towers or HAM radio repeaters for safety. The presenters agreed that a cell antenna at the planned Skookum Pass tower would be a good idea. Also there were concerns about vandalism and the danger of the fuel tanks being shot at or that the fuel may be stolen. GCI director of broadband development said that there will be security cameras installed and that the fuel tanks are double hulled but are not ballistic rated.

Project manager Christopher Gill said that the concern of high winds and icing lead the planners to decide to use fiber optic cable to be buried along the Nome-Council Road rather than to erect more towers. Rick Barengo, formerly with the Nome DOT, warned that fall storms frequently wash out the roads and to bury the cable accordingly. Stephen Fusilier, BLM lands manager said he

would like to hear more from the public. "It is early in the project's process, but we want to hear from the public to make it a project that serves the community," Fusilier said.

Town hall meetings were held in Unalakleet, Golovin, Nome and Grayling last week. Public comments are due by October 31 and by January 2012, the environmental assessment is slated for release. If the BLM finds the project has no significant impact and if all permits are approved, the first phase of construction could begin next summer.

There is no website specifically dedicated to the Terra Northwest project, but Terra SW with photos and project descriptions is located at www.terra.gci.com

Comments should be directed to Steve Fusilier, BLM, 4700 BLM Road, Anchorage, AK 99507, fax: (907) 267-1267 or emailed to sfusilie@blm.gov.



Photo by Nils Hahn

BIG DITCH— Scotty Sinnok is compacting soil in preparation for new sewer and water line on Fifth Avenue.

Court

**Week ending 8/19
Civil**

Nagaruk, Elsie vs. Saccheus, Margaret; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte Without Children
Noffske, Luann vs. Blodgett, Robert D.; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte Without Children
Thomas, Dominique vs. Rode, Phillip J.; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte Without Children
Weyiouanna, Nellie J. vs. Goodhope Jr., Fred; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte Without Children
Blodgett, Luann et al vs. Blodgett, R. D.; Declaratory Judgment/Injunctive Relief - Superior Court
Takak, Amy vs. Takak, Ambrose Curtis; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte Without Children

Small Claims

No current claims on file.

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Garrett Adsuna (3/3/79); Count 001: DUI; Date of offense: 7/23/11; Count (Charge) Dismissed: 002; Any outstanding appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Report on 9/30/11 to Court for Remand Hearing; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due date: 7/1/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended; Amount due: \$50; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st offense) with \$0 suspended; Amount Due: Full amount ordered; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: Contact other: NSBHS within 30 days; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; File proof by 11/1/11 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 12/1/11 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license is revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fie if you file proof of payment before fine due date; Probation for 1 year; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not consume alcohol to BRAC of .08 or greater for a period ending 1 year from date of this judgment: (8/17/11).

State of Alaska v. Albert R. Katchatag (10/16/64); Count 001: Assault 4*; Assault on Peace Officer; Count (Charges) Dismissed by State: 002 (count 2); 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant reporting to court 11/16/11; Remand hearing 11/16/11 at 1:30 p.m.; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Micah Trigg (12/28/88); 2NO-11-441CR Count 002: DUI; Date of offense: 7/22/11; Count (Charge) Dismissed: 001, 003; Any outstanding appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Time served; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due date: 7/1/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended; Amount due: \$50; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st offense) with \$0 suspended; Amount Due: Full amount ordered; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: Contact other: NSBHS within 30 days; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; File proof by 10/1/11 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 12/1/11 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license is revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Surrender ID card to court immediately; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fie if you file proof of payment before fine due date; Probation for 2 years; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 2 years from date of this judgment: (8/17/11).

State of Alaska v. Micah Trigg (12/28/88); 2NO-11-441CR Count 004: Reckless Endangerment; DV; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; Count (Charges) Dismissed by State: 001, 003; 60 days, 55 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days have been served; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation 2 years, subject to following conditions: same as count 2.

State of Alaska v. Tyler Oquilluk (5/6/92); Count 002: Theft 3*; Count (Charges) Dismissed by State: 001, 003; Partial Plea Agreement; 140 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant reporting to court 1:30 p.m. 11/16/11 for remand hearing; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2), within 30 days; Probation until 8/17/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.

State of Alaska v. Catherine I. Pomrenke (7/24/93) 2NO-11-321CR Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21, Repeat Offense; Date of offense: 6/4/11; Fine: \$1,000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court by 10/1/11; License/Permit: Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 90 days; Must immediately surrender any current driver's license to

the court; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Other: Defendant is ordered: to get a substance abuse assessment at Norton Sound Behavioral Health or equivalent office, by 9/15/11 and follow treatment recommendations; If disagree with recommendations file request for hearing within 7 days of receiving the treatment recommendations; Probation until 8/16/12; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Including substance abuse assessment and following treatment recommendations; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Catherine I. Pomrenke (7/24/93) 2NO-11-503CR Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21, Repeat Offense; Date of offense: 8/14/11; Fine: \$1,000 with \$400 suspended; Unsuspended \$400 is to be paid to the court by 11/1/11; License/Permit: Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 90 days; Must immediately surrender any current driver's license to the court; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Other: Defendant is ordered: to get a substance abuse assessment at Norton Sound Behavioral Health or equivalent office, by 9/15/11 and follow treatment recommendations; If disagree with recommendations file request for hearing within 7 days of receiving the treatment recommendations; Probation until 8/16/12; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Including substance abuse assessment and following treatment recommendations; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Jolene P. Steve-Pete (5/11/71); Order Suspending Imposition of Sentence and Providing for Probation; MICs 4-Deliv/Poss w/Intent Over 1 OZ VIA; Date of offense: 8/29/10; Defendant came before the court on 8/15/11 with counsel, Public Defender Agency Angela Greene, and the DA John Earthman present; It appearing to the satisfaction of this court that the ends of justice and the best interests of the public, as well as the defendant, will be served thereby, IT IS ORDERED that the sentencing of the defendant is suspended for a period of 2 years and the defendant is placed on conditions of probation listed below; Police Training Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: Count 001: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility and is being sentenced to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; this surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 125.55.0141(c); Special Condition of Probation—Imprisonment: 120 days; Shall report by 9/30/11; Pending reporting to serve this term of imprisonment the defendant shall remain subject to the conditions of release entered on 9/17/10; General and Other Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in judgment; Provide blood and oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state and provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; AS 12.55.100(d) and AS 44.41.035; Probation until 8/15/13; Any appearance or performance bond in this case is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Nimeron G. Mike (5/17/76); Amended Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 003: Assault 3— Cause Injury w/Weap; Count 007: Attempted Sexual Assault 3; Date of offenses: 10/16/10; The following charges were dismissed pursuant to Criminal rule 43(a): Count 001: Burglary 1- In A Dwelling; Count 002: Assault 3— Cause Injury w/Weap; Count 004: Assault 4*- Recklessly Injure; Count 005: Criminal Mischief 5 — Damage Under \$50; Count 006: Cntrlrd Substc 6-Possess Under 1 oz VIA; Count 008: Sex Assault 1- Penetrate w/o Consent; Date of offenses: 10/16/10; Count 003: 4 years, 2 years suspended; Count 007: 1 year, 1 year suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served consecutive to count 003 in this case; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Under AS 33.16.090(a)(2) and AS 12.55.115, the defendant is not eligible to be considered for discretionary parole; Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court the following surcharge within 10 days: Count 003: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state, and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole or peace officer; IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 3 years under the following conditions: General and **Special** Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Must register as a Sex Offender.

State of Alaska v. Gerald Washington (9/4/85); DUI; Date of offense: 7/5/11; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Remand hearing 1:30 pm, 9/30/11, Nome Court, report as ordered; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due date: 8/1/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with

\$0 suspended; Amount due: \$50; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st offense) with \$0 suspended; Amount Due: Full amount ordered; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: Contact other: NSBHS within 60 days; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; File proof by 11/1/11 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 12/15/11 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license is revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Surrender ID card to court immediately; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fie if you file proof of payment before fine due date; Other: Surrender license/ I.D. card to court/DMV not later than 10/1/11; Probation for 1 year; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 1 year from date of this judgment: (8/15/11).

State of Alaska v. Shane Mike (10/16/91); 2NO-10-201CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110010987; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 40 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-10-204, 11-244 and 11-306CR.

State of Alaska v. Shane Mike (10/16/91); 2NO-10-204CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110010132; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 40 days; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Shane Mike (10/16/91); 2NO-11-244CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112704723; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 40 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-10-201, 10-204, 11-244 and 11-306CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Shane Mike (10/16/91); 2NO-11-306CR Count 2: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21, Habitual Offender; Date of offense: 6/5/11; Count 1 dismissed by SOA; Jail 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days are to be served—remanded; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Surcharge must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; License: Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 6 months; Defendant must immediately surrender any current driver's license to the court; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 96 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 8/15/12; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Comply with treatment as recommended.

State of Alaska v. David Butch Nattanguk (11/6/83); 2NO-10-498CR Notice to Withdraw Petition to Revoke Probation filed on 6/10/11; Filed by the DAs Office 8/15/11.

State of Alaska v. David Butch Nattanguk (11/6/83); 2NO-11-278CR Dismissal; Count 1: Assault 4*; Filed by the DAs Office 8/15/11.

State of Alaska v. Leonard Lawrence Raymond Jr. (3/14/73); Count 001: Assault 4*; Count 002 Dismissed; 12 months, 8 months suspended; Unsuspended 4 months shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 is to be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 8/11/13; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return the residence of J.S., Sr.; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Do not possess/control firearms; Redistributed 8/15/11 with count 002 dismissed and probation condition and redistributed 8/15/11 to reflect count 001.

State of Alaska v. Melcher Oozevaseuk (3/1/74); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110673207; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Victor E. Oozevaseuk (3/1/74); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110673135; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Memory Mike (10/27/90); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21, Habitual Offender; Partial Plea Agreement; Date of offense: 6/21/11; Jail 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days have been served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Surcharge must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; License: Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 6 months; Defendant must immediately surrender any current driver's license to the court; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 96 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 8/8/12; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcohol; Redistributed on 8/15/11 with correct count number.

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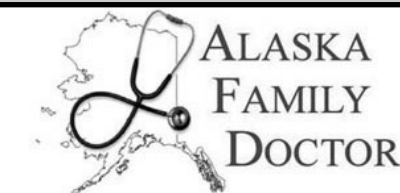
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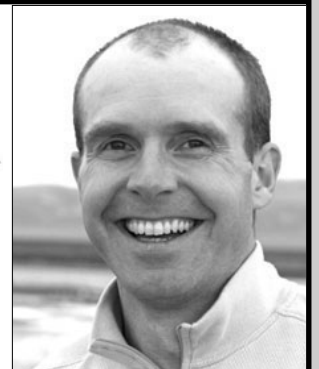
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A FAMILY AFFAIR— Tyler Rhodes runs past his wife Erika on his way downhill during the Anvil Mountain Challenge run held Thursday, August 18.
top
HIGH FIVE— Crystal Tobuk high fives Erin Lillie at the top of Anvil Mountain. Tobuk was the fastest woman to complete the steep run up and down the mountain.



ON TOP OF ANVIL— Natalie and Roy Tobuk III left the fast running up to mom Crystal and stuck together at a more comfortable speed during last week's Anvil Mountain run.

Cross country running meet at Bartlett High in Anchorage

Men's results
5,000 meters Varsity
106. Junyor Erikson 20:47.6
113. Jens Irelan 21:34.7
125. Nick Morgan 22:52.9
128. Oliver Hoogendorn 22:59.9

Women's result
5,000 meters Varsity
34. Rosa Schmidt 21:19.5
83. Hannah Tozier 24:08.0
96. Caitlin Tozier 26:33.9

ANVIL Mountain 59 minute 37 second CHALLENGE
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Participant	M/F	Age	Elapsed Time
1. Nils Hahn	M	40	26 min 11 sec
2. Tyler Rhodes	M	35	28 min 16 sec
3. Crystal Tobuk	F	29	31 min 06 sec
4. Erika Rhodes	F	30	34 min 38 sec
5. Erin M. Lillie	M	41	38 min 33 sec
6. Roxane Rigo	F	52	38 min 34 sec
7. Christine Schultz	F	46	48 min 46 sec
8. Jessica Hurst	F	21	48 min 47 sec
9. Elise Rasmussen	F	9	56 min 08 sec
10. Natalie Tobuk	F	6	56 min 54 sec
11. Roy Tobuk III	M	29	56 min 55 sec
12. Lizzy Hahn	F	7	61 min 01 sec



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