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THE GREAT BATHTUB RACE —The 34th annual bathtub race rides the wave down Front Street on Labor Day in Nome. See story inside.

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GOLD GONE—A floating gold dredge belonging to “Miner Mike” Benchhoff and associates went bottom up the evening of Aug. 31 a few yards from the Subway restaurant. Ambulance and firefighter units waited at the small boat harbor for rescuers to deliver the two diving employees who arrived wet, cold, but unscathed, needing no further assistance, according to ambulance crew. Benchhoff said Sunday he thought that a wave washed over the dredge while the crew had the hatch off and were pumping out one cell, causing the rig to capsize. The accident lined up spectators with binoculars and cameras looking seaward at every parking lot on Front Street as Shawn Pomrenke aboard his dredge attempted to salvage Benchhoff’s dredge. “Maybe he found too much heavy gold,” Sidewalk Supt. Joe Kunnuk said. Indeed, Benchhoff said the incident dumped about 30 oz. of gold into the water and that the rescue process rendered the dredge useless for this season.

Dreams come true: Wien Building is coming down

By Sandra L. Medearis

All the buildings on the proposed abatement list remained on the fix-up-or-demolish list after Nome Common Council’s formal abatement hearing Aug. 31 except one. Owners of 10 or so buildings deemed to post public nuisance issues, health or safety risks appeared at the meeting in person or by letter and gave various explanations of remedies in process. Vandals had afflicted some of the buildings, they said, and they would clean them up again.

The next step, according to the City’s ordinance will be to declare the properties targeted for abatement at the next regular Council meeting Sept. 12, from which time owners will have 30 days to fix or tear down the shacks; otherwise the City will demolish the buildings and bill the owners for the work.

The Council directed the owners to nail up windows and doors against marauders and mischief-bent children, pick up trash, and square away properties by meeting with the City’s building inspector, Allen Maxwell, if they want to keep the eyesores standing for eventual restoration.

No problem, Pat Hahn said. At-

tending the meeting with Bill Boucher, one of three owners of the Front Street anchor monstrosity, the Wien Building across from City Hall, Pat Hahn pleased the ears of many when he said the Wien Building was coming down. He and owners had gone through the building and determined it to be in worse shape than they thought, with a rotten foundation and not likely to survive a move to another address, Hahn said.

One small building on West D Street dropped from the list after Jay Wieler explained that the structure across the street from his house was used for cold storage, was secured from trespass and had new siding on the north side. That improvement appeared to be worth \$1,000, according to his tax statement, Wieler said.

City Manager Josie Bahnke remarked that owners might have already had enough forbearance from the City’s ordinance; some buildings had been slated for abatement two or three times previously. Councilman Stan Andersen asked for that information to be added to the list for the

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Road to Nome along Yukon River finds favor

By Sandra L. Medearis

More people want a way to drive between points from Fairbanks to Nome than not, and they want to follow the Yukon River a good part of the way.

Just after the first of last year, the Alaska

Dept. of Transportation and Public Facilities published a study evaluating corridor options connecting Fairbanks area to Nome. The report presented four route alternatives and selected one over the others, based on economic benefits, costs, land management, environmental re-

straints and terrain.

The favored route, dubbed the Yukon River Corridor, would start near Manley Hot Springs and run 500 miles westward through tundra, mountains and forests along the north side of the Yukon River to join the isolated Nome road

system near Council.

After meeting with 31 agencies and community groups in Western Alaska, tacking up the maps on walls and unfurling them on tables along with slide presentations and question and

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Second dog dies in musk ox attack

By Diana Haecker

A German Shepard dog named Dozer was the second dog this summer that died after being gored by a musk ox. The four-year old dog was tied up outside the trailer home of his owner Jennifer Russell at the State Trailers, uphill from the Postal Annex west of Port Road.

Russell reported that a herd of 13 musk oxen had been hanging out around there for weeks. “They’ve been in our backyard, the dog was

barking at them and then suddenly one huge bull charged toward the dog,” she said. When she heard the commotion she came out of the house and saw the musk ox charging the chained up dog.

Her three little children saw the attack as well. “He flung my dog into the air and finally backed away when we threw big rocks at him and yelled at him,” Russell said. The musk oxen finally wandered off and Russell took the dog to veterinarian Dr. Derrick Leedy. The dog lived through an operation but then died of his injuries the next morning.

Russell notified the State wildlife trooper and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. She reports that they managed to drive the herd away from the State trailers for now.

In response to the increasing incidents of musk oxen attacking dogs and getting alarmingly close to human dwellings, the City Council has set up a work session with ADF&G biologist Tony Gorn on Tuesday, September 6.



Photo by Diana Haecker

LITTLE ARTISTS— On the first day of Kawerak’s Headstart program in Nome, Kristina Kunnuk, left, and Katie Koutchak showed their creative side on the painting easel in Kim Erickson’s 4-and-5-year olds class. Classes began Aug. 31.

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Letters

Dear Nancy and Nome residents,

We are all very lucky because we live in a place where there is very little serious crime. Most Nome residents never lock their door or cars.

I am sure there are not many places left, even in Alaska, where people have the same lifestyle and opportunity to live in a safe place.

Of course, if something unusual happens in our community, we all unite like one family and try to help each another.

This is great and hopefully we will continue to unite in bad or good time for our community.

This is just an emotional, philosophical comment, but now I want to bring attention to the letter from Mrs and Mr. Noyakuk that was recently published in *The Nome Nugget*.

Somebody stole their outboard motor and took from an elderly couple part of their lifestyle— fishing and hunting.

Nome is a small town and I hope sooner or later Nome Police/State Troopers will find who did this.

Meantime, I hope somebody from Nome or local dealers give the Noyakuk couple a chance to temporarily use an extra/spare outboard motor to continue fishing and hunting this season.

I feel sorry about what happened to Mrs. and Mr. Noyakuk and will support them in some way, if needed.

Nikolai A. Ivanoff
Nome, Alaska

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

Editorial

Enough

Since May we have had to put up with the petty micromanagement of the Nome School Board in regard to the position of athletic director. Here it is September and we have no AD. It's hard to understand why certain members of the board are so bitter. Nothing has been done to fill the position and all we hear from the board member who's the hold up is a flimsy excuse blaming the "good ol' boys," whoever they might be— seems no administrator fills the definition. The board made folks laugh when they sanctimoniously counted up the minutes an AD should spend after school doing their job. They seemed to forget the weekends, when most sporting events take place.

If our school district in going to have a sports program, then we need an AD. Someone has to make the arrangements for team travel. Someone has to see that our visiting teams get picked up at the airport. Someone needs to see that our visitors are fed and given proper accommodations. Sporting events don't just happen. It seems our past athletic director was doing an outstanding job. What's the problem? Who are these mysterious phantom complainers a board member speaks of? And what business does the school board have in bringing unsupported personnel issues to a public meeting?

The silly foot-dragging by the board is an embarrassment. They seem to have lost sight of their mission, if there was one. The school board should be looking after the well being of our children. This includes our children who play sports. It also includes the children of visiting communities who come to Nome to participate in sporting events. They are our guests and we need to see that they are cared for as if they were our own children. The athletic director sees that this happens. Board members should act with the professionalism they should have assumed when they took office. —N.L.M.—

August cooler and wetter than normal

By Diana Haecker

As the leaves turn colors and fall is in the air, the chapter of summer in this year's weather narrative is closing with the observation that it was cold and wet. The National Weather Service in Nome confirmed that last month was the coolest August in nine years and saw a mean temperature of 48°F, which is 2.1°F colder than normal.

The highest temperature reached 70°F, breaking the 70s barrier for the first time since May, and the lowest temperature was 30°F.

It was not only cooler but also wetter than usual. August saw 4.36 inches of rain, which is the greatest amount

of precipitation in any given month since September 2005. The most memorable rainfall came down on August 11 with a torrential 1.21 inches of water falling out of the sky in just one day. With that, August 11 became the wettest day in Nome since August 12, 2004.

The National Weather Service says that this summer is the wettest summer in 13 years with a total of 9.49 inches of rain and tied for the 14th wettest summer on record. The Climate Prediction Center sees a normal September in terms of precipitation in Nome's future but also predicts colder than normal temperatures for the rest of the month.

A Look at the Past



F. H. Nowell photograph courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

NATURE'S BOUNTY — Eskimo drying salmon on the Pilgrim River August 7, 1907.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) - September 8 - September 14, 2011

Date	Day	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
09/08	Th	03:36 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	07:52 a.m. LDT	0.9 L	02:07 p.m. LDT	1.4 H	09:24 p.m. LDT	0.0 L
09/09	F	04:47 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	09:08 a.m. LDT	0.9 L	03:15 p.m. LDT	1.4 H	10:21 p.m. LDT	0.0 L
09/10	Sa	05:40 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	10:18 a.m. LDT	0.8 L	04:14 p.m. LDT	1.3 H	11:07 p.m. LDT	0.0 L
09/11	Su	06:18 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	11:13 a.m. LDT	0.8 L	05:07 p.m. LDT	1.3 H	11:44 p.m. LDT	0.1 L
09/12	M	06:43 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	11:56 a.m. LDT	0.7 L	05:55 p.m. LDT	1.3 H		
09/13	Tu	12:16 a.m. LDT	0.2 L	06:59 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	12:34 p.m. LDT	0.6 L	06:41 p.m. LDT	1.3 H
09/14	W	12:47 a.m. LDT	0.3 L	07:16 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	01:12 p.m. LDT	0.5 L	07:27 p.m. LDT	1.3 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	09/08/11	08:03 a.m.	High Temp	59° 09/05/11	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	09/15/11	08:24 a.m.	Low Temp	41° 09/02/11	
Sunset	09/08/11	09:53 p.m.	Peak Wind	48 mph, N, 09/06/11	
	09/15/11	09:28 p.m.	Precip. to Date	13.34"	
			Normal	10.91"	

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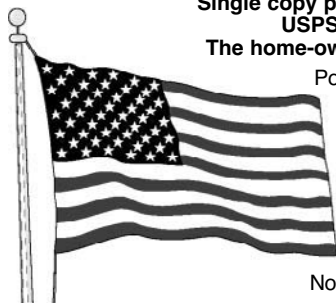
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NOAA extends public comment period on proposed halibut catch sharing plan

NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service is extending the comment period for the proposed Halibut Catch Sharing Plan to September 21. The decision to extend the comment period comes at the heels of a visit to Alaska by NOAA administrator Dr. Jane Lubchenco. She and Senator Mark Begich heard concerns and comments. The halibut stock in southeast Alaska and the central Gulf of Alaska has seen a steep decline in the past several years. The proposed catch sharing plan is designed to foster a sustainable fishery by preventing overharvesting of halibut and would introduce provisions that provide flexibility for charter and commercial fishermen.

The Alaska House Special Committee on Fisheries also met last week to hear from state and federal officials and affected fishermen about the contentious plan the North Pacific Fishery Management Council proposed for the Gulf of Alaska halibut fisheries. The Council proposes lowering the charter limit for halibut to one in possession per day with maximum size restrictions, from the current two per day, which concerns charter halibut operators.

Airplane crashes reported in Nightmute, McGrath

In two separate incidents, three small aircraft were involved in accidents this past week. KYUK reports that two single engine airplanes collided midair near Nightmute on Friday. Pilot Scott Veal, 24, of Kenai flew a Cessna for Grant Aviation, Kirsten Sprague, 26, of Idaho flew a Cessna for Ryan Air. Veal's plane went down and burned, killing Veal at the accident scene. Sprague man-

tried landing on the tundra. The plane hit the ground and overturned. Richardson suffered a broken neck but is in stable condition at Alaska Regional in Anchorage.

Potato blight is in Alaska

UAF scientists report that the late blight has shown up in the fields of two potato producers, in Palmer and Delta Junction. Late blight was discovered last week in Palmer. Late blight can be controlled through the use of fungicides. The Delta producer is also working to prevent infecting the rest of his fields or his neighbors'. The UAF Cooperative Extension Service is working with major potato producers to help prevent the spread of the blight, a fungus-like disease that was responsible for the Irish potato famine. The disease can rapidly kill plants in the field or cause potatoes to rot in storage. Potatoes from diseased plants remain good to eat, as long as they do not show signs of the blight, but should not be stored as seed potatoes.

Earthquake rattles Aleutians

An earthquake with a magnitude of 6.8 was registered 27 miles southwest of Amukta Island on Friday, September 2. The quake set off a tsunami warning from Unimak Pass to Amchitka, but was canceled after only a small wave rippled into Atka. No damages were reported.



aged an emergency landing on the tundra and survived. The Associated Press reports that the pilots were dating and met in the air en route to Bethel. Aviation investigators told AP that the pilots were in radio communication prior to the crash. Investigators say it's too early to point the crash to pilot error.

In a separate airplane crash on Sunday, a pilot survived but is severely injured. *The Anchorage Daily News* reports that James Ken Richardson's Super Cub lost power a mile away from McGrath and he



FALL MIGRATION — Sandhill cranes heading south for the winter.

Photo by Diana Haecker

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September 8 - September 14, 2011

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, September 8		
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 a.m. - noon
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2:00 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Gym	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Journey Through The Healing Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*All About Babies video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Friday, September 9		
*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
*Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*CAMP class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Medicaid/Denali Kid Care Class	Prematernal Home	2:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Advanced	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Beginning	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Intermediate	Nome Rec Center	8:00 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, September 10		
Nome Rec Center - Open weekends Beginning 9/24		
*Pick Up Women's Bball	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Labor and Delivery for Teens video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*The new Mother-Putting Together	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 11		
*Breastfeeding: Basketball	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Child Nutrition and Learning video	Prematernal Home	3:30 p.m.
Monday, September 12		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 6:30 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7:00 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.
*Newborn Hearing video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Still Shining video	Prematernal Home	3:30 p.m.
*Zumba with Elizabeth M.	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Advanced	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Beginning	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Intermediate	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
*Asteria (Research Vessel)	Port of Nome	
Tuesday, September 13		
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2:00 p.m.
*Gym	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7:00 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.
*Comforting Your Fussy Baby video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Best for your Baby's Sake video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*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.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Wednesday, September 14		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10:00 p.m.
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*The Miracle of Life video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Relax video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Zumba with Elizabeth M.	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Advanced	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Beginning	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan - Intermediate	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 8:45 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)
>		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa, Su)
Kegoayah Kozga Library	Front Street	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
>		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	Preschool Story Hour 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)
XYZ Center	Center Street	1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)
		8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (M - F)

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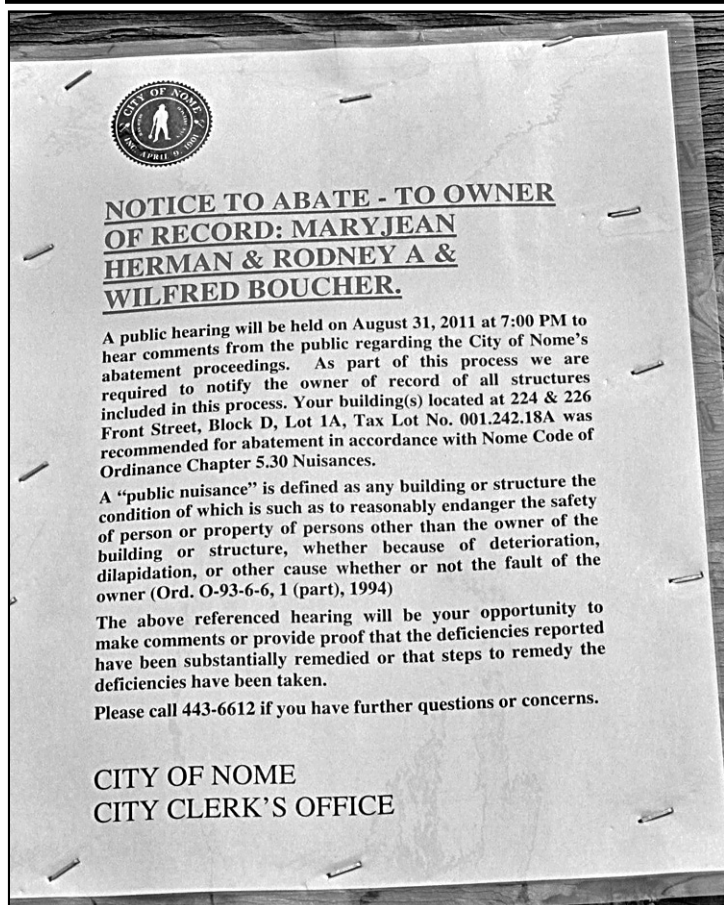


Photo by Sandra Medearis

SOON TO GO— Abatement notice on Wein Building.

• Dreams come true

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next go-around Sept. 12.

The current abatement list is just a start, according to Councilwoman Mary Knodel. She urged the City administration to stay on the abatement

job, that there were more than 100 buildings ready to go. Nome Police Chief John Papasodora, Maxwell and Nome's emergency responders nominated the buildings on the current list.

Danny Aukon Jr. resentenced

A resentencing hearing for Danny Aukon, Jr. netted the 51-year-old the same amount of jail time that he was originally sentenced for — 10 years — but reconfigured the sentence components of his consecutive and concurrent jail time to be served.

The legal wrangling stems from an accident that happened in August 2009. Aukon, his son and a friend came from a hunting trip when Aukon's truck hit Charlie Bergamaschi who was walking on the shoulder of the Nome-Council Highway, near Swanberg's Dredge. Aukon got out of the car, saw that he had hit a man, but didn't render help and left the scene of the accident.

Aukon was tried in a jury trial and convicted of manslaughter, leaving the scene of an accident and driving under the influence of alcohol. Superior Court Judge Ben Esch handed down a sentence of 12 years in prison with five years suspended for the manslaughter charge and a consecutive sentence of three years for leaving the scene and a concurrent 30-day sentence for drunk driving.

Aukon appealed Judge Esch's decision to impose consecutive sen-

tences because the sentence exceeded the presumptive range. The presumptive range for manslaughter is between seven and 11 years in jail. Since Judge Esch handed down a 12-year sentence — even though with five years suspended — the Court of Appeals remanded the case back to the Superior Court for resentencing.

During a recent resentencing hearing, Judge Esch amended the sentence for the manslaughter charge and imposed 11 years in prison with four years suspended, consecutively served to the three years jail time for the conviction of leaving the scene of the accident. The resentencing still nets Aukon 10 years in prison.

Prior to handing down the sentence, Judge Esch gave Aukon the opportunity to address the court. Aukon said that he has been in prisons in Nome, Seward, Anchorage and Colorado. There he went through anger management programs, worked as a librarian and participates in AAA programs. He said he hopes to continue his education and rehabilitation.







Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

SAVED FROM THE WRECKING BALL—Ryan Martinson has recently moved a small vintage building from next door to his house on Lomen Avenue. The building, which has changed hands a number of times among Martinson family members, was on the abatement list several years ago. Martinson repaired the building. It may be seen at its new home near the beach in front of Farley's Camp, near Mile 9 Nome-Council Road.

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NOME ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Back-To-School Night-New Date: 9/8/2011

The Nome Elementary School Back-To-School Night will be held on Thursday, September 8, from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. The original date had been Friday, September 16th, but this date posed a variety of scheduling conflicts. You are encouraged to join us to meet your children's teachers and learn about both school and classroom expectations. Please bring your children as the events of the evening have been designed for both students and parents. This will be a great opportunity for you to ask your children's teachers any questions you might have. The evening will begin with a culturally relevant presentation followed by a brief welcoming address by Principal Dave Keller. At 6:30 PM, parents and their children will be asked to go to their children's classroom(s). At that time, parents and students will have the opportunity to discuss matters such as homework expectations; what students will be expected to know and do by the end of the school year; how student performances will be graded or evaluated; how teachers will communicate to you throughout the course of the year and what classroom volunteer opportunities are available for all parents.

Where:

NES - Commons

When:

Thursday, Sept. 8
6:00PM - 7:30PM

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Little Diomed Island still without regularly scheduled passenger service

By Diana Haecker

Getting to Little Diomed and back to the mainland is an unpredictable undertaking that leaves the small community of about 115 people hanging in uncertainty. That's nothing new. Whenever Diomeders want to travel, need to see a doctor, take a driver's test, attend meetings or training and come back home to the island, they need to cross their fingers that there is space available on the helicopter that delivers mail to the island. And they need to be prepared for involuntary extensions of their trip.

After a spell of no passenger service whatsoever, Evergreen Helicopters, the company that has the postal contract to deliver mail, now again

uses a twin-engine helicopter and has pilots stationed in Nome 24/7. On a space available basis, passengers can get a ride to and from Diomed for \$160 between Wales and Diomed or for \$320 between Nome and Diomed.

But it's not regular, not scheduled and getting off the island is easier than catching a ride back to Little Diomed as the helicopter is usually packed with mail to the island. And the situation is not improving.

Last winter, *The Nome Nugget* reported that people from Little Diomed were not able to return home and were being stranded in Nome for months. In June, a baby with a medical emergency and two pregnant women had to be medi-

vated from the island by an Alaska National Guard crew from Kodiak. At the time, no other air service was available and the local National Guard was short a crew master to fly the Black Hawk stationed in Nome.

Starting in summer 2009 Evergreen switched to single engine aircraft and limited passenger transport

to periods of time when the ice cover was stable enough to provide emergency landing spots in case the single engine fails.

A few months ago Evergreen switched again to a twin-engine helicopter, but the premises of Evergreen's service still haven't changed: mail delivery first and passenger

service later. Evergreen pilots say that there is usually enough space for people to get off the island, but when taking mail from the mainland to Diomed, space is limited.

An Evergreen pilot explained that every Wednesday, they take priority

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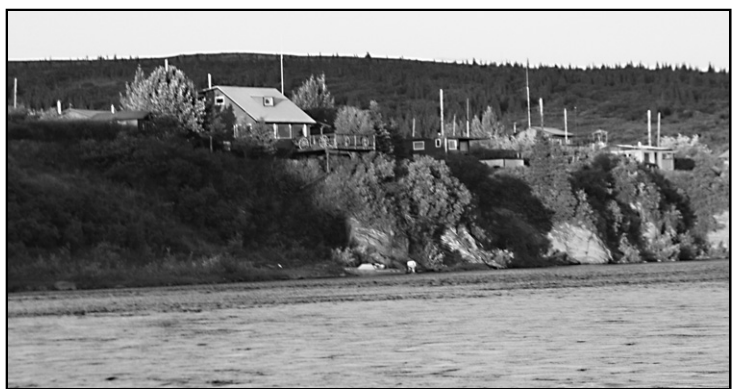


Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

BRIDGE TO COUNCIL?—A road from Fairbanks to Nome would cross the Niukluk River, spanned for years by drivers who know the correct approach by driving across with water up to the running boards. Such a road likely would run across the state and join the Nome area road system near Council, a former mining town now largely populated by snowbirds.

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answer sessions, the DOT&PF has issued a report derived from what more than half of the public, the stakeholders, told them: The Yukon River Corridor is their favored route too. The department rolled out the road show in Nome last October. Reaction was mixed, with folks wanting access to lower prices for goods and fuel, but concerned about the impacts on subsistence and the environment. Some favored a railroad that would control access to wilderness areas and villages.

In response to a question and comment form from all communities, more than half, 55 percent, said they favor connecting the Seward Peninsula and Nome area to the Fairbanks area, with 35 percent for no road and seven percent undecided. Communities within 25 miles of the YRC favored that route by 62 percent, with 32 percent against it and six percent undecided. Some of the communities along the corridor starting with Manley Hot Springs and moving west are Tanana, Ruby, Galena, Koyuk, Nulato, Elim, Golovin, White Mountain, Council and Nome.

Those in favor of a connecting road most frequently listed the following **advantages**:

- Economic development and mining access to bring wealth to remote areas of the state and create an in-state economy and add jobs.
- Lower the cost of living with cheaper access—cheaper gas and fuel, cheaper goods and postal costs in interior villages.
- Connection with the road system and major communities and cities in the state.
- Possibly create better job options for rural Alaskans along the roadway that would be closer to home for village residents.
- Allowing access by public roads to Alaskans that live in Western Alaska for better availability of fresh produce and agriculture products.
- Implementing existing routes would save and be money well spent.

Those who participated in the forums most frequently listed the following **negatives** stemming from an access road:

- Loss of traditional lifestyle with huge impact on remote way of living with the land and the Yukon River.
- Increased hunting pressure on wildlife with Outside hunters having access, diminishing the remote character of Alaska along the road.
- Mine-generated waste and environmental issues concerning water runoff and pollution.
- Building the road and maintaining it costing an enormous amount of money with benefits overstated and costs understated.
- Crime will come in on the road to villages—drugs, alcohol, and “wild things.”
- The road will bring changes to subsistence lifestyle that people want to continue to pass down through future generations. People will be “killing our game and catching our fish.”

What's next?

Money for preliminary planning and design doubled when an additional \$1.25 million stayed in this year's state capital budget unscathed by Gov. Sean Parnell's veto pen.

A NANA consulting company, DOWL HKM, performed the study for the state. The outcome said the road could cost close to \$3 billion, or \$5.4 million per mile, or around \$1,000 per foot. Maintenance and repairs could cost about \$40 million per year. The Yukon River Corridor option would start about 165 miles from Fairbanks and cross 185 miles of wetlands, 135 miles of rolling terrain and 65 miles of mountainous land. At Council, a bridge across the Niukluk River would be in the planning picture.

While most Alaska Native groups cited in the executive summary released last month favored the road, some expressed reservations, Council Native Corp. Board of Directors voted unanimously to oppose the construction of the Fairbanks to Nome road project, telling the planners “After long consideration we feel the negative outcome far outweighs the positive outcomes.”

Former Nome student dies after being hit by out-of-control driver

By Diana Haecker

Sixth-grade student Jamison Thrun, 11, succumbed to injuries sustained when a speeding SUV hit him crossing a road to University Park Elementary School in Fairbanks on Tuesday, August 30. Troopers said in a press release that the child was pronounced dead the same night at 8:55 p.m. at the Fairbanks Memorial Hospital.

The tragedy happened on Tuesday morning around 8:20 a.m. just a block away from the school. A 68-year-old woman allegedly influenced by an impairing cocktail of prescription drugs ran a stop sign, sped across the intersection of Birch Lane and Loftus Road, hit Jamison and continued on through two yards before being stopped by a homeowner. The woman, Yiki Kim, had her own grandchildren in the car and was taking them to the same school. Kim was arrested and charged with one count of manslaughter and one count of reckless driving. Kim was arraigned in court on Thursday afternoon and Fairbanks magistrate Alicemary Rasley set bail at \$500,000. The District Attorney sought bail of \$250,000 but the magistrate doubled the amount, saying that Kim poses a risk to the public.

According to court papers, witnesses saw the SUV driven by Kim traveling at about 40 mph. A witness heard the car sliding before it crashed, the Trooper's statement said. He ran to the scene and saw Jamison on the ground, unconscious and unresponsive. Other witnesses

had turned the child on his back and started CPR. At 8:24 a.m. emergency medical personnel arrived and transported the child to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. Alaska Trooper Sgt. Brian Wassmann wrote in his statement to the court that witnesses saw the blue Toyota Highlander driven by Kim “barrel” through the intersection without stopping at the stop sign, crashing through a ditch, through a fence, racing through a yard and stopping in the neighboring yard. The property owner of the yard where Kim finally stopped kept Kim from driving off. Wassmann wrote that Kim was still sitting in the car when he came to the scene. “She was sitting behind the wheel of the Toyota SUV,” he wrote. “She had glossy and watery eyes. Kim said she was driving and she could not explain why she crashed,” Sgt. Wassmann wrote in the complaint. “Kim could not explain why she lost control of the car.[...] Kim saw a boy wearing a red jacket and she said she tried to swerve to avoid hitting him,” the complaint reads.

Kim failed a series of field sobriety tests including the walk-and-turn test and the one-leg stand. Troopers arrested her on the spot. Kim was initially charged with assault in the first degree and reckless driving. The assault charge was upgraded to a manslaughter charge. The trooper said he went to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital and met with Kelly Thrun. “I learned that Jamison Thrun suffered a broken neck and possible head injuries in the crash,” Sgt.

Wassmann wrote. The trooper then went to obtain Yiki Kim's prescription medication from her residence. The woman had admitted to taking seven types of prescribed medication around 6:30 a.m. that morning. Six of the medications, the trooper said, had bold warning labels. Five labels stated that the meds “may cause dizziness”, one label said, “may cause drowsiness. Alcohol could intensify this effect. Use caution when operating a car or dangerous machine.”

The Thruns have just recently moved from Nome to Fairbanks, where his mother Kelly Thrun took a teaching job.

In Fairbanks, students of University Park Elementary School held a memorial walk on Friday. In Nome, Jamison's former classmates in the fifth and sixth grade pod of the Nome Elementary School held a ceremony and wore Jamison's favorite color, pink. They released helium balloons, and the kids were writing letters and cards to the Thrun family. Behavioral Health counselors were on hand to provide guidance for the grieving children. Well-wishers decorated the white picket fence around Thrun's house in Nome with colorful wreaths, geranium flowers, Lego and stuffed toys.

Jamison Thrun's funeral was held on Monday. A family friend has set up a Wells Fargo account for donations to help with expenses. The account number is 2656432123.

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DELIVERY TO LITTLE DIOMEDE— The runway at Little Diomed Island is seasonal and can handle scheduled passenger and freight only during the winter months after the Bering Strait freezes. *Nugget* file photo by Diana Haecker

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mail from Nome to Diomed and fly second class mail and cargo mail that was delivered via other carriers to Wales from there to the island. Before school started, one Evergreen pilot said, he had to make nine runs from Wales to Diomed to get all the mail across.

He said that every time he flies, he has at least two or three passengers that he gets to or from the island on one of the many runs he has to make to transport the mail. One of the three seats is usually open, even if mail is onboard. But scheduling passengers is a hard, he said. Factors that compound the unpredictability are fast changing weather and the ever-changing amount of mail. Although the good will is there, the marching orders are clear: mail first, passengers second.

This situation changes for a few short months in the spring when the ice in front of Diomed is thick enough for a makeshift ice runway that is used by fixed wing airplanes to deliver goods and people to the island.

The path to a resolution of the problem proves to be a veritable Odyssey. Since last year, Kawerak vice president Melanie Bahnke had tried it all: alerting the Alaska Congressional Delegation, putting the situation on local legislators' radar, communicating with various agencies in the State of Alaska. Norton Sound Health Corporation board of directors chairwoman Emily Hughes hand delivered a letter asking for Essential Air Service grants from the Diomed IRA to presidential staff. And Kawerak Inc. began advocating at the state and federal level to find a solution to the chronic lack of regular transportation.

The goal is to take advantage of the federal Essential Air Services

program, which in some cases provides a 100 percent subsidy when a community only has one air carrier providing services. However, to qualify for that, a community has to be on an EAS eligibility list that was established in the 1970s. Diomed not being on that list, a second program offers an EAS subsidy that requires a 50 percent match.

The FAA's Essential Air Services program is willing to provide the 50 percent subsidy, but finding an Alaskan partner to drum up the match seems to be impossible. Kawerak's position is that the State of Alaska should provide the 50 percent match. "Our intent is not to ask for free service, but all along our position at Kawerak is that the state should step up to the plate and provide the match," Bahnke said.

But in teleconference after teleconference, responsibilities were shuffled from the Governor's office to the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development and then eventually to the legislature. The DCCE asked Kawerak Inc. to become the trustee of the EAS subsidy, tasked to administer the funds and to drum up financial support from other entities and Diomed for matches.

Paul Labolle is a legislative aid for Rep. Foster and familiar with the issue. He points out that the EAS' future is uncertain as the program was on the chopping block the last time Congress voted to approve a continuing resolution to keep the Federal Aviation Administration going.

"It is uncertain what happens with the FAA reauthorization, as they keep operating on continuing resolutions," Labolle said. "The EAS in general was at risk, but in the end Alaskan airports survived that threat. However, we don't know if the 50

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TO THE RESCUE— The capsized gold dredge *Old Eureka* just barely floats above the ocean's surface to the left as Shawn Pomrenke tries to help pull the upside down vessel out of the water with his excavator mounted in his dredge. The City of Nome's emergency boat *The Guardian* is shown to the right of Pomrenke's dredge.

Gold dredge capsizes in front of Nome, no injuries reported

By Diana Haecker

On Wednesday evening, only a few yards off the seawall in front of Nome an ocean going gold dredge took on water and flipped over. Nome's local emergency services responded with *The Guardian* rescue boat.

Other emergency personnel, the fire chief and harbormaster Joy Baker responded and assessed the situation from the seawall. The two people that were working the dredge managed to avoid injury. One was climbing onto the bottom of the boat when the vessel rolled. The diver was the other person. Both escaped the accident without injuries, according to firefighter Jerry Steiger at the scene. The dredge named *Old Eureka* is owned by Mike Benchoff. One of the pontoons took on water and a wave tipped the vessel over. Shawn Pomrenke operated his gold dredge nearby and came to rescue

the upside down vessel. The *Old Eureka's* diver, riding a skiff, collected items that floated in the water. Pomrenke tried to flip the sunken gold dredge right side up again.

At one point Pomrenke jumped into the bucket of the excavator mounted on his dredge and tied a chain to the bucket and the vessel. A few times he came close to getting the sunken dredge afloat again, but then the vessel came crashing down almost hitting his rig when the chain broke.

Pomrenke aborted the attempt to right the vessel and towed it into the safety of the harbor late at night.

Harbor officials observed a slight sheen around the parked and damaged *Old Eureka* and put a boom around the vessel to prevent the spread. The next day the damaged dredge was hauled out of the water. The incident was reported to the Coast Guard.



Photo by Diana Haecker

ATTACHING THE CHAIN— Shawn Pomrenke climbed from his dredge into the bucket of his excavator to attach a chain to the capsized dredge in an attempt to upright the sinking vessel.



Photo by Diana Haecker

TROPHY TIME— Great Bathtub Race organizer Leo Rasmussen hands out trophies to the winning bathtub race team. Mikey Wongittilin, left, Alexie Morris and team captain Ericka Peterson receive their plaques.

Crowley wins again

By Diana Haecker

A stiff breeze out of the north, mostly sunny skies and warm temperatures made the 34th annual Great Bathtub race a pleasant event — even though water balloons went a-flying, splashing unsuspecting spectators.

For those unfamiliar with the race rules: a five-member team consisting of one rider in the water-filled bathtub and four pushers sporting sombreros and some semblance of suspenders, push, pull or wheel the bathtub from City Hall to the Federal Building.

This year, after a late start, the four fiercely competing teams consisted of Crowley Petroleum, KICY Radio, Leo's Red Bare'n and KNOM Radio. Each one gave it all as they sprinted down Front Street.

The Crowley bathtub, sporting the biggest and undefeatedly fastest wheels, won again. The Crowley crew were captain Ericka Peterson, towel guard Dean Hildreth, bath mat guard Mikey Wongittilin, washcloth guard Alexie Morris and soap guard Jake Stettenbenz.

Second place went to KICY, third

to Leo's Red Bare'n, and the joyous KNOM crew brought home red lantern honors. Bath tub race founder Leo Rasmusen, taking delight in spraying the throng of spectators along Front Street, thanked KNOM at the finish line for being slower than his bathtub pushers.

As is tradition, the GBR ended with a group picture of the competitors and the disbursement of trophies for all participants.

Official results:

1. Place: Crowley Petroleum:
Captain Ericka Peterson
Towel Guard Dean Hildreth
Bath Mat Guard Mikey Wongittilin
Wash Cloth Guard Alexie Morris
Soap Guard Jake Stettenbenz
2. Place KICY RADIO
Captain Luda Kinok
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Bath Mat Guard Ian Cogan
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Soap Guard Angela Kim
3. Place - LEO'S RED BARE'N
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The Dock Walk

Nome harbormaster Joy Baker and assistant Lucas Stotts provide Nomeites with an update on harbor activities: On Monday, the tug *FishHawk* and a gravel barge arrived and went into lay-up inside the small boat harbor for engine repairs.

It was a pretty good workday for dredges, and fishing boats delivered halibut to the fish plant. On Tuesday the tug *Kaktovik* and a barge arrived with engine trouble. They lost engine power coming into the small boat harbor channel and wound up on the beach near the causeway bridge. The vessel is scheduled for repairs, and officials are putting a plan together to pull the barge off the beach.

On Wednesday, the *Asteria*, a private yacht arrived for a three-day stay at the causeway. They came through the Northwest Passage and are on their way to Japan. The landing craft *Nunaniq* arrived to discharge cargo and take on fuel, water and other load for her trip south. The gravel barge *Island Spirit* arrived and spent two

days of prop repairs, taking on gravel to be delivered to Alakanuk.

On Thursday, the tug *Sesok* with barge arrived in the afternoon and loaded fuel for Unalakleet.

On Friday, Northland Services' tug *Polar Cloud* arrived with barge 108 and offloaded cargo from Seattle, loaded cargo and empty containers south bound. Northland Services' landing craft *Greta* arrived to load cargo from barge 108.

On Saturday, whale research boat *Mystery Bay* arrived for a crew change and then headed south to Dutch Harbor and on to Seattle. The tug *FishHawk* finished repairs and loaded gravel and water. The Swedish sailboat *Anna* arrived on a pleasure trip.

On Sunday, the tug *Island Spirit* arrived with barge late evening to load gravel.

On Monday, the *Island Spirit* and *FishHawk* tugs both loaded gravel and were tied up for high winds, waiting for better weather to depart.

All Around the Sound

New arrivals

Samantha X. Kahutak and Darryl B. Aukon of Nome announce the birth of their son Wayne Darryl Elias Aukon, born August 14, 2011 at 5:15 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20" in length. Maternal grandparents are Shirley and Andrew Kahutak of Anchorage, and paternal grandparents are Barb and Danny Aukon of Nome.

Zeb and Nikki Scherer of Nome are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Victoria Marie. She was born on July 3 at Providence Hospital in Anchorage. She weighed 6 pounds 10 ounces and was 18.5 inches long. Victoria is the grand-

daughter of Randy and Mary Jane Scherer of Kotzebue and James and Susan Polk of Jefferson, Wisconsin and the niece of Marilou Scherer of Anchorage, Tony and Angie Gorn of Nome, and Lara Polk of Janesville, Wisconsin.

Jolene H. Okleasik and Luke P. Topkok of Teller announce the birth of their daughter Chloe Florence Louise Okleasik, born August 20 at 5:40 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces, and was 19.5" in length. Maternal grandparents are Isaac Okleasik, Jr., and Barbara Menadelook of Teller. Paternal grandparents are Andrew Topkok of Anchorage and Elizabeth Kugzruk of Nome.



Photo by Jim Menard, ADF&G

BRING 'EM IN— A Kotzebue fisherman delivers part of a bountiful chum harvest in the Kotzebue district.



Photo by Jim Menard, ADF&G

BEST CHUM CATCH—Boats lined up in Kotzebue on August 18 to deliver the best catch of the season, 60,000 chum salmon in one week. A crane lifts a brailer full of chums from a boat as other fishermen wait their turns.



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CLEANING NETS— Kotzebue fishermen stretch out their nets on a beach at Kotzebue to clean them after delivering catches of chum salmon.



NEW ARRIVAL— Victoria Marie Scherer, born July 3 in Anchorage.

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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.

Jamison Miles Lee Thrun

Jamison Miles Lee Thrun was the first child and son of Shannon and Kelly and first grandchild of Cussy Kauer, a new grandson of Tom Rear-don, and third grandson of Arlinda and LeRoy Thrun. He was born on December 2, 1999 in Anchorage to his enthusiastic parents and was brought home to Nome to anxiously waiting family and friends. As a baby, Jamison was special and unique from the day he arrived. Never short of smiles and kisses for his family members, he giggled with

animals, and practice with his bow and arrow for hours. He excelled and loved so dearly being in Cub Scouts and had just become a member of Boy Scout troop 298 this year. He attended and absolutely loved the Unalakleet Bible Camp.

The family traveled to Minnesota to see grandma and grandpa LeRoy and Arlinda Thrun and uncles Robby and Scott and his beloved cousins as often as they could. Jamison searched to find turtles and their eggs, fished the land of 10,000 lakes, went for rides in grandpa's boat and

felt support has helped the family deal not only with their loss but also some of the stresses of moving and acclimating to a new community.

He is survived by his parents Shannon and Kelly; his siblings Kayden and Karley; his great-grandpar-ents Caroline Reader and Chuck and

Marie Reader; grandparents LeRoy, Arlinda, Cussy, and Tom; and many, many aunts, uncles and cousins in both Alaska and Minnesota.



Jamison Miles Lee Thrun

delight at his stuffed animals, itty bitty frogs, and handmade curtains and blankets tenderly made by his loving aunts Josie, Ginny, Mary, Julie, Babe, and great-grandma Caroline Reader. He was doted on by his new parents and other extended family members.

As a toddler Jamison welcomed his little brother Kayden and he became the best and most proud big brother. He loved pulling all of his toys out of his toy box and getting in it with his little playmate. He encountered every moment with rare vivaciousness and zeal for life. His mother dressed him from the time he was born in many exquisite costumes, and he was involved in parades and every social event in Nome. He was the conductor of the Curly Q Railroad, Winnie the Pooh's honey pot, Little Red Riding Hood's woodsman, a bunny at Easter, but most importantly the apple of his family's eye. Growing and ever curious, his babysitter Alicia Iyatunguk said he loved bugs and would never let her even kill the flies in the house. Alicia said Jamison hated to be scolded and always wanted to be a good boy.

At age seven, Jamison welcomed his pretty princess sister Karley and he grew into a very protective and helpful big brother. To Jamison, family was the center of his world, a trait deeply instilled by his parents. He played softball every summer and he tried basketball and wrestling because he wanted to be like his daddy. He loved camping at the family's Camp Snoopy Cabin on Glacier Creek Road. He would explore and collect insects, watch for

on his three-wheeler. He was fascinated by Uncle Bruce's farm.

As Jamie grew to his pre-teen years, his favorite school subject was science and anything that involved being social. He loved lunch and recess and had no problems being laughed at for the sake of making people smile and laugh.

The last few months of his life were full of excitement. After Jamison went to Disneyworld with his family, he moved to Fairbanks from his life-long home at 724 East Front Street, Nome. Jamison left many dear and lifelong school friends in Nome.

His wonderful good nature and amazing sense of humor made him an immediately popular kid on the University Park Elementary playground located just behind his new home in Fairbanks. Although he attended only eight days of school, he chattered every day to mom and dad about his new friends. He was texting friends and hanging out at the playground throwing footballs and cracking jokes. His new friends have written, "You couldn't NOT smile around him," "When I first saw him he was smiling," and "He was such a nice kid." He thought he was sporty, cheerful, funny, and he loved video games and ice cream. He enjoyed chess, Oreos, his iPad and XBOX, and adored mom, dad, Kayden, Karley, and his dog Tutter. Jamison was thrilled to start a new chapter in his life and expressed repeatedly how happy he was to be in Fairbanks.

The shock of Jamison's untimely death, just four houses down from his new home, has been felt around the state. The outpouring of Fairbanks community members' heart-



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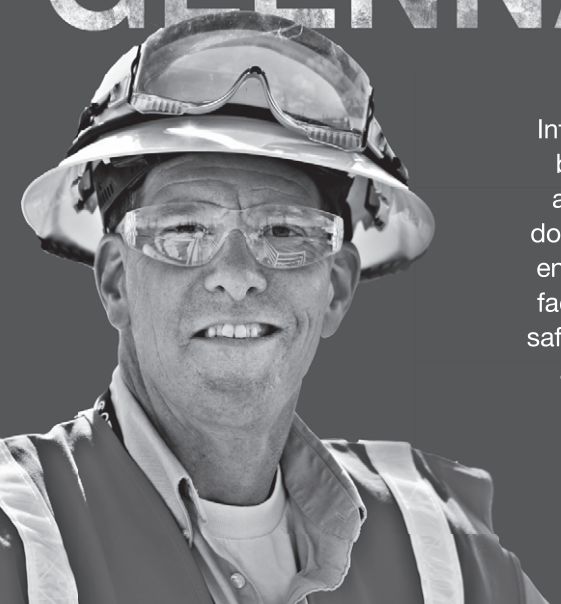
REMEMBERING JAMISON — Shaina Annogiyuk, together with her classmates, released balloons in memory of their classmate Jamison Thrun.



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WEARING PINK — Nome Elementary School classmates dressed in pink, Jamison Thrun's favorite color.

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Nome holds annual Labor Day Duck Race



AND THEY'RE OFF — Over 1,500 rubber ducks were released into the wilds of the Snake River during their annual migration to the finish line just a few hundred yards downstream.

Photos by Diana Haecker

HELPING THE DUCKS — Madeline Koweluk and other kids pushed the stranded ducks back into the mainstream of the fast flowing Snake River.

By Stephen Palmatier

This past Monday, the annual Labor Day tradition of Nome continued as the Rotary Club held its annual Duck Race on the Snake River. Thousands of rubber ducks were dumped into the river for this year's event, and only a small amount of them even made it to the end point of the race on the river. In first place this year, the lucky winner was Mo Koezuna who took home \$1,500 for her win. Finishing behind her in second place was the duck bought by Ric Schmidt, followed in third place by Pat Booth. Along with the three first finishing ducks announced, they also announce what is known as the "Wild Duck," which is a random pick of the ducks that finish. The lucky winner this year for that award belonged to Brian Perry.

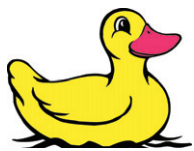
What took only a matter of minutes to complete seemed to last for hours as dozens of people witnessed with intrigue as their rubber ducks slowly but surely floated down the river with the wind whipping and helping them at times along the way. Along with the bathtub race, the Duck Race continues to be an annual tradition in Nome that fascinates the community to watch.



WORKING THE FINISH LINE — Erin Lillie has his eyes on a lucky duck while Charlie Lean operates the boat.



DUCKS IN A ROW — Duck Race enthusiasts are keeping an eye on the colorful waterfowl as the Rotarian boat escorted the front runners to the bridge.



NOME ROTARY DUCK RACE Results

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2nd Ric Schmidt
3rd Pat Booth
Wild Duck Brian Perry

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AT THE FINISH LINE — Spectators are watching the Labor Day Duck Race unfold.

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CHEERFUL — The KNOM Radio crew gives thumbs up after finishing the grueling Great Bathtub Race in fourth and final place. They are left to right: Captain Ben Matheson, Towel Guard Matthew Smith, Bath Mat Guard Matty Guffre, Soap Guard Rebekah Pierce and Wash Cloth Guard Wes Atkins.

Photo by Diana Haecker



FISHING FOR DUCKS — Erin Lillie fishes the winning duck out of the Snake River at the Labor Day Duck Race.

Photo by Diana Haecker



FIRST PLACE WINNERS — Crowley Petroleum did it again and won the Great Bathtub Race. The winning team is (left to right) Captain Erica Peterson, Towel Guard Dean Hildreth, Bath Mat Guard Mikey Wongittilin, Wash Cloth Guard Alexie Morris and Soap Guard Jake Stettenbenz.

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Cancer of the colon and rectum can be prevented

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Cancers in the colon or rectum, called colorectal cancers, are the second leading cause of cancer death in the United States, behind lung



cancer. According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), over the last decade the number of deaths from colorectal cancer has fallen. This is largely due to recognition of certain risk factors and regular cancer screening.

People more likely to develop colorectal cancers include:

- 1. Men and women over age 50.
- 2. Those with parents or siblings who have developed colorectal cancer.
- 3. People with a diet high in animal fats and low in vegetables.
- 4. Smokers.
- 5. People with inflammatory bowel diseases like Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis.

Colorectal cancers grow very slowly. Most tumors start as small skin-tag like structures called adenomatous polyps that are often no larger than a small berry. It may take 10-15 years for a polyp to grow into an invasive deadly cancer. If detected early, these polyps can be removed, usually during a colonoscopy, thereby preventing any future development of cancer.

The key is to find the cancer while it is small and easily removed. Symptoms of colorectal cancer like abdominal pain and rectal bleeding unfortunately develop very late in the disease. Therefore screening is the only way to detect colorectal cancer in its earliest and most treatable form.

The American Cancer Society recognizes several methods for colorectal cancer screening.

The most reliable screening exam is a colonoscopy. This test allows the physician to directly visualize the entire colon and remove any polyps or biopsy any suspicious lesions using a thin scope.

Other screening options include: occult blood testing, a lab test looking for trace amounts of blood in the stool; flexible sigmoidoscopy, a shorter version of the colonoscopy that screens about a third of the colon; a double-contrast barium X-ray that gives radiologists a snapshot of the entire colon; and virtual colonoscopy which uses computed tomography (CT scanner) to screen for polyps.

These alternate methods, though admittedly more comfortable, do not replace the need for colonoscopy if cancer is suspected. For example, if trace amounts of blood are found in the stool, or if a polyp or suspected cancer is identified by CT or X-ray,

a person would still need to undergo colonoscopy to evaluate the source of bleeding, remove the polyp, or to biopsy the suspected cancer. Furthermore, only colonoscopy can detect polyps when they are very small.

Therefore most experts recommend a full colonoscopy every 10 years for otherwise healthy persons over age 50 or younger persons with a strong family history of colorectal cancer.

There are many options for col-

orectal cancer screening in Alaska. During your next exam, talk to your doctor about colorectal screening especially if you are over age 50, have never been screened, or have a family history of colorectal cancers.

• Little Diomede

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percent EAS program will survive the next time around." Labolle also said that Rep. Foster would try to insert requests for the EAS match in the operating budget amendment for fiscal year 2013 when the legislature meets again.

In the meantime, talks stalled as the city of Little Diomede decided to not pursue the EAS subsidy, Scott Ruby with the Dept. of Commerce said. He is the director of Community and Regional Affairs and said that after a series of meetings with Evergreen, the city of Little Diomede and Kawerak, Little Diomede withdrew their application for the EAS. "The EAS grant is a matching grant where the feds would pay half of the subsidized cost of an estimated \$400,000 for weekly flight a year," Ruby explained. "The regional partners would pay the rest, it has to be cash upfront and because of the logistics involved, the city council was not willing to commit the funds," Ruby said.

"Diomede feels that it has adequate service now and chose not to pursue the EAS grant," Ruby said that the discussion could reopen anytime, but until Diomede is willing to apply for the EAS subsidy, the state has no further involvement in the matter.

Little Diomede Mayor Dora Ahkinga, in a short cell phone conversation (with a bad connection that eventually broke) with *The Nome Nugget*, confirmed that Diomede is satisfied with the air service as is

Ahkinga was stranded in Wales en route to Little Diomede.

Long-term solutions don't seem to be on the horizon.

"We're spinning our wheels," said a frustrated Melanie Bahnke as the state withdrew its involvement. After writing letters to Governor Parnell, she asked the state for a 50 percent match for the EAS subsidy or securing passenger services via other mechanisms. Senator Mark Begich sent a letter to Governor Sean Parnell with the same request. The state offered technical assistance, but it took emails from Bahnke to the state in December 2009, April 2010 and June 2010 asking the same question: "Where are we with this?" When passenger service stopped altogether in June 2010 she helped draft an emergency declaration that wasn't acted upon.

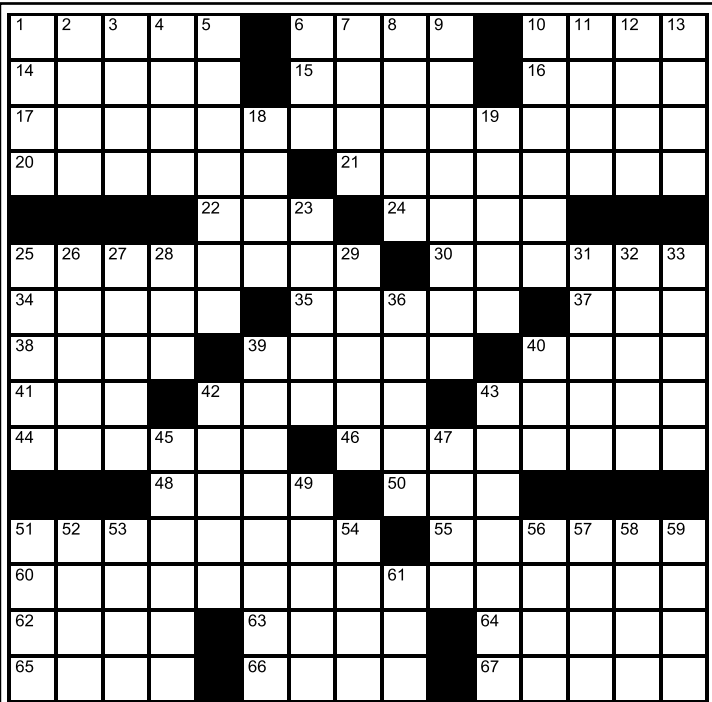
From her perspective, it's not just a quality of life issue but the travel impediments hinder services to be provided to Diomede. "Of all the communities we serve, Little Diomede is the least served," Bahnke said.

With only sketchy once-a-week service, Diomede gets no visits from providers. "As soon as the ice runway forms we hit Diomede with providers," Bahnke said. And Diomeders hesitate to leave the island for professional training for fear of having a hard time to return. Patients returning from a trip to the doctor may get to Wales, but then it's either waiting for the helicopter or catching an uncomfortable ride on a skiff across the channel. Bahnke said

just recently a young mother and her newborn baby made it from Nome to Wales but then took a boat to the island – a dangerous ride that visiting, well-heeled adventurers undertake with high-tech equipment and sponsor stickers on their survival suits.

According to Bahnke, the 50 percent match would amount to \$186,000. "That is a petty amount of funding in comparison to the amount of funding that the State of Alaska provides to subsidize the ferry system in Southeast Alaska,"

she told Rep. Foster during a recent constituent meeting. While the world discusses the possibilities of an ice free Arctic Ocean in the summer and increased shipping and transportation or oil and gas developments, the one community that sits at the chokepoint of the Bering Strait, Little Diomede, seems to be on the dark side of the moon when it comes to just the basics: getting off and back onto the rock.



- Across**
- 1. Romulus' twin
 - 6. Asian nurse
 - 10. Light bulb unit
 - 14. Blatant
 - 15. ____ a one
 - 16. ____ vera
 - 17. Tobacco wrappers (2 wd)
 - 20. Go this way and that
 - 21. Easiest to reach
 - 22. Napoleon, e.g.
 - 24. Booty
 - 25. To a small extent
 - 30. Three-legged hot dish support
 - 34. Star bursts
 - 35. Cliffside dwelling
 - 37. 1969 Peace Prize grp.
 - 38. Battery contents
 - 39. Montezuma, e.g.
 - 40. Mint
 - 41. Mamie's man
 - 42. Draft holder
 - 43. Fire extinguishing agent
 - 44. Inferior
 - 46. Existing independently
 - 48. New Mexico art community
 - 50. 1999 Pulitzer Prize-winning play
 - 51. Kings, e.g.
 - 55. Commonplace
 - 60. Technique using unpleasant stimuli to alter behavior (2 wd)
 - 62. Circular, domed portable tent
 - 63. "How ____!"
 - 64. Object
 - 65. Andy's radio partner
 - 66. Burglar
 - 67. Mideast native

- Down**
- 1. Enormous birds of myth
 - 2. "... there is no ____ angel but Love": Shakespeare
 - 3. Prefix with phone
 - 4. ____-Altaic languages
 - 5. Stanza with irregular lines
 - 6. Amazon, e.g.
 - 7. Algebra or trig
 - 8. "He's ____ nowhere man" (Beatles lyric) (2 wd)
 - 9. Mesmerizing
 - 10. Yellowstone sight
 - 11. On the safe side, at sea
 - 12. High spots
 - 13. Makeup, e.g.
 - 18. Give off, as light
 - 19. Dig, so to speak
 - 23. Pottery finish
 - 25. Creeper
 - 26. John ____, English philosopher
 - 27. Harvard, Yale, Brown, etc.
 - 28. "Crikey!"
 - 29. Abominable snowmen
 - 41. Kind of concerto
 - 32. "Four Quartets" poet
 - 33. 1,000 kilograms
 - 36. Extend, in a way
 - 39. Act of extreme cruelty
 - 40. "Wheels"
 - 42. ____ Tower, now Willis Tower
 - 43. Intense dislikes
 - 45. Commences
 - 47. Core
 - 49. Beach
 - 51. Poet Angelou
 - 52. Egg
 - 53. "I, Claudius" role
 - 54. Like a bug in a rug
 - 56. Carbamide
 - 57. Foot
 - 58. Cowboy boot attachment
 - 59. "____ Breckinridge"
 - 61. Two-year-old sheep

Last week's answers

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CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Your drive for perfection makes everyone bonkers. Ease up, Capricorn, and make allowances for those who aren't as ambitious. A special treat arrives.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Affairs of the heart take precedence above all else this week, Aries. Take steps to ensure those special people know how much they mean to you.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Words elude you this week, Cancer. You must act on your impulses and show people you mean business. A friend needs a sounding board.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

Wait too long, Libra, and you might as well forget it. Stop pussyfooting around and get busy. Sacrifices at work will pay off big in the end.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

Be true to yourself, Aquarius. You've been trying way too hard to be something you're not, and it isn't working. A small act of kindness paves the way for a lifelong friendship.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Tsk, tsk, Taurus. You lose your cool at home, and chaos ensues. Give the fire some time to die down before you start making amends. Your wildest dreams will come true!

LEO
July 23–August 22

Oh, Leo. Change is on the horizon. You will benefit, as long as you are willing. A financial fluke turns out in your favor. Be grateful and spread the word.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

Take it easy, Scorpio. People are not standing in your way like you think. They are just concerned and are letting you know that. Listen, but don't let their words get in the way of your achievement.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Give an inch, Pisces, and your family will take a mile. Step up, be firm and make your message clear. Time is precious at work. Guard yours carefully.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

Some things are just not possible, Gemini. Be more realistic, aim a little lower and you will accomplish more than you expected. A romance heats up.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Candor from a friend takes you aback, Virgo, but on second thought, you know what they said is true. You're losing out on a good thing, and you shouldn't have to.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Your emotional side comes out. Don't worry, Sagittarius. No one will think anything less of you for a few tears of joy. A labor of love begins.

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Obituaries

Frederick Peter "Ipnuk" Kowchee

Frederick Peter "Ipnuk" Kowchee was born July 28, 1933 to Joseph and Jennie Kowchee. He died July 31, 2011 just three days after his 76th birthday, surrounded by his wife Rose Kowchee and sister-in-law Chunky (Evelyn) Yeoman and great-granddaughter, Sienna Kowchee.

Fred graduated from Mt. Edgecombe High School and joined the Army upon completion of high school. While in the Army he was stationed in Germany for a short period of time.

He married Rose Henry on January 28, 1961 in White Mountain and they had eight children: Jerry, Ronald (in memory), June, Charles, Maggie, Jeannette, David, and Wendy (adopted).

After moving to Nome, Fred worked for the City of Nome and then for the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation from which he retired. After he retired, he spent several winters in Anchorage and summers in Nome and at fish camp.

Fred is survived by his wife, Rose and children Jerry of Kenai, June (Wayne) of Cordova, Charles (Diane) of Nome, Maggie (Chris) Negus of Willow, Jeannette (Loren)

Earnshaw of Anchorage, David (Cheryl) of Nome, and Wendy of Anchorage. Fred is survived by his brother, Joseph Jr., and sisters Lois Larsen and Joleen Fagundes. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and many extended family members who loved him dearly.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Jennie Kowchee, brothers Pete, Ralph, John, Albert and twin sister Janet, and his son, Ronald "Brother."

Fred loved his subsistence lifestyle with hunting and fishing providing for his family. At time of passing, he was doing what he loved most, traveling to prepare and gather his subsistence fish for the winter for his family.

Cherish your memories of him and remember him as we will, a good, loving, caring son, husband, brother, father, cousin, uncle, grandpa, great-grandpa and a devoted friend to many.

Mary Katchatag

Mary Katchatag, a believer in our Lord Jesus Christ, faithful wife, beloved mother, cherished grand-

mother and loyal friend died on August 25, 2011.

Mary Katchatag was born to the late Willie and Hilda Takak on December 8, 1932 at Moses Point. Her parents eventually moved to Shaktoolik where she was raised. When Mary met Clarence he had just gotten out of the Army and was traveling between Unalakleet and Shaktoolik. They later married on May 25, 1953 in Unalakleet. Together they had nine children including Morris whom they adopted and raised as their own.

Although Mary completed her education only to the third grade, she excelled in her job as health aide. She was a volunteer health aide along with her late husband Clarence (who also served as a State Trooper and VPSO). Together, they worked as a team and did their best. In 1970, Mary and her brother William Takak, Sr. "Abbee" were among 19 people who founded the NSHC Village Health Aide Program. During her years of service, she received several awards and certificates. Mary was always there when an emergency occurred; she made sure all her patients were seen and treated.

Mary lived a subsistence way of

life. She enjoyed gathering native foods with her husband Clarence, Hannah, Carrie, Dan and her baby sister Ella. Mary had fond memories of all their outings together. Many times she came home with good stories to tell. Stories that would make folks laugh as hard as she did. Mary always made sure she had enough native foods for her whole family.

Mary is survived by her children Monroe and Edna, Van and Karen, Timothy, Clarence Jr. and Carrie, Helen and Ed, Colleen and Todd, Albert and Beverly, Charlotte and Mike, and Morris and Esther. She is survived by her brothers William Takak Sr., Oscar Takak and Gabe Takak Sr. Also by her sisters Clara Sookiayak, Lorena Paniptchuk, Marion Aukon, Ella Agibinik and Ellen Katchatag, and numerous grand and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents Willie and Hilda Takak, husband Clarence Katchatag Sr., daughter Helga Schrammeck, grandsons Willie and Enoch Katchatag, Edward Eakon and granddaughters Levia and Elaine Rock, and by her daughter-in-law Elaine Katchatag and son-in-law Fred Rock, Sr.

Saying it Sincerely

By Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore
Pastor at Community United Methodist Church
A Member of the Nome Ministerial Association

Scripture: Romans 13:8-10

Our region has experienced much grief over the last several months. It almost seems like more sorrow than anyone of can bear, especially if we try to bear that sorrow all on our own. Over the summer I officiated at several funerals and in the midst of preparation, saw much love and care expressed to the immediate families of the deceased. Friends came from near and far to help in any way they could whether to be a pall bearer, organize the funeral potluck or reception, share something meaningful in the funeral service, provide a meal, answer the phone on behalf of the family, or simply be present, bringing comfort to those who were grieving. This love and care was for me a glimpse of the Kingdom of God in this broken world. As we await Jesus to come again in final victory, there are going to be times of tragedy. Yet in the midst of tragedy, God is present showing us signs of hope as we share love and care with one another.

The last part of Romans 13:9 and beginning of verse 10 say "'Love your neighbor as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbor." Loving our neighbor means that we are always striving to look out for the best interest of our neighbor, even when that neighbor is difficult to love. It means acting in such a way that we do not harm our neighbor. Our neighbor is not necessarily the people who live around us, but also includes anyone in our lives who needs our help. Sometimes our neighbors think like us and look like us, but many times our neighbors are people with whom we disagree and do not look anything like us. Loving our neighbor means creating a space where genuine sharing through conversation can take place - genuine sharing without fear that someone is going to disrespect our deepest thoughts and feelings. We share our stories and experiences not to cast blame, but to bring awareness to others.

With God's help through authentic genuine sharing, perhaps we as a community can discern and discover new and creative solutions to issues facing our communities today. Some pretty unlovable things happen in our communities, but how can we as people of God who love our neighbors bring about change so that we can see more glimpses of the Kingdom of God in our midst? Certainly death and tragedy cannot be the only times when we show love for our neighbors in their time of need. With God's help, may we all seek to love our neighbor as ourselves with the love that does no wrong to a neighbor.



Photo by Diana Haeker

ROTARIANS— The Nome Rotary Club set up the barbecue on Front Street to feed the hungry crowds witnessing the Great Bathtub race. The proceeds benefit the Rotary Club's scholarship program. Pictured are chefs Bertha Koweluk, Ric Schmidt and Sue Greenly.

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 Contact Janice Knowlton, Tribal Coordinator for an application and more information regarding this position. King Island Native Community, PO Box 682 • 706 East 3rd Avenue • Nome, AK 99762 • (907) 443-2209 • Fax (907) 443-8049 • E-mail: jknowlton@kawerak.org
 9/8-15

Real Estate

For Sale @ Nome, AK: Lot w/building des as Block 65, Lots 8 & 9 (except 51/2-W.37' and E. 13') Tax lot 001-231-15, appr size 19ft x 32 ft, sold "as is, no warranty", \$35,000 or better offer. Call Shane (907) 441-0141.
 9/1-8-15-22-29

SALE — Large House 120 West 3rd Ave with garage or can be possible duplex. 4 bedrooms 2 and half bathrooms 2 kitchens Appraised at \$365 three years ago. **Walk in with \$30K in equity!** Priced at \$335 Call Dave at (907) 304-1379 or Lucille at (907) 304-1218 for any questions.
 9/1-11n

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

Alaska Commercial Company Teams with 4-H and The Cooperative Extension with the University of Alaska Fairbanks to Support Youth Across Alaska



Come On Down and help Alaska Commercial Company support the youth of Alaska. On September 10th AC is supporting the 4-H Organization, a Cooperative Extension of UAF, through the purchase of livestock at the Alaska State Fair's. Education, Alaska Grown Agriculture, Healthy Living and Positive Character Building are some of the Core Values shared by both AC and 4-H. Join us at AC, and support 4-H Youth. Check out our Black Angus, Alaska grown beef in our meat department and support this community program. Supporting Organizations that enrich our communities.

Seawall

8/31
 Charlene Ellanna, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Felony Probation.
 9/1
 Kevin Miller, 57, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence and Refusal to Submit to a Breath Test.
 Justine Adams, 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
 April James, 48, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.
 Adam Queenie, 62, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass.

John Penetac, 46, received a citation for Open Container.
 9/2
 Two Nome juveniles received citations for Minor in Possession of Tobacco.
 9/3
 Joann Kaningok, 46, received a citation for Open Container.
 Matthew Foy, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
 9/4
 Carolyn Ahkvaluk, 36, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.
 Herman Seetook, 18, received a citation for Minor

Consuming Alcohol.
 Scott Walker, 36, received a citation for Open Container.
 9/5
 Doreen Lockwood, 36, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
 Shelby Mruk, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4th, Domestic Violence.
 Elvin Topkok, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation
 During this period we had eight (8) persons taken to the hospital/AMCC for Title 47 Hold.

Trooper Beat

On August 27, Nome WAANT received a tip that Mayleen Ivanoff, 23, of Elim, might have something illegal in her luggage. Investigation revealed that she had 1050.3 grams of marijuana concealed in her luggage. On August 29, an arrest warrant was granted and she was arrested in Elim, as she was attempting to flee the village on a plane. Ivanoff was transported to Nome and booked into AMCC. The street value of the marijuana in Elim, is about \$52,515.

On August 29, Nome WAANT contacted an adult female traveling to Shaktoolik, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, two 750ml bottles and two 375ml bottles of alcohol were seized from her luggage. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA for prosecution. Shaktoolik is a local option community that voted to ban the sale and importation of alcohol.

On August 29, Unalakleet AST received a report that John Shelikoff, 19, of St Michael had driven a 4-wheeler recklessly and had almost hit the St Michael VPO with the four-wheeler. On August 29, a warrant was obtained for Shelikoff, he was arrested and transported to Nome and lodged at AMCC on charges of Assault in the Third Degree and Reckless Driving.

On August 30, Nome WAANT investigated a postal parcel seized on August 20, that was headed to an adult female in Savoonga. Investigation revealed person(s) unknown sent 109.8 grams of marijuana in the parcel. Suspects have been identified and the investigation continues.

On August 31, Nome WAANT contacted an adult male at the Nome Post Office. Incident to contact, 30.5 grams of marijuana was seized from his mail parcel. Investigation continues and

charges will be forwarded to the Nome DAO.

On August 31, at 3:45 p.m. the Alaska State Troopers received a report of a Domestic Violence Protective Order violation. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Colin Kulukhon-Lincoln, 27, of Nome, for DVPO violation. Kulukhon-Lincoln was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

On August 31, Nome WAANT received a tip that an adult male from Elim, was traveling to Elim with alcohol. Incident to contact, three 750 ml bottles of alcohol and one 1 liter bottle of alcohol was seized from his luggage. Elim is a local option community that voted to ban the sale and importation of alcohol. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA.

Legals

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-11-185C1
Notice of Petition to Change Name
 A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case No: 2KB-11-185C1) 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

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.

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

NOTICE OF SALE Trustee, Alaska Trustee, LLC will sell realty for cash to the highest bidder at the Main entrance to the Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street on October 10, 2011, at 10:00 AM with other sales that may be conducted. Proceeds will apply to the Deed of Trust naming Hatto Eberl, Trustor, Hatto Eberl, Record Owner, recorded on November 27, 2006 under Reception No. 2006-001861-0, Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, Alaska, describing: (Parcel No. 1) Lot 25A, Block 66, Plat 86-4, which is more correctly described as: Lot 25A, Block 66 of the replat of the portion of Block 66, NOME TOWNSITE, according to the plat filed January 3, 1986 as Plat Number 86-4; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska (Parcel No. 2) Lot 4A Block 88, Plat 84-5; which is more correctly described as: Lot 4A, Block 88 of NOME, ALASKA TOWNSITE, according to the plat filed May 14, 1984 as Plat Number 84-5; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska (Parcel No. 3) Lot 5A, Block 88, Plat 84-5; which is more correctly described as: Lot 5A, Block 88 of NOME, ALASKA TOWNSITE, according to the plat filed May 14, 1984 as Plat Number 84-5; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska (Parcel No. 4) Lot 5A, Block 92, Plat 82-16 and

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Alaska Job Center Network
Where people and jobs connect.

The Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development employment and training program is committed to providing free employment and job training assistance to help you obtain and maintain employment. If you are interested in upgrading your current job skills or train in a particular field please contact the Nome Job Center at (800) 478-2626 ext 9355 to determine if you are eligible for services. Please apply early to avoid training delays.

This ad has been paid for with federal and state training funds.

We are an equal opportunity employer/program.
 Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

9/8-15-22



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CITY OF NOME
PUBLIC NOTICE

O-11-08-01 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE BUILDING LOCATED AT LOT 12C, BLOCK 93 505 BERING STREET KNOWN AS THE AMBULANCE GARAGE

This ordinance had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on August 22nd, 2011 at 5:30 PM and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **September 12th, 2011 at 5:30 PM** in Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk.

9/1, 9/8

Bering Strait School District is required by federal and state law (34 CFR 300.220.34 CFR 300.121) to conduct an annual “Child Find” effort as a means to locate, identify and evaluate every student with a suspected disability or giftedness within its jurisdiction.

Eligible students are entitled to a free and appropriate education, including specially designed individualized instruction for disabled students between the ages of 3 and 21. This law applies to EVERY eligible child, regardless of the severity of the disability and assures confidentiality procedures are followed.

If you suspect that your child has a disability (emotional, mental or physical) and does not receive Special Education services, contact the principal or the special education teacher in your village.

Disabilities that qualify for Special Education services include:

Autism, Deaf/Blind, Developmentally Delayed, Emotionally Disturbed, Hearing Impaired, Learning Disabled, Mentally Retarded, Multiple Disabilities, Other Health Impaired, Orthopedically Impaired, Speech/ Language, Traumatic Brain Injury, Visually Impaired

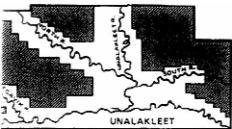
For more information, please contact your school OR Rebecca Concilus, BSSD Child Find Coordinator at: Bering Strait School District Special Education Department P.O. Box 225, Unalakleet, AK 99684 (907) 624-4278

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(Parcel No. 5) Lot 4A, Block 92, Plat 82-16; which are more correctly described as: Lots 4A and 5A, Block 92 of NOME TOWNSITE, according to the plat filed December 30, 1982 as Plat Number 82-16; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska (Parcel No. 5) Lot 8A, Block 30, Plat 97-3; which is more correctly described as: Lot 8A, Block 30 of replat of Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and the North 1/2 of Lot 10 excepting the East 25 feet thereof, NOME TOWNSITE, according to the plat filed April 19, 1997 Plat Number 97-3; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, a/k/a 206 East King Place, 309 A, B & C E. 6th Ave, 204 Tobuk Alley, 211 QA & B W. 2nd Ave, Nome, AK 99762. \$311,082.11 is due, plus interest, advances, etc. Go to alaskatrustee.com or usa-foreclosure.com for status. 9/8-15-22-29

NOTICE OF SALE Trustee, Alaska Trustee, LLC will sell realty for cash to the highest bidder at the Main entrance to the Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street on November 1, 2011, at 10:00 AM with other sales that may be conducted. Proceeds will apply to the Deed of Trust naming Hatto H. Eberl, Trustor, Hatto Eberl, Record Owner, recorded on October 03, 2007 under Reception No. 2007-001705-0, Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, Alaska, describing: Block 66, Lot 38A, NOME TOWNSITE; Records of the Cape Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, also known as: Lot 38A, Block 66, TOWNSITE OF NOME, according to the plat filed January 3, 1986 as Plat Number 86-4; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, a/k/a 407 Steadman Street, Nome, AK 99762. \$47,300.00 is due, plus interest, advances, etc. Go to alaskatrustee.com or usa-foreclosure.com for status. 9/8-15-22-29



Unalakleet Native Corporation
P.O. Box 100
Unalakleet, Alaska 99684

Unalakleet Native Corporation

To the Unalakleet Native Corporation Shareholders:

Nomination forms are now available for shareholders interested in running for a two (2) year term for the Board of Directors. Closing date is 3rd of October 2011. Please write to Box 100 or call at (907) 624-3411 to request a nomination form.

Unalakleet Native Corporation
P.O. Box 100
Unalakleet, Alaska 99684
PH: # (907) 624-3411 * FAX: # (907) 624-3833

9/1-8-15-22-29

Norton Sound Health Corporation
Request for Qualifications



Project: Norton Sound Replacement Hospital
Deadline for Qualification Entries: 9/28/2011

I. Solicitation

Norton Sound Health Corporation. (NSHC) is soliciting qualifications from artists to commission three pieces of art for the Nome replacement hospital project. Qualifications may consist of photographs of previous work, a resume, or any other two dimensional material which accurately illustrates the artist's style, including preferred mediums.

II. Background and Project Summary

Norton Sound Health Corporation operates an existing 18 bed secondary care hospital serving the entire Norton Sound region. The Indian Health Service (IHS) determined the existing hospital facility is beyond its useful life and in need of replacement. Final planning documents for a new replacement hospital were approved by IHS in 2006 and construction is now underway. The new hospital is on the east side of Nome, approximately two miles from the existing facility. Inpatient, outpatient, and variety of support services will move to the new hospital. Construction will be complete in late 2012.

The project budget includes \$533,000 for art in the new hospital. Working with the project architect, Kumin and Associates, Inc., (KAI), the NSHC art committee has identified locations for art throughout the facility. Art will consist of transferred pieces from the existing facility, donated work, purchased art from the local community, and commissioned art. This RFQ process is only for the commissioned work.

Listed below are the three areas in the building where commissioned work will be located:

1. The first location is above the ground level lobby. An open atrium spanning to the underside of level two offers an idyllic location for a hanging piece. Additional support steel will be installed above the ceiling to increase configuration options.

2. The second location is on the North wall of the first floor shared waiting. Three adjacent open walls separated by doorways provide approximately 650 square feet of surface area for customized artwork. Above ceiling electrical J-boxes have been installed to facilitate the addition of accent lighting as needed.

3. The third location is on the North wall of the second floor shared waiting in front of the cafeteria. This area provides approximately 300 square feet of highly visible wall space. Above ceiling electrical J-boxes have been installed to facilitate the addition of accent lighting as needed.

III. Selection Process

Submitted qualifications will be reviewed by the NSHC art committee to determine a list of finalists. Those artists selected as finalists, will receive written direction to submit a specific proposal outlining their design concept. Finalists will have 1 month to develop proposals. The NSHC art committee will review the proposals and select three commissioned pieces. Formal contracts will be awarded to the artists within 30 days following selection. Reference paragraph XI of this RFQ for timeline with specific dates.

IV. Selection Criteria

Artists will be selected to develop proposals based on:

1. Artistic Merit as evidenced by representation of relevant past work.
2. Appropriateness of the artist's medium, style and previous experience in relation to the project goals and setting.

V. Submittals

To be considered, offerors must deliver qualifications to the address below, on or before the deadline, and in the number of copies indicated below. This is not a postmark deadline.

Deadline: Qualifications will be accepted until Wednesday, September 28th, 2011 at 4:00 PM.

Address Responses:

(Via USPS mail) - NSHC, c/o Michele Woods, P.O. Box 966 Nome, AK 99762

(Hand delivery) - NSHC, c/o Michele Woods, 306 W. 5th Ave Nome, AK 99762

Mark Submittals as Follows: Artist Qualifications – NSHC Replacement Hospital

Required Number of Copies: Five (5) copies

All entries accompanied by a self-addressed stamped package, with adequate postage will be returned to the artist.

VI. Courtesy Project Tour

There will be a courtesy hard-hat tour of the project on Friday, September 16th at 2:00 PM. The tour will be through an active construction site; appropriate clothing, including closed-toe foot wear, will be required. Hard hats and safety vests will be provided. The tour group will convene in front of the owner's trailer at 1:50 PM. If you plan to attend the tour, notify Michelle Woods at the project office (907) 443-6769. Tour participation is NOT required to submit qualifications.

VII. Theme

The design team and NSHC board envision a facility housing native art reflective of the entire Norton Sound region. The goal is a body of work which highlights the unique traits of each native subculture, but collectively represents the Norton Sound region as a whole.

VIII. History

The new Norton Sound Regional Hospital, in Nome, is located in the Bering Strait region service area. The Bering Strait region is located on the southern coast of the Seward Peninsula in northwest Alaska, 539 air miles Northwest of Anchorage. The region is home to three distinct cultural groups of Eskimo people with the majority of people living in the traditional Inupiat villages of Shishmaref, Diomed, Brevig Mission, Mary's Igloo, Teller, King Island, Solomon, Council, White Mountain, Golovin, Elim, Koyuk, Shaktoolik, and Unalakleet. The St. Lawrence Island Yupik people live in Gambell and Savoonga and have a distinct culture and dialect referred to as Siberian Yupik. The communities of Golovin and Elim are traditionally Unaliq, which is a branch of Central Yup'ik. Stebbins and St. Michael are Central Yup'ik. There are many other distinctions in the region: All but 1 village, White Mountain, are coastal communities; three of the villages are island communities with distinct island hunting and gathering culture. The Yupik people of St. Lawrence Island have the only Eskimo society that is known to be clan based. The villages of Diomed, Gambell, and Savoonga have direct ties to relatives in the Russian Far East.

IX. Other Requirements

There are no restrictions on style of work or materials, but the work must be sturdy and durable with minimal routine maintenance required. This is a seismic occupancy category 4 area, suspended work must confirm to the IBC 2006 building code.

X. TimeLine

August 22nd, 2011	Issuance of official RFQ to public
September 16th, 2011	Optional artist hard hat tour of site
September 28th, 2011	RFQ deadline, artist qualifications must be received by NSHC
October 12th, 2011	Notices mailed to finalists
November 30th, 2011	Proposal deadline, conceptual designs must be received by NSHC
December 9th, 2011	NSHC sends notification to artists selected for commission
January 11th, 2012	Contracts between NSHC and artists executed
November, 2012	Installation of art in the new facility begins

XI. Additional information

Requests for additional information may be directed to Nick Francis at the project office. The telephone number is (907) 443-6769; the fax number (907) 443-6227.

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Alyce Martin Sly and Kenneth Sly

Nome Nugget,
We enjoyed a wonderful visit to Nome in July. Not much has changed from when I was a child, except the Glue Pot is gone! I have such good memories of my grandpa Frank Martin taking me there.

I thought you might be interested in our story for your newspaper. Some of the information we got from The Nome Nugget, June 14, 1939.

While in Nome we enjoyed feasting on king crab (twice!). Our mother's first cousin Girly (Catherine Dickson) steamed them for us — delicious!

We also enjoyed having hundreds of old pictures our Mom had, with relatives in Nome and leaving items, pictures with relatives to be donated to the Carrie

M. McLain Memorial Museum in Nome.

I have great memories of Nome that keep drawing me back.

Thank you,
Suzanne Johansen
Indianapolis, IN 46237

Nome native Alyce Martin Sly and her husband Kenneth Sly have come full circle from where their romance began.

This love story started on June 13, 1939 when the *S.S. Columbia* arrived in Nome carrying 18-year-old Kenny Sly, a recent graduate from South High School, Salt Lake City, Utah. Young Kenny came to Nome to join his older brother and his wife, Howard and Lois Sly for a new adventure, with plans to work to earn money for college.

Sixteen-year-old Alyce Martin was in the Nome Brass Band who were given a joyride out to greet the



Kenny Sly, Alyce Martin Sly and her father, Frank Martin.

Photo Courtesy of Suzanne Johansen

steamer on one of the Lomen Lighterage Barges. Dispensing music coming and going for the passengers and crew of the ship, Alyce recalled seeing a tall, dark, handsome lad standing aboard the ship. Their eyes met, they held a brief gaze, and later that evening at a

dance hosted by Nome for the incoming steamer the young couple met. The rest is history.

Alyce, one of 10 children born to Frank and Lucy (Uttuna) Martin of Cape Nome, and Ken started dating. Due to a very strict French Canadian father, they were always chaperoned

until February 1941 when Alyce turned 18 years old. On October 3, 1941 the couple was married in Nome. This union lasted 56 years until Ken died July 7, 1995 in Tooele, Utah.

During their marriage, the couple

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Federal Subsistence Meeting

The public is invited.

September 21–22 starting at 8:30 a.m.
in Nome at the Aurora Inn Conference Room

The **Seward Peninsula Subsistence Regional Advisory Council** will meet to discuss subsistence hunting and trapping proposals and other issues related to subsistence in the Seward Peninsula Region. For more information, contact Alex Nick (907) 543-1037 or 800-621-5804 ext. 257.

For meeting materials or more information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program visit: <http://alaska.fws.gov/asm/home.html>

If you need special accommodations for disabilities, such as sign language interpretation, please contact Alex Nick by September 16.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NSHC 41st ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING & JOINT KAWERAK & NSHC MEETING

“Continuing To Improve Health & Caring In Our Region”

Notice is hereby given that the Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) 41st Annual Board of Directors is scheduled to meet **September 19-21, 2011** at the Pioneer Hall located on 110 Front Street in Nome, Alaska from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The Joint Norton Sound Health Corporation & Kawerak Board of Directors meeting is scheduled to meet **September 22-23, 2011** at the Mini Convention Center located on 409 River Street in Nome, Alaska from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Portions of the meeting may be conducted in executive session. The public is invited to attend the meetings. Testimony from the public may be limited. Members of the public wishing to receive information or a copy of the agenda may contact the Administration Office at (907) 443-3226 as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours before the meeting so that arrangements may be made.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in the meeting, please contact (907) 443-3226 as soon as possible, but no later than three days before the meeting to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

9/8-9/15

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.

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Lucy 'Uttuana' Martin is shown holding a baby. The photo was taken in 1909 on Little Diomed Island.

• Alyce Martin Sly and Kenneth Sly

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lived in Nome, where Ken enlisted in the Army Air Corps, which relocated them to Fairbanks for the duration of WWII. After the War, Alyce and Ken opened and operated several businesses in Fairbanks. Their union produced three children, Suzanne (1943) and Kenneth Frank (1947), both born in Fairbanks, and Jim (1953) who was born in Salt Lake City where the family moved to get out of the harsh elements of Alaska in 1953. This move took them to Tooele, Utah where they spent the remainder of their life together.

In Tooele, Ken owned and operated A & K Meat Packing Plant and Alyce worked as a bookkeeper for a building supply company. In the early 1960s Ken gave up his butchering job for a Government job at Dugway Proving Grounds. He retired from Dugway in 1985, and Alyce retired in 1987.

Retirement took them into the last phase of their life together. The couple spent five months of every winter in El Centro, California enjoying their passion for travel and gold and relaxing with their many friends.

After Ken died in 1995, Alyce was able to remain in her home in Tooele with the help of her children. Sue lived close until 2003, and Frank lived with her tending to her needs as she aged. Jim and his family visited often and took her to Boise for lots of fun-filled visits, and after Sue moved Alyce looked forward to the lengthy visits to wherever Sue was living. These holidays took her to many great places, Texas, Florida, and Indianapolis where in October of 2009 she moved in with Suzanne.

Alyce's last year was filled with lots of love and attention from her two granddaughters, Darci Pederson and Kensly Martinez, and from four of her great grandchildren, Devri and Cole Pederson and Sly and Dax Martinez along with their dogs Cooper, Lucky, and Cheyenna. She also enjoyed the visits from her sons Frank and Jim, her nephew Tom Knudson (sister Ida's son) and many friends.

The hardest part of leaving her home was she also had to leave behind her best friend and beloved sister Lillian Martin Magee. The two sisters growing older and both with health concerns were now each living with family members. Lillian lost her only child Carole Jean to breast cancer in 2003. Carole Jean's son Jason Copley and his wife Natalie and their five children took her into their home in West Jordan, Utah and lovingly cared for her. She also got much joy from being around her beautiful great-grandchildren.

Alyce and Lillian were able to Skype back and forth during this time apart, really getting a kick out of the new technology of being able to see each other and talk to each other over the computer, a far cry from living with outhouses and taking turns bathing in a big vat in the middle of the kitchen floor and trav-

eling around by dogsled, as they did while they were young.

Alyce died October 26, 2010 at the home of her daughter Suzanne in Indianapolis, Indiana, with her son Frank and granddaughter Kensly holding her in their arms. Lillian passed away soon after on February 7, 2011 at the home of her grandson Jason in West Jordan, Utah, with her niece Suzanne by her side. Lillian was the last of the 10 Martin children to depart this world.

A memorial was held for Alyce in her hometown of Tooele, Utah on May 14, 2011, and on July 13, 2011 her children Suzanne, Frank and Jim traveled to Nome to scatter the ashes of their parents Alyce and Ken Sly back to where it all began for them, where the River Dock of the Lomen Commercial Company used to be.

On the beautiful morning of July 16, 2011 their children were joined by some family members from Nome in strewing the ashes of their parents into their mother's beloved Bering Sea. Helping in the ceremony were cousin Catherine "Girly"

Dickson, cousin Guy Martin and his wife Blue, their children Jacob, Krystal and Katherine and her daughter, aunt Laura Martin and cousin Mike Cannon. It was a glorious day! They said, "Kenny and Alyce our lovely Eskimo mother, have come full circle."

Family information: parents father Frank R. Martin, a/k/a Raoul Gauthier (changed his name after arriving in Nome because nobody could pronounce it), arrived in Nome at age 16 during the Gold Rush in 1896 after running away from home in Montreal, Canada because his parents were planning on putting him into the priesthood. He married Lucy "Uttuana" (born on Little Diomed, sister of Joe Amarok) on October 1, 1917.

Their children: Ida Martin Knudson (Nome's "Queen of the Trail," April 1929), Stanley Martin, Albert Martin, Phillip Martin, Alyce Martin Sly, Lillian Martin Magee, Anthony Martin, Francis Martin Bunker, Frankie Martin (Laura, Nome), and James Martin (Tobuk).



Frank Martin, Nome, Alaska. He went from gold miner to a fur trader and also worked as a carpenter.



Lucy (Uttuana) Martin. Nome, Alaska around 1909.

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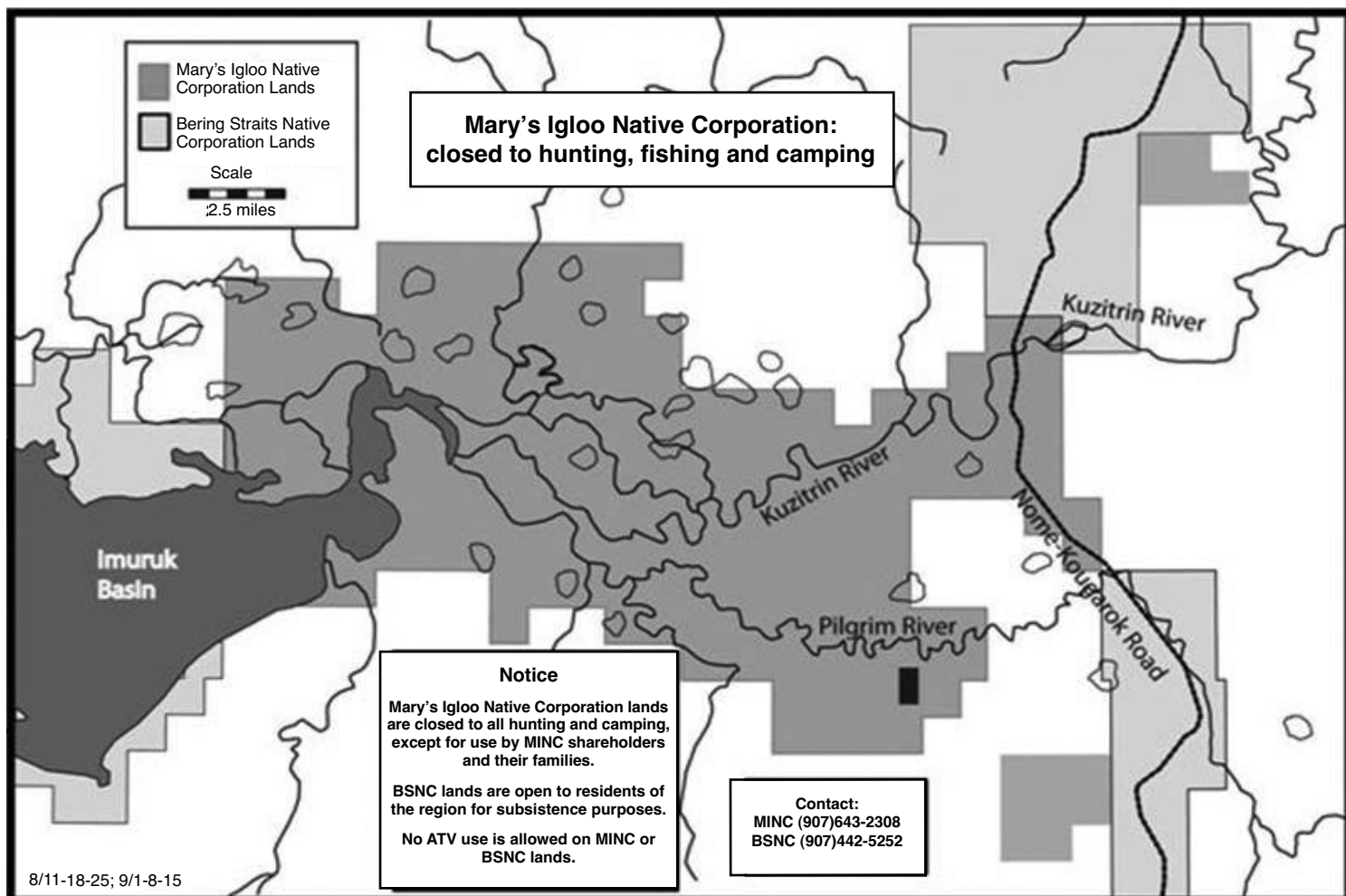




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FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL — Makayla Komok-Iyapana is fascinated with the kitchen area in Janet Balice’s 3-4 year old class room during the first day of Headstart last week.



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ARTIST — Nome artist Sue Steinacher, left, signed posters of her painting “Akpiks & Imuruk” at the Nome Trading Post on Labor Day. Steinacher’s painting was chosen from a pool of 110 piece submitted by 44 Alaskan artists for the annual AlaskaOne poster, benefiting the public radio and television network that includes KUAC Fairbanks, KYUK Bethel and KTOO Juneau. KUAC and AlaskaOne director of Development Gretchen Gordon sits to the right.

Court

Week ending 9/2
Civil
Capital One Bank (USA) NA vs. Bauman, Brent A.; Debt - District Court
Kakaruk, Irene J. vs. Iyapana, Eric Tommy; Petition for Custody - Superior Court
Nassuk, Stacy vs. Cross, Jamone; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children

Small Claims
No current claims on file.

Criminal
State of Alaska v. Danny W. Aukon, Jr. (5/31/60); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 001: Manslaughter—Death Not Murder 1 Or 2; Count 003: DUI- Alcohol Or Contr Subst; Count 005: Leave Accident w/o Assisting Injured; Date of offenses: 9/6/09; The following were dismissed pursuant to Criminal rule 43(a): Count 002: Tamper Witness 1- Influence Testimony; Count 004: Lv Scene Of Accid – Involve Injury/Death; Date of offenses: 9/6/09; Plea: Not Guilty; Trial: Jury; Count 001: 11 years, 4 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Count 003: See Separate DUI judgment issued 12/10/10; Count 005: 3 years, 0 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served consecutive to count 001 and 003 in this case; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: Count 001: \$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 10 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.
State of Alaska v. Dwayne Ahkvaluk (10/12/87); Count 002: Assault 4°; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: count 3 (003), (count 1 already dismissed); Binding Plea Agreement; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days 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 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 8/26/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol.
State of Alaska v. Logan Mosquito (12/2/90); 2NO-10-637CR Order Suspending Imposition of Sentence and Providing For Probation; Count 001: Burglary 2; Date of offense: 10/15/10; The following charges were dismissed: Count 002: Criminal Mischief 2; Count 003: furnish Alcohol To Minor; Date of offenses: 10/15/10; Defendant came before the court on 8/30/11 with counsel, Joshua Fannon (OPA), and the DA John Earth-

man 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 ORDREED that the sentencing of the defendant is suspended for a period of Two (2) Years and the defendant is placed on probation to the Department of Corrections under the conditions of probation listed below; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and that the defendant apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend every year in which defendant is a resident eligible for a dividend until the restitution is paid in full; The Restitution Judgment will continue to be civilly enforceable after the period of probation expires and after any set-aside of the conviction in this case; Criminal Rule 32.6(i); Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court within 10 days: \$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; Special Condition of Probation – Imprisonment: Shall serve the following term of imprisonment: Time Served; General and Other Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; 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; Probation expires 8/30/13; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.
State of Alaska v. Logan Mosquito (12/2/90); 2NO-11-31CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4-Police Officer; Filed by the DAs Office 8/30/11.
State of Alaska v. Peter Waghiyi (8/19/63); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 001: AS04.11.010(a)(fel): Sell Alcohol w/o License – Dry Area; Date of offense: 1/12/11; Count 001: 18 months, 14 months suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court the following surcharge within 10 days: Count 001: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant’s probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED that the defendant be placed at Seaside Center; IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 7 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.
State of Alaska v. Dylon Lott (9/1/88); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 001: Contrld Substc 2- Manuf/Deliv IA; Date of offense: 2/10/11; The following charges were dismissed pursuant to Criminal rule 43(a): Count 002: MICS 3-Deliver/Poss w/Intent IIA, IIIA; Date of offense: 2/14/11; Count 001: 5 years, 2.5 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court the following surcharge within 10 days: Count 001: \$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 FURTHER ORDERED that the drugs, and evidence that were seized in this case are Forfeited to the State; The Buy Money Totaling \$345.00 is to b paid back to the State; IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED that an Interstate Transfer be completed; IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 2 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.
State of Alaska v. Marlene Cannon (4/29/81); Dismissal; Count I: No Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance; Filed by the DAs Office 8/31/11.
State of Alaska v. Vincent Kavairlook (7/7/76); Importation of Alcohol; Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 90 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Fine: \$3000 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$3000 through Nome Trial Courts by 9/1/12; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due not 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 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 8/30/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Alcohol assessment by 11/1/11; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare up to 30 days residential treatment.
State of Alaska v. George Kelcey Dan (8/27/85); Count 001: Assault 4°; DV; Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: count 002, 003 (count 1 already dismissed); Binding Plea Agreement; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days 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 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 8/26/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol.
State of Alaska v. Aaron Tom (2/15/78); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110009403; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 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.

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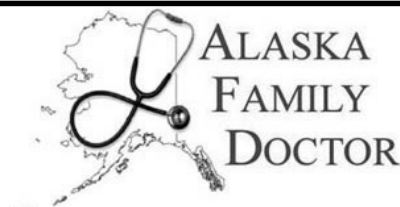
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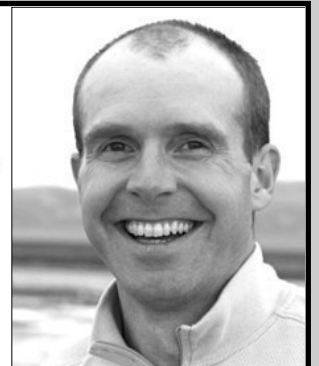
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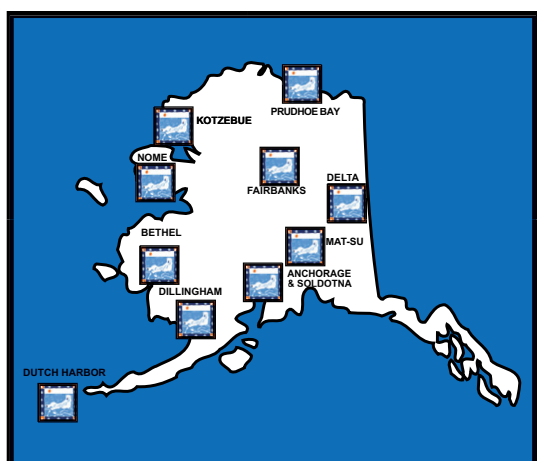
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