



Photo by Nadja Cavin

WEARIN' OF THE GREEN— Saint Patrick made his annual appearance on March 17 for his special day. Buddy O'Kleasik led the parade which was the westernmost event in Paddy's honor. The marchers arrived at the Iditarod finish as musher Hank Debruin entered the chute and dispersed as he was checked in.

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Red Lantern Banquet wraps trail tales of Iditarod XL

By Diana Haecker

The distinction to extinguish the red Widow's Lantern fell to musher Jan Steves. In honor of the last musher and her companion Bob

Chlupach, who crossed the finish line just a few minutes ahead of her, Nome put on a Red Lantern banquet at the Mini Convention Center on Monday evening. This was the first

Red Lantern banquet in a while, as the last mushers in the past few years have finished in time for the official awards banquet held on Sunday.

The least formal of all banquets

associated with the Iditarod, the Red Lantern crowd feasted on the same dinner served as at the awards banquet and in a more intimate setting at the smaller venue and heard stories of the trail that didn't include thank you speeches to sponsors.

It included tales of amazing northern light displays while dog drivers were mushing their teams through the night, it included harrowing tales of rookie Jan Steves and her partner Bob Chlupach trying to untangle their dog teams while a growling moose lay on the trail. It included Lance Mackey's jokes like "I set myself up to get the most improved musher award next year" and more profound observations of not sweating the small stuff like what place he finishes when he is alive and mushing a dog team in the Last Great Race.

Champion Dallas Seavey spoke about a section in the trail between Shaktoolik and Koyuk, where he was trying to run away from the competition. Looking over his shoulder, he noticed first one, then two, then three lights in the distance, closing in on him. He started ski poling, kicking, running alongside the sled and working up a sweat. And those headlights, still gained on him. He said, he had kissed the thought of winning the Iditarod good-bye, wondering how his competition could move along so quick and effortlessly.

Well, after a while, when collapsing exhausted on his sled, he realized that he was trying to run away from two snowmachines that gained on him and passed him leisurely at 15 mph. "Maybe that extra push gave me the advantage and helped me to

put more distance between me and Aliy," Seavey said. His father Mitch, the 2004 Iditarod champion, not as eager to speak in front of a big crowd as his 25-year-old son, said that in this race he finally started to learn how to take care of himself a little bit better. "It's usually all about the dogs, we're on our hands and feet, crawling around the dogs, tending to their feet and needs, but I learned that I can be just as fast and effective taking care of them when I take care of myself," Seavey said.

Mackey, recounting again how his lead dog Maple and her heat cycle interfered with his race, but finding a silver lining in the situation, he said he enjoyed hanging out with a different kind of people in the middle of the pack. That is "until they left me behind!" Mackey said.

He talked about how every dog wanted to breed his Maple along the way and then even a little fox started hanging around the team as it moved through the night. "That little fox was running across the trail in front of us, jumping up and spinning around, coming back and I actually stopped a few times to see how close he would dare to come," Mackey said. The fox continued his antics until Mackey realized, darn it, the little guy put on the show to impress Maple.

Trent Herbst talked about the initial confusion at the start line in Willow, where fans mistook him as Lance Mackey. "They offered me beer, hot dogs, held up signs and cheered me on, until they realized that 'hey, he's not Lance,'" Herbst said.

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Photo by David Head

NOME TAKES THIRD AT STATE—Senior Tyler Eide drives in hard for two against Monroe Catholic School. Sophomore Cass Mattheis is at the ready. See story inside.

Council tackles taxing task

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Common Council is getting ready to ride herd on the existing sales tax ordinance to pull

more into the budget and yet add some exceptions, like taking the 5 percent sales tax off concessions sold by students to raise money for extracurricular activities.

The City's administration has put a draft ordinance on the Council table with the help and guidance of the City's attorney, Brooks Chandler. The document, backed up by more than 40 pages of details, also holds changes in penalties for those who do not turn in reports and render unto Caesar in a timely manner, including a hefty fine and possible jail time for tax evasion.

City Clerk Vanessa Musich said Monday that the measure would not come up for first reading at the next

Council meeting but that Chandler would come to Nome next week for a face-to-face meeting with the administration. Musich foretold that the City would have a public hearing yet to be announced.

The draft ordinance removes the sales tax from services and construction materials for actual use and either consumption or absorption in a construction project for which a building permit has been issued or a construction contract awarded by the state or the state agency, or a sub-contract awarded in connection with the project funded under the construction contract.

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Photo by Diana Haecker

RED LANTERN— Last off the Iditarod trail gets the Red Lantern award and this year the honor went to Edmonds, Washington musher Jan Steves. Steves finished her first Iditarod race in 14 days, 11 hours, 57 minutes and 11 seconds and received the award during the Red Lantern banquet on Monday evening.

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Letters

Dear Editor,

I wanted to make some comments on the process by which the public brings their concerns about Nome Public Schools to the Board and to school administration. As a Board, we want to hear your concerns and compliments. We have several Board Policies that cover the process of how this should be done. The exact methods about how certain concerns and complaints are received and dealt with are spelled out in our Administrative Regulations: AR 1312.1 PUBLIC COMPLAINTS CONCERNING SCHOOL PERSONNEL. These policies are in place to ensure everyone has a voice and can be heard. It is our job as School Board members to bring these concerns forward to administrators. I believe all of NPS Board Members are open to hearing the community's concerns and passing them onto our administrators. A link to the full Board Policy Manuel can be found on the Nome Public School Web site: <http://www.nomeschools.com/>

Now let me talk about what we as a Board can't do: If we receive an anonymous complaint, the Board cannot investigate. The fact that it is

anonymous gives the complaint absolutely no standing. Our Board policy reads: "The School Board places trust in its employees and desires to support their actions in such manner that employees are free from unwarranted, spiteful or negative criticism and complaints." We as a board cannot determine if a criticism we receive may be spiteful, or unwarranted, or even true, if it sent to us anonymously. NPS Board Policy 4030 expresses the Board's mandate that no employee shall be discriminated against or harassed for "good faith reporting to the board on a matter of public concern." I also take this further and believe no community member will be discriminated against for good faith reporting.

I also want to say something about the nature of an anonymous letter. An anonymous letter is meant to prejudice others and hurt the good standing of the person it is aimed at. **People who believe in what they wish to say, will stand up and be accountable.**

Betsy Brennan
Nome Public Schools Board Member

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

Editorial

It's A Wrap

The Red Lantern is in, the Widow's Lantern is doused and Iditarod is wrapped up for 2012. Those of us who have been busy with all the events can now take time to catch our breath and relax, at least for a couple weeks.

The spirit of volunteerism in Nome and the checkpoints along the trail is what makes Iditarod such a success. Basketball, golf, a love of dogs, parades, art shows, craft shows, talent shows and delicious cooking are what give Iditarod its special flavor. It is public employees doing extra shifts, medical personnel working more hours, it's media putting in long hours and volunteers staying the course up and down the trail that make Iditarod a successful event. It is years of experience and planning that make Iditarod happen.

Let's bring Iditarod 2012 to a close with a round of gratitude for the folks whose talent, training and dedication make things happen. Here's looking ahead to Iditarod 2013 — N.L.M.—

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SENATOR DONALD OLSON
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Alaska Native Language Preservation and Advisory Council

The Alaska State Senate passed a bill last week aimed at protecting and restoring Alaska Native Languages, a bill I sponsored. Senate Bill 130 will establish the Alaska Native Language Preservation and Advisory Council to assess the state of Alaska Native Languages, reevaluate the programs within the state, and make recommendations to the Governor and Legislature to establish new programs or reorganize the current programs.

Alaska Native Languages are threatened by extinction. Indigenous languages are the most critical components in terms of preservation of cultural ideas and traditions and serve as the backbone of all cultural elements. Senate Bill 130 ensures that these important Alaska Native customs continue on.

According to the University of Alaska's Language Center's *Population and Speaker Statistics* published in 2007, only 22 percent Alaska Natives statewide can speak their native language. More specifically, only 29 percent of the Eskimo Aleut population, less than 2 percent of the Tsimshian and Haida, and less than 5 percent of the Athabascan and Tlingit communities combined are fluent speakers. The Eyak language recently lost its last native fluent speaker.

Of the state's 20 Alaska Native languages, only two (Siberian Yupik in two villages on St. Lawrence Island, and Central Yup'ik in 17 villages in southwestern Alaska) are spoken by children as the first language of the home.

My hope is the advisory council will give effective representation for Alaska Native languages at the state level, which would be a monumental event for many elders who still remember being scolded in school for speaking their first language. This legislation is the most significant piece of legislation affecting Alaska Native languages since 1972 when laws were passed requiring mandatory bilingual education in state-operated schools where children speak Alaska Native languages.

The council would be comprised of endangered language experts from across the state appointed by the governor, plus two non-voting legislators from the bush caucus. Senate Bill 130 now heads to the House Finance Committee for further consideration.

ACMP Update

The latest news is that ACMP initiative did get enough signatures to

be put on the ballot this fall. Lieutenant Governor Mead Treadwell certified the citizen initiative to establish an Alaska Coastal Management Program recently. The Division of Elections completed its review of signatures and determined they meet constitutional and statutory requirements for initiative petitions.

However, several rural legislators have been considering bringing the program back and Representative Alan Austerman has taken the lead and has introduced legislation reestablishing the ACMP. House Bill 325 is said to be very similar to the initiative and is awaiting it's first hearing in the House Resources Committee.

Comparing the initiative to the bill, an attorney for the Alaska Legislature, Alpheus Bullard, said that it's entirely possible that a bill, if passed through both bodies of the legislature this session may be considered 'substantially similar' to the ballot initiative possibly eliminating the need for the ballot measure. Moreover, Bullard also added that it's hard to say how the courts would view the question if the initiative wasn't included on the 2012 ballot.

In the past, Alaska courts have dealt with two cases related to the issue of "substantial similarity." It can be difficult to discern whether a new law supplants an initiative, especially if it's as complex as the coastal management program. In contrast, the legislature can also pass a bill that it doesn't intend to be substantially similar, allowing the vote on the initiative to go forward, and let the chips fall where they may.

It is understood, the initiative has language that would include a coastal policy board which would allow local input in evaluating the effectiveness of district coastal management plans. The board would have the authority to approve district plans including plans to address a coastal use or resource of concern as demonstrated by local knowledge or supported by scientific evidence. Last year, there was the controversial debate about the roles of local knowledge and scientific evidence and the affect they would have on coastal policy decisions.

According to a memo from Bullard, drafting a bill that gives greater local control and participation than the former ACMP program did (HB 106), could only help the effort of having it deemed 'substantially similar'. Chairman of the Alaska Sea Party, Bruce Botelho, also leader of the ballot group, suggests the legislature should focus less on the issue of 'substantial sim-

ilarity' and more on passing 'a good bill.'

Last year, a second special session was called specifically with the hopes of saving the program. Unfortunately it ended with the House rejecting a Senate's version. Both bodies couldn't come to an agreement regarding the idea of scientific evidence trumping local knowledge.

At this point, it's still too early to tell if HB 325 will make it's way through the legislature before session ends in 30 days. Rep. Austerman said his intentions of introducing HB 325 was to get the conversation on the issue going. He acknowledged some lawmakers fear whether the bill is needed or whether the initiative process is the way to go. Governor Parnell and Rep. Bill Thomas of Haines feels the initiative is the right way to go and letting the people decide.

As the sponsor of the ACMP bill last year and a senator serving our northern coastal communities, I'd like to see the program return, right now, however we are still predicting which strategy is the best route.

VPSO Graduation Ceremony

Recently, the VPSO Training Academy in Sitka held their annual graduation ceremony. I'd like to honor the graduates in their accomplishments and wish them the best in the public service that is very much needed and valued in our communities.

Deborah Apatiki of Gambell
Cecelia Atchak of Chevak
Marcus Barr of Brevig Mission
Michael Gagliano of Kotzebue
John Henry Jr. of St. Michael
Damian Jospheh of Alakanuk
Sandra Lamont of Alakanuk
Timothy Pehle of Nome
Steven Rugg of Kiana
James Sartelle of Chevak

CORRECTION: Charles "Chick" Trainor also owns beachside property to the mean high water mark along East Beach.

Spring is here. It arrived Tuesday. We should all go out and plant our iceberg lettuce, pole beans and snow peas.

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THE END OF THE TRAIL— Musher Ryne Olson drives her dog team up the finish chute and under the burled arch. Olson raced Aliy Zirkle and Allen Moore’s — aka SP Kennels — second team and finished her first Iditarod race in 31st position.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 22 - March 28, 2012

Thursday, March 22

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*WIC Orientation	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Tried and True: Labor Techniques	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Wiffleball Grades 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Body Blast	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*City League Vball	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Dancing with Leo	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday, March 23

*Pickup bball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*CAMP Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Audiology Class	Prematernal Home	2:00 p.m.
*Youth Soccer Gr K-2	Nome Rec Center	2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Youth Soccer Gr 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Zumba	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Open Bowl	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Climbing age 8 & under	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Climbing age 9 & over	Nome Rec Center	7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 24

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Body Blast	Nome Rec Center	12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.
*Relax, Renew & Restore Yoga	Nome Rec Center	1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
*After Pregnancy-A New Start Video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Early Infant Care Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Bowl	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 25

*H2O Aerobics	Pool	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Touchpoints Video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Cardio Kickboxing	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Pickup Women's bball	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Monday, March 26 - Seward's Day

Seward's Day	City Hall	OPEN
*Pickup bball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 am. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 6:15 p.m.
*RELAX-Stress Video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Circumcision Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Dance: Grades K-2	Nome Rec Center	4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Zumba	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Open Spe Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*City League Vball	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
NCC Regular Meeting	City Council	7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 27

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Library	10:30 a.m.
*Aids and Women: Greatest Gamble	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Choices in Childbirth Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Floor Hockey: Grades 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*NPC WS RE: Zoning Violations	City Council	6:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*City League Vball	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Cardio-Kickbox	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Dancing with Leo	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 28

*Pickup bball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 am. - noon
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*WIC Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Project Diabetes	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Team Handball: Grades 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Zumba	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Open Spe Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Community points of interest:

*Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Tu-Sa)
*Kegoayah Kozga Library: noon - 8:00 p.m. (M-Th), noon - 6:00 p.m. (F-Sa)
*Nome Visitor Center: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (M-F)
*XYZ Center - Center Street: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (M-F)



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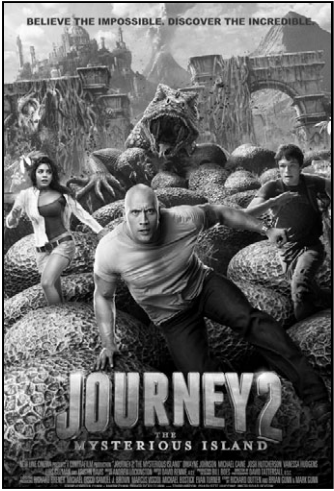
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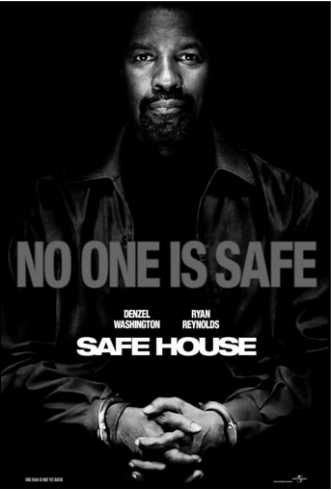
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Nome School Board gets a four-footed visitor

By Kristine McRae

The Nome School Board had a special visitor attend their March 15th meeting. Appropriate for Iditarod week, Sage, a German Shepherd and his master, officer Miller of the Nome Police Department demonstrated for the Nome School Board their combined commitment to keep drugs out of Nome. Sage, who is five years old, was born in Germany and trained in Illinois. He goes everywhere with Miller and is considered a special service animal. Officer Miller attends trainings four times a year with Sage to keep his K-9 certification current. On command, Sage sniffed out and located a suspicious package that Miller had planted for the demonstration. NPS and the Nome Police Department are exploring opportunities to utilize the pair in education units at the schools.

Partner in Education Awards

The Nome School Board recognized Norton Sound Health Corporation for sponsoring instructors to teach courses that introduce high school students to various positions in the health field. At the meeting to accept the award were Angie Gorn, Vice President of Operations; Kelly Keyes, of the C.A.M.P. department; and Phil Hofstetter, Director of Audiology. Students earn high school credit for the courses, titled HS 105 and HS 122, and Norton Sound offers summer jobs to students who successfully complete the course.

Hearing of Delegations/Individuals

Lloyd Perrigo, a teacher at the Nome Youth Facility and the grandparent of NPS students, voiced his concern about losing long-term staff at the district office. Perrigo illuminated the benefits of having the "collective memory" of staff with extended years and experience with the district and suggested to the board that the district attract staff who would like to make a career with Nome Public Schools. Integral to Perrigo's point was his questioning the hiring of an assistant to the superintendent and the changing of

the assistant principal position at the high school to a dean of students. In later discussion, the board had similar questions for Superintendent Brawner concerning the possible addition of district administration positions. Brawner clarified that no new positions have been created but that titles and duties have been rearranged. For example, the current HR position is being replaced by the admin assistant position and the replacement of the Assistant Principal position with the Dean of Students position would save the district \$27,000. Brawner explained that the Dean of Students would observe and collaborate with teachers but would not directly evaluate them. The principal would still have the responsibility of evaluating teachers and suspending students. Another position switch effective next school year will be the change of the Director of Special Education to the superintendent's duties from that of the elementary school principal. Mr. Brawner will work closely with Sandy Harvey in the administration of his role of SE director.

Health Insurance

Nome Public Schools is looking at a possible switch in health insurance carriers. Superintendent Brawner has been working with a broker from Alaska USA to find the best proposal for the district. With an initial anticipated annual increase of fifteen to thirty-five percent, the district is looking at three alternative carriers after the current carrier, Aetna, indicated an increase of 39%. Of importance to the board members was that the NPS staff retain similar benefits and deductible rates. The broker will meet with the school board at their next work session on March 27 to answer questions and confirm numbers that could save the district up to \$100,000.00 in health care costs.

Budget

Last year's figures lent structure to the discussion of the Draft Budget for fiscal year 2013. Emphasizing that the document is soft and still a draft, Superintendent Brawner

fielded questions from board members about items such as a 10% increase in student travel for sports events, revenues from pull-tab sales, salary increases for certified teachers, and funding for the community schools and library aide positions. Barb Nickels pointed out that 10% increase in student travel, roughly \$16,000.00, could fund an aide position, and that the state legislature might rather see that kind of money go into the classroom. The draft budget does include an aide in each of the kindergarten through 4th grade pods and an aid in the 56er pod.

Members of the school board reiterated that it would be helpful to have community members come to the work sessions to ask questions and to comment on the various aspects of the budget that will affect students, teachers, transportation and energy costs.

Reports

Superintendent Mike Brawner detailed the potential involvement of Nome Public Schools in a three-year partnership focused on school improvement and community engagement. Sponsored by the Association of Alaska School Boards, the partnership supports school districts and

their local communities in raising student achievement by linking a shared vision for education and youth success with effective practices in the critical areas of governance and leadership, programs and staff, resources, and community. Twenty-seven districts have participated in the partnership since 2001. Sally Rue, Director of the Initiative for Community Engagement will visit Nome on March 6th.

Although he was traveling during the meeting time, high school principal Dave Keller submitted a report that highlighted the success of the Junior High Science Fair in early March. Board president Betsy Brennan concurred that the science fair was impressive and that students and teachers are commended for their hard work. High School students took fourth place in their state division of "Battle of the Books."

In a comprehensive report to the board, elementary school principal Dave Keller presented a number of literacy activities that lend themselves to the Read 90 goal. Among these are the "Leading Quality Literacy Instruction," an Alaska Pacific course focusing on building literacy skills among elementary students.

Teachers who took the class will help to disseminate the information to other teachers on how to apply the skills in the classroom. Reading Mastery Trainer Susan Branham returned to NES to conduct two days of intensive training for all instructors using the Reading Mastery program. This year's Battle of the Books saw 90% participation, and statewide the 3rd/4th grade division took eleventh place. First Lady Sandy Parnell visited NES and read books to students in kindergarten and third grade classes. Disability Awareness speaker Taylor Crowe will talk to students on March 30 about his experiences as a target of bullying. Nome spellers packed the house for the annual spelling bee on February eighth. Coached by volunteer Susan Rand, NES students practiced long hours in preparation for the final competition. The third grade winner was Anevay Ambrosiani, with Jessica Noffsker as runner up. Maya Kralik and Haley Osborne took first and second place for the fourth grade. The fifth grade winner was Dawson Evans with Sidney Kineen as runner up, and the sixth grade winners were Katie Kelso in first and Annalise Contreras as the runner up.

• Council tackles taxes

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Besides the exception for goods and services sold by student organizations, there is an exception for raffle tickets licensed with a State of Alaska gaming permit. There is also an exemption for gross receipts from transactions concerning retail sales and rentals of goods and services directly to a municipality, a state or the U.S. government.

The taxing of pull tabs or "rippies" holds keen interest for charities and pulls tab vendors who garner income from gambling. A debate over the past few months has centered on whether the 5 percent sales tax should come out of the share of proceeds shoved across the counting table to charities or from the gross sales. Chandler's opinion on the question: neither way. The people who buy the rippies should dig a little deeper for the coin to add to the price of the little paper games of chance. Sales clerks should dig into the till for change. That's the way state law works, according to Chandler's opinion in a Jan. 18 memo to Josie Bahnke, city manager. There should be no net effect on the money raised by the non-profit.

"In our opinion, pull tab sellers should conform their business practices to comply with the sales tax ordinance even though it is somewhat painful to make change on a \$1.05 purchase," Chandler said.

The language in the current ordinance and the amended ordinance requires sales tax to be added to the sales price of the goods or services and "shown separately on invoices, receipts, and other documents of the sale."

A court case from 15 years ago,

Kotzebue v City of Kotzebue, recognizes that a municipality may impose a tax on pull-tab sales or operations, along with state law, according to Chandler.

Currently, the City takes its 5 percent sales tax off the entire amount generated by the sales on a box of pull-tabs. Under an earlier proposed amendment, the city would charge sales tax against the ideal net, the approximate 20 percent that goes to the charity from the sale of each game box. The City is currently realizing annual revenue in the \$400,000 range from pull-tab sales tax. Under the new formula, that take would diminish to about \$63,000, while the money going to the charity would grow. As a result, charities would no longer receive money from the City at budget time.

It remains to be seen what the pull-tab tax policy will be after the Council adopts the final draft of the amended ordinance.

For delinquencies, the draft ordinance raises the maximum penalty to 15 percent from the previous 10 percent. Also, if adopted, the amended ordinance would raise the interest on the principal amount of the delinquency from 8 percent to 15 percent per annum.

The draft amended ordinance adds a section requiring the city clerk to estimate the tax owed if the seller fails to file a return or the clerk believes information is not accurate. In such case, the seller has 15 days in which to file a written request for a hearing that will occur before the city manager, the city manager's designee who may be a City employee or a private contractor. From there the appeal moves up to City Council, with the burden of proof on the

seller, then superior court as provided by state law. The sales tax determined to be due then bears interest starting from when it was originally due.

When the assessor (city clerk or city clerk designee) or agent determines an audit is needed, a shortage of more than \$100 owed will make the merchant pay for the audit—added to the interest and penalties. The cost of the audit will not go over \$1,000, according to the draft ordinance. The merchant may appeal. In certain circumstances, a seller may file an amended sales tax return with supporting documentation within one year of the original due date. The city clerk must notify the seller in writing whether the amended return is accepted or rejected and the reasons.

The draft ordinance adds a section that makes all returns, reports and information required by the city clerk to be confidential subject to inspection only by employees and agents of the City whose job responsibilities apply to the data, the person submitting the information and persons with authority in writing from the supplier of the returns. However, the public can, according to the City law, inspect the names and addresses of persons holding current sales tax licenses and know whether a holder of a City sales tax license is more than 30 days delinquent in filing a sales tax return or paying sales tax.

The city clerk may also publish the names of sellers delinquent in paying taxes and the amount owed, unless the City has received written notice from a seller establishing that there is a good faith dispute over whether there is a delinquency or the amount owed.

• Red Lantern Banquet

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Trying to milk it to the maximum, Herbst put up his hood when a lady ran through knee-deep snow toward him, yelling "Lance, Lance" and handing him a box of Twinkies. However, she too, at the last second realized he's just an imposter and yanked the Twinkies out of his hands with the words "You're not Lance!"

Aaron Burmeister followed up with a tale of holding back his dog team for most of the race. "I must've been passed about 200 times by other teams," Burmeister said. However, when he did pass another team, it was Lance Mackey's and that was a memorable moment, Burmeister said. "He got off the sled, pulled his team off to the side of the trail and let me have a clean pass," Burmeister said. "A true champion showed

me how to give the perfect gentleman's pass."

Bob Chlupach ran his first of 11 Iditarod Trail sled dog races in 1977. This year, arriving in 52nd position, he talked about the memories that every trail section and every camping spot holds for him. "I wish every person could experience what it means to run the Iditarod race," Chlupach said. He traveled with his significant other Jan Steves. The two recounted their various adventures on the trail that involved dragging down a steep trail to Farewell Lake, oversleeping despite setting two alarm clocks and accumulating bruises that put the colors of the northern lights to shame, according to Steves. The party came to an end around 9 p.m. and when Iditarod volunteers cleared the tables, the 40th Iditarod came to its end.

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13th annual Iditarod Fine Art Show draws local talent

Artists from Nome and surrounding villages competed in the 13th Annual Iditarod Fine Art Show sponsored by the Nome Arts Council. The show was held at Old St. Joseph's Church Monday, March 12 through Saturday the 17th. This year's judges were Elisabeth Emerson of Tacoma, WA, Linnea Baker of Fairbanks and formerly of Nome and Marian Sells of Wellford, SC. They commented that the show gave them a fresh perspective and view of life in Nome and the surrounding area. They loved the variety, intensity and caliber of talent exhibited in the show.

A reception was held Friday from 5-7 p.m. during which time, the public enjoyed refreshments while admiring the artwork and visiting with the artists. Event organizer, Angela Hansen extended a welcome and thanked those who participated in and helped with the show. Special thanks went to Delores Orman and Lisa Leeper for helping set up the show, Christina Perrigo for typing the artist information cards and to Cheryl Thompson for making the art

and craft show possible in Old St. Joe's. Leeper announced the winners as they came forward to accept their prize money and ribbons.

The votes for the People's Choice Award were tallied and this year's winner is "Front Street," a photograph of Nome by Esther Pederson. Three pieces of artwork were donated by Esther Pederson, Karen Olanna and Heidi Hart and the winners were Kristina Eaton, Rachel Stasenko and John Hautman. To end the program, Hansen said it was another outstanding year exhibiting local artwork and encouraged people to begin their showpieces for next year's 14th Annual Iditarod Fine Art Show!

2012 Iditarod Fine Art Show Results

Oil/Acrylic
1st - "Running to Meet the Future" by Sue Steinacher
2nd - "Mother Love" by Patrice Shook
3rd - "Spring Calving Grounds" by Karen Olanna
Honorable Mention - "View of Anvil Mountain" by Patrice Shook

Watercolor/Ink
1st - "Jubilant Jars" by Adrienne Christian
2nd - "Wading Musk Ox" by Heidi Hart
3rd - "Kougarock Road Scene" by Dawyn Sawyer
Honorable Mention - "Santa Paul" by Angela Hansen

Photography
1st - "Porch" by Sue Steinacher
2nd - "A Hunter's Dream" by Christy Fiskeaux
3rd - "The Off Season" by Esther Pederson
Honorable Mention - "Fox on a Stick" by Ken Hughes

3-Dimensional/Mixed Media
1st - "3 Animals and Man" by Joe Kunuk
2nd - "Seal Shaman" by Jerome Saclamana
3rd - "Owl" by Cam Kristenson
Honorable Mention - "Bear in Bushes" by Karen Olanna

Drawing/Pastel/Prints
1st - "Lynx" by Patrice Shook
2nd - "Dishes" by Lisa Leeper
3rd - "Short Eared Owl" by Carol Gales
Honorable Mention - "Salmon Run" by Karen Olanna

Judge's Choice Adult Division
"Bear" by Edwin Weyiouanna

Iditarod Theme Choice
"Ginger Shrimp" by Claudia Ihl

Student Division 10 and under
1st - "My Snow Family" by Luke Hansen
2nd - "Queen of the Flowers" by Shaina Hobbs
3rd - "Swans in Love" by Lupe Callahan
Honorable Mention - "Grumpy" by Noah Hobbs

Student Division 11 to 18
1st - "Wintertime on the Farm" by Cara Hancock
2nd - "Whale's Tail" by Gabriel Miller
3rd - "Future Champion" by Mary Fiskeaux
Honorable Mention - "Medicine Pouch" by Mary Miller

Judge's Choice Student Division
"Polaris Snow Machine" by Alfred Olanna

People's Choice
"Front Street" by Esther Pederson



Photo by Lyette Harvey
FIRST PLACE ARTIST—Adrienne Christian received top honors in the Watercolor/Ink division at the 2012 Iditarod Fine Art Show. The title of her painting is "Jubilant Jars".

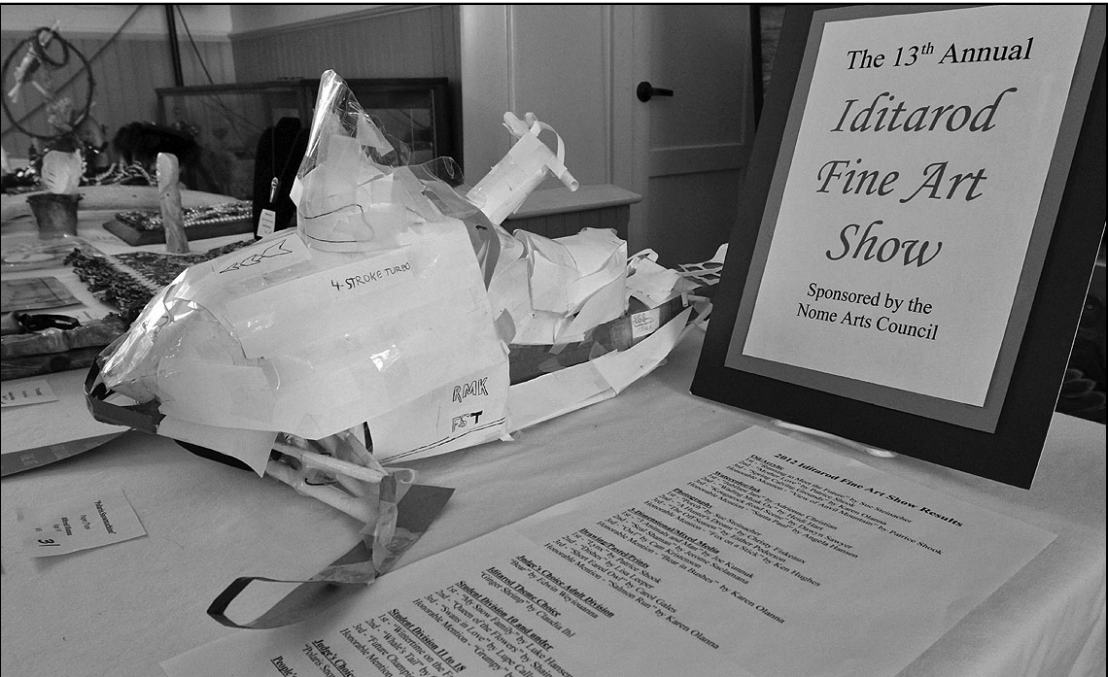


Photo by Diana Haecker
PAPERDOG—Shishmaref Artist Alfred Olanna, age 15, created a snowmachine out of paper. For his artwork Alfred received the Judge's Choice in the Student Division.



Photo by Nadja Cavin
N.E.S.T. FUNDRAISER—This qiviut-insulated birdhouse was built by Susanne Thomas of Nome and garnered \$150 during an auction benefitting the Nome Emergency Shelter Team, aka N.E.S.T. First place in the bird house contest went to Leah Teller, second place to Bobbi Jo Conner, third place to Blain Galleher. The contest raised \$1,800 from auction sales and all proceeds went to N.E.S.T.



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Nanooks take third at State Tournament

By Stephen Palmatier

The 2011-2012 season was one to remember as the Nome Nanooks wrapped it up this past weekend with a third place finish in the 3A State Championships. After what was a disappointing season last year finishing seventh in State, head coach Pat Callahan made sure that his squad was ready for this year's tournament.

"Our goal is to always qualify for the state tournament, and we were able to do that," said Callahan. "We took advantage of our opportunity in

an out of bounds play ready before the end of regulation to tie the game for overtime. On the in-bounds pass, Tyler Eide came up with a steal for the Nanooks before getting fouled, eventually hitting a free throw to ice the game.

Eide's steal at the very end of the game defined what the Nanooks have been about all season, defense for the full 32 minutes. Senior Nathan Blandford led the team with 15 points and Eide added 12 to lead the Nanooks.

Nome went to the third place game with a showdown with Mt. Edgecumbe. In what would be the final game for the Nanooks of the season,

with 11 rebounds and 5 blocks. Mattheis, who has contributed off the bench for much of the season, could become a key for the success of the

ond Team.

The Nanooks' third place finish at State is pretty remarkable considering where it looked like they would



GOING UP FOR TWO—Nome Nanook top scorer Nathan Blandford faces a crowd in the semifinals game against Monroe Catholic School.



Photos by David Head

GO NANOOKS—Nome Nanook John Smith drives the ball in the game against Monroe Catholic School. Monroe defeated Nome 64-27 in the semifinals. Monroe became the 3A State champion defeating Anchorage Christian (ACS) 47-33 in the championship game. The Nome Nanooks finished in third place, defeating Mt. Edgecumbe 55-40.

the tournament once we made it," said Callahan.

In the Nanooks' opening game of the tournament, they were able to come away with an upset victory over the Sitka Wolves, 45-40. Sitka, who were the Southeast Champions were the clear favorite over Nome, but the Nanooks were able to stay right with them throughout the game. At halftime, they held a three point lead, but lost the lead in the third quarter falling behind by 3 entering the final quarter. However, like many games this season, the Nanooks were able to clamp down on defense and hold the Wolves to 7 points in the fourth quarter leading to the victory. In the final seconds of the game, Nome was up three points looking to hold on for the victory as Sitka had

With the win against Sitka, the reward for Nome was being able to play Monroe Catholic in the semifinals, the top team in the state for 3A. Monroe Catholic defeated Grace Christian 75-22 in the game before facing Nome, and it wasn't much better for the Nanooks as they simply were no match for Monroe Catholic, falling 64-27. It did not take long for Nome to fall behind as they trailed 26-9 at halftime. Blandford led the scoring with 12 points and Eide added 11 points. The rest of the team combined for a total of 4 points, in what is a recipe for a loss whether playing in a state tournament or a pick-up game for fun with a team.

With the loss to the eventual champions from Monroe Catholic,

Nome put everything they had left out on the court, defeating Mt. Edgecumbe, 55-40. In the opening period, they had a 2 point lead, but by halftime, they began to take control again with their defense, extending their lead by 9. In the third period, it was the same story as Nome put the game out of reach extending the lead to 16. In the third period, the Nanooks scored 13 points, which was as many points as they gave up in the second and third periods combined.

The defense was the story, but another story came into play for the team. On what was the final game for seniors Nathan Blandford and Jens Irelan, the game belonged to sophomore center Cass Mattheis as he tied a team high with 14 points on 7-10 shooting from the field along

Nanooks in the coming years.

"We knew he was a game-changer defensively. I think next year you will see him improve offensively," said Callahan speaking of Mattheis. "We are a better team with offensive production out of him."

With Blandford and Irelan, two of the top three scorers on the team this year leaving, the production will need to be filled for them by others. If Mattheis, the tallest player on the team, could become a low-post scoring threat, the Nanooks could have a great inside-out duo for the next two years by sophomores Mattheis and Eide.

Of course though, the loss of Blandford will not be an easy one to fill. Blandford was named to the 3A all-tournament team along with the Alaska Coaches Association 3A Sec-

be a few weeks ago. After losing to Dillingham in the first game of Regionals, the Nanooks seemed to click the rest of the year winning not only their next two games in Regionals to advance to State, but also winning two of their three games in the State tournament. Callahan and the team deserve all the credit for not letting the Dillingham loss affect them but rather motivating them.

The Nanooks, who finished their season at 23-6, will look to continue their success as a program, beginning with the work of the offseason.

"To me, the offseason starts today," said Callahan joking about his job. "For the kids, it will be about a month, where we will have basketball camps to get them ready."

Golovin Boys and Shishmaref girls make good showing

By Jeffrey Erickson

State basketball tournaments are wonderful events for players, coaches and fans. They are the culmination of countless hours of preparation...of blood, sweat and tears. They are the reward for effort and performance.

The Bering Sea Conference champion Golovin Lynx boys and Shishmaref Northern Lights girls entered the 2012 tournament with different expectations. While both were absolutely committed to doing their level best to bring home state championship, the Lynx were returning for their second year with a glowing record and victories of large program. With an extremely strong lineup featuring Player of the Year John Peterson they knew that they had a target on their back and were one of the favorites. The Northern Lights on the other hand had not been to the state tournament in many years and were a young team, with several 8th graders.

Both teams started off with impressive wins. Shishmaref came back

from to eke out a 54-50 victory over favored Kiana Lynx squad with strong performances from Emma Weyiouanna (16pts/8rebs), Denise Fernandez (14pts/6rebs) and Renee Kuzuguk (13pts/7rebs). Golovin showed it deserved its rep as a title threat with a solid win over a worthy Kiana Lynx squad. Peterson scored 32 and Thomas Amaktoolik chipped in with a "double/double" with 12 points and 11 rebounds.

Youth and a formidable opponent in the Chefornak Shamans combined to make a difficult second round game for the Northern Lights. Porous defense and turnovers were the downfall in a 66-36 loss. In the boys semi-finals it looked early like it would be a blowout with the Lynx jumping to a 19-6 first quarter lead. However, with Peterson spraining his ankle and sitting out much of the second quarter, the Nunamiut Amaguqs regrouped and the game became a battle. Peterson returned to play but counted on Amaktoolik (17pts/13rebs) and Casey Sherman (26pts) to carry the load. Golovin

emerged with a 65-57 win and a trip to the finals.

Shishmaref returned to the court on Saturday trying to grab the third place game versus a strong Fort Yukon team led by two time 1A Player of the Year Kandace Carroll. The lead Eagle left no question about her qualifications as she recorded a triple double (30pts/18rebs/10asst) as she led her team to an easy 60-29 victory.

The 1A boy's championship featured a clash of styles with Golovin's athletic team facing a slower, but more disciplined team from Newhalen. The game was even except for the second quarter when turnovers and sloppy play combined with some strong outside shooting by the Malamutes resulted in their 49-36 lead. Golovin made runs in the second but could never overcome that deficit and fell 91-79.

The Lynx were recognized as the top boy's Academic team and placed Peterson, Amaktoolik and Sherman on the All-Tournament team.

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Great Northwest Tourney a friendly rivalry reclassified

By Jeffrey Erickson

High school basketball in north-west Alaska is part of the fiber of our lives. It offers competition and opportunities to show physical and mental skills. It brings old friends together and creates many new lifetime relationships. We look forward to the games, but mostly the end of season tournaments where champions are crowned and legends are made. Tales of buzzer-beating baskets and great offensive and defensive performances will be told and retold for years after the games are played.

The 2012 Great Northwest Tournament was even more special as it would be the last time that friendly rivals from Noorvik, Buckland, Noatak and Stebbins would butt heads with the other conference teams. Starting next year these four schools would be returning to the 1A classification and other conferences. Dubbed “The End of an Era”, this tournament promised to showcase the talents of each team as they vied for the last championship for this group of teams.

The girls tournament would run as per normal with a champion crowned and a second place team also getting a state tournament berth. The boys, however, would only send a champion since the second berth

would come from the Yukon/Kuskokwim conference as dictated by Region 1 decision. Every team felt that they had the opportunity in as even a tournament field as anyone had seen in many years.

The first boys’ game Wednesday night was indicative of how the tournament would go. The Buckland Sissuani and Pt. Hope Harpooners battled for every point in a slugfest that only ended when Buckland’s Nathan Hadley bombed 8 shots from behind the three point line, with six in a row late in the game to lift the Sissuani to a win.

The tournament continued through Thursday and Friday with teams leaving it all on the floor. Great individual and team efforts were cheered by large crowds as the hierarchy of teams began to unfold. It became clear that the regular season record of the Pt. Hope Harpoonerettes was no aberration—they were good and the others were probably fighting for second place and the lower state berth. The boys was still wide open as Buckland, Noatak, Unalakleet, Noorvik and a peaking Pt. Hope team that had finished a disappointing season, all figured to have the firepower to threaten for the single state berth.

The top two seeds in the boys

bracket ran into each other Friday and the hometown Unalakleet Wolfpack came out on fire, leading the top seeded Noorvik Bears 38-24 at halftime. The second half turned into a brilliant exhibition by the two best players in the tournament. The Bears’ Danny Wells had carried his squad in the first half, scoring 20 of the 24 points and he came out blazing in the second stanza as well. The Wolfpack countered with their All-State player Stuart Towarak. The Bears came roaring back in the third with a 19-9 run and completed the comeback in the fourth, edging the ‘Pack 66-64 to advance the championship game. Wells finished with 41 points and Towarak 30.

Friday’s championship game for the girls pit Pt. Hope and Noatak. The Harpoonerettes fielded several standout players with experience and balance while the Lynx featured the 2A Player of the Year, Brianna Kirk — a dominant all around player. As usually happens when this scenario is played out, the stronger team emerges and Pt. Hope grabbed the conference title 68-46. Noatak would wait to see who they’d play in the “true second” state qualifier game on Saturday night.

The Noatak vs. Pt. Hope boys game on Friday night was an amaz-

ing game of punches and counter-punches. Led by senior guards Denzel Tooyak and Jermaine Johnson the lower seeded Harpooners would not let the Lynx build a lead and with less than 10 seconds to go Tooyak tied the game and went to the line to complete the “natural” three point play.

In a rare turn of events he stepped out of the free throw circle and committed a lane violation giving the ball to the Lynx and a final shot. In a remarkable few seconds however the Lynx turned the ball over and Tooyak drove to the basket as time wound down, sinking an off balance runner to win the game in dramatic fashion. The win thrust Pt. Hope into a rematch with Hadley and the Sissuani and kept them in the running for the championship.

The rematch proved to be another high-energy contest with much drama but Pt. Hope prevailed and advanced to an afternoon game vs. the Unalakleet Wolfpack for the right to play Noorvik in the championship game.

This game had “championship game” pressure as Pt. Hope continued to surge and Unalakleet was coming off the disappointment of the loss to Noorvik. These two teams have a historic friendly rivalry and

the battle on the court proved that neither was giving an inch. The half-time score was 25-24 in favor of Pt. Hope but Towarak imposed his will, scoring 20 of his 33 points in the second half carrying the Wolfpack to a 52-45 victory.

The “true second” game between the Noatak girls and Unalakleet shaped up to be a tight one with the Lynx star, Brianna Kirk, facing the Wolfpack’s pressure. Kirk proved to be up to the task outscoring the entire Unalakleet squad in the first quarter, 14-9 and the ‘Pack could never get close losing 59-47.

The rematch between Noorvik and Unalakleet was much anticipated and the tension was high. With Wells hitting four 3-pointers in the first quarter it appeared that Unalakleet would not be able to contain the Bears but they scrambled back in the second to be only down 35-34 at the half. The teams fought to a 15-15 tie in the third and it came down the final quarter. The fact that Unalakleet had played a physically and emotionally draining game only two hours prior to this game began to be evident. Shots began to fall short and fatigue was obvious as Noorvik pulled ahead and emerged with a 77-69 victory, and a championship.

2012 Lonnie O’Connor Iditarod Basketball Classic

Results:

Division: Men’s Over 40

- 1st Place: NSHC
- 2nd Place: Grumpy’s
- 3rd Place: Kotlik Shaman’s
- Wells Fargo/NSEDC Sportsmanship Award Honoring Tim Shield: Grumpy’s

All Tourney Team

- 1. NSHC – Kevin Zweifel
- 2. NSHC – Tom Barr
- 3. Grumpy’s – Jay Sears
- 4. Grumpy’s – Dave Barron
- 5. Kotlik – Doug Johnson
- 6. ANB – Jerry Verdin
- Charlie Hungerford MVP: NSHC – Wilson Bourdon

Division: Ladies B

- 1st Place: ANB
- 2nd Place: Shishmaref Lady Blazers
- 3rd Place: Morgan’s Sales & Service
- Wells Fargo/NSEDC Sportsmanship Award In Memory of Alex Weyiouanna: BSNC Waves

All Tourney Team

- 1. ANB – Alvina Amaktoolik
- 2. ANB – Kim Gray
- 3. Shishmaref Lady Blazers – Lucy Iyatunguk
- 4. Shishmaref Lady Blazers – Janice Sinnok
- 5. Morgan’s Sales & Service – Eva Dickson
- 6. BSNC Waves – Janis Koutchak
- Charlie Hungerford MVP: ANB – Renee Brown

Division: Men’s B

- 1st Place: Islanders
- 2nd Place: Elim
- 3rd Place: AT&T
- Wells Fargo/NSEDC Sportsmanship Award In Memory of Oscar “Ozzie” Takak Jr.: Islanders

All Tourney Team

- 1. Islanders – Zachary Rookok
- 2. Islanders – Daryl Kingeekuk
- 3. Elim – Jody Takak
- 4. Elim – Marvin Takak
- 5. AT&T – Qutuq Irelan
- 6. Tundra Warriors – Kellen Katcheak
- 7. Kawerak – Zach Armstrong
- 8. Nome Outfitters – Jayten Vickers
- 9. Bering Air – Dave Olson
- 10. CWR – Archie Tocktoo
- Charlie Hungerford MVP: Islanders – Travis Akeya

Division: Men’s A

- 1st Place: Unalakleet
- 2nd Place: Reign
- 3rd Place: Checker Cab
- Wells Fargo/NSEDC Sportsmanship In Memory of Gil Ozenna Sr.: Unalakleet

All Tourney Team

- 1. Unalakleet – Larry Ivanoff
- 2. Unalakleet – Barry Katchatag
- 3. Reign – Brendon Tran
- 4. Reign – Jeremy Nassuk
- 5. Checker Cab – Roy Paniptchuk
- 6. Quality Auto Trodders – Mason Evans
- 7. Shishmaref – James Olanna
- Charlie Hungerford MVP: Unalakleet – John Ivanoff

Division: Ladies Open

- 1st Place: Shishmaref
- 2nd Place: AJ’s
- 3rd Place: RJ’s Ninjas
- Wells Fargo/NSEDC Sportsmanship Honoring Lorlie Shield: AJ’s

All Tourney Team

- 1. Shishmaref – Kate Kokeok
- 2. Shishmaref – Brenda Nayokpuk
- 3. AJ’s – Nikita Shield
- 4. AJ’s – Clarissa Samuels
- 5. RJ’s Ninjas – Heather Sinnok
- 6. Scammon Bay Slick Chicks – Faye Ann Akerelrea
- 7. Emma’s – Megan Rock
- 8. Unalakleet KNSA – Sheralyn Sockpealuk
- 9. Kick Ash – Danielle Sylvester
- 10. Kawerak – Michelle Layne

Charlie Hungerford MVP: Shishmaref – Melinda Nayokpuk

Division: Men’s Open

- 1st Place: Ryan Air
- 2nd Place: Shishmaref
- 3rd Place: Casa Teriyaki
- Wells Fargo/NSEDC Sportsmanship Award Honoring Pete Larsen Jr.: Ryan Air

All Tourney Team

- 1. Ryan Air: Justin Bourne
- 2. Ryan Air: Jesse Blandford
- 3. Shishmaref: Mat Turner
- 4. Shishmaref: Tommy Stasenکو
- 5. Casa Teriyaki – Kris Busk
- 6. BMW Ballers – Mike Wongtillin
- 7. Nome Machine Works – Tyler Ivanoff
- 8. Golovin CNC – Dwight Amaktoolik
- 9. Polar Hornets – Alton Schwenter
- 10. Airport Pizza – DJ Bright
- Charlie Hungerford MVP: Ryan Air – Chris Bryant

Nome’s Caity Tozier shoots her way to International Gold at the Arctic Winter Games

By Keith Conger
Caity Tozier, a high school senior on the Nome Ski and Biathlon team, found the 5K Individual Race at the Arctic Winter Games, her first international biathlon contest, an eye opening, and motivating, experience. As she was out shot by the field, including her sharp shooting Alaskan teammate Zoey Grenier (who hit an Arctic Winter Games best 19 out of 20 targets), Tozier found herself watching others take podium spots. That race proved sufficient incentive for the determined rural athlete to be the first, and only time she would have that vantage point. Tozier’s second race at the Gray Mountain Biathlon Range in Whitehorse, Yukon Territories, Canada, produced a vastly different result. Finding the target 8 out of 10 times

during the 3K Sprint Race, Tozier was able to overcome the extra time in the penalty loop assessed for each missed shot, (Grenier shot 9 of 10). She was able to use her superior running speed to build a 50 second lead, and claim the highest vantage point-top of the podium. Tozier’s effort made history as the first individual gold ulu (medal) earned by a rural junior (ages 15 – 18) biathlete, snowshoe or ski, in well over 10 years. The sharp shooter from Nome would go on and add to her collection of “bling” by taking a silver ulu in the 4K Mass Start Race, and a silver ulu in the 3 x 2K Team Relay. Tozier was among seven athletes who are members of the Western Interior Ski/Biathlon Association who qualified for the games. Tozier, and

Vincent Tomalonis of White Mountain qualified for snowshoe biathlon spots by virtue of their performances at the 2011 state rural ski and biathlon championships (which are hosted by WISA, the Western Interior Ski/Biathlon Association). Tomalonis’ high school teammate Asa Bergamaschi, and Katie Daniels of Unalakleet, qualified for Ski Biathlon spots at the WISA meet. All the WISA biathletes had strong results with Bergamaschi and Tomolonis having fourth place finishes, and Daniels placing fifth in an event. Two of WISA’s athletes, sophomore Rosa Schmidt of Nome, and eighth grader Carolyn Sam of Galena, qualified for the Snowshoe Racing team through postal trials by submitting times to the sport coordi-

nator in Juneau. Sam captured a gold ulu in the 5K run, a silver ulu in the 2.5K run, and a gold ulu in the 4 x 400 meter relay. Schmidt had two strong fourth place finishes. Caleb Korta, an eighth grade WISA athlete from Galena, qualified for the Arctic Winter Games at the 2011 WISA meet as well. As WISA’s lone representative on the cross-country ski squad, Korta had a strong showing against one of the strongest fields at the games. Joining the skiers and snowshoers at the Arctic Winter Games were two Western Alaskan Arctic Sports (aka Native Youth Olympics) participants. Tahnee Esparza from Golovin had many outstanding performances, earning bronze ulus in the Kneel Jump, the Alaska High Kick, and the 2-foot High Kick. Nome’s Emery Booshu earned a bronze ulu in the Alaska High Kick.

Western Alaska was represented by three coaches. Nancy Persons of Unalakleet helped coach the Ski Biathlon Team, Nome’s Joni Earp helped coach the Alaska Sports Team, and Nome’s Keith Conger helped coach the Snowshoe Racing Team. Both biathlon disciplines are structured similarly, the only difference being the mode of transport. Athletes ski or snowshoe several times around a course, each time entering a shooting range where they gather their biathlon specific, 22 caliber rifles. During each shooting session the athlete takes 5 shots from a distance of 50 meters. In Junior Category races (which all the WISA biathletes

performed) athletes shoot half of their shots in the standing position, at targets 4.5 inches in diameter. The remaining shots are taken in the prone position, at targets that are only 1.5 inches in diameter. Hitting a biathlon target after skiing or snowshoeing with an elevated heart rate has been likened to trying to thread a needle while riding a snowmachine. Occurring every other year, the Arctic Winter Games is a high profile, circumpolar sports competition for northern and arctic athletes. The games celebrate sport, and promote social and cultural exchange. The Arctic Winter Games started in 1970 with just a handful of events, and only three contingencies (Yukon, Northwest Territories and Alaska). This year over 2,000 athletes gathered from nine northern “nations” to compete in 21 different sports. Arctic Winter Games participation is limited to regions located north of the 55th parallel. Joining the three original members are Greenland, Russia, Northern Alberta, Nunavut (including Baffin Island), Nunavit (Northern Quebec), and the Sápmi Nation (northern Scandinavia). Biathlon, snowshoeing, and Alaska Sports are not the only opportunities for rural Alaskans to attend the Arctic Winter Games. The Table Tennis Team is a wonderful, untapped opportunity for participation as well. The WISA athletes will gather together the last weekend in March for the 2012 Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships in Galena.



STRIDING TOWARDS FIRST PLACE—Nome Nanook Caity Tozier won a gold medal at the 2012 Arctic Winter Games in the 3K Snowshoe Biathlon Sprint Race. Photo by Ed Todd

2012 NKC Businessmen’s Race goes off without a hitch — almost

Eighteen people became mushers in the Nome Kennel Club’s Annual Businessmen’s Race. Mushers have the opportunity to run three dogs around a three-mile course. For many people this is the first and only time they will be on the runners of a dog sled. Others, like Susan Shinkai of California and Josh Marble of Nome, come back year after year because it’s such a fun time. Six Kennel Club members brought dogs and sleds to the race to

give folks this opportunity and many other Kennel Club members and friends provided support in the way of trail grooming, timing, dog handling and trail support. The first team out of the shoot made it three quarters of the way up Gold Hill and decided to turn left toward Icy View (perhaps heading home). A snowmachine had to chase them down and get them going on the correct path. All other teams were better behaved and no one else

had trouble navigating the course. On the bright side, musher number 1, Nat Crichton, got an extra half mile ride —at least that’s the spin his dog team’s owner tried to put on the situation. The weather was perfect for a sled dog ride and snow conditions were pretty good too. While there were reports of tumbles and tangles, every musher made it to the finish line on their sled and with a smile on their face.



MUSHER FOR A DAY—John Butkevich ran a team belonging to Stephanie Johnson of Nome, finishing in fourth place in the NKC businessmen’s race. Helping John get to the starting line was Bubba McDaniels of Nome. Photo by Diana Haecker

RACE RESULTS:

Pl.	Time	Name/Bib#	Dog Team	Kennel
1.	18: 38	Holly Mantooth/13		Bey
2.	19:39	Vivian Coleman/5		Salesky
3.	20:11	Brad Bougher / 7		Bey
4.	22:07	John Butkevich / 6		Johnson
5.	22:29	Susan Shinkai / 9		Thomas
6.	22:53	Faith Duncan / 3		Thomas
7.	23:37	Jan Halsted / 20		Thomas
8.	23:49	Mike Krause / 8		Owens
9.	25:14	Florence Evans / 14		Johsnon
10.	26:51	Susan Stephenson / 16		Bey
11.	26:56	Nat Crichton / 1		Bey
12.	27:31	Deborah Davis / 2		Owens
13.	28:10	Valerie Tartaglino / 10		Bey
14.	29:01	Chris Kotouch / 11		Owens
15.	29:31	Brandy Combs / 12		Salesky
16.	29:38	Josh Marble / 15		Owens
17.	30:56	Joseph Caplinger / 4		Trowbridge
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Photo by Diana Haecker

YOUNG CHAMPION— Dallas Seavey and his dog team run through a crowd of well-wishers on Front Street in Nome to become the 2012 Iditarod Trail sled dog race champion team.

With 53 mushers off the trail, Iditarod XL is a wrap

2012 was a cold, tough race with a new champion and hungry competition ready to come back

By Diana Haecker

A few hours after the last shrimp and strawberry leftovers were cleared off the Iditarod awards banquet tables at the Nome Rec Center, the last two mushers of the 2012 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog race drove their dog teams up Front Street under the burlap arch. They arrived in the wee hours of Monday morning to officially bring the Iditarod XL race to an end and signaled that every musher and dog team is off the trail, safe and sound. The Red Lantern went to rookie Jan Steves of Edmonds, Washington, who finished the race at 2:57 a.m. after 14 days, 11 hours, 57 minutes and 11 seconds on the trail, blowing out the widow's lantern. Steves' partner, musher Bob Chlupach of Willow, finished two minutes before her.

Thus the 40th running of the Idi-

tarod Sled Dog race came to an end. While the race didn't break any speed records due to cold and tough trail conditions this year, it produced in 25-year-old Dallas Seavey the youngest champion ever and saw 53 finishers altogether. However, not everybody makes it to Nome and 12 mushers scratched along the way, including four-time Iditarod champion Jeff King. One musher, Jake Berkowitz, was withdrawn in Unalakleet due to a hand injury.

Dallas Seavey claimed victory of Iditarod XL on Tuesday evening at 7:29 p.m. after 9 days, 4 hours, 29 minutes and 26 seconds on the trail. The youngest of three Seaveys in the race – father Mitch and grandfather Dan Seavey also competed in the 2012 Iditarod – was welcomed in Nome with cheers and fanfare. He drove his nine dogs up the finish

chute with outstretched arms, greeting well-wishers, who closed in on both sides of him. Under the arch, his wife Jen and daughter Annie welcomed the new champion. After being officially checked in, race marshal Mark Nordman guided the young winner to the crowd to shake hands, then ushered him back under the arch to receive the \$50,400 winner's check and the oversized car key to a brand new Dodge truck. Seavey sat down at the champion's podium, shook hands with race sponsors and asked for his dogs Guinness, a 9-year-old female, and Diesel, a younger leader, to receive the yellow rose collars.

Seavey thanked his sponsors and

said he'd be spending most of the prize money for dog food and diapers. "Those are our main expenses these days," Seavey said.

Later, Seavey said that this run was one of the most fun Iditarods he's participated in. "The first quarter was the most fun," he said. The long run to Cripple, dreaded by most, turned out to be the most fun run for him, he said. The best, he said, was to see his dogs come together as a team and work as a team. But then came a realization. "The race was a blast until we got to Unalakleet," Seavey said. "That's when I realized that we could and that we *should* win this race and that I would be the only one who could screw it up. From

there on out, I was a wreck," Seavey said.

He added that whenever situations felt overwhelming, he would think that this is just a dog race and that he's just mushing dogs. "Let's just take the next stretch of trail ahead of us and take it one run at a time," Seavey said.

All the way up the coast, Aliy Zirkle, Ramey Smyth and Aaron Burmeister were breathing down his neck, just waiting for the opportunity to capitalize on any mistakes. By the time Seavey reached White Mountain, the lead between him and Aliy Zirkle was at one hour – enough to be in striking distance.

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ENTERTAINED— Lance Mackey described his 2012 Iditarod experience as "entertaining" as his main leader Maple caused some delays in his race schedule. Mackey pets one of his dogs at the finish line.

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WORKING HARD (top)— Talkeetna musher Gerry Sousa ski poles his way into Nome, finishing this year's Iditarod in 20th place.

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THE MUSERZ (right)— Mushing rapper Braxton Peterson running dogs out of Lance Mackey's Comeback Kennel, was elated to successfully finish his rookie run of the Iditarod in 10 days, 22 hours and 44 minutes. Peterson drives his dogs past Farley's Camp just outside of Nome, on Thursday, March 15.

Photo by Diana Haecker



CONGRATULATIONS (top) — Elizabeth Nayokpuk, widow of Herbie "The Shishmaref Cannonball" Nayokpuk, was present at the finish line to congratulate Dallas Seavey on his win of the Iditarod.

Photo by Diana Haecker

DAD'S BACK (right)— Third place finisher Ramey Smyth is happy to see his daughter Ava under the burled arch after having spent just over 9 days and 6 hours on the Iditarod trail.

Photo by Nils Hahn



THE TWINS (top)— Twin sisters Anna, left, and Kristy Berington finished the Iditarod hand in hand, racing their dog teams to Nome in 43rd and 44th position.

Photo by Cornelia Heinz

FROSTY (left)— Canadian musher Hank Debruin sports a frosty mustache upon his arrival in Nome.

Photo by Diana Haecker



Photo by Nadja Cavin

WELCOME TO NOME— Aliy Zirkle of Two Rivers is greeted by fans coming off the sea ice to Front Street in Nome as she drives her dog team to a second place finish in the Iditarod.



Photo by Lizzy Hahn

REVERED— Five-time champion Rick Swenson and his partner Kelly Williams enjoy the Red Lantern banquet at the Mini on Monday. Swenson ran his 35th Iditarod this year and mushers still are in awe of his accomplishments on the trail.

Photo by Diana Haecker

LOPING INTO NOME— Cim Smyth's dog team is running toward the finish line on Front Street, completing Iditarod XL in 24th position.



Photos by Diana Haecker

HUMANITARIAN AWARD (top)— Marilyn Romano with Alaska Airlines, left, presented Deedee Jonrowe with the coveted Humanitarian Award for exemplary dog care as Iditarod chief veterinarian Stu Nelson looks on.

LOVES THE DOG (left)— Runner-up Aliy Zirkle hugs her lead dog Quito at the finish line in Nome. Zirkle said she has a team of small dogs with huge hearts.



Photo by Diana Haecker

I DID I DID I DID THE IDITAROD TRAIL— Knik musher Kelley Griffin drives her dog team past a tripod on the Iditarod Trail near Farley's Camp a few miles outside of Nome.

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In hindsight, Zirkle said, she can't really think of making a strategic mistake. She had reached the coast as the first musher to Unalakleet, but said that the long and cold run from Kaltag to Unalakleet did put a damper on her and therefore the team's morale. "That run was my weak point in the race," Zirkle said.

The 87-mile run took her longer than planned. She said that for the most part, the trail was pretty good until Old Woman's (Cabin) when a lot of snowmachines with paddle tracks had chewed up the trail and made for slow going to Unalakleet.

"When first reached Unalakleet, I thought I had run them too hard there," she said. However, they bounded back and after five and a half hours rest in Unalakleet, she followed Aaron Burmeister and Dallas Seavey out of the checkpoint to head toward Shaktoolik.

Zirkle trailed Seavey into Koyuk and was still within striking distance. "I knew that we've got a dog team that could win," she told *The Nome Nugget*. Most of the same team members came excruciatingly close to winning several premier races this season. They finished the Sheep Mountain 150 race in second place by only 20 seconds. They finished the 2012 Yukon Quest in second place, 26 seconds behind the winner Hugh Neff.

The pressure was on Zirkle to try for an Iditarod victory. "It was all about if I could make the right moves and execute the right strategy, and if I could hold the dog team together or not," she said. On the Yukon, Zirkle said that she felt her team really "jelling", or coming together. Other teams were slowing down and she thought she could bust a move ahead going straight from

Galena to Kaltag by blowing through Nulato. But Mitch Seavey, John Baker and other competitors did the same thing.

Injuries to two pivotal dogs, in the end, cost her pulling power that may have given her the edge over Seavey, just when she was catching up to him two hours out of Koyuk. Olivia and Boone Dog, two of Zirkle's fastest dogs, hurt their triceps on a difficult run through white-out conditions in deep snow between Koyuk and Elim, and she had to drop them in Elim, going on with 10 dogs. Looking in front of her, she was focused on catching Dallas Seavey, but what made her nervous was what was behind her. "My biggest concern was that Pete Kaiser and Jake Berkowitz would catch up," Zirkle said.

Not knowing that Jake Berkowitz had been withdrawn by race marshal Mark Nordman due to a knife injury to his hand in Unalakleet, Zirkle kept on looking over her shoulder for the orange jacket and a zipping dog team. However, quietly and without much fanfare, Ramey Smyth, clad in white pants and wind parka, was in hot pursuit of Seavey and Zirkle.

Zirkle as well as Dallas Seavey said that they remained amazed and inspired by the calibers of dog teams that they and Ramey Smyth were driving. "You don't want Aliy and Ramey as your closest competitors," Seavey said at the finish line, literally still looking over his shoulder.

Zirkle ended up not catching Seavey and she mushed into second place, only one hour after Seavey. Although all smiles and her usual upbeat self, Zirkle admitted that indeed she felt disappointed. Not quite at that moment as the Nome crowd loudly cheered her on and gave her quite a welcome under the arch, but after seeing a photo of Seavey's lead dogs sitting on the champion's

podium and wearing the infamous collars studded with yellow roses.

"I didn't realize I was going to feel that way," Zirkle said later. "The difference in prize money isn't that big," she said, "and the truck, well, it sure would've been nice to win it." But what got her was the photo in the newspaper of Seavey's dogs wearing the rose collars. "Seeing the roses I felt that my dogs deserved some recognition, too," Zirkle said. "In the whole scope of things, we were only one hour behind." Zirkle said at the awards banquet that she would buy her lead dogs Quito and Beamer a huge bouquet of red roses once they returned to the SP Kennels back home in Two Rivers.

Ramey Smyth, last year's second place winner, reached Nome 35 minutes after Zirkle and finished his race with 9 dogs after 9 days, 6 hours and 4 minutes.

Four hours later, Nome's Aaron Burmeister finished in his personal best, in fourth position. Burmeister had taken a three-year hiatus after the 2009 Iditarod Trail sled dog race and came back with a vengeance. He had taken some time off from the race to be with his wife Mandy and young son Hunter.

Burmeister spends the winters in Nenana and the summers in Nome. Out of 13 Iditarod races he ran, he said, this year's was the most challenging race of all. "It was a tough race, tough trail conditions and intense competition," he said.

Burmeister came back with a team

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GOLDEN HARNESS AWARD WINNER— Dallas Seavey's lead dog Guinness was awarded the Golden Harness award, presented by City of Nome mayor Denise Michels.

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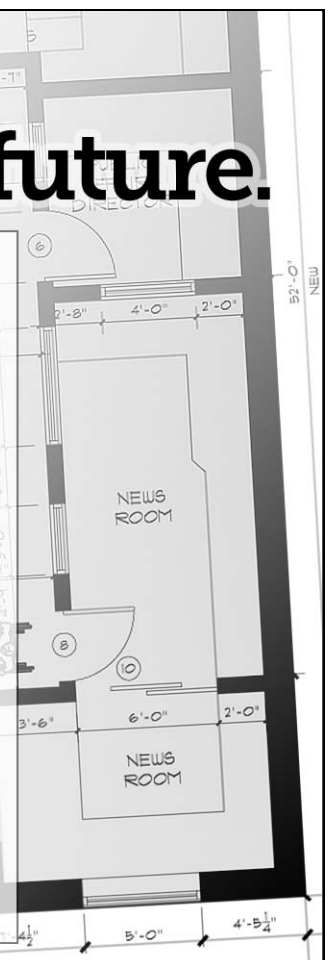
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Burmeister came back with a team of young dogs that he had kept after having sold most of his adult dogs to Dallas Seavey in 2009 when he finished the Iditarod in 7th place. The youngsters, varying in age between 3 and 4, plus two older hands borrowed from Sebastian Schnuelle’s kennel, formed a strong team that propelled Burmeister into the top 5. Burmeister said that he ran conservatively although he put a lot of long runs on the dogs. “It was too cold to race them hard,” Burmeister said.

“I made a lot of stops and kept feeding them in shorter breaks. We consistently stayed cold and saw nights -30°F to -45°F,” said Burmeister. The coldest stretch was on the Yukon and between Old Woman and Unalakleet. In terms of snow conditions, the feared Steps weren’t much of an issue for mushers this year, but Burmeister had a harrowing tale to tell of driving out of Rohn with 16 fully charged dogs and dropping onto a glare ice West Fork of the Kuskokwim River.

Snow and wind made for poor visibility and Burmeister realized that he missed the Gee turn. He was unable to stop the strong dog team barreling down the river ice riddled with driftwood. He went down two miles before being able to stop his team. “I broke my anchor line, the sled stanchion broke and bolts were sheering off,” Burmeister described the horror ride. “At first I was standing with both feet on my break, then dragging sideways behind a team of 16 dogs down the glare ice until I was able to lodge my foot on a tree stump and stop the team, turn it around and put old leaders in front. It was crazy,” Burmeister said.

After reaching safer trail conditions, Burmeister was able to fix the sled and continue down the trail. For most of the rest of the trail, I was focusing on the dogs, he said, until he started to get sick and spent a few days driving with fever, shivering and sweating at the same time on the Yukon.

Finally, in Koyuk, Burmeister got his clothes dried out and felt better. From Koyuk to the finish line, he was in racing mode. A few younger dogs became mentally tired, he said, and he dropped them. This would enable him to charge ahead with 10 solid dogs and he would wait for Dallas Seavey, Aliy Zirkle and Ramey Smyth to make the slightest mistake.

“At that point I was looking to capitalize on any mistakes they may make,” Burmeister said. But they didn’t. In White Mountain the top four gathered for their mandatory eight hours of rest before making the push for the last 77 miles to Nome.

“We all had our game faces on, and we were in racing mode,” Burmeister said. “We complimented each other on the dog teams we had and actually we got along real well.” In the end, there were no mistakes.

Burmeister is most excited about his dog team. “There are three young

super stars in the team, they are all litter mates called Ruger, Remi and Moss,” he said. He also gives credit to Grizman and Inuk out of Schnuelle’s kennel.

Burmeister said he would love to give his dogs another opportunity to move a few spots up to claim the championship of the Iditarod sled dog race in the future. After all, a few of the dogs he had raised were part of the team that won Dallas Seavey a Yukon Quest victory in 2011 and this year’s Iditarod. So, Burmeister wants to race his dogs to victory, but racing competitively does not come cheap. While the winner’s check of \$50,400 sounds like a lot of money, consider the funds that a musher has to sink into the race. Burmeister runs a kennel of 18 dogs and he said that lacking big sponsors this year, he paid most expenses out-of-pocket. He said his budget ran between \$120,000 to \$140,000. “This includes feed, kennel help, paying a kennel manager, trail maintenance and getting to other races that I consider training runs to prepare the team for the Iditarod,” explains Burmeister.

He still has the goal to win the Iditarod, and he said, his team showed him they have the stuff to do so.

“I sure would like to bring the victory home to Nome,” said Burmeister.

Rounding out the top ten were Peter Kaiser, Ray Redington Jr., Mitch Seavey, Michael Williams Jr., John Baker and Deedee Jonrowe. Brent Sass claimed the highest rookie position and received the Rookie of the Year award.

Mushers kept on trickling into Nome all throughout the week that saw sunny, cold and windy weather. There were unintentional family trips, like father and son duo Martin and Rohn Buser who finished together and Buser joked that it was “bring-your-kids-to-work year.”

They turned their dogs loose in the chute and let spectators cuddle dogs. Twins Anna and Kristy Berington also finished together, running up the finish ramp side by side, holding hands. Kristy Berington, driving dogs of Paul Gebhardt’s kennel re-

ceived a bouquet of red roses from Gebhardt. At the awards banquet the Kasilof musher thanked his partner Kristy for “making mushing fun again for him.” Gebhardt finished in 15th position.

Four-time race winner Lance Mackey arrived on a bright Thursday morning to a cheering crowd and as reporters badgered him about whether or not he’d be disappointed, he set them straight. “You know, it’s not all bad even when it’s bad,” Mackey said. “You know, I think about a few years back when doctors told me that I wouldn’t be doing this stuff anymore, *that* was bad. So getting to Nome with a team that is somewhat healthy and somewhat jazzed is not that bad. You don’t have to win to be successful,” Mackey said.

Mackey compared the Iditarod to a NASCAR race that when one thing goes wrong, ten cars go by and one is never able to play catch-up again. “I’m not going to stand here making excuses why I wasn’t here a couple of days ago,” he said. “But the root of the my problem is right here.” With this, he pointed to his lead dog Maple, who lounged in single lead position on the snow.

Mackey said she left the truck in Anchorage in full heat. “She wore my team out chasing after her,” Mackey said. Romantic entanglements along the way delayed Mackey’s planned departures from many a checkpoint due to Maple. “Entertaining,” this is how Mackey described his 2012 Iditarod race.

On a more serious note, Mackey addressed his fans, saying that the Iditarod had been amazing to him and his life. “No matter what happens to me for the rest of my career, the Iditarod will continue to be amazing to me and benefit me all the way until I quit breathing, from what I accomplished here,” Mackey said. “So from here on I’m watching my boys run. I got my stepson Cain here last year, I got my other “stepson” and handler Braxton Peterson to arrive in a few hours and that to me is just about as rewarding as winning any race, in my opinion,” Mackey said.

Iditarod Award Winners

Pen Air Spirit of Alaska Award: Aliy Zirkle
GCI Dorothy Page Halfway Award: Jim Lanier
Wells Fargo Alaska Gold Coast Award: Aliy Zirkle
NKC fastest time from Safety to Nome: Mike Williams Jr.
Horizon Lines Most Improved Musher: Rohn Buser
Jerry Austin Rookie of the Year: Brent Sass
Fred Meyer Sportsmanship Award: Lance Mackey
Musher’s Choice Award: Dan Seavey
NAC Herbie Nayokpuk Memorial Award: Michelle Phillips
Golden Clipboard Award: Nulato
Golden Stethoscope Award: Ruth Kothe, DVM; and Tanja Kruse, DVM
AK Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian Award: Deedee Jonrowe
City of Nome Lolly Medley Golden Harness Award: Guinness,
Dallas Seavey’s lead dog
NAC Four-wheeler drawing: Peter Kaiser

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- Across**
- 1. Breakfast sizzler
 - 6. Marienbad, for one
 - 9. ___ Peninsula, where Kuala Lumpur is located
 - 14. “Remember the ___!”
 - 15. Plants of the genus Equisetum
 - 17. Femme fatale
 - 18. Place stiffened material inside a collar
 - 19. Sixth canonical hour
 - 21. Legislative body with all members present
 - 22. State again
 - 23. Betelgeuse’s constellation
 - 25. “Farewell, mon ami”
 - 27. Abject
 - 31. “Don’t ___!”
 - 33. Flower commemorating Remembrance Sunday
 - 35. Stanley Kowalski’s famous yell
 - 36. Domestic
 - 38. Notations to ignore corrections
 - 40. Acclaim
 - 41. Moorehead of “Bewitched”
 - 43. Buddhist who has attained Nirvana
 - 45. “For shame!”
 - 46. Narrow ridge of hills
 - 48. Biblical gift
 - 50. “A Lesson From ___”
 - 52. Reason to close up shop
 - 55. Begins
 - 58. Place where stolen cars are disassembled (2 wd)

- 60. Geographic region
- 62. Mooring sites
- 63. Estranged
- 64. Carry away, in a way
- 65. Cutting edge of a weapon
- 66. Casual attire
- 67. Wiccan advice (pl.)

- Down**
- 1. More mean
 - 2. Breathing
 - 3. Assuming responsibility for needs of another
 - 4. Portended
 - 5. ___ surface prevents falls
 - 6. Climb
 - 7. Orangutan
 - 8. “A jealous mistress”: Emerson
 - 9. Solid portion between two crenels in a battlement (pl.)
 - 10. Eventually (2 wd)
 - 11. Been in bed
 - 12. Hokkaido native
 - 13. Original matter prior to Big Bang
 - 16. Brown shade
 - 20. Bread spreads
 - 24. Beat
 - 26. Understanding
 - 28. Human skull symbol (2 wd)
 - 29. Assortment
 - 30. Battering wind
 - 31. Asian nurse
 - 32. Kind of palm
 - 34. The “p” in m.p.g.
 - 37. Excluded
 - 39. Approval (2 wd)
 - 42. Soup cracker
 - 44. One hallucinating on drugs
 - 47. ___ del Sol
 - 49. Resume original shape
 - 51. Loose rock debris on a slope
 - 53. Bakery offering
 - 54. Church recesses
 - 55. Attempt
 - 56. Be a snitch
 - 57. “Mi chiamano Mimi,” e.g.
 - 59. Jekyll’s alter ego
 - 61. His “4” was retired (baseball)

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CAPRICORN

December 22–January 19


Stand back, Capricorn. Opportunities are headed your way. Take advantage of every last one. Your home begins to resemble a closet.



ARIES

March 21–April 19


Two wrongs do not make a right. Admit what you did, Aries, and prepare to pay the price. Weekend adventures put everyone in high spirits.



CANCER

June 22–July 22


Blink, and you'll miss it for sure, Cancer. That's how small the gesture will be, but at least an effort was made. Be grateful, and watch as it is paid forward.



LIBRA

September 23–October 22


You need to break the ice, Libra, but be careful you don't go overboard and say something that could turn into a deal breaker.



AQUARIUS

January 20–February 18


Organization is key to pulling off a project. Get all of your Ps and Qs in order and work through the process in stages. A friend makes a keen observation. Be receptive, Aquarius.



TAURUS

April 20–May 20


Force your way in, Taurus, and you will regret it. Be patient, wait your turn and it will come in time. The web of deception builds at work.



LEO

July 23–August 22


Don't jump to conclusions, Leo. What you see is not what you'll get. You're only in the initial stages of planning. Give the idea time to flesh out before you critique it.



SCORPIO

October 23–November 21


Craft ideas abound. Make a day of it with your family, Scorpio, and get the scoop on what you've been missing. A brave face makes an earnest plea.



PISCES

February 19–March 20


All is fair in love and war, Pisces. You took a chance and you lost. Better luck next time. A favor is returned when you least expect it.



GEMINI

May 21–June 21


Creative endeavors take off with a special purchase. Grab some friends and make a party of it, Gemini. The fix for an auto dilemma is clear.



VIRGO

August 23–September 22

It is what is, Virgo. No amount of fussing is going to make the situation better, so leave it be. You have much bigger fish to fry.



SAGITTARIUS

November 22–December 21

Stop it, Sagittarius! You've devoted way too many hours to a project that clearly wasn't meant to be. Can it and move on to something more fruitful.

Cervical cancer screening: New guidelines for women

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Otherwise healthy women do not need annual cervical cancer screening, according to new guidelines from the American Cancer Society and the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. Both the ACS and USPSTF now recommend screening every three years with an extension to every five years for certain women.

The female cervix, the opening to the uterus, is a common site of a deadly form of cancer known as squamous-cell cervical cancer. Prior to routine screening in the 20th century, this cervical cancer was one of the most common causes of death for women.

But cervical cancer can now be eradicated if detected at an early stage. According to the American Cancer Society, the survival rate for

invasive cervical cancer has risen to over 90 percent. Cervical cancer has fallen to 14th among common causes of cancer deaths for women, largely due to regular screening and, more recently, a vaccine to protect against cervical cancer.

Cervical cancer is considered a sexually transmitted disease. Over 90 percent of cervical cancer occurs due to infection with the human papilloma virus. HPV is transmitted by sexual contact. Certain forms of the virus are more likely than others to cause cancer.

Doctors screen women for cervical cancer using two methods. The most common method is called the Papanicolaou (Pap) cytologic test. The Pap test involves using a microscope to scan for cancer or pre-cancer cells obtained from the cervix during a pelvic exam. An alternate

method involves sampling the cervix for the presence of high-risk strains of HPV.

The ACS and USPSTF make the following recommendation regarding the frequency of testing that provides the greatest benefit:

- Women between ages 21 and 65 without risk factors (such as HIV or other immunodeficiency disease) should undergo cytologic screening with a Pap test every three years.
- Women ages 30 to 65 may extend the screening interval to every five years with a combined cytologic screen (Pap test) and HPV testing.
- Women younger than age 21 no longer need to be screened.
- Women older than age 65 who have been previously screened should not continue screening.

It is important to remember that cancer screening is a vital part of women's health, but it is not the only part. While the interval between cervical cancer screenings has been extended for otherwise healthy women, it is critical that annual wellness

exams include screening for other illnesses such as hypertension, breast cancer, diabetes, skin cancer, thyroid disease, and autoimmune disease.

It is also important to note that screening guidelines are merely

guidelines. This means that your provider may adjust the recommendations to meet your personal needs or address your risks. Talk with your doctor about how the new guidelines may apply to you.

Saying it Sincerely

Finishing The Race!

Pastor Mike Christian – River of Life Assembly of God
Member of Nome Ministerial Association

By the time this week's paper makes its way into your hands we will have completed the 40th Iditarod. The last musher will have crossed the "Finish Line" and the "Red Lantern" will have been awarded. As usual, this year's race has been filled with moments of excitement and close finishes. And although 66 teams started the race, some did not finish due to some unforeseen reason. All the effort put into training the dogs, conditioning themselves for the grueling journey paid off for some, but for others it ended in disappointment.

Friends, it is so important that we "Finish the Race" that is set before us as followers of Christ. All our personal efforts to prepare for this "Race" we call "Life" will fall short if we are not properly prepared. The only way to be totally prepared is to be in a committed relationship with Jesus Christ! In Philippians, the Apostle Paul gives us some direction concerning "Finishing the Race."

"Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. —Philippians 3:12-14

As Christians you and I must be determined to "Finish the Race!" Our hearts, our minds and our souls must be filled with the desire to complete the race that we have begun as a child of God. In order for us to complete this race, we must also prepare ourselves by studying God's holy word. We must read it and put forth every effort possible to understand and apply it to our lives on a daily basis. We must live according to the principles and follow the instructions the Lord gives us, if we are to "Finish the Race." You and I must remain focused on the prize that the apostle Paul speaks of here in this passage. This prize is eternal life in Christ Jesus and the promise of reigning with him throughout all eternity in Heaven itself.

Again, the apostle Paul speaks to us concerning the importance of knowing and living out the word of God in our lives in his second letter to Timothy.

"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth." — II Timothy 2:15 —

The desire of my heart is to serve my Lord and Savior with all my strength while upon this earth. And, I know the only way I can fulfill this desire is to seek him with all of my heart, mind, soul and strength. So, all my efforts to finish the race the Lord has called me to run, must be combined with an intense desire to adhere to his word and fulfill his will for my life each and every day. I must put into practice the Word of God each and every moment during this journey called "My Life," if I expect to someday cross the most important finish line and enter Heaven's gates to spend all eternity with Jesus Christ, my Lord.

I encourage you to make that commitment, to surrender yourself to finishing the race that truly counts. The prize at the end of this race is worth more than all the gold in the world. This race, when finished, will find you inside the gates of Heaven, praising and worshipping the Lord God of glory throughout all eternity!

Obituary

Alex Nusi Weyiouanna

Alex Nusi Weyiouanna "Grandpa Alex" was born on October 22, 1918 to Johnny and Nellie Weyiouanna in Shishmaref. Grandpa Alex died peacefully in his home the morning of February 17, 2012 surrounded by family.

Alex attended BIA school up to 6th grade in Shishmaref. After his father's death, Alex helped his mother provide care and helped raise his siblings.

On September 2, 1941 Alex married his wife Elsie Allockeok. Together they raised six children: Clifford, Mary Ann, Lena, Michael, Sue, and foster son Stanley Kenworthy. They were also foster parents to many children who came to Shishmaref to attend school for many years.

In 1942, Alex joined the U.S. Army and was a member of the Alaska Territorial Guard. While in the Army, he was stationed in Valdez until 1943. On March 31, 1947 Alex received an Honorable Discharge for

his service.

Alex was a skilled employee and was employed by various organizations including janitor for Shishmaref Lutheran Church, Shishmaref School, construction work for BIA schools, miner for Dickmun Gold Mining Co. and Lost River Mining Co., airline agent for Wiens, Munz, and Ryan Air, Ramstad Construction Co. for airport maintenance, store manager for Shishmaref Native Store, and the last job he held was for Alaska Weather Bureau as weatherman for FAA. Early in his life, he also started a store in which he owned and managed for a while.

Throughout his employment, Alex continued to live a rich traditional lifestyle. In his younger years, Alex would often take his family traveling with dog team to Brevig, Teller and Nome. He and his wife passed on their knowledge and subsistence way of life to their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and foster children.

Alex and Elsie enjoyed reindeer

herding with their son Clifford and family. It was a very special time for them; they appreciated help from community members and looked forward to the event each year whether at Arctic or West Camp.

Alex shared many talents of carving billikins, ivory earrings, necklaces, bracelets, made horn dolls with his wife, fish hook making, berry pickers, ulus, tuuks, sink hooks, float hooks, harpoons, the art of making skin boats, wooden boat building, making and repairing fish nets, and teaching numerous sled building classes. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, trapping and camping year round and stayed active as long as he was able.

With strong Christian faith, Alex sang as tenor for the Shishmaref Church Choir. He served as council member for the Native Village of Shishmaref, Shishmaref Church Council, Shishmaref Elders Advisory Committee and volunteered in story telling with the youth. He received an Elder of the Year Award for 2011 from the Native Village of Shishmaref – for sharing cultural knowledge, teaching our Inupiaq

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Church Services Directory

Bible Baptist Church
443-2144

Sunday School: 10 a.m./Worship: 11 a.m.

Community Baptist Church-SBC
108 West 3rd Avenue • 443-5448 • Pastor Bruce Landry
Sunday Small Group Bible Study: 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

Community United Methodist
West 2nd Ave • 443-2865

Sunday: Worship 11 a.m.

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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

Nome Covenant Church

101 Bering Street • 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey

Sunday: School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.

Wednesday: Youth Group 6:30 p.m. (443-8063 for more info)

Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church

5th Avenue & Bering • 443-5295

Sunday: School 9:45 am/Worship 11 a.m.

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River of Life Assembly of God
443-5333

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m./Evening Worship: 7 p.m.

Sunday Youth Meeting: 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Service: 7 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Corner of Steadman & King Place • 443-5527

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

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Seventh-Day Adventist
Icy View • 443-5137

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3/8-15-22

KAWERAK POSITION DESCRIPTION
DIVISION: Natural Resources
JOB TITLE: **Special Projects Assistant**
POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 10-11-12
REPORTS TO: Subsistence Resource Director
BRIEF SUMMARY OF JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:
• Assist the Subsistence Resource Director with the implementation of short term/survey and other Subsistence Resource projects, goals and objectives.

- Assist the Subsistence Resource Director in monitoring the expenditures of the project(s). Produce budget projections as requested.
 - Assist with preparations of meetings and compilation of committee packets.
 - Assist with preparation of reports and dissemination of informational materials to regional communities.
 - Oversee the collection of subsistence harvest survey information from regional communities.
 - Recruit for available surveyor positions and complete all necessary employment hire documents for submission.
 - Recommend hire of project surveyors.
 - Provide over-all supervision, direction, orientation and training to project surveyors.
 - Work with tribal governing bodies in the implementation of the projects including obtaining informed consent from tribal governing bodies.
 - Ensure survey forms are returned on time, complete and accurate.
 - Close out each community survey file and make duplicates of each survey form and file.
 - Enter survey data utilizing computer software.
 - Generate reports of harvest data utilizing computer software
 - Other duties as assigned by the Subsistence Resource Director.
- QUALIFICATION:**
• High School Diploma or G.E.D., plus 2 years working experience coordinating programs or services.
• One year supervisory experience preferred.
• Must possess effective writing and oral communication skills.
• Effective organizational and records management skills required.

ment skills required.
• Ability to work and interact positively with tribes, state, and federal agencies.
• Computer keyboarding and office skills required. Knowledge of Microsoft Word, Windows, Excel and internet skills required. Knowledge of Access preferred.
Approved (4/14/04)
3/15-22

KAWERAK POSITION DESCRIPTION
DIVISION: Children & Family Services
DEPARTMENT: Family Services
JOB TITLE: **Caseworker I**
POSITION STATUS: Regular Full Time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 10-11-12 (\$20.95-27.34)
REPORTS TO: Program Director
The Children & Family Services Program works closely with children and families involved with the Office of Children's Services. The Caseworker I position is an entry level position. Effective written and oral communication skills are required.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:
1) Under supervision of the CFS Program Director provide social service casework.
2) Implement the service case plans as outlined in the Office of Children's Service (OCS) referral.
3) Provide ongoing assessment and update of client needs as well as collaborate and coordinate services with appropriate providers to meet identified needs.
4) Provide supportive services to both parents and children involved with OCS and foster parents who have children in their care. Maintain daily, weekly and monthly communications between clients and service providers involved.
5) Prepare social case histories, complete report of contacts, case summaries and case closures.
6) Complete the OCS Training and additional training identified by Kawerak.
7) May be required to attend court hearings and testify at court proceedings.
8) Required to travel to remote villages in light commercial aircraft to provide services to program clients.
9) Other duties as assigned by the Children & Family Service Director.

QUALIFICATIONS:
1) High School Diploma or GED plus one year work experience in the field.
2) Computer, keyboarding and office skills required. Must possess basic computer knowledge and skills in internet usage, Word and Windows. Must possess effective written and oral communication skills.
3) Must maintain client confidentiality.
4) Must hold or obtain a valid Alaska Driver's License.
5) No prior conviction of child abuse, family violence, or other convictions that would affect the performance of the position requirements.
6) Must be willing and able to travel.

Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231. Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at www.kawerak.org or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to personnel@kawerak.org.
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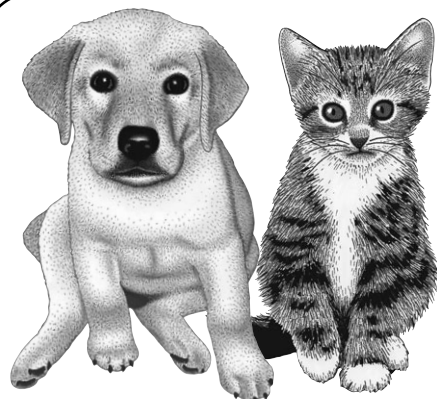
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Seawall

03/12
George Minix, 52, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence and Violating Conditions of Probation.

Jamie Ahkinga, 30, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

03/13
Robert Apok, 45, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Disorderly Conduct; Drunk on Licensed Premises; Criminal Mischief in the 3rd Degree and Harassment in the 1st Degree.

Melissa Jackson, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence and Drunk on Licensed Premises.

April James, 48, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Edward Smith, 30, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

03/14
Nancy Iyapana, 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for an Arrest Warrant.

Danny Davidson, 60, was issued a citation for

Speeding.

Danny Davidson, 60, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving under the Influence.

Steven James, 19, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Terroristic Threats in the 2nd Degree; False Report; Criminal Trespass in the 2nd Degree; Resisting Arrest and Minor Consuming Alcohol.

3/15
Douglas Seidelmann, 48, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

April Savetilik, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving under the Influence.

Samson Kassoock, 40, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Harassment in the 1st Degree and Disorderly Conduct.

03/16
Andrea Soolook, 35, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

William Alvanna, 23, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Introduction of Alcohol into a Licensed Premises.

A Nome Juvenile, 17, was issued a citation for Driving Without a Driver's License.

Shane Mike, 20, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

03/17
Gary Amarok, 38, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

James Barr, 20, was issued a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

03/18
Chadwick Pullock, 20, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Minor Operating after Consuming; Driving While License is Revoked and Violating Conditions of Probation.

Elijah Cabinboy, 23, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

Garrett Adsuna, 33, was arrested remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Etta Ahkinga, 40, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree; Domestic Violence; Interfering with a Report of a Domestic Violence Crime and Disorderly Conduct.

Orville Ahkinga Jr., 45, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence and Interfering with a Report of a Domestic Violence Crime.

Richard Schulling, 42, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

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Values, and respecting our traditional lifestyle. Alex was oldest resident and tribal member in Shishmaref until he died.

Grandpa Alex will be greatly missed by many in Shishmaref, the Bering Strait and NANA regions, throughout the State of Alaska and from the lower 48. He was well known for his arts and crafts, and especially his great hospitality. He welcomed anyone into his home, shared stories, skills, and his vast knowledge throughout his 93 years of life. Even when he was not feeling well, he made sure those around him were taken care of. Grandpa looked forward to community events including birthdays, Christmas activities, Spring Church conference, Annual Spring Carnival and spring hunting. He and his wife Elsie would have a house full of guests consisting of family and friends. He loved his children, grandchildren,

and great-grandchildren dearly. His smile, soft spoken words of wisdom, and kind mannered advice will be cherished by all who knew him.

Alex is survived by his son Clifford Weyiouanna, daughters Lena Weyiouanna, Susie and husband Bill Nayokpuk, Mary Ann Bahnke, foster son Stanley Kenworthy, brothers Stephan Weyiouanna, Johnny and wife Ardith Weyiouanna, sister-in-law Ida Weyauvanna, grandchildren Rhonda Weyiouanna, Josie and husband Russell Marez, Simon Weyiouanna, Sarah Weyiouanna, Ricky Sockpick, Tina Weyiouanna, John Weyiouanna, Andrea Weyiouanna (Mitchell Bellamy), Troy Weyiouanna (Lucy Iyatunguk), Tyler Weyiouanna, Calvin Nayokpuk (Pearl Davis), Andrew and wife Esther Nayokpuk, Garret and wife Katherine Nayokpuk, Diana Nayokpuk (Dennis Sinnok), Holly Nayokpuk (Patrick Iyatunguk), Noah Nayokpuk, Denise Michels, Reatha Bahnke, Robert

Bahnke Jr., Daniel and June Angusuc, Jason Omedelena, Jeremiah Angusuc, Daniel “Kunnuk” Angusuc (Heather Ongtowasruk), and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and relatives.

Alex was preceded in death by his wife Elsie Weyiouanna; parents Johnny and Nellie Weyiouanna; father and mother-in-law William and Wilsa Allockeok; brothers Charley Weyauvanna, Esau and wife Alene Weyiouanna; and twin Jacob Weyiouanna; sisters Anna Sockpick, Irene and husband Alfred Olanna; Frieda and husband Davey Ningeu-look, Mina Roberts, Julia Weiyouanna; sons John Weyiouanna and Michael Weyiouanna; daughter-in-law Shirley Ann Weyiouanna; granddaughters Roberta Bahnke and Annie Nayokpuk; grandson Kevin Angusuc; great granddaughter Kylie Angusuc; sister-in law Kara and husband George Ahgupuk, Ella and Perry Eningowuk, and Daisy and husband Simon Angusuc.

Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME
CASE NO: 2NO-12-00071CI
ORDER FOR HEARING,
PUBLICATION AND POSTING
In the Matter of a Change of Name for:
Tyler Henry Saccheus Levine,
Current name of Minor.
Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior court, Case # 2NO-12-00071CI, requesting a name change from Tyler Henry Saccheus Levine to Andrew Dean Kaluchook Barr. A hearing on this request will be held on 4-5-12 at 11:30 AM at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street, Nome, AK. 3/8-15-22-29

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME
CASE NO: 2NO-12-00072CI
ORDER FOR HEARING,
PUBLICATION AND POSTING
In the Matter of a Change of Name for:
Katie Shea Marie Koutchak,
Current name of Minor.
Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior court, Case # 2NO-12-00072CI, requesting a name change from Katie Shea Marie Koutchak to Katie Shea Minix. A hearing on this request will be held on 4-15-12 at 11:45 am at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street, Nome, AK. 3/8-15-22-29

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 13 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with repackaging of beer from kegs and the definition of "owner or representative" as it relates to prohibited financial interest, including the following:

- (1) 13 AAC 104.365 is a proposed new section to establish standards under which the repackaging of beer from kegs into other containers is allowed.
- (2) 13AAC 104.980 is a proposed new section to define the term "owner or representative" for purposes of AS 04.11.450, prohibited financial interest.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Shirley A. Gifford, Director, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, 5848 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99507, by fax at 907-272-9412 or email dps.abc.web@alaska.gov. The comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m., April 30, 2012.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in the process on the proposed regulations, please contact the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board at (907) 269-0350 no later than April 26, 2012 to en-

sure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

The proposed regulation changes are available on the Department of Public Safety website at www.dps.alaska.gov/Comm/regulations.aspx or by request through the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board email at dps.abc.web@alaska.gov, telephone: 907-269-0350, fax: 907-272-9412, or its office at 5848 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507.

After the public comment period ends, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board will either adopt this or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

Statutory Authority: AS 04.06.090, AS 04.06.100
Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 04.11.150, AS 04.11.450
Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: March 12, 2012
Shirley A. Gifford, Director
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
3/22

Trooper Beat

On March 9, Nome WAANT received a tip from a local air carrier in Nome, that a box of freight headed to Elim smelled like alcohol. Investigation revealed that an adult female in Nome working with an adult male and a minor male in Anchorage sent 3 gallons of distilled spirits to an adult male in Elim. All four individuals are on probation and the minor was in possession of the alcohol. Elim is a local option community that voted to ban the sale and importation of alcohol. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA.

On March 11, at 6:30 p.m. the Alaska State Troopers arrested Fred Daniels, 39, of Elim, with an arrest warrant for Importation of Alcohol. Daniels was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional

Center without bail.

On March 11, at 6:30 p.m. AST arrested Jonathan Moses, 27, of Elim, with an arrest warrant for Assault 4. Moses was remanded to the AMCC with bail set at \$1,000.

On March 13, Nome WAANT contacted an adult male and an adult female at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, 3.78 liters of alcohol was seized from their luggage. They both were allowed to travel to Savoonga. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA. Savoonga is a local option community that voted to ban the sale, importation and possession of alcohol.

On March 13, Nome WAANT contacted an adult male and a minor female at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, two 710ml bottles of alcohol were seized from the minor's purse. The adult male was not traveling and placed the alcohol in his girlfriend's purse, who was traveling to Savoonga. She was allowed to travel and he was allowed to leave. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA. Savoonga is a local option community that voted to ban the sale, importation and possession of alcohol.

On March 15, Nome WAANT contacted an adult male traveling to Gambell, at a local air carrier. In-

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ATTENTION ALASKA RESIDENTS!!

Do you want your own piece of Alaska?
THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY!

The Department of Natural Resources, Remote Recreational Cabin Sites Program is offering Alaskans an opportunity to stake and purchase state land in one of 5 different remote locations in Southcentral and Northern Alaska.

A lottery drawing will be held to award 225 staking authorizations in the following staking areas: Aniak-Doestock, Kakhonak Lake, Albert Creek North, Zitziana and Teklanika III. Applicants need not be present to win.



Lottery application period begins

10:00 am

Monday, March 12, 2012

Lottery application period ends

5:00 pm

Thursday, April 26, 2012

Lottery

10:00 am

Friday, May 11, 2012

held at the Anchorage DNR Public Information Center

dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/landsale/

Brochures and applications are available online and at:

ANCHORAGE

DNR Public Information Center
550 W 7th Avenue,
Suite 1260
Anchorage, AK 99501
269-8400, TDD 269-8411

FAIRBANKS

DNR Public Information Center
3700 Airport Way
Fairbanks, AK 99709
451-2705, TDD 451-2770

JUNEAU

DNR Information Office
400 Willoughby Avenue,
4th Floor
Juneau, AK 99801
465-3400, TDD 465-3888

King Island Native Corporation



The King Island Native Corporation will hold their Annual Meeting of Shareholders on
Saturday, April 28, 2012
at Old Saint Joe's on Anvil City Square in Nome, Alaska at 1 p.m. for the following purpose: Election of two (2) directors and other matters listed on the agenda.

3/1-8-15-22-29; 4/5-12-19-26



PUBLIC MEETING
ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF NATURAL RESOURCES

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR) invites Nome area residents to speak with top DNR officials about local issues involving the department, including the upcoming offshore mining season.

The meeting will be on **Thursday, March 29,** from **6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Old St. Joe's Hall.**

If you have any questions, please contact the DNR Commissioner's Office at (907)269-8431.

NOTICE OF
DECLARATION OF
CANDIDACY

Seven (7) seats are open on the Teller Native Corporation Board of Directors. Candidate qualifications:

- 1.) Eighteen (18) years of age or older
- 2.) Enrolled to the Teller Native Corporation
- 3.) Reside in Teller

Letters of Declaration of Candidacy must be sent or hand delivered to the office manager at the above mailing address and must be postmarked by **5:00 P.M. March 13, 2012.** Annual meeting date is tentatively set for April 21, 2012. If you have any questions, please call the office at (907) 642-6132.

TELLER NATIVE CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

P.O. BOX 649, TELLER, AK 99778
PH. 907-642-6132, FAX 907-642-6133

2/16-23; 3-1-8-15-29;4/5-12



CITY OF NOME

PUBLIC NOTICE

DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY QUITCLAIM DEEDS TO THE STATE OF ALASKA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The City of Nome is considering disposal of municipal property by Quitclaim Deeds to the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation for the purpose of the Snake River Bridge Project. The property descriptions of the parcels to be purchased by the State, and the prices that the State proposes to pay, are set forth below. The ordinance authorizing the disposal of the property, to be duly noticed by agenda and public notice, is scheduled for passage by the Nome Common Council on April 23, 2012. Further information may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Clerk.

• Parcel 1: A portion of Lot 6 of Block 100 City of Nome, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 659 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 659 SF @ \$6/SF \$3,954*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$3,954*
TOTAL COMPENSATION (ROUNDED): \$4,000*

• Parcel 2: A portion of Lot 7 of the Port Road Industrial Park Subdivision, according to the official Plat Number 2005-15, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 24,526 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 24,526 SF @ \$2.5/SF \$61,315*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$61,315*

• Parcel 3: A portion of Block 138 of the Nome Townsite, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 6,123 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 6,123 SF @ \$2.5/SF \$15,307.50*
Improvements: \$26,250.00*
TOTAL: \$41,557.50*

• Parcel 4: A portion of Block 138 of the Nome Townsite, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 15,800 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 15,800 SF @ \$2.5/SF \$39,500*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$39,500*

• Parcel 6: A portion of those Tidelands, Lying Seaward of the Mean High Tide Line of Norton Sound, Alaska State Tidelands Survey No. 334, according to the survey plat recorded October 6, 1982 as Plat Number 82-11, Records of the Cape Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 58,149 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 58,149 SF @ \$.281/SF \$16,340*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$16,340*
TOTAL COMPENSATION (ROUNDED): \$16,400*

• Parcel 8: A portion of Lot 1 of Block 102 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 6,094 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 6,094 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$7,922*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$7,922*

• Parcel 9: A portion of Block 138 of the Nome Townsite, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 4,818 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 4,818 SF @ \$2.5/SF \$12,045*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$12,045*

• Parcel 10: A portion of Vacated Water Street Ordinance No. 342 adjacent to Block 138 of the Nome Townsite, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the

Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 7,611 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 7,611 SF @ \$2.5/SF \$19,027.5*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$19,027.50*

• Parcel 11: A portion of Block 21, Tract II, of the Nome Airport Subdivision, according to the official Plat Number 2004-4, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 28,041 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 28,041 SF @ \$2/SF \$56,082*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$56,082*
TOTAL COMPENSATION (ROUNDED): \$56,100*

• Parcel 13: A portion of Lot 26A of the Belmont Point Replat, according to the official Plat Number 84-22, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Said parcel contains approximately 1,256 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 1,256 SF @ \$6/SF \$7,536*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$7,536*
TOTAL COMPENSATION (ROUNDED): \$8,000*

• Parcel 14: A portion of Lot 2 of Block 102 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 597 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 597 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$776*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$766*

• Parcel 15: All that part of Lot 8, Block 102 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 6,804 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 6,804 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$8,845*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$8,845*

• Parcel 16: All that part of Lot 7 of Block 102 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 7,000 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 7,000 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$9,100*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$9,100*

• Parcel 17: A portion of Lot 6 of Block 102 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 4,283 square feet, more or less;

Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 4,283 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$5,568*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$5,568*

• Parcel 18: All that part of Lot 1 of Block 101 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 7,453 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 7,453 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$9,689*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$9,689*

• Parcel 19: All that part of Lot 2 of Block 101 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 5,849 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 5,849 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$7,604*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$7,604*

• Parcel 20: All that part of Lot 3 of Block 101 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 4,245 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 4,245 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$5,519*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$5,519*

• Parcel 21: All that part of Lot 4 of Block 101 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 2,640 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 2,640 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$3,432*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$3,432*

• Parcel 22: All that part of Lot 5 of Block 101 of Nome Townsite, located within the Sophia Placer Claim U.S. Mineral Survey Number 1806, Alaska, lying within Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 34 West, Kateel River Meridian, Alaska, located in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting that portion of land conveyed by Deed in Book 215, Page 356; recorded November 26, 1936, Cape Nome Recording District. Said parcel contains approximately 966 square feet, more or less;
Appraised Value Allocated as follows:
Land: 966 SF @ \$1.3/SF \$1,256*
Improvements: None
TOTAL: \$1,256*

*TOTAL COMPENSATION ROUNDED-PARCELS 1, 6, 11 & 13: \$84,000

*TOTAL COMPENSATION ROUNDED-PARCELS 2, 3, 4, 9 & 10: \$174,000

*TOTAL COMPENSATION ROUNDED-PARCELS 8, 14-22: \$60,000

*TOTAL COMPENSATION ROUNDED-ALL PARCELS: \$318,000

• More Trooper

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cident to contact, one 750ml bottle of alcohol was seized from his carry-on and he was allowed to travel. Gambell is a local option community that voted to ban the sale, importation and possession of alcohol. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA.

On March 15, at 10:45 a.m. AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Elim. A \$3,000 arrest warrant was subsequently issued for Laurie Keith, 21, of Elim, for Burglary 1, two counts of Assault 4, and Criminal Mischief 4.

On March 15, at about 1 p.m., the Brevig Mission VPSO notified Nome WAANT and Nome AST that an adult male reported that an adult female had just imported alcohol on March 14, at about 10 p.m. from Nome, by snowmachine. The VPSO seized five 750ml bottles of alcohol from her residence. On March 16, Nome AST and Nome

WAANT responded to the village. Investigation revealed that the adult male complainant and the adult female rode together to Nome on their snowmachine and bought the bottles together and returned to Brevig Mission. No arrests were made and the 2011 Polaris snowmachine was seized as evidence. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA. Brevig Mission is a local option community that voted to ban the sale, importation and possession of alcohol.

On March 16, AST received a report of a sexual assault in the Norton Sound region. Investigation continues. A suspect has been identified.

On March 16, at 10:25 a.m. AST arrested Laurie Keith, 21, of Elim, with an arrest warrant for Burglary 1, Assault 4, and Criminal Mischief 4. Keith was remanded to AMCC. Bail was set at \$5,000.

Photo by Diana Haecker

LIGHTNING DOES STRIKE TWICE—Bethel’s Pete Kaiser was the lucky musher to select the fitting key to a brand-new Arctic Cat four-wheeler given out as a prize during the Iditarod awards banquet. Kaiser won the four-wheeler last year as well. NAC’s David Karp gives applause.



Court

Week ending 3/16
Civil
Topkok, Denise vs. Iyatunguk, Rex; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children
Ivanoff, April vs. Ladd, William Alllyn; Petition for Custody - Superior Court
Small Claims
Savoonga Native Store vs. Noongwook, Milton; SC More Than \$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail
Credit Union 1 vs. Ferreira, Frank B.; Small Claims More than \$2500
Criminal
State of Alaska v. Katherine Olson (4/29/92); 2NO-11-687CR Notice of Dismissal; ATN: 112696767; Charge 001: NVOL; Filed by the DA's Office 3/15/12.
State of Alaska v. Katherine Olson (4/29/92); 2NO-12-70CR Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; First Offense; Date of Offense: 1/28/12; Fine: \$400 with \$200 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 to be paid to the court 6/1/12; Probation until 3/15/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May no consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).
State of Alaska v. Darla M. Swann (8/24/93); 2NO-12-51CR Count 002: Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 1/28/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); 10 days, 10 days suspended; 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 3/15/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer for alcohol.
State of Alaska v. Darla Swann (8/24/93); 2NO-12-51CR Count 003: Repeat Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Fined: \$1,000.00 with \$500 suspended; Shall pay \$500 to Nome Clerk of Court by 5/1/12; Shall complete 48 hours of community work and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of court within 120 days; Driver's license or permit is hereby revoked for 90 days, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Such license shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/15/12); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license or permit, pay the fine, and show proof of community work service, as ordered; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra six months revocation of driver's license.
State of Alaska v. Grace Johnson (9/29/88); Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 12/17/11; 10 days, 10 days suspended; 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 3/15/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.
State of Alaska v. Steven Stanislaus (7/3/90); Furnishing Alcohol to Person Under 21 Years of Age; Date of violation: 12/25/11; Any appearance or

performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 80 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant reporting by 5/15/12 to DOC Bethel; 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 to 3/15/14; 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; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer for alcohol; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.
State of Alaska v. Brent L. Pete (4/25/87); Count 001: Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 7/2/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002 (count 2); 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 5/1/12, 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Fine: \$3,000.00 with \$1,500.00 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500.00 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/12; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 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 to 3/15/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol assessment by 6/1/12; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare including up to 30 days in-patient treatment.
State of Alaska v. Michael Toolie (4/28/86); Harassment 2°; Date of violation: 12/17/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 days suspended; 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 to 3/15/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, Janet Soonagrook without consent.
State of Alaska v. Bruce Johnson (3/29/63); Criminal Trespass 1°; Date of violation: 3/9/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; 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 3/15/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.
State of Alaska v. Catherine J. Pomrenke (7/24/93); Count 001: Harassment 2°; Date of violation: 11/10/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002 (CT 2 HMCA); 30 days, 30 days suspended; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in con-

nection, 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 to 7/24/14; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Alcohol Assessment by 5/1/12; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.
State of Alaska v. Douglas E. Seidemann (12/17/63); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112703256; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 3 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Tadd Curtis VanDyke (11/3/84); Corrected Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Defendant has been convicted upon the jury's verdict of: CTN 002, Count II: Possession after election; Date of offense: 6/23/11; Defendant has been convicted upon his plea of guilty of: CTN 001, Count I: License or Permit Required; Date of offense: 6/23/11; 14 months, 9 months suspended (charges merged for sentencing purposes); Fined: \$10,000.00 with \$0 suspended; Unsuspended \$10,000.00 is to be paid by 11/8/14; 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 was 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 AS 12.55.041(c); DNA Identification: Defendant shall provide 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: After serving the term of incarceration, 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. Karlene Waghiyi (6/14/74); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110012553; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. John Kokuluk (12/6/72); Violating Protective Order; DV; Date of violation: 1/11/12; 180 days, 180 days suspended; 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 to 3/16/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of M.L. without consent in writing filed with the court; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

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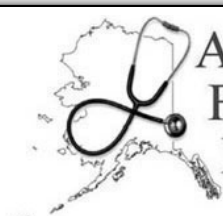
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Iditarod week happenings entertain locals and visitors



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RED LANTERN (top) — Jan Steves was the last musher to come off the Iditarod trail on Monday night around 3 a.m. Steves had the honor to blow out the Widow's Lantern to signal that all mushers are safe and sound off the trail.

Photo by Angela Hansen

SNOW SCULPTERS (left) — Once again the Nome Arts Council sponsored the Iditarod Snow Sculpting contest. This year, team "Hansen-Hanebuth Gold" won with a precisely chiseled D8 Cat Dozer. The winners are (left to right): Peter Hansen, Gareth Hansen, Heidi Hanebuth, Rick Hanebuth and Jim Hansen.



Photo by Nils Hahn

WEARING THE GREEN (top) — Nome Girl Scout troops enthusiastically participated in Saturday's St. Patrick's Day parade on Front Street, all the way to the Iditarod burlap arch.

Photo by Nadja Cavin

QUITE A CROWD — Incoming musher Hank Debruin was elated to find quite a crowd wearing the green under the burlap arch as he pulled into Nome. St. Patrick's Day parade participant Breanna Menadelook took the opportunity to pet one of his Siberian huskies at the Iditarod finish line.



Photo by Peggy Fagerstrom

PEEK-A-BOO (top) — Grace Morris of Koyuk carries a baby safe and warm in her parkie while watching Iditarod mushers arrive in Koyuk.

Photo by Diana Haecker

YOUNG CRAFTER (right) — Nomeite Kristin Daniel skillfully crochets scarves, which were for sale at the annual Iditarod Arts & Crafts Fair at Old St. Joe's Hall during Iditarod week.

