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TERMINATION DUST — Mountain tops surrounding the Grand Central valley show the first snow of the season while the tundra is sporting vibrant fall colors.

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## Council renews City Manager Bahnke's contract

By Sandra L. Medearis

A two-hour meeting of Nome Common Council covered sales tax, traffic tickets, pull tab reporting and renewal of City Manager Josie Bahnke's contract.

Stopped and fined for lacking proof of vehicle insurance or driving with expired license? Money collected from motorists for these and other traffic tickets that has been going to the state would come to Nome with a change in the Code of Ordinances, that passed unanimously to second reading Monday at the Nome Common Council meeting. The City has been eligible to receive the forfeited bail, but needed a change in City law, now proposed.

The Council introduced an ordinance amending the City's tax law. People interested in testifying on taxation of pull-tabs for favorable yield to charities helped fill the Council chamber.

Charities support the City changing the current policy of taxing the gross pull-tab sales to taxing the ideal net from pull-tab sales. The way it is now, the City makes more money on the little paper games than the charities do. Take a box of pull-tabs selling for \$5,760. Sales tax to the City on gross sales comes to \$264.76. The charity pays that sales tax on the gross sales of \$5,760, but it takes the tax and expenses out of what is left—the ideal net—after

prizes are subtracted. That's a difference of \$96.64. City administrators say a change to ideal net would cost the City \$300,000 annually and possibly make property tax rise.

Mayor Denise Michels explained the public process for adopting ordinances.

"We cannot have a discussion on it, we cannot have a vote on it, until it goes through the public process. That process requires five days before we can take action. At the next meeting the Council, if it liked, could amend the ordinance further," she

The public could give opinions Monday night for the Council to consider at the next meeting.

According to Cussy Kauer, the City's financial officer, the 2011 pull-tab tax that flowed into the City's coffers—\$422,037—figured on gross sales would have gone down to \$126,611 had the tax been on adjusted gross sales.

Kauer spent an hour educating the Council on scenarios and also informing them of slip-slide in reports as well as failure to submit reports to the City. Kauer said that sketchy returns could lead one to believe there had been instances when charities had not received their due, nor had the City received tax on proceeds undocumented on reports.

Her organization was not one of these, Carole Brown said.

Brown, of Nome C.H.A.R., took the podium to say that the organization had given generously from pull tab receipts to a list of charities last year including: scholarships, \$25,000 for athletic travel, \$10,000 for Bering Sea Women's Shelter, bounce houses for Midnight Sun Festival, two professional volleyball nets for school practice, shoes and uniforms for Tae kwon do youth activities, airfare for men and women's summer sports teams to go to Anchorage.

The Council authorized Kauer to pay for quarterly reports from the state, as some who have not submitted reports to the city have given re-

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## State to renovate existing State Office Building

By Sandra L. Medearis

Folks who wanted a State building on Front Street are to get their wish.

When the State of Alaska started drawing plans for a new state building at the north end of Steadman Street, a cry arose from Front Street businesses that a site away from Front Street would further devastate the main drag, already deserted by businesses closing or moving.

Sitnasuak Native Corp. feared that it would lose lucrative state office rent contracts from its Front Street office building.

Mayor Denise Michels has received an e-mail advising her that for now the State Dept. of Administration has scrapped the new \$40 to \$60 million building and announced they would renovate the Front Street building. Scrapped along with the building plans was a plan for Sitnasuak Native Corp. to finance and build the new facility.

SNC wanted to build the new facility on a piece of Front Street property that SNC owns across the street from the Board of Trade Saloon. Then they would sell it to the City of Nome immediately after the ribboncutting ceremony.

That plan is dead, based on the letter from Dept. of Administration Commissioner Becky Hultberg.

The existing Front Street building has sustained corrosion and water damage from its location a few feet from the seawall separating it from Norton Sound. The facility of 16,000 sq. ft. houses the local offices of State Fish and Game, Health and Social Services and Legislative Infor-

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## NEST looks at Housing First models for Nome

By Diana Haecker

The suffering that alcohol abuse brings to Nome and the region were raised in last week's meeting of the state Alcohol Beverage Control board in Nome. Five community members testified to the destructive force of binge and under-aged drinking, and the need for more treatment options in Nome. Several Nome organizations are currently working on projects to tackle the alcohol problem from different angles. Norton

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Sound Health Corporation's Behavioral Health is pursuing a sober housing project and a Wellness Center. Kawerak is working on a three-year study that focuses on underage drinking and adult binge drinking.

One consequence of the destructive force of alcohol abuse is homelessness. Nome doesn't have a typical homeless shelter, where sobriety is required. But it has NEST, short for Nome Emergency Shelter Team, which offers emergency shelter to adults in need of overnight shelter in Nome during winter months. Most guests use the shelter because of the over-consumption of alcohol, while a smaller number of regular guests are also chronically homeless. NEST director Sue Steinacher said only about 10 individuals who visit NEST regularly are homeless year-round in Nome.

A year ago the Alaska Mental Health Trust held a Housing Summit in Nome, to present the community with different types of supportive housing programs for people with physical and mental disabilities, including chronic alcoholism, and to offer examples of solutions that worked in other parts of the country.

They presented the 'Housing First' model, an approach that offers permanent housing to chronic inebriates, not as a treatment facility, but a safe housing situation.

During the Housing Summit the Alaska Mental Health Trust facilitators also urged Nome to create its own housing coalition to address Nome's housing situation and explore the various housing options that might be funded in Nome. A group of concerned locals have met several times, but have not yet formed a formal coalition.

The Alaska Mental Health Trust invited Sue Steinacher to join a Juneau group traveling to Minnesota last week for a tour of Housing First facilities and to listen to presentations of those who had experienced the relief that such a facility brings to a community.

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Photo by Janeen Sullivan

VOLLEYBALL SEASON IS HERE— The Nome Lady Nanooks dominated the Kotzebue Lady Huskies once again last weekend in the den of the mighty Nanooks. Here, varsity player Dylan Johnson passes the ball as Rebecca Sherman-Luce looks on. See story on page 8.

#### Letters -

To the editor,

I like to read The Nome Nugget and try to get one every Thursday. Lately I don't want to buy one. Why? I am tired of the letters that Tim Smith writes about NSEDC. How can a person be so negative about someone who is helping our communities?

I guess Tim is so blinded for the power he wants that he does not see the good NSEDC does for our communities.

Example: yearly benefits shares without the benefits shares our villages wouldn't be able to purchase fuel for our city buildings, offering jobs to our young people to work at their fish plants. Giving scholarships to our young men and women to get higher education. These are just a few to mention; that I've seen NSEDC does that Tim should see, instead of the negative things he writes about.

Tim you are a broken record. Remember the 45 and 33 ½ records? When they are scratched they repeat over and over until someone fixes them? You, Tim, are a scratched

record and stuck on all the negative things you write about NSEDC, and they are boring.

My advice to you, start writing positive things about NSEDC or things around you that has happened. Better yet-go to church and hear the good news about God. That should soften your heart and your way of thinking. When we focus on too much negative—our hearts get

I remain, Bernadette Joe St. Michael, AK 99659

Hello out there,

I hope your fall is going well. Although we are tired of rain, the water sustains everything, so we should be thankful for the water we're getting.

Once again it's voting time again, so I get a little upset about some of the things it entails. Like-I wanted to vote for Don Young and Donny Olson, couldn't do that because they

are on two different ballots. What happened to them all being on one ballot? We, the voters, are supposed to be able to pick who we think we want to represent us, not have to choose these people that are on either the Republican of Democratic ballot. By having them on different ballots, not only are they wasting paper-creating more trash, but they are also violating our Freedom to vote, and your vote does count so vote.

Along with—I thought the people we vote into office (like BSNC), ran for office, so they could benefit the corporation/shareholders in some way, not for the money.

Yet, have you seen how much money they pay themselves/each other? I thought the extra monies were supposed to be for the dividends the shareholders are supposed to get, or scholarships, or even buildings that would eventually give the shareholders a pay out, not to line one or two people's pockets. If I was those people I'd be ashamed to show my face, to have people see how greedy I actually am. I know if I was in office I'd only let them give me the pay I think I contributed to that to that company and use the left over on something worth while.

Remember, the kids need their beauty sleep, so make sure they go to bed earlier. Tell them once they pass a Standard it should be easy to pass it again, and they can go on to something else.

Take care you all. Winter's coming, so please dress appropriately.

As always, Karen Nanouk P.O. Box 282 Unalakleet, AK 99684

**Editorial** 

Letters to the editor must be signed and

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are considered ads.

#### **Thankful for No Trees**

Nome has survived many powerful storms and thankfully we are prepared to withstand whatever Mother Nature throws our way. We have endured some mighty powerful winds, yet we are so lucky we don't have to deal with uprooted trees, broken limbs, branches hitting houses and downing power lines.

The city of Anchorage got hit this past week with a storm of historic proportions. Thousands of trees were knocked down, causing countless power outages that took several days to repair. Warnings were issued but fell on inattentive ears. Many were caught unprepared. Nomeites can be proud of the fact that we listen to weather warnings and most of us have flashlights and an emergency plan.

Thankfully Nome also has an effective planning group, the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) that sets up a command center that is prepared to see us through the emergency situation. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated and talented group of Nomeites. We are also lucky that we live on tundra with no big trees. — N.L.M.-

Illegitimus non carborundum

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I've learned to take letters from Dan Harrelson over the years with a grain of salt. I am implicated in all the accusations he writes about through my role as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Nome Fishermen's Association. He is calling me a crook and I'm not going to

take it lying down!

What Dan Harrelson, Janis Ivanoff, Kyan Olanna and several others don't seem to understand is that they are not NSEDC. NSEDC represents the people of Norton Sound. We are NSEDC. We own NSEDC. We have given this group

the trust to manage our CDQ money for the best interest of all residents of our region. We have a right to voice our opinions to the governing body, the Board of Directors of NSEDC. It's very sad that Dan, Janis, Kyan

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#### A Look at the Past



Photo Courtesy of Bill Shea

BASKETBALL ANNO 1907/08— The Nome boy's basketball team won glory for the school by defeating every team in the city, losing only one game against the Arctic Brotherhood, and won the Shaw-Brewster trophy for the championship of Alaska. The boys were popularly known as "the tall kids" as they averaged six feet in height. Twenty boys tried for the team but the successful players were Crit Tolman, captain; Jess White, forward; Chet Tolman, forward; Claude Shea, guard; and Charles Thompson, guard. They wore white v-neck jerseys, red pants and red socks as their uniforms. Branson Telley and Harry Bloomfield were substitutes, and Alex Smith the "trainer". Benny White's position

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)									
Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
9/13	Th	5:13 a.m.	+1.1	3:00 p.m.	+1.2	9:02 a.m.	+0.9	10:05 p.m.	+0.2
9/14	Fr	5:26 a.m.	+1.1	3:49 p.m.	+1.2	9:53 a.m.	+0.9	10:40 p.m.	+0.1
9/15	Sa	5:36 a.m.	+1.2	4:37 p.m.	+1.2	10:41 a.m.	+0.8	11:15 p.m.	+0.1
9/16	Su	5:54 a.m.	+1.2	5:28 p.m.	+1.3	11:27 a.m.	+0.7	11:52 p.m.	+0.1
9/17	Mo	6:19 a.m.	+1.3	6:22 p.m.	+1.3	12:13 p.m.	+0.5		
9/18	Tu	6:48 a.m.	+1.4	7:17 p.m.	+1.4	12:31 a.m.	+0.2	1:00 p.m.	+0.3
9/19	We	7:22 a.m.	+1.4	8:15 p.m.	+1.4	1:13 a.m.	+0.3	1:51 p.m.	+0.2

Daily variations in sea level due to local meteorological conditions cannot be predicted and may significantly effect the observed tides in this area. All times are listed in Local Standard Time. All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

#### Weather Statistics

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#### A Look at the Past: The 1900 Nome Gold Rush

By Laura Samuelson, Director, Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

The Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum continues the look back at the 1900 Nome Gold Rush with more perspective from Wilfred A. McDaniel Sr. We present excerpts from "Alaska Beckons" written by Wilfred, now Sr., in 1943. His love of Nome is quite evident in that his experiences in this exquisite land are still fresh in his mind fortythree years later. There was no National Weather Service back then, no satellite imagery to warn of an impending storm. Storms just "happened" with no advance notice, particularly if they sprung up in the dark of night. Let's let Wilfred Jr. explain.

#### Alaska beckons By Wilfred A. McDaniel Sr.

During the last week in August 1900, after a particularly cold night, we were surprised to find the ground frozen hard and the hills white with the first snow of approaching winter! The cold snap continued for a few days, some snow falling on the beach and tundra.

September came with warmer weather and the usual rains. At the end of the first week rough sea and strong south-east winds again arose, hampering our work and causing loss of valuable time. Profiting by past experience we took more precautions for the safety of sluice-boxes and equipment. moving them out of reach of the rising sea. Taking down and re-setting the heavy sluices, the riffles filled with black and ruby sand, caused an additional amount of hard labor.

Weather conditions at this season were most trying and discouraging to the beach miner. The elements seemed to combine with the inhospitable land to render his efforts fruitless. When tumbling breakers and wave-swept beach failed in their efforts, and he still persisted, strong off-shore gales, combined with extremely low tides came to frustrate his plans. The water would recede far beyond its usual level, exposing the shallow sea bottom for hundreds of feet, sand bars would be uncovered, and pumps would be left high and dry, barring further mining until the sea resumed its normal level.

At dawn, on September 9th, 1900, a hard wind from off the sea sprang up, but caused no unusual concern other than the ordinary precautions taken in similar gales. Events during the following twenty-four hours proved how unknown to the majority of its 15,000 inhabitants, scarcely a year before.

Close to the rise of the low lying tundra a flat bench had been formed by debris from the sea. Driftwood from the Yukon, brought down during the spring freshets and drifting about in the sea had, for centuries, accumulated on the shore, and through action of surf and ice had been pushed far back on the beach. Deposits of sand and earth had buried much of it thus forming a low shelf or bench. It was here that most of the camps were made, being higher ground and seemingly safe from the sea, it afforded the only available camp sites, for the flat, moss-covered tundra beyond was a mass of soggy vegetation, spongy and water filled from the rains and melted snow. It was on this bench that our tent stood, apparently safe upon its dry and level surface.

As the morning passed the velocity of the wind increased steadily, while huge waves, driven landward under its force, washed high up on the beach. Fearing a repetition of previous damage, we worked hastily, stacking sluice-boxes high up on the beach and removing oil barrels and other equipment to a place of safety. The long line of suction pipe was detached from the pump and dragged up on the beach, unjointed and placed on higher ground. Engine and pump could not be moved; so all parts liable to damage were removed for safe keeping.

When evening came the storm had reached hurricane proportions, the sea had already reached the engine and pump, foundations were undermined and the heavy machinery was settling and careening as the water swept around it. The large tent covering the engine for protection against rain, was hurriedly taken down to prevent its being destroyed. Nothing more could be done, but to hope that pump and engine would escape damage from floating stumps and logs being tossed about in the breakers.

The sight of the two large freight lighters pitching crazily in the breakers. grounding momentarily, then carried seaward as the heavy seas surged back, gave us the first intimation that this was no ordinary gale! The surf was filled with debris; crate, boxes and quantities of lumber were thrown up on the beach. indicating that serious damage was resulting to the shipping at Nome.

Night came on with no change in the weather. Driving rain accompanied the gale, beating through the canvas rent, covering bedding and provisions with spray. Under pressure from the wind, the tent gave every indication of leaving us shelterless, but was finally anchored securely with extra ropes and heavy logs placed across the tent ropes, preventing the stakes from pulling out. Weary from all of the exertion, the damp bedding and the roar of the storm did not disturb us for long and sleep soon obliterated the noise of wind and

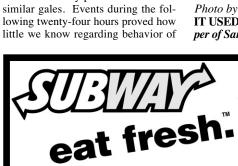
In the early morning hours, shortly after midnight, we were aroused by the slap of water against the end of the tent and the lapping of the back-wash as the water returned! Jumping into our clothes, we dashed out to find the sea piling high on the beach and threaten-

ing our tent and all our possessions before it! Moving was almost impossible, but by barricading the end of the tent which faced the sea, with logs and piling sand and gravel on all sides, we prevented it from washing away. Saving the sluice-boxes next took our attention, the sea had already reached them and two were already afloat in the breakers. Several barrels of fuel oil were floating away, but fortunately they were rolled back and we secured them. The sluice-boxes were later found far up the coast, and broken beyond repair. The remaining boxes were rescued and piled high on the tundra with what remained of our outfit. Engine and pump were taking a terrific beating from the surf, being completely submerged at times.

Continued in the next edition of The Nome Nugget.



Photo by Wilfred McDaniel/Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum Archives IT USED TO PROSPER - Ed McDaniel scavenging the wreck of the Prosper of San Francisco, near Nome during the big storm of September 1900.



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#### Thursday, September 13

\*Open Gym \*Crafts & Library Activities \*Aids and Woman \*PHN Class

\*Strength Training \*Lap Swim Nome Food Bank

\*Kripalu Yoga \*Thrift Shop

\*Celebrate Smoke-Free Workplaces

Nome Rec Center Library Prematernal Home Prematernal Home Nome Rec Center

Bering & Seppala Nome Rec Center Methodist Church

5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m. 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Old St. Joesph's Hall 7:00 p.m.

#### Friday, September 14

\*Pick-up Basketball \*Drop-in Soccer (15+)
\*Kindergym

\*Open Gym \*CAMP Class \*Sounds & Silence \*Vinyasa Yoga \*Tae Kwon Do

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#### Saturday, September 15

\*Things My Mother Didn't Tell Me Prematernal Home \*7 Steps to Reduce the Risks of SIDS Prematernal Home

#### Sunday, September 16

Pool

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\*Bathing and Diapering \*Adult Pool Time Open Swim

\*Infertility: The New Solution \*Family Swim \*Lap Swim

\*Pick-up Basketball

\*Lap Swim \*Kindergym \*Open Gym \*Birth Control: Myths and Methods \*Choices in Childbirth

\*Vinyasa Yoga \*Tae Kwon Do \*AA Meeting

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#### Tuesday, September 18

\*Open Gym \*Stages of Labor \*Knowing The Unborn \*Strength Train \*Kripalu Yoga \*Nome Food Bank \*Lap Swim \*NPC Reg Mtg \*NJUS Reg Mtg \*Open Swim \*Drop-in Soccer(15+)

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#### Wednesday, September 19

\*Pickup bball \*Lap Swim \*Kindergym \*Preschool Story Hour \*Open Gym \*Labor and Delivery for Teens Smoking A Time to Quit

\*Vinyasa Yoga \*Nome Food Bank \*Tae Kwon Do \*Family Swim

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quired reports to the state.

The state has a big stick to encourage timely reporting: delinquent pull-tab permittees cannot buy tabs.

Amendments to the City's sales tax ordinance voted into second reading would give exemptions for sales made to or by construction contractors on state-funded construction projects, and takes away general exemptions on gross receipts derived from retail sales and rentals to nonprofit religious, charitable, cemetery, hospital or education entities unless the buyer has reasonable identification and a certificate of exemption.

Additionally the amended version of Chapter 17 removes a general exemption on gross receipts derived from direct sales and rentals to organizations wholly comprising persons with ninety or more days of active service in the nation's armed services with other than dishonorable discharges or the property of auxiliary organizations.

Except for the above classes, one applying for an exemption must file application paperwork by Jan. 1 of the calendar year—formerly Feb. 1 of the assessment year-for each calendar year for which an exemption is

Should the person wanting an exemption have the deadline waived, and then be approved for exemption, tax already paid would be refunded.

Further, no person could lawfully engage in retail sales as a seller without an annual sales tax license or, additionally in the new sales tax measure, a transient merchant license or an annual motorbus, chauffeur's or taxicab license. Under the amendments, the fee for the first application would go up to \$25 from the current

A proposed provision of the amended tax ordinance would reward businesses with average sales of less than \$5,000 per month to file quarterly returns to the City provided they are current with payment and filings, but that privilege could be revoked by the assessor, the City Clerk or designee, upon failure to file and pay on time.

The ordinance adds new sections regarding filing amended returns, restricting use of sales tax return information and allocating partial tax payments.

Information required to be filed by the City would remain confidential and available for inspection only by employees and agents of the City to do their jobs, the person supplying the information, and persons authorized in writing by the person supplying the information.

The City would disclose the name and address of a person holding a current City sales tax license and whether a sales tax licensee is more than 30 days delinquent in filing and the number of returns not filed.

If adopted, the ordinance would limit penalty on overdue tax to 15 percent, but the interest on unpaid tax would go up to \$15 percent Currently, the overdue return generates a penalty of 10 percent per month. Under the revision, \$50 would be the penalty for late filing if no tax were

Several took the podium to note that the ordinance did not revise the pull-tab tax.

"The issue is unfair taxation," Tim Smith said. "Pull tabs are taxed differently than other things in Nome."

Go down to Bonanza to buy \$15 worth of fuel, give them \$100 and you get \$85 back The distributor gets

Go to a bar to buy pull-tabs, from a vendor, I get \$85 worth of prizes, and vendor gets \$15. On the 20th of the month, Bonanza sends in sales tax. They have gross sales of 15 dollars. They pay 75-cent sales tax. When the pull-tab permittee sends in sales tax on 20th, they've got sales of \$100. They pay \$5. Each person earns the same money; one pays \$5 to the City the other pays 75 cents to the city. It's unfair taxation.

"What we're asking is a more fair tax rate," Smith said. "My hope for this meeting was that we could amend the sales tax ordinance," and add back a change in the method of taxing pull-tabs.

You take \$200,000 out, you have to cut something out," Andersen commented. Smith said he had a proposal—for another discussion—to increase the tax base.

Mitch Erickson had another idea. "Right now raffles and other games of chance are exempt from sales tax. Pull-tabs are not. You could level the playing field," Erickson

"That group (raffle operators) is lot larger than your group," Andersen

"So, the wheels need to be greased a little bit harder, is that what you're saying?" Erickson asked An-

"Unlike other taxable sales in town, this one is the only one where you are mandated by the state to give prizes. You are mandated to give some of your profits away," Mark Johnson observed.

"If you need more money for the city, I think you should start taxing all these junk cars around the city, like on Sixth Avenue. It's a big eyesore. It's a pile of junk there," Erna Rasmussen said. "If you put a tax there, people would do something."

In other business: The council approved of a bid by PLS Construction, Jared Miller, sole owner, for a base amount of \$91,000 squeaked by with Mayor Denise Michels breaking a tie vote. City Manager Josie Bahnke asked that the Council amend the resolution to reflect the additive alternative for \$13,000 to make job total of \$104,000 to provide sealant and joint interface between the siding and the trim on the bell tower.

"Does that include paint, it doesn't say," said Andersen. He quizzed Bahnke on requirements included in the bid specifications.

"Staff put together a concrete list of specifications by the Council's request. We received one responsive bid," she said. "If the Council doesn't want to recommend the resolution, that's fine. I was recommending this resolution be approved. Thank

"I see nothing about the windows. That's going to require another cost to this bid," Andersen said. "The architect recommended the storm windows be repaired. It's going to take a lot of work, so I see that as an extra cost down the road."

Andersen questioned bidder qualifications and quality assurance in bid document itself.

To me, if he has never done that work before, for \$100,000 of tax payers money you would want to make sure he had done it all," Andersen said.

To me, \$100,000 just to paint the outside of that building is too much. If we sleep on it this winter we could probably find a cheaper way.'

"Is there a reason—it is too late to paint this year—it couldn't wait until this spring," Councilwoman Mary Knodel suggested, asking to see if there are more bids out there.

The Council voted on the question without the amendment for \$13,000 for steeple work. The vote: Andersen, Knodel and Josie Stiles, no; Louis Green Sr., Randy Pomeranz and Jerald Brown, yes. Michels broke the tie with a yes vote.

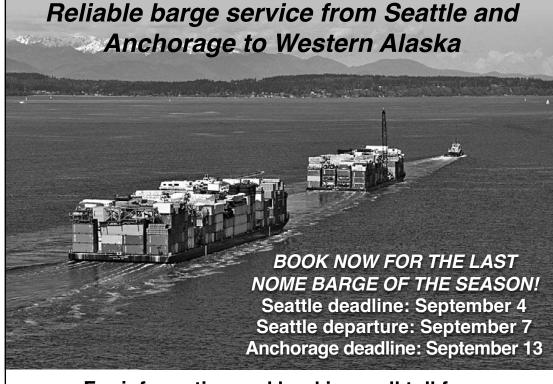
- Council unanimously voted to renew Bahnke's contract for one year at a salary of \$110,000.
- · Passed a resolution of support for Pres. Barack Obama to effect the ratification of the UN Convention of The Law of The Sea. Without the ratification, the United States cannot take part in discussions to amend provisions of UNCLOS that relate to mineral resources in the Arctic ocean, essential scientific research, environmental protection, national security and other issues.
- John Handeland thanked Nome Police Chief John Papasadora for getting the musk ox away from town. "Sunday morning I saw them closer to town than I've ever seen them before [above Dry Creek on west side near the Ingeborg Handeland and Ron Engstrom homes]," Handeland told the Council. He also thanked bi-

ologist Tony Gorn for explaining the ways of musk ox and the steps that state Dept. of Fish and Game had taken. The Council voiced an intention to ask Tony Gorn to visit schools to explain the dangers of musk ox. Over the weekend, children were observed throwing rocks at the animals near town. "I'm concerned, we've had animals injured by musk ox. It is only a matter of time before it is a human. At a minimum we need to get word out to parents and the public. A child with a rock is not as effective as law enforcement and biologists with training," Handeland said.

· Set compensation for election judges and chair at \$10 an hour and \$9.50 for clerks for the election board for the Oct. 2 municipal election. The Council appointed Donna Morgan as chair and Eleanor Oakes as Judge, with Francis Alvanna as inspector and clerks Evelyn Omiak, Shirley Tisdale and Lilly Rose

• Mayor Michels appointed Doug Johnson to the Nome Port Commission to fill the seat left vacant by Cam Kristenson who moved to the

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## Housing First

Steinacher visited a Housing First project called 'San Marco' in Duluth, MN and a tribally-run project in Minneapolis named 'Anishinabe Wakiagun.' Residents at both projects are allowed to smoke and drink in their own room, but drinking and smoking is forbidden in the common areas and visitors may only be received in the common spaces. Meals are served cafeteria style and there are no cooking facilities in the rooms.

"The premise is that one cannot begin to take even the most basic steps towards improving their personal circumstances while living on the street, and that homelessness only reinforces alcohol addiction," Steinacher explains. She argues that while some Housing First residents do eventually quit drinking, most

don't, and they tend to drink less and shift from hard alcohol to beer. More importantly, their drinking is done in a safe environment, they tend to move off the streets, and the need for police intervention and ER visits drops dramatically. "You can't force people to quit drinking but you can reduce the harm it does to the individual and the community," Steinacher said.

Steinacher reported that the police in Minnesota had only praise for the Housing First projects. Although they were skeptics at first — after all, the project houses several chronic inebriates in one building and allows them to drink in their rooms — the police noticed that they don't get more calls to the Housing First project than to any other building with the same number of occupants. "More importantly, they no longer

find themselves having to deal with the group of people they used to have to deal with on a daily basis, and have more time for the rest of their policing duties," said Steinacher.

After her trip, Steinacher said that she feels that the Housing First approach would help address some of Nome's most obvious problems with public drunkenness, and the cost to the police department, Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, the court system and the hospital ER, not to mention simply being humane. "Think of it as the smart way to do the right thing," she said.

Critics may argue that such a concept enables bad habits that the public ends up paying for.

"I was one of those people who initially was concerned that the NEST shelter would enable people to drink," admits Steinacher. "But then vou realize that not only are you saying lives and instilling dignity, but you're also reducing the stress and worry families experience when their loved ones are drinking," Steinacher argues.

In Nome, NEST has done its share of harm reduction to the individuals who are too drunk to care for their own well-being, as well as to the community. "NEST lessened the pressure on the police and eased the burden at the Emergency Room,' Steinacher said. According to statistics from last winter - when NEST was open every night from November 15 through April 30 - the Nome Police Department saw a 33 percent drop in calls relating to a "drunk down" and saw a 32 percent drop in the number of people picked up on a protective, 12-hour custody hold. Statistics gleaned from hospital records reveal that there were 164 alcohol-related ER visits in 2010, and that those dropped to 122 visits in

A Housing First approach would go several steps further than NEST by offering not just overnight shelter space but permanent housing, a chance to stay safe and the prospect of finding help to overcome alcohol addiction, if the person is so inclined. It would also reduce the number of people sleeping and eating at the shelter nightly. Last winter the shelter housed 142 different people, but ten individuals filled most of the beds on most nights.

In order to get a Housing First project off the ground in Nome, it would be helpful to have a Nome housing coalition in place to sit at the table along with other key players. Other Alaska communities with the same problem have already created housing coalitions.

A Juneau Housing Coalition member joined with the Juneau city manager, a police department representative, Regional Housing Authority vice-president and Juneau Mental Health administrators on the trip to Minnesota, and is now beginning the process of planning for a Juneau Housing First project. Anchorage already implemented a Housing First project with the Karluk Manor. And Fairbanks' Tanana Chiefs have a Housing First project almost ready to

For Nome, it would take more than NEST to plan, fund and manage a Housing First project. A formalized housing coalition, Steinacher argues, would be a key player in bringing a Housing First project to Nome.



Photo by Nils Hahn

RENOVATION — The State's Dept. of Administration decided to spend money renovating the old State building on Front Street rather than constructing a new office building to house State offices in Nome.

## State building

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mation Office.

In spending year 2008, State Dept. of Transportation and Public

Facilities received an appropriation of \$1.9 million for design of a 37,000 sq. ft. building to house state offices and the court system at a cost of \$40 million to \$60 million.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

SHE SOLEMLY SWEARS-Cary Barajas, new police office hire, repeats the oath of office administered by City Clerk Tom Moran at Nome Common Council meeting Sept. 10.

## Council

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Seattle area. Johnson in his application said, "I am interested in the safe and successful operation of the Port of Nome. I have been in charge of the fuel transfer for Nome Joint Utility System for the past 10 years." Robert Hafner, a gold dredge operator who is current president of the Nome Chamber of Commerce and coach for youth hockey and softball, also applied for the seat.

· Council entertained an exchange between City staff and miner Mike Benchoff. Benchoff has satisfied two of three requirements to continue to use Port of Nome. He still needs to get liability insurance for his tugboat dredge Rustler per the port tariff law. Benchoff received notice that he must produce a certificate of insurance by Sept. 15 or

face a \$500 per day fine. Benchoff said he could not obtain insurance unless he lied to say his dredge was a pleasure craft, that insurance companies did not have a category for suction dredges. Harbormaster Joy Baker handed Benchoff copies of insurance certificates showing other dredges had been insured. She expressed reluctance at giving out private information, but said that the certificates were subject to public record laws. All vessels need to be out of the inner harbor by Oct. 31, according to Baker who quoted the Port of Nome tariff Tuesday morn-

ing.
• Finally, City Manager Tom Moran issued the oath of office to new Nome Police Dept. Officer Cary Barajas and Joseph Grubb, community service officer.

The State Dept. of Administration received another \$5 million to analyze needs, design and construction costs. "These studies and analysis by DOA have determined it is in the best interest of the State and the most fiscally responsible option to preserve the existing Nome State Office Building through a major renovation," said Hultberg.

With existing funds and an additional \$5 million, renovations would extend the existing building life by 30 years, Hultberg said.

Modifications would relocate the mechanical system from the crawl space to the roof to avoid damage from flooding, augmenting the seawall outside for added protection from water and replacement of the exterior wall assembly and restoring steel members' capacity.

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## After 37 years, Arctic Trading Post closes its doors

#### Nome Covenant Church acquires Madden house and Arctic Trading post to expand church

#### By Diana Haecker

On September 15 an era comes to an end, when the Arctic Trading Post is going to open its door for the last time to shoppers to buy gifts, artwork or to get the morning coffee or latte fix

The daily ritual to climb up the stairs of the Arctic Trading Post, get a coffee and talk story of what's going on in Nome will come to an end. It's something that won't be easily replaced.

The Arctic Trading Post property has sold to the Nome Covenant Church and come October 1, the building will be turned over to its new owners. The church envisioned to remodel the building and to transform it into a youth center.

The Knodel family, Mary and Howard with sons Chris and Pat, owned the gift shop since Sept. 5, 1975. Although it's been mostly Mary, who greeted customers every day behind the glass counter filled with jade letter openers, gold nugget jewelry and ivory carvings, she's quick to point out that the store is a family business. "People only see me behind the counter, but it's not just me. It's been Howard and the kids, they all helped me so much," Knodel said.

#### Memories

The Knodels arrived in Nome in 1970 when Howard Knodel was hired as a vocational education teacher to teach home building at the Nome school. Mary remembers the day they arrived in Nome, she in a dress, Howard in suit and tie, and the school's principal picked them up, dressed in muddy hip boots because it was just one of those muddy rainy days that Nome is known to have. "There was no housing, we had to share an apartment with two other couples for a few months," remembered Mary Knodel. While Howard Knodel taught carpentry, Mary went to work as secretary to the principal and then later as the secretary to the superintendent. After a few years, Dennis Corrington, then-owner of the Arctic Trading Post, offered Mary the job to manage the shop

with the idea that the Knodels would buy it eventually. In 1975 the deal was made. Knodel remembered that the Trading Post consisted of two yak huts (buildings used by the Army as prisons), three Quonset huts and a state road camp all pushed together as one unit. In 1980, the Knodels build the existing blue building with the store downstairs and the living area upstairs. This, Mary said, enabled her to work and raise her two sons herself, instead of working away from home and having somebody else watch over her kids.

The Trading Post saw the fat years of the 1980s when 24,000 tourists came through town in the 100 days of summer. Knodel remembered that part of the Trading Post was a museum to showcase the Eskimo culture of the Bering Strait region with different artifacts from tool-making exhibits to fine art carvings. When the tourism boon died down, Knodel added merchandise and services to cater to the locals: books, picture framing and the flower business.

For a while, she also worked with Sears and took orders for Nomeites who came to peruse the Sears catalogs at the Trading Post. That part of the business came to an end when Sears got out of the catalog business.

Only later, about ten years ago, did the Arctic Trading Post start offering espresso, latte and fancy coffee drinks. This drew a steady stream of regulars every morning to the shop, and while there, meet with other Nomeites and talk story. It had the added bonus –for the customer at least – that Mary Knodel also happens to be a Nome Common Council member and for the past 12 years, she heard every day from constituents how the city should do this, that or the other.

Having spent most of her life at the Arctic Trading Post, raising her family and having built a successful business there, Knodel said — not without melancholy, "We had a great life here."

She reminisced about those special times when year after year the same people come back to Nome and reunite. This happens during the Idi-

tarod when returning fans come back to Nome and to the Arctic Trading Post. Or when returning miners from the GPAA camp came back year after year and trade news with Mary at the Trading Post. "It's always been like family reunions without the baggage," joked Mary.

Knodel said the store touched so many people's lives, when she thinks of all the kids who had their summer jobs working in the store, all the artists who came with their exquisite carvings to sell to the Arctic Trading Post, all the Nome painting artists who exhibited and sold their artwork at the store.

Was there an all time best seller that was sold at the Arctic Trading Post? Mary Knodel chuckled and said, yes. "I sold probably hundreds of thousands of these plastic paper weights with real gold flakes embedded on top," Knodel said. "Those things just flew off the counter." When the lady who manufactured these paperweights in California died, the item was phased out of the Trading Post's inventory.

The decision to sell the Arctic Trading Post had been made a few years ago, but a sale was never finalized until the Nome Covenant Church bought the property this year including the store and the living

area. The shop behind the store building, located on First Avenue, belongs to Knodel's son Pat and remains in his possession.

#### **Covenant Church expands**

The Covenant Church plans to start a faith-based youth center in the Arctic Trading Post. That, Knodel said, made sealing the deal a little easier, knowing that it would help Nome's kids.

Chairman of the Covenant Church board Lloyd Perrigo said that plans are not yet finalized how the youth center would look like or what programs it will offer and what its opening dates and times are.

He said pastor Harvey Fiskeaux had a vision of creating a youth center in Nome and he found support for his vision from the Samaritan's Purse International, a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing emergency relief in disaster areas and community development in impoverished villages, according to their website. The organization is headed up by Franklin Graham, son of TV Evangelist Billy Graham. Perrigo said that the organization finances a few projects in Alaska, and when they heard of Fiskeaux's vision, "it became clear that our vision and their vision

aligned," Perrigo said. After being thoroughly vetted, the Nome Covenant Church was given the approval of Samaritan Purse's representative and the financing to buy the Trading Post as well as the private residence of Bob and Sherri Madden between the church property and the Arctic Trading Post was secure. Perrigo said the church plans to move the Madden's house to make room for a new church building. "At this point, the plan is to build a new church building," Perrigo said. The new building is in its initial planning stages and no floor plans or rough sketches have been finalized. Building of the new church is slated to begin in summer 2013. Perrigo said the next step is to remodel the Arctic Trading Post and turn it into a youth center that could open as early as November or December.

The goal with the youth center, he said, is not necessarily to provide a supervised "hang out" for youth, but to teach relationship skills and build lifeskills, all based on Christian faith principles.

This week, the shelves at the Arctic Trading Post are emptying out as Nomeites stream in to shop for early Christmas gifts and bid farewell to the Arctic Trading Post.



Photo by Diana Haecker

UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP— The Covenant Church congregation outgrew the church building, to the far left. The church bought the adjacent property as well as the Arctic Trading Post, right, to realize expansion plans.



Photo by Diana Haecker FUTURE YOUTH CENTER— The Nome Covenant Church plans to turn the Arctic Trading Post into a youth center.

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## Do you know your medication's side effects?

By Bob Lawrence, MD **Alaska Family Doctor** 

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

This advice has merit, especially given the ever-growing list of new medications and the endless advertising encouraging you to ask your doctor about this or that new drug.

Every medication has certain risks, or side effects, that must be weighed against the benefits of taking the drug. Acetaminophen (Tylenol), for example, may cause liver prob-

lems, but these effects are rare in otherwise healthy people. Therefore the benefits of taking acetaminophen for a common ailment like arthritis usually outweigh the risks in most peo-

Sometimes the risk of taking a medication outweighs the benefit. In 2004, the drug company Merck withdrew one of its most popular arthritis medications, rofecoxib (Vioxx), because the medication was found to increase the risk of heart attacks in long-term users.

Most of the time, the risk-benefit balance of a drug is not clearly tilted one way or the other. For example, the Food and Drug Administration is currently evaluating whether or not a diabetes drug called pioglitazone (Actos) increases a person's risk of bladder cancer. Pioglitazone helps lower the blood sugar in people with diabetes, but it may increase the risk of bladder cancer in long-term users. Conclusions are difficult because the numbers are small. Around 1,880 people must take pioglitazone (Actos) for over a year to increase the risk of cancer for just one person.

But uncontrolled diabetes is associated with a 40 percent increased risk of bladder cancer. This means, (prepare yourself for this next sentence) patients must weigh the risk of getting bladder cancer from taking a drug that may actually lower the risk of bladder cancer by controlling the diabetes that increases the risk of bladder cancer. Even doctors get intellectual vertigo from dilemmas like



Sometimes the risk-benefit bal-

ance is more straightforward. The American Heart Association has stated that the benefit of taking a daily aspirin to reduce the risk of a heart attack is worth the risk of gas-



trointestinal bleeding if a person's overall risk of cardiovascular disease is elevated above ten percent.

Therefore the risks and benefits of most medications, like aspirin or pioglitazone, must be weighed individually in light of each patient's overall

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

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

Some medications may improve labwork results, but the fine print reveals serious side effects that may not be worth the risk if the medication does not change the real risk of serious disease.

Learning about your medications does not have to be complicated. In the past, researching a medication took hours in a library. Now the In-

ternet provides an amazing amount of easily accessed information regarding medications and their side effects. One of my favorite sites is medlineplus.gov. It provides non-propriinformation etary collected by trusted sources like the Mayo Clinic, the American Academy of Family Medicine, and the National Institutes of Health.

It is also important to check for adverse drug interactions when you are prescribed more than one medication at a time or if you take overthe-counter medications. Again, the Internet provides several sites that help you compare the possible effects of interactions between various medications. Your doctor or local pharmacist can also review your medication list for any possible adverse interactions.

Reading about your medications and their side effects will no doubt lead to many questions. Your doctor can help you sift through this information and weigh the benefits and risks of taking certain drugs. Learning about your medications takes time; but remember that your health is an investment. Just like any investment, you must ensure the benefits outweigh the risk.

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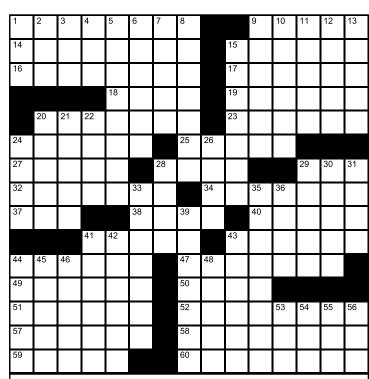
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- 24. Hair piece?
- 25. Boastful remark
- 27. Raccoon cousin 28. Congers
- 29. Feline pet
- 32. Bromo ingredient 34. Bar
- 37. "The Matrix" hero
- 38. Long, long time
- 40. Bambino watcher
- 41. Abalone
- 43. More bloodshed
- 44. Sacred beetle of ancient Egypt
- 47. Algonquian language, e.g.
- 49. Japanese floor covering
- 51. Like some humor 52. Not constant



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- 59. Eye sores
- 60. Ballpark figure

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- 3. "Fantasy Island" prop
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- for the poor"
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- 30. Holding one's piece 31. Rip
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- metrical feet
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mini. Travel plans underway, and

CANCER their support, and they June 22-



LEO

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VIRGO

July 23-

August 22

Throwing fits is not your style, but if the situation warrants it, don't hesitate to do so, Leo. Only then will the changes you seek come about.

rarely works out.
Consider all the options before taking that route, Cancer. A furry friend requires

more discipline than





LIBRA

September 23-October 22

Life is full of ups and downs, this week in particular, Scorpio. You'll experience highs and lows like never before but all will come to a magnificent end.

chance, Libra, but why bother when the sure thing is at hand. A

meeting among friends provides a respite from the ordinary.

SAGITTARIUS November 22-

Fall flowers remind you of an important event. Start the planning now, Sagittarius. A risky financial endeavor comes off without a hitch and you hit the jackpot.

August 23-September 22

December 21

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NOME NANOOKS RUNNERS - Runners from the Nome-Beltz Nanooks Varsity and Junior Varsity squad traveled to Kotzebue last weekend for a XC meet. The Nome boys and girls varsity teams won individual as well as overall team titles.

## Nome cross-country team continues early season success in Kotzebue

By Stephen Palmatier

Last weekend, the Nome-Beltz Nanooks cross-country team continued what has been so far a great start to the season, winning both meets they have participated in.

The Nanooks traveled to Kotzebue last weekend, but the unfamiliar territory did not seem to faze them

The girls' race started off the day of competition and Nome excelled, finishing in the top three positions in the race. The top three spots put a wrap on winning the meet, continuing their winning ways where they left off two weeks ago in Nome.

Finishing in those top three places were Rosa Schmidt in first, Senora Ahmasuk in second and Hannah Tozier in third position. Tozier, who

did not run in the Nome meet two weeks ago, makes this ladies squad stronger now that she is back run-

The boys' race took off right after the girls' race and it was more of the same for the Nanooks.

The boys also came away with a victory, defeating Kotzebue in total points scoring 23 compared to Kotzebue's 32. The Nanooks finished with the top finisher in Tim Schmidt, who won in Nome as well, and with the fourth through seventh positions. Finishing in fourth was Leif Erickson, his brother Junyor Erickson coming in fifth place, James Horner and Nick Morgan finished in the sixth and seventh places.

The Nome cross-country team looked even stronger last weekend with the surprise finish of James Jorgensen who came in eighth place in the boys race. Jorgensen's finish was a breakout performance having started the season as the number four-ranked junior varsity runner.

If the Nanooks continue to run like they have shown thus far, there is no saying how far they could go in region and state.

Our runners are helping each other and setting great examples," said Jeff Collins, head coach of the Nanooks cross-country team. "I think our team has a bright future ahead of them."

The Nome Nanooks will now put their undefeated streak on the line when they head down to the Bethel to compete on Sept. 14 and the Su-Valley XC meet on Sept. 15.



Photo by Rosa Schmidt

AND THEY'RE OFF— Competitors in the JV boys and girls race leave the starting line of the two-mile event in Kotzebue.

## Nome volleyball team continues early season success

By Stephen Palmatier

The Nome Lady Nanooks volleyball team remained victorious as they made a strong opening statement in Nome last weekend, defeating the Kotzebue Lady Huskies once again.

As was the case two weeks ago to kick off the volleyball season in Kotzebue, the Nome ladies were no match for the Huskies, as the Lady Nanooks dominated them in every facet of the game, winning the first match 25-11, 25-14, and 25-13. In the second game, it was more of the same with Nome winning 25-10, 25-11 and 25-15.

"I think we played really good as a team," said Devynn Johnson, one of four seniors of the squad, who had nine kills total over the weekend. "We had great communication and we are continuing to grow every match," said Johnson.

Junior Ariana Horner led the team over the weekend with 10 kills and four stuff blocks, and senior Taylor Pomeranz had 8 kills.

The Lady Nanooks were so dominating that every player on the team had at least one kill over the weekend. The height of the Lady



JUNIOR VARSITY-Tucker serves the ball for the Nome Lady Nanooks JV team.

Nanooks, in particular with Devynn Johnson, Horner and Pomeranz was simply overwhelming to the shorter players of the Kotzebue squad.

Perhaps the best quality of the team over the weekend though was their serving. The Lady Nanooks had 21 services aces over the weekend, making many points quick and easy.

Even with the comfortable wins over the weekend against the Huskies, there were certainly some things to keep an eye on down the road for potential trouble for the Nanooks. In both matches, the Lady Nanooks got off to hot starts but as

the match progressed did not play as effectively as a team.

"We too often last year played down to our competition," said Johnson explaining the troubles of their later sets. "We are trying to overcome that problem as a team, and so far we are getting better at it, but still have a long way to go," said John-

Problems like these can be common with a team still trying to find its footing early in a season. In general, the Nome Lady Nanooks looked strong and seemed to get a boost playing in front of their home fans



Nanooks JV player Rene Merchant has her focus on the ball.

again. For head coach Lucas Frost, coaching in his first home game for the Lady Nanooks, he was not in as much ease on the sideline as his ladies seemed to look while playing on the court

Frost admitted to feeling sick to

was probably more nervous than all of my players," said Frost. The Nome Junior Varsity squad

also performed well, winning both their matches in straight sets. They won 25-11, 25-18, and 25-21 in the first match and 25-15, 25-14, and 25-15 in the second.

With the Nome ladies off to a good start at 4-0 in the season, they look to keep their confidence up and correct the few mistakes of the last weekend when they will play once again at home this coming weekend against Bethel.

The first game this coming Friday will be a blue-out day and fans wearing Nome blue clothing will get some money off of their ticket admission. This is just one way to get more people to support the Nanook's volleyball team.

"I would love to see more people come out to support these ladies, especially considering we are a competitive team. When I was coaching in Kotzebue last year, they would fill up the gym, so I hope for the same this year here in Nome also," said

Nome will host Bethel JV and Varsity on Sept. 14-16.



Photos by Janeen Sullivan READY TO SERVE - Nome Lady Nanooks varsity player Kathy Holly gets ready to serve the ball against the Kotzebue Lady Huskies.



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EARLY MORNING AT THE HARBOR — Gold mining dredges are harbored along the Snake River entrance on September 10.

Photo by Diana Haecker

### THE DOCK WALK

With improving weather, the number of dredges seen out in the water in front of Nome increased dramatically over the weekend and into the first part of the week. Calm seas, blue skies and chilly temperatures have replaced the stormy and rainy weeks of August and early September.

Port of Nome harbormaster Joy Baker reports in her weekly roundup of port activities that the port and harbor areas are still bustling with activities as fuel deliveries are made, gravel exported, gold dredges going to work off East and West Beach and the fishing fleet continues to harvest halibut out of Norton Sound.

Over the past week, Crowley had a mainline fuel delivery with one village barge lightering the product to the harbor. Vitus Marine delivered fuel via the tanker Moor with two lighter vessels in Nome to assist. Three gravel barges arrived to export gravel out of Nome and one mainline cargo barge, the Northland Services barge, arrived with goods for Nome and the region. Eight village landing crafts came in and out of Nome and several research boats are anchored outside the port. The South Korean

research vessel and icebreaker Araon anchored in front of Nome on Monday. The Canadian icebreaker Polar Prince has been on the horizon while anchored five miles out to sea. The research boat Bristol Explorer and support vessel Arctic Seal left Nome for a surface trawl survey in the Northern Bering and Northern Chukchi Seas. The survey is part of the first comprehensive oceanographic and fisheries survey by a team of scientists from federal and state agencies and the University of Alaska at Fairbanks. The study is funded by the Dept. of Interior's Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, the State of Alaska coastal impact assistance program and NOAA. It's purpose is to gather scientific information to avoid or mitigate effects of future offshore oil and gas developments on arctic marine life.

Four recreational sailboats are currently in the harbor. The sailing vessel Roxane arrived last week with French sailor Luc Dupont, who sailed the Northwest Passage solo. The other sailboats are pleasure vessels Teleport, Philos and Anna. The Teleport and Roxane are planning to overwinter in Nome, whereas Philos and Anna are slated to leave on Monday for warmer waters. The Polar Bound, piloted by 70-year old solo sailor David Scott Cowper of Newcastle, England, arrived on Friday and departed on Sunday.



Photo by Diana Haecker

RESEARCH VESSEL - The South Korean research vessel and icebreaker Araon could be seen anchored in front of Nome on Monday, September 10.

## 4-H returns to Nome

By Clara Hansen

It has been many years since Nome has had a 4-H club. In September of 2011, a new group of 4-H'ers formed under the name Golden Clovers. The club was headed up by leaders Tim and Stacie Motis with the help of Extension Agent Kari van Delden, parents Mike and Shoni Evans and Angela Hansen. At the monthly meetings, the members learned parliamentary procedure and club officers were elected as follows: President is Anna Marie Motis; Vice President is Heather Evans; Secretary is Catherine Ojanen; News Reporter is Clara Hansen; Recreation leaders are Noah Hobbs, Dustin Evans and Gareth Hansen; Sergeants-at-Arms are

Cody Evans and Aaron Motis. The club took on two different projects. The girls chose cooking and the boys selected aviation. The girls learned how to make jam, quick breads, fondant and yeast breads as well as learning the nutritional value of local berries and whole grains in baking. They also decorated cookies with royal icing and made popcorn and bread sculptures.

The boys learned about aviation careers, parts of a plane and the phonetic alphabet. They built rockets, studied weather and clouds and took tours of a Coast Guard helicopter and other aircraft. In addition, they visited the air control tower and weather station.

4-H is a youth development organization that serves more than 6.5 million young people worldwide and focuses on agriculture, science, home economics, citizenship and leadership.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks Cooperative Extension Service is instrumental in supporting and promoting 4-H in Alaska. Kari van Delden is our local Extension Agent here in Nome and said, "I am so impressed with all the hard work of the parents, leaders and youth. They have made this 4-H club a suc-For further questions or information about 4-H or how to start your own club, contact Kari at 443-

The Golden Clovers will continue their meetings this fall and are looking forward to an exciting year of learning ahead!



Photo courtesy of 4-H club GOLDEN CLOVERS-Members of the Nome 4-H club visited the NOAA weather station in Nome earlier this year.

New Arrivals

Nick and Dianna Schollmeier of Elim would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Haylee Rae Schollmeier, born on August 12, 2012 at 11:34 P.M. in Anchorage, Alaska. She weighed 9 lbs 2 oz and was 20" in length.



Haylee Rae Schollmeier

**Wedding Bells** 

Charles Allan Longley and Joann Elaine Mayer are happy to announce their marriage. The wedding took place on August 4th, 2012 on the Strato Deck of Future of Flight Aviation Center. The parents of the groom are Steve and Berda Willson of Nome, Alaska. Charlie has a degree in Aviation Maintenance Technology from Portland Community College in Oregon and is employed

as an International Freight Pilot with ABX Air. The parents of the bride are Richard and Pat Mayer who reside in St. Helens, Oregon. Joann has a Bachelor Degree in Fine Arts and English Literature from State University of New York College at Oswego. She is employed by Boeing in a public relations capacity. Natalie and John Longley, children of the groom served as attendants in the wedding party. The couple will continue to reside in Mukilteo, Washington where they are ridiculously



Charles Allan Longley and Joann Elaine Mayer

#### Appointments

Governor Sean Parnell appointed Donald Stiles to the Fishermen's Fund Advisory and Appeals Council. The council consults with the commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development regarding appeals filed in relation to care of sick and disabled fishermen, and advises the department on administration of the

Stiles, of Nome, is a commercial fisherman and high school basketball coach. Active in the community, Stiles is a member of the Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation, former chair of the Siu Alaska Corporation, and is a former fisheries specialist with Kawarek Incorporated's fisheries department. Stiles also served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is named to a seat re-Alaska.



**Donald Stiles** 



#### **Obituaries**

#### Ella Tanner

Ella Tanner, 97, passed away in Nome on August 5, 2012 at home.



Ella Tanner

Ella was born at Candle, Alaska on May 24, 1915 to Robert and Susie Snyder. She lived on the bank of the Kiwalik River for part of the year with her family and would take a raft to Candle to live there during the other half of the year. The Snyder residence on the Kiwalik River, also known on vintage maps as "Snyder's Roadhouse," was known to many travelers as a safe place to stay for the night, so the family often had visitors in their one-room cabin which was partially insulated with sod. Ella's siblings were Tacoma, Roy, Florence, Dolly and Martha.

In 1924, the Snyder family packed up their belongings and moved to Nome by dog team where Robert Snyder made a living freighting goods by dog team. The family lived on Carsten's Way, which at the time was at the edge of town. Since there was no water system, her "papa" would take their dog team toward Gold Hill to fetch water from a spring that was available all winter. Ella talked about how as children, she and her sister would visit the horses in a nearby stable and also make their way across town to the Snake River dock where they could buy candy at the best prices.

at the best prices.

Ella graduated in 1933 at the Nome
School as Salutatorian. At the time there
were only a few Alaska Native students attending the public school. Although there
were many social prejudices in Nome, Ella

overcame them with dignity. In 1939, Ella married C.C. Tanner, who was Nome's U.S. Commissioner and ex-officio Judge. They had one daughter, Carol.

Ella worked for many years in the business office field. She retired from the Bureau of Indian Affairs Nome office in 1985. She was a helpful and generous person and always a good listener. Most everyone called her "Gram." She had many friends and was highly respected by everyone who knew her.

Élla is survived by her daughter, Carol Olsen (Victor); grandchildren: Debbie Parsons (Tony), Jay Wieler (Lucinda), Dawn Salesky (Jim Adams), and Janice Doherty (Doug); great-grandchildren: Iris Wieler, Chrystiene Salesky, Derek Wieler, Erica Wieler, Landon Wieler and Alex Westlake; nieces and nephews: Roberta Reyes, Kris Johnson, Roy Snyder, Jr., and Ed Larson.

She was predeceased by her parents, Robert and Susie Snyder; siblings: Tacoma King, Roy Snyder, Sr., Florence Snyder, Dolly Gerberg, Martha Larson; nieces and nephew: Corinne Snyder, Loretta Helle and Chuck Snyder.

Ella was very grateful to the staff at NSHC for all their support, and for all her family and friends that visited and helped her this year. At her request, no services were planned.

#### **Betty Saanga Wongittilin**

Betty Elizabeth Saanglingawen Wongittilin was born to Elmer and Mary Ann on December 22, 1952. She joined her older sisters Darlene and Bernice, then later her only brother Reggie and then her younger sisters Mabelene and April joined her.

While in Savoonga, she enjoyed pick-



Betty Saanga Wongittilin

ing greens and berries for her family. She also enjoyed going on trips to look for ivory. She loved having friends over for coffee and snacks.

Betty was blessed with her sons Jody and Duane, then later on with wonderful daughter-in-laws Naomi Booshu, and Cynthia Madsen who bestowed her with beautiful grandchildren, Karissa, Sharlyna, Alyssa, Delilah, Brisais, Keiralyn and Siberia Madsen.

She met a wonderful man, Al Wiederhold, and they were happy together for 19 years. Al helped her raise her grandchildren like they were his own, and took Betty on trips all over the lower 48 which she enjoyed.

She also enjoyed her numerous nieces and nephews: Orlan, Elmer Troy, Regina, Felix, Jason, Chad, Taylor, Nicholas, Pearl, Lenora, Sheila, Melody, Paul Jr., Elmer R., Barton, Ashley, Amber, Kyler, Kiilyn, Sheryl, Patricia, Wayne, Lara, Terry, Kayden, Caleb, Erik, Derrick, Edwin, Lenora, Elias, Aiden, Walter, Tyren, and other numerous cousins and relatives. Betty had wonderful aunties Gloria Kulowiyi and Amelia Kingeekuk, and her uncle Davis Mokiyuk.

When she came to Savoonga, she would always have gifts for her many family and friends, especially on the holidays. Betty spent most of her time in Nome and Wisconsin with Al. She had numerous family and friends from all over. Thank you for being her friend.

She is proceeded in death by her father Elmer Wongittilin, sister Darlene Jackson, nephew Terry Jackson, niece Lenora Wongittilin, uncles Moses Pungowiyi, Jackson Mokiyuk, Felix and Jack Wongittilin, aunties Ruth Miklahook, Margret Kingeekuk, Lillian Apassingok, Cecelia Noongwook, and Hortense Okoomealingok. Grandparents Walter Wongittilin and Bernice Uglowook, George Mokiyuk, and Lenora Oittillian.

We would like to thank Al for being there for her. Whalers for making it possible for Mary Ann and Bernice to go see her in Anchorage. Corporation for helping Jody and his family go spend the last of Betty's days with her in Nome, and for helping them get back here with Al. Orville and Lawrence for helping with the casket. Orlan, Perry, Wagner and Kanaay for digging the gravesite. The organizations for their support. Friends and relatives that came over and everyone else for their prayers and comforting words.

#### **Billy Franklin Joe**

Billy Franklin Joe was born to the late Ruth P. Joe (Oxereok) and Robert K. Joe Sr. on January 17, 1966 in Nome, Alaska. He passed away unexpectedly on August 10, 2012 at home in Nome, Alaska. Billy attended Nome-Beltz High School till his Junior year and then transferred to Mount Edgecumbe in Sitka, where he graduated. He loved his kids, family and friends with all his heart. He helped anyone with whatever needed, whenever he could. He worked at Fat Freddie's for many years; he learned to bake and cook from his mother and loved it. When he passed away he was working at Nome Grocery Store in Nome.

He is survived by his father, Robert K. Joe Sr.; brothers, Gene Oxereok, Nathan Oxereok, Edward Olanna and family, Gordon Ahnangnatoguk, Robert K. Joe Jr. and John Joe and family; children Ashley Thomas, Donna and Haven Joe, aunties Eloise Oxereok Ahwinona and Lois Merrill and many other relatives and friends.

He was proceeded in death by great grandparents Clyde and Margaret Ongtowasruk, and John and Mary Oxereok,

grandparents Edith Towatuk Ongtowasruk, Carl Kemasuk Oxereok and David and Elizabeth Joe, mother Ruth P. Joe, uncles Raymond, Victor and Gerald Oxereok; aunts Metro, Voila and Flora Oxereok, Alma Tungwenuk and sister Judith Sally Oxereok.



Billy Franklin Joe

## Saying It Sincerely

By Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore, Community United Methodist Church A member of the Nome Ministerial Association

> Hope in the Midst of Despair Scripture Focus – Philippians 1:21-30

As a community and region, we have experienced the loss of some amazing people and have endured other hardships. Over the last year alone, I presided over eight funerals and attended several more that my colleague did. That's a lot of grief and pain for a community and yet, it is our faith in God that carries us through these difficult times and makes us stronger in the process. Even when tomorrow does not look hopeful and we wonder how we are going to make it, God's comfort and strength is there. God's comfort and strength comes through prayer and reading our Bible, as well as in unexpected places and people. It is like God cradling us in God's arms or holding us in the palm of God's hand.

The Apostle Paul knew what it was like to be in a state of hopelessness. He was in prison when he wrote the letter to the Philippians. He was conflicted about whether or not to rejoice if he died or rejoice if he was released. His faith was strong and his mission was clear. If he died for spreading the Gospel, then he knew that he would be with God and it would be a time of celebration. If he was released from prison, this meant that he could continue to share the Gospel and encourage the people in the churches he had started. His faith in God and God's purposes is an example we can follow, especially when we are feeling discouraged.

As Paul writes from jail, a place of despair, he finds hope. The members of the church at Philippi are standing in one spirit and mind, working together because of their faith of the gospel. Their faith is strong and he encourages them not to be intimidated by those who would oppose and persecute them. He encourages them that it is a privilege to believe in Christ and to suffer for Christ as well. Even through the struggles they face as followers of Christ, there is still hope that Christ is victorious over evil.

How might you be experiencing hopelessness today? If you are not experiencing hopelessness, who around you might be experiencing a loss of hope? For some, the increase in darkness in our days can bring a sense of hopelessness. For others, it is the anniversary of the death of a loved one. For others still, it may be the loss of a job or dream. How is God calling you to be a beacon of God's light to others experiencing hopeless times? We all experience up and down times and as a community, we are called to lift one another up with the assurance that there is more to this life than meets the eye. Our ultimate hope is in God who makes all things possible.

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This ordinance had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on September 10, 2012 at 7:00 PM and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for September 24, 2012 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk. 9/13-20

#### CITY OF NOME **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

#### Training dates: *Oct. 22 - 31, 2012* Application deadline: Oct. 11, 2012

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

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

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

www.nsedc.com

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#### Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT MEDIA RELEASES 09-03-2012 through 9-9-2012
Disclaimer: This is a record of activity.
The issuance of citations or the act of arrest does not assign guilt to any identified party.

On 9-3-12 at 1:16 a.m., NPD responded to the area of E 5th Avenue near K Street to report that intoxicated minors were near that location. Investigation resulted in to youths, ages 14 and 16 being contacted. Both youths were issued citations for Curfew Violation and Minor Consuming Alcohol. They were released to responsible care

On 9-3-12 at 5:59 p.m., NPD received a report of a missing 11-year-old juvenile male. NPD investigation eventually located the youth, who was evading his parent. The case will be forwarded to the Office of Children's Services.

On 9-3-12 at 7:34 p.m., NPD responded to a residence near the high school to a reported disturbance. Upon arrival, the officer made entry into the residence to conduct a welfare check and determine if there were any injured persons. An altercation erupted between the officer and a female in the residence resulted in the arrest of Wilma Osborne, age 42 of Nome for Assault. Osborne was remanded to AMCC.
On 9-3-12 at 11:13 p.m., NPD responded to

reports of a woman screaming near the bus stop on Bering Street. Contact was made with Valerie Kakaruk, age 20 of Nome who was found to be intoxicated, but uninjured. Kakaruk was arrested for Minor Consuming Alcohol (Habitual – B Misdemeanor) and Violation of Conditions of Probation (alcohol consumption). She was remanded

On 9-4-12 at 1:34 p.m., a vehicle driven by Ron Pichler, age 54, of Anchorage was stopped on the Nome-Council Highway for a traffic violation. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Pichler for Driving Under the Influence (alcohol). Pichler was remanded to AMCC on charges of DUI and Breath Test Refusal after he refused to provide a breath sample to the Data Master breath test in-

On 9-4-12 at 5:55 hours, NPD received a report of a possible intoxicated driver on a red four wheel ATV. An officer spotted a vehicle matching the description driving at high speed. After a brief pursuit the ATV was stopped and the driver identified as Matthew Foy, age 28 of Nome. Investigation resulted in the arrest of FOY for Reckless Driving, Driving While License Suspended, Fail to Stop at the Direction of a Peace Officer, Violating Conditions of Release and Violating Conditions

of Probation. Foy was remanded to AMCC. On 9-4-12 at 9:59 p.m., NPD responded to the area of the Nome Recreation Center to a reported assault. Investigation indicates the 18-year-old victim was assaulted by her 16-year-old boyfriend. Attempts to locate the boyfriend were unsuccessful and no medical attention was required for the victim. The case remains under in-

On 9-5-12 at 2:07 a.m., a vehicle driven by Brett Heim, age 56, of Anchorage was stopped on Front Street for a moving violation. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Heim for Driving Under the Influence (alcohol) and was later remanded on the additional charge of Refusal of the Data Master breath test instrument. He was also served with a citation for traveling 72 mph in a 25 mph residential area on Front Street. On 9-6-12 at 3:08 a.m., NPD responded to a

reported fight behind the Sitnasuak Building. Investigation resulted in contact with two individuals that were wrestling. Neither was injured or required medical attention. Curtis Tom, age 20 was

issued a citation for Minor Consuming (alcohol). Both parties were released at the scene. On 9-6-12 at 12:42 p.m., NPD responded to Nome-Beltz High School to a report of students in possession of tobacco products. Investigation resulted in two students, ages 14 and 15 receiving citations for Minor in Possession of Tobacco

On 9-6-12 at 9:56 p.m., NPD received a report of an assault occurring near King Island Court. The case involves several juveniles and is under investigation. No significant injuries oc-

On 9-7-12 at 2:53 a.m., the Nome Volunteer Fire Department, Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department and NPD responded to a vehicle fire on Front Street. The fire was extinguished and no injuries were reported. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Edmund Ulroan, age 23 of Nome for Arson and Criminal Mischief – both felony crimes. Ulroan was remanded to AMCC

On 9-7-12 at 2:45 a.m., NPD responded to a report of an unconscious person at a residence on Nugget Alley. Gabe Douglas, age 20 of Nome was contacted and found to be incapacitated by alcohol. Douglas was taken to NSRH for medical treatment and later released. Douglas received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.
On 9-7-12 at 5:40 p.m., NPD responded to a

theft complaint at a business on the Nome-Teller Highway. Investigation indicates that two 7-yearold juveniles were apprehended after concealing merchandise. The children were released to pa

On 9-8-12 at 3:56 a.m., NPD received a report of trespass occurring at a residence on Spokane Street. Michael Slwooko, age 54, of Nome was arrested after he was found trespassing in a building on the property. He was remanded at AMCC.

On 9-8-12 at 7:52 p.m., NPD responded to a report of a 13-year-old who had broken a window with his hand at a residence on 4th Avenue. Investigation resulted in the arrest of the juvenile for Assault IV – DV and Criminal Mischief. He was lodged at the Nome Youth Facility. Follow-up investigation resulted in the mother of the juvenile being charged with Endangering the Welfa Minor. The case is being sent to the respective juvenile/adult agencies for disposition.

On 9-8-12 at 11:07 p.m., NPD received a report of an intoxicated person who was trying to fight with others at a residence in W. King's Place. Investigation resulted in the arrest if Ernest Tocktoo, age 39, for Assault IV – DV. Tocktoo was remanded to AMCC with no bail set as this was a domestic violence offense

On 9-9-12 at 3:19 a.m., NPD responded to a reported assault at a residence on E. 4th Avenue. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Rebecca Scott, age 41, of Nome for Assault IV – DV. Scott was remanded to AMCC with no bail set as this was a domestic violence offense.

On 9-9-12 at 11:46 n m NPD responded to a reported domestic assault occurring at a residence on King's Place. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Robert Johnson age 19, of Nome for Assault IV - DV. Johnson was remanded to AMCC with no bail set as this was a domestic vi-

The Nome Police Department is committed to the safety of the community. Help us to keep you, your community, and your loved ones safe. To report an emergency, call 9-1-1. For information or to report a crime, call 443-5262.

#### **Notice of Petition to Change Name**

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-12-00191CT) requesting a name change from (current name) Skye R Shears to Skye R Shipton. A hearing on this request will be held on October 29, 2012 at 1:00 pm at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.

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#### Notice of Judgment – Change of Name

A judgment has been issued by the Superior Court in Nome, Alaska, in Case # 2NO-12-00131CI ordering that the  $\square$  minor child's name  $\blacksquare$  petitioner's name will be changed from Michael S McGowan Jr to Michael T Varden, effective on the effective date stated in the clerk's Certificate of Name Change.



#### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS** NOME MUNICPAL **ELECTION**

Absentee ballots for the October 2, 2012 City of Nome Municipal Election will be available at the Office of the City Clerk, located in Nome City Hall, on September 17, 2012. Application may be made by mail to: City Clerk, City of Nome, P.O. Box 281, Nome, Alaska 99762 or by fax at (907)443-5345. Mailed ballot applications MUST be received in the City Clerk's Office no later than September 27, 2012. Ballot applications submitted in person MUST be received by October 1, 2012.

#### Unalakleet Native Corporation

#### To the Unalakleet Native **Corporation Shareholders**

Nomination forms are now available for shareholders interested in running for a two (2) year term for the Board of Directors. Closing date is 3rd of October 2012. Please write to Box 100 or call at (907) 624-3411 to request a nomination form.

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

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#### NOTICE OF VACANCY

The Shaktoolik Native Corporation is accepting candidacy nominations for three (3) seats on Shaktoolik Native Corporation's Board of Directors. This year the terms for three (3) Directors will expire. Any shareholder of the Shaktoolik Native Corporation 18 years of age or older and of good standing may file for nomination to the SNC Board of Directors. All forms should be filed to be received no later than the close of business September 28, 2012. All interested shareholders of the Shaktoolik Native Corporation office whose address is

> P.O. Box 46 Shaktoolik, AK 99771 Ph. 955-3241 Fax. 955-3243

9/6-13-20-27

#### CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

#### Nome Snake River Bridge Replacement project

Pro-West Contractors will be pile driving and installing a culvert on Seppala Drive along the river between the section of Belmont Point and Center Creek Road. During this phase of construction, a two-lane road diversion traffic pattern will be implemented along the newly constructed gravel road base.

We ask that you use caution while driving in this area during construction as we will have our crew and equipment working along the road. For your safety and the safety of our personnel, please follow all traffic control signs and devices and adhere to speed limits posted.

Your assistance and awareness is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding this project or would like project updates, please contact Pro-West Contractors at 907-444-7085.

#### **Notice of Public Review for Draft Kawerak Transportation** Improvement Program

Kawerak, Inc. invites the public to comment on the **Draft Kawerak Transportation Improvement** Program (TIP): FFY 2012-13 to 2015-16 from September 13th - 21st, 2012.

Kawerak's TIP: FFY 2012-13 to 2015-16 is the region's short range transportation programming contains document that transportation improvement projects including local road. pedestrian projects proposed for funding based on anticipated available federal, state and local funding over the next four years (FFY 2012-13 to 2015-16). All projects that receive federal funds, are subject to a federally required action, or are regionally significant need to be included in the TIP. The TIP must be financially constrained and must be updated at least every four years.

Copies of the Draft Kawerak TIP: FFY 2012-13 2015-16 are available for public review and comments from September 13th - 21st, 2012 at Kawerak Transportation Program, 500 Seppala Drive.

Written comments may be submitted to **Denise** Michels, KTP Office at Kawerak Transportation Program, 500 Seppala Drive, mailed to PO Box 948, faxed to 907-443-4473 or emailed to dmichels@kawerak.org. Written comments must be received at Kawerak no later than 4:30PM on Friday, September 21st, 2012.

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

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

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

Disabilities that qualify for Special Education services include:

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

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

## CITY OF MOME

## PUBLIC NOTICE OF IDENTITY OF CANDIDATES

The following persons have filed for elected office for the October 2, 2012 City of Nome Municipal, Utility Board and School Board Election:

**Common Council**Seat "C"

Three (3) Year Term
Randy Pomeranz

Randy Pomeranz Randy Oles Kenny Hughes

**Common Council** 

Seat "D"

Three (3) Year Term Stan Andersen Nikolai A. Ivanoff Jim West, Jr.

Two (2) Year Term

David Barron

Utility Board

Seat "B" Fred Moody

Utility Board Three (3) Year Term

Seat "C"
School Board

School Board Three (3) Year Term
Seat "C" Betsy Brennan
Monica Rose

School Board Seat "D" Three (3) Year Term
Paula Davis

**NSEDC**Member Representative

Three (3) Year Term

Don Stiles Louie Green, Jr.

Any person having information intending to establish that any City of Nome Municipal, School Board or Utility Board candidate may be ineligible to fill the office for which he or she has declared may challenge the eligibility of the candidate to hold office. A challenge may be submitted at any time preceding the date and time of the Municipal Election and must be submitted to the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 102 Division Street, Nome, Alaska.

## NSEDC Member Representative Election Public Notice of Election and Filing Deadline

The following communities shall hold 2012 elections for a Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) Member Representative for a three-year term:

Community	Filing Deadline	Election Date
Elim	September 21, 2012	October 2, 2012
St. Michael	September 21, 2012	October 2, 2012
Savoonga	September 21, 2012	October 2, 2012
Nome	September 11, 2012	October 2, 2012
Teller	September 21, 2012	October 2, 2012

NSEDC has arranged for the local municipal governments to conduct the NSEDC Member Representative elections. However, the NSEDC Member Representative election is not for a municipal office and it will have a separate ballot. Voters do not need to be qualified to vote in the city's elections to be eligible to vote in the NSEDC election.

#### NSEDC Eligibility and Minimum Vote Requirements:

Candidate Eligibility: To be eligible as a candidate, an applicant:

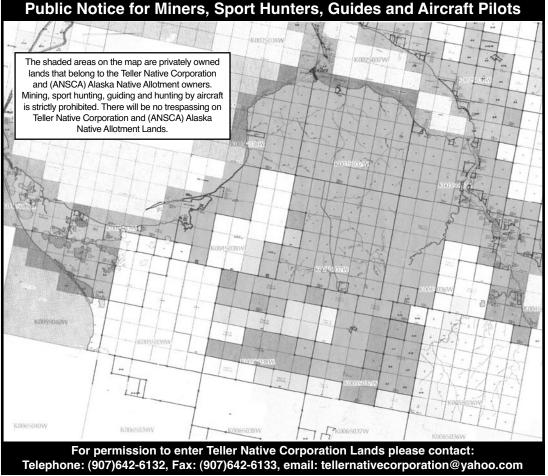
- 1. Must be a "resident fisherman," which is an individual with recent (within 10 years prior to the election), documented commercial or subsistence fishing activity who is a registered voter residing within the state precinct boundaries encompassing the member community, where the applicant maintains a mailing address and permanent domicile and is eligible to receive an Alaska Permanent Fund.
- 2. May not be currently employed by NSEDC as a regular employee; and 3. Must have "good character," which means that an individual:
  - a. has not previously been removed from the board for any reason aside from attendance;
  - b. has a history free of any felony convictions, including guilty pleas or pleas of nolo contendere, within the last 10 years; and
    c. can pass a drug screen test, prior to the election and annually, to
  - be administered in accordance with the drug and alcohol testing policies set forth in the NSEDC Employee Handbook.

Each applicant must declare himself/herself by completing a "Member Representative" Candidacy Statement and consenting to a background check and drug test. You may pick up a Candidacy Packet with these forms from the city office or from the NSEDC Liaison.

**Voter Eligibility:** Any registered voter who resides in a state election precinct that encompasses the member community, even if they live outside the community's municipal limits. To check if you are eligible to vote on the NSEDC ballot, visit the Alaska Division of Elections site: http://www.elections.alaska.gov/index.php.

**Minimum Vote:** The candidate receiving the highest number of votes and over 40% of the total votes cast shall be the elected NSEDC Member Representative.

If you have any questions, please contact your city office or NSEDC at 800-650-2248.



8/9 thru 9/27

## CITY OF MOME

#### **NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL MUNICIPAL, SCHOOL BOARD AND UTILITY BOARD ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 AM AND 8:00 PM OF THE SAME DAY.

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

#### THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTORS AT SAID ELECTION SHALL BE:

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

#### THE PURPOSE IS THE ELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING SEATS:

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

<u>Seat</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
"C"	3 Yr.	Randy Pomeranz
"D"	3 Yr.	Stanley Andersen

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

Seal	<u>reriii</u>	<u>incumbent</u>
"B"	2 Yr.	Fred Moody
"C"	3 Yr.	David Barron

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

<u>Seat</u>	<u>ierm</u>	<u>incumbent</u>
"C"	3 Yr.	Betsy Brennan
"D"	3 Yr.	Gloria Karmun

#### \*NOTICE OF NSEDC MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION\*

Concurrently with the municipal election as provided in the foregoing notice, the City of Nome shall conduct for Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation the election of the Nome community's NSEDC Member Representative in accordance with the ordinances, rules and regulations governing municipal elections, except that the election results will not be formally certified by the Nome City Council and that the City of Nome will not be involved with or determine any challenges to the election. In addition, the following additional rules provided in NSEDC's current bylaws will apply to the NSEDC Member Representative Election:

#### THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTORS AT SAID NSEDC MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION ONLY SHALL BE:

a. Registered to vote in state elections at a residence address within the state precinct boundaries encompassing the Community of Nome.

#### THE PURPOSE IS THE ELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING SEAT:

One member representative to Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation, to be elected to a 3 year term:

TermIncumbent3 Yr.Don Stiles

#### MINIMUM VOTE

If no candidate receives over 40 percent of the votes cast for NSEDC Member Representative, a runoff election shall be held.

#### FILING DATES FOR THE ABOVE LISTED OFFICES:

August 17, 2012 8:30 AM through September 11, 2012 5:00 PM in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall. Contact the City Clerk's Office if you are interested in filing for office and to obtain the forms necessary to file.

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

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#### Letters

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and several others don't like to hear what we have to say about the direction they have taken with our regions CDO money.

On the other hand, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank several other brave people in our community. Thank you to Vince Pikonganna for standing up and speaking out. He truly knows what it means to be an American. Thanks also to Leo and Terry for their letters. I admit that it is scary to stand up and speak out against people who are going out of their way to criminalize innocent people just for speaking up. Thank you for your voices.

We want more salmon for people to harvest. That's always been the drive behind the Nome Fishermen's Association. What we want isn't criminal. I think the people would stand up and agree if it weren't for the bullying and the unethical efforts taken to silence us.

Sincerely Rita Smith, Secretary/Treasurer, NFA Nome, Alaska 99762

To the editor,

Dan Harrelson's letter in the September 6, 2012 Nome Nugget and the letters leading up to it are a re-

minder that history repeats itself.

On March 3, 1944, Alberta Schenck Adams published the following in a letter to the Nome Nugget.

"It has been known and said through centuries that all American citizens have the right to go, do, and say what they please."

"What has hurt us constantly is that we are not able to go to a public theater and sit where we wish, but yet we pay the SAME price as anyone else and our money is GLADLY received. We are not allowed even to go to public doings, only when money is concerned for the benefit of the so-called society people of our city."

city."
"These human beings who think they are in a higher standard than others admit they are citizens of America, but the majority are not loyal to what is written in the Constitution."

An anonymous letter to the editor appeared in a following paper with this defense of the movie theater's longstanding policy. "It would be hard for management to change their present system even though some of the Natives themselves do not like to sit next to "odoriferous" persons."

On a spring day in 1944, Alberta went to see a movie at the Dream Theater in downtown Nome and sat down in the last empty seat which

happened to be in the wrong section of the theater. The Nome Chief of Police arrested her and hauled her off to jail.

We've come a long way. Sixty-eight years later, my wife Rita and I went to a public meeting of an NSEDC committee held in the Bering Straits Native Corporation boardroom. I took one of the few empty seats in the wrong section and the Nome police were called upon to remove me. The current Nome Chief of Police told me that I would be arrested if I went to any more NSEDC meetings regardless of which section I sat in.

I didn't think I was all that odoriferous. And contrary to what Dan says in his letter, I was not, "disruptive, abusive, or have trouble adhering to normal meeting protocol." That's a lie. You can listen to an audio recording of the meeting on YouTube and judge for yourself at: http://youtu.be/dDETOB8DgZg

Back to 1944. Alberta Schenck Adams wasn't about to settle for second class citizenship. A week after she got out of jail, she went back to the Dream Theater and got arrested again. This time her father paid her fine on the spot to keep her out of

With the help of Major Muktuk Marston, she complained to Governor Earnest Gruening about the reprehensible way she had been treated. Gruening angrily demanded an explanation from the Nome mayor and promised legislation to address discrimination in Alaska. On February 16, 1945, he signed the first comprehensive civil rights law passed anywhere in America.

Harrelson's notion that Congress intended that Norton Sound's CDQ program would be a privately owned, tax exempt, secret society for 15 people, gifted with a goose that lays golden eggs worth \$164 million and growing is ludicrous if you think about it for a moment. What legislative body would do that? There is nothing private about NSEDC.

Dan's right that the laws requiring transparency and accountability are inadequate. The CDQ groups spent a big pile of our money on lobbyists in 2006 to make it that way. But what congress can dismantle, congress can repair and we should be doing our best to let them know that they have some more lawmaking to do. Arrogant letters like Dan's help a lot.

The State of Alaska needs to wake up and take an active role too. The first thing that they need to do is require that CDQ groups adhere to the requirements of the Alaska Open Meetings Act and the Alaska Public Records Act. Dan helpfully pointed out that they don't have to do that now and that's a serious deficiency.

The state is conducting a decennial review of the CDQ groups this year and an objective review will reveal the need for more oversight and more checks and balances. Hard times are coming for the bush and Ted Stevens is no longer there to fix our screw-ups. We need to make sure that we don't waste this opportunity just because Dan likes things the way they are. Dreams are great but eventually you have to wake up.

Oh, remember that longstanding official policy Janis Ivanoff wrote about that prohibited recording at an NSEDC meeting? They are still having a little trouble finding it.

Janis said, "As a practice, NSEDC does not allow unauthorized recording devices to be used at its meetings."

I faxed a request to their Anchorage lawyer Howard Trickey for a copy of that policy but haven't heard back from him yet.

When questioned by the Nome Police Department about NSEDC's longstanding no-recording policy, Kyan Olanna said, "It's not a written policy."

So what other kinds of official policies are there?

Tim Smith Nome, AK 99762

#### Court

#### Week ending 9/7

Civil

Davis, Clark v. Smith, III, Edward L.; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children Aukongak, Ester J. v. Takak, Jason M.; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children Kotongan, Betsy S. v. Koonooka, Betsy S.; Change of Name of Adult Williams, SR., Darrel K. v. Johnson, Jean; Stalking: Ex Parte Fergerson, David v. State of Alaska; Post Conviction Relief - Superior Court

Small Claims

#### No current claims on file

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Raymond Larsen (8/27/63); 2NO-12-243CR Assault 4°; DV; Date of violation: 4/2/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Credit 2NO-12-575CR; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 8/30/14; 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, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any page officer upon pages native suspicion.

Itesting at the request of any peace officer upon reasonable suspicion.

State of Alaska v. Raymond Larsen (8/27/63); 2NO-12-575CR Notice of Dismissal;
Charge 001: Violate Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 8/30/12.

State of Alaska v. Louise Martin (3/8/84); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112701735; Violated Conditions of Probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 120 days; Recommend Seaside.

State of Alaska v. Lawrence Martin (10/2/57); Violating Release Conditions; Date of violation: 8/11/12; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Martha Thomas (3/28/72); 2NO-12-402CR Assault 4°; Date of vi-

State of Alaska v. Martha Thomas (3/28/72); 2NO-12-402CR Assault 4°; Date of violation: 6/15/12; 60 days, 40 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 8/31/12); 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; Shall not have alcohol in her 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; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol. State of Alaska v. Martha Thomas (3/28/72); 2NO-12-612CR Notice of Dismissal;

any peace officer; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol. State of Alaska v. Martha Thomas (3/28/72); 2NO-12-612CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violation of Conditions of Release; Count 002: Assault 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 8/31/12.

State of Alaska v. Justin L. Katcheak (1/16/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111498291; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term hereby revoked and imposed: All remaining time; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Wayne I. Eningowuk (5/29/54); No Motor Vehicle Insurance; Date of violation: 7/24/12; Fine: \$500 with \$200 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$300 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/1/12; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 9/4/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.

State of Alaska v. Thu L. Munn (2/22/46); Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance Required; Date of violation: 8/10/12; Fine: \$300 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$300 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 12/1/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Robert Lockwood (9/10/87); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001:

Assault 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 9/5/12.

State of Alaska v. Cheryl Kowchee (5/31/71); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4°; DV; Filed by the DAs Office 9/5/12.

State of Alaska v. Faylon Kirk (9/7/89); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Disorderly Conduct; Charge 002: Assault 4\* Peace Officer; Charge 003: Resisting Arrest; Charge 004: DUI; Filed by the DAs Office 9/5/12.

State of Alaska v. Garrett Adsuna (3/3/79); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Trespass; Charge 002: Violation of Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 9/5/12

9/5/12.
State of Alaska v. Daniel G. Mazeika (12/21/80); NPD Citation, Minor Offense; Fail To Register Vehicle; Date of offense: 8/12/12; Penalty: Fine: \$90, Surcharge: \$10; Total Due: \$100; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: \$90, Due Date: 10/1/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12, Guilty Pleas; Fine: 9/4/12; Court Appearance: 9/4/12; Court App

Statutory Surcharge: \$10, Due: 10 days after judgment date (9/4/12).

NPD Citation, Minor Offense; Open Container; Offense Date: 8/9/12; Mandatory Court Appearance: 9/4/12; No Contest Plea; Fine: \$50, Due Date: 10/1/12; Statutory

Surcharge: \$10, Due: 10 days after judgment date (9/4/12).
State of Alaska v. Dakota Segock (9/8/93); Order of Dismissal; Counts 1, 2 only;
CTN 001: Burglary 1- Use Or Threaten w/Weapon; CTN 002: Criminal Mischief 3Damage \$500+; IT IS ORDERED that CTNs 001, 002 are dismissed pursuant to: Rule
5 – Dismissal on motion of defendant due to decision by Prosecuting Attorney not to
proceed with preliminary hearing; If this case is dismissed, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED
that the defendant be released from custody, any bond that has not been ordered forfeited be exonerated, and any cash or other security posted as bail be refunded to the

State of Alaska v. Irving Michael St. Clair, Jr. (11/25/78); Dismissal; Count 001: As sault 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 9/5/12.

State of Alaska v. James Walunga (11/9/79); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110128968; Violated conditions of probation; No action is taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Joann Aketachunak (2/29/84); 2NO-11-511CR Order to Modify or

State of Alaska v. Joann Aketachunak (2/29/84); 2NO-11-511CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112701915; After a hearing, the court finds that the defendant refuses probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time, consecutive to the terms in Case No. 2NO-11-754CR and 2NO-11-836CR.

State of Alaska v. Joann Aketachunak (2/29/84); 2NO-11-754CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111498255; After a hearing, the court finds that the defendant refuses probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time, consecutive to the terms in Case No. 2NO-11-836CR and 2NO-11-511CR

State of Alaska v. Joann Aketachunak (2/29/84); 2NO-11-836CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111498273; After a hearing, the court finds that the defendant refuses probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the terms in Case No. 2NO-11-511CR and 2NO-11-754CR.

days, consecutive to the terms in Case No. 2NO-11-511CR and 2NO-11-754CR.

State of Alaska v. Robert Pete Saccheus (5/26/91); 2NO-12-488CR CTN: 003: Theft 3°; Date of violation: 6/10/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001, 002; 180 days, 150 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days; Not to Exceed Time Served, shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail time shall be consecutive to 2NO-12-489CR; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Jugment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 9/4/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated, including pay restitution; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of criminal law.

State of Alaska v. Robert Pete Saccheus (5/26/91); 2NO-12-489CR CTN: 005: Assault 4°; Date of violation: 7/2/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001, 002, 003, 004; 180 days, 150 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days; Not to Exceed Time Served, shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail time shall be consecutive to 2NO-12-488CR; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within

10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 9/4/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated, including pay restitution; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of criminal law.

State of Alaska v. Ernest Booshu (11/12/90); 2NO-11-5CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110670201; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-12-409CR; Report to the Nome Court on 9/7/12 for a remand hearing; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

tions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect. State of Alaska v. Ernest Booshu (11/12/90); 2NO-12-409CR Misconduct Involving Weapons 4°; Date of violation: 6/17/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 150 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 1:30 p.m., 9/7/12 for a remand hearing; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 9/6/14); Shall compit not orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit not 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 upon reasonable suspicion; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probations

cion; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation. State of Alaska v. Tracey Harrington (3/27/74); DUI; Date of offense: 7/20/12; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Report to Nome Court on 9/10/12 for a remand hearing, 1:30 p.m.; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due 7/1/13; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, \$0 suspended; \$50 due; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; \$0 due; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st off.) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: other: Contact ASAP or equivalent within 60 days; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 12/21/12 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 1/31/13 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Driver's license revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fie if you file proof of payment before fine due date; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 9/6/12); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses.

State of Alaska v. Walter Ahkpuk (11/3/76); Judgment and Commitment; CTN 001: Criminal Mischief 3°; Date of offense: 3/27/12; Count 001: 1 year; Police Training Surcharge: Count 001: Pay to the court within 10 days: \$100; Jail Surcharge: IT IS OR-DERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, or parole or peace officer; RESTITUTION: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay restitution: as follows: Restitution Recipient: Sara Bowman, Amount: \$1,894.20; Payments must be made to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Restitution is due immediately for civil execution purposes, unless defendant establishes a payment schedule with the Department of Law Collections Unit; If the defendant misses any required payment, the total unpaid amount becomes immediately due and civil execution may begin; Defendant is ordered to apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend every year in which defendant is a resident eligible for a dividend until the restitution is paid in full.

State of Alaska v. Nathan Komonaseak (1/9/85); Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 8/28/12; 2 days, not to exceed time served, with 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 2 days, not to exceed time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 day.

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GETTING READY FOR WINTER- A grizzly bear scans the Nome
River for salmon.



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff END OF THE ROAD— Visitors stop at the end of the Kougarok Road, which is about 85 miles long.





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MUSK OX GATHERING—Not an unusual sight in the Nome area, musk oxen hang out at Safety Sound.



FALL MIGRATION- Birds are starting to migrate south for the winter.



Photo by Nadja Cavin DUSTING- Mt. Osborn sports the first snow of the season.



GOLD DREDGING-After a long stretch of windy and rainy weather, gold dredgers are taking advantage of a calm day on Norton Sound in front of Nome. Photo by Nils Hahn