



FALL GLORY — Grand Central sports beautiful fall colors and termination dust on the Kigluaik Mountains surrounding the valley. Photo by David Head

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Photo by Sandra L. Medearis  
**HERE TO TELL ABOUT IT — J. Brent Tuttle (right) and Wayne Miller (center) had a story for Cliff McHenry (left) after high water lifted Tuttle's leased tug boat "wannabe" gold dredge onto the rocks Oct. 12 near St. Michael on Norton Sound. Sea water coming into the listing vessel sent Tuttle and Miller scurrying into survival gear and into a life boat.**

## Gold miners survive sinking tug boat disaster near St. Michael

By Sandra L. Medearis

J. Brent Tuttle got more adventure than he expected when he set off with a navigator to put his tugboat gold dredge wannabe away for the winter in St. Michael.

Tuttle arrived mid-season, tying up at Nome's small boat harbor in July after a month-long harrowing trip from Portland, Ore.

Now he was going to tuck his boat away, go south to tell some tales and prepare for next year.

High seas a few miles from the Norton Sound destination village had other ideas. They lifted Tuttle's 70-foot vessel onto the rocks again and again until water coming into the boat sent Tuttle and Wayne Miller, navigator, to the life raft. Both survived, plucked from the emergency craft by St. Michael people and carried to the village clinic.

As many had in TV Land the past winter, Tuttle became inspired by TV gold mining shows with dreams of golden treasures for himself and his wife.

"I was sitting on the sofa. 'I can do that,' I said to my wife."

Tuttle, living in Golden, Colo., took off west hunting for the boat that would carry him to submerged gold mining adventures offshore Nome, Alaska.

He came across Lee Hendren, owner of a towboat service based in Portland, Ore. that had been operating on the Columbia River for a hundred years.

Hendren shared Tuttle's dream. He made it easy for Tuttle to use the tugboat *Captain Hendren*. All Tuttle had to do was put in an engine.

Sixty-five thousand dollars and thousands of sea miles later, Tuttle and a partner, now gone home, hove into Port of Nome, ready for riches.

Riches did not materialize but an expensive education attached itself indelibly to Tuttle.

By his own accounts, he had not enough experience and too much of the wrong equipment. He stood on the docks days ago with credit cards maxed and pockets hanging inside out. The missus was a mortgage payment or two short of being real happy with his decision to go off to Alaska to mine gold from underwater beaches.

"Everything I had was over-engineered," he said. And then there was the weather. Another miner, at it for years, befriended Tuttle in his darkest hour. John Mehelich put Tuttle to work as a diver. Tuttle's cut of the gold they got put over \$3,000 in his pocket.

"Then came the weather. I had told my wife I would start sending

home that kind of money. I did not plan on six weeks of foul weather," Tuttle said.

Nevertheless, Tuttle did not tuck his tail. He planned to return in 2013.

"I'll be back. I know how to mine the gold now. I'll be back," Tuttle vowed, eyes full of the steadfast intent that marks those afflicted with gold fever.

A large crane at the harbor could get his vessel out of the water, getting ready to freeze now and stay that way until spring, but Tuttle had no way to get his vessel onto the uplands storage area, he said. He decided to take the *Captain Hendren* to St. Michael and stash it there until spring. In preparation, he parted out equipment on the boat—an excavator, a pump, other stuff attractive to miners, to raise some cash.

After delays wiped out the opportunity to follow a local fisherman across Norton Sound, Tuttle decided to take off Oct. 11 with Miller, whom he hired to help him. Needless to say, Tuttle had never taken a vessel to St. Michael. After losing steering control off Cordova on the way to Nome and being rescued by the U.S. Coast Guard, Tuttle was taking no chances.

The plucky pair set off to St. Michael. They traveled during the night. All went OK until they came up close, about three miles from St. Michael.

The boat stopped against something hard.

"We were against some rocks," Tuttle said, unwinding his yarn Oct.

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## Juneau man accused of sexual abuse of minor arrested

By Diana Haecker

A succession of unusual circumstances led to the arrest of a 66-year old man from Juneau in Nome last week, who was wanted on a \$100,000 arrest warrant by the Alaska State Troopers.

John W. Strickling was wanted for several counts of sexual abuse of a minor in Juneau and Ketchikan over a span of several years starting in 2002 through 2009. A grand jury indicted John W. Strickling on four counts of sexual abuse of a minor in the first degree and one count of sexual abuse of a minor in the second degree. Strickling allegedly sexually abused his step-daughter. According to court papers, the alleged abuse started when she was five years old until she was ten or eleven years old.

According to Lt. David Campbell with the Juneau Police Department, an investigation into Strickling's case began on January 10, 2011 when the victim's mother contacted the police after having learned from her daughter that Strickling, her ex-husband, had sexually abused the child. Campbell said that the investigation was

ongoing but that Juneau detectives had a hard time finding Strickling. On August 23, the Juneau district attorney stated in an affidavit that Strickling was believed to be in Nome. Campbell said that Alaska State Troopers were asked to assist, but also couldn't locate Strickling in Nome.

In a twist of fate, Strickling's whereabouts came to light through a reality show on TV. A Juneau detective working on the case happened to watch the Discovery Channel reality show "Bering Sea Gold" and saw Strickling's son being part of the TV program. The son made remarks on camera that he is in Nome with his father. Nome's radio station KNOM last week broadcasted a news story that Strickling was a wanted man and was believed to be in Nome.

Strickling heard the news piece on the radio and, according to Alaska State Trooper Sergeant Charlie Cross, walked into the AST office and surrendered to the authorities. Strickling was taken into custody and transported to Juneau for a court appearance on Monday.

## NSHC CEO resigns

By Diana Haecker

After 11 months on the job, Norton Sound Health Corporation CEO and president Deven Parlikar gave his 90-day notice of resignation last week. NSHC board of directors met in an executive session on Monday, accepted the resignation and made it effective as of Monday evening, Oct. 15.

Angie Gorn, most recently vice president for Hospital Services, has been appointed by the board to lead NSHC as the interim CEO and president.

There has been a high turn-over of CEOs hired to fill the top job at NSHC in the past few years.

Parlikar was hired to lead the health corporation in November 2011, taking over from interim CEO and president Roy Agloinga who filled the position for five months after former CEO Carol Piscoya retired in June 2011.

Carol Piscoya served as CEO and president from 2009 until 2011. Prior to Piscoya's leadership at the helm of NSHC, Michael Lake of Florid served only for

one year as CEO and president. NSHC did not issue a formal statement as of press time and board chair Emily Hughes could not be reached for comment.



Nugget file photo

**RESIGNED— Deven Parlikar resigned his job as CEO and president of NSHC.**

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Letters

Dear Editor,

It is with deep sadness that I write this letter to the Nome Nugget to inform the community of my departure from Norton Sound Health Corporation as its President/CEO. Although I had afforded the board a 90 day notice period, I was informed by Board Chair Emily Hughes to make my resignation effective immediately on Oct 15 and clear out my personal effects and severe my relationship with Norton Sound Health Corporation. As much as I would have liked the opportunity to say a proper good bye to my staff, I understand the Board's trepidation to have me around the hospital and respect their decision to separate my employment from NSHC. So exactly 11 months to the day and possibly the time of when I signed my contract to come work here, I was relieved of my duties.

These past 11 months have been very exciting and enjoyable for me. Possibly the best experience of my career, bar none, for two primary reasons – first, the talent and expertise of the incredible staff that works at Norton Sound Health Corporation,

including our village clinics; and secondly, the wonderful community that embraced me so quickly with so much love. It is unique when one thinks of a place so remote that has somehow attracted so many great people, so much energy and such positive power. I am deeply humbled by NSHC employees, who despite the instability in governance and management have continued to foster the best level of service and servitude to the community. NSHC has been very successful in providing high quality, cost effective care not because of, but in spite of the actions of some in its governance, which speaks volumes for the integrity of its staff and owner beneficiaries.

I have had a great career and have met some wonderful people in my lifetime and I want to take this opportunity to thank the many of you who I consider my friends and confidantes. I hope that the Board of Directors recognizes the potential that needs to be tapped at NSHC that can allow it to be become a world class health system. But for that to happen,

they will have to allow the new CEO and his/her team the freedom to foster independent thought, the ability to explore options, the security to make mistakes, and in doing so, make a major paradigm shift from being punitive to being more supportive and respectful of staff. Success is rarely handed to organizations or individuals on a silver platter and it is never a destination; but it is a fabulous journey, one where way stations give us pause to celebrate small victories, where small deviations from the original road map define learning lessons; but in the end, the entire team has to ride it, bear with the bumps on the road, without consequences or retribution and with tremendous pride, a great team spirit and incredible mutual support. I know this team is capable of that because I had the honor to ride along side them for the past 11 months. The journey was hard but the company was great. We shared many laughs, a few good cries, but most importantly we did it as a team with a unified vision. So I can confidently speak to the ability of my former team at NSHC. YES THEY CAN.

Thank you so much, Nomeites, my former co-workers at Norton Sound Health Corporation and friends. I will always look at this time in my life as one that brought me great fulfillment and joy, challenged me every day, made me a better human being and a stronger administrator. For that, I remain in your debt.

To Norton Sound Health Corporation's Board of Directors, I share a quote from Martin Luther King, Jr.

“In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends”. This is your health system, and you carry the burden of your community's healthcare on your shoulders. Speak up when necessary, question status quo and demand only the best for your constituents. Use that power vested in your by your communities wisely, willfully and judiciously. To quote Spiderman (and my dear friend John Bioff), “With great power, comes great responsibility”.

Thank you and God Bless  
Deven Parlikar  
Former President/CEO  
Norton Sound Health Corporation

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

Editorial

The Politics of Numbers

Math is apolitical. It has no liberal or conservative bias. We listen to the politicians trying to put a spin on math. We also have to tolerate the fools who can't understand the numbers and are taken in by the ideology of politics.

Numbers are reality, but can we trust them? Look at the problems between 6s and 7s. They will never get along— the odd guy always trying to get even. They will never be happy. Can we really trust a 7 to be neutral? We all know that figures lie and liars figure. And that decimal point! Honestly. Someone is always dropping it. Never trust a decimal point. Numbers are real, never mind the imaginary ones. Numbers are reality. We base our lives on reality. Numbers are not political. When the Labor Department crunched the numbers and determined that the unemployment rate is 7.8 percent, the right winged politicians started to flap, fueled by the screaming heads on Fox News. These are the same folks who discredit science because it uses those liberal biased numbers.

What's going to happen in our future when problem solvers can't utilize reality because it has been replaced with talking empty heads who think that facts are optional and reality is subjective? We can't afford such ignorance. The politics of numbers just doesn't add up. — N.L.M.—



Photo by Wilfred McDaniel from the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum Archives  
A FAMILY PORTRAIT - “Wife of Ah-ta-see-uk holding little Weeli-tuk. See-ya-uk, her son. Two King Island girls. Little Ootana and her mother, Ka-neel-uk (meaning reindeer).” Wilfred McDaniel made friends with the Penny River Eskimos, learned their language, and recorded their names when he took this photograph.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)									
Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
10/18	Th	6:35 a.m.	+1.5	8:12 p.m.	+1.4	12:42 a.m.	+0.5	1:29 p.m.	-0.1
10/19	Fr	7:23 a.m.	+1.5	9:13 p.m.	+1.4	1:34 a.m.	+0.6	2:25 p.m.	-0.2
10/20	Sa	8:18 a.m.	+1.5	10:16 p.m.	+1.4	2:29 a.m.	+0.6	3:25 p.m.	-0.2
10/21	Su	9:20 a.m.	+1.5	11:23 p.m.	+1.3	3:28 a.m.	+0.7	4:28 p.m.	-0.2
10/22	Mo	10:29 a.m.	+1.4			4:32 a.m.	+0.7	5:32 p.m.	-0.1
10/23	Tu	12:32 a.m.	+1.3	11:43 a.m.	+1.4	5:42 a.m.	+0.8	6:37 p.m.	0.0
10/24	We	1:39 a.m.	+1.3	12:59 p.m.	+1.3	6:58 a.m.	+0.7	7:39 p.m.	0.0
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					National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
Sunrise	10/18/12	10:05 a.m.	High Temp	+46° 10/11/12	
	10/25/12	10:27 a.m.	Low Temp	+18° 10/15/12	
Sunset	10/18/12	07:27 p.m.	Peak Wind	31 mph, NE, 10/09/12	
	10/25/12	07:03 p.m.	Precip. to Date	17.86"	
Normal				13.77"	

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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. Here are more excerpts from "Alaska Beckons" written by Wilfred in 1943. His love of Nome is quite evident in that his experiences in this exquisite land are still fresh in his mind four decades later.

With less and less hours of daylight, everything is freezing especially the Brothers McDaniel. Do we stay or go? Spend the winter in a tent at -20F or go home to sunny San

Jose, California and return next June. Which would you choose?? ...

Alaska beckons  
By Wilfred A. McDaniel

"How cold is it?" Ed inquired, as I proceeded to get the breakfast, after a chilly night. I looked at the thermometer hanging outside, over the tent door. "Ten below zero," I replied, "We can't stand this much longer!"

After all of the outfit had been stacked, engine and pump bearings and moving parts sealed in heavy grease and canvassed, the respite from the strenuous labor of the season just finished, was indeed, a wel-

come relaxation! Many details still occupied our time, however, and there was still an important decision to be made. We must soon make permanent plans for the long winter, just beginning, or if we decide to go "Outside," make reservations for the trip out. This was our final decision, for from experience gained, many changes in the pumping plant could be made, making necessary the selection and purchase of needed parts, which could best be done there.

Steamers were anchored in the roadstead, and a number had already departed with miners returning to "the States." Navigation would soon close and all craft would be compelled to leave in a few days or risk

the Arctic pack, which usually drifted in, early in November, eventually closing navigation until the following June.

"Well," said Ed, one morning. "I'll go to Nome and get a couple of steamer tickets, and you had better burn out that amalgam and fix it up, and we'll take it out to 'Frisco, to the mint."

This I did, putting the mixture of gold and quicksilver into the iron retort, heating it in the stove to a red heat, recovering the 'quick' in a pan of water in which the small tube from the retort was placed. This done, weighing and packing it safely came next. The gold was weighed on the scales which we had purchased from

the, now, defunct New York Company! The bullion tipped the balance at 125 ounces, not bad for a season of inexperience and handicaps. Expenses for labor and operating the plant, amounting to about fifteen hundred dollars, had required the sale of nearly another hundred ounces, and this had been sold to the banks in Nome.

Ed returned with the tickets. "The Senator sails on the 25th," he said, "We've just two days left to get packed and get down to Nome!"

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• Letters

Dear Editor,

The Alaska Legislature voted to place the question of issuing bonds for critical transportation infrastructure before the people of Alaska in this upcoming general election on November 6th. If voters say YES to these bonds, the project that will be built in our own community will be the Port of Nome Improvements including design and construction of extending the causeway to meet the demands of increase ocean vessel traffic.

The Port of Nome is very important to transportation of goods and services in Western Alaska. All goods being transported into the Port of Nome are placed on smaller vessels and are lightered to villages in Western Alaska as far south up the Yukon River and as far North as villages in the Kotzebue region. There is regional support for the City of Nome's request to the Alaska Legislature to be included in the issuing of bonds for this critical infrastructure need.

There are a number of points that voters in our community should consider when voting on this issue:

The projects are distributed throughout the state of Alaska with \$195.4 million in 18 port projects and \$254.5 million for road congestion relief and resource development projects.

These bonds will be paid for by general funds of the state and will

not increase your taxes.

These projects will create jobs in our community during construction and also contribute long term to our local economy once they are completed.

According to the Alaska Department of Revenue, due to current low interest rates, the cost of these bonds will be at an all time low.

The Department of Revenue also testified during the legislative session that issuing these bonds will not affect the state's bond rating which is currently at AAA.

Transportation is critical to our economy and our way of life. With the opening of the Arctic for OCS exploration, Alaskans need key infrastructure in place for national security, environmental response, and search and rescue capabilities. The Port of Nome Improvements will play a key role in developing the State of Alaska and the Nation. I will be voting on BONDS YES on this Bonding Proposition A and I hope you will join me. Please vote on November 6th, 2012. Your vote counts!

Sincerely,  
Denise Michels, Mayor  
Nome, Alaska 99762

To the Editor:  
I write this letter at the behest of a citizen who expressed concern over the ballot counting of the municipal

election of October 2, 2012. First of all, I'd like the citizenry of Nome to know that the ballot machine consists of two separate parts: 1) the machine itself, which contains the document feeder apparatus; and 2) the memory card, which tells the machine which ballots to accept and which ballots to reject. The memory card is also responsible for the actual tabulation of the votes. The issue that caused some concern was the refusal of the machine to accept some properly marked ballots. For approximately an hour, the document feeder was very temperamental. During that time, the machine was periodically rocked to get the wheels of the feeder mechanism to spin. When this was happening, the machine's screen would flash a display, informing the election officials that the machine needed to be re-fed the ballot. The public should know that at no time did the machine accept an improperly voted ballot. Similarly, at no time did the memory card tabulate a vote that it shouldn't have. When the document feeder became entirely incapable of processing ballots, a replacement was ordered from the State Office of Elections. While the memory card was being transferred from the first machine to the second, all ballots were secured in an "emergency ballot box." When the polls closed, each of these ballots was entered into, and counted by, the new machine.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, October 18

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Crafts & Library Activities	Library	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Alaska Day City Hall Open	City Hall	8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Stages of labor	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Choice in Childbirth	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, October 19

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 a.m. - 10 p.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Know The Unborn	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Smoking A Time to Quit	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*League/ Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 20

*Grand Parenting	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Why Breastfeed	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*75th Anniversary NVFD Ball	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 21

*The 5 Essentials of Parenting	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Adult Pool Time	Pool	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Still Shiny	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 22

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Stages of Labor	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Tried and True Labor Techniques	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*NCC: Legislative Priorities WS	City Hall	6:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Nome Common Council	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 23

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Library	10:30 a.m.
*Breastfeeding Basketball	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Project Diabetes	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Volleyball/ Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Strength Train	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 24

*Pickup bball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10:00 p.m.
*Audiology Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
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*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Tu-Sa)  
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## • Capt. Hendren

13, back in Nome. He went on the radio to see if there was a mariner or fisherman who could direct them to the channel. A responder told him they would have to go out three miles to avoid reef-like rocks underwater, Tuttle said. Then the waves started to lift the vessel shoreward.

"Yessirree, that's what happened," Wayne Miller said—high waves and low tide.

"The big waves took us up and down. The water was so shallow that when we went down, we would hit the bottom," Miller said Monday. "We'd roller coaster to the side. Then Wayne did his job. I told Brent, 'It's time to leave this vessel.' I got him off there safe."

Tuttle didn't move right away to get into his life gear, he said.

"I was in total denial. I thought, 'Oh, we can make it.'"

With Miller's urging, Tuttle had a change of heart. He started to scamper into his gear while Miller got the life raft ready.

"One thing I want you to be sure to tell people," Miller said. "It says use scissors to cut the straps on the life raft. There is no time to use scissors. Wayne knows that now."

Miller ripped the raft loose.

"It blew up backwards, upside down," Miller said. "The door was tied open, making it susceptible to water."

Indeed, Tuttle said, Miller had to go into the water to right the life raft. Then Miller's suit started taking on water. Tuttle slid into the raft from the low side of the vessel. He didn't have far to go, he said.

"Wayne was having trouble getting into the raft. He was tired and heavy. I started yelling at him and cussing, telling him this time we were going to get him in. We got one of his legs over, and his arm, and then got him into the raft," Tuttle recounted the day after the ordeal.

"I said 'Help me with my back,'" Miller said.

The pair found that they were still inseparable from the 70-foot tugboat.

There had been two lines not just one, attaching the life raft. One was attached, keeping them tethered to the *Captain Hendren*.

"We debated about cutting the other line, but we also were looking

at the black rocks along the shore that we would have to deal with," he said.

"I had issued a 'May Day,' but no one came. After about two hours, we looked toward shore and saw people collecting there. We cut the rope and drifted toward them. I was worried about how we would get ashore being tired and cold," Tuttle said.

"I didn't have to worry about that. People were reaching into the raft and pulling me out, getting me safely onto the beach," Tuttle said.

Miller said he made it by himself. "I waddled up to the shore. I was tired and then some," he said.

The people were ready for them, Tuttle said.

"They grabbed us and started stripping our clothes off down to naked. They were covering us with clothes and furs, all sorts of stuff. We started to get warm."

The village clinic was on alert for the rescue.

"Come, the clinic is waiting for you," people told them. Many hands picked the two survivors up and stuffed them in the bed of a 4X4 ATV "side-by-side" and took them to the clinic.

This part of the rescue, besides all the wonderful people of St. Michael, was one of the best, according to Tuttle. When they reached the clinic, the staff enveloped each man in a Bair Hugger, an inflated device that puts out warm air for treatment of hypothermia.

"Ah, that felt good. So good. Man!" Tuttle grinned, thinking back.

Does Tuttle still plan to return? Yep. Even more so—couldn't stay away, he said.

"After all that happened this summer, it's still the people. I've met so many nice people in Nome and St. Michael. In the village, they took us into their home, fed us, nobody would take any money," Tuttle said.

"I met some guys who are going to take me hunting and fishing," he said.

His wife is waiting for him in Colorado.

"She said 'we are going to talk about this,'" Tuttle said.

Official reports say the vessel went aground around 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 12 about two miles west of St

Michael.

Six-foot seas and a 30-knot north wind pushed the vessel further onto the rocks, where it lost propulsion and steering.

It remained hard aground, listing at 45° to 50°.

The vessel has 600 gallons of fuel aboard along with operational quantities of lubricants. No petroleum spill was observed over the weekend.

On Monday, weather prevented removing fuel or salvage of the vessel. The U.S. Coast Guard has requested a salvage plan from the owner before beginning fuel removal. USCG and DEC are monitoring the fuel and the vessel, according to USCG Petty Officer First Class David Mosely.

The company that leased him the *Captain Hendren* had it insured, according to Tuttle.

Saturday, Harbormaster Joy Baker told Tuttle to forget the boat.

"That's just material. There are other boats all over. You are here. That's what's important," she said.



Photo by J. Brent Tuttle

**SALVAGEABLE?**—The 70-foot tugboat *Captain Hendren* remains where it ran hard aground Oct. 12. None of the 600 gallons of fuel aboard has escaped, according to a State Dept. of Environmental Conservation release Monday. The U.S. Coast Guard continues to monitor the vessel and coordinate a lightering plan with Lee Hendren, vessel owner. Inclement sea conditions, including freezing spray, were preventing salvage crews from removing the fuel and lube oils Monday.

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**REPEAT AFTER ME**—Nikolai Alexander Ivanoff takes the oath of office Oct. 9 when he pulled a chair to the worktable at Nome Planning Commission. Ivanoff, long-term employee of Alaska Gold Co., was the sole applicant for the seat. He has recently become a citizen of the United States.

## Ivanoff sworn in to planning panel

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome Planning Commission has a plan on the table to clear passages through town and encourage residents to comply with City regulations to bring order to the community and along the way, revenue into the coffers.

They will get out the crayons and draw blocks—not city blocks—but manageable segments of neighborhoods to target for concentration concerning misuse of zone and building codes, clear beloved jalopies with long-expired license plates sitting in the public right-of-way and other issues pertaining to safety and welfare of citizens.

The planning panel would be working on a way to split up the town fairly, to number them and to choose blocks at random for cleanup, progressing one by one. They want to make the sections not too small, not to big, but just right, to start abating violations.

“We don’t want to make them so small that we don’t get around to all of them,” Commissioner Charlie Weiss said.

New on the planning board, Nikolai Alexander Ivanoff will help with this process. Ivanoff applied for an open seat in July and received his appointment by Mayor Denise Michels this month.

He is happy to be serving the community, Ivanoff said after he took the oath with Deputy City Clerk Bill Gartung. Ivanoff has often attended Museum and Library Commission interests in the past and ran without success for a Council seat in the October election.

“Now my application has been re-

viewed and I am on the planning commission. I am willing to learn from you,” Ivanoff said. “Now I am a cheechako (newcomer) on the commission or I am sitting down on the fire seat [hot seat],” Ivanoff, who recently earned his U.S. citizenship, laughed.

The commission, with help of their professional planner, Eileen Bechtol of Bechtol Associates, has penciled in a work plan: develop a packet of information; research legal or administration issues; publicize the abatement lottery; split the community into areas using a map; number the areas; conduct a lottery; abate the violations.

In other business Oct. 9, the commission continued discussion on investigating the pros and cons of annexation.

Professional planner Eileen Bechtol of Homer-based Bechtol Planning and Development has been helping the commission grapple with getting information and judging the implications in benefits and costs of redrawing City boundaries to include areas served by Nome Joint Utility System.

Figuring the advantages and disadvantages calls for a look from the perspective of folks on both sides of the current boundaries. Currently: if Nome Police Dept. goes outside the city limits, there is no reimbursement, with costs coming out of the annual budget. NPD goes outside the city on a limited basis, as when they need to assist the Alaska State Troopers, according to NPD Chief John Papasodora.

The Nome Volunteer Fire Depart-

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## Nome Airport runway fixed and reopened

By Diana Haecker

On Thursday, Oct. 11, the main runway of the Nome International Airport reopened as the emergency repairs to the dip at the west end were nearly completed. Dept. of Transportation and Public Facilities spokesperson Hannah Blankenship said that only minor work still needs to be completed and this could be done in between flights or at night.

“We need to finish the grooving – putting little grooves in the pavement so that the airplane has better traction- and finish the painting and striping,” Blankenship said.

Unstable soils caused a reoccurring dip in the runway, necessitating repairs to the same section of the so-called 10-28 runway every five years.

DOT&PF contracted Twin Peaks Construction to make the repairs and they tried something new: for the first time repairs included dynamic

compaction of the soil. The emergency repair began on August 13. Twin Peaks Construction installed a culvert, storm drains and performed necessary survey work, but work stalled when the arrival of the dynamic compaction crane, enroute on a barge headed for Nome, was postponed due to bad weather and rough seas. This left only the cross-wind runway open for flight traffic.

A combination of rainy, foggy weather and a short runway only approachable from the South resulted in many delayed jet flights.

While waiting for the crane, the main runway re-opened on August 25 to regular flight traffic and was closed again on Sept. 17 as the crane’s arrival was near and contractors could start prepping the section by cutting up the asphalt and exposing the material.

When the crane arrived, yet another obstacle needed to be over-

come. The crane was too heavy to be trucked across the existing Snake River Bridge. After receiving a necessary ADF&G permit, the crane was put on a truck, moved down Port Road and along the dirt road toward Dredge 6 and then driven across Snake River and onto the airport runway. Once in place, the crane went to work. During the runway closure from Sept 17 until last week, weather for the most part stayed clear and cold, which allowed jet traffic to proceed almost as normal using the North-South crosswind runway. According to Alaska Airlines spokeswoman Marianne Lindsey, the last phase of the runway project went like clockwork, with only a few delays and no cancellations of Alaska Airlines flights. “The weather cooperated so we saw very little impact and are pleased that the DOT was able to get this important work done,” Lindsey said.

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# Swearing and grappling occurs at the Elementary School

By Lori Head

Swearing in of newly elected school board members, that is. And the grappling was the youth wrestling practice taking place in the nearby cafeteria area as the Nome Board of Education met in a regular session on October 9, 2012.

After newly elected school board member Paula Davis and re-elected member Betsy Brennan were sworn in, nominations and election of officers resulted in Betsy Brennan as Board President, Barb Nickels as Vice-President and Jennifer Reader as Secretary/Treasurer. Voting was unanimous with Board Member Barb Amarok absent and excused.

## Partner in Education award

Leo Rasmussen of Rasmussen's Music Mart was honored with a Partner in Education award for his generous donation of musical instruments and supplies.

## Students of the Month

Jr. High – Randal Iyatunguk; Sr. High – Taylor Pomeranz; ACSA – Dawson Evans

## Student Board Member

Rebecca Sherman-Luce, Nome Beltz High School student board member, reported that the atmosphere out at Beltz is positive and noted she was pleased with a presence of administration in the classrooms throughout the first quarter of school.

## Superintendent Report

Enrollment as of October 8, including all but the intensive students in Nome Elementary, Nome Beltz Jr./Sr. High, Anvil City Science Academy (ACSA), Nome Youth Facility and Extensions added up to 691 students. Another count will be taken on October 26 for the final enrollment number to be determined. The budget was built on a count of 680 so this is good news for the district.

Nome will be hosting an Arts Institute in the summer of 2013. Bering Strait School District will contribute \$40,000 and Northwest Arctic Borough

School District will add \$20,000 as Nome partners with them to contribute teaching space, dorm space and transportation for the two-week event.

Nome Eskimo Community has received a \$419,000 Alaska Native Education Grant to partner with NPS in funding a Family Advocacy position. Details will need to be worked out according to Brawner, but will be "patterned after what's been happening at Cook Inlet Tribal Council."

## Nome Elementary School

Principal Bob Grimes handed out orange ribbons to the board and audience, which read, "Unite Against Bullying! Make it Orange! Make it End!" NES participated in a nationally organized Unity Day on October 10 in an effort to show support and awareness for the anti-bullying month of October by wearing something orange.

"Reading Mastery is just clicking right along," according to Grimes. Students who used to not read are picking up books and reading. A class of first graders taught by Jeff Collins has already achieved reading goals set to be accomplished by November and higher goals have now been set.

Grimes also mentioned a reading class Keith Conger teaches of 30 students that has "a lot of cooperative learning going on." Board Member Nickels expressed concern over a class that large. It was explained that there are 88 5th and 6th graders taught by five core teachers, or an average class size of 18 students. However, teachers collaborate and determine groups of varying sizes to teach certain curriculum. In this case, Conger teaches a group of 30 stronger readers, which allows a smaller group of eight students with intensive reading needs the best learning environment.

Board President Betsy Brennan asked about a recent letter to The Nome Nugget regarding an incident between a bus driver and an NPS employee. Superintendent Mike Brawner assured the board that the matter was being addressed through the guidance of legal counsel.

## Nome-Beltz Jr./Sr. High School

A Driver's Education class just kicked off involving 25 students, juniors and seniors, with Terry Roelfsema as the instructor, according to Principal Scott Handley. Beltz is "on the edge" of offering robotics, culinary arts, sewing, martial arts, archery in PE and an intramural program in the spring. Funding for the programs is provided by the Youth Activity Grant. Handley continues to survey the students' interests with the hope of offering classes and programs that will encourage more kids to want to be in school.

Handley plugged the activities program noting that students must maintain a 2.5 grade point average to participate. There were 38 students involved in Cross-Country running, 58 in Volleyball (28 high school; 30 junior high), 14 in Cultural Dance, 15 in Ballroom Dance and approximately 25 in Wrestling. He believes these programs make a big difference in promoting academic achievement and positive social behavior.

Nome-Beltz also channels students receiving a failing grade in a class to after school tutoring from 3:10 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. where a teacher is available to help.

APEX, online "recapture" classes, is showing a 70 percent success rate at this point. Handley is not pleased with that, he said, and is striving for 100 percent, although he acknowledges that 70 percent is a "good achievement."

## Charter School

ACSA is currently at full enrollment

with 45 students and has a waiting list of 25 students according to Principal and teacher Todd Hindman. Board members were asked to consider participating on a committee to explore the idea of expanding the enrollment of students in future years.

According to a written report submitted by Hindman, "ACSA was able to meet NCLB's Adequate Yearly Progress, for the 2011-2012 school year." 100 percent of the students scored advanced or proficient in reading, and 98 percent scored advanced or proficient in math and writing.

## NBHS gym lighting bid

The school board approved a bid from Norman Lamps, Inc. in the amount of \$30,500, with an additional \$3,000 in shipping, to replace the lights at the NBHS gym. Although the gym is fairly new, it seems the replacement bulbs are difficult to find. Brawner also reported that the new lights would

"use less than half of the electricity currently being used." The lights will be funded with the leftover funds from the elementary gym floor replacement project.

## NPS Annual Survey

Parents, staff and community members of Nome are encouraged to take the survey at [www.nomeschools.com](http://www.nomeschools.com) (click on the big red arrow). Input will help shape the direction of the school district.

## Next meeting

The Nome Board of Education will next meet in a work session on October 23 at 5:30 p.m. at the NES library. Topics include: ACSA State application, Special Education Monitoring Report, DIBELS and MAP results, Technology training plan and board members' interest in serving on various committees.



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ment goes out of town, but gets zip reimbursement unless insurance on the dwelling applies. That check would be for around \$500.

As regards the Nome Volunteer Ambulance Dept., the City has no memorandum of understanding with the state to pay for calls outside of town or to indemnify the City on liability.

The demand for response services and the cost of providing them outside City limits has to be studied, commissioners said. The conversation centered on research needing to be taken up at this point, not a decision on whether to annex outlying areas.

Customers of NJUS do not pay a different rate for power extended beyond city limits.

That isn't the way it used to be before the City annexed Icyview, Chuck Wheeler, Icyview resident, told the commission.

In other business, the Commission discussed a suggested schedule of fees for demolition of existing structures and fixing excavation of city streets or city right-of-way. Proposed are these fees per hour for demolition: tracked hoe, \$165; end dump, \$95; 966 loader, \$145; D-7 dozer, \$145.

For right-of-way repair, if gravel road is not compacted and brought back to original condition, the ap-

plicant and person responsible will be charged a fee of \$9 per square foot. If asphalt road is excavated or disturbed and not repaired to original condition, the City will repair at a cost of \$11 per square foot.

Commissioner Charlie Weiss said he wanted to see a deposit required, refundable to a contractor if the fix is satisfactory. If not, the price of fixing by the City would be subtracted from the deposit.


"There should be a significant policy involved if there is to be a fee structure," Weiss said.

Commissioner Jimmy Adams questioned whether NJUS would be held to pay fees on repairs following utility work.

"That is supposed to be in their budget," Commissioner Randy Romanenko, former city manager, said.

In yet other business, the commission discussed a draft table of contents for an economic development plan to be fleshed out in the future.

Finally, the commission was told that the Wien Building would be history on Oct. 11 after the Nome's public works department took it down. The date was tentative, according to employee Allen Maxwell. Monday the Wien Building still stood tall and not so straight on Front Street.



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# NPFMC drops research plan for NBS Research Area

*Northern Bering Sea area remains closed to commercial bottom-trawl fishing*

By Laurie McNicholas

Northern Bering Sea communities will welcome a decision by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council on Oct. 9 to forego further development of a research plan for the Northern Bering Sea Research Area and to maintain the boundary of the area. The decision means the nearly pristine area will remain closed to bottom-trawling in the foreseeable future. The Northern Bering Sea has no history of commercial bottom trawling.

The Council established the NBSRA in 2008 because climate change is expected to cause an ecosystem shift that may extend the distribution of crab and fish populations northward into subarctic regions. The NBSRA boundary ranges from approximately the St. Matthew Island area to a point above Little Diomed Island. The council also created four new Habitat Conservation Areas in the Northern Bering Sea, including the St. Lawrence Island HCA. Bottom trawling is prohibited within HCAs to protect bottom habitat from adverse effects of fishing.

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Alaska Fisheries Science Center (AFSC) was charged with de-

veloping a research plan to investigate impacts of bottom trawling in the NBSRA. Northern Bering Sea tribal groups have strongly opposed opening the NBSRA to bottom trawling in community meetings with AFSC scientists, in tribal consultation with NMFS representatives, in letters to the council and in oral testimony at council meetings in recent years. They voiced deep concern that opening the NBSRA to commercial bottom trawling will impact the subsistence species that sustain their lives, including crab, fish, marine mammals and waterfowl.

The Bering Sea Elders Advisory Group and Kawerak, Inc. have led opposition to opening the NBSRA to bottom trawling. The BSEAG was established in 2007. Its membership currently includes 14 tribes in the Bethel region and 14 tribes in the Nome region. Kawerak is a Nome-based tribal consortium representing 20 tribes.

In 2011, the BSEAG published "The Northern Bering Sea: Our Way of Life", a map report produced in three years with assistance from the Alaska Marine Conservation Council.

It shows extensive culturally and ecologically sensitive areas across the

region. The maps were created through interviews with elders and active hunters in 17 villages combined with existing data. The report establishes the vital importance of Northern Bering Sea resources to Alaska Native residents of the region.

Representatives of many Northern Bering Sea tribes and communities attended an NPFMC meeting in June 2011 in Nome. During the meeting the Council reviewed a draft research plan for the NBSRA, as did the Council's Science and Statistical Committee. The SSC identified problems in the research plan, described them in meeting minutes and presented the minutes with an oral report to the Council.

"The stated goal of the research plan is to investigate the effects of bottom trawling on bottom habitats and provide information to the Council in protecting crabs, marine mammals, endangered species, and subsistence needs," reads an excerpt from the SSC minutes. "However, the plan only focuses on the first part of this goal (bottom trawling effects) and fails to provide information on crabs, marine mammals, endangered species and subsistence. Rather than being a comprehensive research plan to address the

stated goal, the document is a narrowly focused trawl impact experiment. In addition, the description of the trawling effects study lacks sufficient scientific and technical detail to be evaluated..." (SSC minutes, June 2011, p. 9.)

The SSC questioned the merit of a research plan focused primarily on a before-after-controlled-impact study in the Northern Bering Sea. "The SSC has fundamental questions about the ability to draw correct conclusions about the effects of a prospective trawl fishery from a small-scale, one-time research experiment," the committee stated in its June 2011 minutes (p. 11).

The SSC also asked why the draft plan did not incorporate information about the NBSRA that was collected during community and science workshops, except for brief minutes of the science workshop in an appendix. "Residents of coastal communities have critical knowledge to be incorporated into the research plan," the SSC minutes note. "The SSC received a draft report, titled 'The Northern Bering Sea: Our Way of Life', prepared by the Bering Sea Elders Advisory Group. Though still in draft, this document contains extremely useful information including detailed maps of important areas for walrus, seals, whales, subsistence uses, etc." (SSC minutes June 2011, p. 10.)

Julie Raymond Yakoubian, social science program director for Kawerak, stressed the need for tribal consultation in development of a NBSRA research plan in public testimony at the June 2011 Council meeting. "I want to emphasize that consultation with [tribes] is required by Executive Order 13175 on any actions that have the potential to impact tribes or tribal resources—this includes research and planning activities," Yakoubian stated. "This has not been completed and it appears that NMFS believes that they are not required to consult on such activities. Again—consultation is required. The fact that it has not been completed, and the fact that tribes have expressed so much and such intense concern on this issue should also be of great concern to the Council as the body that has directed this plan and research to be carried out."

Based on the responses from community workshops and SSC comments on the draft plan, the NPFMC set aside development of an NBSRA research plan at the June 2011 meeting. The Council asked the Alaska Fisheries Science Center to produce a discussion paper summarizing information on the Northern Bering Sea ecosystem, potential impacts from bottom trawl fisheries, results of community workshops, descriptions of areas likely to attract commercial interests and the feasibility of conducting more research on the effects of trawling.

The AFSC issued the requested discussion paper, "Considerations for Research Planning in the Northern Bering Sea Research Area," in September for review by the Council at a meeting Oct. 3-9 in Anchorage. The paper cites recent research results indicating that few crab and fish species are present in the Northern Bering Sea in sufficient abundance and distribution to interest the commercial fishing industry. The research included a small-scale bottom-trawl survey conducted in the NBSRA in August 2010 by the National Marine

Fisheries Service. Tribal representatives and others from Northern Bering Sea communities opposed the project at a workshop with AFSC scientists in February 2010 due to concerns it would impact subsistence species.

The SSC reviewed the discussion paper at a meeting Oct. 1-2 in Anchorage and advised the Council the document will require a lot of revision whether it is used to inform the public or to become part of a research plan.

The SSC agreed with the paper's authors that a substantial commitment in time and resources will be required to discern bottom trawl impacts on the Northern Bering Sea ecosystem.

"The paper notes that communities bordering the NBSRA are 'dominated by subsistence activities and seasonal employment opportunities' and rightly concludes that this issue is of particular importance to members of those communities," the SSC added. "However, a more explicit section summarizing (and providing references for) what is known about subsistence uses of key species by the communities is needed. The SSC reiterates that it is important to involve local communities into the process early in development of NBS plans and that the research focus should be on the benthic environment, which is most likely to be impacted by bottom-trawl fisheries. Should the Council move forward with development of a NBSRA Research Plan, it should improve this discussion paper with respect to protected resources and potential impacted ecosystem components. More importantly, it will need to include local community input and commit to a long term program." (SSC minutes October 2012, p. 22.)

During public testimony, Yakoubian said Kawerak strongly recommends that the Council keep the NBSRA closed to bottom trawling and terminate further development of a research plan at this time.

"The thing that I wanted to clarify—just to make sure that everybody was on the same page—was that Bering Strait region tribes are not opposed to all research activities, now or at any time in the future," she added. "As you know, they were opposed to research activities that took place in 2010. That was a specific opposition to those particular activities, and following from that, while our main recommendation is that the research area remain closed to trawling and further development of research activities, we would like to emphasize that any future planning does require consultation with the NMFS and tribes and that tribes are very interested in being consulted on those issues and pursuing relationships with the agency in terms of research."

The NPFMC agreed to a recommendation by the Council's Advisory Panel to forego any further development of a research plan for the NBSRA and maintain the current bottom-trawl boundary.

Council member John Henderschedt commented: "I would just like to say that from a pragmatic standpoint, when we have stretched budgets and a recommendation from the SSC that a great deal of work would be needed to turn this into a useful decision document, and then an acknowledged lack of interest on the part of industry and opposition from other parties fishing in this area, there seems to be little reason to move forward."

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Arctic Regional Coordinator - Boards Support  
[Carmen.Daggett@alaska.gov](mailto:Carmen.Daggett@alaska.gov)



# Nanook swimmers splash it up at Palmer swim meet

By Kirsten Bey  
Swim Coach

Fifteen high school teams showed up to the Valley Invitational Swim & Dive Meet at Palmer High School October 11 – 13. Teams came from as far as Nome, Kodiak, Homer, Cordova and Valdez. The Nome-Beltz Nanooks swim team representing Nome at the meet consisted of Klay Baker, Lacy Erickson, Miranda Murphy, Jake Stettenbenz, Zach Sullivan and Torie Thomas. Because the Nanooks did not have at least four swimmers of one gender they were not able to field any relay teams. Each swimmer was allowed to swim only two individual events. Most of the teams at this meet are in Region 4 and this is the big show down for them to see how they stack up against each other just prior to regionals. The Nanooks are able to hold their own in their events.

Close to 900 bodies dove into the water during the preliminary rounds on Friday. The Nome swimmers had 12 of those entries. All of the boys made it to finals in their events. In the preliminary events, Jake Stettenbenz finished ninth out of 43 swimmers in the 50-yard freestyle . He

also placed ninth out of 38 swimmers in the 100-yard freestyle , setting personal bests in both events. Nathan Blandford – take note, Jake is knocking on your door.

Klay Baker finished ninth out of 20 swimmers in the 100-yard butterfly with a personal best time, improving by three seconds over his time last year. Klay finished fifth out of 31 swimmers in the 100-yard backstroke, a new event for Klay in competition. Zach Sullivan finished 12th in the 100-yard backstroke and 9th out of 35 swimmers in the 100-yard breaststroke. Zach improved his breaststroke time by 3.5 seconds, also setting a personal best time.

Lacy Erickson swam the 50-yard freestyle finishing 21st out of 41 swimmers and Miranda Murphy finished 27th in the same event. Miranda improved her time by five seconds from two years ago. Miranda also swam the 100-yard freestyle, finishing 18th out of 36 swimmers. Torie Thomas, at her first high school meet, swam the 100-yard backstroke and finished 21st out of 36 swimmers and Lacy Erickson finished 23rd in that event. Torie also swam the 100-yard breaststroke

and finished 19th out of 33 swimmers.

At finals on Saturday, Klay Baker earned the team three points by improving his performance in the 100-yard backstroke, finishing fourth overall and missing third place by only two-tenths of a second. Swimmers finishing in seventh to 12th place are in the finals, but do not earn points for their teams.

Jake moved up to seventh place in the finals from ninth in the prelims in the 50-yard freestyle, bettering his time by four-tenths of a second. In the 100-yard freestyle Jake also finished seventh, up from ninth place and improving his time by 1.8 seconds.

In finals, Zach moved up to 10th

place in the 100-yard backstroke, bettering his time by 3.5 seconds. The 100-yard breaststroke was held right after the 100-yard backstroke, so Zach had only a few minutes of rest between these two events. He was able to maintain his time from the prelim, but a couple other swimmers were a tad faster in the final. At Regionals, Zach will focus on the breaststroke and swim an event other than backstroke so he has some rest time between events.

The Nanooks Regional Swim Meet is in Fairbanks, October 26 and 27. Barring false starts and disqualifications, all of the swimmers are likely to make it to the finals of their events. Looking at the times from last year’s regionals, many of the

Nanook swimmers have a good possibility of swimming in the points final division; stay tuned.

There were more family members and supporters than swimmers at the meet, which was no mean feat since the team competed in Palmer. The team thanks Janeen Sullivan, Dave Stettenbenz, Joy Hewitt, Audra Murdock, Skyler O’Connor, Liz and Louis Murphy and Teresa Tiesler, Katie Tompter, Kris Erickson, Gabe Cabrera, Josh Brock, Wolfgang and Heidi Winter, and Karen, Connor and Tucker Looney for cheering them on.

The swim team also gives a big thanks to Dan Sullivan for being on chaperone duty and thanks the Sitnasuak Native Corporation for their support.



**GREAT JOB—** Torie Thomas, at her first high school meet, swam the 100-yard backstroke.



**GOING STRONG—** Zach Sullivan finished ninth out of 35 swimmers in the 100-yard breaststroke.



**GO JAKE—** Jake Stettenbenz is taking a rest after competing in the freestyle race.



**NOME SWIM TEAM—** The team consists of, left to right Lacy Erickson, Torie Thomas, Miranda Murphy, (Palmer moose), Zach Sullivan, Jake Stettenbenz and Klay Baker. Coach Kirsten Bey is sitting in front of the moose.



**PERSONAL BEST—** Klay Baker finished in the 100-yard butterfly with a personal best time, improving by three seconds over his time from last year.

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# Lady Nanooks sweep Barrow on senior weekend

By Stephen Palmatier

Coming off wins against West Anchorage, Homer and conference rival Bethel, all on the road, the Nome Lady Nanooks volleyball squad had all the confidence in the world heading into their final games of the regular season against their fiercest conference rival, the Barrow Lady Whalers. Last weekend, they showed the home crowd why they have been at the top of their game, as they took down Barrow in both matches in two tough four set victories.

In the first match last Friday night, the Den of the Mighty Nanooks was rocking as the ladies got their largest crowd of the season. From the opening serve to the final point, the crowd was loud and impacted the way both teams played. In the opening set, Nome got off to a great start, leading 8-1 early, but eventually lost the momentum and dropped the first set to Barrow, 19-25. After the first lost set, the Nome ladies seemed to settle down in the second set as the set went back and forth most of the way, with the Nanooks eventually winning it, 25-23. However, it did not come without some controversy. With the Nanooks down 17-22 in the set, a timeout was called by the Nanooks. During the timeout, the scorekeeper realized a substitution error by Barrow, causing the Lady Whalers to drop three points from their score with Barrow still having the serve in hand. With the change, Nome was down only two points, eventually going on to win the set. It was a large call. Without it the Lady Nanooks may have been down two sets, having to dig out from a big hole.

Nevertheless, Nome took the set and never looked back. Nome took the third set, 25-22 in another back and forth set and finally the fourth set, 25-19, outlasting Barrow in the end.

"I think our team found greatness in this match," said Ariana Horner, junior on the Lady Nanooks squad. "It's a lot of relief with Barrow being a mental hurdle for us in the past years," said Horner.

Horner's comments seemed to be what most of the team thought, knowing Barrow has had the Lady Nanook's number in the past. Lucas Frost, head coach of the Lady Nanooks, echoed those remarks.

"It's the biggest win of our season," said Frost, which were strong words considering the tough competition his ladies had beaten around the state already this year.

With all of the emotions after the win Friday night, the Nome ladies still had another game against the Lady Whalers the following night. Once again, however the ladies did not disappoint as they beat Barrow again in four sets, 22-25, 25-23, 25-21, and 25-18. It was nearly a mirror image of the previous night. Not only did the ladies drop the first set and bounce back with three straight again, but also the scores of each set were nearly the same. Once again, each set was very competitive, going back and forth all night with points. But in the fourth and final set, a key point stood out. In what was a 7-7 tie, a long point, one of many in the matches, took place. Barrow's best striker of the ball, Hilary Lowery, was ready to hit a kill, looking to be a point for Barrow. All of a sudden, senior Taylor Pomeranz for the Nome ladies hit a wonderful block back, giving Nome the point when the ball hit the ground. It was only one point, but the magnitude of the point made the momentum shift in favor of Nome. The Nanooks went on a 6-0 run after the block, eventually leading to the set and match victory.

"That point was a huge momentum shifter," said Frost.

The intense matches added emotions to what already was an emotional weekend. It was senior weekend, the final home game for the six seniors. The seniors honored were Kenna-Sue Contreras, Pamela Tocktoo, and the four varsity starters: Rebecca Luce, Dylan Johnson, Devynn Johnson, and captain Taylor Pomeranz. Being recognized alongside their parents, realizing what their parents have meant to them both on and off the court was emotional for many of the girls.

"My parents have been a big help with everything," said Pomeranz. Senior Devynn Johnson reiterated the same thing.

"It's pretty overwhelming when I reflect on everything that my parents have helped me with over the years," said Johnson.

Even with Frost being only in his first year as Nome's head coach, he understands what each of his seniors has meant to him.

"All of them have been willing to learn new things this year," said Frost. "With Taylor, she's willing to go out of her way to always help the program. With Devynn, she gives a light edge to the team, especially keeping people loose during practices. Becca is my sixth lady and is so consistent and reads plays better than anyone. And Dylan is our great setter that makes our team go," said Frost. "I'm pretty much spoiled with how great these girls are."

With three weeks off until the regional tournament, the key for the Lady Nanooks will be to keep their strong focus all the way through. Coming off wins against Barrow, as big as they are, now gives conference opponents a target to shoot for with Nome now being the top seed in the conference tournament.

"With Barrow, Bethel and Nome all being strong, it could be anyone coming out of Regionals in three

weeks," said Seeseei Pili, head coach of the Barrow Lady Whalers, coach there for 17 years.

Pili's assessment is exactly why the focus for Nome will be so crucial over the next few weeks to keep their strong play up that they have displayed the past month. The upcoming regional tournament will be on November 2nd and 3rd in Barrow. Nome will have to beat Barrow

again, this time in their home court. But as Nome has shown with wins against Homer and Bethel this year, they can come up huge against hostile crowds.

"Three weeks is a long time, but we need to be able to focus and lock it down for those three weeks and know this is everything for our season coming up," said Devynn Johnson.

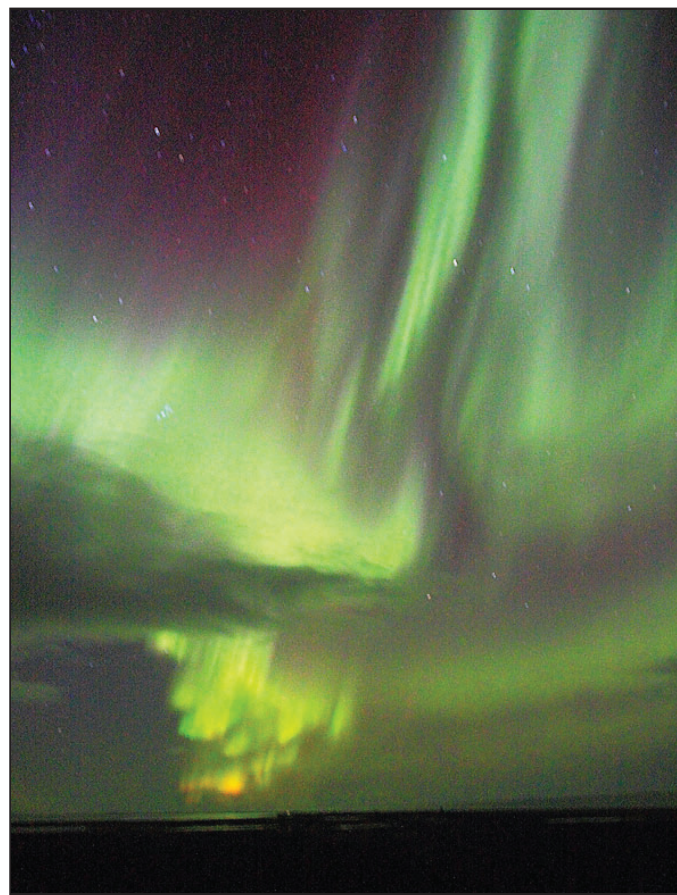


Photo by Janice Doherty

**DISPLAY OF LIGHTS—** The sky above Cape Nome is aglow with the Northern Lights on October 12, 2012.

## • Letters

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Secondly, I'd like the voting public to know that the memory cards used for our elections are very sophisticated devices. For example, they simply do not allow the voting machine to accept blank ballots and ballots with multiple votes for a single race. When such a ballot is cast, the machine ejects it and displays an error message. That error message tells the election officials why the ballot was rejected. The ballot is then taken by the election official, destroyed, logged on a spoiled ballot register, and a new ballot is issued to the voter. I believe it is important, for both open government and public perception, that the voting public knows this information: at no time will the voting machine accept an improperly cast ballot.

Finally, due to the aforementioned malfunction with the City of Nome's voting machine, ballots for the November 6, 2012 City Council Runoff Election will be cast in an old-fashioned ballot box. Thereafter, when the State Office of Elections has finished computing the votes on the presidential ballots, we will insert our memory card into that same machine and tabulate the municipal votes. We firmly believe that this will also eliminate confusion about two entirely separate elections happening simultaneously.

In closing, voting is a right that we, as Americans, should take very seriously. It's a right that is denied to many people around the globe. Therefore, I ask that you exercise that right on November 6, 2012 by coming to Old Saint Joseph's between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM to let your voice be heard.

Most Sincerely,  
City Clerk Tom Moran  
P.O. Box 281  
Nome, AK 99762  
907.443.6611

Dear Nancy,

I present this information not as an employee of Norton Sound Regional Hospital, but as a concerned consumer. The following is not endorsed by, or reflects any official pol-

icy of the hospital.

It is nearing flu season and I wish to present some important information about the flu.

Who needs the flu shot? According to the CDC, everyone who is at least six months old needs vaccination for the flu.

Influenza (the flu) can be a serious disease that can lead to hospitalization and sometimes even death.

Anyone can get sick from the flu, even if you have never been sick before.

Depending on the year, between 15,000 and 50,000 people die every year from the flu— mostly babies and elders. Those that in native cultures are to be protected.

It is even more important for those who are at high risk of developing serious complications like pneumonia if they get sick with the flu.

People, who have certain medical conditions including asthma, diabetes, and chronic lung disease, are more prone to infection need the flu shot.

Pregnant women and those with babies need the shot.

Persons over 65 years have reduced immunity and need protection.

Cigarette smokers have an increased risk for pulmonary infection and need the flu shot.

Persons who live with or care for any of the above groups should take the flu shot to protect those they care for.

If you get the flu, you can spread it to others even if you don't feel sick. For most healthy people, influenza is an upper respiratory tract infection that lasts several days and requires symptomatic treatment only. Within days, the person's body will eliminate the virus. Many of those who acquire a flu think it is just a 'bad cold' and don't seek care, continue to work and so spread the virus.

Most healthy adults are able to infect others beginning one day before symptoms develop and up to 5 to 7 days after becoming sick. Children may pass the virus for even longer. That is why one kid will get sick, then another and it goes around the entire family.

Symptoms start 1 to 4 days after the virus enters the body. That means that you may be able to pass on the flu to someone else for up to four days before you know you are sick, as well as while you are sick.

Some persons can be infected with the flu virus but have no symptoms. It is possible for a person to be a 'carrier', never feel sick and spread it to others. The others then can become seriously ill or die.

Influenza viruses are spread mainly by droplets made when people with flu cough, sneeze or talk. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are up to about 6 feet away or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. Less often, a person might get flu by touching a surface or object that has flu virus on it and then touching their own mouth or nose.

The CDC, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), and the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) recommend that all U.S. health care workers get vaccinated annually against influenza.

I want to stress this part. Don't assume that your health care worker has had the flu shot. It is your right as a consumer to ask if they have taken the professional and ethical responsibility to have the shot. If they haven't had the shot, you have every right to ask for another person to care for your needs— or that they wear a mask when near you.

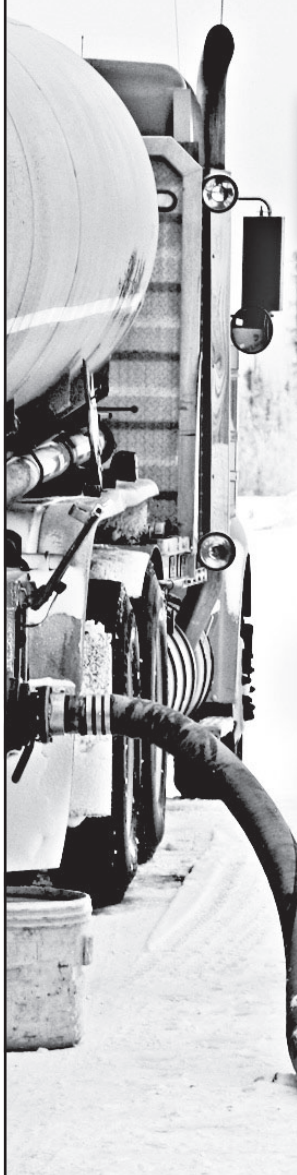
Take care of yourself. Take control of your healthcare. Demand that your healthcare worker has washed their hands and taken the flu shot.

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/qa/flushot.htm>

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/healthcareworkers.htm>

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6032a1.htm>

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# All Around the Sound

## New Arrivals

LeAnn E. Golobergen and Delbert I. Pungowiyi of Savoonga, announce the birth of their daughter **Lindsey Celine Pun-**

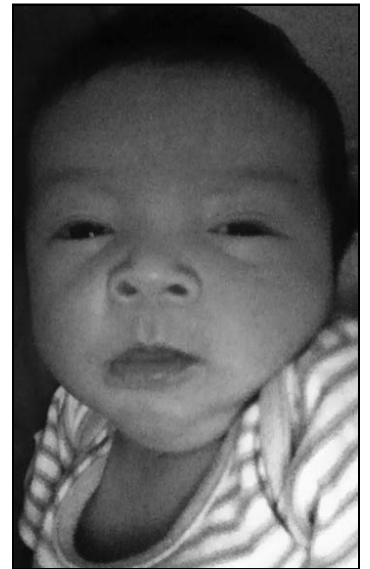
**gowiyi-Golobergen** who was born on October 5, 2012 at 9:26 a.m. She weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 20 ½" in length. Sibling

is Timothy Lancelot Lee Golobergen, 11. Maternal grandparents Lee Golobergen and Ada Niksik, of Savoonga; and paternal grandparents the late Jean

and Dennis Pungowiyi of Savoonga.

Proud parents Chris Masters Jr. and Bev Johnson are pleased to announce the birth of their son **Qavani Jade Masters**. Born at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage on September 11, 2012 at 2:58 a.m.

He weighed 9 pounds 3 ounces and was 20 1/2" in length. His brothers Kaysen and Dane Michael were excited to welcome him home. Maternal grandparents are Brian and Loretta Johnson of Unalakleet. Paternal grandparents are April Ivanoff of Unalakleet and Chris Masters Sr. of Valdez. Great-grandmas are Mildred Katongan, Ruth Johnson and Lena Savetilik.



Qavani Jade Masters

## Saying it Sincerely

By Father Ross Tozzi  
St. Joe's Catholic Church  
Member Nome Ministerial Association

Kateri Tekakwitha, the Lilly of the Mohawks, will be recognized as the first official Native American Saint at a special Canonization ceremony in Rome on October 21. Just as all of the national sports all have inductions into their respective halls of fame, so too with the Catholic Church. Since the early centuries of the church, those who have lived an exemplary Christian life are recognized by the Church and the faithful for their model lives. Interestingly, Kateri is just one of seven individuals who will be recognized on the 21st.

Jacques Berthieu was a Jesuit priest who served in Madagascar in the late 19th century in the midst of a colonial invasion by the French. He could have chosen the easy path and accepted protection from the invading forces from his home nation. He could have chosen the easy path and used his horse to escape. Instead, he offered the horse to an injured mission worker and stayed with the tribe he ministered to. On June 8, 1896, he chose martyrdom rather than renounce his faith.

Pedro Calungsod was a lay catechist from the Philippines. Pedro willingly accepted the challenge put to him by Father Diego de San Vitores to join him on a mission to foreign islands. In a spirit of faith, Pedro undertook the demanding work asked of him and bravely faced the many obstacles and difficulties he met. In the face of imminent danger, Pedro could have fled for his own safety. Instead, he chose to stand at the side of Father Diego and both were martyred on April 2, 1672 at the age of 17.

Father Giovanni Battista Piamarta was an Italian priest who was espe-

cially sensitive to the problems of young people and those of the working class. In the face of a rapidly changing world he worked to give boys, especially the destitute, professional training with which to face the new industrial society. To alleviate the extreme poverty of peasants, he helped to teach new farming techniques which help those who lived on the land to be more fruitful in their framing. Fr Piamarta always gave priority to the spiritual and material well-being of others. He died in 1913 at the age of 72.

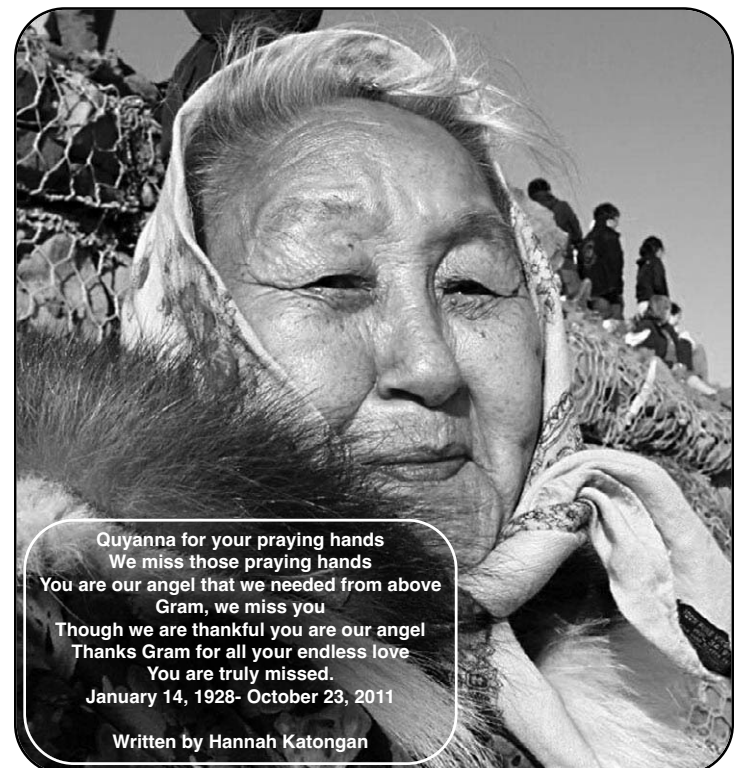
Carmen Salles y Barangueras grew up in Spain. At the age of 10 when she received her First Communion, consecrated her life to Jesus through Mary. Carmen later entered a religious order of sisters dedicated to helping women who were living on the margins after a life of crime or prostitution. Sister Carmen became a well-known pioneer in proclaiming equality between men and women. She was a fierce defender of the dignity of women in the home and in society at large. Carmen died in Madrid at the age of 63, in 1911.

Anna Schaffer was born in the heart of Bavaria in 1882. After making her First Communion, she too offered herself to the Lord. She wanted to be a missionary sister, but could not because of a succession of physical accidents and diseases. She accepted these crosses as a way of participating in the passion of Christ. As she accepted suffering with ever-greater humility, she came to bear the wounds of Christ. Anna prayed for others constantly and offered consolation to all who turned to her. On 5 October 1925 she received her last Communion. As she was making the Sign of the Cross and saying "Jesus, I live in you." With her loving acceptance of the painful crosses in her life, she bore great witness to the Christian faith.

As superior of the Sisters of St Francis, Mother Marianne Cope responded to a plea for help from the Hawaiian Islands. She led a group of sisters from New York to the Hawaiian Islands to establish hospitals and a system of nursing care for leprosy patients. She convinced the government there was a vital need to save the homeless female children of patients with leprosy and the Kapiolani Home was opened. These well children were able to live in a home on the premises of the hospital for their sick parents. No one other than the sisters could be found to care for those so closely related to people with the dreaded disease of leprosy. She died at the age of 80 in 1918.

Kateri Tekakwitha was an Indian woman born in 1656 in upper state New York. Baptized at the age of 20, many in her tribal community were openly hostile to her acceptance of Christianity. The more she practiced her faith, the more her persecution increased. Concerned for her safety, respected Indian Catholics took her 400 miles away into Canada. At the Sault Sainte Marie Mission, Kateri blossomed in her faith. Kateri died at the age of 24 in 1680. Following her death, the scars from her childhood disease left her. This miraculous sign helped many of the Native Americans of that era to believe in Jesus and to embrace the Christian faith.

Everyone is called to be a saint. Catholic and non-Catholic. Those who are recognized and those who live their life out of the spotlight. Those who enter religious life and lay people. The educated and the uneducated. The healthy and those who live with chronic suffering. Those who stay at home and those who become missionaries far from home. Native and non-native. Those from privilege and those from poverty. Everyone is called to a life of holiness and to a life of service to others.



Guyanna for your praying hands  
We miss those praying hands  
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Gram, we miss you  
Though we are thankful you are our angel  
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You are truly missed.  
January 14, 1928- October 23, 2011

Written by Hannah Katongan

## Church Services Directory

**Bible Baptist Church**  
443-2144

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

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

**Community United Methodist Church**  
West 2nd Avenue & C Street • 443-2865  
Pastor Julie Yoder Elmore

Sunday: Worship 11:00 am  
Monday: Bible Study 6:30 to 8:00 pm  
Tuesday & Thursday: Thrift Shop 7:00 to 8:30 pm  
Wednesday: Faith Followers 5:45 to 7:30 pm

**Nome Covenant Church**  
101 Bering Street • 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey  
Sunday: School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.  
Wednesday: Youth Group 6:30 p.m. (443-8063 for more info)  
Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
5th Avenue & Bering • 443-5295  
Sunday: School 9:45 am/Worship 11 a.m.  
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side

**River of Life Assembly of God**  
405 W. Seppala • 443-5333 • Pastor Mike Christian Jr.  
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday Youth Meeting: 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.  
(Ages: 6th grade thru 12th Grade )

**St. Joseph Catholic Church**  
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Icy View • 443-5137  
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# Saturday Night Radio Lineup.

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8 to 9p - The Gaither Radio Hour featuring the best of Bill Gaither & Friends

9 to 10p - The Top Nine at Nine with hosts, Ian Cogan and Stephen Palmatier

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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MEDIA RELEASES 10-8-2012  
through 10-14-2012

**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 10-8-12 at 1:11 p.m., NPD responded to a reported disturbance. The initial report indicated that the address was on W. 3rd Avenue; however investigation led officers to an address on W 'D' Street. The disturbance was over and the participants left by the time NPD were able to locate the proper address. We would take this opportunity to ask those who call for help to provide an accurate address as it helps us respond quickly and make sure all persons stay safe.

On 10-8-12 at 12:15 p.m., Clara Evan, age 65 of Nome was arrested for Theft in the Fourth Degree after employees at a local store observed her concealing merchandise. Evan was transported to AMCC where she was remanded.

On 10-8-12 at 12:58 p.m., NPD received a report from the Nome Elementary School that four students were being detained for possession of tobacco products. The four students were contacted and issued citations for Minor in Possession of Tobacco Products and released to the school for disposition.

On 10-8-12 at 11:09 p.m., NPD responded to a residence on Steadman Street to a report of a disturbance. Lawrence Martin, age 55 of Nome was arrested for Assault IV (DV) and Probation Violation (not to consume alcohol). Martin was taken to AMCC where he was held without bail as this was a domestic violence offense. Alcohol was a contributing factor to this event.

On 10-9-12 at 3:45 a.m., NPD received a report of a domestic disturbance occurring at a residence on 5th Avenue. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Ryan Ongtowasruk, age 23 of Nome for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Ongtowasruk was remanded to AMCC and held without bail as this was a domestic violence offense. Alcohol was a contributing factor to this event.

On 10-9-12 at 8:44 a.m., NPD issued a citation for Minor in Possession of Tobacco to Damien Anowlic-Seganna when he was reported to be in possession at the high school. He was later released to his guardian.

On 10-9-12 at 12:48 p.m., NPD issued a citation for Minor in Possession of Tobacco to a 17-year-old student at the Nome-Beltz High School. The youth was released to his guardian.

On 10-9-12 at 4:59 p.m., NPD responded to a report of a person being struck by pellet rifle fire at a residence on 4th Avenue. Investigation indicates that a youth was surreptitiously shooting a neighbor with a pellet rifle when the neighbor wasn't looking. The suspect was identified and referred to his parent for appropriate discipline. We take this opportunity to remind parents that BB and pellet guns are prohibited within the city limits and though viewed as toys, these instruments can cause serious injury. Please monitor your children closely.

On 10-9-12 at 6:26 p.m., NPD received a report of an assault occurring at the KI Court. Information indicates that Larry Sherman, age 32 of Nome was assaulting a person at the court. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Sherman for Assault IV (DV). Sherman was taken to AMCC where he was remanded on no bail as this was a domestic violence offense.

On 10-9-12 at 8:27 p.m., Nome Volunteer Ambulance personnel responded to Middle Beach to a report of a group of intoxicated persons at that location. NPD investigation resulted in the arrest of Geoffrey Milligrock, age 28 for Violating Conditions of Probation (no alcohol consumption). Milligrock was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody.

On 10-9-12 at 11:03 p.m., NPD arrested Thomas Punguk, age 69 of Golovin after responding to a reported

domestic disturbance. Punguk was taken to AMCC and remanded with no bail as this was a domestic violence event. Alcohol was a contributing factor to this event.

On 10-10-12 at 11:50 p.m., NPD responded to a trespass complaint at a business on Front Street. Larraine Saccheus, age 27 was contacted and found to be highly intoxicated. While in contact, Saccheus became assaultive and was arrested for Disorderly Conduct and Assault on a Police Officer. Saccheus was taken to AMCC where she was remanded to custody.

On 10-11-12 at 01:17 a.m., NPD responded to a report of an intoxicated person with a head wound behind the Post Office. Bobby Ahkinga, age 42 was subsequently arrested for Disorderly Conduct and Harassment I. After receiving medical attention for his injuries, Ahkinga was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody.

On 10-11-12 at 02:43 a.m., Adrian Nassuk, age 24 was contacted after he was observed staggering in the roadway with an open beer in his hand. Nassuk provided a false name to the officers who were able to correctly identify him. It was found that Nassuk was on Felony Probation prohibiting him from consuming alcohol. Nassuk was arrested for Felony Probation Violation and transported to AMCC where he was remanded. Nassuk was also served with a citation for Open Container of Alcohol.

On 10-11-12 at 3:37 a.m., Miranda Kakaruk, age 19 of Nome was arrested for Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol after NPD contacted her in reference to a disturbance on E. King's Place. Kakaruk was taken to AMCC where she was remanded to custody.

On 10-11-12 at 03:39 a.m., NPD responded to a business on Bering Street to a reported assault between a man and a woman. Upon arrival, the assault was unfounded. Investigation resulted in Alexandra Niksik, age 19 of St. Michael receiving a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

On 10-11-12 at 6:47 p.m., the Community Services Officer contacted a group of intoxicated persons behind a business on Front Street. Investigation resulted in Joseph Hunt, age 44 receiving a citation for Open Container of Alcohol. The alcohol was seized.

On 10-11-12 at 7:03 p.m., NPD responded to a reported theft at a hotel located on Front Street. The complainant reported that his Mac laptop and wallet were stolen from his room. Loss was estimated at in excess of \$1,750. Anyone

with any information about this theft or any other crime is asked to call NPD at 443-5262.

On 10-11-12 at 9:43 p.m., NPD Community Services Officer contacted Victoria Campbell, age 49 of Nome on Front Street due to her level of intoxication. Campbell was warned not to enter into any licensed premises. A short while later, Campbell was found inside a local bar. She was arrested for Drunk on Licensed Premises and taken to AMCC where she was remanded to custody.

On 10-12-12 at 01:26 a.m., NPD contacted Robert Milton, age 24 of Nome on Front Street. Milton was known to have outstanding arrest warrants and was taken to AMCC where he was remanded on two felony warrants.

On 10-12-12 at 01:26 a.m., NPD arrested Andrew Irrigoo, age 32 of Nome for Drunk on Licensed Premises at an establishment on Front Street after he was found in the premises after having received a warning earlier not to enter any bar or licensed premises. Irrigoo was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody.

On 10-12-12 at 8:28 p.m., John Penetac and Delbert Oozevaseuk received citations for Open Container of Alcohol after the NPD CSO observed them drinking from a bottle behind businesses on Front Street. The alcohol was seized.

On 10-12-12 at 9:19 p.m., NPD CSO cited Joseph Hunt, age 44 for Open Container of Alcohol after he was contacted due to his level of intoxication on Front Street. The alcohol was seized.

On 10-12-12 at 10:47 p.m., NPD responded to a residence on G street to a report that Barton Johnson, age 21 of Nome was creating a disturbance. Johnson was arrested for Assault IV (DV) and taken to AMCC where he was held without bail on this domestic violence event. Alcohol was a factor in this event.

On 10-13-12 at 01:06 a.m., NPD responded to a reported disturbance at a residence on 3rd Avenue. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Samantha Kahutak, age 22 for Violating Probation (no alcohol). Kahutak was taken to AMCC where she was remanded.

On 10-13-12 at 01:23 a.m., NPD CSO located Travis Carlisle, age 26 at a local bar. Carlisle was wanted in connection to a recent burglary at Maruskiya's in which a quantity of gold jewelry was taken. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Carlisle for Burglary in the Second Degree after additional evidence was located. Carlisle was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody. Anyone

who has had contact with Carlisle and purchased gold from him is asked to call NPD as a quantity of items is still missing.

On 10-13-12, NPD initiated investigation into two separate sexual assault cases. Both cases involved highly intoxicated victims. NPD takes this opportunity to reinforce to all persons consuming alcohol to travel with trusted associates and maintain safe practices at all times. Investigation into the incidents is continuing.

On 10-13-12 at 4:00 p.m. NPD responded to a possible injured person on the sidewalk on Front Street. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Thomas Punguk, age 69 of Golovin for Violating Conditions of Release (no alcohol). Punguk was remanded to custody at AMCC.

On 10-13-12 at 10:06 hours, NPD responded to a business on Bering Street who was reporting a trespasser. Garreth Andrews, age 25 was arrested for Crimi-

nal Trespass in the Second Degree and taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody.

On 10-14-12 at 03:31 a.m., NPD responded to a business on Front Street to a reported disturbance. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Louis Warnke-Green, age 26 of Nome after he was observed breaking a window at another building nearby. Warnke-Green was taken to AMCC where he was remanded on charges of Criminal Mischief in the Third Degree. Damage was estimated to be in excess of \$500.

On 10-14-12 at 05:29 a.m., Brian Ayek, age 20 was arrested for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree and Violating Conditions of Probation after it was reported he was attempting to enter a residence on 2nd Avenue. Ayek was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody.

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Across

1. Extend, in a way  
6. Eastern ties  
10. Arise  
14. Howler  
15. Santa \_\_\_\_, Calif.  
16. 100 cents  
17. Katarina Witt, Olympic skater, e.g.  
19. Bone-dry  
20. Allot  
21. Sometimes done with a check  
23. Antiques and \_\_\_\_  
25. An ancient Greece headband  
27. "Tarzan" extra  
28. Hawaiian dish  
29. "Let it stand"  
32. Out of fashion  
36. Indisposed (3 wds)  
40. Itsy-bitsy  
41. Brio  
42. Anger  
43. "Silent Spring" subject (abbrev.)  
45. Free (from)  
48. Underground  
53. Monasteries  
54. They're boring  
58. Acclivity  
59. Aircraft course (2 wds)  
61. Knowing, as a secret  
62. Grasslands  
63. Military slang for exploration of an area  
64. Be inclined

65. "Empedocles on \_\_\_\_" (Matthew Arnold poem)  
66. Crosses with loops

Down

1. Perlman of "Cheers"  
2. Nestling falcons  
3. 1987 Costner role  
4. Attract  
5. Wheeled vehicle drawn by a tractor (British)  
6. "Catch-22" pilot  
7. Melon-shaped ice cream dessert  
8. Bartender on TV's Pacific Princess  
9. Safe places  
10. One who does not pay his debts  
11. Acoustic  
12. Correspond  
13. Bumps  
18. Beat the draft?  
22. Certain sorority woman  
24. Carpenter's machine  
25. Strengthen, with "up"  
26. Assistant  
28. Place  
30. Moray, e.g.  
31. Tom Sawyer author  
33. Climb  
34. Arid  
35. "... \_\_\_\_ he drove out of sight"  
37. From first to last (3 wds, hyphenated)  
38. Actress Winona  
39. Catch, as in a net  
44. Knickknack  
46. "Om," e.g.  
47. Closed  
48. Nautical pole  
49. Kidney waste product  
50. Range rover  
51. Found a new tenant for  
52. \_\_\_\_ flu  
55. 15-ball cluster  
56. Carve in stone  
57. The Beatles' " \_\_\_\_ Leaving Home" (contraction)  
60. Badge-earning girls' org.

Previous Puzzle Answers

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOME CITY COUNCIL SEAT APPOINTMENT

The Nome City Council has one seat open for appointment. The term of the appointment will be until next year’s municipal election, at which time the remainder of the seat’s term will be filled by vote. Anyone interested in serving should submit an application to the City Clerk’s Office by Friday, November 2, 2012 at 12:00 PM.

Applications are available at City Hall or at [www.nomealaska.org](http://www.nomealaska.org). Please call 443-6603 for more information.

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## ABSENTEE BALLOTS

### NOME CITY COUNCIL RUNOFF ELECTION

Absentee ballot applications for the November 6, 2012 Nome City Council Runoff Election will be available at the Office of the City Clerk, located in Nome City Hall, on **October 11, 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 applications **MUST** be received in the City Clerk’s Office no later than **October 25, 2012**. Applications submitted in person **MUST** be received by **November 5, 2012**. Absentee ballots themselves **MUST** be received at Old Saint Joseph’s Church by poll closing at **8:00 P.M.** on **November 6, 2012**.

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# CITY OF NOME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A RUNOFF ELECTION FOR NOME CITY COUNCIL SEATS “C” AND “D” WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 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.
3. Registered to vote in state elections at a residence address within the municipality at least thirty (30) days before the municipal election at which the person seeks to vote.
4. 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:

Seat	Term	Candidates
“C”	3 Yr.	Randy Pomeranz Randy Oles
“D”	3 Yr.	Stanley Andersen Jim West, Jr.

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## Employment

Job Title: Tribal Services Director  
Department: Tribal Services  
Reports to: Deputy Director  
Position status: Regular, Full-time  
Exempt status: Exempt  
Pay range: 15-16-17 \$26.78-30.14 D.O.E.

Native Preference per Public Law 93-638

For applications and Position Description, please contact **Nome Eskimo Community**, Administration Offices, at 200 West Fifth Avenue, or call 907-443-2246. Administration is located upstairs in the main building of Nome Eskimo Community.

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Kawerak Recruitment Notice as of 10/15/2012

#### Nome Based Positions:

Teacher I  
Administrative Assistant  
IT Technician  
Executive Assistant  
Payroll Specialist  
Building Custodian  
Regional Grants Specialist  
E-commerce Technician  
Legal Advocate  
Cook Assistant /Janitor  
Teacher Aide/Janitor  
Probate Specialist- Temp  
EWC Specialist

#### Positions in villages:

Teacher Aide / Janitor – St. Michael  
Teacher Aide/Janitor- Shaktoolik  
Teacher Aide /Janitor- Elim  
Teacher Aide / Janitor – Gambell  
Tribal Family Coordinator - Shaktoolik  
Tribal Family Coordinator - St Michael  
Tribal Coordinator - Elim  
Tribal Family Coordinator - Golovin

VPSOs in several villages - please contact Kawerak for more information.

#### ON CALL positions:

On Call Maintenance  
On Call Custodian  
Alt. Tribal Coordinator – White Mountain  
Alt. Tribal Coordinator - Council

Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at (907)443-5231. Applications can be accessed via Kawerak’s website at [www.kawerak.org](http://www.kawerak.org) or by contacting Human Resources. Applications can be faxed to (907)443-4443 or sent via email to [personnel@kawerak.org](mailto:personnel@kawerak.org). Quyanna!

King Island Native Corporation  
PO Box 992  
Nome, Alaska 99762  
907-443-5494 tele  
907-443-5400 fax  
[kingisland@gci.net](mailto:kingisland@gci.net)

#### JOB DESCRIPTION -General Manager

#### SUMMARY OF JOB RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsible for providing high level administrative support to the King Island Native Corporation of Directors and other duties assigned.

#### OUTLINE OF ESSENTIAL JOB RESPONSIBILITIES/FUNCTIONS TO INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO

Provide comprehensive administrative support to the KINC Board of Directors which involves the following: screens calls, manages schedule, makes travel and lodging arrangements, sorts mail and responds to general inquiries, forwards mail which requires President’s attention to her/him, preparation of correspondence and reports, preparations of KINC Board of Directors meetings and KINC Annual Meeting of Shareholders and meeting coordination. Service and coordinates as administrative support for the President of the KINC Board of Directors.

Takes minutes of the meeting of the KINC Board of Directors and Committees.  
Prepare monthly, quarterly, annually financial reports and budget(s) for the President and KINC Board of Directors, financial auditor and stock broker.

Maintain and reconcile all bank accounts and accounting registry.  
Maintains payroll and payroll liabilities.

Prepare correspondence, maintains reports, inventory, sales, rents, taxes with KINC subsidiaries.  
Update KINC shareholder records per Bering Straits Native Corporation shareholder maintenance records.  
Supervises administrative support staff.

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#### QUALIFICATIONS

High school diploma or GED required.  
BA/BS degree or equivalent academic training and/or work experience.

Two (2) years demonstrated administrative assistant experience required.  
Supervisory experience preferred.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILL AND ABILITIES

Demonstrated ability to use advance word processing, spreadsheet, database, Quickbooks

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

Administrative positions are available in several departments:

### Administrative Assistants Administrative Specialists

For information please call  
Human Resources at 443-4530 or email  
[recruiter@nshcorp.org](mailto:recruiter@nshcorp.org).

NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638), EEO, and Veteran Preferences. To ensure consumers are protected to the degree prescribed under federal and state laws, NSHC will initiate a criminal history and background check. NSHC is a drug free workplace and performs pre-employment drug screening. Candidates failing to pass a pre-employment drug screen will not be considered for employment.



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Employment      Legals

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accounting software.  
Demonstrated exceptional customer service skills.  
Demonstrated ability to initiate solutions to identified issues independently.  
Demonstrated ability to provide administrative support in a timely and efficient manner with few errors.  
Demonstrated knowledge of and skill at the functions and responsibilities of the King Island Native Corporation.  
Demonstrated ability to manage multiple priorities and tasks concurrently and meet deadlines.  
Demonstrated computer skills.  
Demonstrated ability in meeting facilitation, problem solving and planning.  
Demonstrated ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with the KINC Board of Directors, staff members and shareholders.

COMPENSATION      10/4 tfn  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Bureau of Land Management  
F-19525-A, F-19525-C, F-19525-A2, and F-19525-B2  
Alaska Native Claims Selection  
Notice of Decision Approving Lands for Conveyance  
As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision will be issued by the Bureau of Land Management to Council Native Corporation. The decision approves the surface estate in the lands described below for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. The subsurface estate in these lands will be conveyed to Bering Straits Native Corporation when the surface estate is conveyed to Council Native Corporation. The lands are in the vicinity of Council, Alaska, and are located in: Lot 1, U.S. Survey No. 9993, Alaska. Containing 129.97 acres.  
Kateel River Meridian, Alaska  
T. 5 S., R. 24 W.,

Tract A.  
Containing 1,242.28 acres.  
T. 6 S., R. 24 W.,  
Secs. 6, 21, 22, 28, and 33.  
Containing 3,164.08 acres  
  
T. 6 S., R. 25 W.,  
Tracts Q, R, and S;  
Tracts T, X, and Z.  
Containing approximately 1,683 acres.  
Aggregating approximately 6,219 acres.  
Notice of the decision was published in the Federal Register on September 26, 2012.  
Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by the decision may appeal the decision within the following time limits:  
1. Unknown parties, parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, parties who fail or refuse to sign their return receipt, and parties who receive a copy of the decision by regular mail which is not certified, return receipt requested, shall have until October 26,

2012 to file an appeal.  
2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.  
3. Notices of appeal transmitted by electronic means, such as facsimile or e mail, will not be accepted as timely filed.  
Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.  
A copy of the decision may be obtained from:

Bureau of Land Management  
Alaska State Office  
222 West Seventh Avenue, #13  
Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504

For further information, contact the Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907-271-5960, by e-mail at [ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov](mailto:ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov), or by telecommunication device (TTD) through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Eileen Ford  
Land Transfer Resolution Specialist  
Land Transfer Adjudication II Branch

Copy furnished to:  
  
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CITY OF NOME  
2012-13 Snow Removal  
Policy & Procedures

Listed below are the prioritized actions that the City of Nome will undertake during the 2012-2013 snow season. These actions are meant as a guide and DO NOT commit the City to any course of action other than that which is deemed to be in the best interests of safety and City resources.

During major blizzards and ground storms, City crews will stand by and only attempt to open streets as required in emergency situations.  
Once the storm has abated, every effort will be made to open fire lanes (one lane) on every street in town.  
Once fire lanes have been established, crews will begin to open major (school bus) routes to two lanes of traffic.  
**Streets identified as priority are \* East and West 5th Ave. \* East 1st Ave. \* West 2nd Ave. \* West E Street \* East K Street \* Icy View Loop \* East N Street \* Steadman Street**  
Once major routes have been opened to two lanes of traffic, crews will begin opening the remaining streets to two lanes of traffic.  
Once the streets have been opened to two lanes of traffic, crews will systematically begin to widen, clean and haul snow to designated snow storage sites. Service areas will be rotated in order that all areas of town receive equal treatment during this clean up.  
Sanding of **select streets** will be performed by ADOT. Other streets will be sanded when conditions warrant and resources allow.  
The major snow storage for the City of Nome will be: the snow storage site located off Greg Kruschek Avenue.

Once again these plans are meant as a guide. We will take actions contrary to this plan as necessary. We urge citizens of Nome to help us keep the streets safe and usable.

**Some things that will help our efforts are:**  
Cars should be parked off the rights-of-way as much as possible during the clearing and removal of snow; Obstructions (buildings, dog houses, snow machines, 4-wheelers, trash boxes, etc.) that prevent removal of snow should be moved farther on to private property if at all possible;  
Be alert to the area of town in which we are working and, if at all possible, keep parked cars and traffic to a minimum in these areas.  
**Pushing of snow into the public right-of-way after a street has been cleared is discouraged.**  
After hours, on the weekends and holidays, City crews will be on-call as needed. Due to the limited resources within the City, local contractors will be utilized to provide additional manpower and equipment as necessary. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Public Works Dept. at 443-5653. Thank you!

City of Nome, P.O. Box 281, Nome, AK 99762 ~ (Phone) 907-443-6600 ~ (Fax) 907-443-5349

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Nome Eskimo Community  
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING  
& TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Nome Eskimo Community Annual Meeting & Election results will be held Thursday, November 8, 2012 beginning at 6 pm, at the NEC Hall located at 200 W. 5th.

There are two (2) Tribal Council Seats up for election, with a term of three years. Candidates must be 21 years old & have resided in Nome for at least one year. Candidate applications are available at NEC's main office, located at 200 W. 5th Avenue & must be submitted to NEC by close of business at 5 pm on Friday, November 2nd .

Voting takes place at NEC's main office on Wednesday, November 7th from 9 am-5 pm. & Thursday, November 8th from 9 am-6:30 pm.

Staff will provide Annual Program Reports and information on services available through NEC . Door prizes will be given & Grand prizes are two (2) round trip Alaska Airlines Mileage Tickets (30,000 miles each), drawn at the end of the meeting.

For more information, contact Cheryl Cavota at 907-443-2246, email at [nomeeskimo@gci.net](mailto:nomeeskimo@gci.net) or visit our website: [www.necalaska.org](http://www.necalaska.org)

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Shaktoolik Native  
Corporation

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Meeting rescheduled to Saturday,  
November 17, at 10 a.m.

As designated in their by-laws, The Shaktoolik Native Corporation will hold its annual meeting of shareholders on Saturday, November 17, 2012 at the SNC Annex. Door will open at 9:30 AM and call to order at 10:00 AM or upon establishment of quorum. This year shareholders will be electing three (3) directors. Shareholders are encouraged to send their proxies to be received no later than 4:30 PM, Friday, November 16, 2012.

For more information please contact:  
**Shaktoolik Native Corporation**  
P.O. Box 46  
Shaktoolik, AK 99771  
Ph. 907-955-3241  
Fax. 907-955-3243

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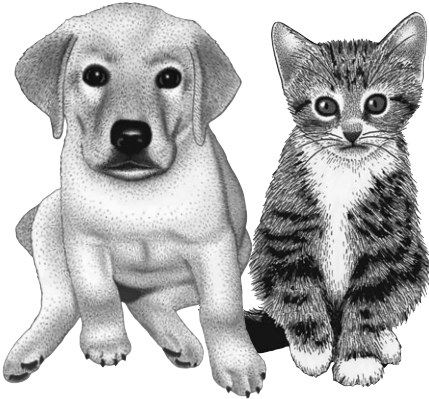


NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Variance Application

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NOME PLANNING COMMISSION TO SEEK COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING:

Approval of a variance request from  
**The Evangelical Covenant Church of Nome, Alaska**  
for their property located at 103 W. 1st Ave. and 103 Bering St.

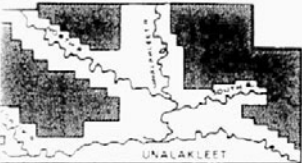
DATE: Tuesday, October 23, 2012  
TIME: 12:00 P.M. (Noon)  
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers



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

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Unalakleet Native Corporation will take place at the **Aaron Paneok/Myles Gonangnan Memorial Hall in Unalakleet, Alaska on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2012 at 10:00 A.M.** for the following purposes:

- 1) Approval, Additions or Corrections to the minutes of the 2011 annual meeting.
- 2) Reports from the management and committee.
- 3) Introduction of the director nominees and statements by nominees, if they wish.
- 4) Election of four (4) directors.
- 5) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Only stockholders of record as of 5:00 p.m. on 3rd October 2012 are entitled to vote at the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Stockholders are entitled to vote at the meeting in person. If you will not be able to attend the meeting in person, you are requested to fill in and sign the mailed proxy and return it to: **Unalakleet Native Corporation, P.O. Box 247, Unalakleet, Alaska 99684, Attention: Proxy Committee.** Proxies will be available at the time and place of meeting and during the 30 days prior to the meeting at the corporation office in Unalakleet.

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## Trooper Beat

On October 8, Nome Alaska State Troopers received a tip that Daisy Kiyuklook and another adult female would be traveling from Nome to Savoonga and would be importing alcohol. October 9, at about 2:00 p.m., Nome WAANT contacted Kiyuklook and a 22-year old female at a local commercial airline in Nome. Investigation revealed Kiyuklook was attempting to import approximately four gallons of distilled spirits to the local option community of Savoonga. Kiyuklook, 22, of Savoonga, was arrested for Felony Alcohol Importation and transported to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center where she was lodged with no bail. The 22-year old female traveling with Kiyuklook attempted to import approximately 3.5 liters of distilled spirits to Savoonga. Charges are pending for misdemeanor Alcohol Importation against the 22-year old female.

On October 9, at approximately 4:15 a.m., Nome AST was advised of a DV assault in the village of Savoonga. Nome troopers flew to the village and arrested Jackson Mokiuk, 49, of Savoonga on charges of two counts of fourth-degree misconduct involving a weapon and one count of fourth-degree domestic violence assault. Investigation revealed Mokiuk physically assaulted a family member and shot a firearm multiple times in vari-

ous places around the village. Alcohol is believed to be a factor in the incident.

On October 9, at about 2:30 p.m., while at a Nome based commercial airline, Nome WAANT was informed of a suspicious bag checked to go to the local option village of Savoonga. Investigation revealed a 48-year old female from Savoonga had a partial 750 ml bottle of R & R Whiskey in her checked baggage. Subsequently, the female is being charged with misdemeanor Alcohol Importation.

On October 10, at 6:24 a.m., AST in Fairbanks arrested Kevin Oozevaseuk, 35, of Anchorage on an outstanding \$7,000 AST warrant, 3AN-12-9701CR, original charge: Assault in the Third Degree. Oozevaseuk was remanded at the Fairbanks Correctional Center.

On October 11, at about 3:30 p.m., Nome WAANT was informed of a suspicious checked bag destined to go to the local option village of Elim, by a Nome based commercial airline. Investigation revealed a 20-year old female from Elim attempted to import approximately 5-750 ml bottles and 1-375 ml bottle of various distilled spirits. Subsequently, the female is being charged with Alcohol Importation.

On October 11, Nome AWT completed an investigation and cited Charlie L. Brown, 48, of Golovin for taking a cow moose during a closed season on September 1, on the Fish River, near White Mountain. Brown was ordered to appear in the Nome District Court on October 30.

On October 11, at approximately 3:00 p.m. AST received a report of a single vehicle collision near the Dexter Road house. The investigation revealed Kohren Green, 24, of Nome was driving eastbound on the soft shoulder of the Dexter Road House Rd. when it gave way and the vehicle he was driving tipped over. No injuries were reported. No citations were issued.

On October 11, at approximately 9:25 p.m., AST stopped a vehicle on the Bob Blodgett Highway for a moving violation. The vehicle was traveling to Teller. During the contact, troopers discovered a suspicious backpack and it was seized for further investigation. A search warrant was obtained on October 12, and approximately 163 grams of marijuana was found inside the backpack. The street value of the seized marijuana in Teller is approximately \$8,150. Two suspects have been identified and the investigation continues.

## Legal

### ANNUAL NOTICE OF COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW (CRTK) DATA

The State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) requires the Nome Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) by law in SARA Title III (42 U.S.C. 11044) to give public notice of the availability of Tier II reports submitted by local and regional organizations on hazardous substances and extremely hazardous substances that are in use or in storage.

The Tier II reports for 2011 are available for review. However, in the interest of public safety, access to the information is restricted until a full and complete background check is performed on the interested party. At this time, members of the public would be required to complete an application and have a background check performed before any information can be released.

The Nome LEPC meets approximately 6 or more times a year. Meetings are open to the public and the public is welcome to attend. Notices are posted on public bulletin boards and at City Hall one week before the meeting and will

be announced by radio and newspaper. **If you have any questions, please call the City of Nome Emergency Services Administrator/LEPC Coordinator at 443-8522.** This notice is paid for by Local Emergency Planning Committee Grant, State of Alaska.

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## Court

### Week ending 10/12 Civil

Dixon, Preston v. Jones, Rodney; Stalking: Ex Parte Steve, Elizabeth M. v. Steve, SR., Jason; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children  
Olanna, Marie M. v. Kulukhon, Michael; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children  
Ahkinga, Samuel O.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Ahkyluk, Effie; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Ahwinona, Dora L.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Aukon, Michael; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Barnes, Irvin J.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Bernhardt, Jerry D.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Cabinboy, Elijah B.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Gillette, Steven J.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Hughes, Gerald O.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Iyahuk, Albert S.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear James, Patricia; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Johnson, Elizabeth M.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Martin, Leroy C.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Martin, Philomena A.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Miller, Jordan J.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Nichols, Michael L.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Ocutck, Patrick D.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Parady, Glen A.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Phillips, Shannon L.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Rodgers, Keven C.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Saclamana, Gregory; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Sallaffie, Buford M.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Swann, Darla M.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Warnke-Green, Iris D.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Webster, Kerry K.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Yuman, Jeanette G.; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear Kalantzis, Jessica L. v. Kalantzis, Athanasios; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte Without Children  
Kalantzis, Jessica L. v. Kalantzis, Athanasios; Divorce Without Children - Superior Court  
Katchatag, Ayyusue v. Dixon, Preston; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children

### Small Claims

No Matches Found; (start 2NO-12-00045SC)

### Criminal

State of Alaska v. Robert Bishop (11/10/61); DUI; Date of offense: 8/23/12; Any outstanding appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Report to Nome Court on 10/10/12 for a remand hearing; 1:30 p.m.; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due 4/30/13; 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; Contact NSBHS within 5 days; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended pro-

gram; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 30 days that you received an assessment, and file proof within 90 days 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; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 10/8/12); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses.

State of Alaska v. Al Roby Ahnangnatoguk (3/16/57); Judgment and Commitment; CTN 002: Assault 1- Serious Injury, Weapon; Date of Offense: 8/21/11; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 001: Attempted Murder 1; CTN 003: Assault 1- Serious Injury, Weapon; CTN 004, 005, 006: Assault 3- Cause Fear Of Injury w/Weap; Date of offenses: 8/21/11; CTN 002: 20 years flat; Under AS 33.16.090(a)(2) and AS 12.55.115, the defendant is not eligible to be considered for discretionary parole; Police Training Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 002: \$100 (Felony); Jail Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facility 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.

State of Alaska v. Marsha A. Otten (3/17/87); 2UT-12-31CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112702482; Violated conditions of probation; No action taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Marsha A. Otten (3/17/87); 2NO-12-368CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112400541; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days.

State of Alaska v. Edward J. Katchatag (8/11/72); Dismissal; Count I: Misconduct Involving Weapons 4\*; Filed by the DAs Office 10/2/12.

State of Alaska v. Curtis Tom (2/7/92); 2UT-12-99CR CTN 001: Possession or Control or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Habitual Offender; Date of Offense: 9/21/12; 20 days not to exceed time served; Probation until 10/5/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not consume inhalants of possess or consume controlled substances or alcohol beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Curtis Tom (2/7/92); 2UT-12-99CR CTN 003: Resisting/Interfering with Arrest; Date of violation: 9/21/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002, 004; 90 days with 90 days suspended; 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: 10/5/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or

disorderly conduct, or domestic violence.

State of Alaska v. Roger C. Oozevaseuk (5/12/83); Assault 4\*; Date of violation: 8/28/12; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50; Due now to: AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Scottie McPeck (10/10/92); 2NO-12-711CR CTN: 001: Criminal Mischief 4\*; Date of offense: 9/29/12; 90 days, 80 days suspended; 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: 10/5/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence.

State of Alaska v. Scottie McPeck (10/10/92); 2NO-12-711CR CTN: 002: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; First Offense; Date of Offense: 9/29/12; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Surcharge must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; Probation until 10/6/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Travis Kaningok (12/5/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110009421; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Tadd Curtis Vandyke (11/3/84); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110673243; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 120 days; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. James Walunga (11/9/79); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110128966; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Nancy Goldsberry (10/1/52); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113287266; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: balance of time imposed.

State of Alaska v. Geoffrey Milligrock (4/29/84); 2NO-12-732CR Count 001: Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of violation: 10/3/12; 10 days, 9 days suspended; Un-suspended 1 day 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, until 10/4/13; Shall comply

with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall not commit no violations of law; Shall not consume alcohol to excess: .08 BAC; 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 probation.

State of Alaska v. Geoffrey Milligrock (4/29/84); 2NO-12-732CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113290353; Defendant refuses probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining jail time.

State of Alaska v. Evelyn West (3/20/83); Order of Dismissal; CTN 001: Endanger Welfare Minor 1-Deserion; IT IS ORDERED that this case is dismissed; Rule 5—Dismissal on motion of defendant due to decision by Prosecuting Attorney not to proceed with preliminary hearing; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant be released from custody, any bond that has not been ordered forfeited be exonerated, and any case or other security posted as bail be refunded to the depositories.

State of Alaska v. Wilma Osborne (1/3/70); Dismissal; Count 001: Assault 4\*; Filed by the DAs Office 10/5/12.

State of Alaska v. Erik Sivuk Milligrock (5/11/85); Notice For Withdrawal Of Petition To Revoke Probation; Filed by the DAs Office 10/5/12.

State of Alaska v. Terri Noongwook (6/22/67); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113287383; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Kenneth L. Henry (4/26/83); CTN 001: Misconduct Involving Weapons 4\*; Date of violation: 8/20/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by state: 002, 003; 180 days, 0 days suspended; Un-suspended 180 days shall be served; Forfeit firearm to State; 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. Tyre Ungott (4/3/62); Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 8/4/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Un-suspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 11/1/12, 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Shall pay un-suspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/13; Forfeit alcohol to State; 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 3 years (date of judgment: 10/11/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law pertaining to alcoholic beverages; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment b 12/1/12; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Including up to 30 days in-patient treatment.

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# Suction dredge operators seek support for their interests

By Sandra L. Medearis

About 50 miners collected at Mini Convention Center last week for a family type meeting to voice experiences from the concluding summer mining season and to look forward to summer 2013.

The Nome Chamber of Commerce and the Alaska Mining Association sponsored the sit-down that featured two themes: airing regulations that miners felt nonconductive to their mining business and a hustle by the AMA for new members from the ranks of offshore suction dredgers.

No representatives of regulatory agencies attended the meeting held on Oct. 11.

"We will help anyone whether a member of the organization or not," Deantha Crockett, AMA executive director, said. "We have a responsibility to respond to needs of miners."

"Mining off shore and on shore are different, but we face the same issues on permits and community issues," she said.

AMA has a membership of about 1,400 statewide.

Munching food from the snack table, miners hashed out beefs which included miner-regulatory strife, lack of appreciation of revenue brought by miners, and the need for representation of a new gold mining sector—suction dredging offshore beneath Norton Sound.

The discussion started with miners needing representation on City of Nome panels—Planning Commission, Nome Common Council, and maybe most of all, Nome Port Commission.

"No one is inputting on behalf of the mining community," said Cliff McHenry.

"The mining community needs indoor people elected," Nikolai Ivanoff said. "Now when they start

collecting money they don't know what it is to buy a dredge." Ivanoff, having worked for 13 years at Alaska Gold Co., has been appointed to the Nome Planning Commission to fill a vacated seat.

Meanwhile, gold buyer Ken Hughes has applied for an appointed Council seat to replace Mary Knodel who resigned effective Oct. 6. According to informal conversation following a recent Council meeting, some current Council members would like to hold off on that appointment until after a runoff election for two Council seats on Nov. 6. Such a delay would enable the Council to appoint one of the incumbent Council members—Stan Andersen or Randy Pomeranz— if either were to lose to a challenger. The Council, according to City law, has 30 days within which to appoint Knodel's successor—ending two days before the election.

Discussion produced other ideas: Those paid with government checks are operating in a parallel reality, Bob Hafner said. "As regards local politics, the economy is driven by government boards and former government employees," he said. "They don't understand the fiscal responsibility of operating a business."

Miners can deal locally with City politics; they need help with state and federal regulatory groups, Hafner said.

Roger that, Joe Horton said. Somehow, regulating agencies came up with the idea that his under-the-ice mining operation last winter threatened polar bear habitat. "They tacked a notice to my door that said to cease mining and get equipment off within three days or they would take my equipment."

There needs to be a working group of miners to educate regulators to actual mining practices in the

field, several suggested.

At regulatory agencies, we have protectors of environment and wildlife, not managers.

Paul Richards of AMA stressed the need for the organization to grow in active members on behalf of mining interests. "Being members is great, but we need participation," he said. "We need you to educate regulators."

Chick Trainor said the same. "The only staying action I can see is getting behind a group."

Port users need to have the opportunity to use credit cards to pay for services. Currently, transient users must have cash.

The local AMA is made up mostly of placer and hard rock miners, with no summer meetings while suction dredgers are working for gold underwater, Mitch Erickson pointed out.

Regulators and the City refuse to acknowledge the money brought in by mining. Federal dollars are not coming in as they once did; as Alaskan benefactor [Sen. Ted

Stevens] is dead. The City wants to defame, discriminate against and tax miners. "Well, they say, port users should have to pay more," beach miner Chick Trainor said. "I say, why don't you tap into benefits that have already come with mining?"

"A lot more attention has been drawn to mining than there used to be," said one miner. "If you like the way things are changing, you can thank Bering Sea Gold [TV show] and all the people who made it possible."



*Photo by Nils Hahn*  
**STILL GOING FOR THE GOLD—** Offshore gold miners Chris Triuitt of Minocque, WI, left, and Sam Slivkoff from Bakersville, CA prepare their equipment for the last days of offshore gold mining in Nome. Picture is Chris Triuitt's dredge named *Aul*.



*Photo by Nils Hahn*  
**FREEZING UP—** A whirlpool of ice signals the arrival of winter as the shore line of the Snake River begins to freeze up and boats are coming out of the water. This week, port employees are going to pull the floating docks and the channel buoys out of the water.

## THE DOCK WALK

The boating, fishing and offshore gold dredging season is rapidly coming to an end as the water inside the Nome small boat harbor begins to show signs of freezing up.

Port employees are busy wrapping up business at the Nome Port and small boat harbor, readying the facilities for winter.

This week, they are pulling the floating docks and channel buoys out of the water and plan to haul their work boat, the *Guardian*, out and store it for the winter.

Harbormaster Joy Baker reports that last week, the Russian research boat *Geo Arctic* and the Canadian research boat *Polar Prince* completed their operations at the causeway to gear up for their scientific expeditions.

The Canadian icebreaker *Sir Wilfrid Laurier* was anchored outside the port on Oct. 8, and left last week.

The Vitus Marine tanker *Moor*

was still anchored outside of Nome last week, transferring their last load of gas to their lighter barge for delivery.

The *Nachik*, a Crowley lighter fuel barge, came through for equipment. A last Crowley fuel delivery is yet expected to arrive to top off the harbor tanks.

Last week, a construction barge arrived in Nome to discharge construction equipment from a village to be stored in Nome for the winter.

The last Northland Services tug and barge for the season, the *Polar Viking*, arrived in Nome on Saturday and offloaded containers and equipment.

The last mainline barge for the season, Alaska Logistic's voyage 12-07, is still expected to arrive in Nome later on this week.

"The ice is forming quickly," Joy Baker said, which explains the busy hustle and bustle at the Nome Port

and Small Harbor to square things away for the coming winter season.

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