



RESCUE— A Bering Air helicopter rescued a stranded crabber from the sea ice on Sunday afternoon, as first responders waited near the Port of Nome. Photo by Peggy Fagerstrom

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Crabber rescued from sea ice — no injuries sustained

By Diana Haecker

A Nome crab fisherman found himself stranded on the sea ice Sunday afternoon after the shorefast ice broke off and created a quarter-mile gap of open water between the sea ice sheet and the beach.

A strong northeast wind blew at a steady 35 mph with gusts up to 45 mph. Warm temperatures hovering around 34°F and the wind caused the

ice to break off and create several open leads in front of Nome.

According to Alaska State Troopers, crab fisherman Frank Carruthers was on the sea ice, making his way back from checking his crab pot when he realized that he couldn't cross the open water with his snow-machine and sled.

Carruthers called the Nome Police Department on his cell phone

and alerted them of his situation. The police department notified the Alaska State Troopers at 2:30 p.m. and the Nome Volunteer Fire Department, but hit a snag when the fire department frequency on the radio system malfunctioned. "We couldn't use the pager system to call out SAR," Nome Police Chief John Papasodora told the Nugget. According to Papasodora, Doug Johnson fixed

a loose wire and the bad connection at a repeater site while the police chief replaced the back-up radio in dispatch. "It was a completely random radio failure, but as always, communications fail only when you need them most. We were back up and tested within a fairly short period of time," Papasodora said.

According to Trooper Garrett Frost, Carruthers was about one mile off the West Beach on the sea ice. Frost also said that Carruthers was dressed for the weather and didn't need any medical attention.

All he needed was a lift over the open lead. "It was an uneventful res-

cue operation," said Trooper Frost.

The troopers called the Nome Volunteer Fire Department Search and Rescue to assist. They also put in a call to Bering Air, to get Bering Air's R 44 helicopter ready.

Bering Air helicopter pilot Corey Konik was dispatched to fly out and rescue Carruthers. Konik said he found the crabber less than a mile straight out from the Port of Nome. Konik said Carruthers was in good spirits and dressed for the weather. "But there was no way he could make it across the open water with

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NOAA lists ringed and bearded seals as threatened species

By Diana Haecker

Citing loss of ice and snow cover as the most significant conservation concerns, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration declared last week their decision to list four subspecies of ringed seals and two populations of bearded seals under the Endangered Species Act.

The Arctic (*Phoca hispida hispida*), Okhotsk (*Phoca hispida ochotensis*), and Baltic (*Phoca hispida botnica*) subspecies of the ringed seal (*Phoca hispida*) were declared as threatened and the Ladoga (*Phoca hispida ladogensis*) subspecies of the ringed seal was classified as endangered.

The Beringia and Okhotsk distinct populations segments of the bearded seal (*Erignathus barbatus*)

were listed as threatened.

According to NOAA, sea ice and snow cover are likely to further decrease in the foreseeable future resulting in population declines that threaten the survival of these seals.

Ice seals depend on the sea ice to nurse and raise their pups and ever later ice formation and decreasing snow depths would deprive the animals of building lairs to shelter their offspring, NOAA scientists argued.

The ice seals are following the iconic polar bear to be on the list of endangered species due to climate change.

The ruling still allows for subsistence harvests of the listed species by Alaska Natives. The National

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Pilgrim Hot Springs burned cabin case still unsolved

By Diana Haecker

Troopers are still looking for clues to find the cause and circumstances of a fire that burned to ashes a cabin at Pilgrim Hot Springs.

Alaska State Trooper Aileen Witrosky said that Bering Straits Native Corporation — the corporation that owns the land and cabins — notified troopers in November that one of their two 12 x 12 foot cabins burned to the ground sometime between the end of October and the end of November.

There is still no official word on the cause of the fire. Asked whether the fire was an accident or intentionally set, Trooper Witrosky said, "At this point, we take everything under consideration."

The trooper said that the State fire marshal is not investigating. The fire marshal gets involved when the fire causes a death or serious injuries, if

it causes loss of property in excess of \$500,000 or if it seems to be set intentionally.

In July, BSNC moved the two newly built cabins to Pilgrim to accommodate visitors and work crews. First, the cabins were placed ne

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Photo by Diana Haecker

HAPPY NEW YEAR— The Bering Sea Lions Club and other volunteers put on a dazzling pyrotechnic display for Nomeites to ring in the New Year at Middle Beach. See more photos on page 16.

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Strait Action

Compiled by Diana Haecker

Shell drilling rig Kulluk runs aground

On Monday evening, the Coast Guard reported that the Shell drilling rig Kulluk grounded at 8:48 p.m. on Sitkalidak Island at a depth of 32 to 48 feet.

The Coast Guard says there is no oil sheen around the Kulluk as of Tuesday morning, but the vessel has 139,000 gallons of ultra low sulfur diesel on board as well as 12,000 gallons of combined lube oil and hydraulic fluid.

A host of players consisting of Royal Dutch Shell, the U.S. Coast Guard, Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation and the Kodiak fire chief were battling the elements as they try to corral Shell's drill rig Kulluk and its four support vessels, the Aiviq, Nanuq, Guardsman and Alert. The task at hand is to prevent the

propulsion-less Kulluk from running aground. On Monday afternoon, the ships were 25 miles southeast of Kodiak Island.

The drama began on Friday, when the tug boat Aiviq experienced multiple engine failures while towing the mobile drilling unit 50 miles south of Kodiak.

Shell dispatched two vessels from Seward to assist. The Coast Guard sent the cutter Alex Haley to monitor the situation, but on top of the engine failures, the tow line between the Aiviq and the Kulluk broke loose. The Aiviq and Kulluk managed to reconnect the towline and the Alex Haley also secured a towline to the Kulluk, but that towline parted and damaged one of Alex Haley's port propellers. The Alex Haley sailed off to Kodiak to fix the propeller and returned to the Kulluk's location Sunday evening to relieve the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter SPAR as on scene commander. The crews of the response vessels Alert and Aiviq re-established the tow of the Kulluk on Monday morning and planned to tow the Kulluk to Port Hobron on the southeast side of Kodiak Island to seek shelter from the harsh storm that has been impacting the tow.

The Coast Guard rescued the crew off the Kulluk by helicopter. The weather was reported at 32-mph winds and 4-foot seas but was projected to increase to 63-mph winds and 28-foot seas by Monday evening. Shortly before the Kulluk ran aground, the tug boat Alert had in-

tentionally disconnected the tow on Dec. 31 shortly after 8 p.m. to maintain the safety of the nine crew members.

So far, there have been three minor injuries reported.

The Kulluk and the Noble Discoverer drill rigs, both Shell rigs, were on their way back south after the first summer exploration drill season in the Alaskan Arctic in the Beaufort and Chukchi seas.

The Kulluk was not the only vessel with problems.

The U.S. Coast Guard also found discrepancies on the drill rig Noble Discoverer's propulsion system.

Coast Guard spokesman Kip Wadlow told the Nome Nugget that while the Noble Discoverer was moored in Seward, the Coast Guard

sent investigators onboard who found several significant issues regarding crew safety and the pollution prevention equipment.

The Coast Guard issued a port state control detention on Nov. 29. The detention order forced the vessel to stay in port until discrepancies were corrected. The vessel was released from detention on Dec. 19 but is still moored in Seward.

Asked if there is a correlation between the drill rigs coming through the Bering Strait recently and the oiled wildlife that showed up near Gambell and Shishmaref and which continues to puzzle Coast Guard and other investigators, Wadlow said that the Coast Guard treats these two

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*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.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*To be determined	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, January 4

*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.
*Nome Health Fair I	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Nome Health Fair II	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Tea Kwon Do	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, January 5

*To be determined	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 6

*To be determined	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	2:30 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.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Monday, January 7

*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.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Zumba	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 8

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Library	10:30 a.m.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*To be determined	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.
*Intro Swing Dance	Nome Rec Center	8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 9

*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
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*To be determined	Prematernal Home	2:30 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.
*League/Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
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OPEN WATER— A strong northerly wind pushed the shorefast ice out to sea on Sunday, leaving a pile of ice on East Beach. The broken off ice sheet continued to drift away from land.



Photo by Peggy Fagerstrom

TO THE RESCUE— A Bering Air helicopter was flown to the rescue of Frank Carruthers as a broken off sheet of ice stranded the crab fisherman on drifting sea ice, on Sunday afternoon.

• **Rescue**

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the snowmachine and sled,” Konik said. The pilot had no problem landing on the substantial ice sheet that Carruthers was on. He picked him up and transported him to Bering Air.
According to Trooper Frost, Carruthers was in good health and back on *terra firma* by 4 p.m.

Chief Papasodora warns crabbers to not go out on the sea ice when northerly winds blow.
“Each year, when the wind blows from the north, people lose their crabbing gear because the ice breaks up,” Papasodora noted. “Given the conditions yesterday, the better part of judgment would have been to stay

off the ice. But alas, the rescued party went out and got caught on an ice floe after the ice broke up.”
The snowmachine and sled were left behind. The helicopter pilot said he was going to try to sling the equipment by helicopter off the ice, weather permitting.



Photo by Peggy Fagerstrom

SAFE— Crab fisherman Frank Carruthers carries his belongings across the tarmac at the Bering Air terminal after having been rescued off a broken sea ice sheet on Sunday afternoon. Troopers, NPD and the Nome Volunteer Fire Department Search and Rescue were involved in the rescue.

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events as two separate incidents.

Greenland Premier backs South Korea’s bid for Arctic Council membership
Greenland’s top government official has shown support for South Korea in its bid to become the newest member-state in the Arctic Council. Prime Minister Kuupik Kleist’s comments appeared in an interview with the Yonhap South Korean news agency. Kleist said that

Greenland has a “very positive view” of Korea’s approach to membership, but also warned that it comes with a set of responsibilities.
Arctic Navigation Training Center opened in Russia
OAO Sovcomflot opened a captain and senior officer training and engineering center in St. Petersburg. The opening of the modern training centre in Russia’s maritime capital is part of a development strategy to prepare for an expansion of the com-

pany’s ambitions in oil and gas projects in the Arctic and sub-Arctic. The new training center will provide teaches a whole range of Arctic maritime operations: navigation at northern latitudes, servicing of oil platforms, the transportation and offloading of hydrocarbons in challenging climatic conditions, navigating in icy waters with ice-breaker escort, approaching ice-resistant terminals and vessel positioning during loading operations. Sovcomflot Group is Russia’s

largest shipping company with 156 company-owned and chartered vessels. They specialize in hydrocarbon transportation from regions with challenging ice conditions. A third of the SCF fleet is made up of ice class vessels.
Summer Arctic cyclone was unprecedented
When a cyclone roared out of Siberia last August, storm watchers knew it was unusual. Hurricane-like storms are very common in the Arc-

tic, but the most powerful tend to come in winter. A study published in Geophysical Research Letters looked at 19,625 Arctic storms and concluded that in terms of size, duration and several other of what the authors call “key cyclone properties,” the Great Cyclone was the most extreme summer storm, and the 13th most powerful storm — summer or winter — since modern satellite observations began in 1979.

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Photo by Shawn Dahle/NOAA Alaska Fisheries Science Center
PROTECTED—An Arctic ringed seal pup rests on the sea ice in the Bering Sea.



Photo by John Jansen/ NOAA Alaska Fisheries Science Center
LISTED AS THREATENED—A bearded seal rests on ice off the coast of Alaska.

• Seals

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Marine Fishery Service said in a prepared fact sheet that the current subsistence harvest of ice seals by Alaska Natives appears to be sustainable and does not pose a threat to the populations. But if ice seal populations declined to very low levels over time, limits could be put on the subsistence harvest of them. If the current population numbers change for the worse, NMFS said it would work under the co-management agreement with the Ice Seal Committee to make sure that sustainable subsistence harvest of ice seals by Alaska Natives continues. But if harvest is found to “materially and negatively” affect the species, NMFS could regulate subsistence hunting. The agency would have to provide notice and hold an administrative hearing on the record for such regulations.
Ice Seal Committee alternate member Austin Ahmasuk of Nome said that he had made numerous comments in support of the listing.
Since subsistence hunting was not identified as the culprit of diminishing population numbers, there is no indication that the subsistence harvests of the listed species is in jeopardy.
Ahmasuk, a lifelong subsistence hunter in the Norton Sound area, agreed with NOAA’s finding that the diminishing sea ice puts ice-dependent seals at risk. However, he disagreed with NOAA’s argument that

the disappearing ice would affect breeding. “I think it affects the pupping areas more than the breeding grounds,” he said.
The next step is that NMFS begins a 60-day public comment period to get input on any future critical habitat proposals for Arctic ringed seals and the Beringia population of bearded seals.
The Endangered Species Act defines an endangered species as “any species, which is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range.” A threatened species is “any species, which is likely to become an endangered species within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range.”
In 2008, the Center for Biological Diversity submitted the petition to list the ice seals as threatened. While the Center declared victory, Alaskan Senator Lisa Murkowski and Governor Sean Parnell lashed out on NOAA’s ruling.
Parnell said he’s “evaluating a potential challenge” to the listing, arguing that the “ringed seal population currently numbers in the millions” and the bearded seal population in the “hundreds of thousands.” “The ESA was not enacted to protect healthy animal populations,” Governor Parnell said. “Despite this fact, the NMFS continues the federal government’s misguided policy to list healthy species based mostly on speculated impacts from

future climate change, adding additional regulatory burdens and costs upon the State of Alaska and its communities, and wresting away Alaska’s sovereign interest in managing its own wildlife and re-

sources.” The Alaska Department of Law is studying possible legal challenges to undo the NMFS decisions. Senator Lisa Murkowski sent out a press release reacting “with alarm” at NOAA’s decision. She said

NOAA based the ruling on conjecture that forecasts conditions nearly a century away and that it would imperil economic prospects for resource development.

• Pilgrim Hot Springs

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Kougarok Road, and then in October, a work crew moved the cabins inside the Pilgrim Hot Springs property gate. The land belongs to BSNC and visitors are asked to get a permit at the BSNC office in Nome. “This is mainly to keep track of how many people utilize the area,” said BSNC Vice President Resources and External Affairs Matt Ganley. Ganley said that the yellow cabin is a complete loss and that nothing else was damaged. BSNC offers a \$500 reward for tips leading to the arrest and prosecution of the guilty party.
Prior to the burned cabin, there were acts of vandalism that caused BSNC to offer another reward. A 40-inch statue was taken out of the church and had been missing until

this fall, when Louie Green Sr. found the statue in a pond behind the church. “I saw something in the pool of water behind the church. I saw that it was the statue and fished it out of the water,” Green said. He placed the statue in a safe place. The statue was slightly damaged and is in need of repair.
Matt Ganley said that BSNC is concerned about the safety of the historic structures at Pilgrims Hot Springs but that the corporation at this point won’t limit access to Pilgrim. “In the past, the people who visited Pilgrim took care of the place. It’s unfortunate that these things happened,” Ganley said.
Troopers ask the public to contact them at 443-2835 with leads related to the cabin fire.

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DEC proposes permit for ice mining

By Diana Haecker

The State Department of Environmental Conservation proposes a new permit that would allow ice miners operating suction dredges with a diameter of six to 10 inches to mine under the sea ice in waters of the Norton Sound region up to 30 ft. of depth.

Until now, there was a restriction on ice mining and no permits existed for suction dredges with a diameter greater than six inches. Exceptions were made for smaller suction dredges.

Nick Dallman with the DEC explained that there was a blanket prohibition in place on activities on all sea ice because it was considered

critical habitat to polar bears, which were listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 2008. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the federal agency making polar bear management decisions, requested via the Environmental Protection Agency that operations on sea ice should be forbidden due to the critical habitat of polar bears. But the popular Discovery Channel show "Bering Sea Gold" and a Nome placer miner were about to change that prohibition.

According to Dallman, the reality show producers and the placer miner petitioned the DEC to allow under sea ice dredging in the Norton Sound region. The DEC consulted with the

USFWS and they decided that the scale of the mining activity and the temporary nature of it would create only a minimal impact on the critical habitat. With that, they gave the green light to DEC to allow and permit under sea ice mining.

Since then, the DEC has received more inquiries from other ice miners and now proposes to modify a permit that would allow under ice operations in water depths less than 30 feet. Other modifications to the permit are the removal of a 800-foot distance requirement in marine waters.

Dallman said that the DEC's concern is water turbidity and that the 800-ft separation requirement originated from in-stream mining. Last

summer, the DEC tested the marine waters for one day and found that plumes from running suction hoses over the ocean floor didn't exceed 20 feet.

Dallman argued that miners didn't have enough room in the West Beach recreational mining area and so the DEC proposes to do away with the 800 ft. separation requirement. However, the 800-ft. separation distance requirement is still in place for suction dredges operating in fresh waters.

Another modification of the permit language would also allow the removal of in-stream obstructions like logs or rocks with motorized equipment, if the obstruction pres-

ents safety hazards.

The general permit limits types and amounts of pollutants that can be discharged and outlines best management practices that must be complied with.

There will a public comment period starting January 10 on the new permit language. Once the DEC reviewed the comments, they will make a final decision regarding the issuance.

According to Dept. of Natural Resources' Kerwin Krause, the DNR does not require a separate permit from the DEC permit and the Alaska Placer Mining Application permit, which is valid until the end of a calendar year.

BLM issues oil and gas best practices for wildlife protection

Washington, D.C. – As part of ongoing efforts to continue to increase responsible domestic energy production while protecting wildlife near oil, gas, and geothermal facilities on BLM lands, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) today announced it has expanded best practice standards for the fluid minerals industry.

Under the Obama Administration's all-of-the-above energy strategy, domestic oil and gas production has grown each year the President has been in office, with domestic oil production currently higher than any time in nearly a decade and natural gas production at its highest level ever. Foreign oil imports now account for less than 50 percent of the oil consumed in America – the lowest level since 1995.

Active cooperation between industry leaders and the BLM has contributed in recent years to significant decreases in the number of wildlife deaths associated with oil and gas operations. The new Best Management Practices (BMP) build on this cooperation in establishing a consistent policy approach and set of practices for guiding future fluid mineral activities.

"Identifying these mitigation strategies is critical to effectively carrying out the BLM's multi-use mission," said Acting BLM Director Mike Pool. "Responsive wildlife protection policies demonstrate our Bureau's fundamental commitment to promoting responsible energy development on public lands while safeguarding wildlife, livestock, and public health."

Best practices established in the policy focus on the following five industry situations:

1. Open pits and tanks containing freestanding liquid;
2. Chemical tank secondary containment;
3. Pit, tank, and trench entrapment hazards;
4. Open exhaust stacks; and
5. Wire enclosure fencing.

All BLM field offices will ensure new fluid mineral permit approvals contain appropriate BMPs necessary for complying with existing Federal energy, wildlife, and environmental laws and regulations. The BLM has an established policy requiring the use of state-of-the-art environmental mitigation measures in all permits it

approves. Through its Onshore Oil and Gas Order Number 1, the BLM also encourages the industry to proactively include these best practices in their permit applications prior to a review by the BLM.

The BMPs identified in the new policy take into consideration unique wildlife needs and the potential hazards of extractive industry operations. Specific mitigation strategies include using closed loop systems or nets for managing fluids, constructing wildlife escape ramps in open excavation operations, and installing screens on all open exhaust stacks to prevent bird and bat entry or nesting.

Strategies are also included that reduce threats to important bird species like the Greater-Sage Grouse and Lesser Prairie-Chicken. For these species, demonstrably effective mitigation measures will utilize fence markings around production facility enclosures to prevent wire collisions near mating areas. Increased industry adoption of these best practices at field sites across BLM lands promises to yield healthier environments.

BMPs for the fluid minerals industry are critical components in the BLM's larger effort to reduce the preventable causes of wildlife mortality across the country while also protecting human health and safety. Many of the BMPs also improve safeguards against groundwater contamination and emissions that may affect water and air quality for humans and wildlife alike. When identifying appropriate permit conditions for new projects, BLM field offices will incorporate the new BMPs through the existing National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental review process.

The new BMP policy follows a well-established BLM tradition of proactively protecting wildlife as part of the Bureau's multi-use mission facilitating both conservation and energy development. The implemented measures will help the agency and its oil and gas permittees remain in compliance with BLM regulations and Onshore Orders, the Fish and Wildlife Service's enforcement of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918, as well as with all other Federal regulations dedicated to protecting wildlife on Federal lands.



U.S. Coast Guard photograph by Petty Officer 3rd Class Diana Honings.

NOME MAN GRADUATES FROM COAST GUARD ACADEMY—U.S. Coast Guard Academy cadets pose for a photo with Nome Mayor Mrs. Denise Michels after a dinner presentation of the W. S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. Nov. 27, 2012. Michels was invited by the Center for Maritime Policy and Strategy as the first invited speaker to the CMPS Dialogues and the Maritime Future series. Pictured in the center with Michels is Jonathan Jester, son of Tim and Stacie Motis from Nome, Alaska.

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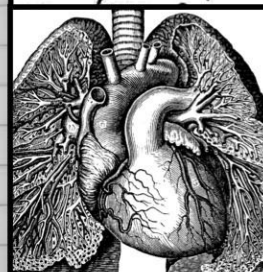
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Recipe for a good night's sleep

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Having trouble getting a good night's rest? Try this simple technique. Identify a personally engaging but non-arousing subject such as a recipe or lyrics to a song. Then mentally recite the words repetitively. When you reach the end of the recipe or lyrics simply start over from the beginning.

Experts call this technique Cognitive Refocusing Treatment for Insomnia (CRT-I). Recent research shows that CRT-I works well at helping people get to sleep and may even prevent early awakenings.

Achieving restorative sleep is an important part of good health. A good night's rest has a positive effect on the immune system, memory, cardiovascular system, metabolism, gastrointestinal system and overall mood.

But getting a good night's rest is a problem for many people. Nearly 30 percent of American adults suffer some degree of sleep disturbance and spend up to \$3.9 billion annually on sleep medications in pursuit of a good night's rest.

Problems with sleeping, generically called insomnia, can have many different causes. Chronic illness, medication, social stress, shift work, chronic pain, alcohol use, and sedentary lifestyles all interrupt a normal sleep cycle and affect sleep quality and duration. Most people with insomnia suffer from several overlapping causes.

Insomnia is a serious health issue because lack of restorative sleep can cause or worsen depression, cardiovascular disease, hypertension, and obesity. Insomnia can also have a profound negative effect on productivity at work and on the ability to cope with daily stressors.

Your doctor can help rule out serious medical causes of insomnia like obstructive sleep apnea, diabetes, thyroid disease, or depression. Many times problems with sleep disappear once the cause is identified and appropriately treated.

For patients without an identifiable medical cause of insomnia, it may be tempting to turn to sleeping pills as a solution. However, according to the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, 70-80 percent of patients can benefit from non-pharmacologic therapies and achieve lasting effects without medication.

Before starting medication for insomnia, consider following a few basic recommendations:

1) Avoid or limit the use of foods that hamper sleep. Most often this means avoiding the use of caffeinated foods such as coffee, tea, sodas, or chocolate in the afternoon or evenings. Also avoid heavy nighttime snacking. Remember that though alcohol can make you feel sleepy, it prevents the restorative deep stages of sleep, and should therefore be avoided before bedtime.

2) Try a cup of warm milk. Scientists have not yet found the reason this old remedy works, but for many people it is a time-honored cure for insomnia.

3) Avoid cough and cold medications intended for daytime use since these medications often contain a stimulant.

4) Set aside time for daily physical activity. Plan for at least

30 minutes of physical activity each day, avoiding strenuous activity within a few hours of intended sleep.

5) Address known social and physical stressors. Schedule stressful problem-solving activities, like working on finances, for early in the day.

6) Pursue sources of peace and relaxation by making time for family, friends, hobbies, and faith-based activities.

7) Avoid daytime napping if it makes the insomnia worse.

8) Train your brain to associate your bed with sleep. Go through the same routine each evening before bed. Avoid watching television, using the Internet, or snacking while in bed. Wake up at the same time every day, even after a poor night's rest. This will realign your sleep/wake cycle with your 24-hour circadian rhythm.

9) Get out of bed if sleep onset is delayed by 20-30 minutes. Experts recommend engaging in light reading or using relaxation techniques when sleep onset is delayed, returning to bed only after feeling sleepy.

10) Try the CRT-I technique. Pick a personally engaging but non-arousing subject (like a song or recipe) and repetitively recite the words in your head.

Sleep medication may be helpful for some patients in the short-term, but experts agree that long-term benefits come from practicing good sleep habits. A study published a few years ago in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* showed that patients with chronic insomnia receive the greatest lasting benefit from a brief course of sleep medication (less than 6 months) combined with ongoing training in

restoring good sleep habits.

If a good night's rest seems like a distant dream, consider consulting with your doctor about specific steps

you may take to restore healthy sleep patterns without the use of medication. Your provider can also provide good information regarding the risks,

benefits, and proper selection of sleep medication when needed as an adjunct to non-pharmacologic therapies.

All Around the Sound

New Arrival

Crystal J. Ozenna and Jerry C. Iyapana, of Diomed, announce the birth of their daughter **Monica Monique Iyapana**, born December 21, at 12:32 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 18" in length. Maternal grandparents are Vera and Ronald Ozenna, Sr. of Diomed; and paternal grandparents are Evelyn Omiak, Sr. of Diomed and Patrick Omiak, Sr. of Diomed.

Maniilaq Association Receives Federal Land Transfer

The Maniilaq Association, a non-

profit health services corporation, tonight moved one step closer to receiving ownership of three parcels of federal land in Kotzebue thanks to a bill co-sponsored by Sen. Mark Begich and introduced by Sen. Lisa Murkowski.

Maniilaq provides health, tribal and social services to the residents of Northwest Alaska, and the transfer will give the association title to property previously owned by the Indian Health Service. Maniilaq already has several facilities on the three parcels, including the Maniilaq Health Center, a long-term care facility and em-

ployee housing.

"I'm extremely pleased to see Maniilaq one step closer to exercising its rights of ownership as it continues to serve the people of the Northwest Arctic," Begich said. "Passage of this bill was a great example of what can happen when the Alaska delegation works together."

The bill was introduced by Murkowski in the Senate Indian Affairs Committee. Begich will join the Senate Indian Affairs Committee in January, when the 113th Congress convenes.



Photo courtesy of Merna Karp

CHRISTMAS REUNION— About 40 folks attended the Nome N.W. Christmas Party December 8 in Eugene, Oregon. Folks who were born and raised in Nome or who at one time lived in Nome attended. Back row from left: Terry Jack Randall's son-in-law and grandson, her daughter Caroline, Craig Oleson, Roben Jack's son Andrew, Bill Karp, Barb Oleson, Mike Murphy, Irvin Ichoak, Doug Doyle, Jon Krier and fiancée Ayelet, Carlene Karp, Tanner Karp, Norman Johnson, Nelda Johnson, Claudia Doyle, Jon Karp, Byron Redburn, Debbie and Sheila Redburn. Front: Terry Jack Randall and husband, Trish Murphy, Roben Jack, Mary Karp, Carl Langton, Donna Morgan, Diane Wilke Norbert, Merna Karp, Clara Johnson Langton.

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Nome Nanook holiday basketball action



LADY NANOOK— Adelaine Ahmasuk drives to the basket at the Sitka Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament, held in Sitka December 20-22 2012. The Lady Nanooks beat the teams from Ketchikan and Sitka, but lost their game against the team from Bonney Lake, Washington.

Photo by David Head



GOING FOR TWO— Cameron Smith shoots the ball in a game against Ketchikan at the Sitka Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament. The Nome Nanook boys team beat Bonney Lake, WA as well as the team from Ketchikan. The Nanook boys lost the game against Sitka.

Photo by Janeen Sullivan

RESULTS

NOME BOYS SITKA TOURNNEY RESULTS

The Nome boys completed the Sitka tournament with a 2-1 record. The Nome Boy opened the Sitka tournament by defeating Bonnie Lake Washington on 49-46. Dominique Hall led the way with 25 points and 21 rebounds. The 21 rebounds broke a previous school record of 19 that was held by Josh Head. Hall also set a school record with 11 offensive rebounds in the game. Tyler Eide also tied a school record with 12 assists - previously held solely by Mason Evans. Nome then defeated Ketchikan 57-47. Cass Mattheis led Nome with 18 points. Klay Baker and Tyler Eide each added 11. Nome lost it's final game to Sitka 55-30. Three teams each finished the round-robin tournament with a 2-1 record. Sitka won the tournament by virtue of a point spread formula in which they beat Nome by at least 14 points in the final game. Nome's John Smith won the free throw competition, Dominique Hall was named to the all-offense team, and Cass Mattheis made the all-defense team. Nome's season record now stands at 4-1.

NOME LADY NANOOKS SITKA TOURNNEY RESULTS

Nome. 6- 8-18-15—47
Bonney Lake, WA. 15-7-11-18—51
Señora Ahmasuk 2, Addy Ahmasuk 6, Dylan Johnson 8, Taylor Pomeranz 2, Devynn Johnson 14, Shayla Johnson 15

Nome 17-14-14-13—58
Ketchikan 10-14-7-22—53
Addy Ahmasuk 9, Dylan Johnson 5, Ariana Horner 7, Shayla Johnson 20, Taylor Pomeranz 3, Devynn Johnson 14.

Sitka 15-12-10- 9—46
Nome 13-16-12-14—55
Señora Ahmasuk 3, Addy Ahmasuk 8, Dylan Johnson 24, Shayla Johnson 6, Taylor Pomeranz 6, Devynn Johnson 8.

Dylan Johnson was selected to the "All-Offensive" team. Devynn Johnson and Shayla Johnson were selected to the "All-Defensive" team.

The Lady Nanooks record improved to 3-2. The Lady Nanooks will be on the road to Fairbanks January 3,4,5 next year to play 4A West Valley, 4A Colony and 3A Monroe, in the Mt McKinley Bank Holiday Classic at Monroe Catholic High School.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3 SCHEDULE:

3:00 P.M. Nome Girls (White) vs. West Valley Girls
4:40 P.M. Colony Boys vs. Nome Boys
6:20 P.M. Monroe Catholic Girls (White) vs. Colony Girls
8:00 P.M. Monroe Catholic Boys (White) vs. Lathrop Boys

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4 SCHEDULE:

3:00 P.M. Nome Girls (White) vs. Colony Girls
4:40 P.M. Lathrop Boys (White) vs. Colony Boys
6:20 P.M. Monroe Catholic Girls (White) vs. West Valley Girls
8:00 P.M. Monroe Catholic Boys (White) vs. Nome

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5 SCHEDULE:

3:00 P.M. Colony Girls (White) vs. West Valley Girls
4:40 P.M. Nome Boys (White) vs. Lathrop Boys
6:20 P.M. Monroe Catholic Girls (White) vs. Nome Girls
8:00 P.M. Monroe Catholic Boys (White) vs. Colony Boys



WELL GUARDED— Alumni Jacob Bloodgood looks to shoot while alumni Josh Samuels and Dough Johnson guard him during the Alumni basketball tournament, held in Nome on December 28/29 2012.

Photo by Janeen Sullivan



FIRST GRADERS— First grade students performed in front of a full gym at the Nome Elementary School Christmas Concert.

Photos by Diana Haecker

The Nome Elementary School Christmas Concert



Soloist— Fifth grader Kristin Daniel gave a solo performance on the flute during the Christmas Concert.



FIFTH GRADERS— The Nome Elementary School 5th grade students performed in their finest outfits during the evening performances.



SAXOPHINIST— Kyle Reynolds gave a solo saxophone performance during the Nome Elementary School Christmas Concert.



THE COLORS OF CHRISTMAS— The second grade students performed a song titled “The colors of christmas” during the Christmas Concert.

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planation. However, when science catches up, I believe we will all see that there is no discrepancy between pure science and pure religion. The truth is, how God created us is not important. I know that He did. He knows and loves each of us, individually. I know that Jesus Christ is His son, our brother, and Savior, and it is only through him and his gospel that we may return to Heaven to live with Him and our families forever.

Second, you speak of the national and local shortage of scientists and physicians. You then ask, "Do our high schools all have real chemistry and physics teachers?" I can't speak for the entire region, but here at Nome-Beltz High School the answer is a resounding yes. His name is Andre vanDelden and he is without a doubt the best math and chemistry teacher I have ever had. Because of Andre many students from my high school era have received the foundation we needed to feel confident and succeed beyond the high school level. Andre's math classes and honors chemistry class are what carried me through my college chemistry minor and continue to help me on a weekly, if not daily, basis in medical school. The solid foundation in math and the work ethic learned in his class have helped me in all aspects of my life, whether it be in school, working construction or simply solving everyday problems. These same classes are what have also given friends of mine the foundation they needed to earn bachelor and master's degrees in various fields of engineering, all requiring a working knowledge of very advanced mathematics.

Andre has a gift and passion for teaching math and science. He de-

mands more from his students than most teachers but gives much more, as well. His brilliance commands the respect of the brightest students and his kindness endears him to even those struggling most. Nancy, I completely agree with you. A sound understanding of math and science are one of the keys to success in today's society, and Nome is extremely fortunate to have someone like Andre vanDelden who can teach them. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Benjamin Head
Seattle, WA

Dear Editor:

Sitting here on these many cold nights, I keep wondering how some of the people are going to survive the winter. With the prices of everything skyrocketing more and more, and their trying to regulate people's hunting, along with no jobs in sight, what are the people supposed to do? They are even cutting the budget to volunteer agencies like Food Bank.

I have been trying my best to do different activities to get people together—doing them voluntarily—so that we may have more interaction with each other, and it doesn't cost us anything. I think if it had been 30 or so years ago, and our parents hadn't been busy with things like PTA meetings, church get-togethers, sewing circle, and things like that, I bet they'd gladly come to Eskimo Dancing. At least they're visiting each other and having fun.

Anyway, I walked around collecting signatures to hopefully start a Food Bank here, because I think we'll fall on hard times. Finally thought I had enough signatures for now to turn them in, only to find out

we're 10th on their waiting list. Wow—imagine that—the Food Bank has a waiting list too. So, if they take away the subsistence, the jobs, the unemployment benefits (which only a few people qualify for, because of the lack of jobs), then how do we take care of our families and ourselves? They are so interested in feeding other countries, when they should be focused on the well being of our nation and our people first. After all they are supposed to be representing our people. We need to appeal to our government, that if they are going to take away all the different things, then they'd better figure out a way to feed our nation of growing people.

So, I was working at bingo and was accused of stealing a measly \$20, if I was stealing, it sure wouldn't be for that cheap. Besides I'm the one who usually gets stolen from. Sorry, I don't care that much about money, I do happen to care about the honesty it takes to have a job—of which I no longer have. So I may have told an antidote here and there, I'm just trying to put a smile on peoples face, because it looks like they might need it. Apparently for that job I'm not supposed to do that. Sorry about that. I am getting tired of trying to help out a community that doesn't seem to want it. But still, I am so fortunate to have so many different friends, and to be living in this wonderful valley. Quyanna-buk to you all, your sanity keeps me going.

One of the things that would help the State's budget is: if the Physician Assistant, or the authorizing person thinks that the patient should go straight to Anchorage instead of having to send the patient to which ever regional hospital serves that region.

Usually the patient ends up in Anchorage anyway, it might save a patient's life, and save the extra plane fare to be able to send them to Anchorage instead.

Please remember, you can always take extra layers of clothes off—it's not that hard. Please dress warmly; its gets pretty cold out there. And if

you are going somewhere—tell people where and take extra grub, never know what happens. Hope you all have a great winter.

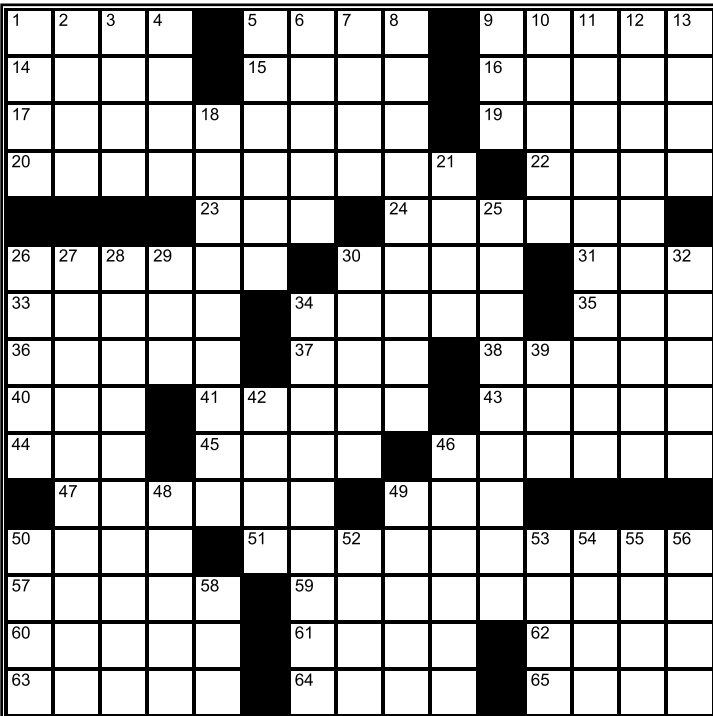
Take care you all. Happy Holidays!

As always,
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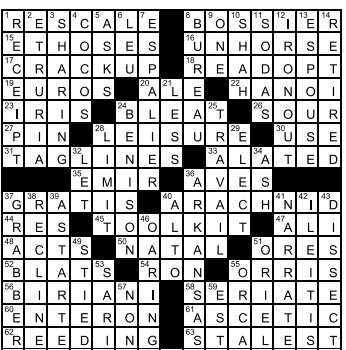
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Across

- 1. Door fastener
- 5. "___ on Down the Road"
- 9. Charm
- 14. A chorus line
- 15. Intelligence
- 16. ___ Abzug, Women's Movement leader
- 17. Traveling to and from over the same route
- 19. Adjust
- 20. What marinating does to meat
- 22. Coastal raptors
- 23. "Comprende?"
- 24. Examine and comprehend printed material a second time
- 26. Rent payer
- 30. Hawaiian tuber
- 31. Check for accuracy
- 33. ___ alia
- 34. "Haystacks" painter
- 35. Anger
- 36. Brown ermine
- 37. Amazon, e.g.
- 38. Shipping weights
- 40. Anderson's "High ___"
- 41. Safari sight
- 43. Cast out
- 44. Bottom line
- 45. Bang-up
- 46. Covered in frozen condensation
- 47. Gaping grimace
- 49. Good, in the 'hood
- 50. Supernatural force in a person or sacred object
- 51. Joint pain

Previous Puzzle Answers



- 57. Bond, for one
 - 59. Worthy of respect
 - 60. Quark-plus-antiquark particle
 - 61. Beanery sign
 - 62. Enlarge, as a hole
 - 63. Money in the bank, say
 - 64. Rear
 - 65. Big show
- Down**
- 1. "B.C." cartoonist
 - 2. ___ vera
 - 3. Bowl over
 - 4. Duck's home
 - 5. Main dish of a meal
 - 6. Cliffside dwelling
 - 7. Swindle (British slang)
 - 8. Artificial language based on many European languages
 - 9. "The ___ Daba Honeymoon"
 - 10. Donnybrook
 - 11. Beyond the legal power of a person or corporation (2 wds)
 - 12. Most slim
 - 13. Listening devices
 - 18. British soldier who served in North Africa (2 wds)
 - 21. Arid
 - 25. Netherlands' second-largest city
 - 26. Catalogs
 - 27. Groups following and attending to important people
 - 28. Condition of inclemency
 - 29. Caribbean, e.g.
 - 30. 1,000 kilograms
 - 32. Cantankerous
 - 34. The rope that controls the angle of a sail
 - 39. "Give it ___!" (2 wds)
 - 42. 2:00 or 3:00
 - 46. Starve
 - 48. Birchbark
 - 49. Rams
 - 50. Mother
 - 52. Biblical birthright seller
 - 53. Container weight
 - 54. Surefooted goat
 - 55. High-five, e.g.
 - 56. Exec's note
 - 58. Atlanta-based station

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December 22–January 19

Woohoo, Capricorn. It's a brand new year, and motivation is at an all-time high. Reach for the stars. There is nothing you can't accomplish this week.

Aries
March 21–April 19

Go ahead and pull out all of the stops, Aries. This could be your one and only chance to make an impression. A youngster asks a question. Be honest.

Cancer
June 22–July 22

Crabby Cancer. That's what people will think of you this week unless you change your tune. Take a break from the action to refresh your spirits.

Libra
September 23–October 22

Confession time, Libra. What's done is done, and the sooner you admit to that fact and pay the piper, the better off you will be. A deadline is extended.

Aquarius
January 20–February 18

Drat, Aquarius. Plans you made some time ago fall through, and you're not sure what to do next. An old pal drops by with a tantalizing offer. Take them up on it.

Taurus
April 20–May 20

Uh-huh, Taurus. Now is not the time to splurge on something so frivolous. Take the plunge later when there will be more to spare. A relative comes calling.

Leo
July 23–August 22

Oh boy, Leo. Lady luck is on your side, and great changes are in store. Go with the flow and enjoy whatever comes your way. A memo picks up the pace.

Scorpio
October 23–November 21

Shucks, Scorpio. You always put in 110%, and everyone knows it. Stop questioning what more you could have done and start focusing on what has yet to be done.

Pisces
February 19–March 20

Perk up, Pisces. You're more resourceful than you realize. Look at the situation from another angle, and a solution will arise. Thanks will be abundant.

Gemini
May 21–June 21

Golden Gemini. You have the magic touch, and people around you are starting to notice. Prepare for many opportunities to come your way, some better than others.

Virgo
August 23–September 22

Vigilance, Virgo. Pay attention to what is going around you, even if it does not directly involve you. Something is amiss, and you need to find out what.

Sagittarius
November 22–December 21

Make no mistake, Sagittarius. There is a wrinkle, but it is not yours to iron out. A series of miracles at home gets the ball rolling on a project of long ago.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Obituary

Polly "AGGupqaa" Koweluk

Polly "AGGupqaa" Koweluk was born on June 10, 1926 to Michael and Josephine Koweluk in Wales, Alaska. She was raised in Wales until the family skin boated to Nome in the 1950s.

She lived a very blessed life gathering food from the tundra. Polly

found great joy accompanying the family on hunting and gathering trips. She prepared and preserved delicious Native foods for family and guests. As a homemaker, she kept a warm, welcoming and loving home.

Polly enjoyed being at the family subsistence cabin at Fort Davis. There, she could be found tending to drying fish, preparing seal or walrus meat, or cooking special dishes for the Koweluks, Bourdons, Angna-

booguks, Senungetuks, Kakiks, Ezukameows, Larsens, Tevuks and many honored and special guests.

Besides caring for her family, Polly babysat in the family home. Eli Mendenhall, Keye and Louis Allen, Andie Faye Williams, Allen Pearson and Sandra Pearson-Kashe-

varoff were lovingly cared for during their childhood. Her kind, gentle demeanor was felt by many.

Polly was a talented skin sewer. She sewed Eskimo dolls and face pins, slippers, baby booties, and yoyos to supplement her income. Often, she gave her hand-sewn hand-

icrafts to friends and family members as gifts which are cherished gifts of love.

Her Christian faith was the center of her life. She prayed daily. Polly was a member of the Inupiaq Choir and memorized all the translated songs. On several occasions, she was asked to recite the "The Lord's Prayer" in Inupiaq during Bible studies. Attending church services was a significant part of her life. Her favorite verse was John 14:6.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Michael and Josephine, and siblings, Harriet Koweluk, Billy Koweluk, Andrew Koweluk, Clara Angnabooguk, Sara Koyuk and Hilda Ashcraft.

Polly is survived by her son, Raymond Koweluk; granddaughter, Jessica Downey; brother, Teddy Koweluk; sister, Esther Bourdon; many nieces and nephews, cousins, and special friends. Her lively humor, kind spirit, gentle soul, words of faith and friendship will be greatly missed.

Polly will be laid to rest in late spring or early summer at the Nome Cemetery.

Saying it Sincerely

By Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore
Community United Methodist Church

A member of the Nome Ministerial Association

Happy New Year! Many of us are making New Year's resolutions, trying to figure out how to do things better in order to improve our lives. In the United Methodist tradition, we call this going on to perfection, trying to become more and more Christ-like through our thoughts, words, and actions.

Consider the story of the Wise Men found in Matthew 2:1-12. In this passage, the Wise Men set out on a journey to visit the Baby Jesus, as they have seen the star in the East that will lead them to the Messiah. Before they leave, Herod secretly and sneakily calls them together, instructing them to bring him word of the baby's whereabouts when they returned. He pretended to be interested in the baby in order to pay homage to him. However, Herod had a hidden agenda to get rid of the baby. Fortunately, the Wise Men were warned in a dream not to listen to Herod and went home another way. Thank God they listened!

One way of looking at this story is to see Herod as representing the evil forces of this world such as addictions and other things in our lives that seem overwhelming to deal with. When we journey toward them, we do so innocently sometimes thinking we can be stronger this time and overcome them on our own. They appear harmless, but really have a hidden agenda or do indeed bring us harm. God calls us to abandon those things that keep us from having a more fulfilling relationship with God. God calls us to travel a different road and promises to be with us no matter how rocky and impossible it may seem from time to time.

In my own case, I have possessions in my home that are suffocating me. Some things I have not used for years and it is time to pass them along to someone else. I have found security in my "things" and will be traveling a "different road" as I let go of them. I sense God calling me to a simpler life in 2013. Together God and I will journey this road and we discern to whom to give them. God has blessed me with abundance so that I may share with others, as others have shared with me at different times in my life.

In 2013, how is God challenging you to travel by a different road? Is God challenging you to forgive family members who have hurt you recently or in the past? Is God challenging you to take better care of your body? Is God challenging you to spend more time in prayer and reading the Bible? Whatever the call may be, know that God travels that road with you and will not forsake you. May we all be in prayer for each other as we travel these new roads.

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

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Tuesday & Thursday: Thrift Shop 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Wednesday: Faith Followers 5:45 to 7:30 pm

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

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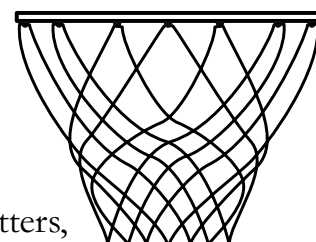
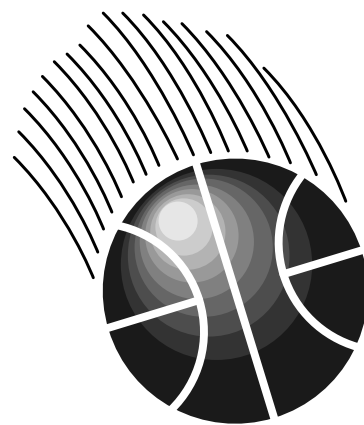
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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASES 12-17-12 through 12-30-12

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 12-17 at 12:27 a.m. NPD responded to a residence in Martinsonville to a report that there were intoxicated persons in the home who were creating a disturbance. Investigation resulted in Kallyna Booshu, age 19 receiving a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

On 12-17 at 8:58 a.m. NPD received a report of a minor motor vehicle collision occurring near the hospital. There were no injuries. The drivers exchanged information and were provided a Participant Accident Report as the collision occurred on private property. Damage was estimated at \$1500.

On 12-17 at 11:18 a.m. NPD received a report that a citizen was receiving threatening text messages. Investigation identified the sender of the messages and a case will be submitted to Juvenile Justice for review.

On 12-17 at 121612:16 p.m. NPD responded to a requested welfare check on a father and child initiated by the child's mother. The welfare of both individuals was confirmed however it was discovered that the complainant in the case was under a Domestic Violence Protective Order not to contact the father of the child by any means. The case will be submitted to the District Attorney for disposition.

On 12-17 at 8:25 p.m., Leanna Apassingok, age 34 was reported passed out in the bathroom at a business on Front Street. She was contacted and was transported to a safe location. Apassingok was issued a citation for Open Container of Alcohol.

On 12-18 at 3:05 a.m. NPD responded to a disturbance at a residence on E 5th Avenue. Information indicates Micah Trigg, age 23 came into the residence intoxicated and assaulted an occupant. Trigg was arrested for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV) and transported to AMCC where he was remanded to custody. There was no bail for this DV offense.

On 12-18 at 11 a.m. a burglary was reported at the King Island Offices on 4th Avenue. Information indicates that sometime over the last several days unknown persons forcibly entered the building and took money. Anyone with information about this crime is asked to call NPD at 443-5262 or the Crime Line at 443-8509.

On 12-18 at 12:43 p.m., NPD responded to a business on Bering Street to a reported disturbance. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Nathan Skains, age 31, for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Skains was transported to AMCC where he was remanded to custody. There was no bail for this domestic violence offense.

On 12-19 at 5:15 p.m. NPD received a report of Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card. Information indicates that while in Nome, the complainant used his credit card to make a purchase. It appears someone then used the credit card information for other unauthorized purchases. Investigation into the incident is continuing.

On 12-20 at 3:0 a.m. NPD responded to a residence in W. First Avenue to a reported disturbance. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Chris Pouliot, age 51 and Adeline O'Connor, age 52 for Disorderly Conduct. Both were transported to AMCC where they were remanded to custody.

On 12-20 at 2:06 p.m., NPD and NVAD responded to a report of an unresponsive male at a residence on Division Street. Gary Cantrell, age 29 was found deceased in the residence. Following investigation, Cantrell's remains were sent to the State Medical Examiner's Office in Anchorage for determination of the cause of death. The case remains under investigation. Next of kin were notified.

On 12-20 at 2:28 p.m. NPD received a report of an assault occurring at a residence on Nugget Alley. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Richard Okinello, age 50 for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Okinello was transported to and remanded at AMCC. There was no bail for this DV offense.

On 12-20 at 3:20 p.m. a 17-year-old juvenile male was found to be in possession of a tobacco product at the high school. The juvenile was contacted and issued a citation for Minor in Possession of a Tobacco Product.

On 12-21 at 1:23 p.m. NPD received a report of vandalism to one of the buses serving the high school. The suspect was identified as a 15-year-old student who reportedly tore a bus seat cover. A report will be submitted to juvenile justice for disposition.

On 12-21 at 10:43 p.m. an assault was reported on Front Street indicating that the victim had been punched in the mouth, suffering significant injury. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Leonard Delie, age 27 for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Delie was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody. There was no bail for this domestic violence offense. The victim was taken to the hospital for treatment of her injuries.

On 12-22 at 3:00 a.m., NPD received a report of a possible intoxicated driver on Front Street. The vehicle was located on 4th Avenue and a traffic stop identified the driver as Emanuel Jay Jarrell, age 37. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Jarrell for Driving Under the Influence. He was transported to AMCC where he was remanded to custody with bail set at \$1000.

On 12-22 at 12:30 p.m., NPD responded to a report of an intoxicated person at the Post Office who was refusing to leave. Foster Olanna, age 47 was contacted and taken to a safe location. He was served with a citation for having an open container.

On 12-22 at 3:06 p.m. NPD received a report of a fight-in-progress at a business on Front Street. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Darrell Williams Sr., age 58, for Assault in the Fourth Degree. Williams was transported to AMCC where he was remanded to custody.

On 12-22 at 5:45 p.m. NPD received a report of harassment. The complainant reported that she was receiving harassing communications from a former boyfriend. The complainant was advised on the process for obtaining a Domestic Violence Protective Order and/or a Stalking Order and a report was taken. The case is under investigation.

On 12-23 at 1:07 a.m. NPD responded to a reported assault at a residence on 3rd Avenue. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Jeffrey Ellanna, age 19 for two counts of Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Ellanna was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody. There was no bail for this domestic violence offense.

The Nome Police Department responded to a total of 13 calls for drunken/incapacitated persons. Three were taken to AMCC for a protective 12-hour hold; 10 were transported to the NEST where they were provided services.

The Nome Police Department responded to a total of 12 animal related calls this week. Three were for fox related calls; seven were for dog related calls and 2 were for cat related calls.

On 12-24 at 7:44 p.m., NPD responded to a residence on E. 4th Avenue to a reported disturbance. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Julianne Berroteran, 56, of Nome for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Berroteran was transported to AMCC and remanded to custody. There was no bail for this domestic violence offense. Alcohol was involved.

On 12-25 at 7:13 p.m. NPD initiated an investigation of stalking and harassment of a female complainant by her ex-boyfriend. The complainant was advised of the procedure for obtaining a Stalking Order from the court and given information about domestic violence after insuring that she was safe. Victims of domestic violence and/or stalking are encouraged to report the incident. Bering Sea Women's Group is an invaluable source of information for victims and can be reached at 443-5491.

On 12-26 at 4:21 p.m., NPD was called to a residence on Steadman Street to a report of the violation of a Domestic Violence Restraining Order. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Raleigh Ahkvaluk, 45, for violating a long-term protective order. Ahkvaluk was taken to AMCC where he was remanded. There was no bail for this domestic violence offense. Alcohol was involved.

On 12-26 at 16:30 p.m., Andrew Ozenna, 26, was arrested for Drunk on Licensed Premises and Introduction of an Alcoholic Beverage into a Licensed Premises after he was found at a local bar on Front Street in possession of an open bottle of alcohol. Ozenna had been previously contacted by NPD and advised not to enter any licensed premises due to his level of intoxication. Ozenna was transported to AMCC where he was remanded to custody with bail set at \$1,000. NPD reminds patrons that alcoholic beverages may not be taken into or consumed outside of any licensed premises.

On 12-27 at 1:54 a.m. NPD received a report of domestic violence incident occurring at a residence on Lomen Avenue. Investigation was initiated into the matter pending advisement of the District Attorney that the matter had been resolved.

On 12-27 at 2:24 a.m. NPD contacted Samantha Iyapana, 18, while on routine patrol. Investigation resulted in the issuance of a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol. Iyapana was released at the scene.

On 12-27 at 5:21 p.m. NPD responded to a residence on Front Street to a report of an intoxicated male who was refusing to leave. Investigation revealed that the male was involved in an on-going series of domestic violence events with other persons in the household. The male had left the scene and charges of three counts of Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV) will be forwarded to the District Attorney.

On 12-27 at 7:03 p.m. NPD received a report of a child in need of aid at a residence on 4th Avenue. Information indicated a 16-month-old child was in the care of her mother who was intoxicated. The child was removed from the home and placed with a sober family member with the case referred to the Office of Children's Services.

On 12-28-12 at 0230 hours, NPD received a report of an assault occurring in a cab. Investigation was conducted and charges of Assault in the Fourth Degree will be forwarded to the District Attorney for disposition.

On 12-29-12 at 0135 hours, NPD contacted Travis Carlisle, age 26 at a local bar on Front Street. Carlisle was arrested for violation of conditions (no alcohol or bars) and taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody.

On 12-29 at 1:57 a.m. NPD conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle near Munz Field. The driver was identified as Courtney Tucker, 26. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Tucker for Driving While Under the Influence (alcohol), Probation Violation (no alcohol), and Driving While License Revoked. Tucker was remanded to AMCC.

On 12-29 at 2:15 a.m. NPD responded to a reported intoxicated woman knocking on doors on E. 4th Avenue. A 17-year-old juvenile female was contacted and found to have been consuming alcohol. She was issued a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol and released to a sober caregiver.

On 12-29 at 3:06 a.m. NPD responded to an assault on Front Street. Information indicates that a female punched another woman in the chin and left the scene. A suspect was identified and investigation is continuing. Injuries were minor and the case will be referred to the District Attorney for disposition.

On 12-29 at 6:14 a.m. NPD received a report of a disturbance at a residence on 4th Avenue. The parties separated prior to NPD arrival. The case will be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office for resolution.

On 12-29 at 10:15 p.m. NPD responded to a reported disturbance at a residence on K Street. Investigation resulted in the arrest of John Wellert, 58, for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Wellert was taken to AMCC where he was remanded to custody. There was no bail for this domestic violence offense.

On 12-30 at 12:03 a.m. a NPD CSO contacted Autumn Ellanna, 18, near the ice rink. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Ellanna for Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol. Ellanna was arrested and transported to AMCC.

On 12-30 at 5:57 a.m. NPD responded to a residence on 2nd Avenue to a reported domestic violence incident. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Kevin Ozenna, 19, for assault in the Fourth Degree (three counts – DV) and Violating Conditions of Probation. Ozenna was transported to AMCC where he was remanded to custody. There was no bail for this domestic violence offense.

On 12-30 at 2:30 p.m. NPD received a report of a subject on a snowmachine that was trapped on the ice after the ice fractured due to heavy winds and created open water between the snowmachine/crabber and the shore. The Alaska State Troopers, Nome Volunteer Fire Department Search and Rescue and Nome Police all responded to the incident. A helicopter from Bering Air was able to respond and rescue the stranded individual; however the disposition of his snowmachine and equipment is unknown. The public safety community takes this opportunity to remind

Trooper Beat

On December 18, 2012 at 1:21 p.m. the Alaska State Troopers received a report of a burglary in Teller. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Paul Henry Weyanna, 22, of Teller. Weyanna was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center with charges of Burglary 1, Theft 2, Criminal Mischief 5, Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance 6, and Felony Probation Violation. Weyanna also had two outstanding \$1500.00 arrest warrants for Vehicle Theft 2 and Probation Violation.

On December 19, 2012 Nome Alaska Wildlife Troopers contacted and cited Perry S. Burress, of Nome, for submitting false information on his 2012 Tier II musk ox permit application. Burress was ordered to appear in the Nome District Court on January 8, 2013.

• Chief's Notes

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cept of mercy. It is pretty scary stuff. But add to that mix someone who is high on drugs or alcohol; someone who is mentally ill or emotionally unstable; or someone who may be fetal alcohol effect or fetal alcohol syndrome; and the risks of extremely violent behaviors increase exponentially.

Each person has their views on the impact on video games, this is just mine. You can read the research and decide for yourself.

What is also interesting about the response to the Sandy Hook Elementary shooting is the platform advanced by the National Rifle Association. I found it interesting that the basic statement of 'the only thing that stops a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun' could be so controversial. This is the way that it has always been whether it is the town Sheriff taking on the gun slinger; the police officer engaging the violent felon; or a member of our armed forces using lethal force against those we have deemed to be enemies. The concept is the same. It all comes down to a good guy versus a bad guy, and often through armed confrontation. That's one of the reasons why the police exist.

In the wake of the Sandy Hook shooting incident there are things we all can do to increase the safety of our school s and our community.

- The first is to demand that schools are secure. It must be as difficult as possible for persons to enter a school during school hours by securing access points and limiting entry.

- The second is for all people to be ever vigilant for anything that looks odd or out of place – because it probably is. Call for help. It's not being paranoid, it's being safe.

- The third is for all people to secure their firearms and ammunition to keep them from falling into the wrong hands. This integrates with the conviction of not selling firearms indiscriminately to people that you don't know; or who are prohibited by law from possessing a weapon. The police department will help. Give me a call.

- The fourth is to report whenever someone makes a threat against a school, business or other place where people gather. Every threat needs to be investigated and as

all persons that travel onto the ice pack during current conditions is extremely hazardous and should be avoided. Recovering crabbing equipment is not worth risking life and other property.

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was charged with one count of second-degree assault; four counts of third-degree assault; second-degree misconduct involving a weapon for shooting at a residence; one count of fourth-degree misconduct involving a weapon for handling a firearm while under the influence of alcoholic beverages and another count for shooting across a roadway; and tampering with evidence for disposing of the rifle prior to troopers' arrival.

On December 26, 2012 Nome Alaska Wildlife Troopers contacted and cited Perry S. Burress, of Nome, for providing false statements on his 2013/2014 Tier II musk ox permit application. Burress was ordered to appear in the Nome District Court on January 8, 2013.

void.

Therefore, we must all work together to keep the good guys in a position of advantage. You will see police in the schools. We will aggressively investigate any threats made against the community. We will engage and neutralize any threat to any person. But in doing so, we not only ask for, but require the help of the community to help keep our children, our homes and our community safe. Engage your community and be part of the solution.

The Nome Police are committed to providing quality law enforcement services to the community. If you have information to offer about any crime or threat of harm, please do not hesitate to call is at 443-5262. You may report anonymously to 443-8509 on the Crime Line.

Please join us in making 2013 a safe and prosperous year for all.

For information about video games and aggressive behaviors:

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2011/05/110525151059.htm>
<http://yypc.sph.umich.edu/2011/08/24/video-games-influence-violent-behavior/>

<http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/faculty/caa/abstracts/2000-2004/01AB.pdf>

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Court

Prior to 12/28/12

Civil

Pickens, Joshua v. Kowchee, Wendy; Petition for Protective Order: Ex Parte Sackett, Windrow v. Slwooko, Farrin; Forcible Entry/Detain-Dist Ct
Forton, Erin v. Skains, Nathan C.; Petition for Protective Order: Ex Parte Aukon, Christine v. Henry, Kenneth; Petition for Protective Order: Ex Parte State of Alaska v. Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Five Dollars; Civil Superior Ct (evidence from drug investigation)
State of Alaska v. One Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety Dollars; Civil Superior Ct (evidence from a drug investigation)
State of Alaska v. Three Thousand Two Hundred and Forty Six Dollars; Civil Superior Ct (evidence from a drug investigation)
Waltz, Jeanie R. v. Sharp, Brian K.; 72 Hr Emergency Protective Order Issued Nattanguk, John and Nattanguk, Rachel L.; Dissolution with Children
Schulling, Richard v. Outwater, Sherwin E.; Petition for Ex Parte Stalking Protective Order
Johnson, Gene D. and Giffin, Rochelle L.; Dissolution w/out Children

Small Claims

Bering Sea Lions Club v. Barefoot, James A.; Small Claims Less Than \$2500
Rural Credit Services v. Coffin, Thelma; Small Claims Less Than \$2500

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State of Alaska v. Carolyn K. Kirk (9/17/62); Dismissal; Count I: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 12/18/12.
State of Alaska v. Jeremiah Moriarty (9/11/85); CTN 003: Reckless Endangerment; Date of violation: 6/4/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 1, 2; 120 days, 90 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 1/18/13 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; 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 2 years (date of judgment: 12/18/12); Shall commit no jail offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; PBT for alcohol upon officer request (reasonable suspicion); No driving without valid license.
State of Alaska v. Peter Olanna (3/30/86) Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of violation: 12/12/12; 1 day, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 1 day shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC immediately; 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; 12/17/12 Redistributed to reflect surcharges required.
State of Alaska v. Franklin Kaniogk Jr. (11/29/65); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111030678; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 75 days (all remaining time).
State of Alaska v. Autumn M. Ellanna (1/1/94); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Date of Offense: 12/2/12; 15 days, 15 days suspended; 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 is to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; Probation until 21st birthday; Comply with all direct court orders by the deadlines stated; Must enroll in and pay for the following alcohol program: NSHC BHS; Must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; 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. Derek Apasingok (4/12/85); 2NO-12-790CR CTN 001: Assault 4°; DV; Date of violation: 10/20/12; 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC immediately; 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: 12/19/12); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.
State of Alaska v. Derek Apasingok (4/12/85); 2NO-12-875CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: VOCR; Filed by the DAs Office 12/19/12.
State of Alaska v. Ashley Marie Thomas (1/14/94); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Date of Offense: 12/2/12; 90 days, 45 days suspended; Unsuspended 45 days are to be served, remand to Nome Court on 1/18/13 at 1:30 p.m.; 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 is to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; Probation until 21st birthday; Comply

with all direct court orders by the deadlines stated; Must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; 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. Raymond Julius Larsen (3/22/94); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21, Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 12/2/12; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court 9/13/13; Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with 6 months suspended; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 12/18/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by they deadlines stated; Must enroll in and pay for the following alcohol assessment through NSHC BHS – by 4/18/13; Proof to Court; Must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; 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. Polly Roberts (4/27/52); 2NO-12-555CR CTN 001: Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 8/4/12; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 1/22/13, 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial courts by 6/17/14; Forfeit alcohol seized to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation 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 12/19/12); 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; person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 3/1/13; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Up to 30 days in patient treatment if recommended.

State of Alaska v. Polly Roberts (4/27/52); 2NO-12-690CR CTN 002: Violating Release Conditions; Date of violation: 9/19/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001; 30 days, 25 day suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on January 22, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation 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 12/19/12); Shall commit no jailable offenses.

State of Alaska v. Theresa Taxac (1/28/61); Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 11/3/12; 1 day, 0 day suspended; Unsuspended 1 day shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

NPD Citation; Adrian Kenneth Nassuk (5/8/88); Open Container; Date of Minor Offense: 10/11/12; Mandatory Court Appearance 11/1/12 at 3:00 p.m.; Guilty Plea; Date of judgment: 12/18/12; Fine: \$75, due date: 3/18/13; Statutory Surcharge: \$10, due 10 days after judgment date.

NPD Citation; Ellen Eunice Kulukhron (1/1/59); Open Container; Date of Minor Offense: 10/31/12; Mandatory Court Appearance 12/4/12 at 3:00 p.m.; No Contest Plea; Date of judgment: 12/18/12; Fine: \$75, due date: 3/18/13; Statutory Surcharge: \$10, due 10 days after judgment date.

State of Alaska, Alaska Wildlife Trooper Citation; Marcia Ann Jennings (2/4/64); Fail to Return Subsistence Permit; Date of Minor Offense: 10/31/12; Mandatory Court Appearance 10/30/12 at 3:00 p.m.; No Contest Plea; Date of judgment: 12/18/12; Fine: \$50, due date: 6/18/13; Statutory Surcharge: \$10, due 10 days after judgment date.

NPD Citation; Ryan Thomas Antoghome (10/16/76); Open Container; Date of Minor Offense: 12/6/12; Mandatory Court Appearance 12/18/12 at 3:00 p.m.; Guilty Plea; Date of judgment: 12/18/12; Fine: \$75, due date: 3/18/13; Statutory Surcharge: \$10, due 10 days after judgment date.

NPD Citation; Elwood H. Coffin (3/1/88); Open Container; Date of Minor Offense: 11/28/12; Mandatory Court Appearance 12/18/12 at 3:00 p.m.; Date of judgment: 12/18/12; Fine: \$75, due date: 3/18/13; Statutory Surcharge: \$10, due 10 days after judgment date.

NPD Citation; Rudolph Noongwook (5/11/58); Open Container; Date of Minor Offense: 9/19/12; Mandatory Court Appearance 10/16/12 at 3:00 p.m.; Guilty Plea; Date of judgment: 12/18/12; Fine: \$75, due date: 3/18/13; Statutory Surcharge: \$10, due 10 days after judgment date.

State of Alaska v. Amanda M. Toolie (8/12/81); DUI; Date of offense: 9/4/12; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Report to Nome Court on 1/14/13 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; \$1,500 due 12/18/13; 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 sus-

pending; \$0 due; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st off.) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Contact other: NSHC BHS by 2/1/13; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; File proof by 5/1/13 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 9/1/13 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Driver's license revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 12 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before fine due date; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 12/18/12); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses.

State of Alaska v. Janet Marie Oquilluk (4/3/93); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; First Offense; Date of Offense: 11/16/12; Fine: \$400 with \$200 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court 6/18/13; Probation for 6 months; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Must enroll in and pay for the following juvenile alcohol safety action program: JASAP (if available, within 120 days in Nome); Defendant must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; Defendant 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. Adeline E. O'Connor (9/23/60); Dismissal; Count I: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 12/20/12.

State of Alaska v. Chris Steven Pouliot (10/2/61); Dismissal; Count I: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 12/20/12.

State of Alaska v. Grady L. Pratt 3rd (7/23/93); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; First Offense; Date of Offense: 9/19/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$10 to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; Fine: \$400 with \$200 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court 6/17/13; Probation until 6/17/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Must enroll in and pay for the following juvenile alcohol safety action program if one become available, within 120 days; Defendant must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; Defendant 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. Rudy Glen Oozevassek (3/17/76); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112700556; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Emanuel J. Jarrell (12/31/74); DUI; Date of offense: 12/22/12; Any outstanding appearance or performance bond is exonerated upon reporting for remand 1/4/13; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Report to Nome Court on 1/4/13 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; \$1,500 due 12/24/13; 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 other: NSHC BHS by 2/28/13; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 3/15/13 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 6/1/13 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Driver's license revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 12 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before fine due date; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 12/24/12); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not consume alcohol for a period ending one year from date of this judgment; Submit to breath test for alcohol upon request of peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Ramona Apasingok (12/16/68); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111500586; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 5/14; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Moses Soonagrook (3/10/61); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111500631; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Probation extended until 2/22/15; 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. Nicholas Pete (4/3/64); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113290317; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Probation extended until 4/2/14; 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. Andrew Ozenna (1/3/86); CTN 001: Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of violation: 12/26/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002; 1 day with 0 days suspended not to exceed time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

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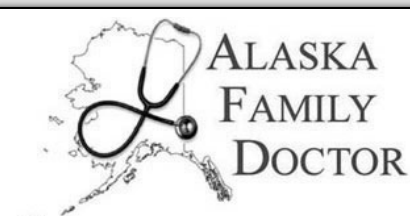
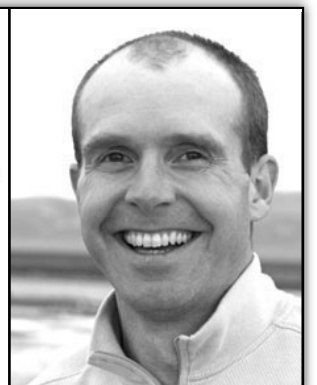
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New Year's celebration in Nome



FIREWORKS— Two Nomeites enjoy the fireworks on the Nome sandspit during the New Year's celebrations.

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COLORFUL DISPLAY— This years firework was organized by Carl and Ginny Emmons and the Bering Sea Lions Club.

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HERE COMES 2013— Nomeites gathered on middle beach in order to ring in the New Year. The fireworks pyrotechnicians were Randy Oles, Tim Smith, Dr. Phil Schobert and NVFD members.

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WARM NEW YEARS CELEBRATION—This years New Year's firework saw temperatures right around the freezing mark, making it one of the warmest New Year's celebration in recent memory.

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FUN TIMES— Cynthia Snowball, McKenna Russell, Cucuaq Katcheak and Georgianna Ustaszewski, left to right, enjoyed the music with friends at the Mini Convention Center on New Years Eve.

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PRIZE WINNER— Dance manager Andrew Koweluk, right, congratulates Alex Sherman, left, on winning one of the many door prizes from local businesses at the New Year's Eve teen dance at the Mini Convention Center.

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