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FALL SPLENDOR— Willow thickets and the tundra around Nome are turning colors, cranes are gathering and the first frost glossed falling leaves. Grand Central valley displays vibrant colors during a recent sunny day.

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NJUS takes control of Banner Peak wind farm

By Sandra Medearis

On Monday night, the Nome Common Council approved a contract between the City's utility and Banner Wind that will allow NJUS to fully control the wind turbines at Banner Peak, even take down the 16 smaller generators.

Passing the resolution dissolves a 20-year power purchase agreement

between NJUS and Banner Wind effective Jan. 1, 2015 and delivers ownership of the wind farm to Nome Joint Utility System free and clear of liens and encumbrances.

The pact underlies NJUS use of the land for its two one-megawatt EWT wind generators erected and turning this summer.

The arrangement will save money

for the utility and allow more flexibility and efficiency in operations, according to John Handeland, utility manager.

Banner Wind is a cooperative venture of Bering Straits Native Corp. and Sitnasuak Native Corp. that constructed and has operated a wind farm on Banner Peak for the past five years.

The move eliminates NJUS paying Banner Wind \$200,000 a year and allows NJUS use of the property. NJUS must pay \$80,000 to Banner Wind per year.

It's all good, according to Handeland.

"Instead of paying cents per kilowatt hour for what we produce with our generators, we can control the

land and put up 100 wind generators if we want," he said.

The two giant turbines erected by NJUS this summer can generate 2 megawatts. The 16 smaller wind turbines, Integrity brand, can produce one megawatt altogether. What's a megawatt? It's 1,000 kwh.

In other major business, the
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Photo by Gary Samuelson

ON FIRE— The gold dredge *Argo* was engulfed in flames on Monday evening. The crew of the fishing vessel *Erica Renee* reacted fast and doused the dredge as the Nome Volunteer Fire Department worked to extinguish the fire from southwall of the harbor.

Pilgrim Hot Springs: Test drilling underway to confirm resource

By Diana Haecker

The next few weeks will decide whether Nome will be a city run in part by electricity generated by a geothermal power source.

This week, a drill rig is creating a single, large diameter exploration hole at Pilgrim Hot Springs that aims to determine if the water source is consistently hot enough and if there is enough consistent water flow that won't deplete over time to

power a geothermal energy system. The intent is to transmit the generated power via a 60-mile transmission line to feed into Nome's utility system.

Pilgrim Geothermal LLC manager Howard Trott updated the Nome Nugget on the progress at the site, saying that the roadwork is completed — the access road to the hot springs had to be improved to bring heavy equipment to the site.

A work camp is set up and a M-W drill rig is onsite to begin the 1,000-foot drilling process.

Gwen Holdman, director of the Alaska Center for Energy and Power at the University of Alaska at Fairbanks was in Nome last week. She said prior research indicated that Pilgrim Hot Springs is likely to have adequate water temperatures to generate power. A federal Department of Energy official was also in Nome to view the project.

Beginning in 2010, the Alaska Energy Authority and the federal Department of Energy gave funds to

conduct studies on the viability of the geothermal resource. The ACEP partnered with Unaatuq, LLC, the consortium of seven regional Native corporations and nonprofit organizations who bought the property from the Fairbanks Diocese during the bankruptcy liquidation of assets. The project gained momentum when ACEP's initial findings caught the eye of a private developer, Potelco, Inc. via the City of Nome's energy consultant, Ethan Berkowitz.

Potelco's subsidiary Pilgrim Geothermal LLC would develop the power transmission lines from Pilgrim to Nome and sell the power to Nome Joint Utilities.

Right now, everybody is crossing their fingers that the tests will reveal that the resource is able to produce the magic number of 2 MegaWatt.

At that point, it would be economically worthwhile for Pilgrim Geothermal to build the powerline, to sell the power to NJUS and for the

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Gold dredge catches fire in harbor

By Sandra L. Medearis

The *Argo* gold dredge went up in smoke Monday at supertime.

The fire happened when the *Argo* was anchored at the east end of the southwall of the Port of Nome small boat harbor at the end of West F Street.

The crew of the *F/V Erica Renee* pulled along side and squirted water on the dredge fire as the Nome Volunteer Fire Dept. arrived.

The fire fighters foamed the fire and put it quickly under control.

When the smoke cleared, one

could see that the cabin had burned away.

The dredge belongs to Pacifica Marine of Seattle.

Owner Bill Patz said Tuesday that he could not quantify the damage, but that he thought the fire started in the cabin area.

"It's disappointing," Patz said. "It's going to take a little time to take stock of the condition. We're hoping to get back up and running for next season."

"I do want to say is how much I

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Photo by Denise Olin

WOLF DANCE— Othniel Omittuk Jr. of Point Hope performs the Wolf Dance with the King Island group during the 14th annual Kingikmiut Dance Festival on August 31, 2013. See story on page 11.

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Letters

Dear Editor:

I read the front page story about the arrest of a parent at Nome Schools with chagrin. To me, this story is an example of putting sensational writing ahead of sensitivity and good judgment. I know the public likes to read juicy stories about their neighbors to brighten their evening conversations on Facebook. I know the reporters' job is to get the news and the paper's editor's job to look at the way the news is presented. I don't dispute the facts as written—it's the spin put on the story that offends me, and the front paging of it.

I am not a friend of the person arrested, but I know her. She has children in school too that need to be considered. She is an intelligent, talented person that by acting as she did showed possible signs of illness, and needs help and support too, like the others involved in the incident, not being used for a hot story.

I am very glad that the teacher responded in a safe way, and that the school has a good plan for the protection of kids and staff. I also appreciate that right now the country is jittery over terrible incidents of violence and deaths of kids and others at schools, colleges and public events. I can understand how parents might react to the incident at Nome Schools.

What I don't agree with is the way the story is written to squeeze every bit of "Wow!" out of the event. This story should have been placed further back in the paper, written as an unemotional, factual, undecorated report of an incident, and how the authorities handled it. Three paragraphs could have handled it.

I value very much the many stories in the *Nugget* where the re-

porters dig out the facts and present them thoughtfully and responsibly. Thank you also for your interesting Letters to the Editor section.

Nancy Mendenhall
Nome, AK

Editor's note:
It was a bad incident. It was reported in a factual manner. It was neither sensationalized, nor sugar coated. — N.L.M.—

Chief's Notes

‘THAT would never happen here...this is Nome’....
By Nome Police Chief John Papasadora

This has been an eventful year for many and I sincerely hope that everyone enjoyed the spring and summer. Now fall is here; time for the kids to go back to school; put up our fish and berries for the winter; and prepare for the coming winter. It was gratifying to see the kids go back to school as it marked the passage of many from being a child (elementary) to going on to being a teenager or young adult. I vaguely recall those days of transition....

The term ‘transition’ leads us in a different direction. Throughout my time

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

Editorial

Dog and Pony Shows

It can be a rude awakening when the folks from the big cities come to Nome. Elected officials, adventurers, corporate executives and public relations experts squeeze in an obligatory visit to the “Bush” and expect us to all run out to the airport to greet them. Well, we might if it were the Pope or the President.

They roll out about 20 pizzas and a cooler of Pepsis and expect folks to intuitively gather in some private boardroom or at the Mini to stand in awe. They try to pop into town with their entourage in the morning and leave in the evening, although the new Alaska Airlines reduced service schedule may put a crimp in that plan— they just might have to stay overnight. It's often hard for the elected officials to comprehend why so very few folks come to their secret receptions. We remember when the Rock Creek Mine folks called Nome and western Alaska “benighted” communities. They soon learned who was in the dark. We politely endure and silently roll our eyes at the glass beads and trinkets. The cities and towns of western Alaska are well aware of the issues we all face, on a local and global scale. We are bothered by the superior attitudes and lack of understanding by our fellow Alaskans who live in the larger communities in our state— Anchorage and the Valley.

While Nomeites and the residents of this part of western Alaska do get out to other parts of the state and are sophisticated travelers, most Anchorage and Valley residents have never been to Nome or Kotzebue. Nomeites enjoy our visits to Anchorage and have often complemented our city to the south— we say it's just like Toledo, Ohio with mountains.

—N.L.M.—



Charles F. Walker Collection photo and comments courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

WHO KNEW? – The largest gold rush in Alaska history took place in Nome in the summer of 1900. The gold rush city and the surrounding 40 miles of beach were described as a frenzied chaos of miners and freight. The September 11, 1900 storm came as a great surprise to all who had stacked their belongings, building supplies and mining gear right at the edge of the Bering Sea. After three days of rampage, the Sea had claimed all the supplies and buildings stacked in this photograph! The good news about our fierce storms is that they re-stratify the gold bearing sands of Nome.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)									
Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
09/12	Th	9:39 a.m.	+1.4	11:34 p.m.	+1.2	3:45 a.m.	+0.6	4:55 p.m.	+0.1
09/13	Fr	10:29 a.m.	+1.4			4:34 a.m.	+0.7	5:57 p.m.	-0.0
09/14	Sa	12:43 a.m.	+1.1	11:32 a.m.	+1.4	5:30 a.m.	+0.7	7:03 p.m.	-0.0
09/15	Su	1:56 a.m.	+1.1	12:45 p.m.	+1.4	6:35 a.m.	+0.8	8:09 p.m.	-0.0
09/16	Mo	3:06 a.m.	+1.1	2:02 p.m.	+1.4	7:47 a.m.	+0.8	9:11 p.m.	-0.1
09/17	Tu	4:07 a.m.	+1.2	3:15 p.m.	+1.4	9:01 a.m.	+0.8	10:08 p.m.	-0.0
09/18	We	4:57 a.m.	+1.2	4:23 p.m.	+1.4	10:10 a.m.	+0.7	10:59 p.m.	-0.0

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

Weather Statistics					National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
Sunrise	09/13/13	08:20 a.m.	High Temp	+55°	
	09/20/13	08:40 a.m.	Low Temp	+33°	
Sunset	09/13/13	09:33 p.m.	Peak Wind	25mph, S, 09/04/13	
	09/20/13	09:08 p.m.	Precip. to Date	13.96"	
				Normal	11.27"

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EPA fines Shell for Clean Air Act permit violations during offshore oil exploration in Alaska

On September 5, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said that it has reached settlements with Shell Gulf of Mexico, Inc. and Shell Offshore, Inc. for violations of their Clean Air Act permits for Arctic oil and gas exploration drilling in the Chukchi and Beaufort Seas, off the North Slope of Alaska, in 2012.

Based on EPA’s inspections and Shell’s excess emission reports, the EPA documented numerous air permit violations for Shell’s *Discoverer* and *Kulluk* drill ship fleets, during the approximately two months the vessels operated in the 2012 drilling season.

Shell has agreed to pay a \$710,000 penalty for violations of the *Discoverer* air permit and a \$390,000 penalty for violations of the *Kulluk* air permit.

EPA issued the Clean Air Act Outer Continental Shelf permits for Shell’s operations in early 2012. The permits set emission limits, pollution control requirements, and monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting requirements on the vessels and their support fleets of icebreakers, spill response vessels and supply ships.

In January 2013, the EPA issued violation notices for Shell’s *Discoverer* and *Kulluk* air permits.

Shell did not operate in 2013 under the air permits.

Shell spokeswoman Megan Baldino said in an email statement sent to *The Nome Nugget*: “For its 2012 operations of fshore Alaska, Shell accepted stringent emission limits that were based on assumptions and modeling. Following a season of operations, Shell better understands how emissions control

equipment actually functions in Arctic conditions.

“Despite reported overages in 2012, the EPA did not allege any negative impact from Shell’s emissions to local populations, nor did Shell exceed its overall allowable annual emissions for the operating season,” Shell responded.

Radioactive generators likely to have washed out to sea

The Barents Observer reports that radioactive Strontium-90 sources used to power lighthouses likely washed out in the sea north of the Taimyr Peninsula in Russia. In the 1970s the generators were installed in remote located lighthouses along the Soviet Union’s Arctic coastline. Over the last 10 years, a massive program for collecting and securing the potential lethal radioactive sources has been going on with funding from Norway, USA and Canada.

For some of the generators, the removal program came too late.

Russia’s hydrographical agency and the Federal agency for sea and river transport have searched for the old generators in lighthouses and now announce that two of them are missing. The information is made available in a report to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) by Russia’s Kurchatov Institute.

A 700 lb nuclear generator is missing from its location on the Lishniy Island in the eastern Kara Sea. The island belongs to Severnaya Zemlya archipelago north of the Taimyr Peninsula.

Aleksandr Grigoriev with the Kurchatov Institute in Moscow says that the generator most likely has been washed out to the sea because the coastline where the lighthouse once stood was partly washed away. The

amount of radioactivity in that particular generator is believed to be between 46,000 to 50,000 Curie.

The other missing generator was located in a lighthouse on the Kamchatka Peninsula.

There are currently 56 lighthouses with nuclear generators still operating in the western and central part of the Northern Sea Route, from the Yamal Peninsula in the west to the New Siberia Islands in the east.

NOAA’s removes more gear from entangled whale, ends efforts

Marine mammal responders have ended their efforts to free an entangled humpback whale from gillnet near Angoon in Chatham Strait on Thursday. They removed several fathoms of webbing before finalizing efforts late in the day.

“The tail and pectoral fins are free of gear, but the necklace of line behind the blowhole remains,” said Fred Sharpe of the Alaska Whale Foundation, a partner in NOAA Fisheries Alaska Marine Mammal Stranding Network. “We have removed the satellite telemetry buoy.”

“We have exhausted all appropriate techniques presently available to us in this very challenging disentanglement effort,” said NOAA’s Alaska Marine Mammal Stranding Network Coordinator Aleria Jensen. “This full-grown, adult, humpback whale is still in robust condition, and was last seen swimming vigorously, and remains strong. It is likely that less than 30 fathoms of gear remain trailing on the animal. The entanglement is not immediately life threatening, and our hope is that the whale can now shed the remaining gear on its own.”

The humpback whale first became entangled in a tended gillnet in Frederick Sound near Petersburg on August 23.

A NOAA Fisheries-trained team initially responded and determined the entanglement was life threatening. Although the Petersburg team could not free the animal, they attached a satellite buoy so that the whale could be tracked.

After moving slowly north most of last week, the whale came within reach of the Juneau response team and NOAA Fisheries and the Alaska Whale Foundation mounted multiple disentanglement response efforts.

NOAA Fisheries is still asking mariners to stay clear of this whale if they spot it, and not to make any unauthorized rescue attempts.

If you come across any other entangled marine mammal please call the Alaska Marine Mammal Stranding Hotline at (877) 925-7773, or call the US Coast Guard on Channel 16.

Charles Hedrich made it midway from Wales to Pond Island

A French adventurer, Charles Hedrich, attempted to be the first

man to row a special rowboat through the Northwest Passage. He started his journey in Wales on July 1 and is now halfway to his destination at Pond Inlet.

Hedrich last reported from the Canadian community of Tuktoyaktuk.

He said in a press release that for the season, his journey will end there.

Winter set in with a couple of inches of snow. For several days, Hedrich sailed between large and unstable blocks of ice that hinder his passage. The rower doesn’t want to take the risk of being crushed by the ice blocks.

Hedrich has had to react on the fly to make decisions to avoid catastrophe.

Hedrich braved a storm to reach Tuktoyaktuk and organized the wintering of the Ice rower.

He was welcomed by the villagers, fishermen and whalers and the men shared their stories about Arctic storms.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, September 13

*Close to the Heart	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Breastfeeding & Basketball	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, September 14

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Protect Your Baby from FAS	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Life Sentence	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Tae 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.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 15

*The Miracle of Life	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Breastfeeding Starting Out Right	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 16

*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
*Pregnant Program	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Bathing And Diapering	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.

Monday, September 17

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Teaching Limits With Love	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Breast Self Exam: Inupiaq	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Fitness Fusion	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*NPC Work Session	XYZ Center	6:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*NPC Reg. Mtg.	XYZ Center	7:00 p.m.
*NJUS Reg.Mtg.	XYZ Center	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 18

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Single Parenting	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Playing It Safe: RSV	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Summercise Program	Nome Rec Center	3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Open Gym:	Nome Rec Center	4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Strength Training	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.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m..

Wednesday, September 19

*Pickup bball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Infertility	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*For Babies Sake	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.
*Port Commission Reg. Mtg.	City of Nome	5:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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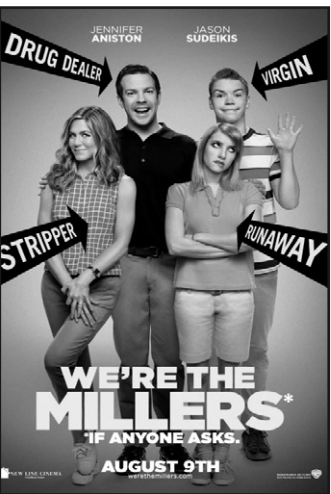
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property owners to also see some financial benefit.

Matt Ganley, vice president of Resources with the Bering Strait Native Corporation, the managing partner of Unaatuq said that the board of the consortium is 100 percent behind the project. "It was a very rapidly developing project because a lot of things came together all at once," said Ganley. Federal and state money financed some research. Donations from the City of Nome, the Nome Chamber of Commerce and other organizations amounted to \$600,000 toward the test drilling taking place this week. The expertise of ACEP and Gwen Holdman, who saw development of Chena Hot Springs to fruition, and a private developer willing to foot the cost for a transmission line added to the perfect storm culminating this week in the moment of truth.

Ganley said that Unaatuq can't really proceed with planning until the resource is proven. For now, there is a letter of interest in place with Potelco that spells out what an agreement would look like when the power is there to harness and sell, said Ganley.

"If there is enough power to feed energy to Nome, it would mean a steady income for Unaatuq, which would allow for improvements to the property," said Ganley. "This is a

win-win situation for everybody," added Ganley.

Gwen Holdman explained that tests done in the 1970s offered a good research basis, but the tests were inconclusive in terms of finding the water source. At the same time, test were also done in Chena Hot Springs to support research for Pilgrim Hot Springs. The hold up back then was the assumption that, in order to run a geothermal power plant, the source needs to be very hot.

But this is not so. Over the years, technology improved and liquids were invented that boil at lower temperatures.

Chena harbors the "coolest" geothermal operating plant at a temperature of 165°F — about as hot as a hot coffee—and thus holds promise for Pilgrim's potential. The water at Pilgrim Hot Springs runs at 200°F, just under water boiling temperature, and the cold weather and temperature of the area work to its advantage. Holdman explained that it's not about how hot the water is, but how fast one can bring a liquid to boil with the hot water to create steam, which turns turbines for the purpose of power generation.

A system used in power plants at Chena and Manley Hot Springs includes a proprietary liquid which boils faster than water and is used for low temperature geothermal sources. Holdman said after seven years,

Chena Hot Springs is working fine, doesn't show any signs of resource depletion and produces a steady net output of 300 KiloWatt.

The question is: How much output will Pilgrim Hot Spring produce?

Holdman pointed out that there are different geographical features at Pilgrim Hot Springs. Chena's water source sits directly on bedrock. The source at Pilgrim Hot Springs lies 1,000 feet beneath the earth's surface. "It's hard to pick up where the water is," said Holdman.

Enough water flow is paramount to the success of the project.

With the current probe, the researchers will be able to determine if Pilgrim has enough flow over a period of time at the right temperature.

If the resource proves to be sustainable and consistent in both temperature and flow, the goal is to deliver geothermal energy to Nome by the end of 2014. That would put Nome in a unique position to become less dependent on diesel to generate power and thus less at the mercy of the volatility associated with fossil fuel prices.

"The Holy Grail is when you can turn off the diesel engines. That's when you really reap the benefits of renewables," said Holdman. However, she also cautioned that NJUS shouldn't quite yet put the diesel generators up for sale. Test results will tell if Nome is a step closer finding its holy grail.



Photo by Diana Haecker

FIRE WATCHING— Nomeites turned out in great numbers to watch Nome Fire Department volunteers extinguish the flames of a burning dredge on Monday night.

The Dock Walk

By Diana Haecker

Black smoke billowed over the small boat harbor on Monday night around 6 p.m. sending curious spectators to the south wall to witness the Nome Volunteer Fire Department douse the flames that consumed the gold dredge *Argo*. (See story on page 1&20)

While NVFD worked from shore, Good Samaritan Phil Pryzmont and his crew on the fishing vessel *Erica Renee* hosed water on the ill-fated dredge from the harbor side.

Nobody was hurt.

According to Harbormaster Lucas Stotts, no port infrastructure was damaged. However, the *Argo* sustained severe damage.

With mostly calm and sunny September weather, business at the port and harbor is in full swing. Cargo is stacked sky high on port property. On September 3, Crowley's tug and barge *Sesok/DBL 165-1* arrived for fuel operations. Northland Services' landing craft *Greta* arrived at the ramp to haul village freight. It then departed. Crowley's tug and barge *Pacific Freedom/Deneb* arrived and discharge freight. Bering Pacific's tug and barge *Diane H./Kumtux* arrived for a crew change.

On September 4, Crowley's tug and barge *Pacific Freedom/Deneb* departed after completing their fuel operations.

On September 5, Crowley's tug and barge *Sesok/DBL 165-1* departed after completing fuel transfers. Northland Services' landing craft

Greta arrived to unload freight and load village freight.

The Russian icebreaker *Vladimir Ignatyuk* departed from anchoring offshore where they have been for several weeks.

On September 6, Northland Services' landing craft *Greta* arrived to load village freight.

On September 7, Crowley's tug and barge *Siku/180* arrived for fuel operations. Northland Services landing craft *Greta* departed. Northland Services tug and barge *Polar Storm/Anchorage Trader* arrive for cargo ops.

The motor yacht *Lady M II* arrived offshore for several days to visit Nome after having completed the Northwest Passage.

On September 8, Northland Services' landing craft *Sam Taalak* arrived to load village freight. The *Sam Taalak* then headed south. This was most likely their last visit to Nome for this season. Northland Services' tug and barge *Polar Storm/Anchorage Trader* departed. The research vessel *Alaska Knight* arrived to take on fuel and crew then headed south. The last cruise ship of the season, the *Hanseatic* arrived from the Arctic.

On September 9, Crowley's tug and barge *Siku/180* departed. The cruise ship *Hanseatic* departed and headed for Russian waters, to continue on to Japan and then south to warmer weather for the winter season. Bering Pacific's tug and barge *Diane H/Kumtux* arrived for a crew change.

Photo by Diana Haecker

NJUS TAKES OVER (left)— On Monday, the Common Council approved that NJUS takes over the wind farm at Banner Peak.



• NJUS

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Council threw a revision of the City's election laws into the hopper for first reading.

Notably, if the Council adopts the ordinance, persons who owe the City money would be shut out of running

for election for any municipal office.

The measure formally sets Old St. Joe's Hall as the polling place for both Precincts I and 2.

Councilman Jerald Brown's attempts to amend the ordinance to drop exclusionary language based on delinquencies in money owed to the

City drew a tie vote of 3 to 3. Mayor Denise Michels cast a no vote that killed the amendment.

He did not want to see eligibility to run for office based on financial class, Brown said. Councilman Stan Andersen maintained that those who owed property tax, sales tax or other

obligations should not be able to hold office, that municipal office holders should meet a higher standard. Councilmembers Tom Sparks, Josie Stiles and Stan Andersen voted no; Louis Green Sr., Jerald Brown and Randy Pomeranz voted yes; Mayor Denise Michels voted no.

The vote on the main motion putting the ordinance into second reading went the same way, 3 to 3.

Green, Pomeranz and Brown voted no; Sparks, Stiles and Andersen voted yes; Michels voted yes to break the tie.

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DUST AND DAWN— Waning daylight hours and dusty roads conspire to reduce visibility even more on the streets surrounding the Nome Elementary School. Blinded by headlights, motorists have a hard time seeing children walking along the side of the roads. In the absence of sidewalks and crosswalks, students take the roadway and cross the streets at their whim.



Photos by Diana Haecker

STAYING IN LINE— Teacher Marie Lammer guides traffic out of school, urging students to stay in the designated cross walk on the school parking lot. Demonstrating the perfect crossing are Collin Michael, Allison Komonaseak, Robin Green, Virgil Walker, Avril Soonagrook, Hailey Goodwin and Savanna Teesateskie. While there are markings on the school parking lot, outside the school perimeters, there are only a few signs that tell motorists that there is a school nearby.

Elementary school students to get a safer route to school

By Diana Haecker

It is 7:55 a.m. in front of the Nome Elementary School.

Parents rush their kids to school, trying to beat the clock to make it in time. Students arriving by foot or bike dodge cars speeding onto the parking lot from K Street and Fifth Avenue.

Meanwhile, cars, trucks and four-wheelers stand in line all the way into the roadway of Fifth Avenue waiting to turn to the drop-off line in front of the school. Add to the scene kicked up dust, exhaust and the darkness — and the picture is not pretty.

Nome Elementary School Principal Robert Grimes agrees.

"The current traffic situation is a problem," Grimes noted. "People do not follow the traffic pattern that was developed and published last year."

"It's an accident waiting to happen," said Nome Eskimo Community Executive Director Denise Barengo.

NEC has made it one of their priorities to develop a community safety plan that aims to address traffic issues throughout Nome, but the school situation has risen to the top of the to-do list.

NEC applied and received a \$15,000 Dept. of Transportation "Safe Routes to School" planning grant. Barengo said this will help to develop a safety plan for the Nome Elementary School.

The goal is to alleviate the congestion, the poor traffic flow, the lighting and dust problems.

Barengo added that NEC is also in the process of applying for a federal Dept. of Transportation grant that would complement the DOT grant to produce a community safety plan for all of Nome.

Steven Soenksen with the DOT's Safe Routes to School program was in Nome in May and had observed

that, for a short time in the morning, there is much happening in one spot, right there at the front entrance door to the school.

"That needs to be sorted out," Soenksen said.

Cars jockey for position at the drop off line, which makes the front door not a safe place.

"The dust, the exhaust and the confusion with the traffic make this a toxic cocktail, but this is a characteristic problem in many places in Alaska."

The good news, Soenksen said, is that in his experience, there are often easy and inexpensive fixes to problems when the community is involved in finding the best solutions.

"Sometimes the best consultant is a nine-year old student who walks to school everyday," Soenksen said. The first step is to do a road safety audit and to gather information by observing what is really going on there daily.

This is about to be done.

NEC works with Nicole McCullough, a planner with the Anchorage firm WHPacific. McCullough said that the next steps will be to bring the stakeholders, namely City of Nome, DOT officials, Nome Public Schools, Nome Police Department, Norton Sound Health Corporation, the Parent Teacher Association and other parents and kids together for a kick-off meeting sometime next month.

Data will be collected on traffic patterns, to identify concrete problems in order to find solutions.

McCullough is also optimistic that the problems can be fixed. She envisions a task force to not only stay on task during the planning process of creating a safer route and approach to the school, but also to keep it in place for future improvements.

NES principal Robert Grimes said he would like to see a traffic pattern



MONDAY MORNING — It is 7:59 a.m. in front of Nome Elementary School. Cars stand in the drop off line, concentrating traffic at the front door.

established that would be safe and would be enforced.

By 8:02 a.m. in front of the Nome Elementary School, traffic slowed down.

Stragglers made it across the street, some cars pull up fast in a last attempt to beat the tardy slip.

The scene ends with parents driving off, sipping on their coffee or

speaking on their cell phone.

The late coming kid, dashing out behind the cars, is indeed an accident waiting to happen.

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Nome Public Schools tackle problem of poor attendance

By Diana Haecker
In the first eight days of this brand new school year, 15 percent of 370 Nome Elementary School students were absent. Of those 15 percent, eight percent already missed enough days of school to be termed “chronically absent,” meaning they missed two out of eight school days, said Nome Elementary School Principal Robert Grimes.

In order to win the uphill battle against empty chairs in the classrooms, Nome Public Schools tackle the problem in different ways. Nome Elementary started a reward system called Zoo-Zingo that uses colorful animal cards and a weekly raffle to boost attendance. Nome-Beltz Jr./Sr. High School focuses on after-school programs, clubs and vocational pathways to make school relevant to students and hence get them to attend. At the Anvil City Science Academy, teacher/principal Todd Hindman does out school cash to reward attendance monthly.

In other parts of Alaska, school districts have developed a stunning response to the attendance dilemma. Lithia Chrysler Jeep Dodge partnered with the Anchorage School District and gives away, via a drawing, a Jeep Patriot and two round trip airline tickets to a high school student with perfect attendance. Anchorage elementary school kids are lured to school by the prospect of winning a grand prize — a trip to Disneyland or an Apple computer in exchange for no unexcused absences for the full year.

Nome has no such fancy reward program, but the school district has identified attendance as a priority.

Statistics say that, if a child misses 10 percent of the school year in the early grades it can leave the student struggling throughout elementary school. If a sixth grade student missed that much school, course failure and even eventually dropping out of high school could follow. Experts link time spent in class with success further down the road, even beyond graduation. Forming good habits of showing up for school on time translate to developing a work ethic of showing up consistently and on time that is carried throughout life.

What grades are most affected? Grimes said that it is across the board, all grades are affected, even the kindergartners. The little ones do have a hard time getting adjusted to school and leaving the comforts of home behind, Nome Elementary School social worker Rochelle Bushey said. Other reasons for absences range from sickness, traveling or being bullied at school.

What to do?

“Teachers work hard to entice their students to come to school every day,” said Grimes. In order to mix it up, he points out, third graders are showcasing poetry and reading it to their parents. “Today, the fifth and sixth graders are at the library, Skyping with an aquarium in Sitka,” Grimes said. At an educators’ conference, Grimes learned about an in-

centive program called Zoo-Zingo. The NES students who attend class every day of the week and have no tardies receive an animal reward card at the end of the week. The glass case at the entry to the NES commons area is full of stuffed animal toys that are being raffled off among kids who have earned a Zoo-Zingo card. The school also recognizes weekly and monthly best class attendance.

At the end of the year, students with 90 percent and better attendance will be entered into a drawing for a prize that is also unknown at this point.

How does intervention work?

Teachers take attendance and hand the list to the attendance secretary, who starts making phone calls to absent children. The children whose absences raise red flags then are contacted by NES social worker Rochelle Bushey.

She aims to get to the reasons that prevent children from coming to school. If needed, she works with the parents to develop a plan to get their child to school every day, and on time.

The problem not only lies with parents who don’t make school a top priority, but also with those parents who seem well-meaning but take children out of school when traveling or when it is more convenient for them to have the child out of school. “It takes only a few absences for kids to fall behind,” she said.

Bushey stresses that she doesn’t want to be seen as an adversary but as a partner to help parents and students overcome whatever obstacle is in the way to get them to school. As an example, a parent called numerous times that their child was sick, when the child really wasn’t. Turns out, Bushey said, the child avoided school because it felt anxiety. Missing more classes only made matters worse and increased the anxiety. In those instances, Bushey said she makes careful recommendations to ensure that the child feels welcome at school, by having a parent walk the student into school and have the child placed next to a friend in the class room.

“We need to bring the information to parents that by allowing the children to stay home, it creates a vicious cycle of more falling even more and more behind,” Bushey said. Bushey wants parents to see her role as support and a resource for them. “The school is here to support the family,” she said.

The elementary school has on average 370 students. The school year consists of 171 days, times 370 students equals 63,270 possible days. Out of this, Nome Elementary School students missed 3,613 school days last school year.

The High School

At the Nome-Beltz Jr./Sr. High School, Principal Scott Handley said the attendance rate at NBHS was 92 percent last year. “We always want to see that number higher, of course,” said Handley.

At NBHS, the strategy is to offer interesting school and afterschool programs that entice students to show up.

For example, this school year, Handley said, a Robotics class is offered at high school level and a robotics club has been created for Jr. High students. Dual credit courses are offered for grades 9 through 12, including a computer tools class, health pathways classes such as nursing or medical terminology. This is in addition to the usual athletics after school programs of volleyball, cross-country running, and wrestling, Native Youth Olympics, cheerleading and swimming. This year, Handley said, the school added archery in the classroom during physical education sessions. Close to 100 students out of the student body of 263 are participating in the archery class.

A Native dance class is incorporated in the 5th period. Also offered to Junior High students in the 5th period is a so-called exploratory course that gives students a taste of JROTC, a subsistence and culinary program and home education.

Handley said that all eighth graders went through a vocational academy offered by NACTEC and NBHS in which they learned what it takes to pursue a particular career.

Once students understand the relevance of certain academic topics, it seems to turn on a light bulb that shines on the relevance on the importance of showing up for school.

“When things make sense to them, they come to school,” said Handley.

In addition, the NBHS also recognizes perfect attendance records. “I think public recognition of perfect attendance is necessary for student success,” Handley said. In the quarterly perfect attendance assemblies, school administrators hand out movie passes or Rec Center passes to students with zero absences. Handley also stressed that he is grateful to parents. “Sometimes we miss the most important persons, namely



Photo courtesy of Todd Hindman

DETENTIONS BUCKS—Anvil City Science Academy student Ariana Adams displays her “detentions.” It’s the currency that awards perfect attendance at ACSA.

Mom and Dad. Good parenting is huge. We need to congratulate the parents who get their kids to school and help them succeed,” said Handley.

At the Anvil City Science Academy, teacher and principal Todd Hindman has a smaller flock to look over, but he also has his chagrins with attendance. “One of our major problems is that families take vacations during the school year,” Hindman said. “In our school, we do a lot of group work and we work often on projects as a team. When one team member is absent, everybody else has to take up the slack,” Hindman said.

Hindman said it’s the parents’ responsibility to make sure that the kids get a good night’s sleep, an early start with a good breakfast and get to school on time.

Hindman agreed with the other principals that when students are absent, the whole classroom suffers, as teachers have to bring the student up to speed on what he or she missed. At the Anvil City Science Academy, students receive monthly perfect attendance awards and are awarded with school cash. Each year, students get to design what their ACSA money looks like and get to name it. This year, Hindman’s eighth graders

named the school bucks “Detentions.” For a month of perfect attendance, no tardies, no school day missed, an ACSA student gets 30 “detentions.” That will buy them a pass if they have to go to the bathroom outside the allotted time or come to class unprepared.

This is one tool in the toolbox that is employed in Nome. Hindman suggested that absent students are a far bigger problem, not only for the classroom, the classmates and the teacher. “It affects everybody. I think it’s a community issue because businesses and organizations want a skilled labor force,” he said. It’s also a much bigger problem for the child. The lack of structure, discipline and knowledge of consequence can set the student on the path to become a dropout and once there, the habit of not showing up for school may follow the student into his or her working adult life.

A national organization called Attendance Works declared September as National Attendance Awareness month, on the quest to bring home the message that academic success hinges on school attendance.

“And I can’t teach a child if he or she’s not in class,” sums up NES principal Robert Grimes.



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Architects designing new home for Nome's relics and readers

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Museum and Library Commission put a diagram on the table Sept. 5 that showed what the Richard Foster Building might look like. The project has been on the workbench for years.

"There's finally some momentum," City Manager Josie Bahnke said. Progress has come with a site selection taken from half a dozen possibilities. Architects have needed a definite place to design the building's footprint. The commission and City staff has considered land acquisition costs, remediation costs, flood plain issues, view from the building, and construction costs. They have selected several sites and then backed off them for one or more of the considered issues.

"This is the third meeting in a row with the same site [north end of Steadman Street]. "That is progress," quipped Brian Meissner, project architect, set rather like the leaves of a three-leafed clover—space for Kawerak, museum and library. The stem of the cloverleaf would contain an arctic entry, a vestibule, and a common room yet to be named, but certain to have reference to Richard Foster. The three main areas open onto the community room that would allow space for the library's popular story hour, receptions for museum dignitaries and donors of family heirlooms or Beringia Days or Beringia Center activities. The north end of the room has a view to Anvil Mountain.

Cussy Kauer, commission chair, has e-mailed the Foster family to ask for their ideas on how to commemorate Foster, and his service to the area.

The late Rep. Richard Foster represented the Nome region in the Alaska Legislature from 1989 until his death in October 2009. He was the second-longest serving member of the Alaska House behind Carl Moses. He advocated for rural Alaska in no uncertain terms. As a Democrat, Foster even joined the Republican caucus across the aisle to achieve benefits for rural Alaska.

Inclusion of the Kawerak portion depends on success of applications in the mill for grant money. The building plans will go ahead on the assumption the money will come, but if it does not, that section of the design can be easily lifted out and added later, according to Meissner.

Kawerak will lease exhibition space according to plan. That money will go far toward maintenance and operation expenses, according to John Handeland, member of the museum project's steering committee. The Kawerak funding question needs to be solved by springtime, planners said.

The projected tab for a facility for Carrie M. McLain Museum, Kegoayah Kozga Library and Kawerak's Beringia displays comes to \$18.5 million. Of that amount, around \$3 million needs to come in for the Kawerak space, planners say.

The figure is smaller than, say, a third of the cost, because the Kawerak portion would share facility mechanics.

The City and Kawerak are seeking library money from the legislature, money from State Dept. of Commerce, a grant of \$1.4 to \$1.5 million from Rasmuson Foundation and more money from the M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust. If the library is funded, the project directors could reallocate that part of the budget to the Kawerak portion.

"If we get grant money, we will build it," Meissner said. "If not, there will be an accommodation at the Nome Common Council level. We can still build the library and museum as is."

"We hope the funding materializes," Handeland said. "If not, the Kawerak portion will not be constructed, but we will still have the design." Kawerak could get the money later or, if Kawerak were to go a different route with another facility, the City could use the existing Kawerak space design for expansion of the library and museum space later, Handeland added.

Several commissioners—Charles Lean, Howard Farley, Charlene Saclamana, Richard Beneville and others expressed concern that the current size of the building plan will be outgrown. The block of land the City bought from Nome Gold and Bering Strait Regional Corp. measures a little over 13 acres, allowing expansion and outdoor displays if future funding gives the go-ahead.

Laura Samuelson, museum director, told the commission she has 16 people in line to donate historic items as soon as the new museum space opens.

There is documented contamination on part of the site. The extent will be known when drill rigs start borings at the end of the month and remediation costs will be revealed, Meissner said.

If Steadman Street were cut through to Greg Kruschek Avenue, the building would sit west of Steadman Street with Steadman running along the facility's east end. The building will open on the street running north and parallel of Sixth Avenue. The project steering committee had worked with architects ECI/Hyer of Anchorage before the meeting to get the concept plan on paper to put before the commission and public.

The gathering convened at the conference room in the Nome Public Safety Building on Greg Kruschek Avenue where planners could look out at the construction site at the north end of Steadman Street to get an inkling of how the buildings would be placed. Being within view of the site during the meeting seemed to add to the excitement as folks filed out onto the balcony of the new cop shop to have John Handeland and Cussy Kauer, commission chair, point to aspects of the site as a visual aid.



Photo courtesy of Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

BEGINNING OF NKC— In 1908, Nome staged the first long distance sled dog race, the famous All Alaska Sweepstakes. The race gave occasion to form the Nome Kennel Club, which is still in active existence.

The Dog Yard

Welcome to the Dog Yard — a monthly column from the Nome Kennel Club. We'll start our tour with a brief history of NKC, the world's oldest sled dog club.

Founded in 1907, the club came into being primarily to sponsor the first long distance sled dog race, The All Alaska Sweepstakes. The race took dog teams 400 miles from Nome to Candle and back. This provided a betting forum for the miners in Nome. The race took place through 1917 with Iron Man Johnson holding the record for the fastest time: just over 74 hours. After 1917, organized dog sled racing dropped off but dogs continued to haul freight and mail.

February 1925 brought a diphtheria outbreak to Nome. Winter weather prevented transportation of the serum by all other means—except for dog sled. Different mushers and their dog teams completed the heroic mission, saving the community of Nome from very grave consequences. The mushers and dogs quickly became famous and several mushers traveled to the U.S. bringing dog mushing to the Mid-west and East Coast, even mushing down Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House.

Dog racing fell off in Nome after the historic serum run but sprint-type mushing started up in Fairbanks and then the Anchorage area. Dogs were still used to haul supplies and deliver mail on the Seward Peninsula and St. Lawrence Island until about 1962.

In the early '70s, Joe Redington, Sr. had the idea to commemorate the diphtheria run and bring long distance dog mushing back with a race to Nome. Howard Farley, Leo Rasmussen, Ethan Windahl and Carl Glavinovich re-constituted the Nome Kennel Club so that there would be an organization in Nome to take care of the finish of this race that Joe, Sr. was talking up. 1973 saw the inaugural run of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.

The Kennel Club sponsored a 50th anniversary of the original Serum Run from Nenana to Nome with Lowell Thomas celebrating his 50th year in radio, broadcasting the run to the world as he had done for the original effort in 1925.

The Kennel Club sponsored the 75th anniversary of the All Alaska Sweepstakes Race — with Rick Swenson winning that race but not besting Iron Man Johnson's record time.

In 2008, the 100th anniversary of

the race took place with Mitch Seavey shattering the former record-winning time by eight hours and talking home \$100,000 in prize money.

The Nome Kennel Club's mission is to promote the continued use of sled dogs for travel, work and racing. In addition to sponsoring races, the club maintains trails providing safe travel for all modes of winter transportation in our windy environment. The Club also maintains the Topkok shelter cabin where many, many people, snowmachines and dog teams have taken refuge from the brutal storms of the Bering Sea coast.

Through this monthly column, Dog Yard, the Kennel Club continues its advocacy of sled dogs, mushing and racing by providing educational information to the community and perhaps sparking interest in dog mushing with people not yet familiar with it. Topics for future articles may include care for outside animals, raising puppies and trail etiquette, among other things.

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Former Inter-Tribal Council execs indicted on theft charges

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A federal grand jury has indicted two former top staffers at the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council on charges they stole nearly \$236,000 from the non-profit that advocates for tribal governments across the state.

Former executive director Steven D. Osborne is accused of taking the lion's share of that sum — \$213,380 between January 2008 and February 2009 when he resigned, according to the indictment, filed Friday in U.S. District Court in Anchorage. It says Osborne spent some of the money on a motorcycle, three boats and other personal items.

Thomas R. Purcell, the council's former finance director, is accused of taking about \$22,720, according to the indictment. He's also accused of funneling nearly \$70,000 to Osborne to pay off a council-issued credit card without ensuring the director spent the money in accordance with council policy and procedures.

Purcell served as acting executive director after Osborne resigned but was terminated only a month later, in

March 2009, by the group's Executive Council.

Given the amount of money involved, a federal prosecutor on Monday called the case "certainly significant" and in line with several other federal cases filed against top officials of groups working on behalf of Alaska Native people. In the most recent, two former officials of the Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission stand accused of stealing more than \$575,000 from the organization.

Osborne and Purcell could not be reached for comment. Prosecutors say Osborne lives in Fairbanks and Purcell lives in Anchorage. As of Monday afternoon, an arraignment had yet to be scheduled.

Founded in 1992, the council has weighed in on behalf of Alaska's tribes on high-profile issues ranging from salmon bycatch and climate change to affordable energy and land rights. During the time the alleged theft took place, the group's annual budget swelled as it distributed fuel vouchers from the Venezuelan government's CITGO Petroleum Corp. to heat thousands of rural homes around Alaska.

Then the council's work stumbled, a staffer said.

The stolen money and resulting investigation "really hurt us," said Delice Calcote, the council's current executive director. Calcote, originally hired as an office manager in 2007, has worked without pay for the last two years, she said. The office is largely run by volunteers these days.

She said she couldn't comment on the indictment until it plays out in court.

"It's been a long road, nerve-racking," Calcote said. "Now the path begins."

Getting to an indictment took years. Suspected problems with the council's books first came to light internally in 2009 when a federal grant administrator raised red flags, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Joe Bottini. Once the suspicion of wrongdoing got the attention of law enforcement, investigators began the painstaking process of forensic accounting.

"It literally involved gathering a large volume of material in the form of bank accounts and information from AITC itself and crunching the numbers," Bottini said. "It was a

long, drawn-out process to get all that done. We had to recreate thousands of documents."

The indictment specifically references two pools of council funding. An EPA grant paid for the executive director position. Between January 2008 and December 2010, the council got nearly \$1.1 million from the agency. The council also received more than \$8 million from the Venezuelan government for the home heating program, according to previous reports.

Osborne started work with the council in December 2007. According to the indictment, he stole money five different ways: by issuing himself \$99,221 in checks without approval; by double-billing the council for Web and database development for \$5,843; by making cash withdrawals totaling \$31,500 for personal use; by issuing and cashing checks to himself in the amount of \$24,595; and by misusing AITC credit and debit cards to buy personal items worth \$52,703.

Purcell started as the council's finance director in January 2008. According to the indictment, he made 16 separate payment transactions for about \$69,475 from AITC accounts to pay off the balance of Osborne's AITC credit card. He also submitted false time sheets for \$19,200 charged to the CITGO account and upped his bi-weekly compensation by \$3,520 without Executive Council permission, the indictment states.

Iditarod musher Mike Williams served as AITC chairman until the end of 2008 when he lost a re-election bid. Williams, an Akiak tribal council member, said he had no idea that much money was being stolen during the time he served as chair. He called the whole situation unfortunate.

"What needs to happen is to move forward from here," Williams said. "Really the tribal leadership in Alaska must move forward and get this behind us."

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Norton Sound crab catch increases as season nears end

By **Laurie McNicholas**

Commercial fishermen harvested 48,700 pounds of Norton Sound red king crab from Aug. 31 to Sept. 8, compared to a catch of 20,000 pounds from Aug. 23-30, according to Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game reports. "Some crabbers have moved their crab pots to locations that turned out to be more productive," explained Jim Menard, ADF&G area

manager for Norton Sound, Kotzebue and Barrow.

In a press release issued Sept. 8, the department reported a total crab catch of about 341,000 pounds, well below the guideline harvest level (GHL) of 495,000 pounds. Of the remaining quota, approximately 113,000 pounds is in the open access fishery, and 21,000 pounds in the Community Development Quota fishery. The department said the GHL will not be reached this year.

"A handful of newly molted crabs have been observed in the commercial fishery, but meat fill samples from the major buyer have held steady between 60-70 percent by weight since early August," the release states. "To provide additional harvest opportunity on the remaining quota, the department will

extend the fishery until 6:00 p.m., Friday, Sept. 13. Fishermen and buyers are encouraged to remain in close contact with the department for short notice announcements."

Salmon fisheries close

The Norton Sound commercial salmon season ended Sept. 6, reports Menard. "The preliminary commercial harvest figures are 18,000 chums, 8,200 pinks, 200 sockeyes, and 54,000 silvers by 18 permit holders," he said. "The chum harvest was the best since 1986. The chum run was much stronger in southern Norton Sound, with a record catch in Norton Bay and the third best catch on record in Unalakleet.

"Although the silver harvest was less than half the record harvests of the last decade, it still ended up in the middle of the pack for the 2000s with a record catch in Norton Bay, second best catch all-time in Golovin and third best catch all-time in Elim," Menard continued. "The ex-vessel value was nearly \$1.2 million and ranked third highest all-time without adjusting for inflation. Effort was down slightly from the 123 permits that fished last year."

State closed Moose hunt in Unit 22b west of Darby Mountains

By **Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game**

Effective Monday, September 8, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game issued an emergency order that closed the moose season in hunt area unit 22(b) west of the Darby Mountains for the permit hunt RM 840.

The area is identified as the Remainder of Unit 22b in the regulations.

Harvest in western Unit 22(b) is expected to reach the fall harvest quota of 20 bulls by the season closing in this announcement. No further harvest is warranted at this time. Hunters should note that seasons and harvest quotas in this hunt area are managed cooperatively with federal managers and a similar season closure for federal permits may be announced by federal managers.

The Department plans to administer hunt RM849 beginning January 1, 2014 with a quota that will be dependent on overall fall harvest. Hunters are reminded to get a 2014 hunting license if they plan to hunt

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MOVE OVER—Another steeple joins that of Old St. Joe's steeple, also visible to boats cruising into the harbor. Nathan Nagarak, a construction supervisor on the new Nome Covenant Church project, guided the cupola into place last week.

"It's a nice addition to Nome's skyline," said passerby Carl Putman. The spire reaches 28 feet into the sky from its base, according to Jim Trosper, a volunteer heading up the construction job. The cupola will have a light on during the dark hours, he said. "You know that we have only four hours of daylight in winter?" Putman asked. "That will be quite a light bill."

Photo by Sandra L. Medearis



Photo by Jim Menard, Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game
CRAB CATCH SURGES—A red king crab catch pours into the Norton Sound Seafood Products plant in Nome on Sept. 6. The crab harvest more than doubled last week compared to the previous week.

I'm Clara (Johnson) Langton, I currently serve on the Bering Straits Native Corporation Board of Directors.

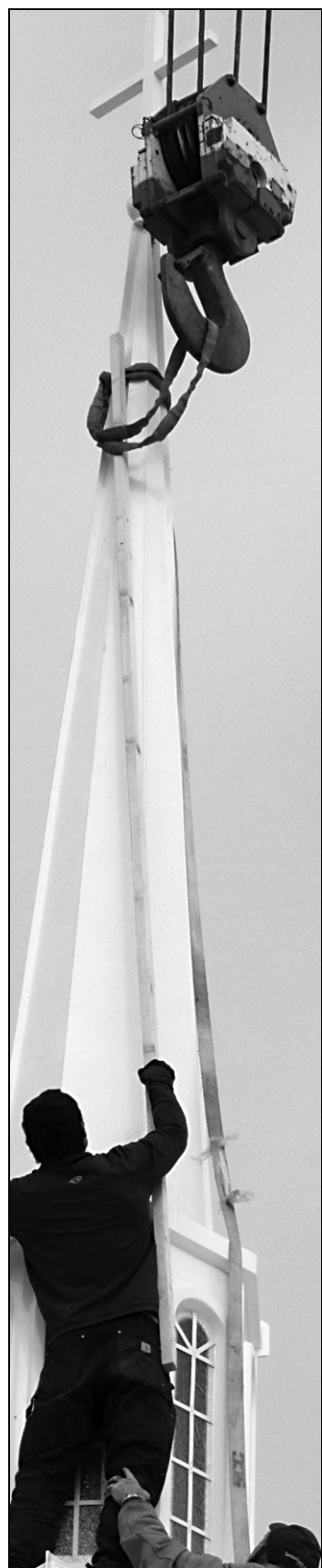


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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RACE— Competitors toe the line in the Elementary School race in Kotzebue.



Photo by Melanie Sagoonick

A TIGHT PACK— Runners in the Elementary School race charge downhill at the race in Unalakleet.

Unalakleet Invitational Cross Country Race Results

Boys High School			
Place	Time	Runner	Team
1	19:47.0	Dominic Richardson	St. Michael
2	19:50:00	Jayden Wilson	Unalakleet
3	21:00:00	Aucha Johnson	Unalakleet
4	21:47:00	Lincoln Saccheus	Elim
5	22:10:00	Tim Sagoonick	Unalakleet
6	22:47:00	Tony Takak	Elim
7	22:50:00	Sikulik Johnson	Unalakleet
8	23:11:00	Jessie Nakarak	Elim
9	23:12:00	Ralph Saccheus	Elim
10	23:40:00	Isaiah Saccheus	Elim
11	24:43:00	John Washington	St. Michael
12	24:58:00	Tristan Richardson	St. Michael
13	26:26:00	Cimeon Mountain	Nulato
14	29:57:00	John Henry	Unalakleet

Girls High School			
Place	Time	Runner	Team
1	26:02:00	Allie Daniels	Individual
2	28:18:00	Katie Daniels	Individual
3	28:34:00	Season Haugen	Unalakleet
4	30:08:00	Laurel Katchatag	Unalakleet

Boys Middle School			
Place	Time	Runner	Team
1	22:21:00	Richard Takak	Elim
2	26:34:00	John Rochon	Unalakleet
3	27:39:00	Alvin Washington	St. Michael
4	32:06:00	Joseph Kniseley	Unalakleet
5	32:23:00	Charles Pitka	Nulato

Girls Middle School			
Place	Time	Runner	Team
1	25:02:00	EJ Rochon	Unalakleet
2	27:40:00	Summer Sagoonick	Unalakleet
3	33:27:00	Cheray Richardson	St. Michael
4	26:35:00	Karlee Katchatag	Unalakleet
5	49:22:00	Josephine Mountain	Nulato

PUBLIC NOTICE OF IDENTITY OF CANDIDATES

The following persons have filed for elected office for the October 1,2013 City of Nome Municipal, Utility Board and School Board Election:



Mayor	Two (2) Year Term Denise Michels
Common Council Seat “A”	One (1) Year Term Tom Sparks Kenneth Todd Langley Patrick Krier
Common Council Seat “E”	Three (3) Year Term Jerald Brown Louie Green, Jr.
Common Council Seat “F”	Three (3) Year Term Matt Culley

Utility Board Seat “A”	Two (2) Year Term Patrick H. Knodel
Utility Board Seat “D”	Three (3) Year Term Berda Willson
School Board Seat “E”	Three (3) Year Term Barbara J. Amarok Brandy M. Arrington

Any person with information intending to establish that a municipal candidate may be ineligible to fill that office may challenge the eligibility of the candidate. A challenge may be submitted at any time preceding the date and time of the Municipal Election and must be submitted to the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 102 Division Street, Nome, Alaska.

Kotzebue Invitational Cross Country Race Results

Mens Results			
5,000 Meters Varsity			
1.	Spencer Woods	20:27.4	Kotzebue
2.	Lief Erikson	21:01.0	Nome-Beltz
3.	Gary Eakin	21:13.5	Kotzebue
4.	Wilson Hoogendorn	21:31.1	Nome-Beltz
5.	Junyor Erikson	21:42.4	Nome-Beltz
6.	James Jorgenson	22:13.1	Nome-Beltz
7.	Harry Baldwin	22:29.1	Kotzebue
8.	Degnan Lawrence	22:38.6	Nome-Beltz
9.	Sam Smith	22:48.4	Kotzebue
10.	Zake Eakin	22:51.0	Kotzebue
11.	Ben Phillips	23:29.8	Kotzebue
12.	Kalluk Snyder	23:39.9	Noorvik
13.	Bobby Pate	23:53.6	Nome-Beltz
14.	John Hadley Jr.	23:56.5	Buckland
15.	Bernard Nash	24:12.9	Tikigaq
16.	Ethan Hadley	24:26.4	Buckland
17.	Gus Nelson	24:29.9	Kotzebue
18.	Trayton Ballot	24:32.0	Deering
19.	Gabriel Tiepleman	24:43.8	Tikigaq
20.	Alvin Iyatunguk	25:17.3	Deering
21.	Nolan Horner	25:29.1	Nome-Beltz
22.	Preston Downey	26:38.0	Noorvik
23.	Marvin Sheldon	27:06.0	Amblor
24.	Sean Nelson	27:24.4	Kotzebue
25.	Daniel Head	27:33.3	Nome-Beltz
26.	Nathaniel Appolloni	27:53.8	Nome-Beltz
27.	Ivgan Snyder	28:18.9	Noorvik
28.	Tommy Gammett	29:30.6	Kotzebue
29.	Jeremiah Gallahorn	30:01.5	Kotzebue
30.	Quallug Henry	31:52.0	Kotzebue
31.	Ralph Ramoth	33:30.6	Selawik
32.	Corey Tuzroyluk	35:12.8	Tikigaq

Womens Results			
5,000 Meters Varsity			
1.	Rosa Schmidt	24:30.1	Nome-Beltz
2.	Stephanie Sampson	29:11.0	Kotzebue
3.	Scarlett Beaver	29:57.3	Kotzebue
4.	Shawna Taft	30:33.5	Deering
5.	Sarah Washington	31:39.5	Buckland
6.	Daphany Iya	32:51.5	Nome-Beltz
7.	Jena Johnson	33:11.0	Selawik
8.	Ember Eck	33:14.1	Kotzebue
9.	Dorothy Koeing	34:10.1	Tikigaq
10.	Nina Gavin	35:09.3	Buckland
11.	Kanasha Lie	36:16.5	Kotzebue
12.	Kaitlin Tackett	36:56.3	Selawik
13.	Tanasha Lie	37:27.6	Kotzebue
14.	Shyla Johnson	40:51.5	Selawik
15.	Sara Ozenna	42:38.3	Kotzebue

Boys Results

5,000 Meters Middle School

1.	Al Lane Jr.	22:49.5	Tikigaq
2.	Kane Savok	23:00.5	Kotzebue
3.	Robert Sheldon	23:04.0	Napaagtugmiut
4.	Trevor Hickerson	23:06.4	Kotzebue
5.	Skylar Wells	23:18.0	Noorvik
6.	Jamie Yi	23:25.4	Nome-Beltz
7.	Timothy Zibell	23:47.8	Noorvik
8.	Amos Sage	24:11.0	Napaagtugmiut
9.	Aaron Rose	24:21.4	Nome-Beltz
10.	Xavier Jones	25:29.9	Kotzebue
11.	Marvin Lee	25:46.0	Kotzebue
12.	Ronald Jones	25:52.0	Buckland
13.	Tom Miller	26:17.1	Kotzebue
14.	Gabe Stalker	26:21.5	Kotzebue
15.	John Wade	26:43.9	Nome-Beltz
16.	Dane Robinson	27:01.5	Nome-Beltz
17.	Ethan Roetman	27:20.0	Kotzebue
18.	Tyrone Coffin	27:55.8	Noorvik
19.	Haiden Williamson	28:21.4	Kotzebue
20.	Harley Ryder	28:58.8	Kotzebue
21.	Alvin Werneke	29:08.3	Kotzebue
22.	Benji Sampson	29:24.1	Noorvik
23.	Shaylynn Ticket	30:21.3	Selawik
24.	Judah Atkinson	30:53.5	Kotzebue
25.	Gabe Thomas	31:03.3	Kotzebue
26.	Devin Ticket	31:24.4	Selawik
27.	Brian Stalker	37:01.1	Kotzebue
28.	Kaiden Conwell	37:07.1	Kotzebue
29.	Cadell Washington	39:30.6	Kotzebue

Girls Results

5,000 Meters Middle School girls

1.	Alanna Conwell	29:19.5	Kotzebue
2.	Calia Sieh	29:41.5	Kotzebue
3.	Dolly Hank	30:16.0	Tikigaq
4.	Cassidy Kramer	30:35.5	Kotzebue
5.	Laura Ramoth	32:02.8	Selawik
6.	Daynon Medlin	32:47.3	Nome-Beltz
7.	Bessie Custer	33:08.4	Amblor
8.	Alice Sage	33:10.8	Buckland
9.	Dorcas Swan	33:22.0	Deering
10.	Deborah Stein	34:55.1	Kotzebue
11.	Madison Johnson	35:16.1	Nome-Beltz
12.	Alyssa Schaeffer	36:38.1	Kotzebue
13.	Tanya Cleveland	39:01.6	Amblor

Nome Nanooks coach Jeff Collins' comments: It was a beautiful day. We did not have many of our runners due to illness but the boys still managed a win even without Oliver Hoogendorn in the mix. Lots improvements in the JV and JR High, we are becoming continually mentally tough.

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GO— Middle School competitors blast off the starting line at the XC race in Kotzebue. *Photo by Crystal Tobuk*



AT THE FINISH— Nome Nanook James Jorgensen approaches the finish line at the race in Kotzebue in 6th place, 1:46 minutes behind the winner, Spencer Woods from Kotzebue. *Photo by Crystal Tobuk*



RUNNER-UP— Lief Erikson of Nome leads Wilson Hoogendorn of Nome during the boys varsity race in Kotzebue. Erikson finished in second place, just 34 seconds behind the winner Spencer Woods of Kotzebue. Hoogendorn came in fourth place, 1:04 minutes behind first place. *Photo by Crystal Tobuk*



LOCAL RUNNERS— (left to right) Ralph Saccheus from Elim, Tristan Richardson of St. Michael, John Washington of St. Michael and Jessie Nakarak of Elim share some trail time together during the boys race at the Unalakleet Cross Country Invitational. *Photo by Melanie Sagoonick*



RUN, ROSA, RUN— Rosa Schmidt of Nome dominated the Womens varsity race, finishing 4:41 minutes ahead of her closest competitor, Stephanie Sampson of Kotzebue. *Photo by Crystal Tobuk*



LEADERS— (left to right) Dominic Richardson of St. Michael, Jayden Wilson and Aucha Johnson, both of Unalakleet, lead the field in the boys race during the Unalakleet Invitational race. Richardson ended up winning the race in 19:47 minutes, with Wilson crossing the line just 3 seconds later. Johnson finished third, 1:13 minutes out of first. *Photo by Melanie Sagoonick*



HEALTHY AND HAPPY— Participants in the Elementary School run in Unalakleet enjoy the miles. *Photo by Melanie Sagoonick*

Kingikmiuts hosts 14th Annual Dance Festival

By Denise Olin

The residents of Wales were hustling and bustling for the three-day Dance Festival that brings tradition and a great reason to stay up past usual bedtimes. A team of Wales's residents drove guests to and from the event location (the Wales school). The event cooks spent 14 hours plus in the kitchen making certain the guests and villagers are fed during this long-hour event. People created traditional spreads in their homes for guests that would come and go during the day.

Children are showing an interest in becoming dancers and drummers/singers. Faye Ongtowasruk, a Wales elder, reminiscences about long ago Eskimo dancing. IRA council members set up for raffle ticket sales for items. Clean up after the nightly event takes place at the end each early morning and steals sleep from those involved in cleaning.

The last morning of the event, the dancers and singers/drummers perform till 10 in the morning and some only stop to catch their chartered flight back home. Wales, for three days and nights, is a busy place, and community members are happy to have guests in their midst. However, lack of organization creates late starts each night of the event.

Chauffeur guests is part of the tasks at hand, Reuben "Oolaq" Oxereok and Lloyd "Ootuk" Oxereok, brothers, handled this task nicely with two 4-wheelers and trailers in hitch. They got by on little or no sleep to ensure guests were at their desired destination.

The cooks, Michele Ongtowasruk

and Mary Ann "Mundy" Oxereok, were probably the busiest two during the whole festival. They worked over 14 hours every day and created good eats during the festivities, sacrificing the enjoyment of watching the dances.

Lucy Kitchen on Friday had a traditional spread "nigipiaq" on her table with Diomedea greens, Point Hope aged muktuk, Point Hope dried beluga meat, Shishmaref "paniqtaq" dried bearded seal "ugruk," Brevig red salmon, Brevig smoked salmon, NSEDC crab, and Brevig beach lo-vage "tukiyuks." From Wales at the table were a few Kingikmiuts enjoying the native feast, and greens "sura" and tundra tea. People from many of the dance groups stream in throughout each day to eat a bite from Lucy's table during the whole three-day event – Teller, King Island, Point Hope and Anchorage Kingikmiut, as well as visitors from far and near, Lorraine Angnaboogok Weber originally from Wales having lived in Sunnyville, California for approximately 28 years also enjoyed some traditional foods.

At least five toddlers showed a high interest in dancing and joined in during dance performances. The youngsters performed different dances that they'd seen during the three nights of festivities, even when the groups were dancing to a different tune, these kids would be dancing one they learned the night before. A young performer, four-year-old Jessica Lynn Kowunna from the Point Hope group performed a solo each night. Jessica's performance was a dance that that was created for

young girls to begin with. Her mother Aggie Kowunna says she performed this dance as a young child with her friends.

Faye Ongtowasruk, 84-year-old Wales elder, reminiscences about dancing when she was too young to partake in the dance (approximately 72 years ago) – teenage boys would get up and invite teenage girls to dance and that was a traditional way of getting up and dancing, this was in the community hall "qar gi" in the center of the village.

The Wales IRA council members were behind the scenes for this event. Wales IRA raffled a number of items: a TV, a girl's bike, a boy's bike, iPads, ulus and a few other items. There were also many door prizes and if it was a local who'd won, they usually gave their prize to out of town people – a great way to show hospitality, even a Point Hope guest gave away her prize, which wound up being a Point Hope jacket.

There is a buzz around the event with a bit of frustration on the late starts and the seemingly lack of organization and hopes of a coordinator in the near future events.

Kingikmiut Dance Festival (KDF) has been attempting to fill a position for a KDF coordinator, unable to complete this feat has left guests and residents waiting for the performance and feast to start on time.

If this were a filled position, things would likely run smoothly and there would likely be fewer delays in starting. With this said, the dance groups would still likely perform into the wee hours of morning.



OI, OI— Cain Seetook, 1 ½, dances all night each of the three nights of the Kingikmiut Dance Festival, he is the most enthusiastic of the toddlers during this 14th annual gathering, while his mom Rachel Seetook is awaiting the arrival of his sibling in Nome.



BOWING TO THE DRUMMERS— Jalen Conan, 11, grandly performs the John Tingook Sayuun dance at the 14th annual Kingikmiut Dance Festival, August 31, 2013.



FRIENDS— Susan Hawkins (r) and Angela Analook-Bordenelli perform on Saturday, August 31, during the Kingikmiut Dance Festival.



HARMONY— L-R: Hannah Tungiyun, Melinda Apassingok, Angela Morris, and Sherry Kulukhon are with the Gambell dance group. Kulukhon was adorned with hair beads or headdress each night of the three-day event.

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Tuberculosis: Prevention requires regular surveillance and timely treatment

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

Rural Alaska has one of the highest concentrations of tuberculosis (TB) in the United States. This means that over a lifetime, most people in rural Alaska stand a good chance of being exposed to someone who has active TB. The chances are highest for those who work in healthcare or who work closely with homeless individuals. But this does not necessarily mean every exposed person will contract TB.

Tuberculosis is caused by an organism called *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. It is spread from person to person on respiratory droplets that become airborne when a sick person coughs or sneezes. It is not passed by sharing utensils, wearing clothes, or touching items used by an infected person. In fact, most cases of TB are contracted only by those living and sleeping in close quarters with an infected person who is actively coughing.

Tuberculosis is different from most other bacteria because it grows very slowly. This is why small, brief exposures to TB rarely lead to active disease. The body can quickly wall off a small number of bacteria before they divide to cause an active infection.

For this reason, TB infections are divided into two different types: *latent* TB and *active* TB.

When the body is able to contain the TB bacteria, the infection is called "latent." Latent TB is not contagious. People with latent TB may take medication to reduce the likelihood of developing active TB, but they may safely work, live, and play in close proximity with others.

A few people with latent TB will go on to develop signs of illness like fever, night sweats, and cough. This is called active TB. If left untreated, active TB causes a slow death with weight loss that makes a person appear to be wasting away, which is why TB was once called "consumption." A person with active TB is contagious and should be under the care of medical professionals.

A simple skin test, often called the PPD test, is used to determine if a person has been exposed to the TB bacteria. In this test a small amount of purified protein derivative (PPD) is injected just under the skin. The protein in this injection mimics TB proteins. If the body has been exposed to TB at some point in the past, a reaction occurs causing a wheal or bump to form at the site of injection within 48-72 hours. The absence of a bump shows that the person has not contracted the TB bacteria.

People who take immunosuppressant medications for certain cancers or people treated for autoimmune disease may not react to the PPD test and must have alternative testing performed by their providers to rule out TB exposure.

A new conversion from a negative

PPD to a positive PPD is usually a sign of latent TB. If a case of latent TB is caught within the first two years of exposure, the likelihood of developing active TB, which is low to begin with, can be further reduced by taking medication such as isoniazid (INH) or rifampentine. This medication must be taken for several months to ensure the slow-growing TB is eradicated.

Not everyone who has been exposed needs to take medication. Only people who actively convert from a negative PPD skin test to a positive PPD skin test need to be treated.

Because the optimum window for treatment is the first two years after an exposure, many high-risk groups like healthcare workers, teachers, people with diabetes mellitus, and homeless individuals should have PPD testing performed annually. The test is often required prior to attending school.

Only people with active TB, the contagious form, require intensive treatment for eradicating the tuberculosis bacteria. This treatment involves a combination of up to four medications given over an extended period of time.

If you are in a high-risk group that is not routinely tested for TB or if you believe you have been exposed to someone with an active TB infection, talk with your provider or public health nurse about appropriate testing.



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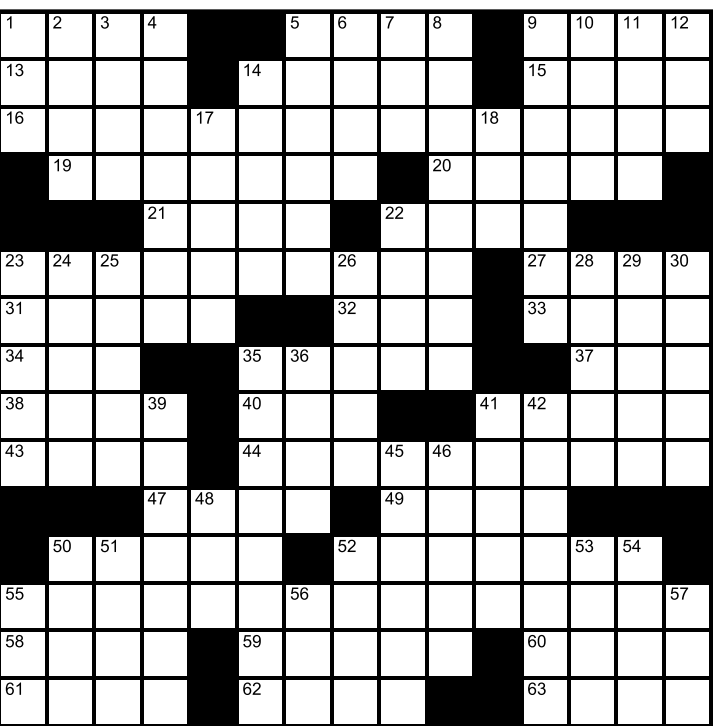
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1. Agree

5. Aspect

9. Got bigger

13. Kuwaiti, e.g.

14. Middle Eastern sweetmeat

15. "The ____ of the Ancient Mariner"

16. Single-stranded macromolecule (2 wds)

19. Spanish title for married women

20. Contents of some cartridges

21. Knowing, as a secret (2 wds)

22. "Cogito ____ sum"

23. Rate per hundred parts

27. Like young Abe Lincoln

31. Accumulate

32. Criticize, slangily

33. Soon, to a bard

34. Ballpoint, e.g.

35. Chutzpah

37. " ____ bad!"

38. Length x width, for a rectangle

40. Drink from a dish

41. Do watercolors

43. Cleaning cabinet supplies

44. Vocal expressions

47. Quaker's "you"

49. Legal prefix

50. Chocolate substitute

52. Spanish nobleman

55. Sanctuary in another country to avoid persecution (2 wds)

58. Cross

59. Gillette product

60. Arid

Down

61. Fencing sword

62. Remnant

63. Makeup, e.g.

1. Bump

2. Western blue flag, e.g.

3. Honey

4. African American Vernacular English

5. Empty

6. Misfortunes

7. "The Three Faces of ____"

8. Female restaurant server

9. Rolled oats with dried fruit and nuts

10. Houston university

11. Arabic for "commander"

12. Lent's start, e.g.: Abbr.

14. Second largest of the Great Lakes

17. Fifth canonical hour

18. Minor player

22. Auspices

23. Kind of cross

24. File

25. Hindu queen

26. Accommodate

28. Bit of high jinks

29. Who "ever loved you more than I," in song (2 wds)

30. Comb stoppers

35. North American songbird

36. Miles per hour, e.g.

39. With a leg on each side

41. Monetary unit of Serbia

42. Shrink

45. Final words

46. "M*A*S*H" role

48. All the rage

50. Chicken enclosure

51. ____ vera

52. Confusion

53. Delight

54. "One of ____" (Willa Cather novel)

55. Grand ____ ("Evangeline" setting)

56. "Wheels"

57. Big Apple attraction, with "the"

Previous Puzzle Answers

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HOROSCOPES

September 11, 2013 — September 17, 2013

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

A letter of intent gets the conversation going at work. Listen and learn, Capricorn. Last-ditch efforts to clear away the clutter at home work.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

A relative's ignorance is not bliss, Aries. You could get exasperated and throw up your hands, or you could view the situation as a teaching opportunity.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Uh-uh-uh, Cancer. This is not the time for a lackluster performance. Give it your all, and you will come out smiling. An email is just the tip of the iceberg.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

Libra growing listless? No problem. A familiar face will breathe new life into an old project, and you'll soon have more on your plate than you have time for.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

All hands on deck, Aquarius. The to-do list grows, and many projects remain unfinished. A job offer entails much more than described. Dig a little deeper.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Watch it, Taurus. You don't want to be the sole holdout. Re-examine the situation from the perspective of others. You just might change your mind.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Congrats, Leo. You made a suggestion, it was received well and now all you have left to do is see it through. Make sure you choose the right team.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

The colors of fall inspire you to make some changes to your decor, Scorpio. Start with that neglected corner. It could soon become a popular hangout.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Impulse shopping uncovers many good deals. Seize only what you can use, Pisces, or prepare for your pocketbook to be empty and your house full.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

A major cleanup at home uncovers many cherished mementos. Put them where they belong, Gemini. You may soon need one for reference.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Romance burns bright and makes for an easy week at home. A reunion of friends over the weekend provides impetus for change. Move, Virgo, move.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Doggone it, Sagittarius. A pesky friend strikes again, and you find yourself helping them out once more. Settle down. This will be the last time.

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Obituaries

Waldimar Kumluyaq Campbell

Waldimar Kumluyaq Campbell was born to Victor and Inez Campbell on December 17, 1954. He died at home on the afternoon of August 8, with brother Siiva by his side. “Kumlu” was the sixth boy born to Victor and Inez. In his childhood he was in the Boy Scouts. This led to his desire to serve his country by enlisting in the National Guard. Kumluyaq was a full time hunter. He had a strong desire to subsist for his family as well as his extended families. He started out hunting birds and mice using a lluu and sling-shot; he passed on as a boat captain. Most recently, Kumlu successfully struck and landed a whale in the spring of 2012. Kumlu lovingly took care of his nieces Esna and Siku. He loved and cared for them as if they were his very own.

Kumlu is survived by his brothers Edgar, Miller, Victor Jr., and Salvadore; sisters Louisa, Orpha, Jolene and Victoria; nieces Esna and Siku; numerous other nieces and nephews too many to name. He was preceded in death by parents Victor, Sr. and Inez; sisters Virginia and Nuvu; grandparents Philip and Nita; uncles Pengwaaq and Kaan’ghu. Kumluyaq accepted the Lord in his heart in 1980 along with other peers. He will be greatly missed but will be in our hearts forever. The Lord bless and keep you until we see each other again.

Jacob Agazagaq Olanna, Sr. July 3, 1950 - August 23, 2013

Jacob Agazagaq Olanna, Sr. was

born on July 3, 1950 in Ikpek in a tent while his parents Alfred and Irene Olanna were camping. He was among 10 brothers and sisters. He grew up in Shishmaref and attended Shishmaref School until he completed eighth grade. Jacob attended Mt. Edgecumbe High School in Sitka, Alaska and graduated in 1969. He enlisted in the Navy in 1970. In 1971, he attended the USN Aviation Machinist Center was certified as a Jet Mechanic. He repaired damaged helicopters during the Vietnam War. He also served as a cook and he had great pride in cooking for the high-ranking officers. He was honorably discharged in November 1974. In 1975, he met his life-long companion, Eileen. He lovingly raised Kathleen as his own daughter. They soon had Jackie, Iris, Jake Jr., and Irene. In November 1975-March 1976, he attended the Village Police Training at the Public Safety Academy. At both training centers, he successfully earned certificates for his accomplishments. While in the Navy, he learned many skills and applied them to his numerous employment positions: VPSO in Shishmaref when the program was first created; General

Manager, Shishmaref Hotel in the mid-1970s; he was a policeman for NPD; Eskimo Walrus Commission Specialist; Oct. 1986-89, director, Kawerak Reindeer Herders Association; April 1990-91, Housing Counselor at the BSRHA; and Sept. 19, 1990-April 8, 1993, executive director, Shishmaref Native Corp.; in 2002-2003 he served as director of the ICWA Program for the Nome Eskimo Community. Jake also held other jobs such as driving taxis and worked as a carpenter with his uncle, Washington Olanna. While representing Kawerak on the Alaska Migratory Bird Co-Management Council, he went on several Russian trips and traveled to outlying villages where he met many people and maintained long lasting friendships. Jake was involved in Natural Resources and Subsistence issues that were so dear to his heart and to those who rely on subsistence as their way of life. He dearly loved his children and grandchildren and he gave them all nicknames. Jake loved to cook especially making spaghetti and stews. He learned how to subsist at an early age and taught his children the same. He enjoyed making people laugh and had a great sense of humor. When he first moved to Nome, Jake learned from Frank Ahnangnatoguk

of various locations to fish and hunt. He was appreciative of Frank for sharing his knowledge of ideal places to gather food for his family. Jake also loved to travel back home to Shishmaref during holidays and summertime for berry picking. He was very pleased when his native allotment at Pingu was finally approved and was looking forward to taking his family there. Jacob is survived by his companion Eileen and children Kathleen and Archie Tocktoo, Jackie and Thurston, Iris and Ken, Jake Jr. and Lisa, and Irene; grandchildren: Pamela, Tamaira, Nicholas and Katelyn, Alicyn and Chandler, Nathan, Zhane and Kennedy; sisters and brothers Cindy Olanna, Daniel and Evelyn Olanna, Mary Hanson, Julia and Don Colwell, Lillian and Steven Kiyutelluk and Harold Olanna; brother-in-law Alvin Pootoogooluk, sister-in-law Karen Olanna, and many nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his parents Alfred and Irene Olanna, brother Melvin, sisters Anna Pootoogooluk and Martha Kiyutelluk, Clayton Kiyutelluk (brother-in-law), Rebecca Olanna (sister-in-law) and grandson Brandon Bahnke.

Saying it Sincerely

By Charles Brower, Pastor Community United Methodist Church Member Nome Ministerial Association

Beyond Kin

In traditional Inupiaq communities, the Qargi was the proactive center of community life; the centralized means of supporting cross-generational expression, inclusion and survival. Past generations of Arctic communities maintained linkages by kinship. This kinship was most in the qargi, or family gathering place. In Kotzebue, the Inupiat Illiquasiat strives to preserve traditional values and skills by teaching Inupiat values, survival skills, language and history to the residents of their region. In Barrow, the Inupiat Heritage Center teaches traditions, provides areas for community gatherings, workshops for traditional arts and crafts, and recognizes the contributions of Alaska natives. Inupiat life centers around the nuclear and extended family and the relationships are continually reinforced. Beyond immediate kin, exists additional social groups, some kin based and others not. Past generations used their qargi primarily for educational and ceremonial purposes as well as for socializing with unrelated community members. It is through participation in family groups the Inupiaq develop a greater sense of identity within a particular location or settlement. By maintaining clarity at the center of the community, through exchanges reinforcing the mental, spiritual, and physical well being of the people, a community adapts, evolves, and thrives. Churches today strive to foster a sense of community within our congregations. We gather in worship, encouraging small groups for Bible study or addressing the needs of particular interests (youth, young parents, choir etc.). Congregations gather and prayerfully approach God for for givenness, healing, and other individual needs. I wonder if our local community would benefit with a local “qargi” supporting our Alaska Native constituents?



Jacob Agazagaq Olanna, Sr.

Sound Off

Abuse of Drug Discount Program: Corrosive Crony Capitalism By Sally C. Pipes

Federal lawmakers are constantly tinkering with the healthcare market. Often, these invasions have perverse consequences. Indeed, one federal initiative designed to provide poor Americans with discounted drugs has morphed into an ungainly operation fattening the bottom lines of pharmacies and hospitals. Enacted in 1992, the “340B” program requires drug companies to provide steep discounts on drugs to qualifying hospitals and clinics. The program was meant to help institutions that serve large numbers of low-income or uninsured Americans. From the outset, however, 340B has been plagued with problems. And

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Church Services Directory

- Bible Baptist Church**
443-2144
Sunday School: 10 a.m./Worship: 11 a.m.
- Community Baptist Church-SBC**
108 West 3rd Avenue • 443-5448 • Pastor Bruce Landry
Sunday Small Group Bible Study: 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
- Community United Methodist Church**
West 2nd Avenue & C Street • 443-2865
Pastor Charles Brower
Sunday: Worship 11:00 am
Monday: Bible Study 6:30 to 8:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday: Thrift Shop 7:00 to 8:30 pm
Wednesday: Faith Followers 5:45 to 7:30 pm
- Nome Covenant Church**
101 Bering Street • 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey
Sunday: School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday: Youth Group 6:30 p.m. (443-8063 for more info)
Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Our Savior Lutheran Church**
5th Avenue & Bering • 443-5295
Sunday: Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday: worship 7 p.m. (2nd and 4th Sunday only)
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side
- River of Life Assembly of God**
405 W. Seppala • 443-5333 • Pastor Mike Christian Jr.
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Youth Meeting: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
(Ages: 6th grade thru 12th Grade)
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.
- St. Joseph Catholic Church**
Corner of Steadman & W. King Place • 443-5527
Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Masses: Mon. & Tue. 9:00 a.m., Thur. 12:10 p.m.
Friday Hospital Mass: 12:10 p.m. (NSRH Meditation Room)
Patients going to ANMC and want to see a Catholic priest please call Fr. Brunet, OMI: cell 907-441-2106 or Holy Family Cathedral (907) 276-3455
- Seventh-Day Adventist**
Icy View • 443-5137
Saturday Sabbath School: 10 a.m.
Saturday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
- Nome Church of Nazarene**
3rd Avenue & Division Street • 443-2805
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Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m.

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Employment

Native Village of White Mountain
Recruitment Notice as of 8/21/13
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To: All Qualified Applicants
Position: **ANA Project Coordinator**
Compensation: \$30/hr. or DOE up to \$40,000 per year for ¾ time work
Benefits:
1. You get to live in the village
2. Possibility of other part-time employment
Job Location: **White Mountain, Alaska**

Brief Summary of Job Responsibilities: Coordinate and manage all aspects of the Native Village of White Mountain's Administration For Native Americans grant currently in progress. Collect stream flow and water quality data at the project's gage site on the Ichupak River to USGS standards. Document anadromous fish life cycle presence on the Ichupak River and its tributaries. Archive data and manage database. Oversee field crews and youth technicians including assisting with recruitment, hiring, training, and retention. Work cooperatively with other projects within the Native Village of White Mountain Environmental Program. All duties which promote the success of the project and tribal environmental goals as the IRA Council determines.

- Qualifications:**
1. B.A. degree or commensurate experience in project management or environmental data collection
 2. Strong organizational, oral and written communication skills
 3. Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel
 4. Proficiency in ArcGIS desired
 5. Ability to work well with the public
 6. Strong outdoors and first aid skills

Applications are available at the **Igatunmiut Tribal Center** in White Mountain, AK.
Ph 907 638 3651
Fax 907 638 3652
Questions may be directed to Eric Morris, Watershed Coordinator, emorris@ak.net, or Dorothy Barr, Tribal Coordinator, dbarr@kawerak.org.
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**Deputy Clerk II
Alaska Court System
Nome, Alaska
\$3,928.00 Monthly**
Closing Date: September 17, 2013
The Alaska Court System (ACS) is recruiting for a Deputy Clerk II for the Nome Clerk's Office. The selected applicant will serve as a reception/front counter, jury, and small claims clerk.

How to Apply / For More Information: Qualified applicants must submit an application through the State of Alaska's job posting system, Workplace Alaska at <http://workplace.alaska.gov>. For more information, contact the Alaska Court System Human Resources Department at recruitment@courts.state.ak.us or 907-264-8242.
The Alaska Court System is an equal employment opportunity employer and supports workplace diversity.
9/5-12

Nome Eskimo Community
Nome Eskimo Community is recruiting for one (1) position located in Nome, AK:
• ICWA Specialist: non-exempt, regular, full-time position. The pay range is \$22.43/hour - \$25.24/hour (DOE). The application deadline is open until filled.
To ensure the safety of children who receive services, Nome Eskimo Community will complete a Criminal History Background Check on all applicants considered for the ICWA Specialist position. To be considered for employment, the report must be free of crimes involving sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor, unlawful exploitation of a minor indecent exposure, crimes of violence against persons, and must show that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony within the past ten years.
Native preference per Public Law 93-638
A full copy of the job descriptions and an employment application can be obtained from the Nome Eskimo Community Website www.necalaska.org or from the Nome Eskimo Community Office at 200 West 5th Avenue.
For any questions, please contact the Human Resources Manager, Emma Pate, at 907-443-9125 or by email to emmamate@gci.net
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WANTED—Muskox horn, moose/caribou antler, old ivory, Eskimo artifacts. Call Roger 304-1048or e-mail nomerog@hotmail.com
8/8-tfn

Trooper Beat

On September 2, at 5:36 p.m., Nome Alaska Wildlife Troopers contacted and cited Hans C. A. Schubert, 34, of Anchorage, for providing a false statement on his 2013 sport fishing license application. He was claiming low-income status and did not qualify. Bail set at \$300.

On September 3, Mary Lou Amaktoolik, 64, of Golovin, pleaded guilty to two counts of failing to obtain her salmon CFEC permit prior to fishing in two open periods. Amaktoolik was ordered to pay \$500 on each count with \$250 suspended and placed on two years of Fish and Wildlife Probation.

On September 5, Nome AWT contacted and cited Charles D. Johnson, 41, of Vancouver, WA, for sport fishing in the Nome River without a valid 2013 fishing license. Bail set at \$200.

On September 6, Nome AWT contacted and cited James R. Brown, 41, of White Mountain, for transporting his moose antlers from his kill site before the edible meat and for failing to validate his permit. Brown removed his moose head and one front quarter, left his kill site downstream on the Fish River and returned to White Mountain. He was advised by the White Mountain VPSO and Nome AWT to return to the kill site immediately and recover the edible meat. Brown salvaged the meat and was ordered to appear in the Nome District Court.

Division of Elections certifies petition to repeal SB 21

The Division of Elections has certified that the citizen group, “Vote Yes! Repeal the Oil Giveaway,” collected enough signatures to allow the measure that seeks to repeal Senate Bill 21 on the primary ballot in August 2014.

SB 21 has ignited controversy as it sought to entice oil and gas development in Alaska by lowering taxes levied on oil and gas producers. Governor Sean Parnell introduced and heavily lobbied for passage of the so-called More Alaska Production Act.

Parnell signed the legislation into law on May 21.

Proponents to repeal SB 21 said that Alaska state coffers receive about 23 percent of the value of each barrel sold in production taxes. Under SB 21, this would change to 11 percent for new oil production.

Vic Fischer, a former state senator, delegate to Alaska’s Constitutional Convention and prime sponsor

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• More Sound Off

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now, it often fails to actually help vulnerable patients.

The first major flaw is the program's eligibility requirements for healthcare providers. The existing eligibility formula does not measure obviously relevant metrics such as the percentage of uninsured patients a hospital serves or the amount of uncompensated care it provides.

A Government Accountability Office report confirmed that even some hospitals that just “provide a small amount of care to low-income individuals... could claim 340B discounts.” And a study by Avalere Health found that states with fewer uninsured residents actually had higher shares of hospitals taking advantage of 340B.

Second, the program doesn’t require that discounted medications be dispensed only to people who actually need them. As a result, many hospitals are selling drugs they purchased on discount at full price to patients with private insurance coverage.

Finally, the hospitals and pharmacies dispensing these drugs aren't required to pass the savings onto patients.

As a result of these gaping flaws, a drug program meant to help the uninsured has turned into an arbitrage operation that lets hospitals and retail pharmacies buy billions of dollars’ worth of steeply discounted drugs, bill insurance companies and patients the full retail price, and then pocket the difference.

When Sen. Charles Grassley (R-Iowa) looked into the program, he found that the Duke University Hospital — where only 5 percent of patients were uninsured — was able to leverage the discount program to boost its net income by almost \$50 million last year.

“Hospitals are reaping sizable 340B discounts on drugs and then turning around and up-selling them to fully insured patients,” Grassley wrote in a letter to the agency overseeing the 340B program.

340B now represents an unholy alliance between moneyed interests and public regulators. The free market has been undermined. Many low-income patients genuinely in need of help are being left out in the cold. Drug companies are being forced to sell a growing volume of products at severe discount — leaving many with little choice but to make up for those lost revenues by raising prices on other consumers.

Congress and regulators have compounded the problem over the years by repeatedly expanding 340B. Almost one-third of hospitals nationally now participate.

The largest and most troubling expansion came in 2010, when regulators authorized hospitals to contract with an unlimited number of outside pharmacies anywhere in the country to dispense 340B discounted drugs. Previously, hospitals could only use in-house pharmacies or contract with a single pharmacy.

This particular change has led to a dramatic increase in the number of contract pharmacies benefiting from 340B. In 2010, there were just under 4,000. Today, that number has jumped to 30,000 — a 700 percent increase.

Accordingly, the total value of 340B discounts has also exploded and is projected to grow significantly in the coming years.

These expansions are making a bad problem even worse. 340B is too often being abused to bolster hospital profits. Healthcare providers should be competing in a free and open market — not exploiting a well-intentioned program meant to help low-income Americans.

The abuse of 340B represents corrosive crony capitalism at its worst. Lawmakers need to fix this program.

Sally C. Pipes is President, CEO, and Taube Fellow in Health Care Studies at the Pacific Research Institute. Her latest book is The Cure for Obamacare (Encounter 2013).

Nome Public Schools

Openings for the 2013 - 2014 School Year

Nome Elementary School

Special Education Aide II	\$18.12---	\$21.21	DOE
4Th Grade Instructional Aide	\$16.94---	\$19.82	DOE
Lead Cook	\$18.12---	\$21.21	DOE

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• Moose

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with a RM849 permit in the winter 2014 season.

The closure in Unit 22(B) West of the Darby Mountains is added to the RM840 season closure announced for Unit 22(C).

Only the hunt areas assigned to registration permit RM840 within Unit 22(D) Kuzitrin Drainage and

Unit 22(D) Southwest have not reached harvest quota and remain open at this time. Unless additional closures are announced by emergency order, the RM840 season in Unit 22(D) is Sept. 1-Sept. 14. Hunters are advised to check with the Nome ADF&G office for emergency closures as the season progresses and harvest is reported to the department.



Nome Public Schools Annual Child Find Notice 2013-14

All children have the ability to learn. Each one has unique strengths and weaknesses. Some learn faster. Some have different needs due to problems with seeing, hearing, talking, moving, or simply dealing with people. This notice is to inform you and the community about the right to, and availability of, educational services for all children with disabilities.

Nome Public School District is required by federal and state law (34 CFR 300.220.34 CFR 300.121) to conduct an annual 'Child Find' effort as a means to locate, identify, and evaluate every student between the ages of 3 and 21 with a suspected disability within its jurisdiction.

Disabilities that qualify for Special Education services include: autism, deafness, deaf-blindness, early childhood developmental delay, emotional disturbance, hearing impairment, specific learning disability, cognitive impairment, orthopedic impairment, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment, or any combination of these, which has or might be expected to interfere with a child's academic progress. Not all students referred for assessment qualify for special education services.

Students who are found eligible are entitled to a free and appropriate education, including specially designed instruction tailored to meet his or her unique needs. Any information regarding a child is treated in a confidential manner as required by state and federal law.

If you suspect that your child or a child you know may need to be identified in any of the areas listed, and the child is not currently receiving Special Education services, please contact:

Sandy Harvey, Special Education Coordinator
Nome Public Schools
Special Education Department
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Unalakleet Native Corporation

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9/5-12-19-26

CITY OF NOME
NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL MUNICIPAL, SCHOOL BOARD AND UTILITY BOARD ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 AM AND 8:00 PM OF THE SAME DAY.

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

THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTORS AT SAID ELECTION SHALL BE:

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

THE PURPOSE IS THE ELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING SEATS:

- 1. Mayor of the City of Nome, to be elected to a 2 year term:

Seat	Term	Incumbent
Mayor	2 Yr.	Denise Michels

- 2. Three members of the Common Council, one to be elected for a 1 year term and two to be elected to a 3 year term:

Seat	Term	Incumbent
"A"	1 Yr.	Tom Sparks
"E"	3 Yr.	Jerald Brown
"F"	3 Yr.	Josie Stiles

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

Seat	Term	Incumbent
"A"	2 Yr.	Pat Johanson
"D"	3 Yr.	Berda Willson

- 4. One member of the School Board, to be elected to a 3 year term:

Seat	Term	Incumbent
"E"	3 Yr.	Barb Amarok



8/29, 9/5-12-19-26

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation



NOTICE OF NSSP WORKING GROUP AT-LARGE MEMBER SELECTION

NSED is seeking individuals interested in serving a one-year term as an at-large member on the NSSP Working Group.

The NSSP Working Group provides fishermen a forum to provide their input regarding Northern and Southern NSSP's Operations plans and the NSED loan programs.

The NSSP Working Group meets twice a year:

- At 1st Quarter meetings (April/May) to review the NSSP Operations plans for the upcoming season.
- At the 3rd Quarter meetings (November) to review season activities and share ideas for improvement.

Interested individuals should submit a statement of interest with:

- 1. Name, address, and contact information; and include
- 2. A brief summary of their background, especially as it relates to this position.

Statements of interest may be faxed to (907) 274-2249, emailed to kathy@nsedc.com, or mailed to: NSED Board of Directors
420 L Street Suite 310
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Statements of interest must be received by October 1, 2013. The Board of Directors will review each Statement at the 3rd Quarter meetings in November.

Please contact Kathy Wheelehan at 1-800-650-2248 if you have any questions. Thank you for your interest.

Siu Alaska Corporation

Notice of Election of Directors and Invitation to Submit Statement of Interest



The annual meeting of the shareholder of Siu Alaska Corporation (Siu), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSED), will be held in November 2013 in connection with the NSED Board's 3rd Quarter meeting, for the purpose of electing two (2) persons to Siu's board of directors, each for a term of three (3) years. Each seat is in the second of Siu's three classes of directors, one is an at-large seat, and one must be filled by a person affiliated with NSED. The at-large seat may be filled by any person not affiliated with NSED. Persons affiliated with NSED are defined as NSED directors, the CEO, or NSED board committee members (including at-large committee members).

Any person interested in serving on Siu's board of directors in an at-large capacity, may submit to Siu at the address shown below, a resume and a statement of interest, which will be provided to NSED's board of directors prior to the election of the Siu directors (by the NSED board, acting as Siu's shareholder). **To be considered, resumes and statement of interests must be received by Siu no later than October 1, 2013.**

The statement of interest should demonstrate an understanding of the responsibilities and time commitment required to serve as a director of an active business corporation and a willingness to take on those demands. This statement must also provide personal information that should include (i) name, address, and contact information; (ii) a brief summary of education and employment background, especially as it relates to the person's qualifications for a director position; (iii) information concerning any personal or professional interests that may be relevant to this position; and (iv) if desired, a vision statement relating to the role of director for this company.

A Statement of Interest and resume may be submitted to Siu at the following address: John Eckels, President
Siu Alaska Corporation
420 L Street, Suite 310
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

or may be sent to Siu in care of Kathy Wheelehan by fax at (907) 274-2249 or by email to kathy@nsedc.com. Please direct any questions about the information in this notice to Kathy Wheelehan at 800 650-2248.

The deadline for submitting a resume and Statement of Interest is October 1, 2013.

• Division of Elections certifies repeal

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of the repeal effort said that Alaskans deserve a fair share of the wealth generated from Alaskan oil fields. "Repealing The Giveaway will help ensure that," Fischer said.
The Division of Elections certified

45,664 of the 52,649 signatures submitted from registered Alaskan voters. Only 30,169 signatures were required.
State law also requires that at least seven percent of Alaskans who voted in the previous election from 30 of

40 election districts sign the petition. The Division certified that this threshold was exceeded in all 40 election districts.
The election will take place on August 19, 2014.



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Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation

NOTICE OF ANNUAL AT-LARGE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER SELECTION

NSEDC is seeking individuals interested in serving a one-year term as an at-large member on the NSEDC Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee reviews financial reports, including investment performances, to help ensure the Corporation's financial stability. Without limitation of the foregoing, the Committee reviews:

- Investment performance and asset allocation at least once each quarter,
- All loan programs by the fourth quarter, annually, and
- All loan portfolios quarterly.


Interested individuals should submit a statement of interest with:

- Name, address, and contact information; and include
- A brief summary of their background, especially as it relates to this position.

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Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation

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

The following communities shall hold 2013 elections for a Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) Member Representative for a three-year term:

Community	Filing Deadline	Election Date
Brevig Mission	Sept. 20, 2013	Oct. 1, 2013
Diomedea	Sept. 20, 2013	Oct. 1, 2013
Shaktolik	Sept. 20, 2013	Oct. 1, 2013
Unalakleet	Sept. 20, 2013	Oct. 1, 2013
White Mountain	Sept. 20, 2013	Oct. 1, 2013

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

NSEDC Eligibility and Minimum Vote Requirements:

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


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

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

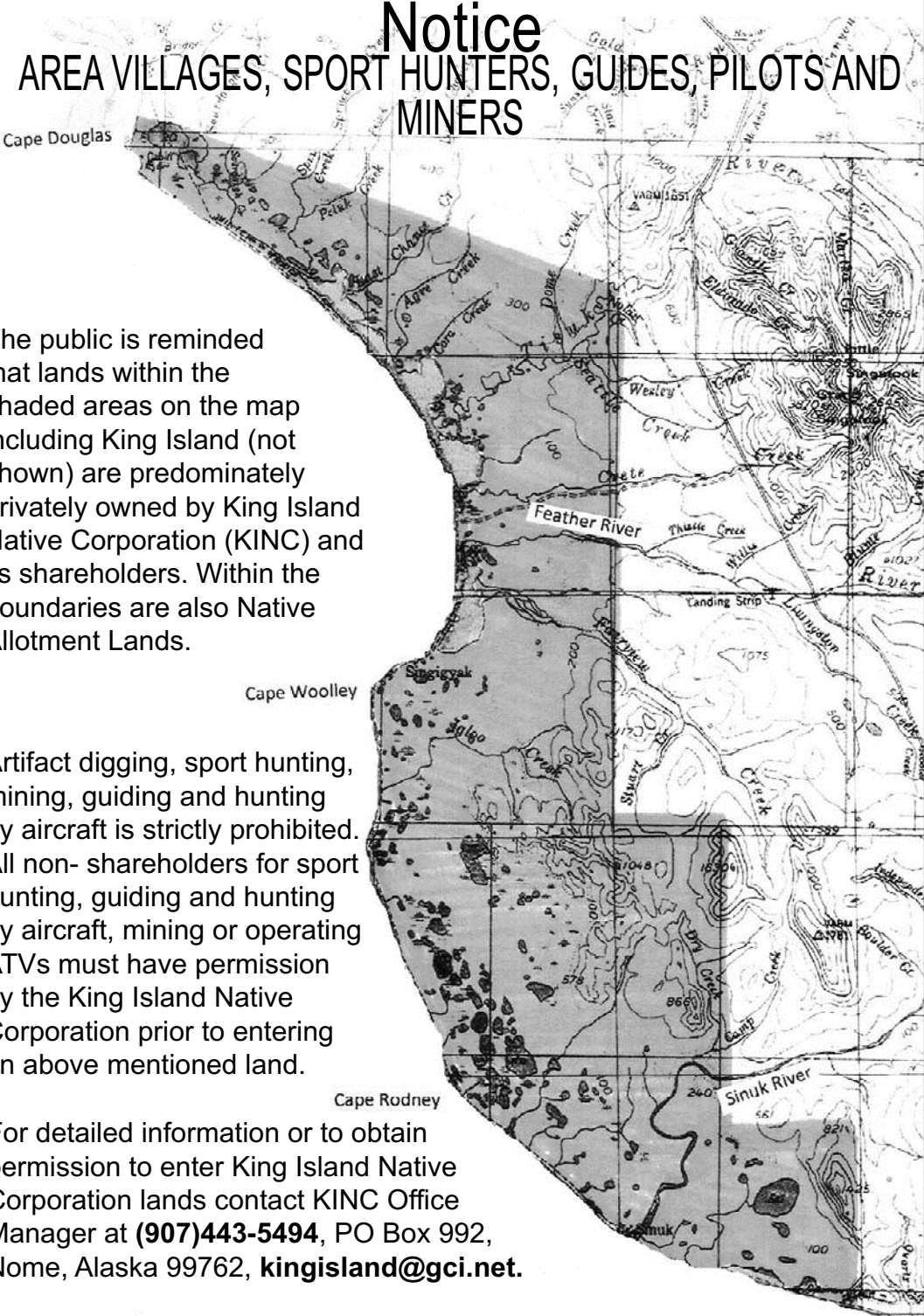
Voter Eligibility: Any registered voter who resides in a state election precinct that encompasses the member community, even if they live outside the community's municipal limits. To check if you are eligible to vote on the NSEDC ballot, visit the Alaska Division of Elections site: <http://www.elections.alaska.gov/index.php>.

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

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



Notice AREA VILLAGES, SPORT HUNTERS, GUIDES, PILOTS AND MINERS



The public is reminded that lands within the shaded areas on the map including King Island (not shown) are predominately privately owned by King Island Native Corporation (KINC) and its shareholders. Within the boundaries are also Native Allotment Lands.

Artifact digging, sport hunting, mining, guiding and hunting by aircraft is strictly prohibited. All non- shareholders for sport hunting, guiding and hunting by aircraft, mining or operating ATVs must have permission by the King Island Native Corporation prior to entering on above mentioned land.

For detailed information or to obtain permission to enter King Island Native Corporation lands contact KINC Office Manager at (907)443-5494, PO Box 992, Nome, Alaska 99762, kingisland@gci.net.

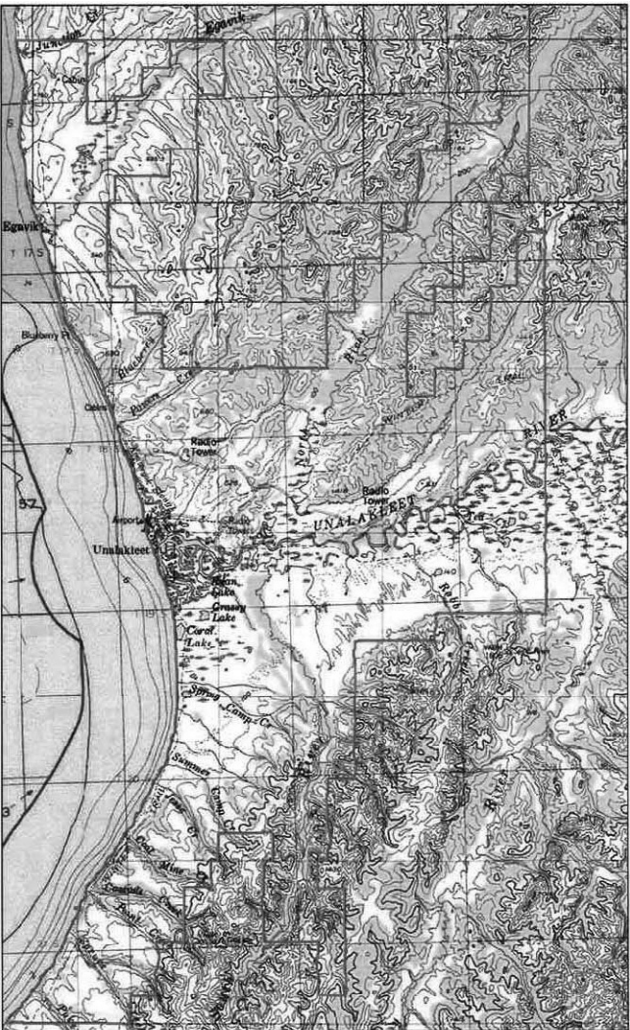
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC, GUIDES, PILOTS & HUNTERS

Game Unit 22A - Unalakleet River Area

- The public is reminded the land ownership within the outlined areas on the map are predominately privately owned by Unalakleet Native Corporation and its Shareholders.
- Hunting by non-shareholders is not allowed. Hunting by Shareholders, spouses of Shareholders, and descendents of Shareholders for subsistence purposes is permitted. For other allowable uses of land by non-shareholders, please contact:

Unalakleet Native Corporation

907-624-3411



NSEDC’s Community Energy Fund program extended

Member communities have five more years to utilize their \$1 million allocations

By Tyler Rhodes,
NSEDC Communications Direc-
tor

NOME—The 15 member communities of Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) will have an additional five years to access millions of dollars in funding for energy efficiency improvements through NSEDC’s Community Energy Fund.

Among the many ways NSEDC works to support member communities and their residents, NSEDC has added programs to address the region’s high energy costs in recent years. In addition to the Consolidated Bulk Fuel purchasing program, NSEDC implemented the Community Energy Fund in 2009 and allocated \$1 million to each NSEDC member community for energy-related projects.

The program aims to reduce energy costs for Norton Sound residents by encouraging the construction of renewable energy systems, efficiency upgrades to existing power systems, or the weatherization of public facilities. To date, seven NSEDC member communities have used all or a portion of their

available funding for nine different projects. A summary of approved Community Energy Fund projects can be found below.

NSEDC’s Board of Directors recognizes that it takes time to plan and develop energy infrastructure improvement projects. When first implemented, the Community Energy Fund had a sunset date requiring communities to access their allotted funding by 2014. As that sunset date neared, a sizable portion of the Community Energy Fund still remained available to many of NSEDC’s member communities. At their second-quarter meeting held in Nome in August, the NSEDC Board of Directors elected to extend the program for an additional five years, giving communities until 2019 to utilize the funding.

“The Community Energy Fund has already made several projects possible that have resulted in safer and more efficient energy systems for many of our communities,” said NSEDC Board Chairman Dan Harrelson. “It only makes sense to continue this program so that all our communities have the opportunity to improve their energy infrastructure

and reduce costs for residents.”

Nome and Unalakleet are the only two communities to have fully utilized their available funding, both putting their entire allocation toward large wind energy systems. Other communities have accessed the Community Energy Fund to improve their existing systems through weatherization of public facilities or the installation of more energy-efficient components, like streetlights and power plant generators.

NSEDC encourages municipalities and/or utility providers in member communities to explore renewable or energy-efficiency projects that could receive financial support through NSEDC’s Community Energy Fund. For more information, got to www.nsedc.com or contact Community Benefits Director Paul Ivanoff III at 800-385-3190 or pivanoff@nsedc.com.

Year	Community Project	Amount	Nome
			Wind energy generation \$1,000,000
2009	Unalakleet	Wind energy generation \$1,000,000	2013
			Savoonga
			Meter base replacement \$439,862
2011	Gambell	Meter base replacement \$460,019	2013
			Golovin
			Streetlight replacement \$ 42,378
2011	White Mountain	New energy-efficient generators \$539,268	2013
			Shaktoolik
			Water treatment plant efficiency upgrades \$142,000
2012	White Mountain	Waste heat recovery (municipal water heating) \$234,500	2013
			Gambell
			Streetlight replacement \$88,290
2012	Shaktoolik	Water tank efficiency upgrade \$75,000	Total NSEDC Community Energy Fund expenditures to date \$4,021,317
2012			

• Chief’s Notes

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here, this community has been proud to embrace a distinction that Nome is not like the rest of the State. People here CARE about each other, they care about the community and work towards instilling sound values in the youth — as well as encouraging positive behaviors among all. People here GET INVOLVED. They are not afraid to call the police to report issues or to take care of those that they can by themselves. People here KNOW EACH OTHER and communicate. That’s the value to living in a small community where people work to get along with one another.

However, it has been my observation in the nearly four years that I’ve been the Chief of Police that the values within certain segments of the community – have changed. Nome is still a great place to live and a place that has an unusually strong sense of community, however I see more of the types of behaviors that I saw while serving in other parts of the State now emerging right here in Nome.

Among the youth, the term loosely used to describe the type of delinquent behavior we see now is ‘hooliganism.’ It is delinquency committed with no particular purpose. An example: busting the fuel lines off a fuel tank at the ice rink and causing the spill of about 40 gallons of fuel oil; or perhaps destroying the bus stop near the Aurora Inn; or maybe the theft of bicycles and ‘ghost riding’ them into the river. Other than pure destruction, there is no rational purpose behind this type of behavior. The results—a few ‘bad apples’ are giving the rest of the barrel a bad rap. Have our youth suddenly embraced chaos and anarchy? Is it due to outside influences? Is it due to lack of respect or parental influence? Is it due to kids transitioning to different stages of life and losing track of concepts of right and wrong? I’m not altogether sure. The reality is that this kind of behavior is frequently carried forward into adulthood. These are the values that will represent the next generation if something doesn’t

interfere with that process. And that inference has to start at home and extend right through every segment of our community.

Among adults, the recent incident at the Anvil City Science Academy is a prime example of ‘IT’ CAN HAPPEN IN NOME. For any person to walk into a school and physically assault a teacher in front of students – wow! Who would have ever thought it could happen here. Not in NOME! It is clearly obvious that the community finds this unacceptable. At least 50 people attended the two arraignments. Those that I have talked to are OUTRAGED and ANGRY that violence was committed at one of our schools. I too embrace the passion of the community; the outrage; and the concern for our children, our schools and the impacts on the community. But as your Chief of Police, I must remain professionally detached and focus on protection.

Having been in law enforcement for over 28 years; having been a tactical team leader; worked in Homeland Security; and been responsible for vast areas of infrastructure protection; I am sensitive to threat. It is my job and the job of every officer on the Department to look for threats to the community and neutralize those threats. But is also the responsibility of every citizen of this community to be vigilant and to promote safety. Help from the public is our greatest asset. Community involvement is our greatest strength.

The number of people coming into the community with unknown histories increases each year; the number of persons with both known and undiagnosed mental illness is increasing; and the number of persons who may have a grievance against society remains an unknown and unmeasured variable. The bottom line – there are risks present in the community that are unpredictable and we have no way of determining when one of these threats may walk into one of our schools, choose to hurt a child, or commit acts of unfathomable cruelty. There is no way to predict. Therefore we can only do

our best to protect.

Two years ago, the police department brought in an outside trainer and we conducted tactical training with the sole purpose of reinforcing our response capability to all public institutions –including our schools. Members of the Nome Police, Alaska State Troopers and Alaska Department of Corrections worked together to gain a better understanding of the tactics necessary to respond to violence committed at a public institution. But during the training, the realization stuck that no matter how hard we train to respond, most violent incidents are over by the time the police arrive.

I met with school administrators and the Superintendent to express my concerns regarding the lack of security at our schools. I suggested having a secure lobby area where visitors can be viewed via remote camera and talked to via an intercom. Only those with valid business should be allowed into the ‘secure zone.’ I also advocated for scheduled ‘walk arounds’ to make sure that all exterior doors were secure and that if someone wanted to get into a school and do harm, that it would be as difficult as possible for them to do so. By increasing security, it could provide that margin of time that could make the difference between life – or tragedy.

I reassessed my thoughts last week as we investigated the event at the Anvil City Science Academy. Yes, we want to preserve our community and the sense of trust between all of us, but sometimes it is necessary to sacrifice some level of trust to protect others. We don’t need to institute draconian measures to increase security but this needs to be addressed.

But making our schools more secure is only one part of the equation. It will take the entire community to get involved in order to affect serious change.

• Talk to your children. Encourage them to tell when they see someone doing something wrong. Let them know that if one of their classmates makes statements, threats or brings a

weapon to school – then tell someone so that we can make sure that nobody gets hurt.

• Talk to each other and don’t be afraid to get involved when you see anyone doing something wrong – whether busting up a bus stop or selling drugs.

• Listen to what’s going on in the community. If you hear that someone is threatening violence or acting out, please tell someone. Give us a call so we can intervene.

• If you notice changes in behavior among your family or friends, talk to them, try and help. If you can’t, then tell someone who can.

• Keep track of your children. Don’t let your family become victims. Too many times I see children playing beside the road who could be gone in a moment’s time.

• Look after each other when you go out. DON’T leave your intoxicated friends behind or let them go with anyone if they are too intoxicated to make good choices.

• Help each other, care about each other and work towards everyone’s safety.

• If it’s not safe, then call for help.

Through working as a community, maybe the ‘hooliganism’ will stop. Perhaps actionable intelligence will be received by the police that will allow us to prevent an incident from happening. And maybe, the fear that I saw in six traumatized kids this week can be replaced with a confidence that as a community, we are all working as a team to provide all people in our community safety and security. The choices you make could make the difference.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

The Nome Police Department is committed to providing professional law enforcement services to the City of Nome. If you have concerns; want to report a crime; or want to provide information about a crime, please call 443-5262. If you wish to report anonymously, you can call the CRIMELINE at 443-8509. For emergencies, please call 9-1-1. We are here to serve.

All Along the Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASES 08-19-2013 through 08-25-2013

Disclaimer: This is a record of activity. The issuance of citations or the act of arrest does not assign guilt to any identified party:

On 9-2 at midnight Nome Police conducted a traffic stop with an inoperable taillight. Lincoln Lee, 22, was issued a correctable citation for taillight requirements. Please use this as a reminder to ensure that everything is working properly on your vehicle, as the sunlight hours are diminishing.

On 9-2 at 12:25 a.m. Nome Police responded to a call involving a motor vehicle collision. Reva Boolowon, 30, was driving a vehicle and collided with two other vehicles, causing only minimal damage to one of the vehicles. Boolowon was arrested for a Driving Under the Influence and remanded to AMCC. No bail was set.

On 9-2 at 2 a.m. Nome Police were dispatched to a residence on Sixth Avenue on the report of a fight in progress. Upon arrival officers contacted Shane Mike, 21, intoxicated outside the home. Mike was found to be in violation of his current conditions of probation and criminally trespassing on the property. Mike attempted to fight with the officers who were arresting him. Mike was arrested and remanded to AMCC where he was charged with Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree; Resisting Arrest; and violating his conditions of probation. No bail was set.

On 9-2 at 2 p.m. Nome Police responded to a business on Front Street. It was reported that Kyle George, 25, was confronted by an employee who suspected George of concealing an item on his person. George admitted to doing so and charges for Concealment of Merchandise will be forwarded to the District Attorney’s Office for prosecution. George was also warned for criminal trespass.

On 9-2 at 10:10 p.m. Nome Police came in

contact with James Bloomstrand, 33, at a residence on Front St. Bloomstrand was unwanted and warned to leave the residence three times before he was removed by an officer. Bloomstrand was remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass. No bail set.

On 9-2, 2013 at 10:13 p.m. Nome Police Officer made contact with John Saclamana, 31, who was intoxicated and in violation of his current Orders and Conditions of Release. Saclamana was arrested and transported to AMCC where bail was set at \$1,000.

On 9-2, at 11 p.m. Nome Police conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for no taillights that was traveling southbound on Center Creek Road. The operator of the vehicle was issued a correctable citation for the infraction and given 30 days to correct the deficiency.

On 9-3 at 2:25 a.m. Nome Police responded to a residence on Fourth Avenue on the report of a trespass. A male walked into the home uninvited, he left prior to officer arrival. The case is still under investigation. Nome Police would like to remind everyone to lock your doors at night or when traveling for extended periods of time.

On 9-3 at 3:15 p.m. Nome Police received a call regarding stolen property. A metal door was stolen from the front yard of a residence on Fourth Avenue. Investigation is ongoing. Please use this as a reminder to properly secure your belongings.

On 9-3 at 5:30 p.m. Nome Police received a report of an individual who would not leave a business on Front Street after several warnings. Further investigation led to Marvin Okleask, 55, being medically cleared and remanded to AMCC for a 47 hour hold due to his level of intoxication.

On 9-4 at 3:40 a.m. Nome Police responded to a report of violence on Bering St. An officer came in contact with Joanne Obruk, 28, and a gentleman who seemed to be intoxicated. Investigation

led to the arrest of Obruk for Assault in the 4th Degree, DV. No bail set as domestic violence was a factor.

On 9-4 at 12:20 p.m. Nome Police got a report of a male threatening two City of Nome employees. Further investigation found the male to be Thomas Scofic Jr., 56. Scofic was advised not to return to the business until he sobers up.

On 9-4 at 2:40 p.m. Nome Police received a report of a passed out male along First Avenue. Thomas Scofic, Jr., 56, was cited for Open Container and transported to his residence.

On 9-4 at 4 p.m. Nome Police observed a side-by-side vehicle driving on Front St. and conducted a traffic stop. Joseph Edmund was cited for operating an off-road vehicle on a highway.

On 9-4 at 6 p.m. Nome Police received a call of a motor vehicle accident. The victims appeared to have no injuries and ran from the scene prior to Officer Arrival. NPD is still following leads regarding this active investigation.

On 9-5 at 6:30 p.m. The Nome Police received information regarding a couple of juveniles sitting behind a residence on 3rd avenue who appear to be intoxicated. One minor took off upon officer arrival. A juvenile was cited for Minor Consuming alcohol and transported to their residence and left in the care of a sober family member.

On 9-6 at 12:10 a.m. there was a report of an intoxicated male outside a business on Bering St. Thomas Scofic Jr., 56, was given a warning for disorderly conduct then left the scene in a cab.

On 9-6 at 12:45 a.m. Nome Police received a call reporting assault. Further investigation led to the report Thomas Scofic Jr., assaulting his cab driver. Scofic was arrested for Assault in the 4th Degree and Reckless Endangerment. Scofic was transported to AMCC with no set bail.

On 9-6 at 3:30 a.m. there was a report of an intoxicated male passes out on the side of a resi-

dence on Third Ave. Sherwin Outwater, 31, was arrested for Violation of Conditions of Probation and transported to AMCC. No bail was set.

On 9-6 at 7:50 p.m. an officer came in contact with Alvin Amakttoolik, 26, for suspicious activity. Amakttoolik was caught getting into a vehicle that did not belong to him and transported to NPD for questioning. Amakttoolik was later arrested for Criminal Trespassing in the second degree and Theft in the 3rd degree. No bail was set.

On 9-6 at 12:25 p.m. Nome Police received a request for traffic safety control. A full load of soda was dumped into the road while being transported to a local store. Robert Gonzales, 50, was cited for driving while his license is suspended.

On 9-6 at 5:20 p.m. Nome Police officer came in contact with Adrian Daniels, 29, and Delbert Oozevaseuk, 59, while on patrol. Daniels was given a Drunk on Licensed Premises warning and an Open Container Citation. Oozevaseuk was also issued an Open Container Citation. Both Daniels and Oozevaseuk were remanded to AMCC for a 12-hour hold.

On 9-6 at 8 p.m. Nome Police conducted a traffic stop on Fourth Avenue. A juvenile was cited for failure to stop at a stop sign.

On 9-6 at 10:40 p.m. Nome Police received a report of a juvenile with no sober adults in the residence. Katrina Toolie, 26, was used a citation for endangering the welfare of a child in the second degree.

On 9-7 at 1:13 a.m. while on routine patrol, officers contacted William Alvanna. Alvanna was eventually cited for open container and released on scene.

On 9-7 at 3:40 a.m. Officers responded to a disturbance call on 5th Ave. After an investigation, Eric Katchatag was arrested and remanded to AMCC for two counts of Assault in the 4th Degree, DV. No Bail was set.

On 9-7 at 11:04 a.m. the Nome Dispatch Center received a report of a two vehicle accident along the east end of Nome. Nome Volunteer Ambulance a.m. Fire Departments responded to the scene to assist. One person was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for non-life threatening injuries. Investigation is still on going at this time.

On 9-7 at 3:45 p.m. Nome Police responded to a residence on 3rd Ave. for the report of a fight in progress. Kimberly Soolook, 26, was subsequently arrested for Violating Conditions of Probation, by consuming alcohol. Investigation also led to the arrest of Cecelia Iyapana for Assault in the 4th degree.

On 9-8 at 12:06 p.m. Nome Police Department Officers observed a motorcycle traveling at a high rate of speed on Fifth Ave. A traffic stop was conducted and the 15-year-old female juvenile was issued a citation for basic speed.

On 9-8 at 4:30 p.m. Nome Police Department Officers responded to the report of an assault in progress at a residence on First Ave. Upon arrival, Officers contacted a highly intoxicated Bertha Iya, 38, who had reportedly broken several items within the shared apartment that did not belong to her. After being contacted, Bertha continued to yell and scream after being told that it was disturbing neighbors. Bertha was subsequently arrested and remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center for Criminal Mischief in the 5th Degree, Domestic Violence and two counts of Disorderly Conduct and was held without bail.



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LAST CRUISE SHIP OF THE SEASON— The *Hanseatic* departed and headed for Russian waters, to continue on to Japan and then south to warmer weather for the winter season.

Court

Week ending 9/6
Civil
Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority v. Childs, Laura, and Okinello, Richard; Forcible Entry/Detain
Henry, Patrick F. v. State of Alaska; Post-Conviction Relief
Olanna, Penny v. Analook, Nancy; Civil Protective Order
Kakik, Piama, and Kakik, Joseph; Dissolution w/out Children
Foster, Neal v. Brunette, Rosalie; Forcible Entry/Detain
Minor Party v. Ningealook, Andrew; Civil Protective Order
Tucker, Michael v. Tucker, Courtney; Civil Protective Order
Minor Party v. Tucker, Courtney; Civil Protective Order
Minor Party v. Tucker, Courtney; Civil Protective Order
Kowchee, Irene v. Lee, Lincoln; Civil Protective Order
Kowchee, Irene v. Grubb, J'Anna; Civil Protective Order
Small Claims
No current claims on file (start 2NO-13-53SC)
Criminal
City of Nome; Nome Police Department Citation; Victoria Campbell (4/14/63); Open Container; Issue Date: 8/9/13; Mandatory Court Appearance 9/3/13 at 3:00 p.m.; Plea: Guilty; Sentence Date: 9/3/13; Fine: \$10, due date: 12/31/13; Surcharge: \$10.
City of Nome; Nome Police Department Citation; William Vincent Bates III (7/10/94); Off highway Vehicle Operating on Highway; Issue Date: 8/10/13; Penalty: Driver License Points: 2; Bail/Fine: \$50.00; Surcharge: \$10.00; Total Due: \$60.00; Optional Court Appearance: Within 30 days you must pay on line or fill out the back of this form and mail to 113 Nome AK, 9/3/15, 3:00 p.m.
State of Alaska v. Clarissa Eide (7/1/84); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112704444; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 3/19/17.
State of Alaska v. Derek Apasingok (4/12/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113673069; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days.
State of Alaska v. Mary Nancy Ahnangnatoguk (12/16/85); 2NO-13-383CR CTN 001: Resisting/Interfering with Arrest; Date of Violation: 5/11/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002; 50 days, 0 days suspended; Remanded immediately to AMCC; Consecutive to 13-595CR, 13-647CR and 13-484CR; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Mary Ahnangnatoguk (12/16/85); 2NO-13-484CR Disorderly Conduct; Date of Violation: 6/16/13; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Remanded immediately to AMCC; Consecutive to 13-383CR, 13-647CR and 13-595CR; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Mary Ahnangnatoguk (12/16/85); Amended 2NO-13-595CR Count 001: Promoting Contraband 2nd; Date of Violation: 7/30/13; 45 days, 0 days suspended; Remanded immediately to AMCC; Consecutive to 13-647CR, 13-383CR and 13-484CR; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Mary Ahnangnatoguk (12/16/85); 2NO-13-647CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of Violation: 8/14/13; 45 days, 0 days suspended; Remanded immediately to AMCC; Consecutive to 13-595CR, 13-383CR and 13-484CR.
State of Alaska v. Mary Lou Amaktolik (10/16/48); Judgment; CTN 001: Commercial Fishing – Permit Required; Date of Offense: 7/21/13; CTN 002: Commercial Fishing – Permit Required; Date of Offense: 7/24/13; Found and adjudged guilty; CTN 001 and 002: 0 days, 0 days suspended; Fine: CTN 001 and 002: \$500 each count with \$250 suspended each count; Each count unsuspended \$250 to be paid 9/3/15; Police Training Surcharge: CTN 001 and 002: no amount indicted; Probation until 9/3/15; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated.
State of Alaska v. George Kobuk (10/22/68); DUI; Date of offense: 4/5/13; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Time served; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due 1 year; 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 by 10/1/13; Complete

screening, evaluation and recommended program; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 11/1/13 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 12/1/13 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 6 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: 8/23/13); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses.
State of Alaska v. Martin Okpealuk (6/24/57); Furnishing Alcohol to Person Under 21 Years of Age; Date of Violation: 11/10/12; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be 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.
State of Alaska v. Elmer T. Wongitiliin (10/19/77); CTN 001: Importation of Alcohol; Date of Violation: 12/28/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002; 120 days, 100 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 10/18/13 for a remand hearing at 1:30 p.m.; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Fine: \$6,000 with \$3,000 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$3,000 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 5 years; Forfeit alcohol seized to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 5 years (date of judgment: 8/28/13); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer in dry/damp community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community for alcohol; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 10/1/13; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare: Up to 30 days residential treatment if recommended; File proof of complete treatment by 12/1/13.
State of Alaska v. Edwin R. Campbell (10/23/74); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Escape 4th; Filed by the DAs Office 9/4/13.
State of Alaska v. Isiah Snowball (4/22/90); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 001: AS04.11.499(a)(fel): Import Alcohol – Dry Area – Large Amt; Date of Offense: 2/15/13; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 002: AS04.11.010(a)(misd): Sell Alcohol w/o License – Wet Area; Date of Offense: 2/15/13; CTN 001: 24 months, 20 months suspended; Unsuspended 4 months are to be served immediately; CTN 001: Fine: \$10,000; the \$10,000 is to be paid 9/5/16; Police Training Surcharge: CTN 001: \$100 (Felony) due within 10 days; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; DNA IDENTIFICATION: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 3 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.
State of Alaska v. Peter Waghiyi (8/19/63); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110670795; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 60 days.
State of Alaska v. George Tate (6/29/73); 2NO-11-614CR Amended Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112696317; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-

13-533CR and 2NO-12-908CR; Remanded into custody; 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. George Tate (6/29/73); 2NO-12-908CR Amended CTN 003: Furnishing Alcohol to Person Under 21 Years of Age; Date of Violation: 12/9/12; Trial: Jury; 30 days, 15 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days consecutive shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 11/4/13 for a remand hearing; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of amended judgment: 9/6/13); 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; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Defendant's person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at an airport en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Consecutive to 11-614CR and CTN 04.
State of Alaska v. George Tate (6/29/73); 2NO-12-908CR Amended CTN 004: Furnishing Alcohol to Person Under 21 Years of Age, 2 counts; Date of Violation: 12/9/12; Trial: Jury; 30 days, 15 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days consecutive shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 11/4/13 for a remand hearing; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of amended judgment: 9/6/13); 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; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Defendant's person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at an airport en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Consecutive to 11-614CR and CTN 03.
State of Alaska v. George Tate (6/29/73); 2NO-13-533CR Amended CTN 003: Assault 4th; DV: not claimed; Date of Violation: 7/2/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001: Crim. Mischief 4, 002 Crim. Trespass 1, 004 VCCOR; 360 days, 330 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 3 years (date of amended judgment: 9/6/13); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Defendant will leave Nome and never return (his request).
State of Alaska v. Edward Anasogak (11/2/80); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110128284; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all time revoked and imposed in 09-750CR.
State of Alaska v. Ernest Booshu (11/12/90); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111500739; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 10/6/14.
State of Alaska v. Isabel Ahkvaluk (8/4/44); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4; Filed by the DAs Office 9/4/13.
State of Alaska v. Anthoni Kimoktoak (2/3/66); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4; Filed by the DAs Office 9/4/13.

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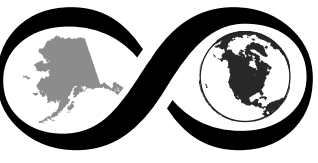
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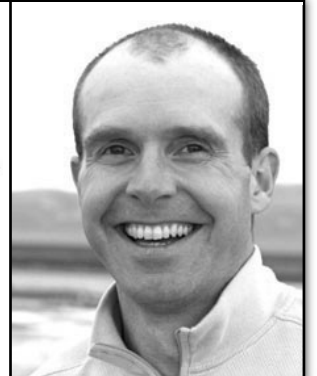
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FOAMING THE FIRE—Firefighters sprayed down the *Argo* gold dredge with Aqueous Film-Forming Foam, a tool for putting out petroleum-fed fires.

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SMOKE OVER NOME—A dark smoke cloud billowed over Nome when a gold dredge anchored in the small boat harbor burned down, on Monday, Sept. 9.

Photo by Sue Steinacher

•Fire

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appreciate the professional firefighters, port staff and public who responded so quickly to put out the fire. It could have been much worse," Patz said. "I am thankful no one got hurt."

Nome Volunteer Dept. Fire Chief Matt Johnson said Tuesday that the fire started from an oil-fired space heater inside the cabin.

"It could have malfunctioned. It lit the floor on fire and some other fuel and everything went from there," Johnson said. "Other cans burned, some outboard motors. It got into the crew quarters."

The firefighters used foam intended for petroleum fires, hangar fires, ship fires, and the like, Johnson said.

Sure enough, the water around the

dredge was holding up a foam layer, but the foam was not of environmental concern according to Joy Baker with Port of Nome.

Many spectators turned out for the fire.

Harbormaster Lucas Stotts, a firefighter, assisted in fighting the fire while he kept the crowd back and away from fuel sources.



HEROES—The crew of the *F/V Erica Renee* beat the fire crews to the scene and battled the flames with a hose.

Photo by Sandra Medearis



GETTING OUT OF THE WAY—NVFD Captain Jim West pulls a skiff away from the burning *Argo* dredge as firefighters hose down the *Argo*.

Photo by Diana Haecker



SPECTATORS—Nome residents and visitors came out in force to watch the NVFD extinguish the flames that consumed the gold dredge *Argo*.

Photo by Diana Haecker



WHERE THERE'S SMOKE—Billowing smoke coming from the gold dredge *Argo* attracted onlookers to the fire in the small boat harbor Monday evening. Pacifica Marine owns the dredge. Bill Patz, owner, said Tuesday the company was still assessing the damage.

Photo by Sandra Medearis

