



Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

MUSHING HOME TO NOME— Nome's Aaron Burmeister travels with his dog team between Kaltag and Unalakleet on Saturday, March 8, during the 2014 Iditarod Sled Dog Race.

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Dallas Seavey wins second Iditarod Championship

Dramatic race has Jeff King scratch, Aliy Zirkle places second as windstorm wreaks havoc on last miles of trail

By Diana Haecker

Usually winners of the 1,000-mile Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race have an inkling that they will cross the finish line first. Most of the time they can

prepare for several miles as they approach the distant lights of Nome to revel in the notion of victory and the glory that comes with it.

Not so the 2014 Champion, Dal-

las Seavey, who arrived in Nome on Tuesday morning at 4:04 a.m.

When the 26-year-old and his dog team moved onto Front Street, Seavey ran along side his sled all the



Photo by Diana Haecker

2014 CHAMPION— Dallas Seavey of Willow holds his lead dogs Beatle, left, and Reef, after winning the Iditarod Sled Dog Race in record setting time.



Photo by Diana Haecker

QUEEN OF HEARTS— Aliy Zirkle hugs her lead dog Quito. "There is no quit in Quito," Zirkle told the enthusiastic crowd at the finish chute of the 2014 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog race in Nome. Zirkle finished in second place when Dallas Seavey won the race in 2012. Last year, Zirkle finished in the runner-up position when Mitch Seavey — Dallas' father — won the Iditarod. This year, she missed the win by 2 minutes and 19 seconds.

way to the burled arch. There he collapsed on the sled, with a blank, exhausted expression on his face. Seavey then rested his head on the handlebar oblivious of all the hoopla going on around him and proceeded to take off his bib number 14.

Race marshal Mark Nordman, gently put the bib back on him.

While fans lining the finisher's chute went crazy with walrus whoops, Dallas' wife Jen made her way through the camera crews that surrounded him and gave him a hug.

Seavey recovered enough to get up from the sled and walked to his dogs, beginning at the wheel dog to rub down one after the other.

A cameraman asked him, if he knew what he just did.

"You just won the race," the cameraman said.

"I thought it was my dad behind me. Where is Jeff and Aliy?" asked a clearly confused Dallas Seavey.

Cameraman: "Behind you."

"Huh. I didn't know. I just run my team, dude. What can I tell you?" Seavey said, as he petted his team dogs, still in a daze about his come-from-behind victory.

Seavey arrived with six dogs on the gangline and one dog in the sled.

He shattered the record set by John Baker in 2011 and raced the Iditarod trail from Willow to Nome in 8 days, 13 hours, 4 minutes and 19 seconds.

But he had not much time to let

the achievement sink in.

Aliy Zirkle, driving a team that was poised for an Iditarod victory for three years in a row, made it onto Front Street.

Two minutes and 22 seconds after Seavey's finish, Aliy Zirkle arrived under the burled arch.

Quito, her small female leader pranced into the chute with a spring in her step and her head held high. She ran up the ramp in single lead, leading Zirkle's team of 10 dogs to the finish line.

There they were two teams, parked next to each other.

Seavey's handlers fed meat snacks to his team, Zirkle's dogs inquired if they could have the meat that a Seavey team dog did not eat.

At first, Aliy Zirkle did not speak. She smiled, greeted her mother and

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Letters

Dear Editor:

In the news is “ Campus gun bill before committee.” There is nothing more important in the world for a student to get an A in their class. An armed student is in a much better position to negotiate with the teacher to get an A in class than an unarmed student. A student has to do whatever they have to do to get that A in class. Alaska needs their students to get as many A’s as possible and if that means arming students to get an A, well so be it.

John Suter
Chugiak, AK 99567

Dear Editor:

In the back pages of last week’s *Nome Nugget* newspaper I read an article entitled “Alaska women call on A.G. (State Attorney General) Geraghty to retract blame-the-victim statement” in disbelief. It seems crazy that the governor’s top law enforcement officer could go on TV and proclaim that the victims of domestic violence are just out on an

vendetta against their husbands or significant others, and weren’t really hurt by getting beat up.

The State of Alaska has one of the lowest rates of prosecution on domestic violence cases in the nation, and both this attorney general and the last one, Dan Sullivan, have been going to court to **defend the abusers** in specific cases. Add to that Lisa Murkowski’s amendment to exempt Alaska from parts of the National Violence Against Women Act, last year, and you get a pattern in Alaska’s government that is counter to our governor’s public campaign of ‘Choose Respect’ when it come to domestic violence and abuse to anyone, but especially women.

I know we are long past the “double speak” of the novel *1984*, but Governor Sean Parnell’s continued support of both his attorney general and Senator Murkowski in these instances seems very hypocritical. What is he really thinking, trying to convince us of, or maybe

getting us not to notice?

From my viewpoint this isn’t the only place where our governor is saying one thing for our state’s purpose and condoning another. It seems to be happening with our oil revenue, education, and the Medicare extension, as well. Should we call these and many of his other acts, his mastery of the “slight of tongue” technique? It’s something like the card tricks or find the pea games you see in movies about the Big Hustle, only with his mouth instead of his hands. As in the Wizard of OZ, are we supposed to ignore the man behind the curtain and just see the image he wants us to look at? Then again, your editorial said all this very well last week, just in a different way. Keep up the good work!

Lew Tobin
Nome, AK 99762

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Ulu News

By Senator Donald Olson
Staff Update

My staff and I have jumped in to the second year of the 28th Legislature here in Juneau. My staff is much the same as last year. Dave Scott is the Chief of Staff, Denise Liccioli is the principal Finance Committee Aide, and Sydney Seay is the Legislative Committee Aide. New to the office is Joy Demmert with the First Alaskans Institute Public Policy Fellowship. Joy is Tlingit and Haida from Ketchikan and will be working at the front desk for the duration of the second session of the 28th legislature. She graduated in 2012 from the University of Alaska Anchorage with a bachelor’s in Accounting. She most recently worked at UAA with students from all over the state as the Alaska Native and Rural Outreach Program Coordinator.

Current Legislation

To date I’ve introduced a total of 20 pieces of legislation during the first and second session. I would like them all to pass and become law and I will work hard to do so, but I am a pragmatist and I know that some will not make it.

My highest priority bills are:

SB 82 – BROADBAND DISCOUNTS FOR SCHOOLS. This will assist school district’s cost to provide internet to students.

SB 93 – TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM. This will continue the funding of vocational institutions across the state.

SB 98 – VPSO FIREARMS. This will remove the prohibition against VPSOs carrying firearms in the line of duty.

SB 133 – KATIE JOHN DAY. This will establish May 31 as Katie John

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

Editorial

Politicians can learn from the dogs

Politics can take a lesson from Iditarod. To run the Iditarod Sled Dog Race takes planning, training and leadership. A dog team needs a leader, swing dogs, team dogs, wheel dogs and a good driver. With these fellas working as a unit there is victory, when they are not working as a unit there is nothing but a tangled mess of flying fur and snarls and a runaway sled. Mushers don’t finish the Iditarod Race if they haven’t put together a tough team. Even then, nature can deal some cruel blows.

Juneau and Washington can learn a lesson from Iditarod. In Washington there are a lot of junkyard dogs that just don’t have the ability to see the value of teamwork. They dig in and claim they are sticking to their political ideology and won’t bite the hand that feeds them. The smell of money figures into their stubbornness. We lack visionaries who have the good of the nation as their goal. We need powerful swing dogs that can persuade their colleagues to understand the goal, team dogs that can bring the process to fulfillment and wheel dogs with the muscle to overcome hurdles.

This year’s Iditarod Race is one of the most challenging in recent years— no snow, open water, dangerous slopes, treacherous ice and high winds. Not all competitors will arrive in Nome, the trail takes its toll, but those who finish will thank their dogs for getting them through the burlled arch in one piece. So, Juneau and Washington— line up and hit the trail. Teamwork gets the job done.—N.L.M.—

A Look at the Past



History by Laura Samuelson with photo courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain memorial Museum

HOW IT ALL BEGAN – Nome’s 408 mile “All Alaska Sweepstakes” to Candle and return had its first running in 1908. It was the first long distance sled dog race in the world. This is Leonhard Seppala being greeted by the crowd on Front Street as he won the eighth Sweepstakes on April 17, 1915. If you look closely at Seppala in the white parka in the center of the photo you will see “Fritz” sniffing someone important. Fritz now lives permanently at Nome’s Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum.

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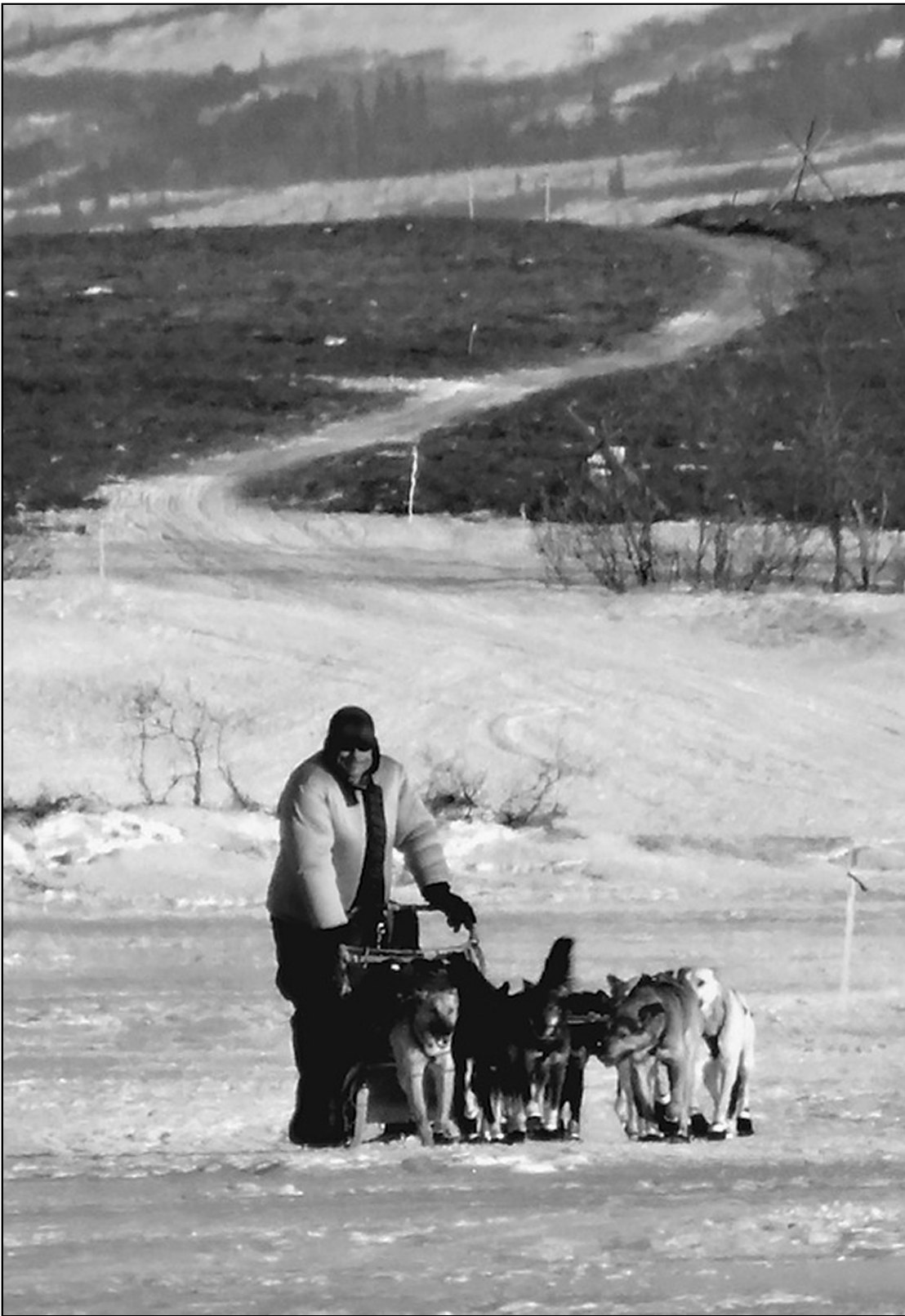
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INTO UNALAKLEET— Martin Buser drives his 14-dog strong team on the Unalakleet River into Unalakleet. He was the second musher to reach the Norton Sound coast in this year's Iditarod.

Photos by Rhoda Nanouk



WELCOME— Unalakleet welcomes musher Aliy Zirkle.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
See Iditarod Event Calendar on Page 12-13

Thursday, March 13

*Lonnie O'Connor Iditarod Basketball Classic	Rec Center	8:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	Noon - 1:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*City League Basketball:	Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 pm
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, March 14

*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Lonnie O'Connor Iditarod Basketball Classic	Rec Center	8:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 15

*Lonnie O'Connor Iditarod Basketball Classic	Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	11:00 - Noon
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 16

*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
*Adult Swim	Pool	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Iditarod Awards Banquet	Rec Center	3:00 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Monday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*St. Patrick's Day Parade	State Bldg. Parking Lot	1:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	Noon - 1:30 a.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*City League Vball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 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.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*NJUS Reg. Mtg.	Council Chambers	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m..

Wednesday, March 19

*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Dept. Head Mtg.	Council Chambers	7:30 a.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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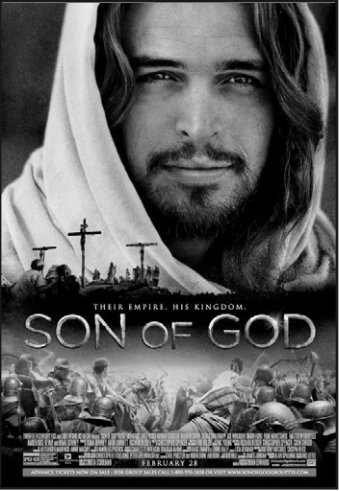
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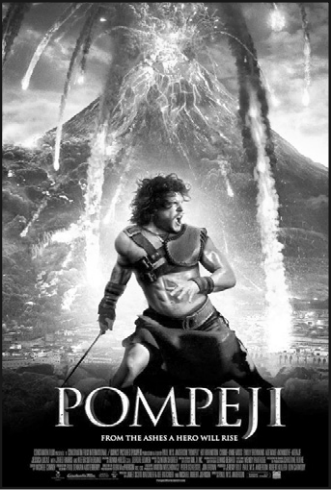
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LOOKING FOR GOLD IN THE COLD— Under-the-ice gold mining operation (left) gets set up off shore to the east of Nome. Mining shacks (right) provide shelter while a diver is submerged under the ice and a tender keeps watch over equipment.

Ice miner survives carbon monoxide: 911 call leads to rescue by Nome emergency crews

By Nancy McGuire

It was 6:30 a.m. Sunday March 2 and time for a shift change. Bobby Lowe, 28, had been mining for gold beneath the Bering Sea ice for seven hours. Lowe and his tender, 30-year-old Matthew Foy had been mining in a plastic covered shack on the ice just past the Ft. Davis Roadhouse.

Lowe, in his heated diving gear, had just surfaced and saw his tender, Foy, get up to check some gauges. Things were normal, as usual, and then Lowe saw Foy fall over. Foy was foaming at the mouth, cherry

red, incoherent. Lowe said, "He completely seized up. Foy is a big guy. I couldn't move him. I found his cell phone and called 911. I knew something was really wrong."

Lowe stayed on the phone with the police dispatcher and stepped out into the 14°F fresh bone-chilling air. He was still in his diving gear so went back inside the shack. He saw NPD's Sgt. Byron Redburn arrive and waited. When he saw the ambulance arrive he jumped on his 4-wheeler and met them at the road to explain the situation.

Redburn assessed the situation as the Nome Volunteer Ambulance arrived and EMT /Firefighter Jimmy West, Jr. was a first responder. West determined that the Fire Department with their rescue gear was needed. The NVFD crew carried gear and got Foy on a stretcher and gave him oxygen. West said that as soon as Foy got oxygen into his system he began to perk up and was conversant as he was transported to Norton Sound Hospital.

Lowe described the ice shack as a 10 X 20 ft frame covered with plas-

tic. There were two rooms and inside were a 23 hp Vanguard gasoline engine, a gasoline air compressor and a diesel hot water heater that pumped 130°F water into the diving suits. The plastic shack was sealed tight with a bungee cord, so there was no ventilation and the shack filled with carbon monoxide fumes.

Foy was sent to Anchorage to be in a hyperbaric chamber, but it was determined he would be fine with just oxygen. Foy will not be allowed to dive until the CO in his blood reaches an acceptable level.

Lowe and Foy are part of a

loosely organized crew of four who had been in operation for only two days. They were mining on state land and did not have an APMA number. Their ice shack was about 800-1,000 ft offshore where the Beam Road meets the Nome Council Highway.

The Nome Fire Department cautions miners about the need for ventilation when using machinery in a closed structure.

West chuckles as he says it's a good thing the wind blew the ice out so that there will be fewer ice shacks out there.

Nome Trading Co. closing its doors

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome residents have been packing closeout deals out of Nome Trading Co. since store staff announced its upcoming closure last week. Owner of the grocery and general merchandise operation, Wards Cove Packing of Seattle, has its Alaska village stores put and its large office, marina and industrial properties on Seattle's Lake Union up for sale.

The company owns stores, including the buildings, in Naknek and in Hoonah, Alaska. Wards Cove does not own the store building in Nome, which is owned by Sitnasuak Native Corp., hence this store was closing, according to the Nome store manager, James Standish. A new owner would not want to take on an operation to pay rent, according to James Standish, Nome Trading's manager who worked up the ranks from night can stocker in 2011.

"I have worked all the jobs. I met a lot of good people here," Standish said. Seven employees, including Standish, will be out of jobs and the store on East Front Street out of business as soon as merchandise is cleared by local sales or transferred to the Naknek store, according to Standish.

Nome Trading Co. opened in Au-

gust 2008 under manager Bill Cash. Standish took over a year-and-a-half ago when Cash retired. Country Store, owned by SNC, previously occupied the site.

The property's future is open, according to David Hoffman, SNC CEO. "We have no current plans, but we are looking for a new tenant," Hoffman said Monday. "We are open to new ideas for use of the building and would definitely consider selling it."

Wards Cove's fishing assets have been owned in a joint venture by a subsidiary of Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. since 2011.

Two brothers, Harold A. and A. W. Brindle founded the company in 1928 when they bought a small salmon cannery on a bay named Ward Cove outside of Ketchikan. The Brindle family sold that operation in 2003. Other fishing assets passed into Alaska ownership in 2011 when Wards Cove sold them to BSAI Partners, LLC, a joint venture between Siu Alaska Corp. and Coastal Villages Pollock, wholly owned subsidiaries of the Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. (NSED) and Coastal Villages Region Fund (CVRF), respectively.

Siu Alaska and Coastal Villages are two of Alaska's Community Development Quota groups. The joint venture gained seven trawl vessels, one crab boat and 2.9 percent of the allowable catch of pollock in the Bering Sea fishery. BSAI Partners have never owned any of the Wards Cove village stores. The transaction did include ownership of Alaska Boat Co., the company that manages the vessels gained in the purchase.

Wards Cove Packing Co., established 86 years ago, was once one of Alaska's largest fish processing companies with a work force of around 3,000 employees—many seasonal—at the height of the fishing season. Wards Cove had nine canneries in Alaska and other seafood operations. The company stopped salmon processing in 2002 following several years of losses due to a glut in the salmon market, according to company officials. The company continued to participate in Bering Sea Pollock, crab and cod fisheries. By 2011, Wards Cove had sold its seafood operations, and began renovating some of its Seattle lakeshore properties into marinas and high-rise buildings.

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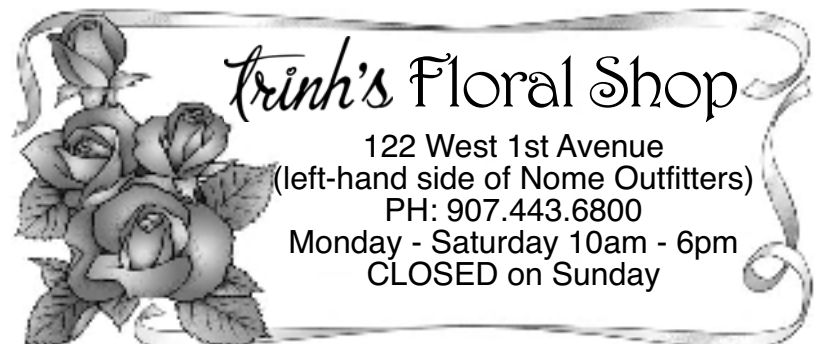
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MASTER BUILDER— Maligiaq Padilla of Greenland inspects the surface of a Greenland style qayaq he built with Nome-Beltz Junior High School students last week.



Photo by Diana Haecker

BALANCE— Junior High School student Stacie Outwater practices balancing on a wooden rocker in order to practice rolling with the real qayaq she helped build last week under the guidance of Maligiaq Padilla.

Nome JR. High students build qayaq

By Diana Haecker

Master qayaq builder Maligiaq Padilla of Greenland is no stranger to Nome. For the second time in less than a year, Padilla has traveled to Nome and the region in order to teach students how to build a bona fide qayaq from scratch.

Last summer, Padilla helped NACTEC students to build two qayaqs.

Nome Eskimo Community had received a grant from the federal Dept. of Education for Alaska Native Education, which allowed Padilla to

come to Nome to teach students in the art of qayaq building.

NCC's Marsha Sloan explained that the goal of the grant was to integrate Native cultural connections with math and science in the classroom. Last week, about 20 students from grades 7 and 8 were involved in building the 17 ft by 22 in. qayaq, which will be used by Nome Public Schools students to practice paddling the skinny vessel and rolling it in the Nome pool.

Padilla said he has visited 24 schools in Alaska so far, spreading

his vast knowledge of qayaq building to communities like Wales, Shishmaref, Savoonga, Gambell, St. Michael, Unalakleet, Teller and Nome. He has plans to come back to Nome in June to coach more students to build qayaqs in the Inupiat and Greenland way.

To celebrate the 7th and 8th graders' achievement, community members, elders from the XYZ and parents gathered for a reindeer stew potluck on Friday at Nome-Beltz Jr./Sr. High School.



Photo by Diana Haecker

WE DID IT— Seventh and eighth grade students pose with the Master qayaq builder Maligiaq Padilla last Friday, March 7 after building a 17-foot qayaq.



Photo by Dr. Leedy

MUST BE NEW TO TOWN— Parallel snowmachine parking downtown on Bering St. Monday.



Photo by Rachel Ventress

TELLING A FASCINATING TALE— Nome-Beltz junior high student Orlin Gologergen reads Native short stories to elementary school students during Read Across America Day celebrated on March 3. Beltz junior high students just finished a unit in Mrs. Ventress' reading class on adapting and re-telling Native short stories from around the world. The stories the students read are their own renditions of a traditional folk tale or myth.

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Iditarod Trail Invitational cyclists break record by a week

By Diana Haecker

In a time when sport records are broken by seconds or milliseconds, Iditarod Trail Invitational cyclist Jeff Oatley of Fairbanks accomplished a feat that winter ultra marathon enthusiasts call mind-boggling.

Oatley shaved seven days off the all time record to finish the Iditarod Trail Invitational from Knik to Nome in 10 days, 2 hours and 53 minutes.

Aidan Harding of the United Kingdom came in second and made the course in 11 days, four hours and 15 minutes.

Nome's Phil Hofstetter finished the race in third place, clocking also a record-breaking time of 12 days and six hours. Hofstetter won the 1,000-mile winter ultra sport race in 2010 in a time of 17 days and nine hours.

Hofstetter is doing this as a hobby, as he leads a busy life as a family man and having a demanding job as the Vice President of Hospital Services of the regional Norton Sound Health Corporation.

"My goal this year was to finish the race and to better my time from 2010," said Hofstetter. He achieved both goals, but the race is much more than beating the clock. The Iditarod Trail Invitational is a human-powered race that pits 55 selected super athletes against what Alaska's winter wilderness can throw at them.

The race has a 350-mile version, which ends in McGrath and the full version, which ends in Nome. This year, 33 athletes raced to McGrath, 22 signed up for the race to Nome.

This year's snowless trail conditions favored the cyclists, who use fat-tire bikes to pedal pretty much across the same trail that the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog race uses.

The Iditarod Trail Invitational starts a week prior to the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog race.

As dog teams set a blistering pace and are on record-breaking speed bound to Nome, the ultra marathon athletes also had a fast, yet challenging trail to master.

Phil Hofstetter said he took it easy from the start in Knik to ease himself

into the race.

He had caught the flu around Christmas time, which set him back on clocking miles during that crucial training time to build up strength and endurance. "At the start I waited for five minutes to let the others go and then held back a lot in the beginning to get my body used to riding," Hofstetter said.

Right off the bat, the race set off at a blistering speed. Trail conditions were hard and fast, and the bikers didn't have to push their bikes hardly at all. The bikers navigated the icy trail and the white-knuckle ride on glare ice at the Farewell Lakes with studded bike tires to provide some grip. However, despite the studs, Hofstetter said he wiped out several times, got blown off his bike by strong winds on the glare ice of Golovin Bay and crashed on glaciated icy trail sections.

Hofstetter made it to McGrath in two days and 20 hours. He said he had a few issues with a new drive gear, swelling knees and bad saddle sores that prevented him from sitting down on the saddle since the checkpoint of Ophir.

While the race organization has drop locations in McGrath, Ophir and near Cripple, the racers sent their drop bags to post offices along the Yukon River. Hofstetter, however, arrived on the Yukon on a weekend, and couldn't pick up his drop bags at the post offices. He ended up buying store food instead of consuming nutritionally dense power food, which may have contributed to exacerbating his knee trouble.

Hofstetter said the swelling of his knees caught up with him past Kaltag and forced him to stop at Tripod Cabin way before Unalakleet. Unlike the Iditarod Sled Dog race, the Iditarod Trail Invitational athletes don't carry tracker devices and the bikers spread out, racing each other in a vacuum. "It's very lonely," said Hofstetter.

Coming out of Shaktoolik enroute to Koyuk, Hofstetter had a flat tire and needed to fix it while the winds were blowing straight at him at 20



Photo courtesy Sarah Hofstetter

HOME— Phil Hofstetter embraces his kids Hahnah and Joe upon arriving in Nome from the Iditarod Trail.

to 30 miles per hour.

"Normally we mesh with the Iditarod mushers and have some traffic there, but we were so early," said Hofstetter. Thus, there was not much traffic on the trail and fighting the stiff north wind, Hofstetter followed a wrong set of snowmachine tracks that led him off the trail. In addition Hofstetter had an issue with his eyes and couldn't see clearly. "I was worried that I had frostbit my eyes," he said.

Finally, he made out the Island Point landmark and biked cross-country to the point, where he knew was a shelter cabin that he used to rest up for five hours and regroup.

After the difficult Shaktoolik to Koyuk crossing, things didn't ease up. Strong winds continued to blow him off the bike at Golovin Bay and the Elim hills. While the Topkok hills also proved tough due to ice on tundra, Hofstetter pushed on.

He said the last 30 miles were among the roughest of the entire course. "After Rohn snow is always sparse, but it was bad this year. On the Yukon, it seemed we had a normal amount of snow. However, coming up the coast it was bad. I haven't seen it like this since 2003. Roads in every single village were just glare ice," Hofstetter reported on trail conditions.

Hofstetter arrived in Nome on Friday evening, around 8 p.m., being welcomed home by wife Sarah and his children Joe and Hahnah.

Despite record setting accomplishments, the experience was a painful one. Hofstetter still is recovering from his saddle sores and the knee swelling. Why did he do this?

"I think we do this to go out there and learn something about yourself that you bring back and apply to your life," Hofstetter said. "You challenge yourself and improve what you're doing." What did he learn this year? "I learned to never underestimate the trail," Hofstetter said. "Unexpected things can happen."



Photo courtesy Sarah Hofstetter

RECORD BREAKING— Jeff Oatley of Fairbanks biked the Iditarod Trail Invitational from Knik to Nome in 10 days, 2 hours and 53 minutes.

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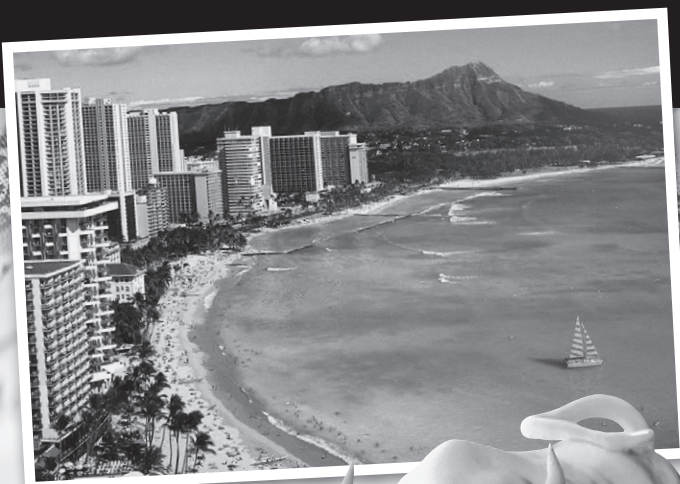
Rep Foster will either attend in person or via teleconference from Juneau.

The meeting will take place at the Legislative Information Office (LIO) in the State Building.

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Dear Editor:

The Postmaster General just announced he is reversing postage rate increases for rural Alaska, following a meeting with Senator Mark Begich. This is the latest example of Senator Begich working for us.

Alaska has always faced people in Washington, DC making decisions for us without any understanding of how things work here. From attempts to lock up resources to proposals to shut down rural mail service, it is rare that a day goes by in Washington without a Lower 48 politician proposing policies that hurt Alaska. We need good elected officials who understand Alaska and will fight for us.

During the recent debate on postal issues, Senator Begich didn't just keep our postage rates affordable. He also helped pass amendments to keep rural post offices open and expand Alaska Bypass Mail. Bypass mail is critical for affordable shipments of medical supplies, equipment, and groceries to rural Alaska. Even though some in Washington have tried to eliminate bypass mail, Senator Begich actually expanded it.

Senator Begich has played a key role in creating more resource-based jobs in rural Alaska. He has supported Bristol Bay fishermen's efforts to protect that fishery, which employs 14,000 people. Our rural economy depends on fishing, which is why Senator Begich has supported the Bristol Bay fishery and opposed the Pebble Mine.

Senator Begich has played a key role in expanding other mines, however. Thanks to expansion of mines like Red Dog, the number of mining jobs in Alaska has grown 13 percent while the senator has been in office. Continuing to develop resource-based jobs like mining and fishing can bring more jobs to rural Alaska.

Rural Alaska is home to many veterans and Alaska Natives. One of Senator Begich's accomplishments is a new partnership between the Veterans Administration and the Indian Health Service. Under this new agreement, Alaska veterans can get treated at Indian Health Service facilities and the facilities will be reimbursed by the VA. As a result, veterans can get health care closer to home, saving money while improving care. This partnership also strengthens Alaska Native health care facilities.

Right now, we have a bipartisan Congressional delegation. Republicans have power in the House, and Democrats have power in the Senate and White House. With a bipartisan delegation, Alaska has more clout—Senator Begich's record is an indication of our clout. Let's keep that bipartisan delegation working together. Otherwise, politicians in Washington will start making decisions without putting Alaska first.

Respectfully,
Barb Angaiak,
Bethel, AK

Dear Nancy,

The conventional wisdom is that contraception reduces unplanned pregnancies and the more readily contraception is available, the fewer the number of abortions. Let me offer a different perspective to the one offered in your coverage of S.B. 49 found on page 18 of the March 6 issue of the *Nome Nugget*.

Based on information primarily available at the Respect Life Program pages of the USCCB website, there are a number of reasons to argue that contraception is very unhealthy and in fact counter productive:

- The World Health Organization has classified synthetic estrogen and progestin in contraceptives as carcinogenic to humans. According to a major study, women who use oral contraceptives before age 20 have a 1.95 elevated risk of developing breast cancer.

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FACT: There is no oil wealth giveaway. Oil tax reform just went into effect January 1. Falling global oil prices and declining oil production under the old system (ACES) primarily contributed to the dip in state revenues. Oil tax reform is not to blame. (Source: Alaska Dept. of Revenue, February 2014)

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OLYMPIANS — Lars Flora of NANANordic, and two of his ski volunteers, skijor along the Bering Sea ice west of Nome.

Photos by Keith Conger

Western Alaska skiers have week of Olympic proportions

By Keith Conger
Kids who grow up skiing near the Bering Sea just don’t know anything different – hard snow, icy conditions, skiing on snowmachine trails, and big winds just seem natural to them. So when Annie Connelly, an experienced Besh Cup ski racer from Eagle River, saw the kids from the Nome Ski and Biathlon team zipping around the wind battered tundra in wind-chill temperatures well below zero, she was nothing short of amazed.
“These kids are way, way tougher than the kids around Anchorage,” stated Connelly, who was visiting Nome as a part of NANANordic, an organization run by two-time United

States Olympic cross-country ski racer Lars Flora.
Connelly, and a group of high caliber Alaskan ski racers, were in Nome last week to promote cross-country skiing in rural Alaska. The group spent five days at Nome Elementary School taking over 150 fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students out on skis. The group also conducted ski clinics for school kids on the weekend, spent a day skiing with the Nome Ski and Biathlon team on Newton Peak, and conducted two days of teaching at ski team practices.
Flora, who represented his country at the 2002 Olympics in Salt Lake City, the 2006 Olympics in Torino,

Italy, and has competed in World Cup ski races all around the world, started travel with the rural outreach ski program in the winter of 2012. Groups led by Flora visited 11 villages in 2013, and were able to get 1,500 kids on skis, most for the very first time.
“We enjoy seeing kids get out racing,” says Flora, “but our main mission is really to teach the lifelong sport of cross-country skiing to rural Alaskan kids.” NANANordic will be traveling to Shishmaref later this week.
While NANANordic was traveling north to the Seward Peninsula to

give instruction, two accomplished western Alaskan high school biathletes were traveling south to get instruction from former United States Biathlon Team member Zachary Hall at Anchorage’s Kincaid Park.
Rosa Schmidt, a member of Nome Ski and Biathlon, and Katie Daniels, a member of the Unalakleet ski and biathlon team, are both getting ready to attend the Arctic Winter Games in Fairbanks in two weeks. Both athletes made Team Alaska’s biathlon squad (Schmidt in ski biathlon, and Daniels in snowshoe biathlon) by their qualification results at last year’s rural state biathlon

meet.
The pair was really supposed to only get a small bit of instruction from Hall before attending a biathlon race at Kincaid. Due to warm weather, however, the race was cancelled, and the pair ended up getting a full day of shooting lessons from the Hall, who will also serve as one of Team Alaska’s biathlon coaches at the Arctic Winter Games.
“The time with Zach was great,” said Schmidt. “He really helped me figure some things out about shooting in the standing position.”

Koyuk Invitational Ski and Biathlon Meet		Biathlon Race	
March 7, 8		(Number of shots hit out of 5 shots)	
Cross Country Ski Race		(30 second penalty for each missed shot)	
Junior High Boys		Junior High Boys	
1) Fisher Dill, Unalakleet	8:55	1) Fisher Dill, Unalakleet	9:05 (1)
2) Vadim Yenan, Savoonga	11:22	2) Michael Haugen, Unalakleet	9:30 (5)
3) Michael Haugen, Unalakleet	11:37	3) Vadim Yenan, Savoonga	11:48 (1)
4) Kenneth Hafner, Nome	11:44	4) Kenneth Hafner, Nome	11:50 (0)
5) Anthony Haugen, UNK	11:45	5) Anthony Haugen, UNK	11:57 (1)
6) Hugo Apatiki, Gambell	13:21	6) Payton Commack, UNK	12:06 (3)
7) Payton Commack, UNK	13:22	7) Gerald Kimoktoak, Koyuk	12:35 (3)
8) Melvin Amaktoolik, WMO	16:23	8) Hugo Apatiki, Gambell	13:02 (0)
9) Richard Oxereok, Koyuk	17:28	9) Richard Oereok, Koyuk	15:41 (1)
		10) Melvin Amaktoolik, WMO	16:23 (4)
Junior High Girls		Junior High Girls	
1) Mallory Conger, Nome	9:38	(Number of shots hit out of 5 shots)	
2) Felicia Ione, WMO	10:18	1) Mallory Conger, Nome	9:32 (2)
3) Summer Sagoonick, UNK	10:48	2) Jewel Wilson, UNK	9:55 (4)
4) Shayna Warnke-Green, Nome	12:14	3) Kailyn Haugan, UNK	10:41 (5)
5) Jewel Wilson, UNK	12:20	4) Summer Sagoonick, UNK	10:49 (1)
6) Erin Johanson, Nome	12:21	5) Erin Johanson, Nome	11:07 (3)
7) Rhiannon Noyakuk, Nome	12:38	6) Felicia Ione, WMO	10:18 (0)
8) Karlee Katchetag, UNK	12:49	7) Karlee Katchetag, UNK	11:51 (5)
9) Susan Hoogendorn, Koyuk	12:49	8) Shayna Warnke-Green, Nome	12:03 (0)
10) Maya Kralik, Nome	12:54	9) Maya Kralik, Nome	12:54 (1)
		10) Rhiannon Noyakuk, Nome	12:38 (0)
High School Boys		High School Boys	
1) Junyor Erickson, Nome	8:35	1) Junyor Erickson, Nome	9:54 (1)
High School Girls		High School Girls	
1) Alexis Hutson, Nome	12:04	1)Alexis Hutson, Nome	11:30 (2)
2) Emelyne Hobbs, Nome	14:48	2)Emelyne Hobbs, Nome	14:24 (1)



JUMPING FOR JOY — Anchorage's Lars Flora, right, and his group of high caliber ski volunteers, ski with the 6th grade students of Mr. Conger's class. Flora's group, called NANANordic, brought loads of skis and boots to Nome, and took over 150 fourth, fifth, and sixth grade Nome Elementary School students out to ski during their week long visit. Their mission is to bring the life-long sport to rural Alaskan children.

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National Suicide Prevention Line (anonymous)	1-800-273-8255
Child protection/emergency: Office of Children's Services	
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AND THEY'RE OFF— Participants in the Koyuk Invitational leave the starting line for a challenging journey due to the rough trail conditions the area has seen this winter.

Regional skiers conquer challenging conditions at Koyuk Invitational

By Keith Conger

Over 40 skiers from western Alaska braved this year's icy ski conditions at the annual Koyuk Invitational Ski and Biathlon Meet this past weekend. All four age group categories saw the same athlete win each of the two events.

Unalakleet's Fisher Dill won his first gold medal ever by triumphing

in the 3-kilometer ski race on day one. His winning time was a whopping 2 minutes 27 seconds faster than silver medalist Vadim Yenan of Savoonga.

Unalakleet's Michael Haugen took the bronze.

Dill's margin of victory in the biathlon race on day two was much narrower. Hotshot shooter Haugen

came within 23 seconds of snatching the gold as he hit all five of his shots, despite the very windy conditions. Yenan was the bronze medalist. Nome's Kenneth Hafner came in fourth place in both events.

The junior high girls division saw Nome's Mallory Conger earn the first of her two gold medals by outlasting White Mountain skier Felicia Ione and Unalakleet skier Summer Sagoonick on day one in the ski race. Conger's time would have earned her a silver medal in the boys division.

Day two saw a pair of Unalakleet

sharp shooters earn their first ski biathlon medals. Both Jewel Wilson and Kailyn Haugen out shot all the race favorites to earn silver and bronze.

The biathlon results of Wilson and Haugen were nearly enough for the Unalakleet girls to wrestle the team award from the Nome girls. To win the team trophy, Nome needed the 4th place ski race finish of Shayna Warnke-Green, and the 5th place biathlon finish of Erin Johanson.

Nome high school skiers Junyor Erickson and Alexis Hutson won their respective divisions. Nome's

Emelyne Hobbs took second place in both races.

The athletes to "shoot clean" (hitting five out of five shots with a .22 caliber rifle at a 4.5 inch target from 50 meters) were Michel Haugen, Kailyn Haugen, Unalakleet teammate Karlee Katchatag and Savoonga's Evelyn Iya.

The Koyuk Invitational is the annual tune-up race for the regional Bering Strait School District ski and biathlon meet in White Mountain, which will take place on March 20, 21, and 22.



LUGE RUN— Shayna Warnke-Green of Nome balances on two skinny skies and one icy trail during the Koyuk Invitational.



WORKING HARD— Maya Kralik of Nome leads Susan Hoogendorn of Koyuk during the biathlon race.



BIATHLON— Ava Earthman of Nome leads fellow biathlon competitor Kailyn Haugen of Unalakleet on the icy trail at the Koyuk Invitational.



HEAD-ON PASSING— Competitors in the Koyuk Invitational ski race pass each other on a long straight-away.



Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

FAST TRAILS— Aliy Zirkle mushes on what could be considered the good part of this year's Iditarod Trail, which was sparse in snow and covered with ice. Zirkle and her dog team mush on the last hill before arriving into Unalakleet on Saturday, March 8. Zirkle was the first to arrive in Unalakleet, which won her the Wells Fargo Gold Coast Award, consisting of \$2,500 worth of gold nuggets.



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff

TINKERING— Jeff King screws on "skins" onto his sled runners in order to improve steering prior to leaving White Mountain for Nome. A brutal wind storm stopped him on the run between White Mountain and Safety, 22 miles before the finish line in Nome. King scratched from the race shortly before midnight on March 10. He left White Mountain with a one hour lead on Aliy Zirkle.



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff

DELTA FORCE— Richie Diehl of Aniak gets ready to tend to his dog team after arriving in Koyuk on Monday, March 10. Diehl and fellow Kuskokwim Delta mushers Pete Kaiser and Michael Williams Jr. were dubbed the "Delta Force".



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff

RESTING— Jeff King's dogs caught some sleep in the sun at White Mountain, where mushers must spend a mandatory rest of 8 hours.



Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

SUPPER TIME— Aliy Zirkle pours clear water into dog dishes while resting in Unalakleet.



Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

INTO UNALAKLEET— Akiak musher Michael Williams, Jr. mushes into Unalakleet after the long run from Kaltag. Williams ran the 85-mile stretch in 11 hours and 15 minutes.



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WHITE MOUNTAIN— Jeff King, Aliy Zirkle, Dallas Seavey and Mitch Seavey's dog teams rest at the Fish River at the checkpoint of White Mountain, on Monday afternoon, March 10.



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REST— Mitch Seavey's dogs get some well-deserved rest in White Mountain on Monday afternoon, March 10.



Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

GLARE ICE— Sonny Lindner and his dogs travel on a polished surface near Unalakleet.



Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

ALL SMILES— Aliy Zirkle takes time to pose for a photo with Autumn Nanouk, while in Unalakleet, on Saturday, March 8.



Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

BARE TUNDRA— The story of this year's Iditarod involved lots of bare ground, lots of ice and very little snow. Here, Zirkle climbs Nuthlook Hill out of Unalakleet.



THE KING — Four-time Iditarod champion Jeff King travels outside of Unalakleet on Saturday, March 8. King scratched between before Safety.

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 10am-6pm: Arts & Crafts Fair – Old St. Joe's
 10am-6pm: Fine Arts Show – Old St. Joe's
 10:30am: NPS Movie – National Park Service
 11:30am-1:30pm: Nome Rotary Reindeer Dog Grill Out – Visitors Center
 12pm(noon): Book Signing w/ Dan Seavey – Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
 12pm(noon)-2pm: Free Childhood Vaccines & Flu Shots – Nome Rec. Center
 1:30pm: Reindeer Herding Today – Northwest Campus
 2pm: Meet & Greet w/ Howard Farley – Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
 2pm: Qiviut Spinning Demonstration – Visitors Center
 2pm-6pm: NSHC Wellness: Smoking During Pregnancy – Nome Rec. Center
 3pm: NPS Cultural Workshop or Ranger Talk – National Park Service
 4pm: Community Health Aides Presentation – Northwest Campus
 4pm: Grass Basket Weaving – Visitors Center
 4:30pm-5:30pm: Robert Service Reading – Mini Convention Center
 5:30pm-7:30pm: Benefit Dinner – XYZ Center
 7pm: Make Your Own Bikini Contest – Polar Bar
 7pm: Texas Hold'em Poker – ANB Club
 7:30pm: Open Mic Night – Bering Sea Bar
 8pm-11pm: Acoustic Oosik – Airport Pizza
 9pm: XXX Comedy w/ Bag Lady Sue – BOT Saloon
 10pm: Hawaiian Night – Breakers Bar
 10pm-3am: Arlo & them City Folk – Polaris Bar
 11pm: Daisy Dukes Contest – BOT Saloon
 11pm: Live DJ – Bering Sea Bar

Friday, March 14

8:30am-7pm: Bearing Song Arts & Crafts – Bearing Song
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 2pm: Fur Hat Making Demo – Visitors Center
 2pm: Meet & Greet w/ Howard Farley – Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
 2pm: Meet & Greet w/ Martin Buser – Kegoayah Kozga Library
 2pm-6pm: TLC Bible, Book & Gift Store Open House – 606 E. 1st Ave.
 3pm: NPS Cultural Workshop or Ranger Talk – National Park Service
 3:30pm: Nome Kennel Club's Annual Businessman's Race – Visitors Center
 5pm-7pm: Arts & Crafts Fair/Fine Arts Show Receptions – Old St. Joe's
 6pm: Idita-Bear Pong Tournament – Bering Sea Bar
 7pm: Chili Cook-off & Games – VFW
 7pm: Golf Putting Competition – Polaris Bar
 7pm-10pm: Beer Tasting – ANB Club
 8pm: Fireball Friday Party – BOT Saloon
 8pm-10pm: Matt Johnson & the Last Frontier – Airport Pizza
 9pm-11pm: Acoustic Oosik – BOT Saloon
 10pm: Live Music w/ the Usual Suspects – Polar Bar
 10pm: Husky Hoe Down – Breakers Bar
 10pm-3am: Arlo & them City Folk – Polaris Bar
 11pm: Live DJ – Bering Sea Bar

Saturday, March 15

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 8:30am-7pm: Bearing Song Arts & Crafts – Bearing Song
 10am-6pm: Arts & Crafts Fair – Old St. Joe's
 10am-6pm: Fine Arts Show – Old St. Joe's

10am-8pm: LOIBC Tournament – Rec. Center
 10:30am: Bering Sea Ice Golf Classic – Sea Ice behind Breakers Bar
 10:30am: NPS Movie – National Park Service
 2pm: Meet & Greet w/ Howard Farley – Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
 2pm: Musher Signing – Mini Convention Center
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 10pm: Live Music w/ the Usual Suspects – Polar Bar
 10pm-3am: Arlo & them City Folk – Polaris Bar
 10pm-5am: Idita 80's & 90's Night – Bering Sea Bar
 11pm: Live DJ – Bering Sea Bar

Sunday, March 16

3pm: Iditarod Awards Banquet – Nome Rec. Center

Monday, March 17

1pm: St. Patrick's Day Parade – Front St.

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LOCAL FAVORITE— John Baker of Kotzebue runs his dogs outside of Unalakleet on Sunday, March 9. Baker is the 2011 Iditarod champion.

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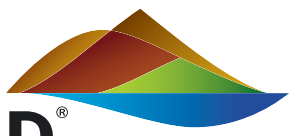
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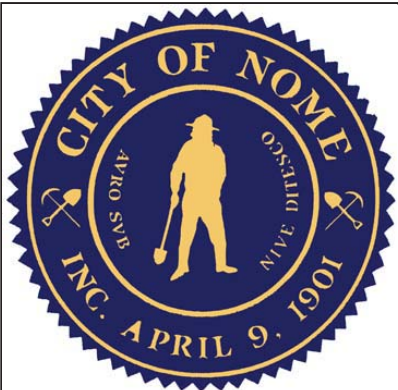
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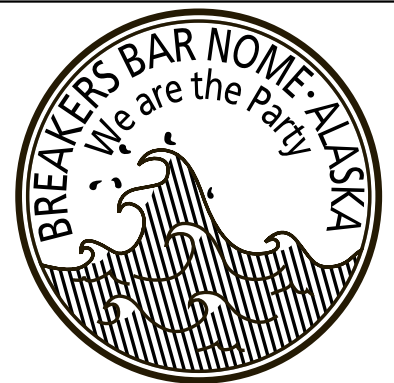
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THANKS— 2014 Champion Dallas Seavey hugs his lead dog Beatle after finishing the race in record time.



GREETING THE FANS— Dallas Seavey waves to the crowd lining the chute on Front Street after arriving under the Burlled Arch on Tuesday, March 11 at 4:04 a.m.



MAKE WAY— Aliy Zirkle arrived only two minutes after Dallas Seavey under the Burlled Arch, on Tuesday morning, 4:06 a.m.



CONSTERNATION— Aliy Zirkle is relieved to be out of the horrendous windstorm that pummeled the front runners of this year's Iditarod when she pulled into Nome on Tuesday morning. However, she came two minutes and a few seconds too late to win her first Iditarod. Δ

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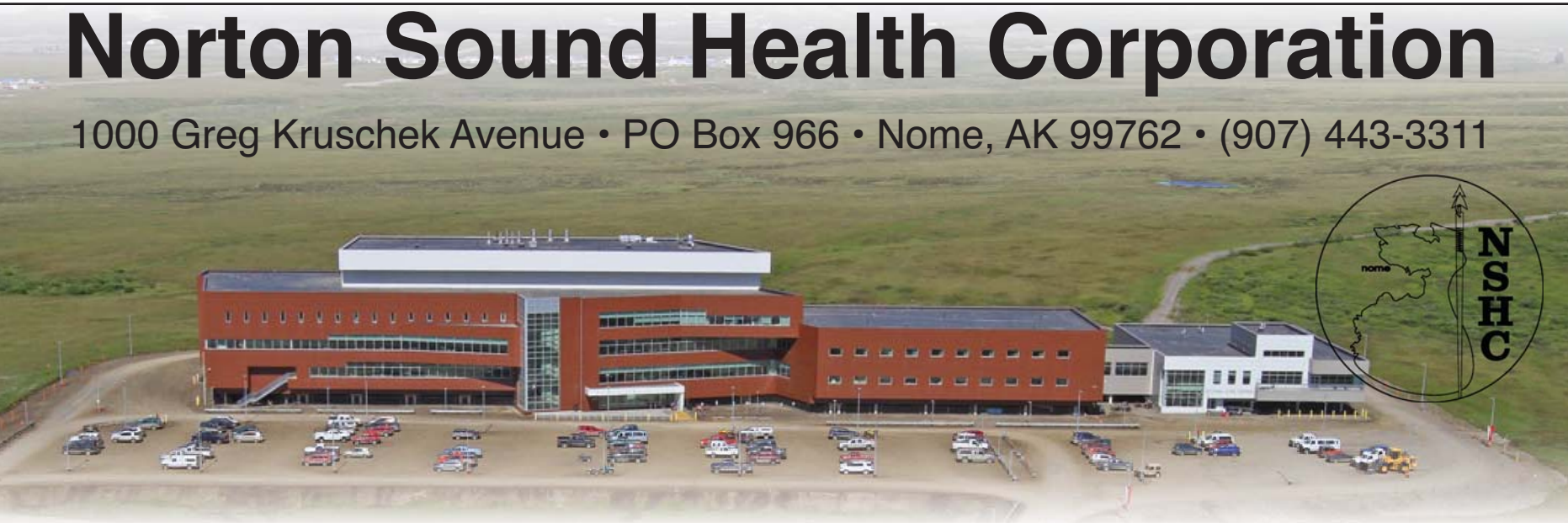
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Helpful hints to complete the Indian Status Exemption application:

- 1) Print out exemption application at:
<http://marketplace.cms.gov/getofficialresources/publications-and-articles/tribal-exemption.pdf>
- Print an extra copy of the “Step 2” page from the application for your spouse, and each of your children or others in your family who are Alaska Native and/or American Indian. You will need to complete a separate “Step 2” page for each member of your family you claim on your taxes.
- 2) What to include with your exemption application:
 - A copy of one of the following for each person you are filing for;
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 - Proof of ANCSA (Regional or Village) Shareholder Status
 - Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) Card issued by the Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - If you don’t have one of the items above, you can also visit your local Tribal clinic for a “Letter of Eligibility to Receive Care”
 - Send copies only. Do not send original cards or documents. These items will not be returned.
- 3) Here is a document that provides additional instructions and helpful hints:
http://anthctoday.org/aca/Indian_Status_Exemption.pdf
- 4) Keep a photocopy of the entire application and forms for your personal records.
- 5) What happens next?
 - You will receive an Exemption Certificate Number from the Health Insurance Marketplace that you’ll put on your federal Income tax return.
 - This is for your 2014 taxes that you will file in 2015.
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 - If you don’t receive the certificate information, call the Health Insurance Marketplace Help Center at 1/800-318-2596.

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Photo by Rhoda Nanouk

ICE MUSHING— Four-time Iditarod champion Martin Buser of Big Lake mushes his dog team along the hills just outside of Unalakleet on Saturday, March 8. Buser reached the checkpoint along the Bering Sea Coast in second place, just under one hour behind eventual second place finisher Aliy Zirkle. Iditarod 2014 champion Dallas Seavey reached Unalakleet in 11th place, over eight hours behind Zirkle.

Unalakleet hosts Bering Sea Conference basketball tourney

By Jeff Erickson

With 22 teams playing 38 games over five days the Bering Sea Conference basketball tournament was arguably the largest high school conference tournament in Alaska history. Two hundred ten student athletes descended on Unalakleet accompanied by plane loads of fans that wanted to witness the exciting and momentous event.

The girls tournament featured the two-time defending regional champion Shishmaref Northern Lights who returned a strong veteran core with the addition of Debra Hersrud, a physical forward who'd played in Noorvik previously.

The Teller Lady Aklags were the second seed, and the only team that had played the SNL team close all year long. But other teams eyed the prize: a trip to Anchorage for each of the two state tournament berths.

Early round games went according to seed placements and the top teams moved in. Fans were treated to the long range shooting displays of the shorthanded Savoonga Lady Huskies Denae Kingeekuk and the physical play of Golovin's Alice Amaktoolik and St. Michael's Deidre Levi. New stars were also emerging in Shaktoolik and Koyuk creating a feeling of transition.

Nothing could stop the Northern Lights display as the ladies from Shishmaref steamrolled the competition behind Hersrud, and fellow All-Tournament selections Jessica Kuzuguk and Denise Fernandez. They rolled to the title over the rival Aklags who fell to the "True Second" game on Saturday to play the winner of the loser's bracket. The blue-clad Lady Aklags came out against their nemesis, the Golovin Lady Lynx (who had upset them in the 2013 tournament) with their game faces on. Team MVP Jazzlyn Garnie continued her impressive tournament play and teammate Kaitlyn Topkok dominated the frontcourt with aggressive rebounding and scoring. Teller advanced to their first state tournament appearance.

On the boys' side the options were endless. Almost every one of the 12 teams had legitimate reason to be op-

timistic. While the Wolverines from Shaktoolik had skated through the season with only a single loss to a conference team, there were many others who had reasonable aspirations of a trip to Anchorage. The three-time defending district champion Golovin Lynx was the first to feel the bite of an upstart team as the young Huskies from Brevig Mission came back from a large deficit to defeat the purple and gold. High-octane offenses met intense defensive pressure as transition basketball prevailed providing the packed bleachers with entertaining displays of "March Madness." Youthful players emerged and veterans led their squads into battle.

Multiple overtime games and nail biting finishes were the rule on the boy's side of the tournament. The Shishmaref Northern Lights shone brightly after an up and down season using the smooth backcourt play of senior David Olanna and the frenetic pace of Corey Ningeulook to dispatch favored Gambell and Brevig Mission and be the surprise team of the tournament. Their championship matchup would be with the top seeded Wolverines, who had escaped a valiant upset bid from the young Elim Eagles in the semi-finals.

Shaktoolik opened strong and maintained a double-digit lead until the 4th quarter led by outstanding performances from Vernon Rock and freshman Everson Paniptchuk. An injury to the very important Melvin Hunt gave the Northern Lights a glimmer of hope and they stormed back to cut the lead to single digits, but they could never overcome the deficit and the championship went to the maroon clad Wolverines.

The Golovin team had recovered from the early loss to win 4 games including narrow victories over Elim and Brevig Mission. Sherman was helped by brilliant long range shooting by Peter Olson and Oswald Moses, and his back strain seemed to be healing as the days progressed. He attacked the Shishmaref defense relentlessly in the "True Second" game. When they played off him he drained three-point shots, when they played tight he went to the basket

with aggression. His 55 points were a large reason that the Lynx punched their ticket for a four-year-in-a-row

to the state tournament.

The four teams will travel to Anchorage March 13 to participate in

the 16 team state tournament that starts on Saturday, March 15.



Photos by Jeff Erickson

TOURNEY CHAMPS GIRLS— The Shishmaref Lady Northern Lights won the tournament. Pictured are left to right: Mamie Iyatunguk, Jessica Kuzuguk, Augustine Olanna, Cheyenne Nayokpuk, Debra Hersrud, Nicole Nayokpuk, Hillary Sinnok, Kelly Ningeulook, Denise Fernandez, Tammy Iyatunguk and Coach Susie Rilling.



TOURNEY CHAMPS BOYS— The Shaktoolik Wolverines squad won the boys tournament. Pictured are back row left to right: Coach Gus Sampson, Alex Sampson, Donald Auliye, Melvin Hunt and Vernon Rock. Front Row left to right: Travis Savetilik, McKenzie Sagoonick, Nathan Savetilik, Everson Paniptchuk and Ethan Evan.

Nanooks Secure Second Place at Tournament, Will Play at State

By Sarah Miller

Though the championship title eluded the Nanooks, both the boys' and girls' teams represented Nome well on the court at this weekend's Western Conference Tournament in Anchorage.

The Lady Nanooks played number one seed Barrow in their first game on Thursday, losing 56-40, despite the efforts of Ariana Horner

with 14 points, and Senora and Addy Ahmasuk, who each put 10 points on the board. Friday's game against Bethel also saw the Lady Nanooks defeated, 31-27. The Ahmasuk sisters again were lead scorers in the game, with Addy putting up 15 for the team and Senora contributing 10 points. The girls' team ended their season with a 7-15 record. Barrow and Bethel went on to win first and

second place in the tournament. Both Senora (sophomore) and Addy (senior) Ahmasuk were named to the all-tournament team. Senior Addy Ahmasuk was also named to the All-Western Conference Team, a team selected by the coaches and based upon performance over the season. Other players named to the team were Angela Miguel (Barrow MVP), Rose Mongoyuk (Barrow), Riana Joseph (Bethel), and Mary-Sue Hyatt (Kotzebue). Ahmasuk also won the girls' free throw contest.

The boys' team began the tournament facing off against Barrow for the fifth time in two weeks. The Nanooks had a slow start, leading by only one point at halftime, 17-16. The pace of the game picked up in the second half and Nome used its defense to hold the Whalers to only 9 points, defeating them 42-25. Cass Mattheis and Klay Baker led the team in scoring with 18 and 10 points. The win sent the Nanooks to the championship game against Bethel on Friday. The Nanooks put up a fight against the Warriors, holding a lead of 2 points at the end of the first half. Both teams built up small leads throughout the game, but the Nanooks defense was not enough to keep Theodore Naneng of Bethel from putting up 27 points in the game, 15 in the fourth quarter. Despite Tyler Eide's 16 points and 13 points from Mattheis, the Nanooks were defeated 48-40.

The loss meant that Nome would have to play against Barrow one more time in the state-tournament qualifying game on Saturday. As Coach Pat Callahan noted in an email, "This is a really difficult game for the team that is in our shoes to win. We just came off a very close championship game loss—a game in which we were in a position to win even late in the fourth quarter. It is very mentally challenging to get over the disappointment of the championship game loss and refocus on the task at hand. Barrow is a very good team—probably the best team in the state to not qualify for the tournament." The Nanooks struggled to keep rebounds under control, allowing Barrow to grab 19 offensive rebounds and keep the game close. However, the defensive strength of the Nanooks, led by Jake Stettenbenz and Klay Baker limited the Whalers' scoring. Eide stepped up to carry the

Nanooks to victory in this critical game, with 30 points, 6 assists and a crowd-pleasing half court shot at the third quarter buzzer. Callahan commented on the shot, "This shot surprised nobody that has followed Tyler over the last four years...he has consistently made these type of buzzer beating shots." Mattheis also scored some critical second half shots that allowed the Nanooks to secure a second place berth and a trip to the Class 3A state tournament later this month. The final score was 59-47, Nome. The Nanooks' season record is currently 18-7.

Baker, Mattheis, and Eide were named to the All-Tournament Team. Eide and Mattheis were also selected to the boys All-Conference team, along with Lawrence Kaleak (Barrow), and Taylor Hoffman and Theodore Naneng of Bethel. Nome's Briar Dickson won the free-throw competition, while Baker won the three point shooting competition. The Nanooks narrowly missed earning the Team GPA award by .003 points to the Bethel Warriors. However, the boys' team was honored with the Sportsmanship Award.

Thursday, March 20 marks the beginning of the Class 3A State Tour-

namment, in which the Nanooks will first play against number one ranked Monroe-Catholic High School of Fairbanks. This will be the Nanooks' seventh straight trip to the tournament, and as Callahan pointed out, "Eide also joins a small group of former Nanook Boys Basketball players that have played on four state qualifying teams (Tim Sullivan, Nathan Blandford, Dominique Hall, and David Stickel)". Other schools at the tournament will be Anchorage Christian School, Houston High School, Grace Christian School, Delta Junction, Sitka High School, and of course, Bethel. Games will take place at UAA, with the championship game on March 22 at the Sullivan Arena.

The Western Conference Tournament also included the Cheer Competition. The Nome-Beltz cheer team participated in competition judged on both sideline cheering as well as a half-time routine. Kotzebue was declared the winner, with second place going to Bethel's squad. Allaryce Agloinga and Gwendolyn Trigg-Komakhuk of Nome were selected to the all-tournament cheer squad.



Photos by Janeen Sullivan

TWO POINTS— Nome Lady Nanook Addy Ahmasuk goes up for two points in the game against the Bethel Lady Warriors.



NANOOK POWER— Nome Nanook Tyler Eide has his work cut out in the game against the Barrow Whalers.

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Social connections: People need people

An informational article submitted by Kawerak Wellness, and summarized and republished with the permission of the Center for the Study of Social Policy

People need people. Parents need people who care about them and their children, who can be good listeners, who they can turn to for well-informed advice and who they can call on for help in solving problems. And so, the quality of social connections is important considerations in the lives of parents. Parents’ relationships with family members, friends, neighbors, co-workers, community members and service providers — are valuable resources who provide:

- emotional support (e.g., affirming parenting skills or being empathic and nonjudgmental)
- informational support (e.g., providing parenting guidance or recommending a pediatric dentist)
- instrumental support (e.g., providing transportation, financial assistance or links to jobs)
- spiritual support (e.g., providing hope and encouragement)

When parents have a sense of connectedness they believe they have people who care about them as individuals and as parents; they feel secure and confident that they have others with whom they can share the joy, pain and uncertainties that come with the parenting role; they seek as-

sistance from people they have learned to count on when faced with challenges; and they feel empowered to “give back” in their relationships. Several research studies have demonstrated that—for both mothers and fathers—high levels of emotional, informational, instrumental or spiritual support is associated with positive parental mood; positive responses to one’s children; parental satisfaction, well-being and sense of being a good parent; and lower levels of anger, anxiety and depression.

On the other side of things, inadequate, conflicting or dissatisfying social connections can be the source of parental stress. For example, grandparents may be very willing sources of information and support to new parents, but their advice and ways of showing they care, may be at odds with the new parents’ beliefs and preferences.

At the extreme end of poor social connections, is a lack of people parents can talk to. Some parents can develop loneliness and feelings of being disconnected from others. Social isolation of parents puts families at high risk. Loneliness may be a major stressor that stops parents from providing the quality of care to their children that parents aim for.

Constructive and supportive social connections help safeguard parents from stress and support parenting that promotes a sense of security in their young children.

Therefore, parents’ high quality social connections are beneficial to both the adults and the children.

Social Connections— One of Five Protective Factors developed by the Center for the Study of Social Policy (CSSP) under the Strengthening Families Initiative. For more information, please see the Strengthening Families website: www.StrengtheningFamilies.net

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Alaska Family Dr. will return next week. Dr. Lawrence is on a medical mission in Haiti.

Photo by Caleb Weaver
SNOW-DOWN THROW-DOWN— Sunday, March 9. Nome Artists chip, saw and rake blocks of snow into masterpieces outside Old Saint Joe’s. When the snow finally settled, participants and admirers took some time to pick their favorite. Tyler Rhodes of The Nome Arts Council tallied the public votes, and crowned Sandra and Russel Rowe as champions of the 2014 Iditarod Snow Sculpting Competition for their entry “Sundog” shown above. Brenda Evak earned the second place prize for her detailed bust of a man in his parka. Third place was a tie between defending champions “H&H” for their dredge piece, and the newcomers, “Nome ER Nurses” for their giant orange “Nome Crab.” Be sure to head down to Anvil City Square to check them out before they melt!

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CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Alarms go off. Trust your instincts, Capricorn. Not everyone has your best interest at heart. There is more involved in an offer at work than it seems.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Run, Aries, run. If something seems off, it probably is. A change in scenery helps an old friend heal. Invite them over for a little celebration.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Warmer temperatures lead to a little spring cleaning and the end of a mystery. Stash what you uncover in a safe place, Cancer. A diva makes far too many demands.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

Remember, Libra. What goes around comes around. Be careful how you proceed. A friend suffers a financial setback, but it is only temporary.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

Slow down, Aquarius. You’ve been taking on more than your fair share for far too long. Pull back and take time out to smell the roses. A loved one shares a secret.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Yikes, Taurus. You played a little too hard, and it almost cost you. Time to switch tactics and take a gentler approach. You won’t believe what transpires.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Boredom sets in at home, and it’s up to you, Leo, to rev things up. Turn your attention outside for ideas. A analysis concludes and the results are incredible.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

Alas, Scorpio. You held out hope to the very end, but it wasn’t meant to be. Don’t worry about it. Another opportunity will arise. A romance heats up.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Money may be tight, but creativity is not. There is a lot to do for little. Think outside of the box, Pisces, and keep your plans on track.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

Love blossoms in spite of the odds, and you make it all happen, Gemini. Give yourself a pat on the back. The bidding begins for a cherished piece.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

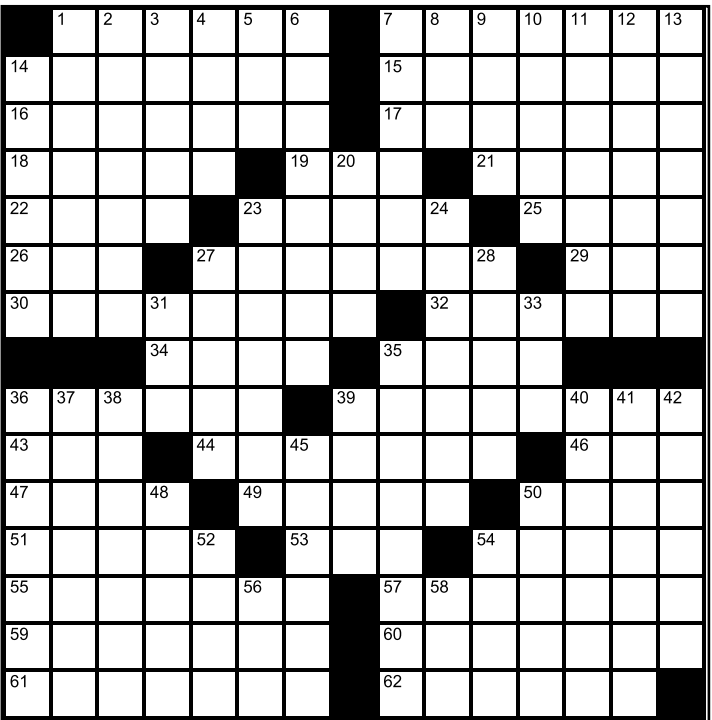
Perfection does not exist, so why are you insisting on it, Virgo? Focus on all that has been done well rather than the bit that hasn’t, and progress will be made.

SAGITTARIUS
November 23–December 21

Uh-oh, Sagittarius. The truth finally comes out, and not everyone is pleased. You can’t make everyone happy, now can you? A book inspires.

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 - Publicly express approval (var. spelling)
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 - Humble
 - Drops on blades
 - Change, chemically
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 - Any Platters platter
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 - Hawaiian strings
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 - Minnesota ____, pool hustler
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 - Fused materials used in making glass
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All Around the Sound

New Arrivals

Kailey and Makayla Ongtowsruk would like to introduce their new baby sister **Ellorie Arlene Fahey** born on February 13, at 9:52 p.m. She weighed 8 lbs 4 oz and was 20 inches in length. Parents are Stephanie Fahey and Brandon Ongtowsruk. Maternal grandparents are Brian Fahey and Laura Fahey. Paternal grandparents are Nora and Steve Brock and Charles Olin.



Ellorie Arlene Fahey

Cherilyn Kavairlook and Frank McFarland of Nome announce the birth of their son **Braeden Conrad McFarland**, born February 3, at 1:37 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 19.5” in length. His brother is Colin McFarland, 10, and sister is Ayla Kavairlook, 4. His maternal grandparents are Frank Sr. and Norma Kavairlook. His paternal grandparents Perry and Nancy Mendenhall; and the late Jack McFarland.

LeAnn E. Gologergen and Delbert I. Pungowiyi of Savoonga announce the birth of their son **Donovan Cole Pungowiyi**, born February 10, at 3:20 a.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces, and was 20.5” in length. Siblings are Timothy L.L. Gologergen, 12; and Lindsey C. Pungowiyi-Gologergen, 16 months. Maternal grandparents are Lee and Ada

Gologergen of Savoonga. Paternal grandparents are the late Dennis Sr. and Jean Pungowiyi.

Kendra Lee and Norman Ongtowsruk of Teller announce the birth of their son **Vincent Robert Ongtowsruk**, born February 14, at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. He weighed 8 pounds, and was 20.5” in length. His big brother is Victor Charlie Ongtowsruk.

Honors

Western Wyoming Community College has released its Fall 2013 President’s Honor Roll list. This honor is accorded to full-time students who complete a minimum of 12 credit hours with a letter grade and a grade point average of 4.0. Western congratulates **Jeremy Head** of Nome on his academic achievements.

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effects of hormonal contraceptives are the following: blood clots in the veins, lungs, heart, and brain, potentially causing heart attack and strokes; breast cancer; potentially life-threatening ectopic pregnancy (in which the embryo most often implants in the narrow tube between the ovary and womb); liver tumors; and ovarian cysts.

• Contraception is designed to stop a woman’s body from functioning normally and this can have negative consequences when a couple wishes to conceive a child. According to a new report by the Society for Assisted Reproductive Technology, about 1.7 percent of all babies born in the U.S. in 2012 were conceived in laboratories. However, the over-

whelming majority of babies conceived that way did not make it to birth. A record-breaking total of 61,470 test-tube babies were successfully born in 2012, out of 165,172 who were conceived and placed inside a womb. (LifeSite-News.com)

• People tend to take more risks when they are led to believe they can avoid the negative consequences of risky behavior through technology. Widespread contraceptive availability has actually led to more people becoming sexually active, at earlier ages, and with more sexual partners—hence more pregnancies, more abortions. 54 percent of U.S. women seeking abortions were using contraception in the month they became pregnant

• Casual sex, encouraged by

widely available contraception, has resulted in about 60 million Americans being infected with one or more sexually transmitted diseases.

• “Another effect that gives cause for alarm is that a man who grows accustomed to the use of contraceptive methods may forget the reverence due to a woman, and, disregarding her physical and emotional equilibrium, reduce her to being a mere instrument for the satisfaction of his own desires, no longer considering her as his partner whom he should surround with care and affection.” (Paul VI, Humane Vitae).

• *The Nugget* article also states that the incidence of abortion has fallen to its lowest level since the early 1970s, driven by increased use of contraception. Given that many

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Simple French Onion Soup

Recipe by Miller Health Consulting, LLC

Makes Approximately (4) 1 cup servings
Preparation and Cook Time: 20 minutes
Difficulty Level: Easy

Ingredients:
2 Tbsp. olive oil
3 medium, thinly sliced yellow onions
4 cups low-sodium beef broth
2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 tsp. black pepper
4 slices whole wheat French bread
4 slices Swiss cheese



Directions:

1. Heat olive oil on medium heat in a medium size stockpot. Add thinly sliced onions and cook until tender and light brown, about 8 minutes. Stir occasionally.
1. Add beef broth, Worcestershire sauce, and black pepper to the pot and bring to boil. Once boiling, reduce heat to low and simmer for 7 minutes.
2. Meanwhile, place 1 slice of Swiss cheese on each slice of bread and toast until cheese is melted.
3. To serve, ladle 1 cup of soup into a bowl and place 1 slice of cheesy toast on top.

Tips:

- * If you don’t have beef stock, you may use ¾ tsp. of beef base per 1 cup of water.
- * Pair with a small salad for a warm and light lunch.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size	1 Cup with Cheesy Toast
Amount Per Serving	
Calories	353
Total Fat (g)	16
Saturated Fat (g)	6.5
Cholesterol (mg)	26
Sodium (mg)	500
Total Carbohydrate (g)	39
Fiber (g)	4.5
Protein (g)	16
Vitamin A (%)	4
Vitamin C (%)	11
Calcium (%)	25
Iron (%)	2

studies counter this perception, one must consider other factors such as:

• More teens are remaining abstinent. Between 1998 and 2008, the percentage of girls 15-19 who ever had sex fell more than 17 percent (to 42 percent) and the percentage of boys 15-19 dropped more than 28 percent.

• Sadly one must also note that decreased abortion rates may also be a result of the increased use of abortifacient drugs that can destroy a life

after conception thus eliminating the need for a surgical abortion later on.

What was missing in the article from the *Nome Nugget* and what would be interesting to read are the reasons why the controversial parts of S.B. 49 were eliminated by the Republicans and the House Finance Committee. Could it be they have a genuine concern for the health of women, children, and society?

Respectfully,
Rev Ross Tozzi

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: Thrift Shop 4:00 to 5:00 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
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m.

Team-By-Team Coverage.

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Employment

Nome Eskimo Community is recruiting for two (2) positions located in Nome, AK:
• Accounting Specialist: non-exempt, regular, full-time position. The pay range is \$23.79/hour - \$26.78/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is **Friday, March 22, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**
• After School Activities Coordinator: non-exempt, regular, part-time position. The pay range is \$17.71/hour - \$19.93/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is **Friday, March 4, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**
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 After School Activities Coordinator 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, Cathy Lyon, at 907-443-9114 or by email to cathylyon@gci.net
3/13-20

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Submit payment to Stanley D'Orio, 491 Dead River Road, Bowdoin, Maine 04287.
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Helen “Huda” Ivanoff, Manager

Trooper Beat

On March 4, the Alaska State Troopers investigated a report of sexual abuse that occurred in the Norton Sound region. A suspect has been identified. Investigation continues.
On March 4, AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Stebbins. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Dennis Thrasher, 24, of Stebbins, for Assault 4. Thrasher was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.
On March 4, AST received a report of a sexual assault that occurred approximately 15 years ago in the Norton Sound region. Investigation continues.

All Along the Seawall

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 03/03 at 12:23 a.m. Nome Police Officers responded to a Sixth Ave residence to a report of an adult female violating a Protective Order by being in the residence while intoxicated. The investigation led to the arrest of Dawn Oozevasuk, who was remanded to AMCC. No bail amount was set.
On 03/03 at 4:14 a.m. NPD responded to a business on Second Ave. in reference to an intoxicated adult female being loud and disruptive. Investigation led to the arrest of Katie Ongtowasruk for Disorderly Conduct. Katie was remanded to AMCC, with bail was set at \$250.
On 3/03 at 1:41 p.m. officers responded to the high school for the report of a student possessing tobacco. Upon contacting the juvenile, he was found to have a can of chewing tobacco. The juvenile was issued a Minor in Possession of Tobacco citation and released to a responsible adult.
On 3/03 at 3:24 p.m. officers responded to the high school for the report of a student possessing tobacco. The juvenile was contacted and admitted to having chewing tobacco in their mouth. The juvenile was issued a Minor in Possession of Tobacco citation and released to a responsible adult.
On 03/03 at 5:35 p.m. NPD responded to Bering St in reference to a highly intoxicated male passed out on the sidewalk. Investigation led to Foster Olanna taken to the Hospital where he was medically cleared. Foster was then transported to AMCC and remanded for a Title 47 hold. No further incident occurred.
On 03/03 at 7:12 p.m. Nome Police Department responded to a dispatch hang up that origi-

nated from an unknown location in town. Investigation led to the arrest of John Saclamana for two counts of Violating Conditions of a Protective Order. No bail amount was set.
On 03/03 at 8:36 p.m. NPD responded to intoxicated male disturbing customers at a local business. The officer made contact with reported male. Investigation leads to John Penetac transported to the local medical center for clearance. John was then transported to AMCC and remanded for a Title 47 hold.
On 03/03 at 9:55 p.m. NPD responded to an intoxicated female refusing to leave a bar. Investigation led to the arrest of Ann-Jeanette Johnny for Drunk On A Licensed Premises and Criminal Trespass, 2nd Degree. Bail was set at \$750.
03/04 at 7:20 p.m. NPD responded to a disturbance at a King Pl. residence. Upon arrival, officers made contact with several intoxicated individuals. Investigation led to two individuals, Ella Daniels and Karen Tate, being transported to the local medical center due to their high levels of intoxication. Once their levels became safe, both were then placed at AMCC for a Title 47 Hold.
On 3/05 at 12:10 p.m. officers responded to the Kawerak, Inc. area for a loose dog charging at people. The dog owner has been identified and, once contacted, will be cited for Animal At Large.
On 3/05 at 4:46 p.m. a report was made regarding some vandalism to a SUV along Nugget Alley. Investigation continues in this matter.
On 3/06 at 12:03 a.m. officers responded to a local hotel in reference to some juveniles crying in a room. Investigation led to the arrest of Louisa Pungowiwi for Disorderly Conduct.
On 3/07 at 2:21 a.m. NPD was requested at a local apartment complex for a domestic disturbance. Investigation revealed that the male was highly intoxicated, became upset, and possessed

a weapon at one time during the argument. The male, Brett Michaels, was transported to AMCC for a Title 47 Hold. Charges will be sent to the District Attorney's Office for Misconduct Involving a Weapon in the 4th Degree and Violating Conditions of Probation.
On 3/08 at 8:16 p.m. NPD was dispatched to a residence on Division St. for the report of a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of Sarah Evak, 21, for two (2) counts of Probation Violation. No Bail was set.
On 03/08 at 10:14 p.m. NPD responded to a residence on Fourth Ave. for the report of a domestic disturbance. Investigation revealed James Bloomstrand had assaulted someone in the residence. Bloomstrand was remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence. No Bail was set.
On 03/09 at 12:18 a.m. officers responded to a Second Ave. residence for an assault in progress. Officers responded and investigation revealed Ruth Poage had assaulted another member of the household. Poage was remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence. No bail has been set.
On 03/09 at 12:48 a.m. officers observed a female staggering down the street on the east end of town. Investigation revealed Louise Martin was on Current Conditions of Release and Probation which state in part not to possess or consume alcohol. Charges have been forwarded to the DA's Office for disposition.
On 3/09 at 9:23 p.m. officers were requested on check on Derek Johnson. Derek was eventually contacted a short time later, and placed under arrest for Violating Conditions of Felony Probation by consuming alcoholic beverage. No bail has been set for this incident.



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2/27/14

**Deputy Clerk III
Alaska Court System
Nome, Alaska
\$4,444.00 Monthly
Closing Date: March 13, 2014**

The Alaska Court System (ACS) is recruiting for a Deputy Clerk III for the Nome Trial Courts. The selected applicant will serve as an in-court clerk for District Court criminal proceedings, as a back-up for Superior Court criminal matters, and as a back-up in-court clerk for grand jury. In-court clerks produce quality electronic recordings and written log note indexes of a wide variety of court proceedings, assist judicial officers in the courtroom, and prepare and distribute documents related to court proceedings.

How to Apply: Complete recruitment information is available on Workplace Alaska, <http://workplace.alaska.gov>. Applicants must submit a completed application through Workplace Alaska by 5:00 p.m. by **Thursday, March 13, 2014**. 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.

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POOL CHAMP— Martina Painter congratulates Harold O'Connor on winning Iditarod 8-Ball singles pool trophy.

Legals

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
HENRY A. BURDICK,**

Deceased. Case No. 2NO-14-3 PR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that Ms. Misa Perron-Burdick and Ms. Anya Perron-Burdick have been appointed personal representatives of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Ms. Misa Perron-Burdick or Ms. Anya Perron-Burdick, c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762.
DATED this 21st day of February, 2014.
s/Erin M. Lillie, Associate Attorney
Lewis & Thomas, P.C.
Attorneys for Misa Perron-Burdick and Anya Perron-Burdick, Personal Representatives
P.O. Box 61, Nome, AK 99762
2/27-3/6-13

**INVITATION TO BID
Nome High School – HVAC Controls Upgrades Project
Nome, Alaska**

**Owner: City of Nome
P.O. Box 261
Nome, Alaska 99762
907-443-6663 (phone)
907-443-5345 (fax)**

The Nome Public School District will receive sealed bids for Nome High School HVAC Controls Upgrades Project. Interested persons may receive a bid package by registering with the City Clerk by email at tmoran@nomealaska.org, phone at 907-443-6663 or by fax at (907)443-5345. Contract Documents will be available March 6, 2014.

One complete set of Bid Documents will also be available for review at The Plans Room, 4831 Old Seward Hwy # 102, Anchorage, Alaska 99503, (907)563-2029.

The deadline for submission of sealed proposals is March 27, 2014 at 3:00 P.M. local time and shortly thereafter the bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids must be physically submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked clearly on the envelope as "Bid Enclosed: Nome High School – HVAC Controls Upgrades Project" along with the name and address of the Bidder. Fax submissions are not allowed.

A five percent bid bond or cashier's check is required. Payment and performance bonds will also

be required. The contract will be awarded to the lowest qualified Bidder as determined by the City. The City of Nome reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to reject non-conforming, non-responsive, or conditional bids.
3/6-13-20

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME**

**In the Matter of:
J. K.,
D.O.B. 08/24/2007,
A Child Under the Age of Eighteen (18) Years.
Case No. 2NO-13-32 CN
NOTICE AND SUMMONS
TO ABSENT PARENT**

To: Vadim Yenan, d.o.b. 11/27/73
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights under AS 47.10.080(c)(3) has been filed in the Superior Court, Second Judicial District, Nome, Alaska concerning J. K. d.o.b. 08/24/2007, a minor, who is believed to be your child. This petition may result in an order terminating your parental rights.
A copy of the petition is on file in the Superior Court in Nome, Alaska. The Court's physical address is 113 Front Street, Second Floor, Nome, Alaska 99762. The Court's mailing address is P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762.
A termination trial is scheduled to be held in Courtroom A, Superior Court, 113 Front Street, Second Floor, Nome, Alaska 99762, on May 13, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.

You have the right to be represented by an attorney. An attorney has been appointed to represent you at state expense. The court has appointed Gregory Parvin to represent you in this case. You may contact him by calling him collect at (907) 376-2800. His mailing address is 900 South Check St., Wasilla, Alaska 99654.

If you or your attorney cannot appear at the hearing, you must file with the court a response to the petition within thirty (30) days after the last date of publication of this notice.

DATED: 3/4/14
CLERK OF THE TRIAL COURTS
By: Brodie Kimmel s/s
Deputy Clerk
3/13-20-27-4/3

Notice of Public Comment and

Public Hearing

The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) is soliciting comments for changes to the current allocation plan for the GOAL Program, referred to as the Rating Criteria and Award Plan (QAP). Any proposed changes will become effective for the FY 2015 GOAL Cycle which will start in May 2014. The plan covers the allocation of three funding sources, the Low Income Housing Tax Credit, the HOME Investment Partnership Act, and the Senior Citizens Housing Development Fund. All three are designed to provide affordable

housing for lower income households, seniors and special needs populations. *Comments are due by 5:00 p.m. March 28, 2014.*

AHFC is interested in comments on all aspects of the Plan. Comments AHFC has received over the last year include requests to:

1. Reduce the tax credit set-aside for projects that preserve rental assistance
2. Eliminate energy efficiency points for performance guarantees
3. Exclude acquisition costs from the scoring of rehab / preservation projects
4. Use the federal definition of rural to set rural project cost standards
5. Re-evaluate the appropriateness of the project cost standards
6. Establish project cost standards by region and construction type
7. Establish procedures for evaluating mixed-use developments

Other potential changes considered by AHFC:

1. Re-evaluation of scoring weights and ranges used to assign points
 2. Refining incentives and standards for project cost containment
 3. Refining incentives and standards for Fair Housing compliance
 4. Establishing regional award caps to ensure geographic project diversity
 5. Other changes to ranking criteria used in the FY 2015 round based on public comments and staff recommendations
- To access a copy of the current Plan which will be used as the basis for the SFY 2015 Plan, please go to AHFC's website at <http://www.ahfc.us/pros/notices/requests-comment/>.

AHFC will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 20, 2014 to solicit comments regarding this notice. This hearing will be held from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Anchorage time) at AHFC's headquarters in the 1st floor boardroom. Persons may attend the public hearing in person or via telephone. Persons attending the hearing via telephone will need to dial 1-877-873-8018 and enter access code 5288816 when prompted.

For those wishing to attend the public hearing in person, AHFC's physical address is: Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
4300 Boniface Parkway
Anchorage, AK 99504
Comments must be submitted via e-mail to Daniel Delfino at ddelfino@ahfc.us no later than 5:00 p.m. Anchorage time on March 28, 2014. AHFC complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids or special modifications to participate in the public comment process should call Daniel Delfino at 907-330-8273.
3/13

Juneau Juice

Governor makes nomination to Fishery Council

Governor Sean Parnell nominated Simon Kinneen for consideration by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for service on the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC). The governor also named Ragnar Alstrom and John Moller as alternate nominees.

“Simon’s strong background and experience with subsistence, sport fishing, and commercial fishing, will make a great contribution to the NPFMC,” said Governor Parnell. “Each of these nominees is committed to continue to improve fishery management for the benefit of the resource, the commercial fishing industry, and for individuals who depend on the food source.”

Kinneen, of Nome, has worked for Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation for the past 14 years in various roles, including Norton Sound fisheries research and development director, CDQ manager, chief operating officer, and most recently, vice president and quota acquisition manager. He has served on the NPFMC Advisory Panel and Non-Target Species Committee, Bering Sea Fisheries Advisory Board, Advisory Panel to the North Pacific Research Board, Marine Conservation Alliance, and various other boards relating to state and federal fisheries. Kinneen currently is NSEDC’s representative to the Western Alaska Community Development Association, the federally-mandated body charged with various functions associated with the CDQ Program. He holds a bachelor’s degree in fisheries science and management from the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Alstrom, of Alakanuk, has commercially fished the Yukon River, Bering Sea, and Norton Sound for more than 35 years. He is the executive director of the Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association. Alstrom serves on the Alakanuk City Council and previously served as mayor. He is a member of the Yukon River Panel, an international panel between Canada and the Bering Sea Fishermen’s Association. Alstrom also previously represented the Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association on the conference board to the International Pacific Halibut Commission and sat on the advisory panel to the NPFMC. He also served as a board member to the Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association.

John Moller was born in Unalaska and resides in Juneau, where he serves as senior rural affairs advisor in the Office of the Governor. He has worked for many years as a commercial

fisherman, and currently owns and operates a commercial fishing vessel in Southeast Alaska. Moller also owns and manages commercial properties. He has served on a number of Alaska Native and local government community boards and committees, including four years on the Advisory Panel to the NPFMC. Moller also served for 13 years as general manager of the Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association.

The NPFMC manages more than 900,000 square miles of ocean, and is responsible for managing halibut, cod, sole, and other groundfish in the Bering Sea, Gulf of Alaska, and Aleutian Islands waters. Established by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Act, the council is one of eight regional councils dedicated to the oversight of the nation’s fisheries. The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Act, signed into law in 1976, empowers the U.S. Secretary of Commerce to choose the final appointee from applicants nominated by governors of coastal states.

Report: Governor’s education proposal continues teacher cuts

Alaska Schools approaching 1,000 educator cuts since 2011
Representative Les Gara (D-Anchorage) released a report showing that, in order to avoid cutting educators a fourth year in a row, Alaska’s six largest school districts need an increase of roughly four times more per-pupil funding next year than the Governor has proposed.

“As someone who grew up in foster care, I know strong schools give everyone, rich and poor, opportunity. Cutting teachers, career counselors, and other educators damages opportunity, and harms our goal of developing a well-educated workforce,” Rep. Gara said.

The Governor has not increased per-student funding since 2011. A report from Legislative Research Services shows that the six largest school districts in Alaska need an average of a \$314 increase in per-pupil funding from the state, known as the Base Student Allocation (BSA), to avoid laying off teachers and other staff for a fourth year in a row. Responses from the Anchorage, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Juneau, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Kodiak Island Borough, and Matanuska Susitna Borough school districts ranged from a \$245 increase required by Mat-Su to over \$400 required by Juneau to avoid continued cuts this coming school year.

“In the last few years in Juneau, we’ve seen class sizes grow,

too many valuable educators forced out of the classroom, and a significant reduction in student counseling services due to budget cuts,” said Representative Sam Kito III (D-Juneau). “Our schools have found ways to do more with less, but now their ability to squeeze more success out of insufficient budgets is at its limit. There’s no replacement for good teachers and small class sizes. We need to make a lasting commitment to Alaska’s public schools, and that means giving them the resources they can count on year after year. That’s why the BSA is so important. It’s what schools can count on from one year to the next so they can plan for success not fret about more painful cuts.”

In order to reverse past teacher and staff cuts, and to prevent them in the future, House and Senate Democratic legislators proposed a \$404 increase (SB147, HB331) to the BSA this year with an automatic adjustment in each subsequent year to account for inflation. House Democrats have voted to stop these cuts since they started in 2011.

The Governor’s proposal would only avoid roughly 80 of the anticipated 350 educator cuts for this coming school year. The Governor’s proposed staff cuts would be added to the loss of over 600 educators since 2011.

Senator Dyson: Drop the lattes, pop the pill
GOP Senator says birth control is affordable with “Gold-Streaked” contraception and coffee abstinence

ANCHORAGE: After voting against state-funded family planning, State Senator Fred Dyson gave a lengthy speech (VIDEO here) advocating that women abandon their “lattes” and “GoldStreak” in contraception via Alaska Airlines. Dyson was attempting to refute the fact that family planning reduces unintended pregnancies by increasing the availability of contraception.

Senator Dyson: “I did some research: Don’t let your minds go wild here. There are a dozen places here in town at least where you can buy condoms, a dollar a piece. There are some exotic ones that are more than that, an amazing variety. And talk with the pharmacist, birth control pills are \$18-30 per month. By comparison, in the vending machines down here the pop is \$1.75-\$2.50 per bottle. You know, 4-5 lattes will pay the \$18 per month. So it is my position no one is prohibited from

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Day.
SB 161 – AUTOPSIES AND DEATH CERTIFICATES. This will make minor changes in law to ensure the state treats grieving Alaskans with greater compassion.

If you have any questions regarding any other bill I have introduced, please contact my Chief of Staff, David Scott at **David.Scott@akleg.gov** or 907-465-3707.

Revenue Forecast

The Senate Finance Committee began meeting as soon as session started, and what a year this is shaping up to be. Our revenue forecast is bleak for this year and the next few years. As a result, the Governor submitted the FY15 operating budget request with unrestricted general funds (UGF) below the current year’s budget (FY14). The Legislature expects to further reduce the UGF in the FY15 operating budget. Our Finance Budget Sub-Committees are actively meeting and working with each department’s staff to identify possible savings so we can make informed decisions on the operating budget.

Between the FY14 budget shortfall of \$2.24 billion, and the FY15 anticipated shortfall of over \$1 billion, and the Governor’s request to pay down the retirement debt by about \$3 Billion, our savings will be substantially eroded in just one year.

However, we are very fortunate that the Legislature had the foresight in the last few years to save as much as we did while revenues were high, so we do have about \$16 Billion in our reserves to get us through a few years. No matter how you slice it, there will not be nearly as much funded in the budget that is passed by the Legislature this year as we have enjoyed the last seven years.

Affordable Care Act & Indian Exemption

The Indian Exemption form can be completed anytime in 2014. The certificate number you will receive after filing for an exemption will be used to file taxes in 2015 for the 2014 tax year. Attached with the application, three document copies are required (do not send originals); Tribal Enrollment Card/Letter, Proof of ANSCA (Regional or Village) Shareholder Status, and Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) Card issued by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Elders with Medicare or Veteran Benefits are not required to fill out the Indian Exemption form. Once you complete this exemption form it will be a lifetime exemption.

Questions? Please visit www.anthc.org/aca or call your local Tribal Health Clinic. You can also visit the official website at: <http://marketplace.cms.gov/getofficialresources/publications-and-articles/tribal-exemption.pdf>.

In addition Consumer Reports has

created a free online tool, www.healthlawhelper.org, to provide detailed, personalized information regarding your health care options under the law.

Alaska State Constitution

Please note that the Legislative Affairs Agency has made the latest, the 5th edition, of the “Alaska’s Constitution: A Citizen’s Guide” annotated by Gordon Harris, available on the internet: http://w3legis.state.ak.us/docs/pdf/citizens_guide.pdf.

PFID Reminder

The deadline to apply for the Permanent Fund Dividend is March 31. You may file online at <http://www.pfd.state.ak.us/>. If you have any questions or need to appeal to the department, the toll free number to the Permanent Fund Dividend is 1-800-733-8813.

Career Fairs

I’m excited to extend this invitation to you and your organization, for upcoming career fairs in the Bering Strait Region for our high school students. Career fairs help youth understand the importance of their high school education, and how it relates to helping them gain future employment, and higher education opportunities.

Upcoming Career Fairs:
March 27(Thurs.)- Elim

April 21(Mon.) – White Mountain
April 22 (Tues.)– Shishmaref
April 23(Wed.) - Wales
April 24(Thurs.) - Gambell
April 25(Fri.) - St. Michael
April 28(Mon.)- Golovin
April 29 (Tues.) - Stebbins

For more information please contact Chisana White, Youth Employment Director with Kawerak at 907-433-4361.

Stay Informed

It’s hard to predict how the session will unfold and things do move very quickly in the 90-day session. It’s important to stay informed and I encourage you to keep track of what happens in Juneau. You can watch the legislature in action on Gavel-to-Gavel or online at <http://akl.tv>. To research bills you can visit <http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/start.asp>.

Email Addresses

Last year the legislature changed and shortened the email address for legislators and staff. The previous

email addresses will cease to work sometime later this year.

Please make sure that you all legislative email addresses are updated as follows:

For Reps: rep.firstname.lastname@akleg.gov
For Senators: sen.firstname.lastname@akleg.gov
For Staff: firstname.lastname@akleg.gov

Keep in Touch

My staff and I are here to work for you. Please don’t hesitate to let us know if there is anything my office can do to better represent your needs and interests in the Alaska State Legislature. If you happen to travel to Juneau during session please make an appointment. It’s always a pleasure to visit with constituents.

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Notice of Waiver

The Koyuk Native Corporation Annual Meeting of Shareholders is **postponed until June 7, 2014** at 1p.m. in the Koyuk Communtiy Hall due to Proxy Errors.

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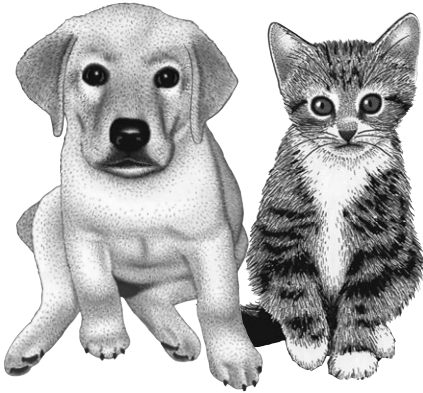


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SUNSET— The sun slowly sinks in the southwest into the Bering Sea with Sledge Island on the right. Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff

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having birth control for economic reasons.”

“Telling women to stop buying lattes and use the money for birth control is absurd and offensive. Senate President Huggins and Republican Party Chairman Goldberg should call on Fred Dyson to apologize immediately,” said Kay Brown, Executive Director of the Alaska Democratic Party.

In his speech, Senator Dyson gave numerous recommendations on how women could ship contraception to Alaska, including by “GoldStreaking” it on Alaska Airlines. Dyson neglected to mention that state-supported family planning could reduce the number of abortions by 360 per year, according to a recent study. In addition to reducing the number of abortions, data suggest that wider availability of contraception could reduce Alaska’s highest-in-the-nation rate of certain sexually transmitted diseases.

Cyberbullying Bill clears first key hurdle

SB128, which criminalizes electronic harassment of minors, moves out of the Judiciary Committee

The Senate Judiciary committee passed Senate Bill 128, which would criminalize cyberbullying of minors.

With advances in technology and social media, harassment by electronic means, or “cyberbullying,” has become increasingly prevalent. Alaska’s current statutes allow for some forms of bullying to be handled within the school system, however not all bullying occurs on or near school property.

“Bullying doesn’t just happen at schools, it happens everywhere,” said Senator Meyer. “My motivation for introducing this legislation is the horribly sad situation we are seeing in the Lower 48, where at least a dozen teen suicides have been directly linked to Facebook, e-mails and text messages sent from electronic devices our current harassment bills do not include.”

SB128 would make it illegal to send an electronic communication that insults, taunts, challenges, or intimidates a person under 18 in a manner that causes fear of physical injury, causes severe mental or emotional injury, or results in significant damage to the person’s property.

According to a 2007 study conducted by Cyberbullying Research Center on 2,000 middle school students, 17.3-percent said they had been cyberbullied, while another 17.6-percent admitted to cyberbullying. Finally, 12-percent of the sample reported being both a victim and a bully.

“Senate Bill 128 starts the process of protecting our most precious resource, our children and gives schools and families the power to protect kids not only the bullied children, but the ‘bullies’,” said Board certified mental health nurse Arlene Briscoe in written testimony to the Judiciary Committee. “Children who are identified as bullies require help too, and by identifying these kids and setting limits on these behaviors they will hopefully get the help they need to stop this entire negative cycle.”

Under SB128, people convicted of cyberbullying could spend

up to 90 days in jail.

SB128 now heads to the Senate Rules Committee for further consideration.

For more information, please contact Edra Morledge in Senator Meyer’s office at (907) 465-4945.

Treadwell and Sullivan still refuse to take position on Koch brothers closing Flint Hills Refinery

Four weeks later, GOP Senate candidates still afraid to criticize billionaire outsiders

Amidst the Koch Brothers’ shutdown of the Flint Hills refinery and elimination of 80 Alaska jobs, Mead Treadwell and Dan Sullivan have yet to lend support to the impacted families in Fairbanks or criticize their billionaire benefactors.

“How many Alaska jobs have to be lost before Treadwell and Sullivan will stand up to the Koch Brothers,” said Mike Wenstrup, Chair of the Alaska Democratic Party and resident of Fairbanks.

The Koch brothers eliminated 80 Alaska jobs by closing the Flint Hills refinery. They pulled over \$100,000 in attack ads set to run the same week they closed the refinery, but now are spending \$600,000 to attack Senator Begich with an ad multiple fact checkers have found to be false. While Democratic and Republican state elected officials have expressed grave concerns about the Flint Hills shutdown, Treadwell and Sullivan refuse to take a position on it.

Through a spokesperson today, Mead Treadwell tried to dodge the issue by lobbying political attacks, but his campaign failed to condemn the Koch brothers or offer any solutions to the impacted families in Fairbanks.

In addition to eliminating 80 Alaska jobs, the Koch Brothers are trying to avoid their responsibility to clean up a massive plume of sulfolane pollution that is poisoning drinking water in North Pole.

Senate Democrats Call On Governor To Withdraw Appointment

SARB appointee a California resident, appointment a violation of Alaska statute

JUNEAU – Monday, members of the Senate Democratic Caucus called on Governor Parnell to withdraw his appointment of Dennis Mandell, of Salinas, California, to the State Assessment Review Board.

“State law is extremely clear on this point. Members of state boards must be state residents. Mandell is not a state resident, and his appointment must be withdrawn. While some question Mandell’s professional qualifications as an assessor or his ability to be impartial given his past employment as an oil industry executive, these questions do not disqualify Mandell from service. Mandell’s established state of residency precludes him from serving on an Alaskan board or commission,” stated Senator Hollis French (D-Anchorage).

AS 39.05.100 states that “[a] person appointed to a board or

commission of state government shall be and have been before the last general election, (1) a registered voter in the state, if the appointment is made at large or (2) a registered voter from the judicial district, if the appointment is made from a specific judicial district.”

Mandell began serving on the State Assessment Review Board on March 1, at which time he was both a registered voter and a resident of the state of California.

House passes bill allowing arming of VPSOs

HB199 offers avenue for Native corps to train up officers

Monday, March 10, 2014, Juneau, Alaska – The Alaska House of Representatives today passed a bill by Rep. Bryce Edgmon to allow Village Public Safety Officers, or VPSOs, to carry firearms. House Bill 199 establishes the Legislature’s clear intent that VPSOs should have all the tools they need as law enforcement officers to carry out their duties.

“House Bill 199 will make the state’s support for this policy clear and unambiguous,” Edgmon, D-Dillingham, said. “All VPSOs that will carry firearms will receive extensive additional screening, training and equipment. It is my strong belief that it’s unreasonable to continue to ask these men and women to put their lives in harm’s way without being fully equipped to protect themselves.”

The bill would expand VPSO training through the Alaska Dept. of Public Safety’s State Trooper Academy in Sitka, and make sure candidates meet the standards set forth by the Alaska Police Standards Council, which is what all State Troopers and municipal police officers receive. The bill *doesn’t* require VPSOs to be armed, it just allows the regional Native associations and communities served by VPSOs to make that choice.

“The wishes of the individual communities must be respected,” Edgmon said. “Everyone involved must have a thorough understanding of the issues surrounding arming these officers. Arming these first responders, who sometimes because of weather face hours or even days before Trooper back-up arrives, will have a deterrent effect and make our communities safer.”

Since HB 199 was introduced last session, the Dept. of Public Safety has drafted regulations to allow properly trained VPSOs to carry firearms while on duty. The regulations also detail training and oversight. Edgmon said efforts are underway between the Department and Native associations to ensure the highest standards of applicability and evaluation will be used if the bill becomes law.

The VPSO program was started in the late 1970s as a way to provide communities in rural Alaska with local public safety services in areas where there was no local or State Trooper presence.

HB 199 now moves to the Alaska Senate for consideration.

Court

Week ending 3/7

Civil

Bopp, Kevin F. v. Hahn, Nils; Civil Protective Order
Pete, Sytel M. v. Thrasher, Dennis; Civil Protective Order
Minor Party v. Mathias, Vincent; Civil Protective Order
Henry, Sarah v. Barr, Cynthia; Civil Protective Order
Osborne, Joshua L. v. Cabrera, Christina S.; Civil Protective Order

Small Claims

No current claims filed (start 2NO-14-00012SC)

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Michael P. Lockwood (11/20/72); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112925583; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time is revoked and imposed.

State of Alaska v. June Weyanna (1/27/88); Corrected Judgment; CTN 003: Assault 4; Date of Violation: 9/4/13; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 1/10/14 at 1:30 p.m. 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 judgment: 12/18/13); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp or wet community; Shall not have alcohol in her residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol (redistributed 12/18/13 and 3/4/14).

State of Alaska v. Clara Evan (2/9/47); Amended Judgment; CTN 002: Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 8/1/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State; Count 1; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Theodore Kingeekuk (4/14/92); 2NO-13-511CR Misconduct-Controlled Substance 5; Date of Violation: 5/1/13; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 15 days, 15 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/4/14); Shall commit no jailable offenses.

State of Alaska v. Theodore Kingeekuk (4/14/92); 2NO-13-687CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Trespass; Filed by the DAs Office 3/4/14.

State of Alaska v. Jacob Soolook (4/30/77); CTN 001: Harassment 2; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; Date of Violation: 12/13/13; 90 days, 75 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days shall be served with time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/4/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Clarence Lionel Dewey (10/11/89); CTN 001: DUI; Date of offense: 11/25/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: count 2; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Time served; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due 1 year (date of judgment: 3/4/14); 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 NSHC (Be-

havioral Health)(within 5 days of release); Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 6/1/14 that you received an assessment; Driver’s license revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months; Probation for 1 year; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses.

State of Alaska v. Edwin Weyiouanna (2/15/65); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001 and 002: MICS IV; Filed by the DAs Office 3/3/14.

State of Alaska v. Maranda Olanna (12/20/86); 2NO-13-890CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4; 11.41.230; Filed by the DAs Office 3/3/14.

State of Alaska v. Maranda Olanna (12/20/86); 2NO-13-985CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: VCR; Filed by the DAs Office 3/3/14.

State of Alaska v. Maranda Olanna (12/20/86); 2NO-14-57CR Count 001: Harassment 2; Date of Violation: 1/21/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 3; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/3/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Maranda Olanna (12/20/86); 2NO-14-57CR Count 002: Violate Conditions of Release; Date of Violation: 1/21/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 3; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/3/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Terrance A. Southall (12/18/48); 2NO-S00-605CR Notice For Withdrawal Of Petition To Revoke Probation; The State withdraws the Petition to Revoke Probation filed on or about 8/2/01; This court should quash any outstanding bench warrant issued on this case; Filed by the DAs Office 3/6/14; Offense: Assault IV (DV).

State of Alaska v. Terrance A. Southall (12/18/48); 2NO-S01-466CR Dismissal; Count I: Assault 4^o; Filed by the DAs Office 5/5/14.

State of Alaska v. Paul John Pete (10/31/94) Corrected Judgment; Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 1/19/14; 75 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days 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; 2NO-13-682CR: Restitution: Defendant shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for and Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 1/23/14); Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of N.A. without consent.

State of Alaska v. Travis John Carlisle (8/16/86); Dismissal; Information: Fugitive From Justice; Filed by the DAs Office 3/4/14.

State of Alaska v. John Saclamana (12/19/81); CTN 001: Violate Protective Order; DV; Date of Violation: 3/3/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 20 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Kyle Booshu (12/28/80); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114192387; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 days, report to Nome Court on 3/28/14 for a remand hearing at 1:30 p.m.; 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. James Alvanna (8/14/84); 2NO-11-605CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112696245; Violated conditions of probation; No sanction imposed.

State of Alaska v. James Alvanna (8/14/84); 2NO-13-613CR CTN 001: Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 8/4/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 360 days, 300 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days 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 5 year (date of judgment: not provided); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of Theodora Katcheak without consent; 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; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment by 2 weeks after release; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Follow rec. for alcohol and anger management.

State of Alaska v. Ryan John Washington (4/14/84); CTN 005: Assault 4; Date of Violation: 12/7/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 1, 2, 3, 4; 1 year, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Christopher Asila (6/6/85); Dismissal; Count I: DUI; Count II: Driving While License Canceled, Suspended, or Revoked; Count III: Misconduct Involving Controlled Substance 6^o; Filed by the DAs Office 3/6/14.

State of Alaska v. Sarah Evak (4/26/92); 2NO-13-515CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113678514; Violated conditions of probation; No sanction imposed; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Sarah Evak (4/26/92); 2NO-13-723CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114188283; Violated conditions of probation; No sanction imposed; 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.

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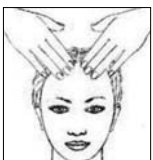


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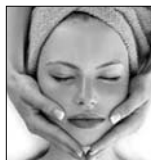
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KISSES— Aliy Zirkle gives kisses to her lead dog Quito.



BATH IN THE CROWD— Aliy Zirkle is greeted by an enthusiastic Nome crowd.

• Dallas Seavey

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family, went to Dallas to give him a hug and congratulate him, but did not say much.

Emotions of coming in second for the third time, so close to posting this elusive win that keeps on being snatched away from her, must have been overwhelming.

But those emotions were mixed with the sheer relief of having made it safely to the end of the trail.

While this race is going into the history books as the year of glare ice and bare tundra trails, the front runners faced brutal winds, which the coast is known for and feared for.

What seemed like a slam-dunk for Jeff King turned into a nightmare for the four-time champion. King was the first to leave White Mountain at 3:02 p.m. He had posted faster run times between Elim and White Mountain than Zirkle, and Zirkle left White Mountain an hour after King, at 4 p.m.

On Monday evening, the National Weather Service got reports from the weather station at Johnson's camp near Topkok that winds out of the north-northeast averaged 30 mph, then increased to 38 mph, gusting to 53 mph at 2 a.m.

The area is known as the Topkok blowhole where winds funnel from the mountains and hit a flat plain riddled with tundra lakes and sloughs. The temperature was in the single digits and the combined wind chill brought temperatures down to -20°F.

Right when the winds showed their fury, Jeff King and Aliy Zirkle were passing through the area.

That's when all changed.

King's GPS tracker stopped moving a short distance before Safety.

Apparently the winds had blown him into piles of driftwood that litter the trail in the area. As the ground storm kicked up what little bit of loose snow there was, visibility turned real bad.

According to a press release, King scratched about 3.7 miles outside of Safety. He told race officials that the wind was so severe that he had a hard time navigating the trail. King hunkered down for 2.5 hours with his dog team before asking a snow-machiner to help him by taking him to the Safety checkpoint to get in touch with race officials. King and his 11 dogs were moved to Safety for the night.

In the meantime, Zirkle fought through the wind and arrived in Safety at 10:57 p.m. stayed there for two hours and 38 minutes. At the finish line later she said she never saw King. "I got to Safety and he was missing. 'I'd never been on the trail, I was lost,'" she told a reporter.

The winds she said seemed to be getting worse. "So I had a cup of coffee and what is a gal to do? When Dallas went through, I followed," she said.

That night, she said, was the hardest mushing she's ever done.

"It was life and death," she said.

Dallas Seavey said at the finish line that the dog team, the sled and he were blown over the seawall onto the sea ice near Safety. For 100 yards, he said, he was at a 45-degree angle, with his hands on the ice for support to get his dog team untangled and back on to the trail over the breakwater that separates the sea from the Nome-Council Highway.

"I thought I was going to be blown to Russia," he said. He said

the wind was horrible, he and his dog team were blown around in circles, but thanks to his leaders veteran Beagle and upcoming leader Reef, they kept on walking from trail marker to trail marker.

Seavey arrived in Safety at 1:13 a.m. and after only three minutes he continued on to Nome, not knowing that he was in the lead. A power outage at Safety Roadhouse didn't allow him a good look of who's around and who passed through.

"I just saw Aliy's name on the leader board," Seavey said in Nome.

He figured the checkers haven't updated the leader board and continued on. When he saw a headlamp and dog team behind him, he assumed that it was his father Mitch Seavey and wanted to give him a good run for third place.

It was Aliy Zirkle indeed, following Seavey out of the checkpoint on the last run to Nome.

In Nome, Seavey mushed to his second Iditarod championship title, received a \$50,400 check and the keys to a brand new 4x4 truck.

He credited his lead dog Beagle with his success, saying that he ran a conservative race, according to his schedule.

But when it came to navigating a dog team across glare ice, he said, the knowledge, wisdom and obedience of a proven lead dog such as Beagle comes into play.

"He was Johnny-on-the-spot when it counted," Seavey said.

"I just had the honor of driving the best dog team in the world," he said as he led his dog out of the chute.

This marks Seavey's second victory of the Iditarod Sled Dog race.



Photos by Diana Haecker

RUNNING— Dallas Seavey runs alongside his sled and dog team towards the Burled Arch to the finish line.



TELLING THE TALE (top)— After recovering from the initial surprise to have crossed the Iditarod finish line in Nome as the first musher, Dallas Seavey obliged the media and gave detailed interviews.



EXHAUSTED— After sprinting to the finish line, Dallas Seavey sat down exhausted on his sled. He believed he had outrun his father Mitch Seavey for third place, when in fact he was winning the Iditarod race.



LAST CHECK POINT— Nome checker Leo Rasmussen makes it official. Dallas Seavey won the 2014 Iditarod in 8 days, 13 hours, 4 minutes, 19 seconds, when he arrived in Nome on Tuesday, March 11, 4:04 a.m.