

NOME SUNRISE— The east end of Nome is illuminated by the first rays of the sun rising on Sunday, Nov. 23.

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NJUS signs union agreement, shortens manager contract

By Sandra L. Medearis

NJUS has concluded negotiations on labor contracts effective retroactively to Jan. 1, 2014.

Alaska Public Employees Assn., IBEW Local 1547 electrical workers and International Operating Engineers Local 302 NJUS employees will be getting a two percent raise each of the next three years until the end of 2016.

The utility was able to hold the raises to a "reasonable percentage" even though the cost of living had increased more than two percent, NJUS manager John K. Handeland told the board.

The unions were willing to settle for two percent rather than drag out negotiations further for higher amounts, Handeland said.

The NJUS Board of Directors approved the contracts unanimously. Historically the raises have been three percent.

NJUS is currently working through a cash flow crisis and has taken a \$2.2 million line of credit

from City of Nome.

In a demonstration of laissez-faire management, the NJUS board of directors at its recent regular meeting last week, also renewed a Handeland's employment agreement that lapsed in 2013.

Renewal in 2014 was overlooked. Handeland's contract terms will remain the same, but the term will be

Historically the manager's contact has covered two years.

"Based on the current situation

and my feeling that the utility would be still served by my services, but that with our current state of affairs with a shorter term of agreement initially, rather than asking for extension of it in a two-year agreement, my proposal was to continue to June 30 with 'ongoing satisfactory performance must be demonstrated, a specific task list being accomplished', that the board actually perform a formal review at the beginning of April to determine at that point whether the contract will extend beyond June 30 By the

board's discretion they may perform a review at any time prior to that,' Handeland said. "If it is determined not to extend the agreement, the utility would begin recruiting for a manager and, I hope, would have that accomplished within 45 days and then I would continue to be available for another 45 days during the tran-

"In connection with this, my wages would not be adjusted. There was no adjustment in 2014, nor will

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The Regional Planning Team met in Nome last Friday to continue work on updating the 1996 regional comprehensive salmon plan.

This process has been in the works for several years and is scheduled to be in its final stages sometime next summer.

A final product would be a comprehensive salmon plan for the Norton Sound/Bering Strait region that reflects the needs and desires of salmon users in the area, said Sam Rabung, Hatchery Program Coordinator with the Division of Commercial Fisheries at the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game.

Rabung is the chairman of the six voting member Regional Planning Team, RPT for short. Three members are from ADF&G, namely John Linderman, Brendan Scanlon and Ron Josephson — who was not present. The remaining three members

Bering Sea Regional Aquaculture Association, NoBSRAA for short, and they are Charlie Lean, Oscar Takak and Tom Gray.

Non-voting, ex-officio members are Kawerak Inc., represented by Roy Ashenfelter and the Nome Fishermen's Association represented by Tim Smith.

Toward the end of the meeting, the RPT entertained a motion made by Charlie Lean to remove the Nome Fishermen's Association as an ex-officio member from the panel. The motion passed unanimously and will be forwarded to the ADF&G commissioner who will make the call whether or not to exclude the Nome Fishermen's Association, NFA for short, from the RPT.

Sam Rabung explained in an email to the Nome Nugget the reasons for the removal. He wrote that

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Photo by Diana Haecker PROUD ARTISTS - NACTEC students learned the principles of traditional Native art during a course taught by Robert McCoy of Gambell. Posing with their final artwork are NACTEC's Kevin Busk, Alfred Olanna, Wilson Okpowruk, Mickey Tocktoo, Joseph Merculief, Kenneth Rock, Lydia Apassingok, Beverly Tom and Deion Andrews. Also pictured are Robert McCoy in the back, and Jewel Koonooka to the right. See story on page 16.

ADF&G investigates black lesions found on tomcod

By Justin Leon, ADF&G

The Nome office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game received several reports of tomcod with black lesions this year.

To date there have been seven reports of infected fish from as close as Snake River to as far as Serpentine River on the north side of Seward Peninsula.

A few reports of this nature have

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occurred throughout the years.

At the request of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game's pathology lab, recent samples of tomcod with these lesions were sent off to an Anchorage lab for analysis.

ADF&G fishery biologists speculate that the lesions are a fungus growing on tomcod. Specifically, black mold, commonly found in houses, has been detected in previously analyzed samples.

What the pathology lab finds interesting is that this fungus is landbased and yet it is appearing on fish. Affected fish have black lesions, typically in the midsection, that are raised above the skin. Fish pathologists would like to receive as many samples as possible so that they may adequately research what exactly is infecting these fish, as well as its affect on humans.

Until further notice, ADF&G recommends that fish with lesions should not be eaten due to possible

human health concerns.

If you catch any tomcod that match the above description, do not

freeze them but please drop them off at the Alaska Department of Fish and Game office in Nome at the corner of

5th Street and Bering Street across from the Old Hospital or call (907) 443-5167 with any questions.



Photo courtesy ADF&G

DON'T EAT THIS - ADF&G biologists are investigating black lesions found on tomcods in the region. Until it is known what the lesions exactly are, the department recommends not to consume fish showing these symp-

Letters —

Dear Editor:

I read in the Alaska Dispatch that the Nome City Council agreed to move forward with a draft ordinance removing sales tax exemptions from nonprofits and churches. It is believed this would add an additional \$300,000.

I was born and raised in Nome but left when I was in my teens. After 50 years absence, I went back with Alaska Missions several years ago during the Iditarod. We were housed at the Nome Baptist church.

In only one week, here are the activities I participated in. At least 20 volunteers worked in the all-day concession stand the week of the basketball tournament at the Rec Center. The missions team bought all the food except the reindeer hotdogs; ALL proceeds went to the local charities including the women's shelter. Another team of volunteers came at 11p.m. to clean the gym, bleachers, locker rooms and kitchen which took several hours. I also participated in bringing totes filled with blankets, toiletry items, socks, etc to the homeless shelter at the Nazarene Church which opened at 9 p.m. so the homeless could have a place to sleep and

would not freeze. They were provided a hot meal. It was staffed by local volunteers. I wonder what it would cost for Nome to build and staff a homeless shelter? We also volunteered at the Children's Home, Women's Shelter, prison and all aspects of the Iditarod; safety patrols, sales, answered phones and provided dog lot security. Iditarod mushers also stayed at the church.

Churches are not only used for community events and meetings, but serve as voting precincts, places for fellowship, counseling and memorials. Believe it or not, we are made up of body, soul and spirit. The churches are there for our soul and spirit and teach us about God and the hope we have through his son Jesus; to be giving, forgiving, and to care for our fellow man. Do you honestly believe the additional sales tax money can balance the contributions the various churches make to the community all year long? Churches will never stop doing what they can do for their community, but your taking away the maximum benefit they can do.

Laura Walker Lagstrom Chugiak, AK 99567

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

Editorial

The Big Umbrella

Nome Joint Utilities has drawn criticism for its financial situation. As a result it has been fiscally prudent for the City of Nome to put NJU under its protective accounting umbrella.

Let's not visualize Whinny the Pooh with a windblown, inside-out parasol or a gigantic circus tent. Let's also drop all past discussions and distrust from ancient City/NJU bad blood— that's history and Nomeites with long memories need to get over it. It makes economic and administrative sense to have the City and NJU under the same financial control. None Joint Utilities is no longer the old flash and flicker it was in the 1970s. It has a larger city, road system outreach, wind generation, Pilgrim potential, and city sewer and water systems. It can no longer have one guy spread too thin to keep tabs on everything and be everything to everyone.

NJU and the City should work together and recognize that it is time to join forces; after all, they are both employed by the citizens of Nome. The have a common mission—to serve the public.—N.L.M.—

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Time for Alaska to Rise as One

By Bill Walker and Byron Mallott

Across Alaska, front yards, car bumpers and jacket lapels are shedding campaign signs, stickers and pins. Air waves, newspapers and social media are focusing again on other aspects of our diverse but connected lives. The heated partisan rhetoric and rancorous debate that dominated these long months should now truly end. The theme, "Rise As One," of the Alaska Federation of Natives annual convention held this year in Anchorage is a fitting aspiration for all Alaskans. It is time for Alaskans to rise as one.

In the days after the election, we sat down with a team of Alaska leaders to begin a process of reaching out to all Alaskans for advice and guidance. As a result, we have assembled a transition team from across the state representing a broad range of perspectives, experiences and beliefs who collectively will help us begin to address the critical challenges and opportunities ahead of us.

This transition of state government is particularly critical as — for the first time in state history — Alaska will have a nonpartisan, independent administration. This transition team will help create a roadmap of policy objectives and goals for the Walker/Mallott administration. This transition is the first step in following through with our campaign pledge to reach out and listen to Alaskans. It is the first step in prioritizing our campaign promises to accept Medicaid expansion, address the high cost of energy, immediately begin to responsibly reduce state spending and continue to sustain Constitutional obligations for education, public safety, health and justice. The transition team meeting in Anchorage through this coming weekend will be the first step in reaching out to Alaskans so together we can address tough issues like subsistence, fish and game management policy, state, local and tribal relations, climate change and arctic policy and the relationship between our state and the federal government.

It is critical to us that we address all sides of the many opportunities and challenges at hand during this transition process. We firmly believe more voices leads to more ideas and ultimately better solutions for the state. We will strive to seek common ground on historically divisive issues that have divided Alaskans. We will look

for ways to strengthen the presence of your state government across Alaska and the delivery of state services and management of programs. We hope to find common ground as we explore new challenges in Arctic policy and revitalization of the Army National Guard in rural Alaska. Alaska needs a clear path forward and the opportunity for every voice to be heard is important to the success we seek. We will work side by side with the transition team to listen, to learn and to gain the knowledge and inspiration we will need in the days ahead.

This state is founded upon the notions of hard work. collaboration and a shared vision — not partisanship or angry lines in the sand. Initials demarcating party affiliation will not be tripwires for us when making appointments. We look forward to returning to the best kind of Alaska state government with Democrats, Republicans, independents and nonpartisans working side by side for the good of the state. We continue to say this because we have all seen Alaska's interests neglected when partisan stalemates in Alaska's capital have prevented or slowed greatly needed progress. The journey ahead of us is long but the steps along it we take together as Alaskans can lead us to a future that meets our fiscal needs, grows our economy and gives hope and opportunity for achievement of our aspirations. Alaska is a unique and inspirational land of incredible richness, vast distances and many cultures. We have achieved much as Alaskans during these first 50-plus years of statehood. We have much left to do and both the opportunities and challenges are

There are those of us who remember the day in 1959 when the eight stars on the Alaska flag became the 49th star on the American flag. There are those of us who have been born here and many who have come from other places since. We are all Alaskans. The Great Seal of the United States reminds us: E Pluribus Unum — "Out of many, one." And as our campaign, called by so many, the Unity Ticket, constantly harkened to — "Alaska First, It's Time." Beyond the transition, we will invite and will reach out to Alaskans, everyone and in every place, so we can come together and make Alaska first.

Bill Walker and Byron Mallott are the governor-elect and lieutenant-governor-elect, respectively, of Alaska.

Regional members appointed to Walker/ Mallott Transition Team

Governor-elect Bill Walker and Lt. Gov-elect Byron Mallott released the complete list of names of Alaskans participating in the Transition Team conference.

Walker/Mallott have named Ben Esch and Loretta Bullard as transition team members. Esch has been named to Corrections transition and Bullard to Public Safety. Vera Metcalf of Savoonga and Nome is on the Arctic Policy and Climate Change team.

Kotzebue has Polly Schaeffer on the Education team, Marie Greene on Natural Resources and both Walter

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Sampson and Ross Schaeffer on Subsistence. Paulette Schuerch of Kotzebue and Anchorage is on the Intergovernmental Relations team

Barrow has Jimmy Stotts on the Arctic Policy and Climate Change team Edward Itta on the Oil and Gas team and Charlot Brower on the Rural Guard team.

Matt Ganley of Anchorage is on the Arctic Policy and Climate Change, Gail Schubert of Anchorage is on the Infrastructure team. Willie Hensley of Anchorage is on fiscal policy team.

National Weather

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)												
Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide			
27	Th	656am	+1.4	917pm	+1.3	128am	+0.8	220pm	-0.2			
28	Fr	806am	+1.4	1008pm	+1.4	229am	+0.8	314pm	-0.1			
29	Sa	920am	+1.3	1059pm	+1.4	333am	+0.7	410pm	-0.1			
30	Su	1037am	+1.3	1149pm	+1.4	440am	+0.6	506pm	0.0			
1	Mo	1153am	+1.3			547am	+0.5	603pm	+0.2			
2	Tu	1237am	+1.4	108pm	+1.3	653am	+0.4	658pm	+0.3			
3	We	124am	+1.4	221pm	+1.3	755am	+0.3	752pm	+0.4			

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Alaska Arctic Policy Commission prepares final report to Alaska Legislature

The Alaska Arctic Policy Commission is completing an 18-month effort to articulate a vision for advancing the state's economic and resource development, communities, environmental health and cultures. The AAPC includes 10 members of the Alaska Legislature and 16 representatives of federal and state agencies, local governments, University of Alaska, Alaska Native corporations, Alaska industries, conservation groups and international Arctic organizations.

On Jan. 30, 2015 the commission will present to the Alaska Legislature a final report that includes: (1) A review of economic, social, cultural and environmental factors relevant to the Arctic and all Alaskans: (2) a draft Alaska Arctic Policy that reflects Alaskans' values and guides future decision making; and (3) an implementation plan with recommendations for legislative consideration in four strategic areas.

The AAPC held its final scheduled meeting Nov. 17-18 in Anchorage to refine and clarify statements in the draft report overview as well as specific recommendations in the implementation plan and other sections of the report. Fran Ulmer, chair of the U.S. Arctic Research Commission, and Alaska Lt. Gov. Mead Treadwell participated in the discussion at the invitation of the commis-

The commission also discussed a working draft of a Senate bill titled, "An Act declaring the Arctic policy of the state" to be introduced next year in the 29th legislature.

Several commissioners made suggestions to strengthen the narrative tone of the report and to make its recommendations more pointed.

Among proposed changes in the report's overview section are the following:

- Add a statement about devolution-the transfer or delegation of power from the federal government to the State of Alaska.
- Clearly state that permafrost melt is threatening a lot of infrastructure in Alaska.
- Note that local communities have done a lot to lead energy solutions in rural Alaska.
- Include a reference to suicide and the pervasive effects of alcohol abuse in Alaska.
- Add a whole section on shipping in the Arctic.
- In relation to climate change, note that other people around the world want Alaska penalized by locking it up.
- Comment on the importance of trade and investment.
- · Add information about the price of doing nothing.

• Mention revenue sharing throughout the report.

Implementation plan reviewed

Commission members reviewed the working draft of the report's implementation plan and flagged several recommendations for discussion and revision. Recommendations appear under each of these four strategic lines of effort for the State of Alaska: (1) Promote economic and resource development; (2) address the response infrastructure gap in Alaska's Arctic; (3) support healthy communities; and (4) strengthen Alaska Arctic science and research. Each recommendation is accompanied by a written justification and a description of how it will get done, along with lists of the lead state agencies and partners and the resources and legislative actions reto accomplish recommendation.

Following are two examples of the implementation plan recommendations discussed by AAPC members at last week's meeting.

Recommendation 1(a): "Facilitate the development of an Arctic port in the Bering Strait region." Suggested change: "Form an Arctic port authority that links local port authorities and commissions." Rep. Bob Herron of Bethel, who co-chairs the

AAPC with Sen. Lesil McGuire of Anchorage, noted that all recommendations in the plan have potential for legislative action. example, this one will be appropriate in the Labor and Commerce Committee, Finance, and it will be appropriate in State Affairs," he added. He said the commission wants to makes recommendations that give all legislators a piece of the implementation

Recommendation 1(h): "Build on and promote Alaska's position as a global leader in micro-grid deployment and operation to advance a knowledge-based export economy, creating new jobs and revenue for the state." Commissioners sought to define micro-grid and explain why Alaska is a leader in micro-grid technology. The implementation plan

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, November 27

*Community Thanksgiving Dinner *Lunch Laps *Weekly Women's Circle *PM Lap Swim *Open Gym *Wiffleball (grades 3-6) (grades 5-8) *League Basketball *Vinyasa Yoga * Zumba Fitness *Nome Food Bank *Open Bowling *Thrift Shop

XYZ Center (Free) **Noon - 3:00 p.m.** 11:45a.m. - 1:15 p.m. 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Cancelled for Holiday 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 5:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. 3:15 p.m. - 4:14 p.m. Cancelled for Holiday Cancelled for Holiday 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Cancelled for Holiday Cancelled for Holiday 5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Cancelled for Holiday 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Cancelled for Holiday 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Cancelled for Holiday 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Cancelled for Holiday 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m

Friday, November 28

*Pick-up Basketball *Open Gym Cancelled for Holiday Cancelled for Holiday Cancelled for Holiday *Kindergym *Open Gym *AM Lap Swim Cancelled for Holiday Cancelled for HoliDay *Open Bowling Cancelled for Holiday *Drop-in Soccer (15+) *Zumba Fitness Cancelled for Holiday *AA Meeting Lutheran Church(rear)

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11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 29

*Nome Preschool Craft Bazaar *Kaatiluta, Alaska Native and Native American Heritage Celebration

Mini Convention Center Nome Rec Center

Airport Pizza (upstairs) 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 30

2:00 - 10:00 p.m. Nome Rec Center *Open Gym Airport Pizza (upstairs) *AA Meeting 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. *Open Swim *Family Swim 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. *PM Laps 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Monday, December 1

*Pick-up Basketball Nome Rec Center *Open Gym *AM Lap Swim Nome Rec Center Pool *Kindergym *Open Gym *Floor Hockey (grades 3-6) Nome Rec Center (grades 5-8) Nome Rec Center *League Basketball *Tae Kwon Do Nome Rec Center *AA Meeting

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8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 2

Cancelled Until 12/4 11:45a.m. - 1:15 p.m. *Lunch Laps *Open Gym *Volleyball (grades 3-8) Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center 5:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. *League Basketball Nome Rec Center 5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. *Strength Training *PM Laps 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Nome Rec Center Pool *Vinyasa Yoga Nome Rec Center 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. *Zumba Step *Nome Food Bank 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Bering & Seppala *Open Swim 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. *Nome Planning Commission *AA Meeting City Hall Airport Pizza (upstairs) 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 3

Nome Rec Center *Pick-up Basketball Nome Rec Center *Open Gym 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m *AM Lap Swim 6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. - noon *Kindergym Onen Gym Noon - 3:00 p.m. Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. *Team Handball (grades 3-6) *Open Gym Nome Rec Center 5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. *Nome Food Bank *Zumba Fitness Bering & Seppala Nome Rec Center 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. *Family Swim Pool 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Nome Rec Center 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m

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Strait Action

IMO committee adopts **Polar Code**

Last Friday the Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization adopted measures to protect people and the environment during a predicted shipping rush in the Arctic, The Guardian reports.

The committee met in London and signed off on the Polar Code and various amendments to the Safety of Life at Sea (Solas) convention. The changes include mandatory requirements for ship design, crew training and search and rescue protocols. The amendments are expected to be ratified by the full IMO next year and come into force in 2017.

However, environmental groups and insurers said the IMO had failed to address key issues including a proposed ban on heavy fuel oil and how to safeguard against cowboy operators.

Russia predicts a 30-fold increase in shipping by 2020 and an ice-free Northern Sea Route by 2050. China has suggested that by 2020, 5 to 15 percent of its trade value -close to \$500 billion — could pass through the Arctic

The new Polar Code will require ships to develop a Polar Operations Manual for each voyage, which is then reviewed and approved within

the flag state. Cutting corners is tempting as the costs of ice-strengthening ships and training expert ice navigators are very large. There are some flag states insurers will not work with because they are seen as reckless.

Just four ships navigated the Northern Sea Route over Russia in 2010, but by 2013 the number had reached 71. This summer saw relatively heavy ice cover in the Arctic, causing numbers to drop. But the long-term trend is toward greatly expanded shipping across the northern extremes of Russia, Canada and even straight across the North Pole.

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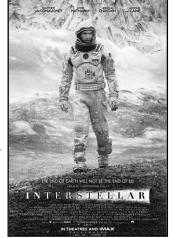
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they be adjusted in 2015 for the duration of this agreement.

The board unanimously approved the extension though June 30, 2015.

Handeland has managed the specific control of the specific

water, sewer and electrical services section of City government for over 15 years. NJUS currently serves 2,140 to 2,150 households.

The contract spells out specific tasks to be accomplished and requires regular reporting. "These will help," Handeland said.

Currently, the board and Handeland are working to pull out of a budget crisis.

Board chair, Berda Willson, charged Handeland with putting together a plan of action to return the utility to financial health which the board will discuss at the Nov. 25 meeting

That plan, when final, must go to the City.

Cost savings and budget management dominated the agenda at two meetings last week. The group will continue to meet to get finances on track, with three sessions planned before the end of the year [Nov. 25, Dec. 2, Dec. 10].

A financial plan for recovery must

go to the Nome Common Council by the first part of January. It will accompany a number of demands from the Council in extending a \$2.2 million line of credit to NJUS.

The money will provide interim grant and loan anticipation funds for financing utility projects. NJUS has money coming from grants and loans provided by state and federal agencies for utility projects, but according to terms of the grants and loan packages, NJUS must hire contractors for the projects, pay for labor and supplies, then apply to the approved grant and accounts for reimbursement. NJUS must front the money and then collect. NJUS has dipped into operations money to pay project costs, but still has money owed to vendors that must be paid to get reimbursements.

Handeland told the NJUS Board of Directors at a special meeting on the 20th that he had been able to submit some requests to agencies for reimbursement. However, one major request to federal USDA for reimbursement of \$1.4 million for water and sewer work had drawn a request from the agency for another week to process the funds, meaning he was waiting to meet with USDA Nov. 26. NJUS has drawn about \$480,000

from the line of credit to pay for water and sewer system work in order to receive reimbursement from a state Dept. of Environmental Conservation grant. The utility has also drawn about \$750,000 from the credit line to facilitate reimbursement from Alaska Energy Authority.

"The process is that we cut the checks, we have pay requests ready to go and submit those to the City for their approval and the pay requests go out the door the same day the checks go out the door," Handeland said. "We see those as rapid turnarounds and we won't be sitting on the City's money for a long period of time."

In response to a question from Board member Carl Emmons, Handeland replied that the DEC money would turn around relatively fast, becoming available in about three weeks

"It can take up to 45 days, but we definitely will work with them and I think they are ready to work with us to get things turned around much more quickly. We have a contact with each of these agencies letting them know the current obligations we have, to be able to roll these dollars on a rapid turn-around," he said.

The money from DEC, USDA and

AEA will go directly to the City to reimburse it for the line draws, Handeland said, in accordance with an agreement on credit line terms signed by NJUS.

Once NJUS gets the money from DEC, we have the next \$411,000 packaged and ready to revolve again, getting NJUS pretty much to the bottom of the reimbursement coming from DEC, Handeland said, with the exception of the 30 percent of the project funding tied to DEC loans that would not close in Washington D.C until next month.

NJUS was drawing on the line of credit in increments, Handeland said, to leave a buffer in front of the \$2.2 million line of credit cap against unseen delays in reimbursements, Handeland said.

There must be interim financing available in coffers to meet cash flow requirements. That interim financing has not been available for several reasons—reimbursement paperwork not filed timely, power generators using more fuel than expected, and, according to John K. Handeland, utility manager, a shortage in revenues from sales of services and electrical power.

The utility recently raised water and sewer rates, but the charge for electricity has not been changed since 1995, 20 years ago.

The City is requiring NJUS to work with a rate analyst in December to determine a cost increase for electrical services.

NJUS will provide the figures; the rate analyst, due to arrive first week of December, will use these numbers to determine rate needs, Willson said.

"We know the labor costs, the fuel costs and the fixed costs," she said. "Our cost structure will drive what the rates need to be," she said.

Willson demanded that Handeland produce a balance sheet that was easily understood, without chasing money from column to column.

The board agreed they could start working on the 2015 budget. They will make changes after getting the verdict on rates from the analyst. They said the budget could be a living document.

"We have a lot of work to accomplish in a short time," Handeland said, referring to the obligation to get a financial plan to the City early next

Willson said the board would increase the number of meetings and work sessions.

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states:

"Since the 1960s electricity generation in the remote regions of Alaska has been heavily reliant on diesel generators, which serve numerous islanded microgrids. Over the past decade, investment in renewable generation has increased dramatically to meet both a desire for greater energy independence and reduce the cost of delivered power. The integration of variable resources (wind and PV), as well as limitations of local hydro and geothermal power has led to significant experience in the design, development and operation of these micro-grids. Today, there are over 100 small businesses, utilities, and non-profits with specialized expertise operating in Alaska, many of which are interested in applying their knowledge outside of the state. Globally, the micro-grid market is on the verge of exploding. A recent report by Navigant Research estimates the micro-grid market will grow nearly 5-fold, to an estimated \$40B in revenue by 2020.

PV means photovoltaics, or solar power.

Commissioners noted that researchers at the Alaska Center for Energy and Power, University of Alaska Fairbanks are developing micro-grid technology that could be deployed not just in rural Alaska, but in Africa, South America and other places with small communities whose economies and distance from

other communities will not justify transmission lines. An example of such research is a study on integrating a potential geothermal energy source at Pilgrim Hot Springs into the wind-diesel micro-grid in Nome conducted by Jeremy VanderMeer of ACEP and Dr. Marc Mueller-Stoffals

National and international interests

A two-page section of the report titled, "National and International Interests" recognizes that the AAPC shares the Arctic with others who have jurisdictional authority. "The Bering Strait, for instance, is an international waterway; the federal government controls waters outside three miles and within its Exclusive Economic Zone; and federal agencies own and manage federal lands within much of the Arctic," notes the report. "The Commission has produced a number of recommendations that speak to those issues outside its authority, as they relate directly to the health and well-being of Alaskans.'

A group of commissioners and invited participants who reviewed the recommendations agreed that they were somewhat negative and lengthier than necessary, so they attempted to revise and shorten the section. Some of the suggested changes prompted lengthy discussion by the commission as a whole, and a number of additional revisions were suggested.

AAPC report completion

The AAPC staff will integrate

commission members' suggested changes in the report and submit a revised final draft to them for review and comment. Senator McGuire said she and Representative Herron will write a foreword for the document. Herron said legislators who are AAPC members will complete work on the report section titled, "Alaska's Arctic Policy." The text deadline for the final report is Jan. 15, 2015, and then the report will be designed and published.

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Salmon plan

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the Norton Sound Regional Planning Team had originally three ex-officio, non-voting members, which were the Bureau of Land Management, Kawerak, Inc., and Nome Fisherman Association. In 2013, the RPT initiated a review of its ex-officio membership. As a result, at the 2013 RPT meeting the BLM was removed from ex-officio status because it is no longer the primary landowner in the region and is no longer active in fisheries projects. Rabung wrote that Kawerak, Inc., is less involved in fisheries projects than it was but demonstrated how it represents people from 20 communities throughout the region via its board of directors and natural resources committee. "NFA is no longer involved in any fisheries projects in the region and declined to demonstrate how it represents salmon users from through-out the region," Rabung wrote. "When requested by the RPT at the 2014 RPT meeting, NFA again failed to demonstrate that it represents salmon users throughout the region and so was removed from ex-officio status. Kawerak, Inc., is now the sole ex-officio member of the NS

Charlie Lean told the *Nome Nugget* in a follow up phone call after the meeting that the planning team never received a straight answer from Tim Smith as to whom he represents, how many members the NFA has, what kind of fishing they do and what salmon species they fish. "What is his constituency?" Lean wanted to know.

Tim Smith answered that the NFA functions as a non-profit organization with a legitimate group of people he represents. In a follow up phone call, Smith told the Nome *Nugget* that he does have a legitimate constituency. He said that he had been accused of many things, but not yet of not wanting to talk about the NFA. "They've always questioned the legitimacy of the NFA. It is made up of people who want to enhance salmon stocks with hatchery production," Smith countered. "All we ask for is a non-voting seat at the table." Smith added that the NFA has been an ex-officio member of the RPT since 1995.

Chairman Rabung will submit a written report with the passed motions to the ADF&G Commissioner, who will then act on the motions passed, including the removal of an ex-officio member. Rabung added that anybody, including those involved in the NFA, is welcome to submit proposals.

The better part of Friday's meeting was devoted to actual work on updating the comprehensive salmon plan.

According to a working document that was in front of the team, the mission of the comprehensive salmon plan is "to promote, through sound biological practices, activities to increase salmon production in the Norton Sound/Bering Strait region for the maximal social and economic benefits of the users consistent with the public interest"

the public interest." RPT chairman Sam Rabung told the Nome Nugget during a meeting break that the team tries to assimilate new content and organization into the new plan so that the team can come up with a rough draft to take to communities of the region for further input on the fishery needs in the region. "This plan is to assemble the goals and needs of all the users in the region as far as salmon fisheries go,' Rabung said. "Then we do a final draft that will be available for a formal public comment and review period sometime in the future." Another round of community meetings is slated for the end of February or early March.

Rabung added that the team is trying to get something in a workable format, to identify where the holes are and what additional information is needed from the users of the region. "It's important to note that the purpose of the plan is not to make projects," Rabung said. "When somebody seeks permitting for a project, a salmon hatchery for example — if there were ever a salmon hatchery permit was applied for in the region, and there hasn't - part of the process is to bring the permit to the RPT for review and recommendation to the Commissioner. We base our recommendation on how well the project meets the needs identified in the plan. The whole point of the plan is to identify what the needs and desires are to meet the needs of the fishery users in the region and use that to basically vet a proposal to how well it meets those

The plan is divided into six chapters. Chapter one addresses guiding principles and assumptions. Several assumptions were declared wrong at the meeting and were struck from the document. Chapter two addresses historic and current salmon fisheries.

The rewrite will include a paragraph on the importance of subsistence. "It's very clear to us that subsistence is the highest priority for the entire region and that will be incorporated in this plan," said Rabung. He said that during the first round of community meetings, this message was a common denominator. But the team also learned that there are differences within the region. "What was really pointed out to us was that the user needs are different in every area, every subdistrict, every village," Rabung said.



Photo by Diana Haecker

REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM— Charlie Lean, Oscar Takak, Sam Rabung, John Linderman, Tom Gray and Brendan Scanlon are members of the RPT. Tim Smith, sitting at the back table, was removed from the ex-officio membership he held as a representative of the Nome Fishermen's Association.

"Instead of trying to capture one goal for a fairly large region, we're breaking it down to the goals and needs of every subdistrict or subregion because they are unique based on whether there is any commercial fishing or primary subsistence fishing in that area, if they prefer king salmon or chum salmon, they're all unique, depending on which village you're at."

Chapter three deals with the goals, objectives and strategies of the plan. Rabung added that the department should stay out of setting goals. "We discussed goals and realized that we need to stay back from goals," he told the panel. "That's stakeholder input, that needs to come from the communities. We are reluctant to weigh in what the region's goals should be."

Chapter four outlines systems for restoration and enhancements; chapter five lists current and ongoing salmon restoration and enhancement projects and chapter six details potential new projects for restoration or enhancement.

Rabung recognized that updating the regional comprehensive salmon plan has been a long, slow process. Initially, there was no funding

available from ADF&G.

Rabung said that during the first round of community meetings ADF&G had no way to travel or go to these meetings. NSEDC funded

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the travel for Charlie Lean and members of Kawerak who assisted with community input. Rabung said that now there is some funding available. Tom Gray urged ADF&G officials to attend those meetings. "It's an eye opener to hear the villagers' comments," Gray said.

Aware of the slow speed at which the update process is moving, Rabung said, "I know it's frustrating for some people, but it's important to know that this plan doesn't do anything by itself. The RPT has no funding and no projects. All we do is try to represent the users of the region if somebody else were to bring a project forward. We just want to make that clear this doesn't do anything by itself."

A first draft of the plan will be reviewed by the RPT in early February 2015. Then it will be taken for additional comment to Norton Sound/Bering Strait communities in late February and early March. The input will be integrated and the plan rewritten.

An updated plan will then be drafted, be made available for public review and undergo a six-week public comment period. A final plan will be submitted for final review by the RPT



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RIBBON CUTTING- Johnson Eningowuk, June Walunga and Howard Weyiouanna perform a ribbon cutting ceremony to open the newly renovated Shishmaref clinic.



SPEECHES - Karla Nayokpuk and June Walunga addressed the community of Shishmaref at the newly re-

Shishmaref celebrates opening of renovated NSHC clinic

On Friday, November 14, the Native Village of Shishmaref and City of Shishmaref, in partnership with Norton Sound Health Corporation, held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the renovated health clinic. It includes a 300 square foot addition which added a trauma room, third exam room, village-based counseling office, a larger dental area and new mechanical room. A new roof, new foundation and ADA compliant ramp were added to allow better patient access.

The event started at 3 p.m. with speeches from Angie Gorn, President/CEO of Norton Sound Health Corporation and June Walunga, second Vice Chair of Norton Sound Health Corporation and Board Representative from Native Village of Gambell. Karla Nayokpuk, Board Representative from Native Village of Shishmaref shared her enthusiasm about the clinic opening as did Johnson Eningowuk, Native Village of Shishmaref and Howard Weyiouanna, City of Shishmaref.

Once the ribbon was cut, community members were invited to tour their new clinic. A reception followed at the Community Hall with refreshments, cake and Eskimo dancing

The cost of the renovation totaled \$1,525,000. Funding was made

possible by contributions from the Denali Commission, the Rasmusson Foundation, the Mental Health Trust, the Department of Energy and Norton Sound Health Corporation. The Engineering firms of ANTHC, DOWL HKM and A/E Lead by Larsen Consulting Group consulted on the project. Norton Sound Health Corporation thanked the contractor, Paug-Vik Development Corporation, the Native Village of Shishmaref and the City of Shishmaref for their leadership and perseverence to make the new clinic a reality.



DANCING - In celebration of the renovated clinic opening, Shishmaref residents gathered to dance at the Community Hall.

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Regional post offices to reduce opening hours

By Diana Haecker

The U.S. Postal Service plans to cut operating hours of 13,000 post offices and to reduce the working hours of postal employees across the

Last week, USPS spokesperson Ernie Swanson told the Nome Nugget that the reduction of retail hours will affect about 160 post offices in Alaska. "Back in 2011 we looked at 3,700 post offices for possible closure," Swanson said. In order to come up with a solution to bring the Postal Service out of its dismal financial situation, officials decided to reduce retail hours and to employ Post Masters only as part time workers. Swanson said those changes have already been implemented in 100 Alaskan post offices. In the remaining 60 post offices,

they will take effect after January

This news was not received well, especially in rural Alaska where residents depend on the Post Service to deliver vital medications, groceries, and mail-order merchandise.

Nome's post office will not be impacted and won't see reductions in retail hours or personnel, Swanson said.

According to a list posted by the USPS on its website, changes will effect post offices in Stebbins, Elim, Gambell, Koyuk, Savoonga, Shismaref and Teller. There, postal retail hours will be reduced from eight to six hours. In Brevig Mission, White Mountain, Wales and Shaktoolik, retail hours will remain at six hours

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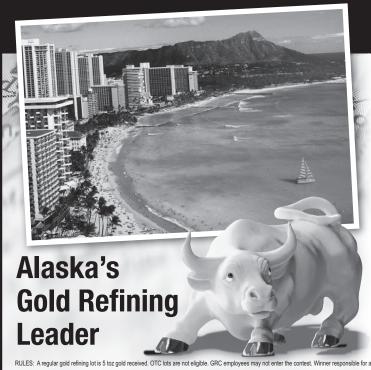
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Governor Parnell appoints Angela Greene to Barrow Superior Court

Last week, Governor Sean Parnell appointed Angela Greene to the Barrow Superior Court. "Ms. Greene has an excellent legal background with civil and criminal experience," Parnell said. "Her passion for rural Alaska will make her a great asset to the bench and the community of Barrow."

Greene will replace long-time Barrow Judge Michael Jeffery, who is going to retire soon. He was appointed as Barrow's first Superior Court judge in 1982 by Governor Jay Hammond.

There were four applicants for the

Judge's position. After a public hearing in Barrow on October 2, the Alaska Judicial Council named Greene, Eric Smith and Nelson Traverso as the most qualified applicants. The names were forwarded to the Governor, who last week picked Angela Greene to fill the Barrow Superior Court vacancy.

Greene lives in Nome and currently is the supervising public defender for the Alaska Public Defender Agency for Nome and Kotzebue. According to her biographical statement, she came to Alaska in 2004 to pursue cross cultural stud-

ies and her law practice. Greene previously worked as a public defender in Bethel and Barrow. She is a member of the Alaska Bar Association, CINA Court Improvement Project and Indian Child Welfare Act subcommittee. She previously volunteered with the Lion's Club in Bethel, Arctic Outreach Programs with the U.S. Coast Guard, and local food bank programs.

Greene received a bachelor's degree from Florida International University and a juris doctorate from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

Governor-elect appoints Revenue and Natural Resources commissioners

Last week Governor-elect Bill Walker announced several appointments to his administration. Walker named Jim Whitaker of Fairbanks as his Chief of Staff. "I have known Jim for many years and regard him as a trusted advisor," Walker said. "His previous experience as mayor of the Fairbanks North Star Borough, Alaska state legislator, and Fairbanks businessman will serve my administration well."

On Saturday, Walker announced on that he had chosen Randall Hoffbeck as the Department of Revenue Commissioner. Hoffbeck served as the North Slope Borough's chief financial officer from 2006 -2011 and as Mayor Charlotte Brower's chief of staff in 2012. Hoffbeck brings 30 years of tax administration experience to the position, including his time as the petroleum property assessor for the state from 2001-2006. Hoffbeck is currently serving in Kenya with his wife on a short-term medical mission. He received his master of divinity degree in October.

Walker selected Mark D. Myers to serve as Department of Natural Resources Commissioner. For the past four years, Myers worked as the vice chancellor of research at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where he oversees administration for UAF's research enterprise and supervises the university's many research institutes including the Geophysical Institute, the International Arctic Research Center and the Institute of Arctic Biology. Myers also has extensive leadership experience on both the federal and state levels. In 2006, he was appointed by President George W. Bush as the national director of the U.S. Geologic Survey, where he served until 2009. From 2009-2010, he served as Alaska's first Natural Gas Inducement Act Coordinator. He also led the Alaska division of oil and gas from 2001-2005 and was the state geologist and director of the division of geological and geophysical surveys in 2005.

Walker appointed Grace Jang as his spokesperson. Jang most recently

worked as an investigative reporter and executive producer at KTUU Channel 2 in Anchorage. Prior to joining KTUU, Jang was an award-winning reporter with CBS 11 News/KTVA in Anchorage as well as other stations and publications in the Lower 48. She is a past vice president of the Korean American Journalists Association and is a current volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Alaska.

Governor-elect Walker will be sworn into office Monday, December 1st at 11:30 a.m. at Centennial Hall in Juneau.



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Governor reappointments two from region to boards

Governor Sean Parnell reappointed Donna Erickson of Unalakleet to the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. The council provides planning and coordination of services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families.

Erickson is a village agent for Bering Air, Inc. She served on the Bering Sea Women's Group Board of Directors for two terms and was a safe home provider for 25 years. PBS documented Donna's personal life story of abuse and healing in a special documentary that aired nationally, entitled, "The Burden of Silence." Erickson is a board member Unalakleet Evangelical Covenant Church, former group leader for Family Wellness Warriors, past member of InterAct Ministries of Alaska Policy Council, past parent member for RuralCAP Headstart Program Child Development Policy, and former member of the Advisory Education Committee for the Bering Straits School District. She is reappointed as a representative from a rural community of 7,500 or fewer residents, not connected by road or rail to Anchorage or Fairbanks.

Governor Parnell reappointed Thomas Vaden of Nome to the Alaska State Emergency Response Commission. The commission facilitates the preparation and implementation of all emergency plans prepared by state agencies, as well as the statewide, inter-jurisdictional, and local plans prepared under state law; designates boundaries of emergency planning districts; and establishes local planning committees for each district.

Vaden has worked as a health aide trainer for the Norton Sound Health Corporation since 1999. From 1985 to 1999, he worked as a correctional officer with the State of Alaska. Active in his community, Vaden has also been an adjunct faculty member at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, a substitute teacher for the Nome School District, a CPR in-

structor and trainer for Norton Sound Regional Hospital, and an emergency medical services provider for the Nome Volunteer Ambulance Service. He has served as a captain in the U.S. Army. Vaden received a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Ouachita Baptist University. He is reappointed to a seat reserved for a member of a local emergency planning committee.



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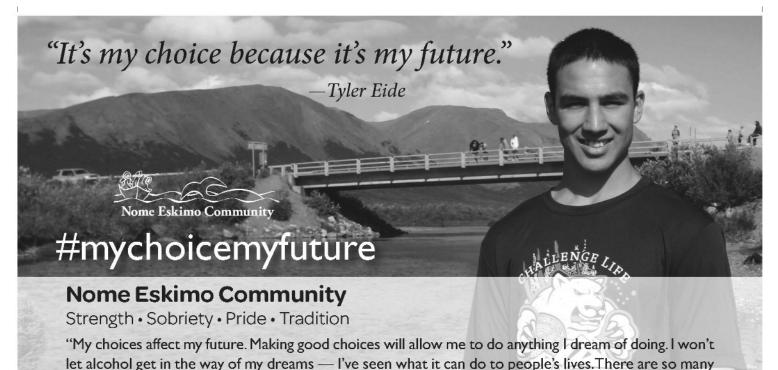
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Nanook Wrestlers have strong pre-conference tourney tune-up at Lancer Smith

By Keith Conger

"This is the toughest tournament of the year," stated Nome-Beltz Nanooks wrestling coach Dudley Homelvig. His team finished in eighth place out of 30 teams at the Lancer Smith wrestling tournament in Palmer last weekend. The competition at the Lancer Smith meet was mainly 4A and 3A schools, with a few squads representing the 1A and 2A divisions.

"The 145 pound class alone had four former state champions in it," said Homelvig. Nome's Emery Booshu, one of the four former champs wrestling at that classification, raised his season record to 27-0 by claiming first place in the division. Booshu's first three matches were all falls, pinning his opponents in 15 seconds, 1 minute 34 seconds, and 25 seconds.

Former state champion Paul Steffansen of Kenai Central was supposed to be Booshu's opponent in the semifinal round, but he was forced to forfeit. For the second week in a row, Booshu met up with former 4A state champion Rami Pellumbi of South Anchorage in a championship match. Homelvig explained that while Booshu beat Pellumbi 3-1 in a tough match at the Chugiak meet a week ago, he dominated the South Anchorage wrestler 8-3 this weekend. Booshu did not meet up with former state champion Gary Eakin of Kotzebue, who ended up third at the Lancer meet.

Leif Erikson, Nome's second defending state champion, continued his winning ways by taking first place in the 138 pound division. Erikson beat five straight 4A wrestlers as he raised his season record to 26-1. Like his teammate Booshu, Erikson found the same 4A

South Anchorage opponent in the championship match for the second week in a row. And like his teammate, Erikson went from a close match one weekend to a dominating win the following week, beating Noah Ottum in a 10-4 decision.

Nome's Gabe Smith raised his season record to 22-8, by winning three consolation matches. Smith had the tough task of wrestling in the 145-pound division, but was still able to come away with pins against Britnee Mills of Noatak, and Gavin Hannasch of Wasilla. He beat Dustin Holta of Chugiak in the fourth consolation round before being pinned by Eakin. Smith ended up one spot away from placing in the top six.

In the 152-pound classification, Nome's James Horner raised his record on the season to 14-9. He too was one spot away from placing. Horner won by a fall over Nicholas Gross of Wasilla in the consolation rounds before being eliminated by Bailey Blumentritt of Soldotna in a 9-1 decision.

other Nanooks Four wrestlers with 20 or more matches this season have winning records. Jason Gilder, wrestling at 138 pounds, stands at 12-8, while Oliver Hoogendorn, wrestling at the 182 pound classification has a 13-9 record. Nolan Horner has gone 12-10 wrestling in the 195-pound divi-

Josh Gologergen, who had been rehabbing a broken leg, rejoined the team this weekend. Gologergen wrestled in the 170pound class and beat Wasilla's Elijah Hall in a 9 -7 decision.

"This is the end of 'practice' matches. From now on they count," said Homelvig in recognition of the end of the regular season. In two weeks, his wrestlers will head to Kotzebue for the Northern Conference Championships. Kotzebue is the defending regional wrestling champion and 2013 runners up at state. The Kotzebue team showed where they stand in the Alaska wrestling world by taking first place at the Lancer Smith meet, beating all 4A squads.

Homelvig says each team may enter three wrestlers per weight class at the conference meet. This puts his smaller squad at somewhat of a disadvantage compared to the larger teams from Kotzebue and Barrow. The Nanooks will be able to enter the maximum number of wrestlers in the 145 pound and 152 pound divisions. The team does not

have any wrestlers at the 98, 106, 113, 120, or heavyweight classifica-

The champion and runner up from each weight class at the Western Conference Championships will earn berths in the state tournament. At the 2013 conference meet, Barrow placed second behind Kotzebue. Nome took third place.



Photo by Dudley Homelyig

PLACERS AT 145 - Nome-Beltz senior Emery Booshu stands on top of the winner's podium for the 145pound classification at the Lancer Smith wresting tournament in Palmer on Saturday. Booshu, a defending state champion, had to beat three former state champions to win his weight class.

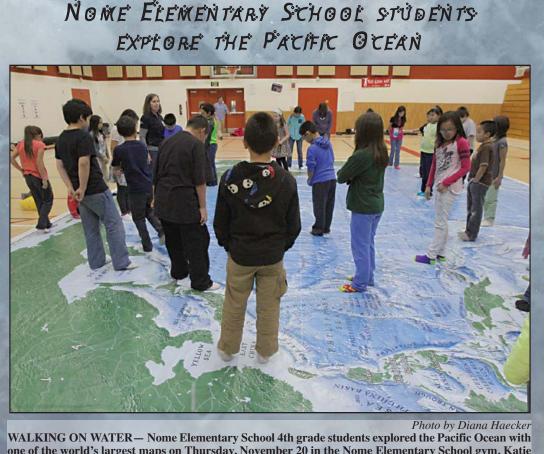
Nome Beltz Junior High class carnival



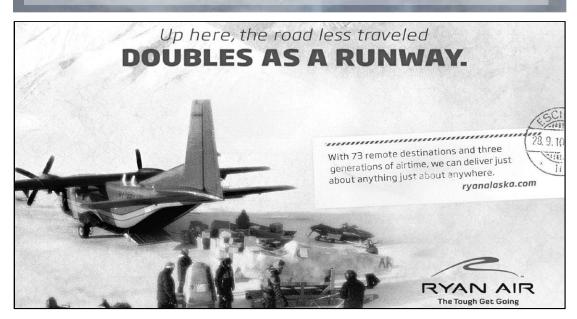
Photos by Keith Conger TAKING THE BAIT - Kids at the Junior Class Carnival had a fun time trying to bite a flying powdered sugar donut on the end of a string. Happily showing the effects of their "catch of the day" are (L to R) Minnie Clark, MacKenzie Goodwin, Hailey Goodwin, Alayah Kunnuk, and Savanna Teesateskie.



EXPERT FACE PAINTING- Nome-Beltz junior Rayne Lie paints a scary face on Treydon Thomas at the Junior Class Carnival on Saturday. The proceeds of the annual carnival help pay for the Nome-Beltz Spring Prom.



one of the world's largest maps on Thursday, November 20 in the Nome Elementary School gym. Katie Kennedy with the UAF's geosciences department brought the map to Nome. The map was borrowed from National Geographic's Giant Traveling Maps program.





GULLS ON ICE - These seagulls found a resting spot in the sun inside the Nome Small Boat harbor.

Nome runners test themselves around the country

By Keith Conger Rosa Schmidt

At the midpoint of the 2014 running season, Nome-Beltz graduate Rosa Schmidt, 18, was ranked number six on her Northwest Christian University Beacons cross country running team. The Beacons ranked fourth in the nation, according to the NAIA coaches' poll. Schmidt and her team mates were setting their goals high for the big end-of-season meets.

The Beacons achieved a main objective by winning their first Cascade Collegiate Conference championship in Portland, Oregon in early November. Schmidt helped her team's cause by running the five-kilometer race in a time of 18 minutes, 32 seconds, a personal best by a whopping 30 seconds. This effort landed her a tenth place finish. By situating herself in the top 12, Schmidt was named to the All-CCC team. Her performance at the conference meet moved her up to a number four ranking on her squad.

According to a report on the school's website, Beacons' coach Heike McNeil was quoted as saying, "We've always known we had a good racer in Rosa. We knew she would be the go-to person with a few others getting sick, but she gained some confidence at our time trial and just broke loose today. We knew she had it in her and it was awesome to

The Beacons' strong showing at the conference meet earned them an automatic bid to the NAIA national championships in Lawrence, Kansas last weekend. There, the team placed third out of 38 schools. It was best finish in the history of the NCU women's cross country running program. Schmidt held her number four ranking on the team as she finished the NAIA national championship in 71st place out of 336 runners. Her time in the race was 19:09. Schmidt was the sixth freshman to cross the line.

Jeff Collins

Jeff Collins, 34, who is part of the Nome-Beltz cross country running coaching team, competed in the

Outer Banks of North Carolina on November 9. Collins placed 32nd overall out of 2500 runners. On a course that went through the Wright Brothers National Memorial, he posted a time of 1 hour, 31 minutes, 54 seconds, averaging 6 minutes, 58 seconds per mile. This effort placed Collins fifth in his division.

Collins has a rich history as a cross country runner, having twice raced in the NAIA championships marathon, and once qualified for the United States National Championships marathon. In 2000, Collins hit a qualifying time for the Olympic Trials. He later ran professionally

Collins, who is also an assistant on Nome's cross-country ski team, is using his fall running races to get in shape for the ski season. Last year Collins placed second in his age group in the 25-kilometer race at the Tour of Anchorage. He hopes to place first in 2015. Collins' main future running goal is to attend the 2015 US Mountain Running Championships in Bend, Oregon.

Crystal Tobuk

Last month Crystal Tobuk, a Nome-Beltz grad who now helps coach her alma mater's high school cross country team, came one step closer to realizing her dream of running a marathon in each of America's 50 states. Tobuk, 32, completed the 26.2 mile course at the Rock and Roll Marathon in Saint Louis, Missouri in 3 hours, 51 minutes, 17 seconds. She stated she finished 219 overall out of 1207 runners, and was eighth out of 94 in her female age category.

By competing at the Rock and Roll Marathon in Missouri, Tobuk has run marathons in six states. She doesn't really have a set plan for which states to run, but rather chooses available races that fit into her work schedule. Getting to know the new places she travels to is an added benefit. "When I'm there," says Tobuk, "I learn as much as I can." In Saint Louis, Tobuk could see the Gateway Arch during the

Tobuk admits winter training is



Photo by Lynette Schmidt

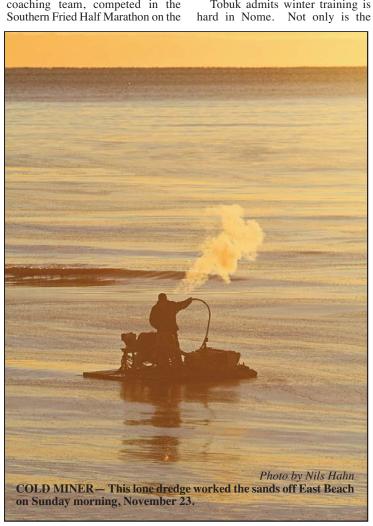
ALL CONFERENCE- Nome Extensions alumni Rosa Schmidt recently took 10th place at the Cascade Collegiate Conference Championships earning her All-CCC honors. Last weekend she helped her Northwest Christian University cross running team take third place at the NAIA national championships in Lawrence,

weather a challenge, but time commitments to other interests come into play as well. This is an important time for Tobuk's Nome Saint Lawrence Island Dance Group, of which she is the president. Tobuk is apparently balancing her training ef-

fectively as evidenced by her top 20 percent overall finish in Saint Louis.

The dedicated Nome runner has her sights set on the Honolulu Marathon in Hawaii on December 14, and the Mercedes Benz Marathon in Birmingham, Alabama

on February 22. Tobuk hopes to be able to apply to the 50 States Marathon Club by 2016. The club requires a minimum of ten marathons be completed in different states before acceptance.





Extensions and ASCA achieve Highest Performing Schools status

By Keith Conger

Extensions Correspondence School and the Anvil City Science Academy have been honored as Highest Performing Reward Schools by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, ac-cording to the department's newsletter. The two Nome schools join a group of 53 similarly honored schools around the state. The designation is part of Alaska's school accountability system, which identifies high performing schools as well as those that are in need of support.

To gain highest performing status, a school must have met its goal for increasing the percentage of proficient students in reading, writing, and math over the past two years. It must have met certain attendance

benchmarks. The school must also be in the top 10 percent of schools with similar student demographics based on a score it received under the Alaska School Performance Index. The Alaska School Performance Index measures schools using a combination of data including achievement scores on Alaska's reading, writing, and math assessments. It considers the growth of the student scores on these tests from the prior year as well.

Extensions Correspondence School has been associated with Nome Public Schools for 10 years. The program allows families to create their own learning opportunities, choosing from both school and home settings. Families can use approved Nome Public School curriculum to form a student learning plan they coordinate with a certified advisory teacher. Sixteen students of all ages are currently enrolled in the Extensions Correspondence School.

Anvil City Science Academy is a charter school in its 17th year of operation. The original school started with 20 students and strived to set up a learning environment that met the needs of students whose learning styles were not being met in the regular classroom. The school uses cross-curricular projects to promote self-discovery. In 2014 a fourth teacher was added so that the school could accommodate 60 fifth through eighth grade students.

In October the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development recognized an initial 41

Performing Highest Reward Schools. Extensions and ACSA joined the group in November along with the Dot Lake School in the Alaska Gateway School District; Bear Valley Elementary, Eagle Academy Charter School, and Northern Lights ABC K-8 School in the Anchorage School District; Dillingham Correspondence School; Sidney C. Huntington Elementary in the Galena School District; Chapman School, Kaleidoscope School of the Arts and Science, and Moose Pass School in the Kenai Peninsula School District; and Port Alexander School in the Southeast Island School District.



LAB TOUR - Linda Harrison explains blood testing procedure at the Norton Sound medical lab.Nome home school students observe.

Homeschool students tour NSHC laboratory

By Aaron Motis

I toured the phlebotomy lab at NSHC. Touring the lab was the midterm assignment for a class that combines science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Guided by Medical Lab Assistant Daniel Hobbs, we toured the front lab. Mr. Hobbs explained the tools used to take blood samples as well as the color-coded storage system. The color coding is related to the type of test being done on the blood sample. When samples are taken, they are either tested by machines at the lab here or flown 500 miles away to the nearest facility for more advanced testing. In the past, it would have taken days or weeks for

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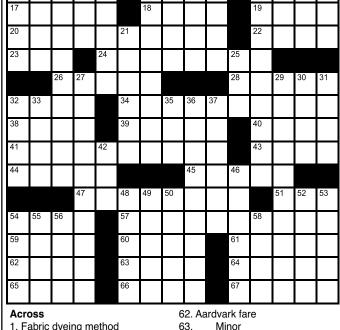
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very careful. Someone

is trying to pull a fast one on you. A trade is





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May 21-



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While unsuccessful, your efforts will not

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you on your toes. Don't let up on that



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VIRGO

August 23-

thankful for. Travel is on the agenda, and a camera will come in handy

riends make for a

blessed week. Enjoy,

Virgo. Time away from the office pro-vides a fresh perspec-tive and a new solu-

good time. Laughter erupts at home with the arrival of guest. More fun is on tap.



LIBRA

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Yes, Scorpio, honesty can be brutal, but it can also be liberating. Tell the truth and set a friend free. A treatment

Libra. A difference

of opinion makes for







November 22-

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Obituary

Beverly Frances Gelzer

Beverly Frances Gelzer was born on September 2, 1955 in Nome, and died November 14, 2014 at ANMC in Anchorage after a lengthy bout with cancer. Her parents were the late Vera Mary Joule and Warner Gelzer. Her maternal grandparents

are the late Tony Joule and Annie Lieb Joule from Point Hope. Her aunts and uncles are the late Reginald Lieb Joule, Mable Blatchford, and Sylvester 'Buddy' Joule.

Beverly lived most of her life in Nome. She was raised as an only child by her parent. It wasn't until



Beverly Frances Gelzer

later, she got to know her older sib-

She attended Nome Elementary and graduated from Nome-Beltz High School noting auto-mechanics was unbelievably fun. She worked at Norton Sound Health Corporation, Quyanna Care Center, Bering Sea Women's Shelter, and the State Youth Facility, to name a few. She also worked at the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum and it brought a deeper appreciation of Nome's gold rush history. She spent considerable time organizing and preserving the many old photographs there. Beverly was proud of her contribution in the preservation of old pictures from the area. That interest brought her to attend the Santa Fe School called Institute of American Indian Arts to further her skills in digitizing. If there was a question about Nome or Nome history, she usually knew the answer and more! She loved being from Nome and especially loved her home in Osborn near the Nome

The memories Beverly shared with family and friends included talking with co-workers and helping others over the years were her favorites. She traveled afar and took the first steps to find more about family ancestral roots from both Germany and Pt. Hope.

According to one of her best friends, Beverly had a knack for making friends and of which she had many. She enjoyed playing pool and became really good at it- many called her "A pool Shark or 8-Ball Bev". She would often start off

A memorial service for Bev Gelzer will be held in Nome November 30 at the VFW Post 9569.

games by saying, "let's see what you can do..

She leaves behind her siblings: Mae Huff-Ahvakana, Donna Suquamish, WA; Warren Paul Huff and Alfred William Huff Jr. of Homer, and Reggie Joule from Kotzebue. She has 9 nieces and nephews, 13 grand nieces and nephews and many cousins. She also leaves behind two cats, Fido and Mama Puss who have been taken in by her friend Lucille Morris in Seattle. She leaves many close friends each of whom she treasured and shared many stories and good experiences. Beverly's quick wit will be sorely missed and remembered.

A memorial service was held in Anchorage on November 18, one will be held in Nome November 30 at the VFW Post 9569. The family wishes to thank the medical personnel, close friends, and organizations for their kindness, visits and support these past months.

It was her wish that her cremated ashes be buried and laid to rest this spring (in June or July 2014) close to her beloved home at Osborn in a special family site which she se-

Hageland Aviation, carrier in Ravn Air Group, receives a Medallion Foundation Star for operational control

Rural carrier awarded recognition for increased safety standards in aviation industry.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (November 20, 2014) - Hageland Aviation, the rural air carrier in the Ravn Air Group, was awarded a Medallion Foundation Star for Operational Control. The Operational Control program is meant to establish an effective flight operations management system that considers all hazards and associated risks. It also requires shared decision-making for dispatching all flights with appropriate management involvement as risk levels increase

"This achievement is something we've been pushing toward for a while and we're proud to see that our hard work has been effective and recognized," said Hageland Aviation President Jim Hickerson.

This star is the next step in Hageland Aviation's increased safety procedures. Hageland is proactively working toward a five-star rating and the award of the Medallion Safety Shield in the Medallion Foundation safety program. The Medallion Shield program requirements exceed current FAA regulations. In order to achieve this goal, Hageland Aviation expanded their operational control center in Palmer. This facility

- Assesses every Hageland Aviation departure with a multilayered decision
- Considers weather, aircraft capabilities, pilot qualifications and runway conditions, ensuring multilayer decisions to mitigate risks.
 - Houses flight simulators for training.

Hageland Aviation also implemented a new safety reporting structure in February 2014. Hageland Aviation is operating at the highest level of safety as a Part 135 carrier. As a 135 carrier, Hageland Aviation releases an average of 150 flights per day and each release averages 3 legs, or destination stops.

The Medallion Foundation is a non-profit organization promoting aviation safety through systems enhancements by providing management resources, training and support to the aviation community. Their mission of reducing aviation accidents is fostered by research, analysis, education, auditing and advocacy of Safety Management Systems and higher flight-training standards.

Homeschool

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results to get back to Nome.

Linda Harrison, Lab Technician,

guided us through the back part of the lab, explaining the technically advanced machines used to test blood and other specimens. Mrs. Harrison helped design some of the machines herself while attending a university in Ohio. The machines were for analyzing blood samples. The ma-

chines would tell what was wrong with the blood and enable the health care provider to determine a solution. One of the machines was a fully automated chemistry analyzer, which can analyze blood in minutes. It was very interesting to observe the special machines and how they work.

Something I learned that I had not known was that they have such advanced machines. The machines can analyze blood and urine samples,

which helps the health care providers diagnose diseases. My favorite part of the tour was the front part of the lab, because it was the most physically interactive. The lab trip was a great opportunity for me to see the work that phlebotomists do. Now I appreciate the "diagnostic arm" of the medical field even more.

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Trooper Beat

On November 9, at 2:15 a.m., Alaska State On November 9, at 2:15 a.m., Alaska State
Troopers received a report that Darren Tom, 27,
of Stebbins, was missing. Tom was reportedly
last seen on Friday, November 7, at approximately 11:30 p.m. Darren reportedly traveled to
Saint Michael on Friday evening and back to
Stebbins on Saturday via ATV. Ground search
teams checked the Stebbins area as well as the teams checked the Stepbins area as well as the road and winter trail to Saint Michael. Poor weather conditions may prohibit some search ef-forts. On November 9, at approximately 6:00 p.m., Tom was located by a passerby injured on a hill in Stebbins and was flown to Anchorage for treatment of serious injuries. A trooper responded to Stebbins to investigate. Alcohol is a factor in the incident. The investigation is ongo-

On November 21, AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Teller. Subsequent in vestigation led to the arrest of Luke Topkok, 26, of Teller, for Assault 4. Topkok was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

On November 21, at 12:25 p.m., AST arrested Carlson Tingook, 54, of Teller, with an ar-rest warrant for Assault 4. Tingook was remanded to AMCC. Bail was set at \$250.

On November 22, at 2:30 p.m., AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Teller. June Weyanna, 26, of Teller, was subsequently arrested for Assault 4. Weyanna was remanded

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Legal Notice
Koyuk Native Corporation has begun its reconveyance program under 14(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. The reconveyances will be for land around
Koyuk which was occurred to the company of th cupied by individuals/organizations on December 18, 1971 as either: (1) a primary place of residence; (2) primary place of business; (3) subsistence campaite; (4) headquarters for reindeer husbandry; or (5) site of a nonprofit organization.

Application forms and further information are available from: Lauren E. Sommer

Telephone: (907) 276-5152
Email: Koyuk.14.c@gmail.com
Starting Friday, October 10, 2014, applications
will be accepted until December 31, 2014.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME CASE NO: 2NO-14-00308CI ORDER FOR HEARING, POSTING

AND ADDITIONAL SERVICE In the Matter of a Change of Nome for Diane Marie Sirlook,

Current name of Adult Notice of Petition to Change Name A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-14-00308CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Diane Marie Sirlook to Diane Marie Scott. A hearing on this request will be held on December 17. 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK 11/20-27-12/4-11

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ALASKA – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION CITY OF SAINT MICHAEL, CLASS III MUNICI-PAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT

The Alaska Department of Environmental Cons vation (ADEC) proposes to issue Solid Waste Disposal Permit No. SW3A137-19, to the City of Saint Michael, to operate a Class III Community Municipal Solid Waste Landfill

APPLICANT INFORMATION: Location: Saint Michael is located on the east coast of St. Michael Island in Norton Sound. It lies 125 miles southeast of Nome and 48 miles south west of Unalakleet. The legal description of the landfill is: Section 24, Township 23 South, Range 18 West, Kateel River Meridian.

Landowner: Saint Michael Native Corporation Landfill Operator: City of Saint Michae

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This public notice is for an existing landfill that has operated as an un-permitted facility since their original permit expired in 1992. This will be the first permit issued for the landfill after significant improvements were completed at the facility. The landfill currently serves the 401 residents of Saint Michael. It is estimated that the community produces 512 tons of solid waste per year. The 0.5 acre site includes a solid waste disposal cell, a storage area for used appli ances, and a fabricated burn unit, within a secured

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For information regarding this Solid Waste Disposal Permit, please contact Trisha Bower at (907) 451-2174 or by e-mail at trisha.bower@alaska.gov.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: ADEC is seeking comment regarding the proposed Permit only. Notice is given that any person interested may present written comments relevant to the proposed Permit to ADEC. Written comments will be included in the record if received before 5:00 p.m. on December 26, 2014. written comments regarding the project to Trisha Bower, ADEC Division of Environmental Health, Solid Waste Program, 610 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709, Fax: (907) 451-2188, email: trisha.bower@alaska.gov.

The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Eric Hotchkiss at (907) 465-6171 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided. 11/10/2014, dated at Fairbanks, Alaska. s/b

Douglas Butevn Solid Waste Program Coordinator

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ALASKA – DEPARTMENT OF ENVI-RONMENTAL CONSERVATION CITY OF SHISHMAREF. CLASS III MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) proposes to issue Solid Waste Disposal Permit No. SW3A136-19, to the City of Shishmaref, to operate a Class III Community Mu-

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Location: Shishmaref is located on Sarichef Island. in the Chukchi Sea, just north of the Bering Strait. Shishmaref is 5 miles from the mainland, 126 miles north of Nome, and 100 miles southwest of Kotzebue. The legal description of the landfill is: Section 23, Township 10 North, Range 35 West, Kateel River Meridian.

Landowner: Shishmaref Native Corporation Landfill Operator: City of Shishn

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This public notice is for an existing landfill that has operated as an unpermitted facility since it was constructed. This will be the first permit issued for the landfill. The land tly serves the 598 residents of Shish-It is estimated that the community produces 763 tons of solid waste per year. The 1.5 acre site includes a solid waste disposal cell, a storage area for used appliances, and two fabricated burn units, within a secured area

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NOTICE OF FY 2015 SNHG APPLICATION

ROUND
Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) is pleased to announce the FY 2015 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for its Special Needs Housing Grant (SNHG) Program. Under this NOFA, AHFC will make grants, 4% Low-Income Housing Tax Credits and potentially zero interest loans available for competitive allocation to successful applicants to acquire, rehabilitate, or con-struct rental housing. For eligibility to apply for SNHG Program funds, all applicants are required to submit Applications to AHFC through an online

application system.

Application for SNHG funding is a sequential Application for SNHS funding is a sequential two (2) step process. Applicants must (1) register for the online application system, and (2) submit a SNHG Application using the online application system. This Notice contains requirements and deadlines for Steps (1) and (2). Applicants will NOT be eligible to apply for SNHG funding unless they first meet the deadline for Steps (1).

Step (1): To submit an Application through the online system, AHFC must receive Regis-tration Requests for the online system by 4:30 p.m. (Anchorage time) on Thursday December 11, 2014.

11, 2014.
Step (2): Completed SNHG Applications must be submitted through the online application system by 4:30 n.m. (Anchorage time) on

A full list of items that will be reviewed during the Application is available in the FY 2015 SNHG Program NOFA. Supporting information on all of these components will be submitted in the full SNHG application through the online application

The deadline to submit Registration Requests for the online application system is 4:30 p.m. (Anchorage time) on December 11, 2014. All entitles wishing to submit a full Application must submit Registration Requests for access to the online application system according to this deadline. To obtain a Registration Request form, view the FY 2015 SNHG NOFA, or find out more about the SNHG program, please AHFC visit the AHFC website at: http://www.ahfc.us/pros/grants/development-grants/beneficiary-and-special-needs-housing/.
Or contact: Daniel Delfino

Alaska Housing Finance Corpo-

PO Box 101020 Anchorage, Alaska 99510-1020 907-330-8273 1-800-478-2432 ddelfino@ahfc.us

11/27 CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

O-14-11-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAP-TER 17.10 OF THE NOME CODE OF ORDI-NANCES TO REPEAL SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR SALES TO NON-PROFIT

O-14-11-02 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAP-TER 17.20 OF THE NOME CODE OF ORDI-NANCES TO REPEAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR AIRCRAFT

O-14-11-03 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAP-TER 17.20 OF THE NOME CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REPEAL PROPERTY TAX

EXEMPTIONS FOR INVENTORY HELD FOR

These ordinances had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on November 24, 2014 and were passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for December 8, 2014 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the Office of the City Clerk.

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

CASE NO: 2NO-14-00310CI ORDER FOR HEARING, POSTING AND ADDITIONAL SERVICE

In the Matter of a Change of Name for Harry Wesley Soxie, Current name of Adult Notice of Petition to Change Name

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-14-00310Cl) requesting a name change from (current name) Harry Wesley Soxie to Harry Wesley Ivanoff. A hearing on this request will be held on December 17, 2014 at 10:30 am at Name Couthburge 112 From Street BC Part 112 Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110

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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASES 11/17/2014 through 11/23/2014

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

During this period there were 77 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center. 27 (35%) involved alcohol.

There were 12 calls involving intoxicated persons who needed assistance: 5 were taken to AMCC for protective hold; 1 was left at the and 2 were transported to N.E.S.T (Nome Emergency Shelter Team).

There were 4 arrests made with 4 (100%) alcohol related.

There were 6 ambulance calls and 0 fire calls during this period. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014:

9:22 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to a report of someone trespassing on the west side of town. The investigation led to Lawrence Martin being taken into protective custody and trans-ported to AMCC for a Title 47 12-hour hold due to

11:58 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to a report of Harassment between two students which occurred at Nome Beltz High School. The investigation is ongoing and no charges have

12:17 p.m. NPD received a report of a student at NACTEC in possession of tobacco. A citation was

1:10 p.m. NPD received a report of possible sex-

ual abuse of a minor. The case is under investi-

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2014:

telephone calls from an apartment building on the east side of Nome reporting loud noises inside an apartment. Officers warned the persons inside the apartment that continued loud noises and distur inces would lead to an arrest. The occupants of the apartment agreed to quiet down.

12:58 a.m. the Nome Police Department received the report of a disturbance at a home on the east side of Nome. The disturbance was resolved by both persons separating for the evening.

1:59 a.m. NPD responded to a call of a man threatening a woman in the area of Front Street. Investigation led to the arrest of Dan Goldy for Asault in the Third Degree (Domestic Violence). Goldy was remanded to AMCC. As this was a domestic violence offense, there was no bail

9:51 a.m Nome Police department received a report of theft of a boat trailer valued at \$8-10,000 from the east side of town. The trailer was later

10:30 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to a report of disorderly conduct at Nome-Beltz High School when a student attempted to assault an administrator. Investigation into the event has been initiated and the student was administratively removed from school.

1:54 p.m. Nome Police department received a report of theft of property at Bering Strait Housing and an investigation is currently ongoing.

4:49 p.m. the Nome Police Department was notified of an intoxicated male outside a home on the west side of Nome, Alaska. The male was found to be highly intoxicated and later transported to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center on a Title

11:06 p.m. Nome Police Department responded to a call regarding a possible assault. After further investigation it was discovered to be a verbal dispute and was resolved by separation

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2014:

1:19 a.m., Nome Police Department received a report regarding a male harassing a family on the eastern side of town. He was asked to leave and told to go to the N.E.S.T where he stayed for the remainder of the night.

1:21 a.m., Nome Police Department responded to a call regarding a physical altercation outside of Soap N' Suds. The altercation was resolved by separation as the suspect was gone on arrival and nowhere to be seen after patrolling the City

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Bering Sea Women's Group

The Bering Sea Women's Group (BSWG) is seeking dedicated individuals to become members of the Board of Directors.

The mission of BSWG is to provide a safe haven for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other violent crimes, while promoting a safe, healthy, violence-free lifestyle.

If you are a resident of the Bering Strait region and interested in submitting your name for consideration or if you have questions, please contact the BSWG staff at 443-5492.

individual. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Sean Komonseak Jr. for Assault in the Fourth De-

gree (DV). He was remanded to AMCC with no bail set.

7:05 a.m. Nome Police Department received a

call of a possible theft/burglary at a downtown business. The investigation is ongoing.

8:39 a.m. and 9:34 a.m. a suspect who identified himself as 'Michael' called three Nome residents

and made obscene or lewd statements. If you have received a similar call, please call NPD for

11:44 a.m. Nome Police Department received a

call of a fight in progress at a business on Front Street. Officers arrived and during the course of the investigation Morris Nakarak was arrested for

Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV) and transported to AMCC where he was remanded. No

1:08 p.m. Nome Police Department received a root p.m. Nome Police Department received a call for an intoxicated male who wouldn't leave a business when asked. During the course of the investigation, John Penetac was arrested for

Criminal Trespass II and Disorderly Conduct. He was taken to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and then transported to AMCC

2:15 p.m., Nome Police Department responded to

a local air carrier on the report of a passeriger with was too intoxicated to fly. Michael Pete was contacted, and observed sleeping in the terminal. Once awake, Michael showed signs of extreme intoxication, and was unable to provide an ad-

dress of where he was staying. Michael was transported to the Norton Sound Hospital for med-

ical treatment and later transported to N.E.S.T. for

5:39 p.m. NPD responded to a business on Front Street to a report from an individual that she was suicidal. Officer located the person and transported her to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for evaluation and treatment. She was found to be

12:14 a.m NPD made contact with three juveniles who were violating curfew. The three were issued a warning and directed to go home.

the fact. The complainant reported that while dancing at a local bar, he was struck multiple

times by an unidentified person. Investigation is

4:54 a.m. a complainant called to report a suspi-

cious phone call. The caller threatened to kill the

complainant and other persons. The caller is un-

10:47 a.m. Nome Police Department responded

to the west end of town for a report of a female who wouldn't leave the residence when asked

During the course of the investigation Joan Miller was arrested for Criminal Trespass 1st degree as well as Probation Violation. Joan was transported to AMCC with no bail.

known. Investigation is continuing.

temporary lodging.

highly intoxicated

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2014:

follow-up at 443-5262.

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Of Nome. The victim was taken to Norton Sound for medical attention then given a courtesy ride home. The investigation is ongoing

2:20 a.m., Nome Police Department responded to a call regarding a female refusing to leave the Polaris Hotel. The female was found to be highly intoxicated and was escorted to Norton Sound Regional Hospital. The female was later trans ported to the Anvil Mountain Correction Cente as a Title 47 protective hold due to her level of

2:08 p.m. NPD responded to 408 E Fifth Avenue for a report of a male who was not breathing. Investigation revealed that a puppy had been killed by the owners other dog. No person was harmed. Ambulance personnel who had been dispatched were cancelled.

2:28 p.m. NPD received a report of a student in possession of tobacco at Nome-Beltz High School. The juvenile will be cited for the offense.

2:28 p.m. NPD was called to the Polar Bar for a disturbance. Michael Saclamana was intoxicated and refused to leave at the request of the bartender. Michael left before NPD arrived.

2:36 n.m. the Norton Sound Regional Hospital 2.36 p.m. the World Sound Regional Rospital requested a welfare check be done on Jordan Lockwood. Family members informed NPD that Jordan had made statements that she wanted to harm herself. Jordan was left in the care of the Norton Sound Regional Hospital

3:12 p.m. NPD responded to a possible intoxicated driver in a white pick-up truck with a plow on it. NPD make contact with the driver and it was determined that the driver was not intoxi-

4:13 p.m. NPD responded to the Nugget Hotel to remove an intoxicated male who refused to leave. NPD make contact with Leon Greist who was found passed out inside a room. An ambu lance was called and Leon was released to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital due to his extreme level of intoxication.

4:28 p.m. NPD received a report of vandalism occurring at the Nome-Beltz High School when an angry student damaged a telephone. The student was administratively removed from school. The case is under investigation and will be for warded to the Division of Juvenile Justice for dis-

6:17 p.m. Nome Police Department received a report of a disturbance on the west side of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Tommie Snyde for Disorderly Conduct. He was transported to AMCC; bail was set to \$250.

6:24 p.m. NPD responded to a business on Front Street to a report of a wet and crying female. Courtney Amaktoolik was contacted and found to be highly intoxicated. She was transported to Norton Sound General Hospital for treatment and medical evaluation where she assaulted medical staff. Amaktoolik was arrested and remanded to AMCC on charged of Assault in the Fourth De

8:35 p.m. NPD responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence on the west side of town. The male party left prior to NPD arriving and was later reported to be suicidal. NPD located the subject and transported him to Norton Sound Re gional Hospital for treatment and evaluation.

8:56 p.m. Nome Police Department received an injuries. The investigation is ongoing

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2014:

was upset about her neighbor's dogs coming into her yard and defecating. The report is under re-view for possible violation of the Nome Code of Ordinances. Animal owners are reminded that it is in violation of the municipal code to allow animals to be off lead unless under immediate voice control; AND it is required that all animal owners clean up after their animals, particularly if the animal is defecting in public areas or on the property of others.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2014:

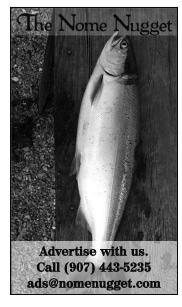
2:03 a.m., Nome Police Department received a report of a possible DUI and a motor vehicle ac-cident. Investigation revealed that the driver was had consumed alcohol however was not im-paired. A citation was issued to Peter Olanna-Bloomstrand for Improper Overtaking of the Right Hand Side of the Roadway.

 $3:\!46$ p.m., NPD received a report that an at-risk individual had left the hospital. NPD initiated a search and he subject was later located at a residence in Nome. Later in the same evening, the at-risk person was involved in a disturbance and transported to another residence where she was left in the care of family members.

10:47 p.m. NPD responded to the Nome-Teller ay to a report of a vehicle accident. Inves tigation indicates trailer became disconnected reported and no damage estimate was available at the time of this release

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2014:

1:40 a.m. NPD responded to a residence on E



King Island Native Community **Annual Meeting and Election**



PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the General Election and Annual Meeting of the King Island Native Community will be held on Saturday, December 27, 2014 at Old St. Joseph Church Ballots will be available and voting will take place during the hours of 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Tribal members eligible to vote may vote during these hours by obtaining and submitting regular ballots at the Old St. Joseph Church. The annual meeting will then begin at 4:00PM. Seats up for Election: 3 (3) seats are up for election this year. The potluck will begin at 3:00PM. Please bring a dish or dessert to share.

PLEASE VOTE AND ATTEND OUR ANNUAL MEETING! We need your participation to make this election and annual meeting a success!

Please call Janice @ 443-2209 if you have any questions about the meeting, potluck, election, or rides for Elders.



Sitnasuak Native Corporation is looking for Advisory Members for the following committee's:

- Land Committee
- Elder Committee
- Subsistence Committee
- Foundation Committee

If you are a SNC Shareholder interested in serving on one of the listed Committee's please send a letter of interest to: PO Box 905 Nome, AK 99762 or you can fax it to (907) 387-1226.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Conditional Use Permit



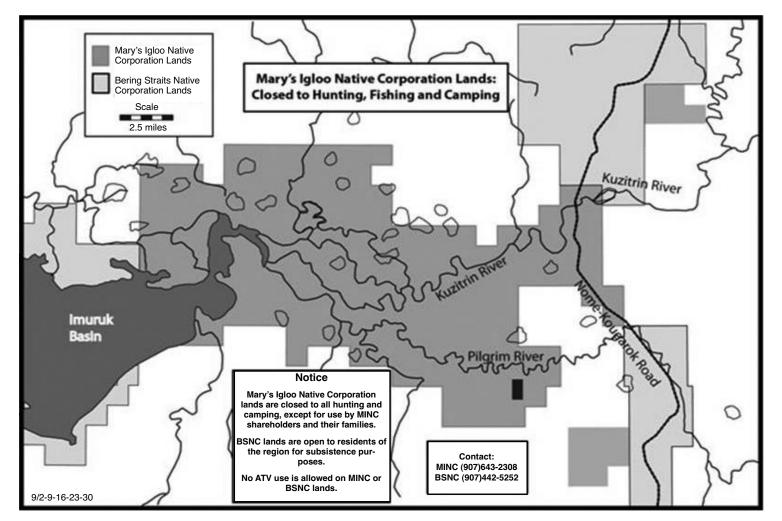
A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING THE RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING OF THE NOME PLANNING COMMISSION TO SEEK COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING:

Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for AT&T to construct a 150' tall communications tower at 105 Front Street, which is currently zoned for Commercial Use.

> DATE: Tuesday, December 9, 2014

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

LOCATION: City Hall Chambers



Shaktoolik Native Corporation

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

As designated in their by-laws, the Shaktoolik Native Corporation will hold its' annual meeting of shareholders on Saturday, December 13, 2104 at the SNC Armory. Doors open at 9:30 AM and call to order at 10:00 AM or upon establishment of quorum. This year shareholders will be electing 3 (three) directors. Shareholders are encouraged to send their proxies to be received at 4:30 PM, Friday, November 28, 2014 for early bird and December 12, 2014 close of business for all other proxies.

For more information please contact:



Shaktoolik Native Corporation P.O. Box 46 Shaktoolik, AK 99771 Ph. 907-955-3241 Fax. 907-955-3243 e-mail: fnsago@yahoo.com

Koyuk Native Corporation P.O. Box 53050

Kovuk, ALASKA 99753 Office (907) 963-2424 Fax: 963-3552

Store: 963-3551



NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the annual meeting of the shareholders of Koyuk Native Corporation, will be held on **January 7**, **2015**, **at 1:00 p.m.**, at the Koyuk Community Hall, for the following purposes:

Election of four(4) Directors 1.

And the transactions of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Court

Bouchan, Matthew W. v. Bouchan, Daniel J.; Civil Protective Order Royale Energy, INC v. Rampart Alaska LLC; Complaint Re Real Estate Matter Nanuaq LLC v. Simpson, Pamera and Illmar, Thomas; Forcible Entry/Detain-Dist Ct Nanuaq LLC v. Yuman, Jeannie and Yuman, Adexoc; Forcible Entry/Detain-Dist Ct Saclamana, Gregory v. Saclamana, John; Civil Protective Order Aukongak, Esther June v. Takak, Jason Malcom; Civil Protective Order

Nanuaq, LLC v. Homekingkeo, Helen; Small Claims Less Than \$2500 Nanuaq, LLC v. Thorton, Greg; Small Claims Less Than \$2500 Nanuaq, LLC v. Jorgensen, Peter and Norbert, Eileen; Small Claims Less Than

Nanuaq, LLC v. Long, Tammi and Long, Mary; Small Claims Less Than \$2500 Alaska Prepaid Card, LLC, Peacock, Lahka and Peacock, Debbie v. Barr, Zena; Small Claims Less Than \$2500

State of Alaska v. Steven Gillette (3/16/92); 2NO-14-86CR Order to Modify or Revoke

State of Alaska v. Steven Gillette (3/16/92); 2NO-14-86CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114797079; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed; balance of sentence to serve; Consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-14-683CR.

State of Alaska v. Steven Gillette (3/16/92); 2NO-14-495CR CTN 001: Assault 4; Date of Violation: 7/26/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 180 days, 180 days suspended; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 11/18/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any pace officer based on probable cause to believe he consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause.

State of Alaska v. Steven Gillette (3/16/92); 2NO-14-683CR CTN 002: Violate Condition of Release; Date of Violation: 10/25/14; CTN Cfrus Dismissed: 001: 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Steven Gillette (3/16/92); 2NO-14-683CR CTN 002: Violate Condition of Release; Date of Violation: 10/25/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center; 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. Patrick Newhall Jr. (3/25/94); Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 7/10/14; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 88 days suspended; Unsuspended 2 days served; Credit for 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 charge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/18/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, Snow

fyre Angi. State of Alaska v. Cosmas Pete (4/18/81); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: State of Aläska v. Cosmas Pete (4/18/81); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111775839; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended jail \$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. Roger S. Silook, III (10/787); Dismissal; Count I: 4° Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 11/17/14.
State of Alaska v. Madeleine Blair Okpealuk (9/14/82); Count I: Criminal Trespass 1°, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 11/17/14.
State of Alaska v. Lawrence Martin (10/2/57); Violate Protective Order; Date of Violation: 9/4/14; 180 days, 110 days suspended; Credit for 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 re-

voked 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: 11/14/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not contact, directly or

ditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, Christine Martin.

State of Alaska v. Marcia Soolook (10/3/95); 2NO-14-278CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: MCA; Filed by the DAs Office 11/19/14.

State of Alaska v. Marcia Soolook (10/3/95); 2NO-14-330CR CTN 001: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21 Habitual Offender; Date of Offense: 5/25/14; 3 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Surcharge must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; License: Defendant's driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with fendant's driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with 6 months suspended; Alcohol Information School: Defendant must attend the fol-

o morths suspended, Alcohol Information School. Detendant must attend the following alcohol information school: if one is available at Diomede; through NSHC BHS; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 96 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/19/14); Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Must submit to evaluation by the experience and now for and processor and the control of the c program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS

04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Marcia Soolook (10/3/95); 2NO-14-330CR CTN 002: Violate Condition of Release; Date of Violation: 5/25/14; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; 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: 11/19/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol

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State of Alaska v. Marcia Soolook (10/3/95); 2NO-14-398CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: MCA; Filed by the DAs Office 11/19/14.
State of Alaska v. Marissa Slwooko (12/8/95); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21 Habitual Offender; Date of Offense: 11/19/14; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Surcharge must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; License: Defendant's driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with 6 months suspended; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 96 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation for 1 year (date of juddment: 11/19/14); Comply with all direct court orders

and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/19/14); Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Patrick Okitkon (3/19/94); 2NO-14-515CR CTN 001: Assault 4; Date of Violation: 8/4/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; 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: 11/19/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol in any dry or damp community; Defendant may return to court for reduction of probation terms upon conferring with DA.

State of Alaska v. Patrick Okitkon (3/19/94); 2NO-14-628CR Notice of Dismissal;

Charge 001: VCR; Filed by the DAs Office 11/19/14.

State of Alaska v. Patrick Okitkon (3/19/94); 2NO-14-631CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: MCA; Filed by the DAs Office 11/19/14.

State of Alaska v. Leslie Brown (1/8/90); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111177018; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 4/11/15.

State of Alaska v. Michael Rookok (5/24/94); Notice For Withdrawal Of Petition To Revoke Probation; The State withdraws the Petition to Revoke Probation filed on or about 5/23/14; The court should quash any outstanding bench warrant issued on this case; Filed by the DAs Office 11/21/14.

State of Alaska v. Axel Cheemuk (7/26/87); 2NO-13-790CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113672952; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 11/20/16: Suspended iail term revoked and imposed: 5 days. consecutive to the

to 11/20/16; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2UT-14-146CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Axel Cheemuk (7/26/87); 2UT-14-146CR Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 10/6/14; 120 days, 90 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served, the defendant may be time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due oration. 10/14, 120 days, 90 days subperied. Or laberated and laberated

ately to AMCC; Defendant may be 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: 11/20/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy

State of Alaska v. Tommy Snyder (11/19/14); Disorderly Conduct; Date of Violation: 11/19/14; 2 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 2 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; 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. Regine Kava (11/6/70); 2NO-14-653CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114196527; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: balance the original sentence is imposed, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-14-669CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Regine Kava (11/6/70); 2NO-14-699CR Order to Modify or Revoked.

Probation; ATN: 114196635; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: balance the original sentence is imposed, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-14-653CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Regine Kava (11/6/70); 2NO-14-687CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: CT; Filed by the DAs Office 11/20/14.

State of Alaska v. Clara M. Noyakuk (4/22/88); Dismissal; Count I: Disorderly Conduct; Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 11/21/14.

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Photos by Diana Haecker CREATIVE SPACE— Robert McCoy works out of a tiny workshop he built in Gambell. Here, he carves intricate figurines and other artwork to be sold in shops as far away as Nome and Anchorage.

Young carver perpetuates SLI carving tradition



Robert "Utuqsiq" McCoy-Apangalook

By Diana Haecker

Eight NACTEC students from Shishmaref, Gambell, Stebbins and Brevig Mission were giddy with excitement, showing off their pieces of baleen carvings. Each student etched a message onto the black surface: Alfred Olanna an elaborate rose bud; Kenneth Rock from Brevig an abstract wolf face; Mickey Tocktoo a bowhead whale. Another etching showed a harpoon, hearts and the text "Never give up on life." The pieces of baleen art were pegged onto a moose antler with a whalebone base. The center of the three-dimensional art has an ivory carving reading "NACTEC 2014."

The students were part of a weeklong course on traditional arts, taught by a young artist whose life journey brought him back to the home of his maternal ancestors, St. Lawrence Island.

Robert "Utuqsiq" McCoy-Apangalook, 25, was born and raised in Anchorage.

His mother is Barbara Joan Apangalook of St. Lawrence Island and his father is Sean McCoy.

After living in Anchorage and Wasilla for most of his life, he moved to Gambell in 2011 and learned the traditional way of life on the island.

He was guided mostly by his grandfather Leonard "Piitkaq" Apangalook Sr. "My grandpa named me "Utuqsiq" after the tallest peak on the mountain in Gambell," said McCoy. He lives up to the name, being the tallest person in the entire family, he chuckled.

During a visit to Gambell, McCoy opened his tiny plywood carving shop and talked about the trials and tribulations of his young life in Wasilla. But then he decided to learn more about his roots as St. Lawrence Island Siberian Yupik. When he came to Gambell, he gathered youth around him and began the first boxing club on the island. "One big issue I noticed was the huge lack of activity available for the youth," McCoy said. This left the youth to struggle and feel hopeless sometimes.

McCoy had been boxing since 2001 and felt he had the necessary experience to coach the sport. Being part of a boxing club felt like being a part of a special kind of support system, just like a large family. So he started one in Gambell.

On the island, he learned firsthand that he came from a long line of survivors who have thrived on St Lawrence Island. Life there is both

harsh weather-wise, but at the same time it provides nature's bounty in terms of whales, walrus and seals.

Being nicknamed "The walrus capitol of the world," it is home to many talented ivory carvers. McCoy learned the art of carving from his uncle Ron Apangalook.

"Carving is one of the traditions I have picked up and I hope to learn and grow stronger with my people and my culture," he said. McCoy has carved a piece for the Shaktoolik school. A big whalebone centerpiece studded with ivory carvings of a basketball-shooting king polar bear, seabirds, a whale and a seal is displayed at the Gambell school. The NACTEC piece will stay at NACTEC.

There is some sense of humor as well in the carvings. The king polar bear he carved for the Gambell school shows the iconic animal in mid-jump as a basketball player going for the basket.

He said his participation in subsistence hunts enrich his art. "In the spring of 2012, I went hunting on my family boat for whale and walrus. I got to see live walrus for the first time in my life and it was a wild thrill that I will cherish my whole life," he said. The hunting experience lead to a walrus hunting carving he completed in July 2012.

With his fiancée Jewel Carolyn "Ayuwighsaan" Koonooka, he taught the introductory class to traditional arts at NACTEC. His art can be seen in regional schools, and in gift shops in Nome and Anchorage.

"It took me a lot of searching and brought me on an amazing adventure to find my niche in this world," McCoy said.



THE SHOP— McCoy shows off his carving work shop he built in Gambell.



DRILLING—McCoy drills holes in a piece of ivory in preparation for baleen inlays.



GAMBELL SCHOOL— McCoy carved the centerpiece for the Gambell school's display, a whalebone with carvings of king polar bear "Qughsatkut", seabirds, whales and seals.



WORK IN PROGRESS— The work bench at McCoy's studio has several figurines in different work stages.



ADDED CHARM— Yes, the door knob is a little low, but it adds to the building's charm.