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OFF THEY GO— Elim's Bob Saccheus was the first racer out of the gate in the Bering Sea Lions Club Nome-Golovin Snowmachine Race, which started at noon on Saturday.

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Nome Common Council votes to increase Port fees

By Sandra L. Medearis

Fees at Port of Nome are ready, set, to go up for the upcoming shipping season.

The Nome Common Council voted the revised port Tariff 10 into second reading Monday night.

The Port of Nome Commission handed the tariff up to the council

panel for approval after raising fees by 5 percent across the board for all categories of uses save idle boat storage.

Last spring, Port of Nome raised its fees by 10 percent across the board. At that time commissioners tentatively planned to hike fees another five to 10 percent for 2014 and

2015.

Home-ported vessels dry-docked within the Port of Nome that remain idle throughout the applicable period will pay a flat rate for winter season and a different schedule of rates for the summer season. The fee for small vessels shorter than 32 feet have been reduced in both seasons while

operators of larger vessels will see an increase. The commission has taken into consideration that longer vessels cover a significant footprint at a port already crowded.

If the council approves the tariff revision for final passage at its next regular meeting, the document sets fees for idle storage thus: For winter, vessels 32 feet and under in length, \$500, a decrease of \$50; over 32 feet to 52 feet, \$1,000, an increase of \$120; vessels over 52 feet to 72 feet, \$2,000, an increase of \$680; vessels over 72 feet to 92 feet, \$2,800; vessels over 92 feet, \$4,500.

For summer rates: 32 feet and under, \$400, a decrease of \$40; over 32 feet to 52 feet, \$800, up by \$30; over 52 feet to 72 feet, \$1,600, up by \$700; over 72 feet to 92 feet, \$2,200; vessels over 92 feet, \$3,300.

The winter storage season lasts seven months, whereas the summer storage covers five months.

The port commission debated on fee hikes over several work sessions before unanimously approving the draft tariff document that went to the Council.

The port commissioners went
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Photo by Sam Towarak

MARCH MADNESS— Shaktoolik Wolverine Vernon “Boya” Rock drives hard for two against a Klawock Chieftain opponent, during the March Madness State basketball tournament held in Anchorage last week. See story on page 7.

Radiation sampling to happen for Bering Strait

By Diana Haecker

Regional concerns about the possibility that Bering Sea waters could be radioactively contaminated from the 2011 failure of the Fukushima Dai-Ichi nuclear power plant spurred local organizations to act.

University of Alaska, Fairbanks Marine Advisory Program agent Gay Sheffield and Norton Sound Economic Development put money towards a crowd-sourcing website organized by marine radio chemist Dr. Ken Buessler of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution and its Center for Marine and Environmental Radiation.

The website is part of the project “How radioactive is our ocean?” and functions as a portal for donations. These donations are going towards the analysis of ocean waters for radioactive materials at a specific site.

For each \$600 raised, a sample can be sent to Dr. Buessler’s lab in

Massachusetts.

Although experts and government officials don’t believe the radiation from Fukushima poses any threats to fisheries or marine life, data is necessary to put concerns of coastal residents and subsistence users to rest.

This is the reason behind the website that aims to collect money from anybody in the world to finance radiation testing of Bering Strait waters.

“People throughout our region have repeatedly asked for testing of our subsistence foods and water,” said MAP agent Gay Sheffield.

“Seals fell sick with a still unknown disease, we’ve had the documented first cases of avian cholera in Alaska, we’ve had unusual animals like the beaked whale showing up dead on the beach near Gambell and each time people throughout the re-

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Evan Booth wins 2014 Nome-Golovin Snowmachine Race

By Diana Haecker

Fulfilling one of his career goals as a snowmachine racer, Nome’s Evan Booth won his eighth Nome-Golovin Snowmachine Race, clocking a time of two hours, nine minutes and 53 seconds for the 200-

mile course from Nome to Golovin and back.

Booth raced on his blue warhorse, a 2003 Polaris 800 XC that carried him to victory in last year’s 200-mile Archie Ferguson/Willie Goodwin Sr. Memorial snowmachine race. After securing the Kotzebue victory, he expressed that he’d like to win one more Nome-Golovin race.

Last Saturday he did.

Under clear skies, calm winds and perfect temperatures in the 20°F range, 20 snowmachine racers gathered at the start line just off the Nome seawall on the sea ice. Unlike other years, the racers did not gather in town and then proceed in a parade down Front Street. Instead, they checked in with officials at the ramp near Subway and went onto the sea

ice from there.

Usually, the race takes place on the second Saturday in March, but due to bad trail conditions, the race was postponed to March 22.

On Saturday, the noon start went off without a hitch and racers left the start line in 30-second intervals, to the cheers of many spectators.

Two Bering Air helicopters and one fixed wing airplane escorted the racers down the coast and back.

This year, no injuries were reported. Although crashes occurred resulting in lost windshields and crooked handlebars, nobody was hurt or had to scratch due to an injury.

All scratches were related to mechanical issues of the snowma-

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Photo by Diana Haecker

NUMBER ONE— Nome-Golovin race victor Evan Booth shows his delight after winning the snowmachine competition last Saturday.

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Letters

Dear Editor:

Welcome to spring, everybody. It's great to see the sun and finally get some warmth. Let's not forget that it is still icy and, at times, is perilous to navigate around Nome. It is particularly challenging for people who are walking. Sidewalks are not given the same attention that streets are. Pedestrians need to walk where they get the most traction. At times that traction is near the curb, or close to parked cars. We all need to be responsible, but please remember that a car weighs a lot more than a person and can't fall on the ice either. Spruce Lynch
Nome, AK 99762

Dear Nancy,

What an absolute pleasure to discover you are still running the *Nugget*! Hard to believe it has been 30-some years since I stepped

through the door of the *Nugget* office for my first day of work as a very green, new reporter for Mark Fuerstenau!

I recently hired a new communications specialist in my organization here in Plymouth. He is finishing up his degree from the University of Michigan and one of his assignments was to interview someone about their career path. He asked me to talk about my career and God, it seemed like I had to talk for a long time just to finally wind my way to my current position!

Of course, the most colorful and wonderful stories I could share with him were all related to my all-too-brief time spent reporting for the *Nugget*. To this day, I look back on my time spent in Nome and in Alaska as a gift and education unlike

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

Editorial

No Public Money for Private Schools

Our public schools are the soul of our communities and they are the center of the universe for our youngsters. Adults brag, "I went to East. I went to West. I went to Mt. Edgecumbe. I went to Nome-Beltz." Schools aren't cheap. Education costs money, but our schools are our brand and we strive to make them the very best.

The State of Alaska contributes money for public education. It is the obligation of the state to fund our schools and the federal and local governments also provide support. We strive to hire the best educators, purchase the most modern technology and provide pleasant and safe surroundings for learning. Our governor and some legislators just don't get it. They underfund public schools and siphon the life blood out of the school budget. They slither into our brains with smarmy excuses for providing vouchers for private schools. Our public schools are our future and they need adequate funds. We must never even consider using public money for private schools. The framers of our federal and state constitutions got it right when they championed the concept of separation of church and state.

State funding of religious schools sticks in our craw. Sure folks have the right to attend private schools if they wish, but they should pay their own way and not expect public money to pay their tuition. Private schools should be funded by private money — not by slithering around the law by taking the "voucher" excuse. Of course western Alaskans have a sense of humor — we could voucher all of our students to the Kamehameha school in Honolulu. Molly Hootch would get a good laugh. —N.L.M.—

Sound Off

HB 77 Still Flawed
By Emily Murray, tribal member

The legislative session on with issues important to our region and statewide. One of these bills, House Bill 77, is a controversial bill and has been recently amended a few times. But the changes are still not enough to ensure Tribes and Alaskans are put first.

One of the most controversial sections of the bill would change the process Tribes, organizations, or individuals could protect water levels in streams for salmon and other uses by applying for water reservations through the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Over 40

tribes have passed resolutions—including the Native Village of Elim and the City of Elim—specifically opposing this section of the bill and hundreds of Alaskans subsistence users, fishermen, and more came out against it as well.

The logic behind the removal of water reservations in the first place is backwards. The state claims to codify what DNR already does—but what DNR already does is unacceptable and should be reversed, and not made permanent. DNR has received at least 16 water reservations

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Juneau Juice

Administration Confirms: Much Larger BSA Increase Needed to Fill Education Shortfalls

Governor's proposal three to six times too small to prevent teacher cuts

JUNEAU — A new analysis of Parnell administration data confirms Alaska's school districts need between three and six times the amount the governor is proposing to increase per-student classroom funding in order to fill budget gaps for next school year. Representative Les Gara (D-Anchorage) released the analysis as the House Finance Committee considers the governor's omnibus education bill and other education measures.

"Parents, teachers, and business leaders all know our schools need a stronger commitment from the state, and they've joined Democrats in calling for more classroom funding through the BSA—the money schools can count on year after year," said Gara. "Now the administration's own numbers confirm the public is right, Alaska's schools need a much, much larger BSA increase to prevent a fourth year in a row of teacher and staff cuts."

The analysis of six of Alaska's largest school districts shows those districts would need between roughly \$245 to \$464 more per-student in the Base Student Allocation next year to offset budget shortfalls. The governor's proposal adds \$85 net year.

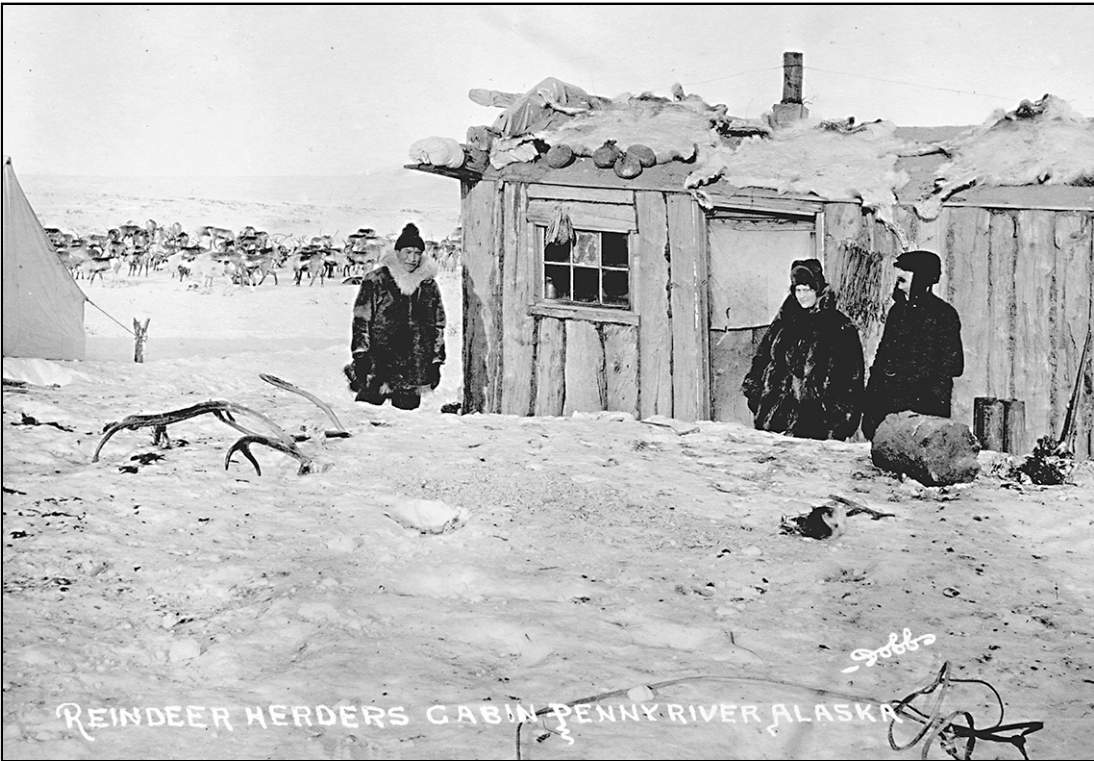
Gara's analysis used figures provided this week by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development Finance Division which show the financial impact of specific BSA increases on each school district in the state. Gara used expected budget shortfalls from the Anchorage, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Juneau Borough, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Kodiak Island Borough, and Matanuska-Susitna Borough school districts as published in a March 5, 2014 Legislative Research Services report.

Statute clear: No Texas oilmen on Alaska board
Governor admits changes in law needed to make appointment legal

JUNEAU — Members of the Senate Democratic Caucus

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A Look at the Past



Beverly Dobbs photo from the collection of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
READYING THE REINDEER — The reindeer herders cabin at Penny River in about 1904.

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Strait Action

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Alaska urges feds to consider AK priorities

The Alaska State Legislature unanimously passed House Joint Resolution 24 urging the Federal Government to consider Alaska’s priorities and work with the State when the United States becomes Chair of the Arctic Council in 2015. The resolution also asks State Department representatives to confer with Alaskan officials while considering an individual to lead the Arctic Council.

HJR24 and its companion bill in the Senate are the result of work conducted over the past year by the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission.

“Globally, all eyes are on the Arctic right now and Alaska is America’s Arctic,” said Senator McGuire. “Alaskans have an opportunity to lead the United States in forming a strategy for our Arctic that realizes the state’s prominent role in decision making. Acting now, we can seize the opportunity. The United States will assume the Chair of the Arctic Council in one year. It is imperative for Alaskans to be considered during that decision process of the appointment of that Chair.”

The Arctic Council is the inter-governmental forum in which all eight Arctic Nations participate. Canada is the current Chair of the Arctic Council. The United States will be the Chair from May 2015 through May 2017.

In addition, with the passage of HJR24, the Legislature is now formally on record as supporting the strategic recommendation in the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission’s preliminary report delivered to the Legislature in January to continue to “pursue, and actively expand, all avenues of participation in the Arctic Council, including involvement in working groups and by building partnerships with permanent participants.”

University of Alaska Fairbanks finds genetic differences between polar, brown and black bears

Matthew Cronin, professor of animal genetics with the UAF School

of Natural Resources and Extension and colleagues at the University of California Davis and Delta G Co. published a paper on bear genetics in the *Journal of Heredity* online in January. The paper describes the research involving genome sequence comparisons of the three bear species.

The 2014 paper includes analysis of genetic variation in more than 300 bears from Alaska and genetic elements not assessed previously in bears. These are known as ultra-conserved elements, and show the polar and brown bears to be more closely related than either is to black bears. The data suggest that polar bears and brown bears diverged as different species 1.2 million years ago, and black bears diverged from the polar/brown bear lineage 2.3 million years ago. These estimates are within the ranges in other studies.

“The ramifications are that if the polar bear was an independent species for about 1 million years it survived previous cold and warm periods,” Cronin said. “This means the polar bear has been an independent lineage a long time through glacial and interglacial and warm periods.”

The last glacial period was at maximum extent about 22,000 years ago, and was preceded by a warm interglacial period about 130,000 years ago. Other warm and cold periods preceded that. Cronin thinks that if polar bears survived previous warm periods in which there was little or no arctic summer sea ice, this should be used in models predicting the species’ response to current climate change. “It seems logical that if polar bears survived previous warm, ice-free periods, they could survive another. This is of course speculation, but so is predicting they will not survive, as the proponents of the endangered species act listing of polar bears have done.”

Russians fund anti-pollution in Arctic

The *Arctic Journal* reports that Russia’s Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment and JSC VTB Bank last week signed agreements with the Arctic Council making it possible to launch an

anti-pollution funding program called Project Support Instrument.

Russia contributed \$14 million to the Project Support Instrument, which is an Arctic Council initiative to prevent and clean up pollution in the region.

Approving the money for the PSI comes after Russia had already changed a number of laws in order to allow it to better deal with oil spills and to establish a system to monitor the marine environment in regions where economic activity takes place.

Other contributors to the PSI, whose value now stands at \$22 million, include Finland, Iceland, Norway, the Sámi Parliament, Sweden and the U.S.

Lloyd’s to develop its own regulations for Arctic shipping

The *Arctic Journal* reports that as UN is preparing international guidelines for polar shipping, insurer Lloyd’s of London says it plans to release its own regulations for sailing in the Arctic as a way to ensure that ships are adequately prepared to sail in a region of “extreme and fast changing risks.”

The regulations would serve to complement the International Maritime Organization’s forthcoming Polar Code of safety and environmental standards, but it also pointed out that a lack of information about polar ice and differing national guidelines could undermine the effectiveness of the IMO guidelines.

The announcement comes after Lloyd’s in January expressed concern that the growth of Arctic shipping traffic was “outstripping policy makers’ ability to create a legislative framework in the high north.”

Major shippers, including Maersk, a Danish conglomerate, have said they do not expect Arctic routes to be commercially viable for at least a decade. Overall, Lloyd’s predicts investment in the Arctic could exceed \$100 billion within the next decade.

Oil spill response training to come to region

The Bering Sea Alliance, LLC and Arctic Response Services will hold oil spill response training from April 8-10 in Nome. According to a Sitna-



Photo by Nils Hahn

CAME A LONG WAY — Iditarod Trail Invitational winner of the foot division John Logar of Davis, West Virginia was greeted into Nome by a local dog team at Farley’s Camp. Logar finished his walk from Knik to Nome in 23 days, 22 hours and 10 minutes.

suak announcement, Shell Oil is sponsoring the training sessions. Interested people can contact the Sit-

nasuak Native Corporation Shareholder Department by April 2, 2014 for an application.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, March 27

*Lunch Laps	Pool	Noon - 1:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*City League VBall:	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*City League Basketball:	Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 pm
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, March 28

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Spaghetti feed and auction	XYZ (Fundraiser)	6:00 p.m.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 29

*Water Aerobics	Pool	11:00 - Noon
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Fundraiser for Jens Hildreth	ANB	7:00 p.m.
*Teen Dance for Jens Hildreth	Mini (Fundraiser)	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 30

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

Monday, March 31

*Sewards Day	Alaska	
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 1

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

Wednesday, April 2

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

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Photo by Diana Haecker

READY TO GO— The Bering Sea Lions Club Nome-Golovin Snowmachine Race offered a prize purse of \$24,850 that was paid out to the top three racers in two divisions. The City of Nome and several other businesses and organizations sponsored the event, held on March 22.

• Council

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along with suggestions from the project director, Joy Baker, that any less of an increase would tax the port budget in meeting the costs of operations, labor, maintenance, repairs and expansion. Port of Nome has to raise fees to show fiscal responsibility to funding agencies, she said.

"We're not trying to expand on the backs of the users," she stated. Sixty to 80 percent of improvements are backed by outside money, Baker said, but Nome has to foot the bill on matching funds.

"It's the price of growth. It's a good thing for the facility and it's a good thing for the town. I expect it to continue."

One port user showed up at two work sessions to make comment on port fees—Phil Pryzmont, a fisher-

man who has two boats at the port.

"Nome's fees are higher than anywhere else in the state—Sitka, Yakutat, Seward, False Pass, Kodiak, Homer, Akutan, Port Moeller," he told port commissioners.

When the issue came up at the Council meeting March 24, Councilman Louis Green Sr. reminded the administration concerning who would pay the higher port use costs when they were passed along to consumers.

"The fees are collected from the people in town, not the companies," Green said.

Port of Nome required one employee in 2008 and now has four employees.

Increased marine business is driving the need for expansion, according to Baker.

In other business, the Council ap-

proved a resolution hiring Rolland Trowbridge to sort out and to maintain the City of Nome's radio and communications equipment.

Representatives of Nome's first responders—ambulance and Nome Volunteer Fire Dept. crews showed up to back Trowbridge and to emphasize the need for a local person to provide technical assistance and continuity.

The pagers in the system have continued to cut out and interrupt dispatch with a tone when sending out voice communications.

"The firemen are getting their pagers opened without toning them with the interrupting tone during the voice for the ambulance calls," Tom Vaden, emergency services chair, said in a letter to City Manager Josie Bahnke. "This equates to the fire department volunteers getting uninten-

tionally "paged" for a large number of ambulance calls."

For the ambulance department, the interrupting tone is scrambling information and chopping up versions of the call on playback, delaying a proper response, according to Vaden.

Terms of the agreement call for Trowbridge to receive a monthly retainer of \$1,000 to perform an ongoing list of work orders. Additionally, Trowbridge will receive an hourly rate of \$125 for approved professional services not included in the tasks underlying the monthly retainer.

The Council passed a resolution of support for the Dept. of Transportation and Public Facilities airport runway revision and expansion project to begin this summer. Among other attributes, the closure of Nome City

Field would resolve the airspace conflict between planes with crossing flight paths using Nome Airport and Nome City Field. The project includes construction of a gravel general aviation runway within the Nome Airport boundary.

Finally, the Council passed a resolution recognizing Nome residents Kim Clark and Rosa Schmidt for their participation in Team Alaska at the 2014 Arctic Winter Games and to recognize their pledge to Choose Respect.

The Choose Respect program encourages treating women, girls and fellow Arctic Winter Games participants with honor and respect. Team Alaska is a Choose Respect Team, speaking out against violence against women and girls.

• Radiation testing

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gion expressed concerns about the effects of Fukushima either in the air, and now with the approaching plume in the water," said Sheffield. "Public health and food security concerns are at the forefront of people's mind."

This website now allows anybody to donate funds towards ocean water testing for cesium 134 and 137, the radio isotopes that are particular to the ongoing Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant leak.

"Through this small effort, the lack of data can be changed, and we don't have to wait for the government to do it," said Sheffield.

MAP funded the first \$300 and NSEDC ponied up \$600.

Kevin Keith, fisheries biologist with NSEDC, said that NSEDC had confidence that this is an endeavor worth doing.

"There have been concerns regarding radiation in the water. I guess we'd like to see what the first sample shows," said Keith.

According to Dr. Buessler, the coastal fisheries remain closed in Japan near Fukushima, where there is a concern for some species, especially the bottom dwelling ones. Those are being tested and many have been found to be above the Japanese government's strict limits for cesium in seafood. The contaminated fish are not being sold internally in Japan or exported. Because of the dilution that occurs even a

short distance from Fukushima, Buessler does not have a concern about the levels of cesium and other radionuclides in fish off the West Coast of the U.S.

Sheffield, said ideally, sampling should take place from St. Lawrence Island, which is located closer to the current that carries water from Japan towards the north.

Gambell Tribal President Eddie Ungott agreed and said that his village is very concerned about radiation. "If it comes our way, it might affect our marine mammals," Ungott said.

The concern is shared by his colleague in Savoonga. IRA President Paul Rookok, Sr. said they are worried about the health of marine mam-

mals, their main food sources. He was happy to hear that the website to collect money for water testing is up and running. He added that St. Lawrence Island lies right in the path of the current sweeping up from Asia and Japan and would be a great place for collecting water samples. "We have nearly 300 miles coast line, so

we should do several samples in different locations," Rookok said. "One sample wouldn't it cover all."

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LENDING A HAND— Susan Wolf visits a “client” with a straw delivery as part of her volunteer work with the newly founded group PAWS of Nome.

Photos by Alyssa Wolf



THANKS MUCH—This canine clearly appreciates the new fluffy straw bed made by his new best friend Susan Wolf. As part of PAWS of Nome, Wolf and other volunteers decided to actively get involved to provide underserved pets with straw, even dog houses and pet food. In the summer, PAWS plans to provide services that extend to having volunteers walk dogs that otherwise won't be getting any exercise.

PAWS of Nome aims to help Nome's animals

By Diana Haecker

A group of volunteers by the name of PAWS — an acronym for People for Animal Welfare Safety — organized to help out Nome's animals in need of better care. PAWS was incorporated on March 5 and consists of a core group of eight people, including founders Susan Wolf and her 17-year-old daughter Alyssa.

“Our mission is to provide education and resources to positively effect animal welfare in Nome,” Susan Wolf said.

The mother and daughter team has in the past volunteered with the local animal shelter, run by the City of Nome, under animal control officer Amy Smithhisler. Alyssa has volunteered at the shelter since she was five years old. At the shelter, which was then located off Port Road, Alyssa and her mom helped cleaning up, playing and socializing the animals that were transients in the shelter.

When Smithhisler moved away from Nome in 2012, the City did not hire another animal control officer. The animal shelter was relocated to the Nome Police Department, where officers rotate to take on the task.

Smithhisler had actively patrolled Nome for animal welfare, scooped up loose dogs and educated pet owners on proper animal care. Without the active involvement of an animal control officer in Nome, the Wolfs felt that something needed to be done to look out for Nome dogs.

Thus, PAWS was formed and is in its first stages of getting supplies to animals in need.

Walking the fine line between helping animals and not offending their owners is something that Wolf

is very conscientious about.

“We want to keep this very positive,” said Susan Wolf. “We are here to help, not to judge.” She said that she and her daughter drive around the city and identify animals that are kept outside and need a little extra than is currently provided for them. In normal winters, Nome sees bitterly cold temperatures and howling winds that outside animals need protection against. This is best achieved by providing doghouses and fresh straw to dogs in need.

When Wolf identifies an animal in need, she approaches the owners and offers her help, may it be to provide straw for the dog, or even a doghouse, or nutritional pet food. She also educates owners on hygiene and the importance of removing dog waste from the dog's circle.

When she sees dogs tied up outside without adequate shelter or without straw, she offers to the owner that she gives straw, or even provide a dog house. “Most of the time, owners are not neglectful on purpose,” she said. “They just don't know any better.”

Since January, when the group formed, she and her daughter made 27 straw deliveries. Wolf also recently helped a “client” who couldn't afford a wheelchair — a prosthetic device that enabled her dog to rest the hind legs and walk on its front paws — by paying for it herself. In other instances, PAWS disperses nutritional kibble in ziplock bags with feeding instructions to the dogs' owners.

Nome City Manager Josie Bahnke applauds the group's efforts.

“The PAWS group is a demonstration of people coming together and filling a need where the City doesn't

have the resources to do something,” Bahnke said. “I have a lot of respect for Susan and her group to fill the need of our pet population.”

Bahnke points to other partnerships the city has that work out well: The Nome Sportsman's Association, which maintains and manages the Sunset Shooting Range on City land, and the Nome Rotary Club, which helps maintain the East End Park.

PAWS put a proposal together to apply for a portion of NSEDC's community benefit share paid out to the City of Nome. PAWS was successful and received \$2,200 for building materials to build dog houses, for straw, collars and leashes.

By securing this money, PAWS entered into a partnership with the Nome Youth Facility, where youth can learn some carpentry skills and build the doghouses for PAWS.

The recent Idita-Beer-Run, organized by runner Crystal Tobuk, was an unusual way to raise funds: volunteers ran a mile, drank a beer and donated the entry fee for that fun evening to PAWS.

Other volunteers like Chrystie Salesky said that she became involved to help out Nome's pets. “I wanted to help better their lives and educate people on how to properly care for their pets,” Salesky wrote in an email correspondence with *The Nome Nugget*.

“I think there is a huge need for PAWS in Nome just judging by the loose dogs around town and some that need proper shelter and straw. If we can help a few pets and lead by example, I think it will have a snowball effect and the standard of care will rise.”

She appealed to other animal

friends in Nome to get involved, whether it is by coming to meetings or donating time and money.

Salesky also commented on loose dogs in town. “It is important to keep your pet secured in a pen or proper chain set up to ensure their safety. There are also a lot of animals that end up not having homes due to over breeding, I would like to see them spayed and neutered so we can control the population and find all the animals a loving forever home,” Salesky said.

Getting an animal as a spur-of-the-moment decision usually doesn't work out for the pet or the human, alike.

Salesky stressed pets require full-

time commitments and that prospective pet owners should do their research on what breed would fit best with their lifestyle.

PAWS meets regularly twice a month.

Wolf said that donations of money and straw are welcome.

For now, she just operates her straw and kibble donations out of her car, but down the road she hopes to secure storage space.

Interested people can participate in meetings of PAWS, held every other Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Northwest Campus offices. The group has also set up a Facebook page, named PawsofNome.



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Nome Public Schools abuzz with activity; budget planning continues

By Kristine McRae

At their regular meeting last Tuesday night, Nome Public Schools presented two "Partner in Education" Awards. The award recognizes an individual or group whose efforts create or enhance learning opportunities for students. Nome Eskimo Community was recognized for the development and implementation of the Pathways grant, which, according to Nome-Beltz Principal Scott Handley, has made possible additional support for a number of students. Alicia Lane, who was hired as the teacher for math and science through the Pathways grant, described for the board some of the ways in which Pathways has made it possible to incorporate place-based learning for the students. The program was designed for students who have traditionally been lower performers in math and science, and the goal is to bring their scores up by the time they reach high school. Most recently, under the instruction of Maligiaq Padilla from Greenland, the students built a traditional kayak. "The students gained confidence and a sense of accomplishment," Lane said, "The Pathways grant has really provided a lot of enrichment activities that they normally wouldn't have, including one-on-one instruction and attention to individual student needs." For the culmination of the kayak building class, the students were tasked with presenting their

roles in the process to an audience of fellow students, teachers, and elders from the community. Marsha Sloan, who worked on the planning for the multi-year grant, accepted the award for Nome Eskimo, saying "We really wanted to be a partner in planning in how we could bring more culturally relevant learning into the classroom." Other activities under the grant this year included seining for salmon and tanning fish leather. "This is the first year," Sloan said, "We have two more years of this kind of instruction. We'll be involved in a reindeer project and the Native Youth Olympics."

The second Partner in Education Award was presented to Tom and BeeJay Gray, who for the past three years have hosted a cultural camp for educators at their camp on the Fish River. Board member Barb Amarok detailed aspects of the project. "Through their actions, Tom and BeeJay support educators with incorporation of subsistence knowledge in the classroom, culturally responsive interactions, school and home connections, creating a place for Indigenous knowledge in the classroom and building positive relationships," Amarok said. Over the past couple of years, several teachers from Nome and the Bering Straits School District have attended the cultural camp with positive reviews for its usefulness in the classroom, both culturally and academically.

Nome-Beltz teacher Caleb Weaver shared a movie created by students who participated in the Iron Dog Cultural Exchange. The video chronicled a whirlwind of activity and long hours of start and finish line set-up, interviews with racers, and travel between Nome, Big Lake, and Fairbanks. Weaver commended the students for their hard work and dedication to the project. Lacy Erickson, a junior at Nome-Beltz, shared some of her reflections as a participant in the exchange. "It was awesome to get to be a part of something that was

"Healthy Lifestyles" debunks myths on how people actually look

so big. We didn't know it was so much work to put on a race. We were there at the very start, to set everything up, stayed for the activities, and then cleaned up," Erickson told the board.

In his report to the board, Nome-Beltz Principal Scott Handley shared that the high school is working on community and student engagement directive. "Staff have been keeping communication logs," Handley said, "and we're getting closer to our communication goals." Handley also reported that the curriculum guide has been completed and updated, and he

highlighted upcoming activities at Beltz, which include Driver's Ed, swimming, archery and bowling. Junior high teacher Rachel Ventress is planning a trip with students to Washington, D.C., and Amelia Budd is leading the sister school exchange. This district music festival will take place in Nome April 8-10.

Elementary school principal Bob Grimes reported that, in response to a group of girls who weren't eating lunch because they were concerned about body image, school social worker Rochelle Bushey invited a "Healthy Lifestyles" presentation from representatives of Kawerak's Wellness Program and the CAMP department at Norton Sound Health Corporation. Bushey said the presentation focused on

healthy eating habits, active lifestyles, and debunking popular myths about how people actually look. "We hope to continue with these cooperative presentations," Bushey said. Fifth graders at the elementary school attended the first presentation, and the fourth and sixth graders will have the opportunity after SBA testing completes next week. In other elementary happenings, Grimes highlighted visits to the school from a group of Olympic cross-country skiers, who took fourth, fifth, and sixth graders skiing after school for the week before Spring Break. Also, Iditarod musher Hugh Neff and three of his sled dogs made their annual visit to the school to promote the importance of reading and to visit with the children. Grimes told the board that the curriculum committee is nearly ready to present the new math curriculum to the board.

Head Start teacher Janet Balice, whose position is funded through the district's "pre-k" grant, updated the

board on the progress of early education in Nome. Partners in the collaborative endeavor include Kawerak's Head Start program and the Nome Preschool. "Data put together by the school district shows that Head Start and Nome Preschool students are still outperforming children who don't have early childhood education," Balice explained. "Without the schooling, only 19 percent are ready for kindergarten. After Head Start and Preschool, over 50 percent are ready." Balice added that the program is now tracking the students through kindergarten and beyond to gather information on how they are progressing. "In January, our students gained an average of 93 points," Balice said. "Looking at individual students, we can really see the kids taking off in kindergarten."

The junior high student of the month for February was Courtney Provost, whose teachers described as "very responsible, hard working, and good natured." Tyler Eide was recognized as student of the month at the high school. Tyler's teachers said, "He is caring, hard working, and honest." Tyler was also chosen for first team all state in basketball. The Alaska Society for Technology in Education has recognized ACSA student Erik Handeland as the ASTE Middle School Student of the Year. The recognition is statewide, and last year ACSA teacher Lisa Leeper received recognition for educator of the year. ASTE, according to their website, is excited to honor those who do amazing things, who demonstrate true technology integration and innovative teaching and learning in Alaska.

Budget Concerns

Board members continue to assess the district's revenues and expenditures for the 2014-2015 school year.

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Burmeister mashes for healthy families

By Diana Haecker

Iditarod musher Aaron Burmeister had quite a tale to tell the nine youth at the Nome Youth Facility, who were rooting for him all the way through the 2014 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race. Burmeister, just fresh off the Iditarod trail, visited the Nome Youth Facility on March 20 for an inspirational talk.

The Nome Youth Facility is the originator of a Mushing for Healthy Families campaign which aims to spread the message that alcohol and families don't mix, says NYF Stephanie Johnson.

"The purpose for Aaron to visit the Nome Youth Facility was to encourage the kids to set goals for themselves," said Johnson. By talking about the challenges on this very tough 2014 Iditarod, Burmeister spoke about how he himself reached those goals. Burmeister, son of two educators, stressed how he in his life was supported by his family and stressed the importance of education. Johnson said that just like finishing a dog race, Burmeister brought home the point that finishing education, no matter what level, is a huge step to achieve one's goals in life. In order to become employed, a person needs to have finished school or vocational training.

Johnson said the kids were fascinated by Burmeister's tales of survival, of the camaraderie between

mushers and the teamwork with the dogs.

The youth at the NYF followed Burmeister's 2014 Iditarod run and when it became known that he sustained a knee injury out of Rohn, the

kids made a poster, sent it to the checkpoint in Unalakleet, where he received it, realizing how many people were behind him and giving him the strength to keep on going.



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MUSHING FOR HEALTHY FAMILIES— Iditarod musher Aaron Burmeister held an inspirational talk last week at the Nome Youth Facility.

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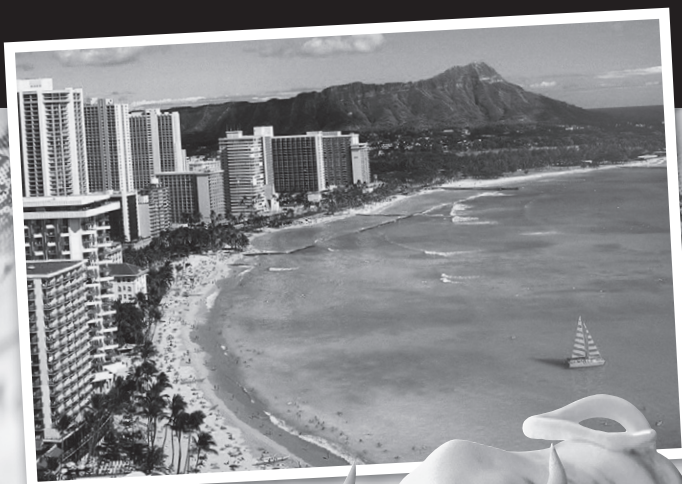
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BSSD basketball teams participate in “March Madness”

By Jeffrey Erickson
The “madness” may be linked to March, but basketball creates its own “madness” year-round in Bush Alaska. Folks can see swarms of village ballers out fighting the mosquito swarms under the midnight sun, they can see bundled up youngsters trying to dribble hardened balls on the snow and ice, and innumerable wannabe Kobe’s soaring off couches for dunks on homemade rims in homes all year long. But, due to the culminating events of high school state championships in March, this is when it all gets even crazier.

Under the present structure, the Bering Strait School District can enter up to six teams in this four-day competition. Four 1A teams qualified and both Unalakleet Wolfpack teams finished in the top two of the Great Northwest Conference so they were able to send the full complement.

The 1A State Tournament is in the second year of a 16-team bracket, which requires play to start the Saturday before the championship brackets. While it is considered a “play-in” day, every team knows it is a “one and done” situation as well. Losers cannot compete for the championship. The four BSSD teams, Shaktoolik and Golovin boys and Shishmaref and Teller girls, were all capable of advancing but with the limited knowledge of their opponents, there was a sense of mystery.

The Shishmaref girls began things and quickly showed that, with their previous State experience, they would be a force to be reckoned with. The addition of Debra Hersrud, who’d helped defeat the Northern Lights as a member of the Noorvik team last year, provided veteran leadership. They easily dispatched Scammon Bay.

A young, but very experienced Golovin team seemed poised to make some “noise” as well, but ran into a very fundamentally sound Toksook Bay squad that made few mistakes but many shots to take down the Lynx. Teller’s ladies had never made a State appearance and it showed early as they fell behind 10-0 to Chefnorak. The girls regrouped and showed their talent level with a 17-1 run and never looked back, winning the game handily.

The top seed from the Bering Sea Conference, Shaktoolik Wolverines, returned to State hungry, having sat out last year due to a lack of gym facility. They pounced on St. Mary’s early and often and, although the play was ragged at times, emerged victorious.

Shishmaref and Shaktoolik continued their strong play with convincing wins on Monday, defeating a balanced New Stuyahok team. Teller fell to eventual champions Newhalen.

Golovin couldn’t bounce back against King Cove’s superior size. Being only a game away from the state championship game can separate the contenders from the pretenders but that wasn’t the case in the boys tournament as the Wolverines gave the #1 seeded, and overwhelming tournament favorite Klawock Chieftains, all they could handle. They lost the game but gained fans with the unrelenting offensive pressure from senior “Boya” Rock and stunning poise displayed by freshman Everson Paniptchuk.

The Northern Lights girls showed they were contenders with their heady victory over the rival Kiana Lynx.

Shishmaref had never been in a State championship game. They were facing a very physical, and experienced team in the Newhalen Huskies. The team from Iliamna had won the state championship in 2012 and had manhandled their opponents on the way to the title game.

The Northern Lights never backed down, battling back from deficits many times during the game and, with little time on the clock, court general Denise Fernandez had a free throw to tie the game.

When it bounced off there was disappointment, but it was tempered with the satisfaction that the team had given all they had and achieved things never before accomplished.

The Teller Lady Aklags, led by dynamic All-Tournament player Jazzlyn Garnie, came back from their second round loss to win two more games and take 4th place in the tournament. Shaktoolik couldn’t regroup after the draining semi-final game and ended up placing 5th.

1A All Tournament selections were Shaktoolik’s Rock, Shishmaref’s Hersrud and Garnie.

The Shaktoolik Wolverines received the coveted Sportsmanship Award.

In the 2A tournament Unalakleet boys and girls teams represented BSSD for the second year in a row. The girls had stormed through the season defeating multiple 3A teams and defending their regional #1 ranking at the conference tournament. The boys had grabbed the second state slot at the same tournament after a 10-12 season.

Both teams faced the Bristol Bay Angels in the opening round. The Wolfpack boys ran into a buzz saw of offensive efficiency and were pushed into the loser’s bracket after a disappointing 70-53 loss. The girls avenged that loss with a low scoring, but convincing win over the Lady Angels to advance to the semi-finals.

After a slow start against Haines the boys regrouped and led by senior Tristen Ticket and junior Gage Ivanoff they stayed alive with a hard fought victory. They closed out the tournament on the final day by defeating Nenana behind a dominant performance by Ticket. They got 4th place.

The Wolfpack girls got locked up in another defensive struggle with Metlakatla in the semi-finals until an explosion in the 2nd period led by Ada Harvey’s long range shooting.

Leading comfortably at halftime they held on to grab a spot in the state championship game.

The championship game thrust the Lady Wolfpack against the heavily favored Dillingham Lady Wolverines led by 2-time Player of the Year Drew Carlos.

The Unalakleet girls showed no fear and battled their opponents from the south to a virtual standstill through three quarters.

Seniors Jonisha Wilson, Roberta Walker, Season Haugen and Brianna Katchatag refused to let the team get flustered but points were hard to come by until a run by Dillingham in the 4th quarter provided them a cushion that they held on to get the victory 30-21.

The boys team placed both Ivanoff and Ticket on the All-Tournament team while the girls had Wilson and Walker named. The Unalakleet boys also received the Academic Award.



Photo by Sam Towarak
WATCH OUT— Teller Lady Aklag Jazzlyn Garnie shows a familiar sight — scoring another basket versus an overmatched opponent. Jazz Garnie made All-Tournament player and helped the Aklags to come back from a second round loss to win two more games.

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Daniels leads Western Alaskan athletes at Arctic Winter Games

By Keith Conger

Two years ago, at the 2012 Arctic Winter Games in Whitehorse, Yukon Territories, Canada, the Russian contingent from Yamal declared that they would be bringing a snowshoe biathlon squad to the 2014 games for the first time ever; a claim they made good on last week in Fairbanks.

So, for Katie Daniels of Unalakleet, who had qualified for Team Alaska's Snowshoe Biathlon team last year at the rural state ski and biathlon championships sponsored by the Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Association, all that stood in her way for four gold medals this year, was that first-time Russian squad.

Daniels' impressive 2014 AWG results included individual bronze medals in the 4.0-kilometer Mass Start Race, the 3.0-kilometer Sprint Race, and the 5.0-kilometer Individual Race.

She also teamed up with Isaac McElwee of White Mountain, and Ryan Rieser of Anchorage for a silver medal in the Mixed Team Relay.

McElwee, too, had impressive individual results, winning a bronze medal in the 3.0-kilometer Sprint, and just missing another bronze medal in the 4.0-kilometer Mass Start by a mere 0.2 of a second.

Rosa Schmidt, who competed for Team Alaska on the Ski Biathlon team, represented Nome. Schmidt's best finish was 5th place in the 6.0-

kilometer Sprint Race.

Kaleb Korta of Galena, who also qualified for Team Alaska's Ski Biathlon squad at the 2013 WISA Championships, helped this year's mixed relay team earn a silver medal.

Two athletes from Unalakleet competed for Team Alaska at the Arctic Winter Games in cross-country ski racing. Katie's younger sister Aly posted an impressive 11th place finish in the 7.5-kilometer Mass Start Classic race, and Sikulik Johnson's placed 16th in the 750-meter Sprint Classic.

While all biathletes ski using skate, or freestyle, technique, both Aly Daniels and Johnson competed in two events at AWG using the traditional "Classic" technique.

Biathlon disciplines are structured similarly to each other, with the only difference being the mode of transport. Athletes ski or snowshoe several times around a course, each time entering a shooting range where they gather their biathlon specific, .22 caliber rifles.

During each shooting session, athletes take five shots from a distance of 50 meters. In Junior Category races, which Daniels, McElwee, Schmidt and Korta all performed, athletes shoot half of their shots in the standing position at targets 4.5 inches in diameter. The remaining shots are taken in the prone position at targets that are only 1.5 inches in

diameter. This was much harder than the WISA trained athletes were used to shooting in rural competitions.

Hitting a biathlon target after skiing or snowshoeing with an elevated heart rate has been likened to trying to thread a needle while riding a snowmachine.

Depending on the race, missed shots result in the biathlete having to do either a measured penalty loop, or having a flat amount of time being

added to the overall time.

Occurring every other year, the Arctic Winter Games is a high profile, circumpolar sports competition for northern and Arctic athletes. The games celebrate sport and promote social and cultural exchange.

The Arctic Winter Games started in 1970 with just a handful of events and only three contingents (Yukon, Northwest Territories and Alaska).

This year over 2000 athletes gathered from nine northern "nations" to

compete in 20 different sports.

Arctic Winter Games participation is limited to regions located north of the 55th parallel. Joining the three original members are Greenland, Yamal, Northern Alberta, Nunavut (including Baffin Island), Nunavut (Northern Quebec), and the Sápmi Nation (northern Scandinavia).

The 2016 games will be held in Greenland.



Photo by Ross McElwee.

INTERNATIONAL LINE-UP— Unalakleet's Katie Daniels aims at her targets during the biathlon race at the Arctic Winter Games in Fairbanks. Daniels would go on to capture a bronze medal for Team Alaskan in the race. 2000 people from around the world met in Fairbanks last week to compete in 20 events.



Photo by Ross McElwee

STEADY— Team Alaska snowshoe biathlon member Isaac McElwee of White Mountain takes the challenge of shooting at targets 50 meters away after running full speed to the shooting range. McElwee was competing at the Arctic Winter Games in Fairbanks and earned a bronze and silver medals.



Photo by Sierra Corsetti

RUNNING TO THE PODIUM— Team Alaska Snowshoe Biathlon member Katie Daniels of Unalakleet heads toward the finish of a race at the 2014 Arctic Winter Games in Fairbanks. Daniels earned three individual bronze medals and one silver medal in the team relay. Daniels, along with sister Aly, Sikulik Johnson of Unalakleet, Isaac McElwee of White Mountain, and Rosa Schmidt of Nome were among the 2000 athletes from around the circumpolar world to compete at the games.



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White Mountain skiers dominate regional ski and biathlon championships

By Keith Conger

Aaron “Chipper” Bergamaschi led the White Mountain ski and biathlon squad to big success on their home turf at the 36th annual Bering Strait School District Ski and Biathlon Championships this past weekend. White Mountain teams placed first or second in all four divisions.

Bergamaschi opened a sizable lead on the challenging 8.5-kilometer ski course to capture the first gold medal of his young ski career. Teammate Julius Ione helped the White Mountain boys capture the high school boys team trophy.

Dominique Richardson of Saint Michaels was able to hit one more shot than Nome’s Junyor Erickson, helping him capture the gold medal

in the high school boys division of the 5-kilometer biathlon race. Richardson earned a bronze medal in the ski event.

Erickson, however, captured the Skimeister Award, given to the skier with the best overall combined results over the weekend, by virtue of his double silver medal performance.

White Mountain’s Joshua Prentice dominated the junior high boys division, resulting in his first Skimeister Award, by winning both the 5.7-kilometer ski race and the 5-kilometer biathlon race.

Unalakleet’s Fischer Dill, with double silver medal efforts, and Tony Haugan with two fourth place finishes, teamed up to overtake the White Mountain junior high boys for

the team title.

Kenneth Hafner of Nome won a bronze medal in the ski race as well as the biathlon. Hafner also won the junior high boys division of the marksmanship competition.

Bianca Trowbridge of Nome, Skimeister Award winner in the high school girls division, earned a gold medal in each of the ski events. Teammate Alexis Hutson chipped in a biathlon bronze medal as the Nome girls took the high school girls team trophy.

Rayna Buck-Nassuk of White Mountain, who added a gold medal in marksmanship to her two silver medals in the ski events, teamed up with ski race bronze medalist Anna Prentice to take second place in the

division.

One of the most improved skiers at the meet was White Mountain’s Jenny Hanson, who leapfrogged over all the pre-race favorites to post an impressive 2.5-minute victory in the 5.7-kilometer junior high ski race. Bronze and silver medalist teammate Felicia Ione would help the hometown girls capture the junior high team trophy.

Nome’s Mallory Conger used 9 out of 10 shooting in the biathlon race to take the gold medal in that event. Conger’s silver medal performance in the ski race would help her tie Hanson for individual skimeister points, forcing a tiebreaker. Hanson’s lower total elapsed time gave her the award.

Maya Kralik and Shayna Warnke-Green, both of Nome, chipped in fifth and sixth place finishes to team up with Conger and outlast the Unalakleet junior high girls for second place in the team category.

The junior high girls division contained the only competitors to “shoot

clean” (making 10 of 10 shots with a 22 caliber rifle at a 4.5-inch target at 50 meters) in the biathlon race. That group included Kralik, Jewel Wilson of Unalakleet, Warnke-Green, Ava Earthman of Nome, Rhiannon Noyakuk of Nome, and Kristyn Davis of Shishmaref.

Competitors not shooting clean during the biathlon competition had to do a short penalty loop for each missed shot. Each penalty loop can add from 15 – 30 seconds to the total time of the skier.

Most Improved Awards, given to the skiers who showed the biggest deduction in time over the previous year, went to Anna Peterson of Nome, Payton Commack of Unalakleet, and Gerald Kimoktoak of Koyuk.

The team from Nome earned the coveted Team Sportsmanship Award.

Joining Hafner and Buck-Nassuk as gold medal winners in the Marks-

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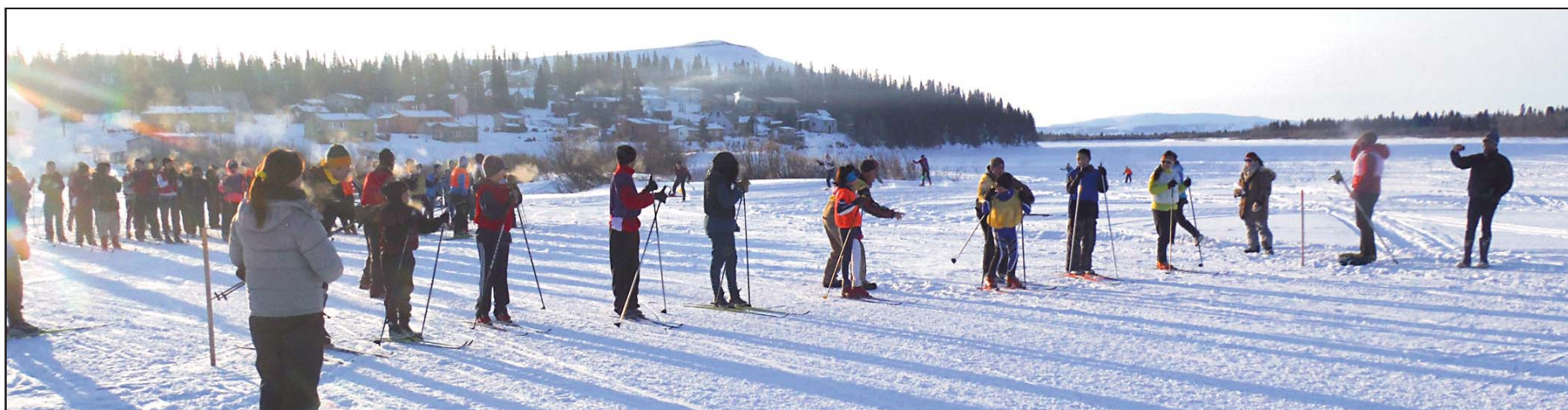
Photos by Luann Harrelson

ONE DOWN, FOUR TO GO— Mike Simon of White Mountain hits the first of his five shots during the first lap of the biathlon race at the 36th annual Bering Strait School District Ski and Biathlon in White Mountain. Simon would go on to shoot 9 out of 10 shots during the race, which meant that he only had to ski one 20 - 25 second penalty loop.



HOME TOWN HERO— Aaron "Chipper" Bergamaschi takes a big lead on the ice in front of his hometown of White Mountain at the 36th annual Bering Straits School District Ski and Biathlon Championships. Bergamaschi went on to win his first high school ski race by a minute over meet Skimeister Junyor Erickson of Nome.

36th Annual Bering Strait School District Championships - Results				Biathlon Race – HS and JH 5 kilometers				High School Girls			
White Mountain, Alaska March 20 – 22, 2014				Each participant takes 10 shots				Place			
				March 21, 2014				1 Rayna Buck-Nassuk WMO 23			
								2 Alexis Hutson OME 21			
								3 Bianca Trowbridge OME 20			
								4 Emilyn Hobbs OME 19			
								5 Anna Prentice WMO 13			
								6 Sylvia Nayokpuk SHH 10			
								Place			
								Junior High Boys			
								Site			
								Score			
								1 Kenneth Hafner 25 25			
								2 Vadim Yenan 25 25			
								3 Hugo Apatiki 20 20			
								4 Alvin Washington 16 16			
								5 Michael Haugen 16 16			
								6 Joshua Prentice 15 15			
								7 Percy Agloinga 14 14			
								8 Gerald Kimoktoak 14 14			
								9 Payton Commack 13 13			
								10 Rod Huntington 13 13			
								Place			
								Junior High Girls			
								Site			
								Score			
								1 Summer Sagoonick UNK 26			
								2 Jewel Wilson UNK 24			
								3 Karlee Katchatag UNK 23			
								4 Susan Hoogendorn KKA 23			
								5 Olivia Mashiana UNK 22			
								6 Maya Kralik OME 20			
								7 Kailyn Haugen UNK 19			
								8 Ada Lawrence OME 19			
								9 Shayna Warnke-Green OME 18			
								10 Yvette Barr-Apok WMO 18			



Photos by Keith Conger

AMALGAMATION RELAY— Over 60 high school and junior high ski racers split into teams for a fun relay. Each team comprised participants from at least six different western Alaskan villages. Here the first line of relay racers wait to be tagged in the concluding event of the 36th annual Bering Strait Ski and Biathlon Championships in White Mountain.

• BSSD ski race

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manship Competition were John Washington of Saint Michaels, and Summer Sagoonick of Unalakleet.

The Bering Strait School District Ski and Biathlon Championships serve as a qualifier for the rural state ski and biathlon championships hosted by the Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Association (WISA). This year's event will take place next weekend in Fairbanks and Nenana.

BSSD qualifiers are Bergamaschi, Julius Ione, Richardson, Ryan Topkok of Teller, Sikulik Johnson of

Unalakleet (pre-qualified), Buck Nassuk, Anna Prentice, Aly and Katie Daniels of Unalakleet (pre-qualified), Sagoonick, Wilson, Hanson, Felicia Ione, Dill, Haugan, Mike Simon of White Mountain, Joshua Prentice, Vadim Yeman of Savoonga, Commack. The BSSD squad will be coached by Unalakleet's Nancy Persons and Saint Michaels' Brian Merrill.

Nome qualifiers are Trowbridge, Hutson, Rosa Schmidt (pre-qualified), Erickson, Conger, Kralik, Peterson, and Noyakuk. They will be coached by Keith Conger.



OPEN THE FLOODGATES— Over 60 western Alaskan skiers get set to ski race at the 36th annual Bering Straits School District Ski and Biathlon Championships. The challenging course consisted of 2.85 kilometer loops going from the shoulder of White Mountain Hill to the Fish River and back again. High school racers did two laps (8.55k); junior high racers did two laps (5.7 k). The hometown team dominated the ski day with Aaron Bermamaschi winning the high school boys division, Joshua Prentice winning the junior high boys division, and Jenny Hanson winning the junior high girls division. Nome's Bianca Trowbridge was the only non-White Mountain skier to take gold on the day.

Iditarod Trail Invitational Knik to Nome - 1,000 miles



Photo by Nils Hahn

IDITAROD TRAIL INVITATIONAL— John Logar of Davis, West Virginia was the first ITI competitor on foot to cross the finish line in Nome this year after 23 days, 22 hours and 10 minutes on the trail from Knik to Nome. Logar states as his most memorable experiences on the trail the hospitality of the people. Logar is a emergency medicine physician.

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Photo by Diana Haecker
IRON DOG IS NEXT— Nicholas Reader blasts out of the start chute of last Saturday's Nome-Golovin race. Reader won his division and placed second overall with a time of 2 hours, 17 minutes and 26 seconds.



Photo by Diana Haecker
RACING TO VICTORY— Evan Booth cinched his eighth Nome-Golovin Snowmachine Race championship when he won last Saturday's race in a time of 2 hours, nine minutes and 53 seconds.



Photo by Diana Haecker
CHEERING— Hattie Keller, left, and Lori Hughes, right, came with posters to cheer on their better halves, Jarvis Miller and Gerald Hughes.



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff
SPECTATORS— Mackenzie Oles and Charley Reader set up camp on the backside of Cape Nome to view Nome-Golovin snowmachine racers as they blasted by.



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FINISH— Shantah Esparza crossed the finish line in fifth place in the open division in a time of 2 hours, 21 minutes and 58 seconds.

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chines.

In the open division, last year's winner Bob Saccheus of Elim scratched, as did rookie Dale Ellana, and veterans Art Amoktoolik and Jarvis Miller.

In the A-Class every racer finished the racecourse.

Evan Booth was the first to cross the finish line, as race marshal Kevin Knowlton waved the checkered flag to take the official time.

Booth at first rested his head on the handlebars for a few seconds and then took off his helmet. He said he had to redo the engine the day before the race and that a cylinder was dropping coming into White Mountain. With half an inch of fuel left in the tank, he zoomed across the finish line. "It's been one heck of a day," Booth said. "I got this thing up to 120 mph multiple times, but generally we were doing between 90 to 100 and of course in the trees slowed

down to 10-20 mph." Then Booth looked around the crowd and asked, "Did I win this thing?"

Family and friends cheered in response and he cracked a smile. As he took off his jacket, he thanked his family and said, "I dedicate this to my son Chase."

Booth took home the B Class winner's check of \$5,100 and an additional \$5,000 for winning the overall race. As a bonus, he also received the 2015 Iron Dog entry fee donated by the Iron Dog race organization. Booth said that he and Nick Reader have committed to the 2015 Iron Dog, with the support of Jim Wilke, Reader's father Charley Reader and hopefully with Polaris Racing as the main sponsor.

In the open class, Amos Cruise on a Polaris Switch Back raced to second place, in a time of two hours, 18 minutes and 47 seconds. Cruise took home \$3,060. Sean Octuck Jr., rid-

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Nanooks take fourth place at state 3A tournament

By Sarah Miller

The Nanooks boys basketball team closed its season with a 20-8 record and a Fourth place at the 3A tournament in Anchorage last week. Nome-Beltz was the highest placing public school in the tournament, with the top three places going to private schools Monroe Catholic, Grace Christian, and Anchorage Christian.

The first game against the favored team to win, Monroe Catholic of Fairbanks, took place on Thursday. The Nanooks had their work cut out for them, facing a team with three previous championship titles, a 25-0 season record and a 45 game winning streak going back to 2012-13. The Nanooks were led by Tyler Eide, who shot 13 points and also led the

team in rebounds and assists. Cass Mattheis and Jake Stettenbenz scored 8 and 6 points respectively.

Nome-Beltz stayed in the game during the first half and trailed by only 7 points at halftime, but struggled to keep up with the Rams' offensive rebounding and scoring in the remainder of the game. Scooter Bynum led Monroe with 17 points

and 10 rebounds but the victory went to the Rams with a final score of 56-36. Coach Pat Callahan commented on the game in an email, "I was really proud of our team's efforts in the Monroe game. We did a great job staying in against a very talented team." Monroe would go on to defeat Anchorage Christian School 56-50, and played Grace Christian School in the title game on Saturday, defeating them 58-47. Monroe's team featured Bynum, named Alaska Player of the Year, as well as First Team All-State player David Stepovich, Second Team player Tyler Wells, and Third Team player Jalon McCullough.

In its next game, Nome-Beltz played against Houston, defeating the Hawks 72-35. Cass Mattheis scored 17 of his 19 points in the first half to lead the way. Klay Baker scored 20 points and Tyler Eide added 8 points and 9 assists. Callahan noted that the game was closer than indicated by the final score.

In its final game against Sitka on Saturday, the Nanooks defeated the Southeast region championship team by 9 points, final score 60-51. Eide led the team, scoring 18 points for Nome in the first half and providing 11 assists in the second half, which

allowed teammates to put points on the board. Mattheis contributed 12 points and 9 rebounds. Nome Seniors Matt Tunley, Briar Dickson, Tyler Eide, Jake Stettenbenz, Eli Johnson, Cass Mattheis, and Gwen Trigg-Komakhuk (cheerleading) were recognized for participating in their last high school basketball games. Callahan wrote, "It was really nice to see this group of seniors be able to go out with a victory in their last time on the court together. The victory also allowed our team to reach the milestone of a 20-win season. This milestone is a real testament to the hard work put in by the entire team, assistant coaches, and parents that do so much in terms of fundraising for the team."

The Nanooks received recognition at the tournament for an outstanding season. The boys team was honored with the Sportsmanship Award; Matt Tunley and Eli Johnson were named to the Good Sport Team. Rene Merchant was named to the All-Tournament Cheer Squad. Tyler Eide was selected to the All-State First Team and Cass Mattheis was named to Third Team All-State. Lady Nanooks player Adelaine Ahmasuk was named to the girls' Third Team.



Photos by David Head

TIGHT PLAY— Tyler Eide drives against Monroe guards #12 David Stepovich and #22 Tyler Wells.



UP FOR TWO— Nome Nanook Klay Baker drives against a sea of Monroe players as Cass Mattheis runs in interference for him.



NANOOK VS. HOUSTON— Nome Nanook Bobby Pate drives against Houston's Dustin Griffith.



Photo by David Head

FOUL SHOT— Ian Booth concentrates on sinking his 2nd foul shot.



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REBOUND— Emery Booshu eyes the rebound with Houston's Kruz Kleenwein.

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NOME NANOOK CHEERLEADERS— Pictured are: (back row left to right) Timothy James, Gwendalyn Trigg-Komakhuk, Kailey Witrosky, Rene Merchant, Kelsey Immingan, Megan Contreras and Jason Gilder. Middle row, left to right: Allaryce Agloinga, Bailey Immingan-Carpenter and Audra Murdock. Front row, left to right: Cydney West and Kalani Suemai.

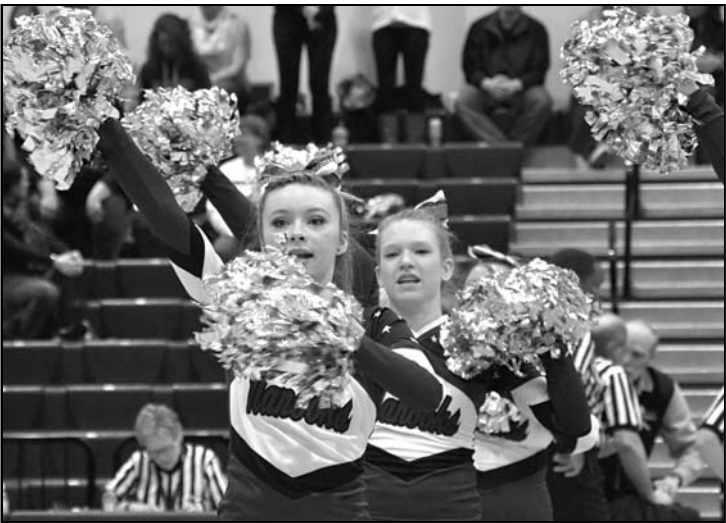
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TALL MAN— Nome Nanook Cass Mattheis goes up over Sitka player Brian Way.



JUMP SHOT— Nome Nanook Daniel Head goes up determined against the team from Houston.



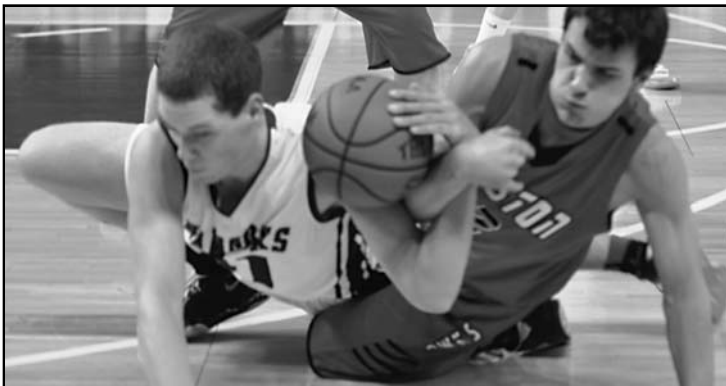
CHEER SQUAD— Nome Lady Nanooks Cydney West and Allaryce Agloinga cheered on the Nanooks boy team to a victory over Sitka.



DRIVING— Nome's Klay Baker drives against Houston's Kruz Klewein.



HANDS OFF— Nome Nanook Alex Gray protects the ball against Houston's Matthew Barron.



WRESTLING— Nome Nanook Cass Mattheis and Houston's Matt Barron wrestle for the ball.

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How to prevent the brittle bones of osteoporosis

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Osteoporosis is a dangerous condition in which bones have lost a significant amount of calcium. Bones become brittle when they lose calcium density, which thereby increases the risk that a person will break a bone in what otherwise would seem like a minor accident.

It is common for people with osteoporosis to break an ankle, wrist, hip, or vertebrae from a minor twisting fall or slip on the ice.

Bone is living tissue that stores calcium. Just as the body puts extra calories in fat cells for use during periods of fasting, the body stores extra calcium in the bones for use when dietary calcium is low. This is why consuming calcium helps strengthen bones.

Bones also respond to stress or weight. Bones that bear weight become stronger while bones become weak with lack of use. The phrase “use it or lose it” applies to bones just as it applies to muscles and brain cells.

Certain hormones, like estrogen and vitamin D, play an important role in maintaining a balance of calcium in the bone. A drop in estrogen levels, as when women go through menopause, or low vitamin D levels from lack of sunlight or low salmon consumption, accelerate calcium loss from the bones.

Sometimes bone loss is a side effect of medical treatments. Steroid therapy for an autoimmune disease or medical treatment for hypothyroidism can lead to bone loss. Long-term use of the birth control shot Depo-Provera has also been associated with bone density loss.

Tobacco use and high levels of alcohol consumption prevent the body from properly absorbing calcium. This leads to bone loss in smokers and people who drink alcohol in excess.

It is important to remember that osteoporosis does not develop quickly. Bone density is lost over a span of years, even decades, before falling to the critically low levels of osteoporosis.

And since bone is always in a state of change, being built up or broken down, it is never too early or too late in life to work on building strong bones.

There are several simple ways to build bone strength. These measures help prevent osteoporosis and may even be used to prevent further bone loss in people who have already been diagnosed with osteoporosis.

First, make sure you consume plenty of calcium. This is especially important for teenage girls,

pregnant women, and women after menopause. Calcium is found in dairy foods such as milk, cheese, and yogurt. Vegetables such as broccoli, cabbage, bok choy, and kale are rich in calcium. Many cereals, breads, and some juices are fortified with calcium. Calcium supplements are also available over the counter for people who cannot get enough calcium from the diet.

Next, get your vitamin D. Vitamin D is a hormone that the body

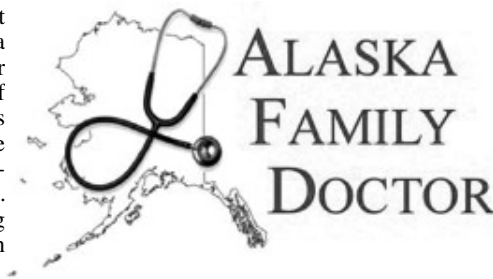
calcium and vitamin D making it a perfect food for building healthy bones. Vitamin D supplements are available over the counter for people who do not get enough in the diet or lack sunlight exposure during the long dark winter months.

Finally, exercise is an important part of bone health. Weight bearing exercises and strength training are especially important as we get older because the body stores more calcium in bones that are bearing weight or bones being used to support working muscles.

Doctors use a special X-ray test called a Dual Energy X-ray Absorptiometry (DXA) scan to test bone density and screen for osteoporosis. In general, a DXA scan is recommended for all women over age 65 and anyone, men or women, with increased risk factors for osteoporosis. Risk factors include low vitamin D levels, unusual fractures, family history of osteoporosis, or long-term therapy for thyroid disease or autoimmune diseases.

Doctors use a number of medications to slow the process of osteoporosis in people with advanced bone loss. These medications all have potentially serious side effects and therefore require a prescription and close follow up. If you have advanced bone loss, speak to your

uses to regulate calcium absorption and repair bone. Low levels of vitamin D prevent calcium in the diet from being properly absorbed. Therefore, vitamin D from the diet or from mid-summer sunlight exposure is just as important as calcium consumption for bone health. Salmon contains high levels of both



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Hearty Pumpkin Walnut Bread

Recipe by Miller Health Consulting, LLC

Makes (20) 1 inch slices – 2 loaves
Preparation Time: 10 minutes
Bake at 350°F for 60 minutes
Difficulty Level: Medium

Ingredients:

2 cups whole-wheat flour
1 ½ cups bread flour
2 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt
3 cups sugar
1 ½ tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. nutmeg
¼ tsp. cloves
¼ tsp. ginger
1 cup applesauce
4 eggs at room temperature
1 (15 oz.) can pumpkin puree
¼ cup water
¾ cup chopped walnuts

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray two loaf pans with cooking spray and set aside.
2. Combine whole-wheat flour, bread flour, baking soda, salt, sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves, and ginger in a large mixing bowl.
3. Add applesauce, eggs, pumpkin, and water. Mix until just combined. Stir in walnuts.
4. Divide batter into the 2 loaf pans. Bake at 350°F until golden brown and toothpick comes out clean, approximately 60 minutes until golden.

Tips:

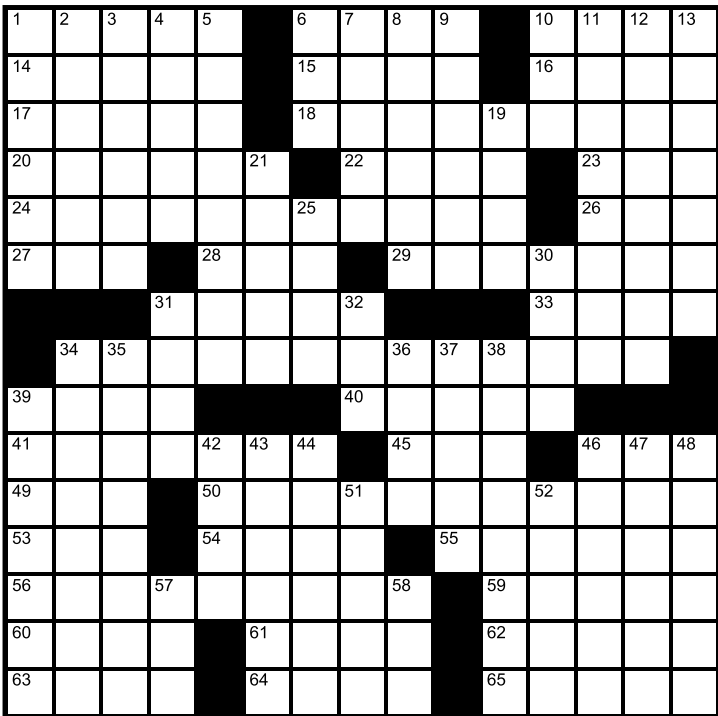
* Substitute an equal amount unsweetened applesauce for oil when baking for a lower fat option.
* Pumpkin is an excellent source of Vitamin A. Try to incorporate it in desserts such as this one for a healthy surprise.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size	1 Slice
Amount Per Serving	
Calories	258
Total Fat (g)	4
Saturated Fat (g)	0.5
Cholesterol (mg)	27
Sodium (mg)	259
Total Carbohydrate (g)	52
Fiber (g)	2
Protein (g)	5
Vitamin A (%)	96
Vitamin C (%)	2
Calcium (%)	5
Iron (%)	8

physician about the role medication may play in treating your condition. Prevention, however, is inexpensive, easy to apply, and has very few side effects. Find ways to incorpo-

rate dairy, salmon, and exercise into your daily routine in order to lower your risk of osteoporosis and maintain healthy bones.



Across

1. Crack
6. Kiss
10. Ices
14. Fergie, formally
15. "___ bitten, twice shy"
16. After-dinner drink
17. Surround and blockade a city
18. Sycamore, e.g. (2 wds)
20. Brown earth pigments
22. Persia, now
23. Drops on blades
24. Internet junkie (2 wds)
26. ___ carte (2 wds)
27. "Star Trek" rank: Abbr.
28. Bird ___
29. Dwell on
31. Clamorous
33. Attired
34. Easily moved to anger (hyphenated)
39. Can of worms?
40. Angler's gear
41. Branch of mathematics
45. Bit
46. French vineyard
49. National Institutes of Health (acronym)
50. Becomes full again
53. Center of a ball?
54. Length x width, for a rectangle
55. Organ stop

Down

56. With the intention of (3 wds)
59. Like Cheerios
60. Almond
61. Battery contents
62. Deed
63. Mar, in a way
64. Buggy terrain
65. Assignment

Previous Puzzle Answers

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HOROSCOPES

March 26, 2014 — April 1, 2014

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Clever planning makes you the star of the show. Enjoy your time in the spotlight, Capricorn. A youngster brings joy to your home in more ways than one.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Love makes the world go around, Aries, so why are you resisting it? Acquiesce to that special someone's wishes, and you'll be surprised where it takes you.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Appearances can be deceiving, but not in this case, Cancer. What you see is what you get. Don't bite off more than you can chew. A call sheds light on a dilemma.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

A spirited friend turns you onto a new activity. Have fun, Libra. A shift in revenue inspires you to make some changes in your spending habits.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

Opportunity knocks. Answer it only if you are ready, Aquarius. Additional revenue allows you to get more done around the house.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

A coworker continues to give you the runaround. Stop with the chase, Taurus. When they are ready to talk, they will find you. A text adds to a mystery.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Snippets of a conversation clue you in to a situation at home. Tread carefully, Leo. You do not want to scare off anyone. A deal is sealed at work.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

The troubles are over for a friend, and they have you to thank. Bravo, Scorpio. A casual cookoff leads to the start of a new family tradition.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Wow, Pisces. You see a loved one in a different light, and suddenly their behavior makes sense. The bonds of friendship grow deeper.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

Trust does not come easy to you. Lucky for you, Gemini, there is nothing to fear with a friend's proposal. All is on the up and up. Go for it.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

A financial review reveals you are on target. Celebrate the good news with a party, Virgo. A competitive victory will add to the celebration.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Bright days are ahead, Sagittarius. Things are finally coming together at work, and loved ones are gathering at home. A memento inspires the creation of an event.

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• School Board budget planning

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In his update to the board, superintendent Steve Gast shared the disconcerting news that the cost of a

major, multi-step, improvement project came out almost one million dollars over the initial estimated amount. The initial estimate, in 2012, for the HVAC capital improvement project

was \$614,000. The district used this amount in their application for reimbursements from the state. Earlier in March the district received the final design submittal from RSA Engi-

neering that puts the cost at \$1,500,000. After discussing the various aspects of the project, the board was inclined to follow Gast's recommendation, which is to repackage the original project into three separate phases. "This would allow us to concentrate on the strongest areas of need first," Gast said. "It would also allow us time to discuss our options with the state regarding the current project award and the option to submit additional funding requests in the future to the state for other phases of the project." Coming up is the district's monetary appeal to the City of Nome. Each year, based on current legislation, the City is allotted a certain amount of money from the state, a portion of which is earmarked for the school district. The school board then makes a formal request for the funding and, in Nome, that amount

averages between 57 and 63 percent. Other budget topics included the remodel of Anvil City Science Academy, operational equipment needed for school upkeep, technology costs and projected fuel usage. Gast told the board he would know better once the teacher contracts came in, what the staffing needs will be for next year. The high school is still in want of a principal, and the 16-member committee continues its search and application reviews.

Finally, as the board reviews current policies and adopts new ones, they have agreed to revisit the language in Board Policy 6145, which outlines school and extracurricular activities in which Nome Extensions students are eligible to participate.

Obituary

Robert Floyd Nagozruk Trigg
Robert Floyd Nagozruk Trigg, 50,



Robert Floyd Nagozruk Trigg

was born August 20, 1963 in Cleveland, Ohio to Margaret and Gerald Trigg. He was a spectacle at the John Hopkins hospital, being their first Eskimo baby born there, hundreds of staff marched through to see him. He returned to Alaska via the Alaska Highway at 8 months of age.

Bob died March 5, at ANMC surrounded by family. A service was held on March 11 at Alaska Native Lutheran Church.

One of his first jobs was as a back-drop for sister Debi as they watched early television programs. He held a major job of being his niece and nephew's favorite uncle. Also he worked on survival cabins located on the Iditarod Trail between White Mountain and Nome.

Bob worked several years at a variety of fish canneries in Alaska. After

his heart valve replacement he worked as a laborer at various jobs around Anchorage. Bob also went to welding school and became a certified welder.

His favorite pastime was body building while listening to Metallica and cooking. Which, he was not shy to do for family events and gatherings.

Bob will be greatly missed by all; including nieces, nephews, extended family and pets! He loved animals!

Bob is survived by his father Gerald Trigg, sister and brother-in-law Jackie and Dale Jaskuloski, brother and sister-in-law Don and Carol Trigg, sister Deborah Lagneaux and Michael Scott. He's also survived by many, many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Bob is preceded in death by his mother, Margaret Trigg.

• More Sound Off

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from tribes but it has not processed even one of these applications. Each application can cost thousands of dollars, many hours of ground work and take years, so why should DNR get to wipe the slate clean and ignore all these applications?

Statewide resolutions against the bill came loud and clear. As a result, in the last few weeks DNR and legislators tried to change this section of HB 77 to allow 'fixing' some of the major problems of the bill. Now the bill seems to grant water reservations to DNR or DFG rather than to the tribes themselves or an applicant that put in the time and money to jump through the application process. Why give that water reservation to agencies and not give it to the tribes? **That is no solution at all!**

For Alaskan Native tribes—having clean water in healthy salmon streams is very important! There are real threats that could mean that there is not enough water for fish. Companies that apply for what are called 'temporary water use' permits can remove water from the streams and threaten the salmon that live in the rivers. HB 77 allows companies to continue this practice with an easy renewal process, but makes it harder for the average person or tribes to protect our inherent rights to subsist. Our tribes may have a small population, but when bills like these are introduced in the state government

they have a huge impact on us in the communities! These companies can come and go BUT we in the communities are here to stay!

And that's not all! The amended version of HB 77 does not help this water rights issue and it falls short of many other concerns. This is a large bill that tries to do too much, and in doing so misses out on the details.

During the week of March 10, there were two public hearings in Juneau on two different amended versions of HB 77. Well over 100 people testified against these amendments because they do not go far enough. As we try to keep up with the proposed changes, a pattern is clear: these are not compromises but false solutions. The amendments do not solve any of our initial problems with HB 77.

In order to move forward with any changes, I invite Governor Parnell, the DNR, and legislators to come to our communities and involve us in the process to change this bill. I am certain over 40 tribes and communities would welcome the opportunity to be involved in the process rather than have to react to more and more versions of HB 77 at the drop of a hat. We cannot all make it to Juneau, so we welcome you to come to our communities, visit our streams, and let us work on these issues together.

Saying it Sincerely

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

Lent is the Christian season of preparation for Easter. Forty days prior to Easter (Sundays are not counted) many Christians observe a period of fasting, repenting, moderation and spiritual discipline. The purpose is to set aside time for reflection on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, his suffering, life, death, burial and resurrection.

Liturgical colors used for vestments and hangings for Lent begin with Green signifying "ordinary time", white during our Easter season, violet during the season of Lent, red for Palm Sunday and Good Friday, and finally a church without decorations and the Holy Table stripped bare after Maundy Thursday recognizing an empty tomb. The symbolism of colors serves to underline moods appropriate to the seasons of our liturgical year or may highlight a special occasion.

Love is very much a part of this season – John 3:16 assures us of God's love and promises eternal life for believers. In Ephesians 3 Paul prays that God may strengthen us with power through His Spirit. *"And I pray that you, being rooted in and established in love may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love surpasses knowledge that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."*

As we journey towards Jerusalem with Jesus, know we are loved. Peace and Shalom.

Church Services Directory

Bible Baptist Church
443-2144

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

Community Baptist Church-SBC
108 West 3rd Avenue • 443-5448 • Pastor Bruce Landry

Sunday Small Group Bible Study: 10 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

Community United Methodist Church
West 2nd Avenue & C Street • 443-2865

Pastor Charles Brower

Sunday: Worship 11:00 am

Monday: Thrift Shop 4:00 to 5:00 pm

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

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

Nome Covenant Church

101 Bering Street • 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey

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

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

Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church

5th Avenue & Bering • 443-5295

Sunday: Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday: worship 7 p.m. (2nd and 4th Sunday only)

Handicapped accessible ramp: North side

River of Life Assembly of God

405 W. Seppala • 443-5333 • Pastor Mike Christian Jr.

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Youth Meeting: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

(Ages: 6th grade thru 12th Grade)

Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Corner of Steadman & W. King Place • 443-5527

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses: Mon. & Tue. 9:00 a.m., Thur. 12:10 p.m.

Friday Hospital Mass: 12:10 p.m. (NSRH Meditation Room)

Patients going to ANMC and want to see a Catholic priest please call Fr. Brunet, OMI: cell 907-441-2106

or Holy Family Cathedral (907) 276-3455

Seventh-Day Adventist

Icy View • 443-5137

Saturday Sabbath School: 10 a.m.

Saturday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

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Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m.

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Employment

**Deputy Clerk III
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Nome, Alaska
\$4,444.00 Monthly
Closing Date: April 14, 2014**

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

How to Apply: Complete recruitment information is available on Workplace Alaska, <http://workplace.alaska.gov>. Applicants must submit a completed application through Workplace Alaska by 5:00 p.m. by **Monday, April 14, 2014**. For more information, contact the Alaska Court System Human Resources Department at recruitment@courts.state.ak.us or 907-264-8242.

The Alaska Court System is an equal employment opportunity employer and supports workplace diversity.

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

Available position:

Manager of Environmental Services

Purpose of Position:

Oversee and maintain the operations of the Environmental Services and Linen/Laundry Departments, planning, directing and coordinating the activities of the department to provide services that enhance patient care; Direct assigned employees, demonstrating leadership by providing work direction, motivation, training, assistance, performance evaluation and corrective action.

Minimum Requirements:

Education:

High School Diploma or Equivalent

Experience:

General, Supervisory 3 years

Type: working in environmental services; work experience must have included a minimum of three years in a cross-cultural environment in a supervisor or manager role.

Credentials:

Alaska Driver's License

Pay starting at \$30.11 + DOE

For an application, detailed job description or more information, please contact us:
recruiter@nshcorp.org
(907) 443-4573
(907) 443-2085 fax
www.nortonsoundhealth.org

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

3/20/14



Prepare for a career in the seafood industry

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDG) is sponsoring entry-level seafood processing training through the Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC) in Seward for Norton Sound residents. **NSEDG will pay tuition, employment documentation costs, transportation, food, and lodging expenses for selected applicants. Class size is limited to 10.**

Training dates: April 21-30

Application deadline: April 10

Applications are available online at www.nsedc.com or by contacting Jerry Ivanoff. Completed applications should be returned to Ivanoff at the following address:

**Jerry Ivanoff, NSEDG EET Director
PO Box 193
Unalakleet, AK 99684
tel. - (800) 385-3190
fax - (907) 624-3183**

NSEDG DOES NOT GUARANTEE EMPLOYMENT FOR TRAINEES OR PLACE TRAINEES DIRECTLY INTO EMPLOYMENT. However, trainees who successfully complete the program will become certified seafood processors who are eligible for hire in onshore processing plants and on processor vessels. NSEDG works with its harvesting partners to obtain as many jobs for Norton Sound residents as possible. *During the training, Glacier Fish Company human resources personnel will be interviewing trainees for possible employment.*

www.nsedc.com

NATIVE VILLAGE OF UNALAKLEET
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
OPEN: 3/13/14 CLOSING: 4/17/14 or UNTIL FILLED
JOB TITLE: Housing Director
DEPARTMENT: Housing Department
SALARY: DOE - HOURS: M-F 40 /wk
JOB SUMMARY:
The Housing Director would be responsible for planning and administering, directing, supervising and coordinating all phases of NVU Housing Department operations: i.e. construction, procurement, contract negotiation, selection of applicants for hire, reporting to NVU General Manager and HUD, management of housing development programs and budgets and/or monitors the work of qualified specialists, assistant, and temp or p/t workers. Other duties as assigned. Full job description provided upon request.
Submit application and resume postmarked by the closing date to:
*Native Village of Unalakleet
PO Box 270
Unalakleet, AK 99684-0270
Phone: (907) 624-3622
Fax: (907) 624-3621*
Applications available at the NVU Office.
3/20-27-4/3-10

KNOM—News Director

KNOM AM & FM in Nome, Alaska, is seeking a creative team-oriented management professional to join award-winning KNOM as a News Director. This position is responsible for day-to-day operation of KNOM's news programming and acts as supervisor for the news staff. Interested candidates are encouraged to visit the knom.org website to download the job description and employment application, and gain insight into KNOM's mission and programming. The close date for this KNOM position is March 31, 2014. KNOM is an equal opportunity employer.
3/20-27

Nome Eskimo Community is recruiting for two (2) positions located in Nome, AK:

•Accounting Specialist: non-exempt, regular, full-time position. The pay range is \$23.79/hour - \$26.78/hour (DOE). The position is open until filled.
• After School Activities Coordinator: non-exempt, regular, part-time position. The pay range is \$17.71/hour - \$19.93/hour (DOE). The position is open until filled.
To ensure the safety of children who receive services, Nome Eskimo Community will complete a Criminal History Background Check on all applicants considered for the After School Activities Coordinator position.
To be considered for employment, the report must be free of crimes involving sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor, unlawful exploitation of a minor indecent exposure, crimes of violence against persons, and must show that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony within the past ten years.
Native preference per Public Law 93-638
A full copy of the job descriptions and an employment application can be obtained from the Nome Eskimo Community Website www.necalaska.org or from the Nome Eskimo Community Office at 200 West 5th Avenue. For any questions, please contact the Human Resources Manager, Cathy Lyon, at 907-443-9114 or by email to cathylion@gci.net
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Regarding Scott Travis— Your rent payment of \$140.00 (2012) \$280.00 (2013) and annual labor

Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME

In the Matter of:

J. K.,

D.O.B. 08/24/2007,

A Child Under the Age

of Eighteen (18) Years.

Case No. 2NO-13-32 CN

NOTICE AND SUMMONS TO
ABSENT PARENT

To: Vadim Yenani, d.o.b. 11/27/73

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights under AS 47.10.080(c)(3) has been filed in the Superior Court, Second Judicial District, Nome, Alaska concerning J. K. d.o.b. 08/24/2007, a minor, who is believed to be your child. This petition may result in an order terminating your parental rights.

A copy of the petition is on file in the Superior Court in Nome, Alaska. The Court's physical address is 113 Front Street, Second Floor, Nome, Alaska 99762. The Court's mailing address is P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762.

A termination trial is scheduled to be held in Courtroom A, Superior Court, 113 Front Street, Second Floor, Nome, Alaska 99762, on May 13, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.

You have the right to be represented by an at-

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5/4-tfn

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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASES 03-16-14 through 03-22-14
Disclaimer: This is a record of activity. The issuance of citations or the act of arrest does not assign guilt to any identified party.

On 03/17 at 12:30 p.m. a hit and run was reported on 700 Block of First Ave. The vehicle collision occurred between 03-08-14 and 03-16-14. If anyone has any knowledge of this incident please contact Nome Police Department at 443-5262. Investigation is ongoing.

On 3/17 at 2:54 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to a report of domestic violence on the West side of town. The investigation led to the arrest of Ernest Butler for Assault in the Fourth Degree, DV. He was remanded to AMCC. No bail was set.

On 03/18 at 9:16 p.m. the NPD received a call from a local bar on Front St. in regards to a highly intoxicated male refusing to leave the bar. Upon arrival, officers made contact with the intoxicated male inside the license premises. Investigation led to the arrest of John Penetac, 49, for Drunk on License Premises. Penetac was taken to the NSHC prior to being remanded to AMCC. Bail was set at \$500.

On 03/19 at 3:37 a.m. NPD received a call of highly intoxicated male causing a disturbance on Fifth Avenue. Upon arrival, officers made contact with John Saclamana. Investigation led to the arrest of John for Assault in the 4th Degree, DV. John was taken to NSHC for clearance and then transported to AMCC.

On 3/19 at 0402 hours while on routine patrol an officer was flagged down by an intoxicated female on Tobuk Alley. Investigation led to arrest of Marsha Otten, 27, for Violating Conditions of Probation. Otten was remanded at AMCC, with no bail amount set.

On 3/19 at 9:14 a.m. Police Officers responded to Bering St. for a motor vehicle acci-

Trooper Beat

C Detachment...No news reported.

payment of \$1,120.00 (2013) for our claims in Nome, Alaska are due. Failure to pay will result in forfeiture of your portion of these claims.

Submit payment to Stanley D'Orio, 491 Dead River Road, Bowdoin, Maine 04287.
1/30 thru 4/24

Nome liquor licence available. Contact Joseph Miller at RE/MAX Dynamic if interested. (907) 351-4794.
3/27, 4/3-10-17

torney. An attorney has been appointed to represent you at state expense. The court has appointed Gregory Parvin to represent you in this case. You may contact him by calling him collect at (907) 376-2800. His mailing address is 900 South Check St., Wasilla, Alaska 99654.
If you or your attorney cannot appear at the hearing, you must file with the court a response to the petition within thirty (30) days after the last date of publication of this notice.
DATED: 3/4/14
CLERK OF THE TRIAL COURTS
By: Brodie Kimmel s/s
Deputy Clerk
3/13-20-27-4/3

**INVITATION TO BID
NOME RICHARD FOSTER BUILDING –
PACKAGE 1A
SITE PREPARATION AND UTILITIES
NOME, ALASKA
OWNER: CITY OF NOME
P.O. BOX 281
NOME, ALASKA 99762
907-443-6663 (PHONE)
907-443-5345 (FAX)**

The City of Nome will receive sealed bids to perform, utility installation and site preparation for the future Richard Foster Building. The project includes site preparation for the future Richard

Foster Building to include site clearing and demolition, earthwork, contaminated soil handling and stockpiling, and installation of circulating water, sanitary sewer, and electrical utilities.

Interested persons may receive a bid package by registering with the City Clerk by email at tmoran@nomealaska.org, phone at 907-443-6663 or fax at 907-443-5345. Contract Documents will be available March 20, 2014.

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

The deadline for submission of sealed proposals is April 10, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. local time and shortly thereafter the bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids must be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked clearly on the envelope as “Bid Enclosed: Nome Richard Foster Building – Package 1A, Site Preparation and Utilities” along with the name and address of the Bidder. Fax submissions are not allowed.

A five percent bid bond is required. Payment and performance bonds will also be required. The contract will be awarded to the lowest qualified Bidder as determined by the City. The City of Nome reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to reject non-conforming, non-responsive, or conditional bids.
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**INVITATION TO BID
NOME HIGH SCHOOL – HVAC CONTROLS
UPGRADES PROJECT
NOME, ALASKA
OWNER: CITY OF NOME
P.O. BOX 281
NOME, ALASKA 99762
907-443-6663 (PHONE)
907-443-5345 (FAX)**

The Nome Public School District will receive sealed bids for Nome High School HVAC Controls Upgrades Project. Interested persons may receive a bid package by registering with the City Clerk by email at tmoran@nomealaska.org, phone at 907-443-6663 or by fax at (907) 443-5345. Contract Documents will be available March 27, 2014.

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any I have received in my life or will ever likely receive again. The people of Nome and the surrounding communities were incredibly generous in allowing a first-time, Lower 48 college kid access to their homes and lives. From Daisy the musk-ox and the Midnight Sun Festival to the Raven Ranch and the Sea Shepherd organization protesting Soviet whaling practices, the community never lacked for news or people to keep the pages of the newspaper full. My *Nugget* newspaper tear sheets are a bit tattered and yellow these days, but I still treasure them because they represent a time in my life that broadened my understanding about our country and people that has remained with me to this day.

I have moved through my communications career watching companies, job titles and technology change. In fact, the one constant that has carried me from place to place, position to position and technology to technology is an insight I carried home with me from Nome to Detroit so many years ago: People are the only story that really matters because they make everything matter.

Hello to the fine people of Nome from the Lower 48. I hope, one day, I will again be able to share my greetings in person.

Cheryl Eberwein
Director, Corporate Communications
Freudenberg-NOK Sealing Technologies
Plymouth, Mich. 48170

Dear Editor:
HB77 is Nothing New

With few exceptions, the State of Alaska’s strategy for (quietly) limiting the rights of citizens to participate in natural resource decision-making and further insulate government and political officials from public oversight and scrutiny, has been working pretty well.

It started a couple of years ago, after Alaska became the only state in the country in which unsuccessful litigants are required to pay attorney fees when such fees are demanded by the prevailing party in state court cases. That the adoption of what is now known as the “Loser Pays Rule,” by the legislature, was intended to target groups and citizens who have no where else to turn but state courts in attempting to protect natural resources, is illustrated by a set of bills adopted during last year’s session that have gradually complemented the Rule in all but crippling the public’s ability to participate in state agency natural resource decision making.

This trend continues in this year’s legislature with HB 47 which requires a party seeking a pre-trial restraining order or similar action staying the operation of a permit affecting an industrial operation to provide a financial bond that would discourage most such litigants from seeking out the courts for help.

Yet a chink in the armor of Alaska’s efforts to exclude every day citizens and Native tribal governments from decision making lead by Governor Parnell and the Department of Natural Resources, occurred during the end of last year’s legislative session, after a record number of tribal resolutions and over whelming public comment in opposition to HB 77, which would restrict the rights of such citizens and tribes to protect in stream flows and fishery resources and participate in water and land resource decision making, were received.

When the bill came back this year even after overwhelming opposition during last year’s legislature, however, everyday Alaskans had finally had enough and, this year, opposition to HB 77 has developed into a, statewide, grass roots, campaign. So, when over 40 tribal resolutions, hun-

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NOTICE OF MEETING

Northern Bering Sea Regional Aquaculture Association (NoBSRAA) NOME COMMUNITY MEETING

April 03, 2014 5:30pm. Location: Nome Eskimo Community – Trigg Hall, 200 West 5th Ave. Nome, Alaska. Meeting agenda includes: Planning process of the Comprehensive Regional Salmon Management Plan, Functions of the RAA (Regional Aquaculture Association) & RPT (Regional Planning Team.)



NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) Board of Directors Board Meeting is scheduled to meet on **March 31 – April 2, 2014** at the Norton Sound Regional Hospital Conference Room #306/308 located at 1000 Greg Kruschek Avenue beginning at 9:00 a.m. each day.

Portions of the meeting may be conducted in executive session. The public is invited to attend the meeting. Testimony from the public may be limited. Members of the public wishing to receive information or a copy of the agenda may contact the Administration Office at (907) 443-3226 as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting so that arrangements may be made.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in the meeting, please contact Administration at (907) 443-9672 as soon as possible, but no later than three days before the meeting to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

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Koyuk Native Corporation
P.O. Box 53050
Koyuk, ALASKA 99753
Office (907) 963-2424 Fax: 963-3552
Store: 963-3551



Notice of Waiver

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

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99503, (907)563-2029.

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tional bids.

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CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

O-14-03-01 An Ordinance Adopting the Port of Nome Tariff No. 10 to Replace All Existing Tariffs of the Port of Nome

This ordinance had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on March 24, 2014 at 7:00 PM and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **April 14, 2014 at 7:00 PM** in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinance are available in the Office of the City Clerk.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Major Subdivision

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

Approval of a preliminary plat for a major subdivision from Norton Sound Health Corporation for the property located at Block 115, Lot 1B (704 E. N St.) and Blocks 116 & 117, Lots 1-12 (Greg Kruschek Ave. and E. 6th Ave.).

DATE: Tuesday, April 1, 2014
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers

Major Subdivision

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

Approval of a preliminary plat for a major subdivision from Nikolai Ivanoff for the property located at Sons Subdivision, Lots 1-5.

DATE: Tuesday, April 1, 2014
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers

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CALL FOR SUBSTANTIAL NEW INFORMATION

State of Alaska

2014 Beaufort Sea, North Slope, and North Slope Foothills Areawide Oil & Gas Lease Sales

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas (DO&G), will offer all available state acreage in the Beaufort Sea Areawide, North Slope Areawide, and North Slope Foothills Areawide oil and gas lease sales areas, tentatively scheduled for Fall 2014.

DO&G requests substantial new information that has become available over the past year concerning these areas. Based on the information received, DO&G will either issue supplements to the findings or decisions of no substantial new information for these lease sales (AS 38.05.035(e)(6)(F)).

The most recent Beaufort Sea Areawide final best interest finding was issued in 2009. The most recent North Slope Areawide final best interest finding was issued in 2008. The most recent North Slope Foothills Areawide final best interest finding was issued in 2011. The latest supplement to the Beaufort Sea Areawide and the North Slope Areawide findings was issued July 14, 2011. The findings and supplements are located at:

dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Leasing/BestInterestFindings.htm

DO&G generally considers "substantial new" information to be published research, studies, or data directly relevant to the matters listed in AS 38.05.035(g) that have become publically available over the last year.

How to Submit Information to DO&G

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or by e-mail: dog.bif@alaska.gov

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• More Juneau Juice

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cus delivered a letter to Governor Parnell asking for the removal of Texas Oilman Richard Rabinow from the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation.

“Everyone but the Governor seems to understand the concept: Alaska boards and commissions should be filled by Alaskans,” stated Senator Hollis French (D-Anchorage).

Governor Parnell refused to pull his nomination of California oil executive Dennis Mandell to the State Assessment and Review Board last week, after being notified by Senate Democrats that the appointment was in direct violation of Alaska statute 39.05.100. The appointee removed his own name from consideration after learning he did not have the statutory qualifications necessary to serve (Alaska residency). “The Governor’s selection of an out-of-state oil executive is a slap in the face to the expertise of the many, many Alaskans who could fill the position,” said Senator French.

Senate Democrats offer amendments to improve gasline legislation, protect Alaskans
Amendments defend Alaska sovereignty, protect property tax payers and potential Alaska gas consumers

JUNEAU – Members of the Senate Democratic Caucus offered amendments on the Senate floor to improve enabling gasline legislation, Senate Bill 138. Recently released reports by independent consultants retained by the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee raised important questions about project economics, particularly if Alaska partners with TransCanada as proposed by the Governor.

In total, Senate Democrats offered 16 amendments Senator Hollis French (D-Anchorage) presented an amendment to establish the state of Alaska as a 51 percent owner of any sanctioned LNG project. Analysis of the current proposed project by independent consultants indicates Alaska receives little value from a minority equity position.

“Alaska is an Owner-State. Trading away our precious sovereignty in exchange for a position as a junior investment part-

ner with the most sophisticated and successful corporations in world history is a recipe for disaster. We own the gas, period. The head of the table is the only seat we belong in,” said Senator French.

Senator Johnny Ellis (D-Anchorage) offered a “No PILT (payment in lieu of taxes)” amendment to protect municipalities and boroughs ability to fund the expansion of schools, roads, and public safety services due to the influx of people and infrastructure related to construction of a gas pipeline.

“Alaska municipalities and boroughs deserve their fair share. The PILT payments unfairly burden the local governments that provide essential services such as public safety, roads, and schools. In the end, if it remains unchanged, the Governor’s bill will pass on that burden to property tax payers, and that should have been unacceptable to every lawmaker. We want and support a gasline, not another giveaway,” stated Senator Ellis.

Senator Berta Gardner (D-Anchorage) proposed an amendment that would halt payment from the State of Alaska to TransCanada, or any other midstream partners, if the project is not sanctioned.

“The heart of this project is an effort to align the interests of all stakeholders for both risk and reward, yet Alaska is taking TransCanada’s risk — on the hook for repaying all TransCanada costs, with interest, if the project does not move forward to the next stage, regardless of which partner pulls out. This is not alignment,” said Senator Gardner.

Senator Bill Wielechowski (D-Anchorage) offered an amendment to ensure the North Slope’s three major oil producers, who together would control and own a majority stake in the gas pipeline as currently proposed, could not write off gasline construction expenditures on oil tax payments.

“This legislation sacrifices Alaska’s sovereignty and awards the biggest sole source contract in state history. Alaska needs to stop studying this issue and start building a gas line,” stated Senator Wielechowski.

GOP Senator: “Birth control is for people who don’t want to act responsibly”
Senator Pete Kelly also calls for free pregnancy tests in bar and restaurant bathrooms

ANCHORAGE: In an interview with the Anchorage Daily News Senator Pete Kelly (R-Fairbanks) says “he is declaring war on fetal alcohol syndrome disorders” by putting free pregnancy tests in bars and restaurants. In contrast to his support for state-funded pregnancy tests, Kelly said birth control “is for people who don’t want to act responsibly.”

In response to a question in the interview, Kelly rejected efforts that would encourage use of birth control:

This assumes that if you know you are pregnant you’ll act responsibly. Birth control is for people who don’t want to act responsibly. –Senator Pete Kelly

Instead, Kelly said the state should provide free pregnancy tests in bars and restaurants:

Literally, you can go into the bathroom at the bar and test. So if you’re drinking, you’re out at the big birthday celebration and you’re like, ‘Gee, I wonder if I...?’ You should be able to go in the bathroom and there’s that plastic, Plexiglas bowl in there...With the consent of the other senators I’m going to put some money in the budget to fund these things. —Senator Pete Kelly.

Senator Kelly’s comments come just two weeks after his GOP colleague Fred Dyson inaugurated what was labeled “the new Alaska war on women” by encouraging women to stop drinking lattes if they can’t afford birth control, and suggested that women can airlift birth control to Alaska.

“Republicans need to stop their war on Alaska women,” said Kay Brown, Executive Director of the Alaska Democratic Party.

Family planning could reduce the number of abortions by 360 per year, according to a recent study. In addition to reducing the number of abortions, data suggest that wider availability of contraception could reduce Alaska’s highest-in-the-nation rate of certain sexually transmitted diseases.

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dreds of participants in public hearings, commentary through radio shows, Op-eds, letters to the editors and petitions all illustrated unprecedented opposition, DNR (which is promoting the bill) was forced to agree to amendments.

It was no major surprise that the DNR amendments were sharply criticized during public testimony before the Senate Resources Committee, almost immediately after they were announced, probably, because they amounted to little more

then cosmetic improvements designed to make the bill look better without changing much of anything.

The changes to one of the most controversial provisions, for example, which eliminates the rights of tribes and citizens to apply for reservations to keep water in stream to protect fish habitat, on face value, now appears to allow individuals and tribes to seek such reservations. However, the amendments do not grant such entities the ability to hold those rights if granted but, instead, give the rights to another state agency, allow DNR to refuse to

process those applications, and does not allow applicants access to due process.

After the amendments to HB 77 fell flat during their first public appearance, Resource Committee Chair and industry loyalist, Sen. Cathy Giessel was faced with a dilemma – how to get the bill approved regardless of overwhelming public opposition? So, with over 100 people still waiting to comment, she cut off public testimony, stating that she “wasn’t hearing anything new.” This move, however, backfired, not only because testimony on

the amendments, which were released just 48 hours prior to the hearing, could not have been anything but “new,” but due to intense pressure to provide additional space for public comment, Sen. Giessel relented and scheduled another round of public testimony.

If the bill is moved out of Senate Resource, it would then go to Senate Rules, which would schedule it for a floor vote, then it would go to the House for a concurrent vote. That supporters of HB 77 have blinked (for now) illustrates that through continuing to testifying, making

phone calls and comments and sending emails to law makers, we make sure it doesn’t get that far! Alaskans must continue to tell the legislature that the amendments failed to provide anything new to eliminate the substantial threat that HB77 presents to Alaska’s natural resources and citizens’ constitutional rights. Hal Shepherd, director Center for Water Advocacy Seward, AK 99664

Court

Week ending 3/21

Civil

Civil
Kulukhon, Sherry A. v. Slwooko, Michael; Civil Protective Order
Adams, Marian N. v. Adams, Dee Dee; Civil Protective Order
State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD, and Kiminock, Connie B. v. Soolook, JR., David; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend
Larsen, Lisa v. Larsen, Randolph; Civil Protective Order

Small Claims

No current claims filed; start 2NO-14-00013SC

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Justine Adams (12/17/86); Corrected Judgment—3/18/14; Other: Criminal Trespass 2°; Date of Violation: 10/19/13; 30 days, 29 days suspended; Unsuspended 1 day shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 10/9/13); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in her residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; (Redistributed 10/9/13 and 3/18/14).

State of Alaska v. Brandon Apangalook (6/19/93); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111500703; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 120 days, report to Nome Court on 5/1/14 for a remand hearing at 1:30 p.m.

State of Alaska v. Shaina Soonagrook (1/14/91); Import Alcohol-Dry Area-Small Amount; Date of Violation: 5/21/13; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 5/23/14 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/17/14); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing, only in dry/damp community, at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Charlotte Sookiayak (4/15/67); CTN 001: Harassment 2; Date of Violation: 11/16/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 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; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 3/17/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of Lisa Sookiayak (without Lisa’s consent); Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Jessica Swann (9/20/94); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; First Offense; Date of Offense: 11/30/13; Fine: \$200 with \$0 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court w/in 6 months; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/14/14); Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant must enroll in and pay for the following juvenile alcohol safety action program: if one is available (thru NSHC) w/in 120 days; Defendant must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; Defendant may not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. John Saclamana (12/19/81); Judgment (corrected 3/17/14); Violating Release Conditions; Date of Violation: 9/2/13; 20 days flat; 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. Roberta Tokeinna (10/21/80); Judgment (Corrected) 3/17/14; Violating Release Conditions; Date of Violation: 9/25/13; 30 days, 20 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be 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 2 years (date of judgment: 10/3/13); Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment by 11/1/13; Proof to Court by 12/31; Up to 28 res. tx if rec.

State of Alaska v. Harry Goldsberry (1/18/79); 2NO-13-884CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation ****AMENDED***03/13/14; CTN 001: AS11.41.220(a)(1)(B): Assault 3- Cause Injury w/Weapon; Class: C Felony; Offense Date: 11/14/13; Plea: Guilty; Plea Agreement: Yes; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 2/7/14 with counsel, OPA Matt Tallerico, and the DA present; Incarceration: It is ordered that the defendant is committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for the following period(s): CTN 001: 36 months with 31 months suspended; The unsuspended 5 months shall be served immediately; Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following police training surcharge(s) to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 001: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant’s probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA IDENTIFICATION: If this conviction is for a “crime against a person” as defined in AS 44.41.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; Probation: After serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 5 years under the following conditions: General, Special and Amended Drug Conditions of Probation, as stated in the order; Bond(s): Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Harry Goldsberry (1/18/79); 2NO-13-884CR Dismissal Of Felony First Petition To Revoke Probation; First Petition To Revoke Probation Filed March 3, 2014; Dismissed by the DAs Office 3/14/14.

State of Alaska v. Vivian Washington (3/24/83); Judgment and Commitment; CTN 001: AS11.41.220(a)(1)(B): Assault 3 Reckless, Physical injury, dangerous instrument; Class: C Felony; Offense Date: 9/17/13; Plea: Guilty; Plea Agreement: Yes; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 002 and 003: AS11.41.210(a)(1): Assault 2- Injury w/Weapon, Intent; CTN 004: Assault 4°- Recklessly Injure; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 3/11/14 with counsel, OPA Mike Wenstrup, and the DA present; Incarceration: It is ordered that the defendant is committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for the following period(s): CTN 001: 4 years flat; The unsuspended 4 years shall be served immediately; Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following police training surcharge(s) to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 001: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; DNA IDENTIFICATION: If this conviction is for a “crime against a person” as defined in AS 44.41.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Zachary Okitkon (9/26/94); 2NO-13-00011CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111177072; Violated conditions of probation; No action taken; SIS Revoked; Sentence is imposed as stated in the attached supplemental judgment.

State of Alaska v. Zachary Okitkon (9/26/94); 2NO-13-00011CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; ***SUPPLEMENTAL***; CTN 001: AS11.46.310: Burglary 2; Class: C Felony; CTN 002: AS11.41.230(a)(1): Assault 4° - Recklessly Injure; Class: A Misdemeanor; Offense Dates: 1/3/13; Plea: Guilty; Plea Agreement: Yes; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 3/14/14 with counsel, OPA Wenstrup, and the DA present; Incarceration: It is ordered that the defendant is committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for the following period(s): CTN 001: 2 years with 1 year suspended; The unsuspended 1 year shall be served immediately; Credit for time already served; 002: 0 days, 0 days suspended; Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following police training surcharge(s) to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 001: \$100 (Felony); CTN 002: \$50 (Misd); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is

being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant’s probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA IDENTIFICATION: If this conviction is for a “crime against a person” as defined in AS 44.41.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; After serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 2 years under the following conditions: General and Other Special Conditions of Probation, as stated in the Order.

State of Alaska v. Dakota Segock (9/8/93); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112399182; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days.

State of Alaska v. Edward Anasogak (11/2/80); 2NO-13-388CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111177522; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time.

State of Alaska v. Edward Anasogak (11/2/80); 2NO-13-993CR Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 12/25/13; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. John Aluska (8/13/76); Assault 4; Date of Violation: 12/31/13; 360 days, 240 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be 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 5 years (date of judgment: not provided); Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of Clarissa Aluska without her consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment by 4/7/14; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Must contact NSHC at 443-3311 w/in 5 days of release to arrange assessment; Appear 6/6/14 at 1:30 p.m.

State of Alaska v. Louisa Pungowiwi (9/30/79); Disorderly Conduct; Date of Violation: 3/6/14; 1 day, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 1 day shall be served with time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Gary Kaninogok (2/8/90); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: A4; Filed by the DAs Office 3/21/14.

State of Alaska v. Kristen D. Kulowiwi (11/2/83); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 001: AS04.11.499(a)(fel): Import Alcohol – Dry Area – Large Amt; Class: C Felony; Offense Date: 4/15/13; Plea: Guilty; Plea Agreement: Yes; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 3/20/14 with counsel, OPA Tallerico, and the DA present; Incarceration: It is ordered that the defendant is committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for the following period(s): 36 months with 32 months suspended; The unsuspended 4 months shall be served immediately; Fines: Defendant is fined \$10,000 due and payable in two years 3/20/16; Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following police training surcharge(s) to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 001: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant’s probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); Other: 120 Hours of Community Service Ordered to be completed at the end of the three year probation period; Also 8 hours of public education in any means available to her; Forfeit All Alcohol Seized; Probation: After serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 3 years under the following conditions: General and Special Alcohol Conditions of Probation, as stated in the order; Bond(s): Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

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FAST ROOKIE— Sean Octuck Jr. blasts across the finish line of last week’s Nome-Golovin Snowmachine Race. Octuck finished third in the open class and was declared fastest rookie of the race.

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TAKING OFF— Tre West, racing in the A Class of the Nome-Golovin Snowmachine race, clocked a time of 2 hours, 20 minutes and 19 seconds. West came in second place in his division.



HOME— Gerald Hughes, despite crashing and running out of gas near White Mountain, crossed the finish line in a time of 2 hours, 25 minutes and 41 seconds.

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ing a SkiDoo 800, also started in the open class and finished in third position with a time of two hours, 19 minutes and seven seconds. Octuck received a third place check for \$2,040 and a \$500 bonus for being the fastest Rookie of the race.

In the overall ranking, Nicholas Reader, raced across the finish line in a time of two hours, 17 minutes and 26 seconds.

Reader competed in the A class and won in his division. Reader took home a prize purse of \$4,575. Nome racer Tre West placed second in a time of two hours, 20 minutes and 19 seconds, getting a prize check for \$2,745. Donny Johnson came in third, in a time of 2 hours, 23 minutes and 28 seconds and earned \$1,830.

As racers came in, swung around and parked their machines, droves of fans flocked to the competitors to hear firsthand tales from the trail.

Nick Reader was all smiles as he took off his helmet, jacket and protective gear. “I thought it was fun!” he said. “It was a fairly good trail. The roughest part was around Topkok and Timber, but I was catching up with a lot of people around there.”

Not having had any problems mechanically or fuel-wise, Reader just flashed a smile and said he had fun duking it out with his fellow competitors.

Top rookie Sean Octuck Jr. also beamed a broad smile at the finish line, saying that he had a fast, smooth ride, except for going over the Topkok Hills, but his SkiDoo 800 performed fine. “I expected to be nervous, but just kept praying that I finish this race,” he said. “It felt pretty awesome to cross the finish line.”

The race didn’t go so smooth for Gerald Hughes, who started in the A Class. He said he almost ran out of gas getting into White Mountain, that he crashed on the backside of Cape Nome and that his machine hit a stump coming out of Topkok. But still, he made it to the finish in a time of two hours, 25 minutes and 41 seconds.

In comparison to last year’s race, which had 44 racers competing, last Saturday brought only 20 racers to the start line of the 45th running of the Nome-Golovin Snowmachine Race. Twelve competitors started in the open class; eight racers started and all eight finished in the A Class (0-600cc).

Race marshal Kevin Knowlton said that bib #1 was dedicated to Frank Okleasik as a former racer and long time supporter of the race.

Dora Hughes was the only woman who signed up and was to race with the men, but a blown piston on her machine prevented her from even getting to the startline.

According to one of the event organizers, Kevin Bahnke, the race started in 1966. It was originally a snowmachine race from Nome to Teller and back. In the 1970s the course was changed from Nome to Golovin and back.

Calvin Schaeffer from Kotzebue still holds the record time of 1 hour and 57 minutes and 11 seconds. Schaeffer set the record in the year 2000, on a Ski Doo MXZ 700.

The Bering Sea Lions Club is the prime organizer of the event. Bering Sea Lions Club President and Nome-Golovin race marshal Kevin Knowlton said that the total purse for this year’s race was \$24,850 and consisted of donations from top sponsors such as the City of Nome, Bonanza Fuel, Crowley Marine Services, Sitnasuak Native Corp., Iron Dog, the Nome Volunteer Fire Department, NSEDC and KNOM Radio. According to Knowlton, 20 other businesses and organizations made donations or volunteered.

Results:

Open Class (601cc-open)

- 1. Evan Booth, 2:09:53
- 2. Amos Cruise, 2:18:47
- 3. Sean Octuck Jr., 2:19:07
- 4. Joseph Fagundes, 2:19:33
- 5. Shantah Esparza, 2:21:58
- 6. Chris Nassuk, 2:26:05
- Bob Saccheus DNF
- Dale Ellanna DNF
- Randy Larsen scratched
- Art Amaktoolik DNF
- Jarvis Miller DNF

A Class (0-600cc)

- 1. Nicholas Reader, 2:17:26
- 2. Tre West, 2:20:19
- 3. Donny Johnson, 2:23:28
- 4. Frank Fleagle, 2:24:17
- 5. Brandon Dewey, 2:24:54
- 6. Gerald Hughes, 2:25:41
- 7. Amos Brown, 2:38:36
- 8. Quinn Schaeffer, 2:38:36