



Photo by Diana Haecker

**TOO CLOSE**— A herd of musk oxen cozied up on a tundra hump close to the East end of Nome, on Monday, June 9. Experts say the ungulates are pushed closer to town to escape predators such as bears and wolves.

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## Federal, state fishery managers focus on Chinook crisis

By Laurie McNicholas

Chinook (king) salmon stocks are at all-time lows in the Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim area that includes Norton Sound, the Yukon River, Kuskokwim Bay and the Kuskokwim River.

A decade-long decline in the area's Chinook stocks has accelerated in recent years.

The dire condition of Chinook salmon stocks in western Alaska waters are priority concerns for both the

Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game, which manages salmon fisheries in state waters, and for federal fishery managers charged with minimizing the bycatch of Chinook salmon and chum salmon in the Bering Sea pollock fishery to the extent practicable.

Salmon are prohibited species in the directed pollock fishery, but they are incidentally taken as bycatch in trawl nets by vessels targeting pollock.

In 2013, Chinook returns to the

Unalakleet River in Norton Sound and the Yukon River fell below minimum spawning escapement goals set by the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game to sustain Chinook runs.

A high proportion of Chinook salmon bycatch in the pollock fishery is of Yukon River origin. The Kuskokwim River Chinook returns met 2013 escapement goals, but the run was so poor that little remained for a subsistence harvest.

In response to similarly poor A-Y-

K Chinook run projections for 2014, ADF&G has severely restricted subsistence fishing and banned sport fishing for Chinook in the area.

On June 9, the department closed all marine and fresh waters to subsistence salmon fishing in Norton Sound subdistricts 5 and 6 (Shaktolik and Unalakleet).

Sport fishing for Chinook is closed in all waters from Rocky Point to Point Romanoff until Aug. 16. No commercial fishery for Chi-

nook in the subdistricts has been conducted for years.

The department states in a June 6 press release that it will conserve Chinook salmon for escapement needs and refocus harvest pressure on more numerous chum and pink salmon.

Measures to conserve Chinook salmon can involve restricted opportunities to harvest chum salmon.

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Photo by Diana Haecker

**ON BY**— Stroke-'n-Croak participant Phil Hofstetter runs by a browsing muskox on Sunday, June 8. The event combines swimming, running and biking. See story on page 12.

## Gold Grabber applies for permit to mine gold at Grantley Harbor

By Diana Haecker

A mining outfit called Gold Grabber LLC has submitted a mining permit application to mine for gold inside Grantley Harbor. The proposal is causing alarm to Teller subsistence hunters and fishermen.

Through their traditional councils they have made statements that gold mining in the subsistence areas is not welcome.

A variety of fish followed by marine mammals pass through Grantley Harbor, which separates the

ocean and Port Clarence from freshwater at Imuruk Basin and its streams and rivers.

One of those rivers leads to one of only two red salmon spawning lakes on the Seward Peninsula.

The communities of Brevig Mission, Mary's Igloo and Teller use the area for subsistence fishing and hunting. "We don't welcome mining in our subsistence fishing and hunting areas," said Mary's Igloo Traditional Council President Lucy Oquilluk.

Teller Traditional Council President Wesley Okbaok also issued a statement that strongly opposes the mining proposal.

"These areas are highly important to fish and mining would have a detrimental effect on our subsistence resources," Okbaok said.

According to Oquilluk, neither the mining company nor the Dept. of Natural Resources, the state's permitting agency, has consulted with the Traditional Councils of Teller or Mary's Igloo.

**The Gold Grabber**

The Gold Grabber is a mechanical gold dredge – an excavator mounted on a barge-like platform. The steel barge measures 82 feet in length and 28 feet in width. Unlike suction dredges, a Hitachi E-200 excavator reaches about 12 feet down into the submerged ground, excavates the material and hauls it on board where it is dumped onto a vibrating screen plant and processed in a 30-ft sluice box. Also on board are a 100-kw generator, an eight-inch water pump and a 900-gallon fuel tank with diesel.

According to the DNR application, the miners propose to use 15 gallons of water for personal use a day, with a 100-gallon water tank on board. The application states the City of Nome as a water source. In the mining plan, owner Richard Schimschat states the operation would be using 500 to 800 gallons of saltwater to wash the material at gold separation.

The vessel has a 26-foot camping

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## Muskox gores King's former lead dog Bernard

By Sandra L. Medearis

Bernard retired in spring 2008 as a leader of five-time Iditarod champ Jeff King's sled dog team. From then on, Bernard made his home with Laura and Gary Samuelson in Nome.

Laura Samuelson announced the winner of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race for many years. She and her husband knew King well.

Bernard was five years old when it became time for him to retire. King was looking for a special home for one of the best sled dogs ever.

After the All Alaska Sweepstakes in 2008, Jeff said to me, "Laura! Boy do I have the dog for you guys," Laura Samuelson said Monday. The dog was Bernard.

Gary Samuelson leaned forward,

getting into the story. "He's the most pleasurable dog I've ever driven as a lead dog," is what Jeff said.

"Bernard was an excellent leader," Gary Samuelson went on. "This guy was an absolute gem, trained by one of the best mushers in the world."

"For us to get him was like winning the dog mushing lottery," Gary Samuelson said Monday.

Bernard joined the Samuelsons' other sled dogs that now include Bradford, Ida, Amber, Freedom and Jafet Lindeberg.

Perth passed away from old age recently.

Laura Samuelson smiled as she

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## Kawerak's museum funding falls flat

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Common Council has given the contract for general contractor and construction manager for the Richard Foster Building to ASRC SKW Eskimos.

The panel awarded the bid for \$12,117,961 based on the bid team's scoring of technical merit and guaranteed maximum price for the work.

The Richard Foster Building would contain the Carrie M McLain Museum, the Kegoayah Kozga Library and Kawerak, Inc.'s Beringia Center for displays and education.

With no dollars on the horizon, the Kawerak wing has yet to be funded.

Contract documents laid out the general contractor's work in two phases: preconstruction and construction phases. The construction phase will not get the go-ahead until completion of a final design and submission of a lump sum price from the general contractor/construction manager.

The resolution passed by the Council authorizes City Manager Josie Bahnke to issue the notice of award subject to receiving all paperwork from ASRC SKW Eskimos.

Until then, the contractor will perform preconstruction work under a limited notice to proceed from Bahnke.

The construction phase would begin following Council approval, according to the resolution.

Getting to the final design may have hit a rocky road, however, because of a shortfall in funding for the Kawerak Inc. wing of the building.

At the first of the year, the Council had on the table an all-inclusive construction budget of \$14,066,807 and an overall budget of \$19,614,807—meaning a funding gap of \$3.6 million.

The funding plan for Kawerak's section of the building depended on a \$1.9 million grant from state Dept. of CED's Statewide Libraries Grant Program and \$1.3 million from the Rasmuson Foundation.

The DCED declined the request for the \$1.9 million in library money.

Now bad news has come from Rasmuson Foundation: no money, no \$1.3 million.

Melanie Bahnke, Kawerak's president, was set to meet with City ad-

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EIS to begin for Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Road

By Diana Haecker

In a May board of directors meeting, the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority board has approved going forward with plans to develop a road leading to the Ambler Mining district. The AIDEA submitted the necessary federal permit applications to begin the National Environmental Policy Act Environmental Impact Statement process for the proposed industrial road to the Ambler Mining district.

The road, as envisioned in the latest plans, would lead from milepost 135 of the Dalton Highway west, crossing Doyon land, NANA land, the Gates of the Arctic National Preserve along the southern Brooks Range to the upper Kobuk River. The motivation to build a 200-mile road is to facilitate mine developments at several copper, zinc, lead and silver deposits along the way.

NovaCopper Inc., a spin-off from NovaGold Resources Inc., stands to profit from the road development as it owns the rights to a copper claim known as the Arctic deposit and has interests in the NANA-owned Bor-nite project. Although the road is to be constructed not with public money, but through public-private partnerships, the costs so far have been covered with public Alaska state funds. Since 2010 when the DOT began reconnaissance studies, the state has put \$17.75 million toward the Ambler Road. For FY15, an additional \$8.5 million were appropriated to the project by the State Legislature.

Since the DOT handed over the Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Road – AMDIAR for short – to AIDEA, more wetlands, cultural resources, subsistence, fisheries, hydrology and caribou studies were done, according to AIDEA Infrastructure Development Officer John Springsteen.

In the past few weeks, AIDEA

hosted several meetings in Kobuk, Fairbanks and Anchorage but did not widely advertise them. Until last week, information on the project was not posted on AIDEA’s website, but on its contractor’s DOWL HKM webpage.

Springsteen told the *Nome Nugget* that the meetings were meant to hear from immediate stakeholders and that with the NEPA process, strict meeting announcement requirements and government-to-government consultation protocols will have to be adhered to. However, he said, the lead agency to steer the EIS process will be a federal agency – most likely the Army Corps of Engineers – rather than AIDEA.

In its latest form, the project has been narrowed down to a one-lane road proposal, which later on could be improved to a two-lane road, a recently published fact sheet reads. Given that the road is billed an industrial road – no public traffic allowed – and that it would accommodate heavy equipment traffic, a one-lane proposal gives pause to think. However, AIDEA Business Development Officer Mike Catsi explained that the 52-mile Red Dog mine road to its port terminal at the Chukchi Sea is also considered a one-lane road and that’s what was used as a model for AMDIAR.

The cost estimate for the entire 200-mile road, Springsteen said, is pegged at \$200 to 400 million. Mike Catsi said that the EIS will begin to be financed through the state’s capital appropriation, but the price tag attached to the entire EIS is yet unknown. “We work to make sure that all questions are being addressed,” Catsi said. In terms of a timeline, Springsteen added that an EIS finding could take between three and eight years to be finalized.

In one meeting an attorney with the law firm Trustees for Alaska brought up an ethical sticky point: AIDEA had contracted with DOWL HKM, a company that also performed hydrology studies on Nova-Copper’s Arctic deposit in 2012. DOWL was then owned by NANA through 2012. DOWL would not be able to work for a federal agency in the NEPA process, because they would be conflicted because they’re working for AIDEA, explained Springsteen.

Asked where the public can find out about future AMDIAR meetings, Springsteen said that once the EIS process starts, there likely will be a designated website and it will be a federal responsibility to post meeting schedules. For now, however, this is not the case and control over meeting participation seems to be the prerogative of AIDEA.

In the meantime, Shungnak Tradi-

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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

Information Control and the Boogeyman

Yelling, screaming TV ads that portray sinister eyes and inflammatory poses are designed to scare folks who vote. Obamascare and Mediscare are hot topics and big-eyed hard hats try to portray honesty in the oil patch and warn us of the Boogeyman. Sometimes it is just too much of a task to take politicians seriously— especially when they show ads with disgusting fresh splats of parrot poop.

Local government should pay attention. It is at the grass roots where folks develop trust in their elected officials and faith in the democratic process. For trust to be nurtured, government must do its very best to be transparent and promote openness. It must be sure the public is made aware of meetings, of economic opportunities, of public hearings, of bid invitations, of meeting agendas and proposed ordinances. It should be understood that communication with the public is a fundamental duty of government. We can’t afford cover-ups. This means open the doors and windows and allow the light to shine through. Public officials should bend over backward to understand the people they serve. Too many times Nomeites have been informed of a public hearing the day after it happened and the officials have left town. Too many times state and federal representatives spend big public bucks to bring themselves and their staff to Nome, but fail to budget the funds to tell the public they will be here.

Nome is a first class city with all the amenities including a newspaper, television, radio stations, and internet. We shake our heads in amazement when officials think they have informed us of a meeting by taping a note to the door of City Hall and a promise of a free piece of pizza. —N.L.M.—

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06/12	Th	5:34 a.m.	+1.0	3:21 p.m.	+1.5	9:35 a.m.	+0.8	11:18 p.m.	-0.1
06/13	Fr	6:27 a.m.	+1.1	4:02 p.m.	+1.5	10:31 a.m.	+0.9		
06/14	Sa	7:19 a.m.	+1.2	4:55 p.m.	+1.5	12:04 a.m.	-0.2	11:35 a.m.	+1.0
06/15	Su	8:10 a.m.	+1.3	5:59 p.m.	+1.5	12:53 a.m.	-0.3	12:43 p.m.	+1.0
06/16	Mo	9:00 a.m.	+1.4	7:11 p.m.	+1.4	1:44 a.m.	-0.4	1:53 p.m.	+0.9
06/17	Tu	9:49 a.m.	+1.5	8:25 p.m.	+1.4	2:37 a.m.	-0.4	3:03 p.m.	+0.9
06/18	We	10:37 a.m.	+1.6	9:40 p.m.	+1.3	3:29 a.m.	-0.3	4:12 p.m.	+0.7

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	06/19/14 04:18 a.m.	Low Temp	+35°
		Peak Wind	22mph, N, 06/05/14
Sunset	06/12/14 01:36 a.m.	Precip. to Date	4.51"
	06/19/14 01:48 a.m.	Normal	4.37"
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Strait Action

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Oil sheen detected in Shishmaref

The Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation was notified of an oil sheen on the sea ice at Shishmaref. According to the DEC, the Village Public Safety Officer saw the sheen on the nearshore pack ice and smelled the odor of gasoline. DEC’s State on-scene Coordinator Tom DeRuyter told the Nome Nugget on Monday that the source of the oil has not been identified yet. The Coast Guard, the oil spill response organization Emerald and the DEC sent personnel to Shishmaref to contain and investigate the spill. DeRuyter said it appeared to be a weathered oil product, covering an area of 40 ft by 300 ft. Responders put boom and absorbent material around the spill, but rotting sea ice made it difficult to do so.

DeRuyter said they couldn’t point to the source of the spill. “There is no indication where the oil came from,” DeRuyter said.

The Coast Guard and DEC will go to Shishmaref weekly to monitor the situation. They hired a local responder to keep the boom in place and apply more absorbent pads.

DeRuyter said there were no reports to his knowledge of oiled marine mammals or birds.

Coast Guard offers dockside safety checks in Nome

Coast Guard Sector Anchorage prevention personnel are scheduled to visit Nome, Wednesday through Friday, to promote maritime safety and environmental protection during the 2014 gold dredging season. The Coast Guard will offer voluntary dockside safety checks to reduce an operator’s chances of incurring penalties if boarded by the Coast Guard during mining operations. Interested operators will be able to sign up through the Harbormaster’s Office. “The Coast Guard is committed to ensuring boaters in Alaska are prepared during the gold dredging season,” said Lt. Cmdr. Dan Buchsbaum, Inspections Division chief at Coast Guard Sector Anchorage.

“Vessel operators should be aware of the safety requirements for gold dredge vessel operations in coastal

waters and dockside safety checks will assist in our goal to keep boaters safe.”

Beth Kerttula appointed to Federal Ocean Council Director

Former State Representative and Alaska Arctic Policy Commissioner Beth Kerttula last week was tapped to be the new Director of the National Ocean Council in Washington D.C. One of the Council’s main missions is to help develop and implement the National Ocean Policy Implementation Plan. “Beth Kerttula is the wise choice for this appointment. She has a comprehensive understanding of the legal issues surrounding America’s coastline,” said AAPC Co-Chair Representative Bob Herron. “As the state with the longest shoreline, the policies of the National Ocean Council may have an immeasurable impact on Alaska. It’s good to know that Alaskans will have someone working on coastal policy in DC who truly understands what Alaska is all about.”

The news of Kerttula’s appointment came through the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

“We’re thrilled an Alaskan of Beth’s caliber is at the forefront of national ocean policy,” Rep. Chris Tuck, Kerttula’s successor as Minority Leader, said. “Beth is a tremendously talented leader. She’ll do a great job moving the nation forward on critical issues affecting our oceans and coastlines.”

Kerttula left the Alaska Legislature earlier this year to accept a fellowship in ocean policy at Stanford University’s Center for Ocean Solutions. Aside from serving as a legislator from Juneau for 15 years and as leader of the House Democrats for seven of those years, Kerttula sat on the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission, a body dedicated to addressing issues brought on by increasing development and other attention to the world’s arctic regions.

UAF takes delivery of research vessel Sikuliaq

The research vessel Sikuliaq now officially exists after years of being just an idea, a proposal and then a construction contract. The R/V Sikuliaq,

pronounced “see-KOO-lee-ack,” is owned by the National Science Foundation and operated by the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Documents signed last week mark the hand-off of Sikuliaq from the shipbuilder to UAF.

A thorough testing of all the ship’s systems in ocean and ice conditions will take place during the coming year as a follow up to the ship construction, but last week’s delivery is a significant milestone as it signals a shift in focus from construction to operations.

During the next month, UAF will outfit the 261-foot ship and train the crew. Over the summer, the vessel will transit from the Great Lakes to the Pacific Ocean via the Panama Canal. In preparation for science operations, additional equipment will be installed and a series of testing exercises will be completed while Sikuliaq is en route.

The first research cruises are scheduled to begin in October in the Pacific Ocean. Sikuliaq is expected to arrive in Alaska waters in February. A commissioning ceremony in the ship’s homeport of Seward is scheduled for March 2015.

Sikuliaq is the first vessel in the U.S. academic research fleet capable of breaking through sea ice up to 2.5 feet thick, making it uniquely capable of conducting polar and sub-polar research.

The ship will allow researchers to collect sediment samples directly from the seafloor, host remotely operated vehicles and use a suite of winches to raise and lower science equipment throughout the water column.

The vessel is equipped with an array of sonar systems for mapping not only the ocean floor but also biomasses and ocean currents within the water column.

NSF announced funding for the vessel five years ago as the first major project funded from NSF’s portion of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

The total cost for the project is \$200 million.

The ship was designed by The Glostien Associates, marine architects located in Seattle, and built by Marinette Marine Corp. of Marinette, Wisconsin.



Photo courtesy ADEC

OIL SHEEN— The Alaska DEC reported an oilsheen seen off the seawall at Shishmaref. The source of the product release is unknown.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, June 12

*Weekly Women’s Circle	Prematernal Home	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 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.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Thrft Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, June 13

*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.
*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.
*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, June 14

*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 15

*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
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Monday, June 16

*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, June 17

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

Wednesday, June 18

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

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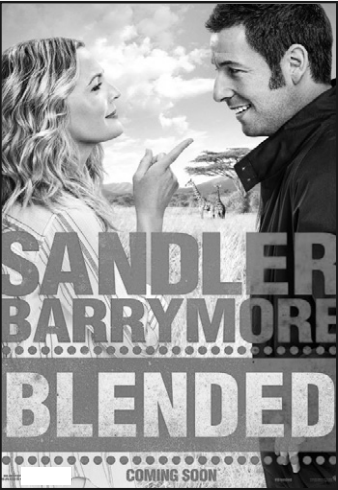
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Days of Future Past  
4:00 p.m. & 9:30 p.m.



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Photo by Diana Haecker

**NO FEAR—** Muskoxen frequenting Nome have lost fear of people, like this bull browsing close to Icy View.

## • Muskox

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recounted the joy Bernard brought when he joined the family and became the leader of the Samuelsons' sled dog team. "After we got him, that guy used to bark outside the window at 6:30 every night. He was living the training schedule Jeff set out for him. He was teaching us," she said.

"He told us 6:30 was time to go on the evening run," Gary said. "He was an exceptional leader for us. He was a humble fun guy to have around."

"We feel by this murder by the muskox that he took it for the team. He was a hero. None of the other four dogs was hurt. They didn't get touched," Laura said.

The tears came.

Laura and Gary stood up and summoned a visitor to their window looking on the back yard of their riverside home on Nome's Port Road. Their dogs relax in the quiet evening, only a few feet away from the Samuelson's house near the river.

Suddenly the dogs begin to sing, heads to the sky with mouths made round to howl a sendoff to the evening jet heading to Anchorage. "They are all singing soprano," the visitor quips.

"Bernard had the deeper voice," Gary Samuelson said.

Now that voice is silent. Laura points to a circle of fresh earth with an empty dog chain coming from the center. That's where Bernard's house used to be.

Sunday over a week ago, the Samuelsons went to bed around 11 p.m. after they watched a herd—about 18— of the short-legged, stocky, hairy muskox that hang out by their place, go up and over a small hill to the west. That herd has a couple of large old bulls guarding its harem. Gary Samuelson, on occasion, had to fire up his red Jeep to chase them away from the house.

Bernard had been developing hind end issues affecting his legs.

"He was slow that night. He was 13 years old. If something came after him, it would take him a bit to get inside his house," Gary Samuelson said.

"We are perplexed. We did not hear a ruckus," he said. "We hear everything. We have Jafet inside the house. If he hears something, he will jump on the bed and wake us up—moose, muskox, and loose dogs running by."

"This time, nothing. Jafet remained asleep. We remained asleep. We think it happened about 3:30, 4 o'clock in the morning. We're stunned that we heard nothing, no barking," Gary Samuelson said.

The Samuelsons woke early Monday, June 2, and looking through their window to the dogs, saw blood in the yard—a lot of blood.

Gary went out to investigate and returned sickened. Bernard was in his house, gutted and dead. Parts of his body lay on the ground between Bernard's house and the Samuelsons' house.

"It was a horrific scene. It was terrible. I've never experienced in my family history a situation—a tragedy like this. I was not prepared for this. It was so heart wrenching," Gary said.

Laura documented the scene with her camera. Gary cannot look at these pictures.

"Bernard was gutted like a moose," Laura said.

"We have a warning for people who think that muskox aren't going to attack their dog. The fact is, if you have a single dog out on a chain by your house, like in Icyview or east end [where muskox are thick] or whatever, you're vulnerable. That muskox will walk over there, a half-mile, or a block, and it will tear up your dog," Gary Samuelson declared. "If you think it's not going to happen to you, it will happen to you. Sooner or later, it will happen to you."

Muskox have harassed, knocked about doghouses, killed or seriously injured dogs in at least a dozen families over the past few years. One owner came out and found his dog's body pulverized. This year, the problem continues and seems to be getting worse with a greater number of more aggressive muskox lounging and grazing within Nome's city limits. Muskox fear and hate dogs because they resemble wolves, their natural enemies.

Both cows and bulls have horns, but the bulls' horns are heavier and stronger, according to biologists.

Mature bulls are about 5 feet high at the shoulder and weigh 600-800 pounds. Cows are smaller, averaging approximately 4 feet in height and weighing 400-500 pounds.

"The horns are lethal and very efficient—only one dip of the horn into the gut and the dog is disemboweled," Gary Samuelson said.

Some residents feel the town is under siege from muskox that are causing them to change their summer lifestyles.

"Everywhere I go, I never know where they are. I know they are everywhere in town," Mercie McGuffy said. "They are like a real danger affecting my life. It's scary."

McGuffy has been working out on her bicycle to prepare for an athletic event in July.

Saturday a week ago, she set out to ride to the Nome River Bridge.

"When I was coming to the Beam Road turnoff, I saw two muskox. I thought to myself I could ride real fast by them. When I got up to them, there were about 30. There I am, worried out of my mind. It was fearsome. I turned around and got out of there."

When McGuffy tried another route, the "loop route" past the high school, they were out there too," she said.

"What's most concerning to me is little kids are not aware of the danger when wild animals are coming right up to our doors," she said.

Indeed, there have been numerous reports of brown bears following moose and muskox into town. Biologists say the muskox are coming to town to shield their young from predators; that is to say, bears are driving the confrontation between residents, their dogs and muskoxen.

Two years ago the state Dept. of Fish and Game increased the numbers of muskox that could be taken, but for the sake of public safety, limited the weapon used to bow and arrow in the Nome city limits.

Some people say that the bag limit should be increased to reduce the numbers. Game biologists say there has already been a drop in the muskox population.

Gary Samuelson feels that the muskoxen over the years have become too comfortable in town, that they should be made to feel less comfortable, that town cannot be a haven for avoiding predation.

That idea is finding popularity among those who fear for family and pets.

They would like to see muskox harvested and the meat distributed to elders, especially from muskox harvested under the "defense of life and property" principle.

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ministration at the end of this week to discuss the "What now?" for funding the lease space and common areas Kawerak desires for the Beringia Center.

Earlier in the year, the Council also decided to include the core and shell for the three parts—museum, library and Beringia center, in the base bid and treat the Kawerak build-out as an additive alternate. If Kawerak did not obtain funding, that space could provide storage for library and museum operations and be available for program expansion, according to thinking shared by councilmembers and members of the Nome Museum and Library Commission at a joint meeting.

To expedite construction and get started this season, the Council decided to break the construction package into five bid packages. The bids are in for all five packages. The total project budget stands at \$19,150,700 for a full program building including Kawerak's lease space.

A memorandum from Randy Romenesko and Kendall Gee of DOWL HKM and Brian Meissner of architects ECI/Hyer provided to Bahnke states that savings and reductions have allowed the budget to drop to \$19.2 million, as requested by the Council.

The memorandum details the fol-

lowing adjustments to the budget:

- Deferring costs associated with Kawerak's tenant improvements.
- Reducing the project contingency from \$1.3 million to \$600,000 since the City's risk has been lowered, because site work has been bid and is under contract; a highly competitive general contractor selection has selected ASRC SKW Eskimos who provided a guaranteed maximum price for construction; and SKW's guaranteed maximum price includes \$218,000 in construction contingency.

To eke out a building to house all three functions, planners also decided to drop exhibits and shelving for the time being.

The Council, in passing the resolution to hire SKW has issued a Notice to Proceed on preconstruction activities during which time the Council can beat the brush for ways to save money on design and construction.

Because the project design is at 65 percent completion, with advance purchases of construction purchases on the way, it is not good thinking to erase Kawerak's 3,300 sq. ft. from the blueprints, say project managers.

They hope that on the way to 100 percent design they can figure a solution to having a museum, library and Beringia Center despite a \$3 million plus deficiency in funds.

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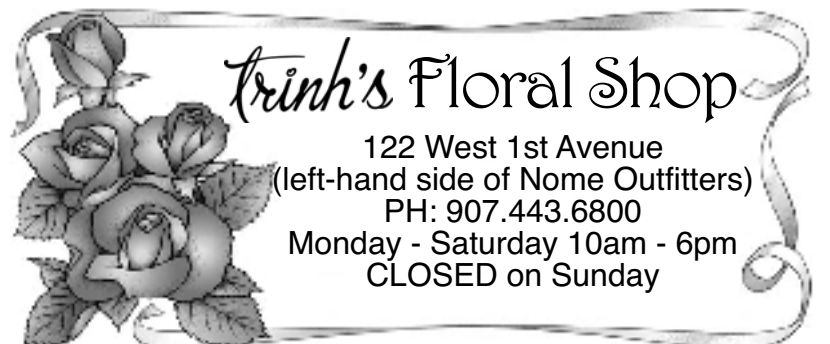
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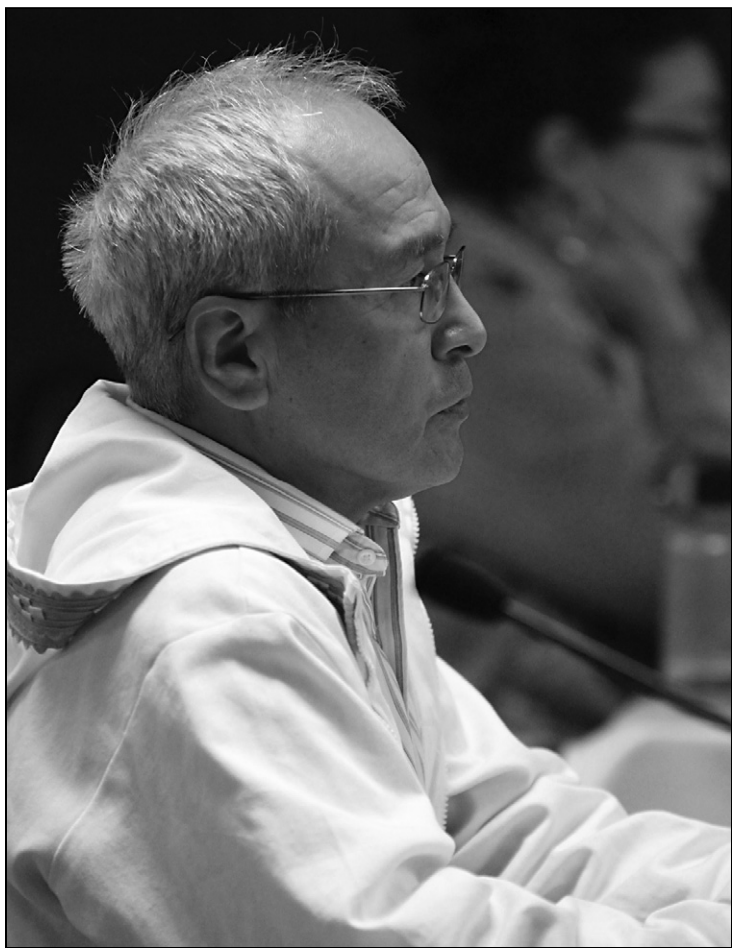
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**LISTENING (top)**— North Pacific Fisheries Management Council members Dan Hull and Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Commissioner Cora Campbell listen to public testimony given during the NPFMC meeting on Friday, June 6, at the Mini Convention Center in Nome.

**TESTIFYING (left)**— Roy Ashenfelter of Nome testified to the NPFMC on Friday, June 6.

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The department will reopen marine waters in the Shaktoolik and Unalakleet subdistricts for chum salmon directed fishing for one 24-hour period June 16 for gillnets with a mesh size of 6 inches or less and will announce subsequent weekly openings on Mondays. For freshwater areas, the department will announce one 36-hour beach seine subsistence opening per week beginning June 23. Any Chinook salmon incidentally captured in beach seines while targeting other salmon must be immediately returned to the water alive.

### Feds focus on Chinook

The A-Y-K Chinook salmon stock crisis took center stage last week at the North Pacific Fishery Management Council meeting in Nome. In 2009 the council approved a Chinook salmon management plan for the pollock fishery that was implemented in 2011 as Amendment 91 to the Bering Sea Aleutian Islands fishery management plan. Development of Amendment 91 was triggered by a pollock fishery bycatch of about 120,000 Chinook salmon in 2007.

At that time, Chinook taken in pollock trawl nets were returned dead to the sea. Amendment 91 requires that all salmon taken as by-

catch in the pollock fishery be retained.

Amendment 91 makes a 60,000 Chinook salmon Prohibited Species Catch (PSC) available to the American Fisheries Act sectors whose members voluntarily participate in an incentive plan agreement (IPA) approved by the National Marine Fisheries Service and that meet a Chinook salmon bycatch performance standard with a 47,591 Chinook PSC limit.

The PSC limit is allocated seasonally—70 percent in the pollock fishery A season that starts in January and 30 percent to the B season that begins in June. The seasonal PSC limits are allocated among four AFA sectors—the trawl catcher/processor sector, the mothership sector, the inshore sector and the Community Development Quota Program based on percentages specified in regulation. Allocations to the inshore sector are in turn allocated among the inshore cooperatives and the inshore open access fishery. Allocations to the CDQ Program are allocated among the six CDQ entities. Chinook salmon PSC allocated to the sectors, inshore cooperative or CDQ groups is transferable under circumstances specified in regulation.

An IPA is a voluntary private contractual agreement among vessel

owners, CDQ groups or both to avoid Chinook salmon bycatch at all levels of Chinook abundance and salmon encounter rates. The 47,591 PSC limit applies to any sector that exceeds its Chinook salmon bycatch performance standard. The performance standard requires that if any sector fishing under the 60,000 Chinook PSC limit exceeds its share of 47,591 Chinook in three of seven consecutive years, that sector will be allocated a portion of the 47,591 limit in all future years. A Salmon Savings Incentive Program rewards vessels with credits for avoiding Chinook bycatch.

Last week, the council reviewed a staff discussion paper that (1) evaluates the regulatory changes needed to incorporate Bering Sea chum salmon bycatch management into the Chinook Salmon IPAs and (2) evaluates possible measures to refine the current Chinook salmon bycatch man-

agement program either by regulatory measures or by incorporating more provisions in the IPAs. The council also received feedback on mechanisms for modifying Chinook bycatch management within IPAs in a paper and in oral reports from IPA representatives. They were asked to provide input on inclusion of the following five items within the IPAs in contrast to making these changes by regulatory means.

1. Requiring modification of IPAs to include restrictions or penalties targeted at vessels that consistently have the highest Chinook salmon PSC rates relative to other vessels fishing at the same time.
2. Requiring use of salmon excluder devices at times of year in which Chinook salmon encounter rates are relatively high.
3. Requiring a lower base rate beginning September.
4. Provisions to shorten the pol-

lock season to end when pollock catch rates significantly decline and Chinook salmon PSC rates increase in October.

5. Closing the fishery to a sector (or cooperative) if the sector's (or cooperative's) weekly Chinook salmon PSC rate exceeds a specified rate in September and/or October.

The staff discussion paper cited evidence of positive behavioral changes by the pollock fleet in response to Amendment 91.

"Bycatch rates (Chinook salmon per ton of pollock) have declined overall in all sectors since the 2004-2007 historically high period," the paper notes. The paper also notes that bycatch rates in October 2011 were the second highest by month after 2007. A table in the report shows Chinook salmon bycatch by sector from 2011-2013 and vessels

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**LONG MEETINGS**—NPFMC Chair Eric Olson listens to public testimony given on Friday, June 8, after the council had already met all week long in Nome.

**TESTIMONY**— Louie Green Jr. delivered testimony to the North Pacific Fishery Management Council. *Photos by Diana Haecker*

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ranked in order of highest bycatch rate.

“Operationally, the decision on when to begin fishing in the summer season appears to drive a vessel’s relative rank,” the paper states. “Vessels which begin fishing earlier, finished earlier in the summer and had the lowest relative rank for Chinook bycatch. In contrast, those who were still fishing into October had higher rates and correspondingly consistently ranked worse. Some behavioral changes have been observed in the relative timing of fishing in these vessels since program inception and an improvement in their relative ranking.”

### Council receives testimony

Individuals from salmon dependent communities in the A-Y-K region and organizations that represent them submitted written and oral testimony to the council. They asked for significant reductions in the 60,000 Chinook bycatch limit and 47,591 PSC performance standard in light of historically low levels of salmon abundance throughout the region.

They expressed fear that a spike in bycatch could devastate their severely diminished Chinook runs. Noting that Chinook subsistence fisheries are closed throughout the A-Y-K region for the first time in history, they said it is unjust for them to bear the entire burden of Chinook salmon conservation while pollock fishermen are allowed such a high Chinook bycatch limit.

Some of those who testified recalled fish camp experiences rich with cultural, social and economic benefits when vibrant Chinook runs throughout the A-Y-K region supported abundant commercial and

subsistence harvests, in contrast to the economic hardship, poor nutrition, and loss of cultural traditions and family and community unity they suffer in the absence of Chinook.

The Association of Village Council Presidents, Bering Sea Fishermen’s Assn., Kawerak, Inc., Tanana Chiefs Conference and Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Assn., which collectively represent 118 communities in the A-Y-K region, submitted a letter asking the council to (1) reduce the overall Chinook bycatch hard cap from 60,000 to 20,000 fish and the performance standard cap without incentive programs from 47,591 to 14,500 fish, and (2) adopt regulatory provisions to shorten the pollock season end date when Chinook salmon bycatch rates increase while pollock catch rates decline in late September and October.

In regard to the Yukon River Chinook run, the letter notes: “The escapement goal for Canadian origin stocks (which make up approximately 50 percent of the run) mandated by the Yukon River Salmon Agreement and agreed upon by the Yukon River Panel, have only been met in two of the last eight years (the goal was met in 2009 and 2011). The 2013 escapement of 30,275 was well below the goal (42,500-55,000 Chinook salmon) and the lowest on record.”

“The Association of Village Council Presidents and the Tanana Chiefs Conference with tremendous leadership have come together, and we have river-wide agreement on a moratorium on Chinook salmon fishing this year,” said Becca Robbins Gisclair, executive director of the Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Assn. “We’re not pointing fingers at the pollock fishery—nobody’s pointing fingers at who caused the de-

clines. But I think the job for all of us is what we can do to help salmon rebuild. At this point all that we can control is the harvest, and in 2014 effectively 100 percent of the harvests of Yukon and Kuskokwim Chinook salmon is allocated to the pollock fishery. And I would present that as well as being a conservation issue, that’s also patently unfair.”

Gisclair told the council she appreciates the pollock industry’s efforts to achieve Chinook bycatch reduction. “I feel we’d be in a much worse situation if they weren’t putting all the effort into it that they are,” she added. She also said neither the staff analysis of ideas the council put forth to further reduce salmon bycatch nor the industry feedback on the suggestions provide a sense that many of the ideas will achieve the hoped-for bycatch reductions.

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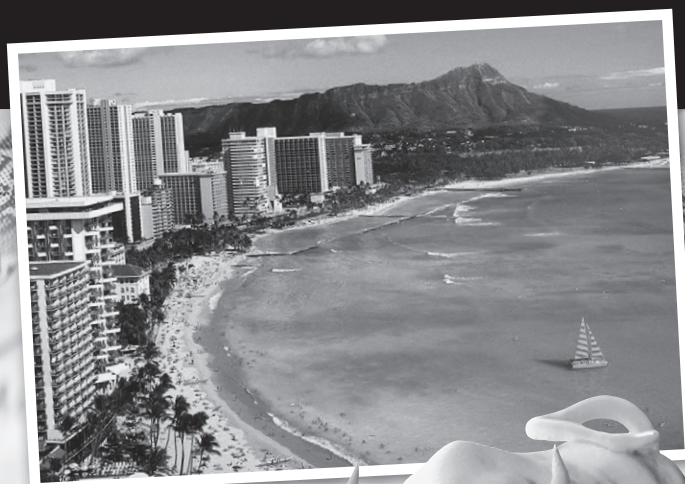
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GETTING READY FOR A NEW FISHING SEASON — The fishing vessel *Anchor Point* was one of the first vessels in the water; it docked at the Nome Small Boat Harbor on June 2.

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“To be quite frank, I think the proposals that have come forth at this meeting are a band-aid for a gaping head wound, and I think that we need to go a lot further than what’s been put on the table,” she said. “We’re at a point where just tweaking what we have is not enough, and we don’t have the time to wait for more proposals.” Every salmon counts, she added.

Gislair asked the council to move forward with a problem statement and an analysis with a range of alternatives presented in the minority report of the council’s Advisory Panel, including an abundance-based cap on Chinook bycatch, if that’s possible. “I think linking a cap to in-river abundance would be the best option,” she said. “If it’s not (possible), I also suggest looking at simply lowering the performance standard and the overall cap to address the current state in-river.”

Testimony presented to the council by pollock industry representatives generally favored an industry proposal submitted to the council in October 2013 to incorporate chum bycatch management into Amendment 91 IPAs to provide a higher level of bycatch reduction for chum salmon of Alaskan origin and the flexibility to continue to avoid Chinook when Chinook bycatch encounters increase after Sept. 1.

### Council adopts motion

The council unanimously approved a motion by Commissioner Cora Campbell, Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game. The motion as approved by the council has a couple of amendments not included in the following original motion.

The council initiates an analysis of Chinook and chum salmon bycatch management measures in the Bering Sea pollock fishery with the following purpose and needs statement and alternatives.

Purpose and needs statement: The current chum salmon bycatch reduction program under Amendment 84 does not meet the council’s objectives to prioritize Chinook salmon bycatch avoidance while preventing high chum salmon bycatch and focusing on avoidance of Alaska chum salmon stocks and allow flexibility to harvest pollock in times and places that best support these goals.

Incorporating chum salmon avoidance through the Incentive Plan Agreements should more effectively meet those objectives by allowing for the establishment of chum measures through a program that is sufficiently flexible to adapt to changing conditions quickly.

Chinook salmon are an extremely important resource to Alaskans who depend on local fisheries for their sustenance and livelihood. Multiple years of historically low Chinook salmon abundance have resulted in

significant restrictions for subsistence users in western Alaska and failure to achieve conservation objectives.

The current Chinook bycatch reduction program under Amendment 91 was designed to minimize bycatch to the extent practicable in all years under all conditions of salmon abundance and pollock abundance. While Chinook salmon bycatch impact rates have been low under the program, there is evidence that improvements could be made to ensure the program is reducing Chinook salmon bycatch at low levels of salmon abundance. This could include measures to avoid salmon late in the year and to strengthen incentives across both seasons, either through revision to the IPAs or regulations.

### Alternatives

Alternative 1: No action.

Alternative 2: Remove BSAI Amendment 84 regulations and incorporate chum salmon avoidance

into the Amendment 91 Incentive Plan Agreements. Revise the regulations to include associated reporting requirements for chum salmon. Revise regulations to include chum salmon bycatch avoidance as follows:

Description of the incentive plan. The IPA must contain a written description of the following.

The incentives that will be implemented under the IPA for the operator of each vessel participating in the IPA to avoid Chinook salmon and chum salmon bycatch under any condition of pollock and Chinook salmon abundance in all years.

The incentives to avoid chum salmon should not increase Chinook salmon bycatch.

The rewards for avoiding Chinook salmon, penalties for failure to avoid Chinook salmon at the vessel level or both.

How the incentive measures in the IPA are expected to promote reductions in a vessel’s Chinook salmon and chum salmon bycatch rates rela-

tive to what would have occurred in absence of the incentive program.

How the incentive measures in the IPA promote Chinook salmon savings and chum salmon savings in any condition of pollock abundance or Chinook salmon abundance in a manner that is expected to influence operational decisions by vessel operators and avoid Chinook salmon and chum salmon.

How the IPA ensures that the operator of each vessel governed by the IPA will manage that vessel’s Chinook salmon bycatch to keep total bycatch below the performance standard described in paragraph F6 of this section for the sector in which that vessel participates.

How the IPA ensures that the operator of each vessel governed by the IPA will manage that vessel’s chum salmon bycatch to avoid areas and times where the chum salmon are likely to return to western Alaska.

Alternative 3: Revise federal reg-

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ulations to require that IPAs include the following provisions.

Option 1: Restrictions or penalties targeted at vessels that consistently have significantly higher Chinook salmon PSC rates relative to other vessels fishing at the same time. Include a requirement to enter a fishery-wide in-season PSC data sharing agreement.

Option 2: Required use of salmon excluder devices with recognition of contingencies. Suboption: Required

use of salmon excluder devices with recognition of contingencies from Jan. 20 through March 31 and Sept. 1 until the end of the B season.

Option 3: A Rolling Hot Spot Program that operates throughout the entire A and B seasons.

Option 4: Salmon savings credits last for a maximum of three years.

Alternative 4: Revise the Bering Sea fishery pollock seasons.

Option 1: Change the start date of the Bering Sea pollock B season to June 1.

Option 2: Shorten the Bering Sea

pollock fishery to end on Oct. 1 or Oct. 15.

Alternative 5: Revise federal regulations to lower the performance standard under Amendment 91 in years of low Chinook salmon abundance for the options below. Low abundance is defined as less than or equal to 500,000 Chinook salmon based on the total Chinook salmon run size index of the coastal western Alaska aggregate stock in an option of a year or an average of two years. Sectors that exceed the applicable performance standard in three out of

seven years will be held to their proportion of the hard cap of 47,591 in perpetuity.

Option 1: A 25 percent reduction or 36,693.

Option 2: A 60 percent reduction or 19,036.

Suboption: Apply the reduction of 25 percent or 60 percent to the B season portion of the performance standard. Analysts should also provide data and considerations to inform an approach to differentially apply the reduction in the performance standard among the CV, CP and mother-

ship sectors under Alternative 5. Analysts should also develop and include recommended changes to federal reporting requirements that would be necessary to evaluate the effectiveness of any of the alternatives.

### Eric Olson's term ending

Several of those who testified at the meeting expressed praise and deep appreciation to council chairman Eric Olson for his years of service. Olson's term as a council member is ending.

## NPFMC tackles chum bycatch plan

By Laurie McNicholas

Following is a summary of lengthy efforts by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to develop a chum salmon bycatch management plan for the Bering Sea pollock fishery. The summary is derived from a staff discussion paper on Bering Sea Chinook and chum salmon bycatch management as presented to the council during its meeting last week in Nome.

Chum salmon bycatch in the pollock fishery peaked at about 700,000 fish in 2005. A majority of chum taken as bycatch in the fishery originate in hatcheries in Asia and Russia. Work on a plan to reduce chum bycatch began after the council approved a Chinook bycatch management plan for the pollock fishery (Amendment 91), which was implemented in 2011.

The council reviewed three different drafts of environmental assessments of chum bycatch management measures in 2011 and 2012. However, each alternative was estimated to slow down the pollock fishery in the B season, which tended to increase Chinook salmon bycatch. While chum salmon bycatch tends to be taken in higher amounts in late July to early August, Chinook bycatch rises in September and October when chum bycatch is lower. So efforts to reduce chum bycatch earlier in the summer that increase fishing pressure later in the B season can increase Chinook salmon bycatch.

Chum bycatch in the pollock fishery currently is managed under Amendment 84 with a voluntary

Inter-cooperative Agreement (ICA) among fleet participants and a rolling hot spot (RHS) program in which the fleet adheres to short-term closures in discrete areas of the Bering Sea when observed bycatch is high. The original ICA prior to Amendment 91 included provisions to stop chum closures regardless of the bycatch base rate when Chinook encounters were high, allowing for maximum flexibility to avoid Chinook late in the B season. When the Amendment 84 regulations were revised under Amendment 91, all references to Chinook in the regulations were removed including this flexibility.

In December 2012 the council asked each sector of the pollock fishery to provide a proposal detailing how it would incorporate a western Alaska chum salmon avoidance program with vessel level accountability in their existing Chinook IPA for council review. In October 2013 the council received a combined industry proposal for incorporating chum into the IPAs along with a staff discussion paper.

The industry's objectives are to provide a higher level of bycatch reduction for chum of Alaskan origin and the flexibility to continue to avoid Chinook when Chinook bycatch encounters increase after September 1.

The council's latest efforts to develop effective methods to manage chum salmon bycatch in the pollock fishery are described in the accompanying story, "State and federal fishery managers focus on Chinook salmon crisis."



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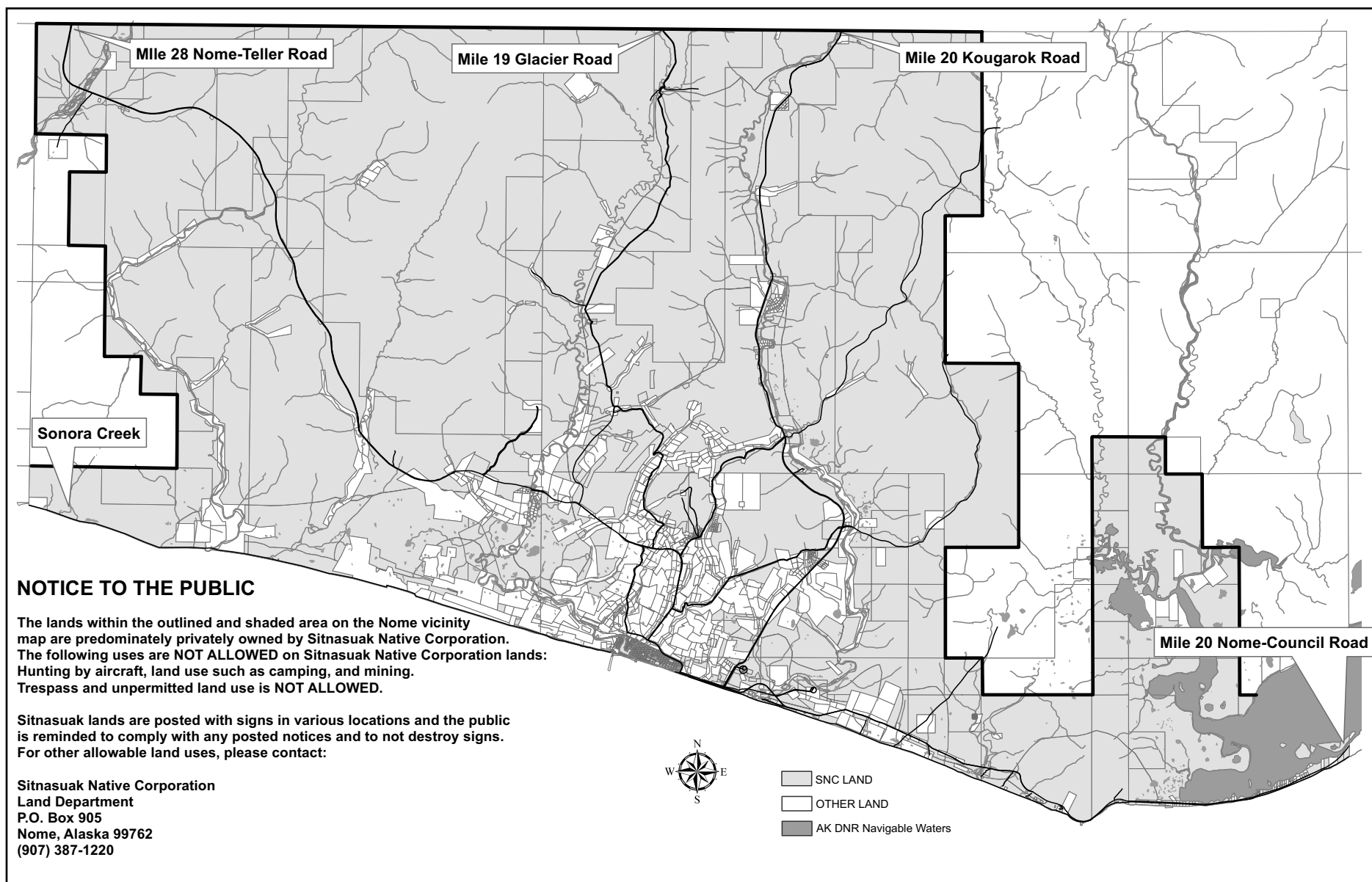
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# School Board agrees to explore new food service

By Kristine McRae

At their regular meeting last Tuesday evening the Nome School Board continued discussions about a proposed program that would offer the district's students a full breakfast and lunch service. Business Manager Paula Coffman assured board members that the district would see little, if any, change to current costs if they were to contract the food service management to NANA Management Services. The NMS is jointly owned by NANA Development Corporation and the international contract service company Sudexo. Bruce Turner with NMS attended the meeting to talk about implementation of the program and to answer questions about the services, which are offered in several districts around the state. Turner explained that his company is able to purchase fresher foods more cost effectively. "We can offer more fresh fruits and vegetables," Tanner said, "and we include heritage meals [like] caribou stew and Russian

meals. The other piece we bring is the breakfast program, which allows us to utilize staff efficiently all day." Turner added that he has seen enrollment increase in schools that offer breakfast, and that teachers report the students are more alert and ready to learn.

Currently the district spends almost \$30,000 for the cold, snack-breakfast at the elementary school, and it's not offered consistently. The Nome-Beltz Jr./Sr. High School doesn't offer a breakfast program. The proposal is for a full menu at both schools, and the district would still receive the grants and commodities benefits it currently gets as reimbursement from state and federal programs.

Existing and new employees in the kitchen would technically work for NANA, under the guidelines for the proposal, and a manager would frequent the schools to help with training and ordering. Board members peppered Tanner and Coffman

with questions specific to the cost-benefit analysis surrounding the figures, which are essentially \$5.57 for a lunch and \$4.60 for breakfast. Coffman used the following scenario to clarify the cost and the grant savings in one month: "Say we serve 1,000 meals a month. That's \$6,600 for lunches, but during that month we used \$1,000 of our grants. That money comes off of our invoice before we are charged."

Board member Barb Nickels voiced several concerns surrounding the proposal including the increased cost to kids who don't qualify for the free or reduced lunch subsidy, having outside staff running the kitchens, implementing a new and possibly costly program at a time when the district is having to make cuts, and the number of children whose families would take advantage of the breakfast service.

Currently 75 percent of Nome students are eligible for free lunch, 9 percent qualify for reduced, and 19

percent pay full price. Board president Betsy Brennan shared that she had a discussion with a teacher in which she asked what he thought about a breakfast program. "His eyes lit up," Brennan said, "He thought it would improve attendance and make the kids more ready to learn." There are studies that show benefits of eating breakfast for students include improved grades, increased concentration, and weight maintenance.

A full breakfast program at the elementary school would demand a bit of rescheduling to give the children time to eat before class starts, but Superintendent Gast was confident that they could make small adjustments in daily routines that would allow for food without compromising actually "seat time."

In the end the board voted, 3 to 1, to approve the exploration of an agreement between Nome Public Schools and NANA management services. An actual contract will be reviewed and voted upon before the

changes will take effect, but the plan is to have the new program ready to go when school starts.

In other school news, Mrs. Bushey reported that overall attendance at the elementary school was between 80 and 90 percent all year, and that the majority of tardies, while still a problem, were less than five minutes. Gast told the board that the Capital Improvements Project to the HVC system at the high school is moving forward, and that the Anvil City Science Academy remodel is also moving forward as scheduled.

After last week's announcement that the district will again receive funding from the City that is on par with the last several years, board members breathed easier about upcoming staffing issues. Although they still foresee having to dip into the fund balance (savings), positions like the pre-k teachers and kindergarten aides appear to be safe.



Photo by Diana Haecker

**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**— Quality Asphalt and Paving project Superintendent Duke Dille marks the runway safety area which is to be improved this summer with a red marker. QAP and the State DOT will hold weekly updates on the project throughout the summer on Friday afternoons.



**WORK MEETING**— DOT's Tony Cox, QAP superintendent Duke Dille, QAP project manager Max Vockner, QAP project engineer Matt Schram and DOT's Vanessa Musich began a series of public meetings last Friday, at the Council Chambers, to update the public on the airport's runway safety improvement projects. The runway safety area project began a few weeks ago with the building of a construction access road off Center Creek road.

## Airport runway improvements underway

By Diana Haecker

The State of Alaska Dept. of Transportation and Quality Asphalt Paving, the contractor for the Runway Safety Area improvements to the Nome International Airport, updated the public last Friday on the status of the two-year project.

The DOT and QAP will conduct those update meetings every Friday at 3 p.m. in the Council chambers at City Hall.

The project will bring the two runways at the Nome airport in compliance with FAA runway safety regulations.

This year, work will be done on the crosswind runway, running north-south.

The north end of the runway is referred to as threshold 21. That's where work is slated to begin this week with temporary shortening of the runway by 1,500 feet to 4,000 feet. In case of a severe crosswind, jets won't be able to use the runway.

However, Airport Manager Bob Madden said he does not expect any more delays than the usual bad weather issues. Madden said last

year's lessons – when a runway closure coincided with a six-day spell of bad weather and fog – were well learned. There will be limited closure times and plenty of notification to runway users and the public, Madden said.

When the safety improvements are done, QAP project superintendent Duke Dille explained, the paved runways will still have the same length, but with longer and wider RSAs. Past the paved runways on the crosswind and main runway thresholds 3, 21 and 28, there will be an additional area of gravel, so that planes still can recover without dropping into the tundra. At runway threshold 10, the west end of the main runway, the Snake River will be slightly rerouted. QAP will install a so-called EMAS, an engineered materials arrestor system to slow planes in case of overshooting the runway. This is scheduled for next year.

QAP began pouring gravel to create a construction access road from Center Creek Road to Nome Gold land. The contractor asked the public to not go there to walk their dogs be-

cause it will be a very busy place this summer with heavy equipment traffic. "It's an active construction area," said QAP project Max Vockner.

It will also be necessary to reroute the northern part of Center Creek. Heavy equipment arrived on the first

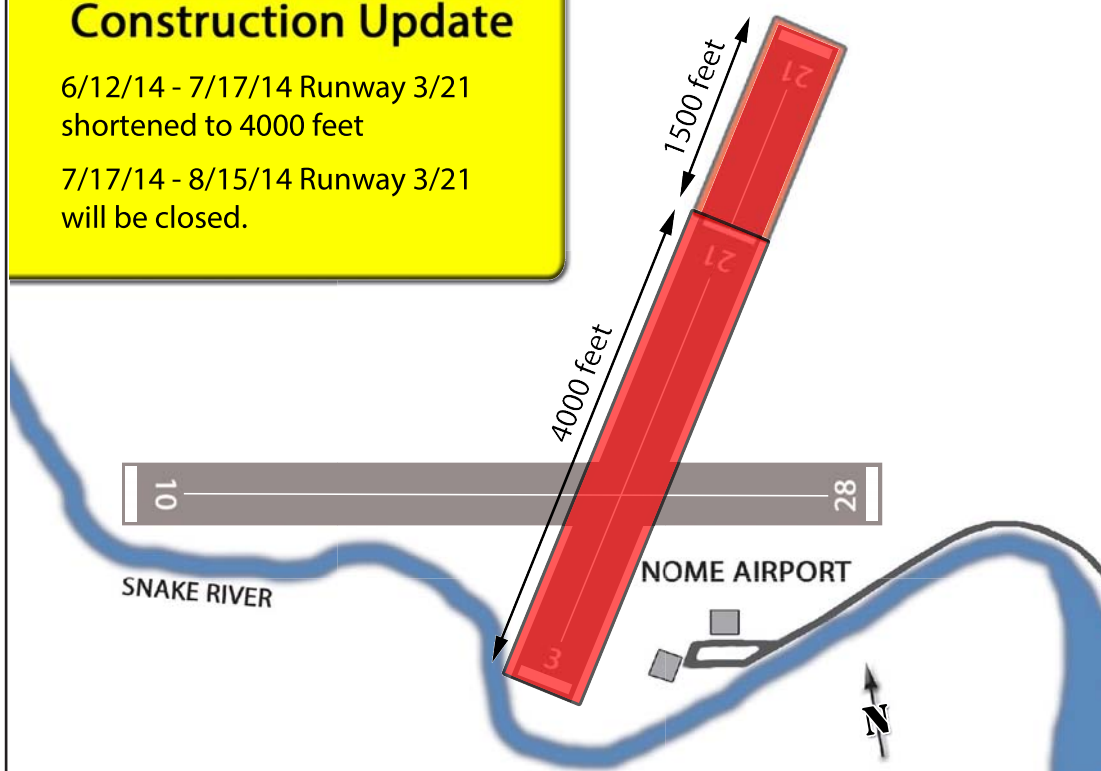
barge to excavate a new channel for the creek and to later excavate tundra to extend the RSA. The flow of the creek will continue under Center Creek Road in the same location, as well as at the access road leading to the National Guard Hangar.

Present at the update meeting were DOT&PF project manager Tony Cox, DOT&PF project engineer Vanessa Musich, DOT&PF airport manager Bob Madden, QAP Project Manager Max Vockner and QAP Project Engineer Matt Schram.

### Nome Airport Construction Update

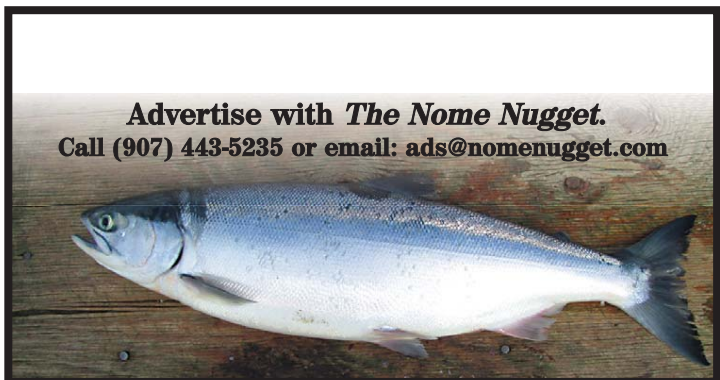
6/12/14 - 7/17/14 Runway 3/21 shortened to 4000 feet

7/17/14 - 8/15/14 Runway 3/21 will be closed.



For more information or to receive weekly email updates please contact QAP Project Engineer, Max Vockner at 529-0472 or DOT Project Engineer, Vanessa Musich at 443-3424.

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# Planning panel eyes east end stop signs

**Sandra L. Medearis**

The Nome Planning Commission decided to take a close look at traffic at the intersection of Fourth Avenue and East H Street in response to a request from citizen Kat Lee for stop signs.

"A lot of people are speeding through that long stretch," Greg Smith, building inspector observed during the NPC meeting June 3.

Slow down on putting up stop signs, Commissioner Charlie Weiss advised.

"Let's go look rather than grab an intersection and say we need stop signs," he said, adding that he would

like to talk to the Nome Police Dept. and the City's Public Works department.

The Commission voted unanimously to table the question pending more research.

The good people who would stop for a stop sign are the ones who are not speeding, Commissioner Ken Hughes offered.

Commissioner John Odden suggested that if people were speeding in the area, that Nome Police Dept. enforce the speed limit.

In other business the Commission voted unanimously to approve a preliminary plat for Sons Subdivision,

contingent on a list of work orders. Nikolai A. Ivanoff owns the project that lies along Dexter Bypass Road and comprises five or six building lots.

The NPC has fine-tooth combed the application for some time with

the help of John Bles, the City's acting city engineer and Greg Smith, building inspector. The process has involved looking at lot sizes, boundary markers, percolation testing for septic system viability, conformation to zoning laws and making labels on

the plat map perfectly clear. Both Bles and the City's staff recommendations favored approval. Now the City and Ivanoff can move ahead toward a final subdivision plat.



SPRINGTIME— Flowers dot the brown hillsides around Nome.



Photos by Nils Hahn

FLOWERS— Warmer temperatures and lots of sunshine brought the tundra around Nome to life.



DELICATE BEAUTY— Tiny flowers require close observation.



TINY— This tiny flower looks towards the subarctic sky.



BLUE BEAUTY— The Seward Peninsula tundra is dotted with flowers of all shades and shapes.

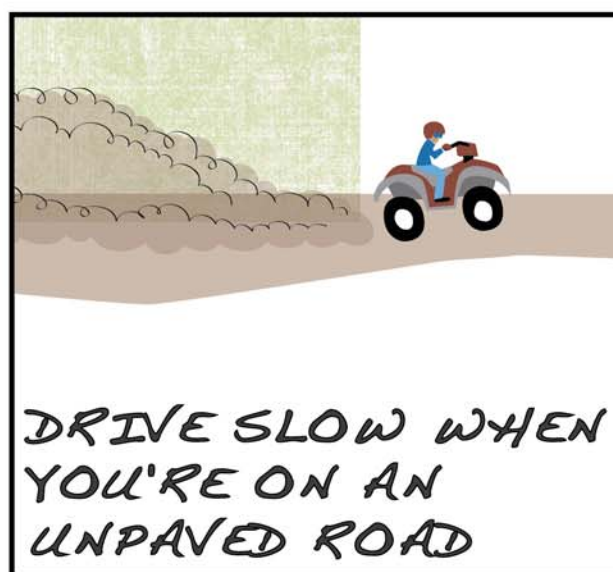
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**LAPLAND ROSEBAY**— Lapland rosebay is a Rhododendron species that grows on the hills and mountains of the Seward Peninsula.



**MOUNTAIN AVENS**— Mountain avens are a circumpolar species belonging to the rose family.



**FRIGID SHOOTING STAR**— Frigid June temperatures brought out this purple beauty on June 7 just outside of Nome.



*Photos by Nils Hahn*

**BIRDERS**— First-time Nome birders and brothers Chris Dunford of Davis, CA, left, and Dave Dunford of Tucson, AZ, look for feathered friends along Greg Kruschek Avenue on June 6.



**SEE WHAT I SEE?**— Nome birding expert Peter Bente, left, talks about the local avian landscape along Greg Kruschek Avenue in Nome on June 6.



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**ON YOUR RIGHT**— Nome-Beltz XC runner Wilson Hoogendorn passes fellow runner Bryant Hammond on his way to the exchange zone at the Nome Rec Center on June 8.

## Another Stroke-n-Croak Triathlon for the Annals of History

By Kirsten Bey

Last Sunday, 17 people participated in the annual Stroke-n-Croak Triathlon. The air temperature was a chilly 40°F with the wind bringing the temperature down to 35°F. It wasn't raining so no one complained about the weather. In addition to the regular spectators, a musk ox watched as the runners and bikers passed Icy View. Fortunately, the musk ox was more interested in grazing than participating in the race.

One participant entertained spectators at the Rec Center with some awesome breakdancing moves — spinning on his head. Parents, get your kids in Joey Fonseca's Summer exercise sessions and they are bound to have fun learning lots of healthy habits.

The Geddes- McCoy family came from Anchorage to participate in this event walking away (well, really swimming, running and biking away) with the fastest time for a family.

Phil Hofstetter again had the fastest overall time.

Bryant Hammond was just 5 seconds behind him after the swim.

Winners for the various categories are:

gories are:

Fastest time overall: Phil Hofstetter (1: 23:49). Fastest family: Kevin McCoy, Isabelle Geddes-McCoy, Mary Geddes (2:04:09). Fastest male team: Jeff Collins, Wilson Hoogendorn, Oliver Hoogendorn (1:26:00). Fastest female team: Rachael Scholten, Bianca Trowbridge, Jannelle Trowbridge (1:55:55). Fastest male 20 – 29 years of age: Joey Fonseca (2:10:50). Fastest female 20 – 29 years of age: Jessie Miller (2:21:49). Fastest male 30 – 39 years of age: Bryant Hammond (1:38:14). Fastest female 30 – 39 years of age: Rachael Scholten (2:09:00). Fastest female 40 – 49 years of age: Christine Schultz (2:52:37). Fastest female runner: Crystal Tobuk (32 minutes, also second fastest runner overall). Fastest Biologist: Kevin Keith (2:01:03).

Thanks to Bob Lewis for taking care of the bikes at the Rec Center and timing in the runners and bikers and all the friends and family who counted laps for the swimmers.

The pool will be open until the end of June so there is still time to get some swimming in before the summer pool closure.

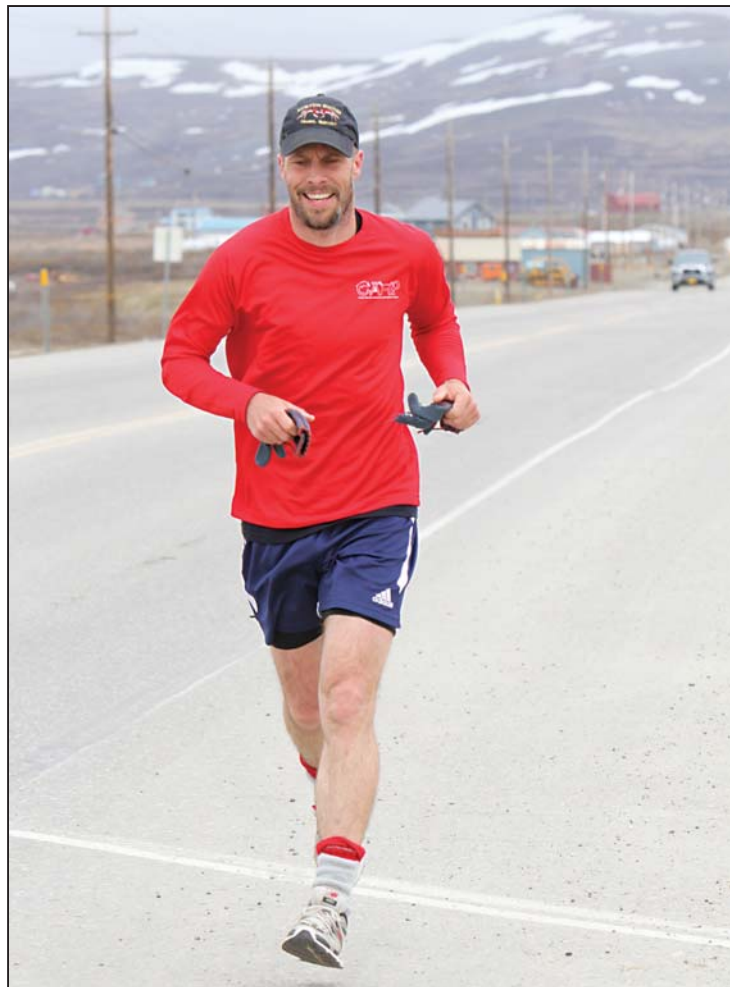


**BIKING PART**— Janelle Trowbridge completes the family affair by executing the biking section of the Stroke-n-Croak triathlon. Janelle's sister Bianca completed the swimming part before aunt Rachael Scholten pounded the pavement during the running part.



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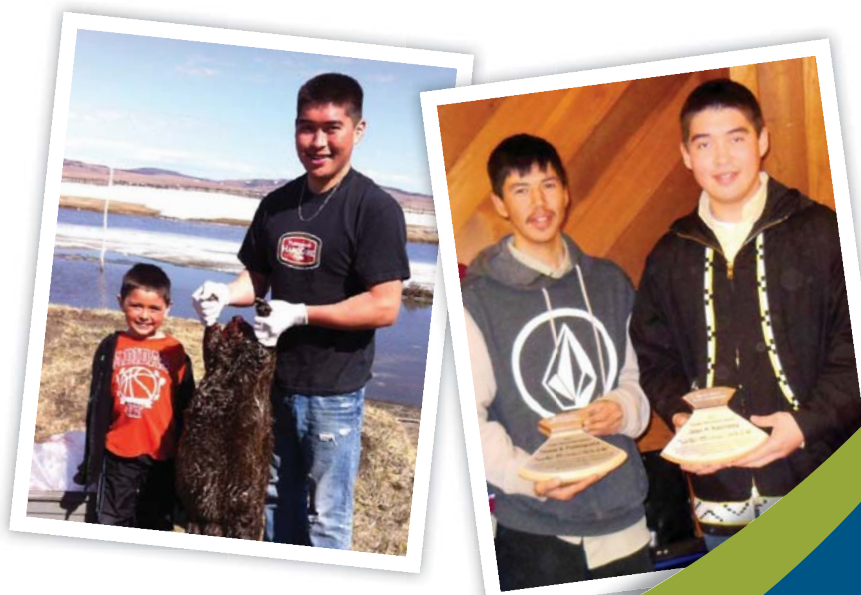
**EXCHANGE ZONE**— Nomeite Phil Hofstetter approaches the exchange zone at the Nome Rec Center before switching to the final event of the triathlon, consisting of a bike ride to the Nome-Beltz Highschool and back to the Rec Center. Hofstetter won the event in a time of 1 hour, 23 minutes.



**QUICK BIOLOGIST**— Fisheries biologist Kevin Keith of Nome runs along the Teller Road during the Stroke-n-Croak triathlon.

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# NSEDC honors former board member with christening of tender vessel *Paul C. Johnson*

**By Laureli Kinneen**  
NSEDC Communications Director

The Paul C. Johnson will be making its maiden voyage to its homeport of Unalakleet next week following a christening ceremony that was held in Seattle on Monday, June 2. The 66 ft. tender vessel, built by Kvichak Marine Industries, Inc. and owned by Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation, will be used to purchase and tender herring, crab and salmon from resident fishers in the Norton Sound.

The vessel is designed for shallow-water operations, which will aid navigation through the mouth of the Unalakleet River to the community's seafood processing plant. With 70,000 pounds of salmon and a full load of chilled water to keep the fish fresh, the vessel drafts at an incredible 4.5 feet.

The Paul C. Johnson is named after a former Norton Sound fisherman and NSEDC board member from Unalakleet. In 1992, during NSEDC's restructuring to qualify as an eligible CDQ Program entity, Paul Johnson served as president and board member. From there, Paul served an additional two terms as an NSEDC board member, and as a Sitka Alaska Corporation board member from April 2009 until the time of his passing.

On a sunny day at the Fishermen's Terminal in Seattle, Paul's sister, Tia Wilson, christened the vessel as friends and family cheered on. "On behalf of the Johnson family, we thank NSEDC for honoring our brother with this beautiful vessel," Wilson said. "Paul never worked for praise. He worked for the region, his community and family, and we look

forward to seeing this boat working in Unalakleet and the Norton Sound very soon."

"Paul was a humble, yet successful fisherman," said NSEDC Board Chairman Dan Harrelson. "He was a good man, and NSEDC is honored to

operate a vessel in his name, ported in his hometown of Unalakleet. It's a beautiful boat, and we are proud of the work Kvichak did in constructing the Paul C. Johnson—a boat that will represent and serve as a reminder of Paul's dedication and support of the

Norton Sound region."

The Paul C. Johnson accommodates a crew of four, is powered by two 450 HP Cummins engines turning 42-inch 4-blade propellers, and has a speed of 10 knots loaded and 12 knots empty.



Photos by Diana Haecker

**NEW BOAT RAMP**— The landing craft *Sam B.* was the first vessel to dock at the new barge ramp in the Nome boat harbor.



**MINING FOR GOLD**— A film crew finds worthwhile action while filming a small gold mining dredge in the Nome harbor.



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**CHRISTENING**— Paul Johnson's family gathered in Seattle for the christening the new NSEDC tender vessel named Paul C. Johnson. The tender will be home ported in Unalakleet. Pictured are (left to right) Larry Wilson, Tia Wilson, Joan Johnson, Harry Johnson Jr., Harry Johnson III, Aurora Johnson and William Johnson.



## Orphaned Wildlife

**The Alaska Department of Fish & Game in Nome** reminds the community no one except ADF&G and the Alaska State Troopers are authorized to take orphaned wildlife into possession. Here are steps to take when coming upon orphaned wildlife during spring travel.



### Do Not

•Do Not touch, handle, or pick up any animal or bird.

•Do Not approach muskox groups. Newborn muskox calves are easily trampled and killed when groups run.

• Do Not approach cow moose and new calves. Cow moose can be aggressive and dangerous.

### Do

•Report the location, type, and behavior of animal that appears orphaned to wildlife officials.

•Avoid approaching or touching animals or birds that appear orphaned. It is illegal and may result in a fine up to \$10,000 & one year in jail.

## Help protect wildlife and yourself!

Report an orphaned animal to the following Nome offices:

**Alaska Dept. Fish & Game**  
443-2271

**Alaska State Troopers**  
443-2835

# Gun rules to live by

By Alaska State Trooper  
Sergeant Charlie Cross

When you get ready for summer-time activities, make time to consider some real life safety issues about guns and ammunition.

There are many countries in the world that don't allow its citizens to possess firearms. Having the right to bear arms does not always come with common sense built in, however.

Just because you've seen your dad, uncle, grandpa or brother handle a gun a certain way doesn't makethat the correct way. Gun safety is as serious as it gets, the consequences are enormous if you get it wrong.

Have you heard of a child being killed or seriously injured because they were playing with a gun? Believe it or not, a child will do whatever a parent allows him or her to do. Imagine the feeling of the gun owner when they hear "BOOM!!" coming from the back bedroom or inside the tent. After patting yourself on the chest and legs to make sure you're not perforated, you might dash toward the sound of the noise to see if someone else is injured or worse. Why would the gun betray you like that? You thought it was unloaded!

Allow the following safety rules to help provide you with a lifetime free from gun related tragedies.

Gun rules to live by every single day:

1. All guns are always loaded. Now, the concept is simple: Treat every gun as though it is loaded. Handle it as though it has a round in the chamber. A gun is not a toy.
2. Never let the muzzle cover anything you are not willing to destroy. This rule has some terminol-

ogy that isn't always used in day to day life: muzzle and cover. The muzzle is just the front of the gun, the business end, the part where the bullet comes out of. Cover means to point or where the muzzle is pointing. Take your pointer finger

and point it at your right knee, you just covered your knee with your finger. The rule is self-explanatory, but let me make an example: Are you OK with the muzzle of a shotgun or rifle or pistol covering your knee or your child's chest? I'm not.

"But the gun is unloaded." See rule number 1.

3. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on the target

and you have decided to fire. The idea is to not 'negligently' pull the

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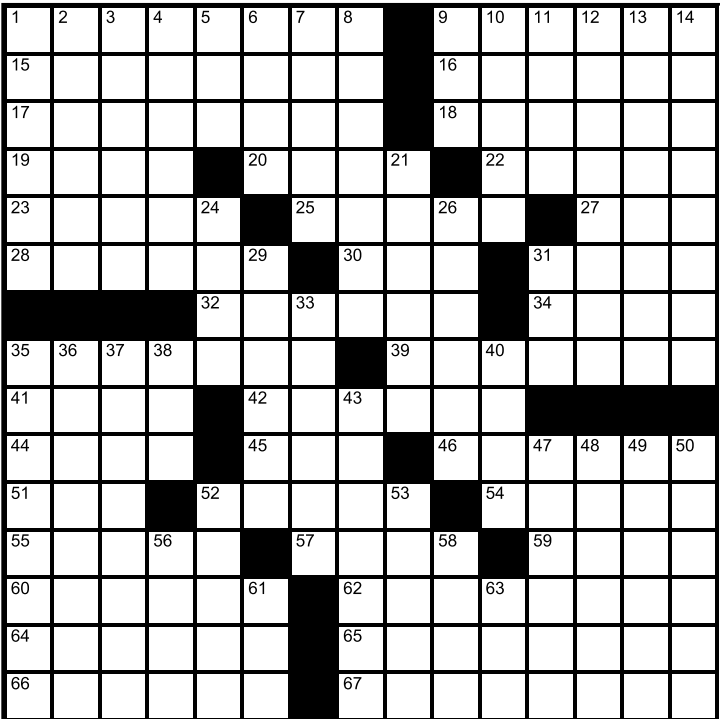
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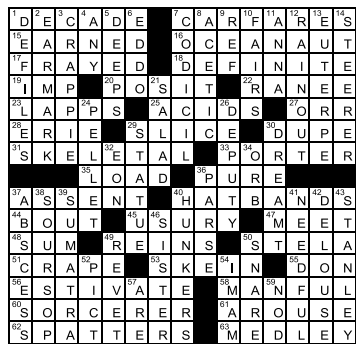
1. Round
9. Bivouac
15. Diverge
16. Borrowed car
17. Felt bitter about
18. Pander Zine \_\_\_\_
19. Assayers' stuff
20. Makeshift shelters
22. Mixes up
23. Greek island in the Cyclades
25. Easy mark
27. Barbecue site
28. Sick-looking
30. Ace
31. "\_\_\_\_-Team" (2 wds)
32. Glossy linen
34. Emcee
35. Deductive
39. Accord
41. Born's partner
42. \_\_\_\_-greeter
44. Large pigs
45. "Don't give up!"
46. Stout, hoofed mammals with a long, fleshy upper lip
51. Mozart's "L'\_\_\_\_ del Cairo"
52. Absolute
54. Control \_\_\_\_
55. Toothed wheel with a pawl
57. Pigeon pea
59. Icelandic epic

60. Prescribed order of a religious ceremony
62. High place offering a view
64. Allow
65. Much less (2 wds)
66. Tend to, as a bad lawn
67. Caught

### Down

1. Rebounds
2. Spain and Portugal
3. Offer previously bought for sale
4. Phenol derived form coal tar
5. Ashes holder
6. Homebuilder's strip
7. Depleted (2 wds)
8. Bureaucratic stuff (2 wds)
9. Antiquity, in antiquity
10. Clamorous
11. Actors
12. Short liturgical text sung responsively
13. Most cheerful
14. \_\_\_\_ gland in males
21. Public road in a city
24. Comme ci, comme ca (hyphenated)
26. 14-line poem
29. Moderate heat
31. Not just "a"
33. Arranged in layers
35. One who loathes
36. Local anesthetic
37. Boat races
38. Driver's lic. and others
40. Mouth, in slang
43. Tiny security window in a door
47. Spanish dish
48. Not al fresco
49. Fixed
50. Quenched
52. Fissile rock
53. Deep black
56. 27, to 3
58. "\_\_\_\_ go!" (contraction)
61. Certain digital watch face, for short
63. Amscrayed

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**ARIES**

March 21–April 19

A minor windfall allows for a major purchase. Be savvy, Aries, to ensure you get the most bang for your buck. The tide changes at work.



**CANCER**

June 22–July 22

Whispers run rampant at the office. Pay them no heed, Cancer. A tryst ends, and a friend looks to you for comfort. Be there for them.



**LIBRA**

September 23–October 22

A tragedy remembered provides impetus for real change. Take the initiative, Libra. A crass remark at the end of a meeting hits home. Act on it.



**AQUARIUS**

January 20–February 18

Fun is on tap, Aquarius, and it begins with a trip someplace new. A report receives rave reviews. Take out that special someone to celebrate.



**TAURUS**

April 20–May 20

An investment of time means more than an investment of money. Volunteer, Taurus. A crash diet is not the answer. Fitness goals must improve.



**LEO**

July 23–August 22

Call it quits? Never, Leo. Keep plugging along, and you will come out smiling. A tickle of the ivories gets the party started. Get ready for a rip-roaring time.



**SCORPIO**

October 23–November 21

Soon, Scorpio, soon. Soon the spotlight will be on you, and you will not disappoint. A journey of self-discovery begins for a friend. Be there for them.



**PISCES**

February 19–March 20

Careful, Pisces. What you want isn't necessarily what everyone else wants. Be prepared to compromise. A youngster's story is music to your ears.



**GEMINI**

May 21–June 21

Flexibility is to be admired. Give a little, Gemini. A wonderful sight over the weekend gets the creative juices flowing. Time to finish some projects.



**VIRGO**

August 23–September 22

The chase begins. Go, Virgo, go! Communication ceases at home, resulting in a mishap. Take steps to ensure the issue never happens again.



**SAGITTARIUS**

November 22–December 21

The to-do list grows, and help is in short supply. Keep at it, Sagittarius, and don't worry about deadlines. Missing one might not be such a bad thing.

• Ambler Mining District road

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tional Council interim President Michael Tickett said that the council together with the Native Village of Shungnak, the City and the Elder’s Council passed a joint resolution to support the EIS process.

Other communities in the Doyon region opposed the road in resolutions passed last year.

Jill Yordy, Clean Water and Mining Program Director with the Northern Alaska Environmental Center based in Fairbanks, said AM-DIAR is one of the biggest projects on her radar. “We are concerned with clean water and mining issues and in this case, we want to make sure that public stakeholders are being heard,” she told the *Nugget*. Yordy does not

feel that information is readily forthcoming. She said baseline studies have not much advanced since the DOT handed over the project and presentations are held revealing no details but mostly generalities including the lure of jobs.

Local opinion is torn between the need for jobs – promises of construction jobs, maintenance jobs and mining jobs – there is also an need to preserve subsistence resources. One of the concerns is that the road will eventually open to the public and increase the hunting pressure on a predominantly subsistence hunting area. However, Springsteen said that the life of the road is planned to last for 50 years, after which it will be torn down and reclaimed.

According to Springsteen, there

are no larger plans to connect AM-DIAR to meet up with the Red Dog mine port terminal or connect to the Nome-Council Highway. Mike Catsi said the remediation would be financed through a fund fed by portions of the road use fee that would be collected from industry using the road. Catsi said the practice of reclaiming old mining roads is common practice in the Lower 48.

NANA’s Senior Director of Corporate Communications Shelly Wozniak said that NANA supports the Environmental Impact Statement process moving forward. “But we do not have a position on the road. We support the EIS as it allows for direct engagement from cities, tribes and state residents,” she wrote in an email to the *Nugget*. “It also allows tribes to engage in direct government-to-government consultation and creates avenues of input for regional organizations like the Northwest Arctic Borough, Maniilaq Association and the Northwest Arctic Borough School District. It will gather similar input in other regions. NANA is committed to ensuring that regional communities and shareholders are at the table for this important process.”

Asked if NANA sees potential positive or negative impacts from the road, she wrote that it’s far too early in the process to even discuss these points. “The EIS must happen first and once that is complete, NANA will, again, directly consult with the shareholders, communities and regional partners, like the Northwest Arctic Borough and Maniilaq Association, to work together to determine a regional path forward. This will happen in consultation with other communities outside of the region as well. The next step is the EIS. We’re not looking beyond that at this juncture.”

According to Wozniak, NANA held independent shareholder listening sessions within each community in the Upper Kobuk in January 2013 and last May.

(See Graphic on p16)

• Gun rules to live by

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trigger when you don’t mean to. In gun handling, there are no accidents, just negligence. Are your sights on the target? Have you decided to fire? If either answer is no, then you should not have your finger on the trigger.

4. Be sure of the target, as well as the surroundings and beyond. Be sure what you’re about to shoot at. Be sure what is around it and know what is beyond it. There was a rather infamous hunting incident involving a United States Vice President a while back. The Vice President was sure of the target (quail), but he was not sure of the surroundings and be-

yond and peppered his friend with birdshot. Bullets can ricochet off of water and rocks and can bring a really damaging surprise to someone around or beyond your target.

Ignoring the rules on the basketball court will get the ball turned over and you fouled out before the first quarter is done.

Ignoring the firearm safety rules will cause significant harm, regret and possibly the loss of someone close to you. A lot of energy and time is spent learning the rules of a sport or game you enjoy. Make time to learn, live by and pass on the four firearm safety rules, it will not be a waste of your time.

Saying It Sincerely

Saying It Sincerely  
Pastor Charles Brower  
Community United Methodist Church

Substance abuse is a vehicle for numbing a pain. Suicidal thoughts and gestures, depression, anxiety, low self-esteem, anger, difficulty recognizing and expressing emotions — Are these symptoms you recognize in family or friends? Historic trauma is an emotional and psychological wounding occurring over a lifetime and across generations caused by significant group experiences.

During a week last November, Nome hosted a week of discussions on historic trauma induced by the epidemics of the 1800s and early 1900s, insensitivity of many early missionaries to the cultures of the peoples they ministered, and by the generations of boarding school experiences that destroyed many indigenous “norms” throughout much of Alaska. One result is the incarceration of disproportionate numbers of Alaska Natives unknowingly suffering from the effects of historic trauma through substance abuse and anger.

Isaiah 61: The Year of the LORD’s Favor

*‘The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners,*

*<sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the LORD’s favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,*

*<sup>3</sup> and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.*

Treatment for historic trauma must repair connections with others, self-image, values and beliefs. It takes the forms of individual therapy, spiritual help, and group or community gatherings as important aspects of the healing process. It aims at renewal of hope, positive self-image and spiritual beliefs, renewal of family connections, and reaffirming one’s place in the human community. It is important to realize underlying causes of much pain and suffering many of us live in. It is important to understand we do not stand alone. It is imperative we take the first steps of finding peace of mind, peace of heart, and our rightful place in a society with our dignity intact.

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Sloppy Mo-Joes

Recipe by Kendra Miller, MPH, RDN, LD with Miller Health Consulting, LLC

Makes 6 Servings  
Preparation Time: 6 hours  
Cook in crockpot on Low  
Difficulty Level: Easy

Ingredients:  
1 lb. ground moose  
1 yellow onion, chopped  
1 T. minced garlic  
1 t. oregano  
2 t. cumin  
1 T. cinnamon  
½ cup water  
¼ cup apple cider vinegar  
1 (15oz.) can crushed tomatoes  
¼ cup hatch green chilies, diced  
6 whole-wheat buns  
¼ head cabbage, shredded

Directions:  
1. Combine all ingredients except buns and cabbage in a crockpot set on low. Let cook for at least 6 hours, stirring occasionally.  
2. Serve on whole-wheat buns with ¼ cup shredded cabbage.

TIPS:

\*Have plenty of napkins on hand when eating this sloppy, yet delicious sandwich.



Nutrition Facts

Serving Size	1 sandwich
Amount Per Serving	6
Calories	306
Total Fat (g)	2
Saturated Fat (g)	0
Cholesterol (mg)	44
Sodium (mg)	329
Total Carbohydrate (g)	31
Fiber (g)	7
Protein (g)	23
Vitamin A (%)	5
Vitamin C (%)	45
Calcium (%)	5
Iron (%)	10

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..  
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side

River of Life Assembly of God  
405 W. Seppala • 443-5333 • Pastor Mike Christian Jr.

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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  
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Weekday Masses: Mon. & Tue. 9:00 a.m., Thur. 12:10 p.m.  
Friday Hospital Mass: 12:10 p.m. (NSRH Meditation Room)

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Saturday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

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Credentials	Licensure, Certification, Etc.	
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Experience	General (Non-supervisory)	Supervisory
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## Around the Sound

Lena Eakon and Dwayne Johnson, of Unalakleet, announce the birth of their son **Noah Aaron Johnson**, born May 1, at 11:46 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and was 20" in length.

## Trooper Beat

C Detachment...No news reported (through June 8, 2014)



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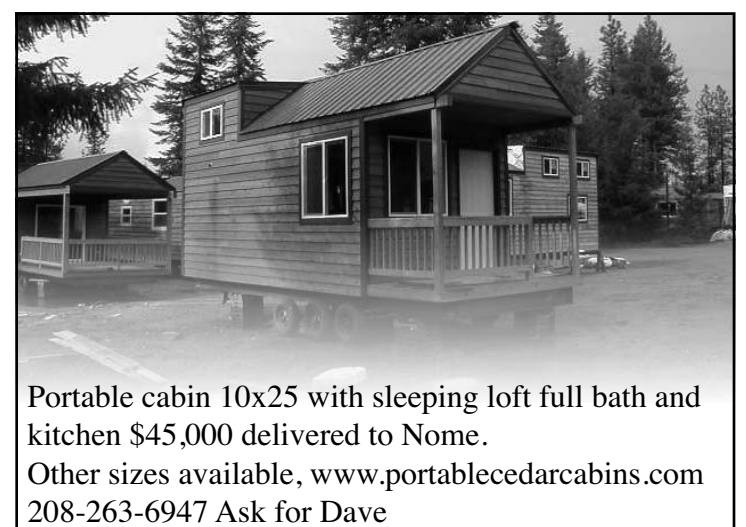
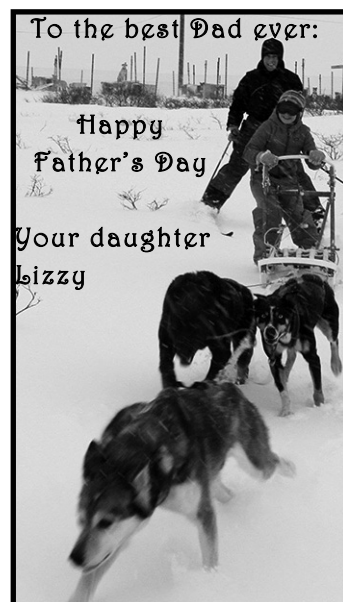
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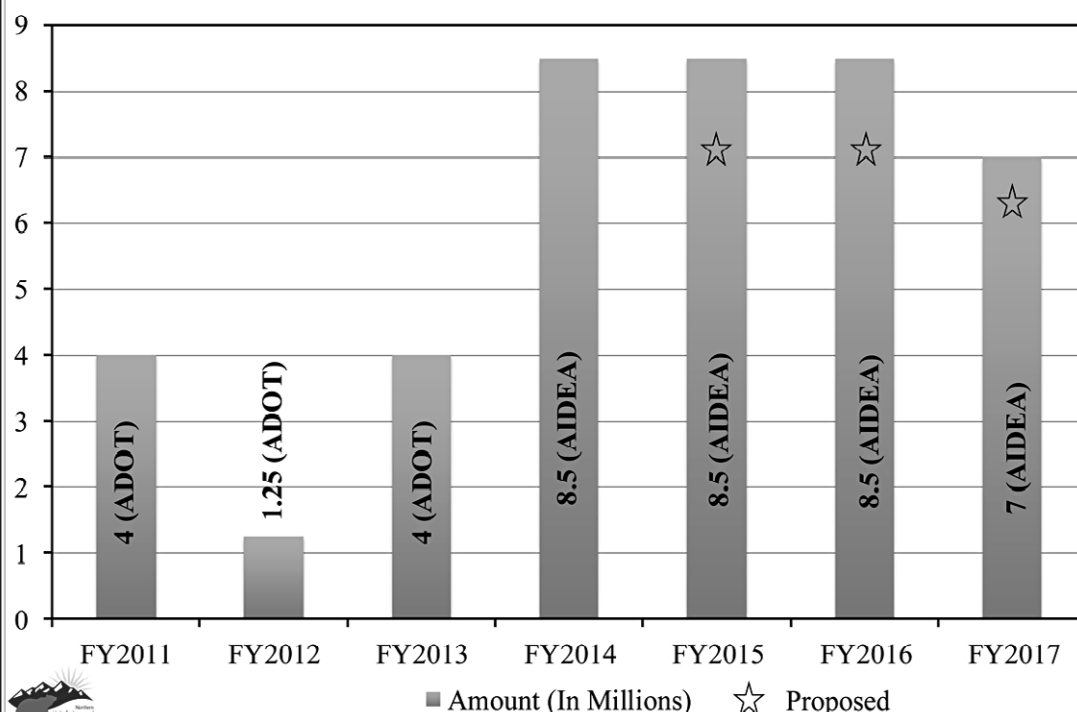
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Legals

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME  
CITY OF NOME ZONING CODE AND EN-FORECEMENT SURVEY  
The Nome Planning Commission has authorized a 60-day period for public commentary on the enforcement of the City's Zoning Code. A public survey is available at:  
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NPC2014  
Hard copies of the survey are also available through the City Clerk's Office in City Hall at 102 Division Street. The comment period will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 13, 2014. Feel free to call 443-6663 with any questions.  
4/17-24-5/1-8-15-22-29-6/5-12

In the Superior Court for the State of Alaska  
Second Judicial District at Nome  
In the matter of a  
Notice of  
Petition to Change Name  
A petition has been filed in the superior court (Case # 2NO-14-00089CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Sarah Louise Kristiansen to Sarah Louise Kristiansen-Seppilu. A hearing on this request will be held on June 17, 2014 at 11:00 am at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.  
5/22-29-6/5-12

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME  
In the Matter of a Change of Name for  
John W. Erickson,  
Current Name of Minor Child  
CASE 2NO-14-00118CI  
ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING  
Notice of Petition to Change Name  
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court Case # 2NO-14-00118CI requesting a name change from (current name) John W. Erickson to John W. Erickson-Ford, A hearing on this request will be held on June 19, 2014 at 9:30 am at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.  
5/29-6/5-12-19

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME  
In the Matter of a Change of Name for  
Jamison L. Erickson,  
Current Name of Minor Child  
CASE 2NO-14-00119CI  
ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING  
Notice of Petition to Change Name  
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court Case # 2NO-14-00119CI requesting a name change from (current name) Jamison L. Erickson to Jamison L. Erickson-Ford, A hearing on this request will be held on June 19, 2014 at 9:30 am at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.  
5/29-6/5-12-19

All Along the Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MEDIA RELEASES 06-02-14 through 06-08-14  
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 6-2 at 5:47 a.m. Nome Police Department Officers responded to a residence on C Street for the report of a person attempting to gain entry into the home. Upon arrival, Daisy Kulowiyl, 37, was contacted and found to have a small sandwich bag of drug paraphernalia on her person. She was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the Sixth Degree and was held on \$250 bail.  
On 06-3 at 2:49 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to the report of a lost juvenile found in the area of the east side of Nome, Alaska. The two-year-old child was transported to the Nome Police Department and later released to the care of the Office of Children's Services.  
On 6-3 the Nome Police Department responded to a report of a disturbance near Belmont. Officers made contact with Beau Brown, 22, revealing that he is on probation to not consume alcohol. He was arrested and transported to AMCC.  
On 6-3 at 11:16 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to a residence on First Avenue on the report of a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of Bernard Paniataaq, 29, for Violating his Conditions of Probation. He was transported to AMCC.  
On 6-4 at 12:53 a.m. the Nome Police Department responded to Fourth Avenue after a report came in regarding a male trying to fall asleep under a residence. Investigation led to the arrest of Didacus Snowball, 51, for Violating his Conditions of Probation. He was transported to AMCC.  
On 6-4 at 1:36 a.m., the Nome Police Department responded to a disturbance on the west end of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Lawrence Brown, 45, for Assault in the Fourth Degree, Domestic Violence. No bail was set.  
On 6-4 at 9:50 a.m. NPD responded to a public safety request on Center Creek Road. The road crew had reported that there were some out of town people parking in the road while large trucks were passing by. A group of bird watchers were informed of the report and the concern of an accident.  
On 6-4 at 3:39 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to the report of a domestic dispute on the east side of Nome, Alaska. Investigation led to the arrest of Barton Johnson, 23, for Violating his Conditions of Release. Barton was later remanded at the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center where bail was set at \$1,000.  
On 6-4 at 3:51 p.m. NPD received a report of a sexual assault. This report is being investigated.  
On 6-4 at 6:26 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to the report of a male entering a home on the west side of Nome. Investigation led to the arrest of Ladd Soonagrook, 54, for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree. Soonagrook was remanded at the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center where bail was set at \$500.

On 6-4 at 8:38 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to a hotel in Nome, on the report of a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of Juanita Noongwook, 23, for Violating her Conditions of Release. Noongwook was remanded at the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center where bail was set at \$1,000.  
On 6-4 at 9:22 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to a REDDI report of a male driving erratically. Investigation led to the arrest of John Penetac, 50, for Driving Under the Influence as well as Driving With a Revoked License. Bail was set at \$1,500.  
On 6-4 at 11:31 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to a home on the west side of town on the report a female refusing to leave the residence. Investigation led to the arrest of Judith Noyakuk, 31, for Violating her Conditions of Release. Noyakuk was remanded at the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center where bail was set at \$1000.  
On 6-6-14, at 12:48 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to a report of an individual trespassing on the west side of town. The investigation led to the arrest of Kristen Kulowiyl, 30, for Probation Violation and Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the Sixth Degree. She was remanded to AMCC where no bail was set.  
On 6-6 at 1:27 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to a residence near Bering Street on the report of a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of Rambo Hunt, 25, for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree. He was remanded to AMCC.  
On 6-7 at 2:40 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to a business on Front Street for a report of a minor inside the business. Investigation led to the arrest of Renee Ellanna, 18, for Minor on Licensed Premises, Introduction of Alcohol on Licensed Premises, Habitual MCA, and Probation Violation. She was remanded to AMCC and held there without bail.  
On 6-7 at 7:35 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to Front Street on the report of an intoxicated male needing assistance. Jacob Soolook, 37, was subsequently arrested after being contacted by officers. He was found to be Violating his Conditions of Probation by consuming alcohol. He was transported to AMCC.  
On 6-8 at 12:18 a.m, the Nome Police Department made contact with Jason Annogiyuk, 35, on Front Street. Annogiyuk became violent and stated multiple times that he was going to "beat up" another individual that was walking on the sidewalk. He was placed in handcuffs and arrested for Disorderly Conduct. He was transported to AMCC.  
On 6-8 the Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on Bering Street. Charles Reader, 18, was issued a citation for Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance. He was also warned for using his LED off-road lights in town.  
On 6-6 at 3:36 p.m. Nome Police Department made traffic stop for a person on a dirt bike running two stop signs. After the stop occurred, the officers found out that the 16-year-old didn't have a license. The 16-year-old was issued three citations; failure to stop at a stop sign, driving without a license and driving an off road vehicle on road/highway.



PUBLIC NOTICE  
SEALED BID for SURPLUS VEHICLES

The purpose is to dispose of the following surplus City owned vehicles.

Item #	Year	Make	Model	VIN	Comment
1	1998	Ford	F-150	1FTDX18W3WNA11727	Note 1
2	2003	Ford	F-350	1FDWF37P13EC83184	Note 2
3	New	HR	R19.5 Tires, 7 each	n/a	Note 3
4	1989	Ford	F-150	1TFEF14NXKKA89132	Note 4
5	Unknown	Suzuki	King Quad 300	JSAAK43A612111257	Note 5
6	Unknown	Honda	Four Trax	478TE1508TA819505	Note 5
7	Unknown	Polaris	Sportsman 400	21919	Note 6
8	Unknown	Yamaha	Grizzly 500 Special Edition	JY4AM03Y06C092484	Note 7
9	Unknown	Polaris	500HO	0138273	Note 8
10	Unknown	Arctic Cat	Panther Mountain Cat	9107937	Note 9
11	2009	Arctic Cat	400	4UF09ATV89T212278	Note 10

NOTE 1: Bids less than \$3,000.00 will not be considered for the 1998 Ford Pickup.  
NOTE 2: Bids less than \$4,000.00 will not be considered for the 2003 Ford F-350 Ambulance.  
NOTE 3: Bids less than \$1,400.00 will not be considered for the R19.5 Tires.  
NOTE 4: Bids less than \$1,500.00 will not be considered for the 1989 Ford F-150.  
NOTE 5: Bids less than \$300.00 will not be considered for the Suzuki King Quad 300 or the Honda Four Trax ATV.  
NOTE 6: Bids less than \$500.00 will not be considered for the Polaris Sportsman 400 ATV.  
NOTE 7: Bids less than \$1,700.00 will not be considered for the Yamaha Grizzly 500 ATV.  
NOTE 8: Bids less than \$2,200.00 will not be considered for the Polaris 500HO ATV.  
NOTE 9: Bids less than \$1,300.00 will not be considered for the Arctic Cat Panther Mountain Cat ATV.  
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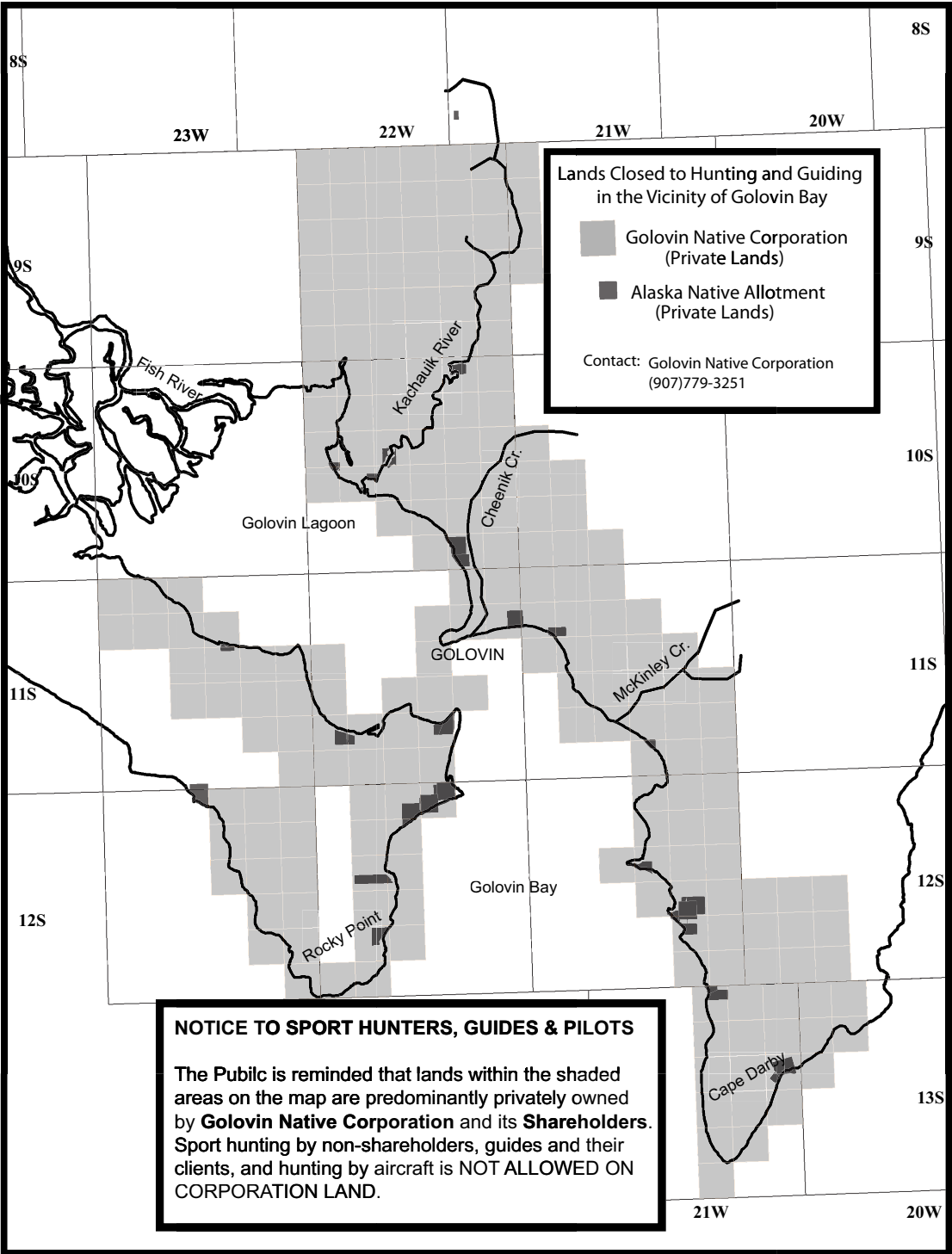


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Court

Week ending 6/6  
Civil

Barclay's Bank Delaware v. Stewart, Tim S.; Civil District Court  
Wards Cove Holding, LLC v. MJW, INC; Civil District Court  
Johnson, Donald J. and Johnson, Carol M.; Dissolution w/out Children  
Ahnangnatoguk, Mary v. Lynn, Brenda; Civil Protective Order  
Lockwood, Lisa and Lockwood, Jermaine v. Stebbins Native Corporation;  
Complaint for Personal Injury Other - Superior Ct  
Pete, Pamela and Acoman, Delbert v. Stebbins Native Corporation; Com-  
plaint for Personal Injury Other - Superior Ct  
State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD and John, Evangeline I. v.  
Anawrok, Alfred L.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend  
State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD and Garfield, Kathleen J. v.  
Anawrok, Alfred L.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend  
Kiyutelluk, Rachel v. Nattanguk, Jeffery; Civil Protective Order

Small Claims

No current claims filed (start 2NO-14-00023SC)

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Didacus Snowball (9/13/62); 2NO-11-71CR Order to  
Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110673576; Violated conditions of  
probation; No sanction imposed (but Defendant warned all time im-  
posed if there is a 4th violation; All other terms and conditions of pro-  
bation in the original judgment remain in effect (date of order: 6/3/14).  
State of Alaska v. Didacus Snowball (9/13/62); 2NO-11-71CR Order to  
Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110673576; Violated conditions of  
probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and im-  
posed: all remaining time.  
State of Alaska v. Ronald Katchatag (3/30/91) Judgment and Commitment;  
CTN 001: AS11.41.220(a)(1)(A): Assault 3- Cause Fear Of Injury  
w/Weap, Class: C Felony; Offense Date: 3/7/14; The following charges  
were dismissed: CTN 002: AS11.41.230(a)(1): Assault 4 – Recklessly  
Injure; CTN 003: AS11.46.484(a)(1): Crim Mischief 4-Prop Dam \$50-  
499 Offense Dates: 3/7/14; Defendant came before the court on (sen-  
tencing date): 6/2/14 with counsel, PD Dunmire, and the DA present;  
Sentence: 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 flat; Surcharges: Police Training  
Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following police training sur-  
charge(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 imprison-  
ment; 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: Sur-  
charge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defend-  
ant 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, pa-  
role, or peace officer; Any appearance or performance bond in this case:  
is exonerated.  
State of Alaska v. Marissa Acoman (5/10/89); Dismissal; Count I: Criminal  
Mischief 5"; Filed by the DAs Office 5/30/14.  
State of Alaska v. Diana Marie Katongan (5/12/62); Dismissal; Count I  
Criminal Trespass 1"; Count II: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs  
Office 5/30/14.  
State of Alaska v. Mary Noongwook (8/7/51); Notice of Dismissal; Charge  
001: Crim Tresp.; Filed by the DAs Office 5/30/14.  
State of Alaska v. Katherine M. Iyapana (3/10/74); 2NO-14-224CR Dis-  
missal; Count I: Criminal Trespass 1"; Filed by the DAs Office 5/30/14.  
State of Alaska v. Katherine M. Iyapana (3/10/74); 2NO-14-264CR Dis-  
missal; Count I: Violation of Condition of Release From a Misdemeanor;  
Filed by the DAs Office 5/30/14.  
State of Alaska v. Otto Soolook (8/6/71); Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation:  
6/1/14; 12 months with 6 months suspended; Unsuspended 6 months  
shall be served with defendant remanded imm. to AMCC; Initial Jail  
Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Sus-

pending 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: no date entered); 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 resi-  
dence of Martha Thomas; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall  
not enter or remain in the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject  
to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.  
State of Alaska v. Eddie Muktoyuk (11/7/66); CTN 002: Criminal Trespass  
2; Date of Violation: 5/24/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 1 day, 0 days  
suspended; Unsuspended 1 day shall be served with time served; In-  
itial 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. Dena Angi (7/21/92); Import Alcohol-Dry Area-Small  
Amount; Date of Violation: 10/4/13; 30 days with 27 days suspended;  
Unsuspended 3 days shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 9/5/14  
for a remand hearing at 1:30 p.m.; Release or bail conditions remain in  
effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0  
suspended; Pay unsuspended \$1,500 fine through Nome Courts, by 1  
year; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due  
now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge \$100 per  
case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in  
connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail;  
Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10  
days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 6/2/14); Shall commit no  
jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or  
damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request  
of any peace officer in any dry or damp community.  
State of Alaska v. David O'Connor (7/28/80); Harassment 2; Date of Vi-  
olation: 4/12/14; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50  
per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Sur-  
charge \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if proba-  
tion 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: no date  
entered); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these condi-  
tions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Alcohol Assess-  
ment (set appt by 7/1); 443-3311 # NSHC, ask BHS; Participate in and  
complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Outpatient only; File  
proof by 12/1/14 that you have completed treatment  
State of Alaska v. Roger C. Oozevaseuk (5/12/83); Assault 4; DV; Date of  
Violation: 4/8/14; 270 days with 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 90  
days shall be served with defendant remanded imm. to AMCC; Initial  
Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Sus-  
pended 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: 6/5/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any viola-  
tion of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses;  
Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of Zin-  
nia Oozevaseuk without her consent; Must leave/cease contact when  
asked; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in  
his residence; Shall not enter or remain in the premises of any bar or  
liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any  
peace officer.  
State of Alaska v. Beau Garner Brown (10/2/91); Order to Modify or Revoke  
Probation; ATN: 114797025; Violated conditions of probation; Sus-  
pended jail term revoked and imposed: 7 days, report to Nome Court on  
6/6 for a remand hearing at 1:30 p.m.; Must pay suspended \$100 jail  
surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions  
or probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Christopher Miklahook (1/13/89); 2NO-13-535CR Order  
to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113673564; Violated conditions of  
probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and im-  
posed: 90 days consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-14-209CR;  
Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.  
State of Alaska v. Christopher Miklahook (1/13/89); 2NO-14-209CR As-  
sault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 3/30/14; 300 days with 240 days sus-  
pended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served immediately; Initial Jail  
Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Sus-

pending 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: 6/4/14); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not  
contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of Ashley West-  
brook without her consent; Mental Health Assessment by 1 month after  
release; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and af-  
tercare; Present proof of treatment 11/21/14 at 1:30 p.m.  
State of Alaska v. Bernard Paniataaq (9/21/84); Order to Modify or Revoke  
Probation; ATN: 113287653; Violated conditions of probation; Sus-  
pended jail term revoked and imposed: 80 days; All other terms and  
conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Sherwin E. Outwater (4/7/82); Dismissal; Count I: Driv-  
ing While License Cancelled, Suspended, or Revoked; Filed by the DAs  
Office 6/4/14.  
State of Alaska v. Joan Marie Miller (6/10/86); Dismissal; Count I: Criminal  
Trespass 1"; Filed by the DAs Office 6/6/14.  
State of Alaska v. Nicole Marie Long (3/22/85); Dismissal; Count I: Driving  
While License Cancelled, Suspended or Revoked; Filed by the DAs Of-  
fice 6/6/14.  
State of Alaska v. Evett Henry (1/6/83); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001:  
Assault 4; Filed by the DAs Office 6/6/14.  
State of Alaska v. Derek Koweluk (4/17/90); Dismissal; Charge I: Assault  
4"; Filed by the DAs Office 6/6/14.  
State of Alaska v. Abel Apatiki (1/23/85); CTN 002: Assault 4; DV; Date of  
Violation: 4/7/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 2, 3; 150 days, 0 days sus-  
pended; Unsuspended 150 days shall be served; Initial Jail Surcharge:  
\$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Sur-  
charge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution:  
Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall  
apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until  
restitution is paid in full; Amount of Restitution to be determined as pro-  
vided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2).  
State of Alaska v. Christina Cabrera (10/21/83); 2NO-14-181CR Notice of  
Dismissal; Charge 001: DOLP; Filed by the DAs Office 6/6/14.  
State of Alaska v. Christina S. Cabrera (10/21/83); 2NO-14-219CR Count  
001: DUI; Date of Offense: 4/19/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 003; Ready  
to Release; 200 days, 180 days suspended; Time served; Pay to Clerk  
of Court, or pay online at courtrecords.alaska.gov/ep/ep.htm: Fine:  
\$1,500, \$0 suspended; \$1,500 due one year; Police Training Surcharge:  
\$75, \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs  
Office, Anchorage; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, \$0 Suspended;  
\$50 Due from Defendant; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case  
with \$100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st Off.); \$0 Sus-  
pended; Full amount ordered, due; Restitution: In an amount to be de-  
termined; Crim. R. 32.6; See Restitution Judgment; Complete  
Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment; Contact other: contact NSHC  
(Behavioral Health, 443-3311) within 5 days; Set up appointment by  
7/1/14; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program;  
Program may include residential treatment up to 28 days plus required  
aftercare in addition to any jail time ordered above; You are responsible  
for costs; Appear 8/29/14 at 1:30 p.m. to prove that you followed all as-  
sessment recommendations/treatment rec. if you fail to appear, warrant  
will issue; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for  
90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device:  
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must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Infor-  
mation Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from  
the fine if you file proof of payment before the fine due date; Probation  
for 1 year (date of judgment: 6/6/14), subject to the following conditions;  
Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Com-  
mit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a pe-  
riod ending one year (date of judgment: 6/6/14); PBT on officer req.;  
Other: No controlled substances w/o prescription; Use prescription med-  
ication as directed by Dr.; Subject to warrantless arrest for probation vi-  
olation.  
State of Alaska v. Christina Cabrera (10/21/83); 2NO-14-338CR Notice of  
Dismissal; Charge 001: VOCR; Filed by the DAs Office 6/6/14.

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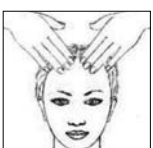
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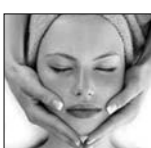


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**THE GOLD GRABBER**— The mechanical dredge *Au Grabber* - Au is the symbol for gold on the periodic chart of the elements - was still parked at the Nome Port as the crew tuned up the vessel, on June 4. The owner said it would take about 15 hours to drive the vessel along the coast to Teller.

## • Gold Grabber

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trailer with onsite storage water and sewage storage, mounted on top of connex vans. The sewage tank is wired shut and can be pumped out into a sewage truck — Teller has none of those — or be dumped per U.S. Coast Guard regulations three miles offshore. Schimschat estimates the area disturbed would amount to three acres.

The vessel *Au Grabber* operated in Nome for one season last year, dredging on state offshore leases for gold.

The owner Richard Schimschat said in an interview with *The Nome Nugget* that he is sensitive to subsistence users' needs and won't do anything to jeopardize subsistence harvests.

The application lists 12 mineral properties where Schimschat proposes to mine. Schimschat said he wouldn't mine where nets are set for fishing. "The impact of mining there would be minimal," he said. "There are gold dredges in the water in Nome and the rivers are still full of fish."

Schimschat said he understands subsistence lifestyles since he has lived in Kotzebue for 14 years and then was employed with STG for 12 years, often working in northwest Alaska. He said he was the foreman on the STG crew that installed the underwater power cable between Brevig Mission and Teller. Last year he became a fulltime miner, owns a home in Nome and is also a TV star on the Discovery Channel reality show "Bering Sea Gold."

The show, he said, would bring a film crew out to Teller to accompany him and his crew as they're mining in Grantley Harbor.

Schimschat said, if DNR permits his operation in Grantley Harbor, he could operate two 12-hour shifts with two people per shift. Without the ocean swells that often force dredges to stay inside the harbor instead of going to work, Schimschat expects a 24/7 mining operation at Grantley Harbor, where the *Gold Grabber* would be sheltered from rocking wave action. He is aware of the resistance the proposed operation of the *Gold Grabber* meets. "If people have a hard time in Teller, we'll maybe try with a smaller suction dredge," he said. But he also hopes to bring jobs to the communities.

"I'm waiting for the DNR approval and then work with the people and do whatever I can do to create jobs," he said. For example, he said, he might hire divers, heavy equipment operators, even gold panners and fuel or water deliverers.

Schimschat believes that there won't be any impact on fisheries, but the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game Division on Habitat submitted comments to the DNR, stating that out of the 12 mining claims Schimschat submitted, five locations may be adversely affected by the mining be-

cause of herring spawning grounds, whitefish, tom cod, clam and trout habitat and the associated ringed, bearded and spotted seals that follow the fish.

According to ADF&G Habitat division comments, the division recommends reducing the potential for impacts to spawning herring and concentrations of subsistence use activities, mining should occur July 10 through July 30 and September 1 through the end of the proposed mining season for Tukuluk Creek. Near Tuksuk Channel, ADF&G recommends mining to not start until October 1; for McKinley Point, mining could occur between July 1 and September 1. At Fourmile Point whitefish and trout are harvested and people dig for clams, so mining should only be done between July 1 and September 1. At Lucky Ditch Creek, whitefish and trout are harvested year round, but mining should occur only between July 1 and Sep-

tember 1, ADF&G recommended.

Bering Straits Native Corporation Vice President Matt Ganley said the corporation has been contacted by shareholders and other residents of the region expressing grave concern over the possibility of offshore dredging in the Grantley Harbor area.

"BSNC is concerned for the potential impact such dredging operations might have on the fragile red salmon run (and other anadromous and non-anadromous species in this ecosystem) that enter the Pilgrim River through Grantley Harbor, Tuksuk Channel and Imuruk Basin," said Ganley in an email to the *Nugget*. "Further, it is not apparent that DNR has conducted any analysis of such potential impacts, nor have they conducted adequate public scoping meetings in Nome, Teller or Brevig Mission."

He said BSNC will be tracking the issue and has already reached out to

DNR to express the corporation's concerns.

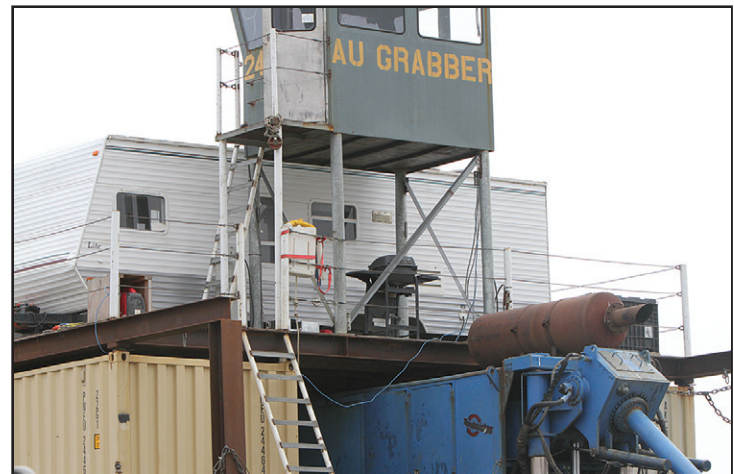
An informational public meeting hosted by DNR to go over mining

regulations will take place in Nome at Old St. Joe's Hall on Wednesday, June 11 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.



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**GRANTLEY HARBOR**— A budding subsistence user tries her luck fishing on the shores of Grantley Harbor. Several fish and marine mammal species use the body of water, making it a valuable subsistence area.



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