



Photo by Diana Haecker

WINTER MINING— Nome Gold Alaska mines its lands in the winter time, utilizing explosives to get to the frozen paydirt, which is stockpiled for summer processing. A louder than usual blast awoke Nomeites last week, but was part of regularly scheduled blasting activity. *See story on page 6.*

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Common Council introduces marijuana regulations

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Police Dept. and the City of Nome have decided to lay down the law before Feb. 24 when the vote to legalize recreational use of marijuana throughout Alaska takes some folks into the Promised Land.

The Nome Common Council took the first step to adopt two ordinances that allow the City to regulate mari-

juana use in Nome. At its regular meeting on Feb. 9., the panel introduced ordinances that tweak booze and tobacco regulations and echo them in a parallel marijuana law with fines beefed up from \$100 to as high as \$500 if convicted of infractions of the rules on the three indulgences.

The civil fines do not carry the stigma of criminal convictions, Papasodora told the Council.

The City had two options, according to Councilman Stan Andersen at a meeting last month—either wait and see what rules other communities adopt and how it all shakes down or take the proactive route to get ordinances through the Nome Council regulating marijuana use in Nome.

The City bought an opinion from Brooks Chandler, the City's long-time attorney, on what laws can and

cannot do to shape marijuana consumption behavior in Nome. Foremost, municipalities have the opportunity to control commercial marijuana operations but cannot nullify the voters' will on decriminalizing small amounts for personal use, Chandler said.

Nome Police Chief John Papasodora, who fashioned the proposed ordinances, is not letting any grass grow under his feet with respect to controlling pot use in Nome.

How much input the public will have, if they are interested, remains to be seen.

Councilmen Louis Green Sr. and Randy Pomeranz have urged the Council to have public meetings; others believe the public comment

period on the regular Council meeting agenda for adoption of ordinances should suffice.

The ordinance went into first reading, which by Robert's Rules of Order for meeting conduct does not allow discussion, even among Council members. Therefore there will be an opportunity for public hearing on the ordinances at the next regular Council meeting on Feb. 23.

Papasodora spelled out the options for law enforcement and sent them along to the Nome Common Council and the City administration late last month. Based on his written communication to the City, Papasodora does not recognize the legalization of marijuana; the use of the

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Man shot to death in Unalakleet

By Diana Haecker

A 31-year old Unalakleet man was shot to death in the night of Sunday, February 8 in Unalakleet and another man was injured. According to Alaska State Troopers, Tauna Showalter of Unalakleet died of an apparent gunshot wound in a residence in Unalakleet, located in the middle of town.

An unidentified adult male was taken to the village clinic for non-life threatening injuries that resulted from the same incident that left Showalter dead.

Troopers were not able to provide more information at press time, but said that Showalter and the other man had a physical altercation, which led to Showalter's death.

Trooper spokesperson Megan Peters said she cannot release the name

of the other person injured in the altercation as the investigation is still ongoing. "We generally do not release the names of potential suspects or witnesses in our cases," she wrote in an email. "The man's injuries were not-life threatening but were significant enough that he needed to be transported to a better-suited facility for treatment." She added that troopers still conduct follow-up interviews in Unalakleet. Showalter was to be sent to the State Medical Examiner but the autopsy has not been completed as of press time on Tuesday morning.

Troopers from Nome responded and are investigating the incident, in addition to Unalakleet troopers and the help of Unalakleet police.



Photo by Albert Marquez

QUALIFIED – Nome musher Tom Jamgochian recently completed his triple crown of middle distance racing. By finishing the Copper Basin 300 and Northern Lights 300 races in January, and the Knik 200 last week, Jamgochian has qualified for the 2016 Iditarod. *See story on page 13.*

Council hands out NSEDC community development funds

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Council introduced two measures into first reading that would supplement marijuana regulations currently under consideration in the state Legislature. The ordinances would regulate marijuana use in Nome, made legal after the passage of the November ballot initiative decriminalizing the use of marijuana. The proposed ordinances

revise parts of the tobacco and alcohol laws on the books, add marijuana issues and raise the fines for violations of the regulations.

As an example, the ordinances ban use of alcohol or marijuana by minors, ban open containers or open stashes in a public place, ban smoking marijuana in public, ban smoking where fumes would disturb others and ban driving under the influence.

The laws also forbid sale or production of edible marijuana products and marijuana concentrates. In a discussion following the meeting, a couple of Council members asked Nome Police Chief John Papasodora whether the ban on edible marijuana would rule out marijuana-laced brownies.

"When dealing with ordinances, you have to use common sense," Papasodora said, not ruling yay or nay on the baked goodies some believe appeal to the marijuana-honed ap-

petite. He did, however, comment that it would not be desirable for someone of poor judgment to supply children with marijuana brownies, perhaps made with marijuana laced with other substances.

The Council, following Robert's Rules of Order, does not entertain discussion with the audience or among themselves on first reading of ordinances. The ordinances will come up for second reading and a vote on final passage at the next regular Council meeting Feb. 23. At that time there will be an opportunity for public hearing at the podium. (See related story in this edition)

The City Council finished distributing \$150,000 community share from Norton Sound Development Corp. on Monday night. The Council had already distributed \$95,000 to seven organizations in the special revenue fund budget in June.

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Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP— "If I were forced to move my building off this lot, the entire corner of this downtown area would continue to look like a giant abatement project," Two Six Two Five One Zero Zero told Nome Common Council. He was speaking to his appeal of the Nome Planning Commission's denial of a variance on insufficient setbacks on two sides of his blue house.

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Letters

Dear Editor,

An Endangered Species Act (ESA) listing of the three subspecies of ringed seals has both benefits and drawbacks for Alaska Native hunters. The main threats to these populations are due to the predicted loss of habitat (sea ice) and mostly due to projected effects of greenhouse gas emissions on future sea ice extents. Currently there are no practical policy or diplomatic measures to offset or mitigate these emissions. As a result, the small percentage of seals taken by subsistence hunters who are just feeding their families becomes, for resource managers, who rank threats in mandated recovery plans, and in the public perception, a primary threat to the population. I appreciate the comments put forth by Brandon Ahmasuk, Roy Ashenfelter, Tom Gray and Austin Ahmasuk regarding the issue of Critical Habitat Designation (CHD) in the February 5, 2015 edition of The Nome Nugget. Because while ESA and CHD actions seem to have little affect at face value on Alaska Native marine mammal users, elementary understandings of Federal Indian Law illustrate that good intentions written within what seem as benign actions have a strange way of becoming restrictive management policies in the future.

Mrs. Metcalf of the Eskimo Walrus Commission wisely identified the lack of education and outreach regarding this proposal of CHD on the communities it will ultimately affect. Unfortunately her question was answered with an all too common response, lack of personnel and funding have restricted the agency's ability to properly engage communities. An unacceptable response. Too often this responsibility defaults then to individuals, Native organizations, and co-management groups that have much less funding and resources than the federal agencies charged with consultation and education and outreach.

Gay Sheffield was right in questioning the research used in the termination of CHD for ringed seals. In the case of polar bears, arbitrary lines were drawn on a map demarcating areas of CHD for polar bears. One example is the Fish River Delta, which was identified as polar bear critical habitat. Avoiding the common pitfall of only identifying problems and not providing practical solutions, I advise that those of us involved in resource management continue to observe and participate in

this process regarding ringed seals with much critical approach and evaluation.

Sincerely,
Jack Omelak
Executive Director
Alaska Nanuq Commission

Re-introduction of Wood Bison and Woolly Mammoth

We should all be very happy that the recently extinct (in Alaska) Wood bison have been successfully bred and are set to be released onto their original stomping grounds in Alaska this year. An article by Douglas Main in Newsweek, 9/23/14, titled, "Wood Bison, North America's Largest Animal, to be Reintroduced into Alaska" says: "In March 2015, officials will release 50 to 100 wood bison to the wild in western Alaska," said Doug Vincent-Lang with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center is facilitating breeding of the Wood Bison under operations director, Tom Yeager, who told Newsweek that they will be flown to Shageluk in C-135 aircraft, and released to the wild.

Wood bison or Bison bison

athabasca, named after Athabascans, weigh several hundred pounds more than their sub-species, Bison bison bison or "plains bison" or "buffalo", and are known to have weighed up to 3,000 pounds in the past.

While some worried that putting "endangered" animals back into our country would interfere with resource development, Wood Bison are now listed as a "nonessential experimental" population, "thus, their presence ... shouldn't interfere with mining or oil drilling", Yeager said. "Athabaskan people, who live in the area, are heavily in favor of the reintroduction," Yeager said, "because the beast was an intrinsic part of their way of life."

An article in The Guardian outlines a possibility of resurrecting certain recently extinct species, such as Mammuthus primigenius or Woolly mammoth from perfectly preserved specimens frozen in permafrost. Japanese and Russian scientists are most interested in accomplishing this feat. Woolly mammoths survived on St. Paul Island until 6,400 years ago. They lived on Wrangel Island, Russia, in the Arctic Ocean, until 4,000 years ago, coinciding in time with the first evidence for humans on the

islands. Woolly mammoths of modern Alaska similarly died out 13,300 years ago, or about 1,000 years after the first appearance of humans, there. Since we hunted them to extinction, I think, we humans have a duty to bring back these magnificent creatures, and release them into our wilderness areas. I suggest these could be bred from several independent clones to minimize inbreeding.

Imagine the excitement and knowledge that we would gain, and the money that Alaska could make from the re-introduction of these recently extinct magnificent animals. Some people protest this idea, because they say that there is no room for them, anymore. But, I am confident that the herds could be managed effectively by our Alaska Dept. Fish & Game. Since Woolly mammoths must have been at least as tasty, nutritious and beneficial as Wood bison, re-introduction of both animals would be of great benefit, in particular, to all First People of Alaska and, in general, to all people.

Truly, Daniel N. Russell, biophysicist
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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

More of the Same

The rich get rich and the poor get poorer. However, we let it happen, and this is outrageous. We suffered through the disgusting political ads and watched the big money boys throw outlandish dollars on really dumb advertisements.

Now we have a chance to put limits on the money spent on distorting the truth. When will it stop? Well, it won't. We have short-term memories and have forgotten about the PACs and agonizing surveys.

It's doubtful our politicians will do anything to put an end to this outrageous use of money. They bought their way into office with the aid of PACs. Of course our politicians expect us to swallow the budget bullet and get used to funding cuts. They tell us that "flat" funding is good. —N.L.M.—

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A Look at the Past

WINTER GLORY — Photographer F. H. Nowell captured this excursion party out on the Bering Sea ice, one mile from shore on February 25, 1908.

Photo courtesy of Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

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			Total Precip. for 2015 (as of 2/9)	0.71"		
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Strait Action

Corps to recommend Nome port expansion

According to the Petroleum News, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is in the process of completing a report that recommends an expansion to the harbor at Nome as a preferred option for a deep-draft port in Arctic Alaska. The paper reports in its latest edition that the Corps' economic section chief Lorraine Cordova said so in a meeting of the Alaska Association of Environmental Professionals on Jan. 20. Despite attempts by the Nome Nugget to get an update from Cordova, there was no answer by press time. According to the Petroleum News article, Cordova said the Corps has developed what it calls a "tentatively selected plan" for the Nome harbor expansion but that the process for selecting a port site remains far from complete, with several reviews of the proposal still to be conducted.

According to the article, on Dec. 16 the Corps headquarters accepted the Nome project as a tentatively selected plan, thus setting the stage for the draft study report that the study team is about to publish.

Research icebreaker Sikuliaq enroute to homeport

Nome man arrested on 11 drug charges

By Diana Haecker

Kelly McDaniel, 30, has been arrested and charged with 11 counts of misconduct involving controlled substances in the second, third and fourth degree, all of them felony charges, and for possessing drugs "with reckless disregard that the possession occurred on or within 500 feet of school grounds."

The charges accumulated following a year-long investigation by the Alaska State Trooper Western Alaska Alcohol and Narcotics Team. According to a trooper affidavit, McDaniel sold

The University of Alaska Fairbanks will welcome the research vessel Sikuliaq home to Alaska waters with a series of public events and tours as it makes its way to its homeport in Seward.

The first stop was in Ketchikan on Feb. 10. On Feb. 17, the Sikuliaq will visit Juneau. A commissioning ceremony and community reception in Seward are scheduled for March 7. For more information visit the Sikuliaq website, www.sikuliaq.alaska.edu/alaska-homecoming. Alaskans can also follow the Sikuliaq's homecoming and share their own Sikuliaq experiences on Facebook at <http://bit.ly/fbsikuliaq> or elsewhere in the social web using #sikuliaq.

The Sikuliaq, translated from Inupiaq as "young sea ice", is a new 261-foot oceanographic research vessel. The ship is owned by the National Science Foundation and operated by the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

The Sikuliaq can cut through 2.5 feet of first-year sea ice and is the only ice-capable vessel in the United States academic research fleet. The ship is outfitted with state-of-the-art equipment to bring scientists to previously inaccessible ice-choked polar regions of the globe.

UAF scientists conducting ocean research in Alaska have been advocating for a vessel specifically designed for Arctic operations since the first proposal was submitted in 1973. Those years of preparation paid off in 2009 when the NSF announced it would construct the vessel with funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Sikuliaq accommodates up to 24 scientists and students, including those with disabilities, providing scientists from across the nation and around the world an opportunity to learn more about marine life, our oceans, our atmosphere and our global climate.

Arctic Research Consortium seeks Executive Director

The Arctic Research Consortium of the United States (ARCUS) seeks an experienced association professional to serve as its executive director. The ideal candidate will have 10 years of senior executive experience in associations, NGOs, or US federal government. They will have a background or experience in science policy and/or scientific membership associations and federal grant administration and reporting experience. A Bachelor's degree is required. International experience,

Not until January 6 did the court order a summons to appear in court. McDaniel showed up in the Nome Courthouse on Tuesday, Feb. 3 for a felony first appearance, and heard the charges against him.

Magistrate Judge Bob Lewis assigned a public defender attorney to represent McDaniel. McDaniel was arrested and taken into custody with bail set at \$5,000.

A preliminary hearing in his case is set for February 13 at 1:30 p.m.

meetings management experience, a CAE credential, and Master's degree are preferred. A PhD is not required.

Incorporated in 1988, ARCUS exists to identify and bring together arctic research community resources to strengthen the community and address the many challenges facing the Arctic and the US. ARCUS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and organized and operated for educa-

tional, professional, or scientific purposes to advance arctic research and education. ARCUS has a \$2 million annual operating budget and 14 staff. The executive is expected to split his or her time between Washington, DC and Fairbanks, Alaska and may reside in either location.

Applicants should apply no later than Thursday, February 18, 2015.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, February 12

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	11:45 a.m. - 1:15 a.m.
*Weekly Women's Circle	Prematernal Home	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
*Wiffleball (grades 3-6)	Nome Rec Center	3:15 p.m. - 4:14 p.m.
(grades 5-8)	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Nome Community Career Fair	Northwest Campus	4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*PM Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering and Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*NPS School Board: Regular Meeting	Nome Elementary Library	6:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, February 13

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*AM Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - Noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Varsity/JV Basketball	Nome-Beltz Gym	Games start at 3:30 p.m.
Nanook Boys Senior Recognition Ceremony		Prior to 8:00 p.m. game
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 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, February 14

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Noon - 8:00 p.m.
*LAST NANOOKS BOYS VARSITY HOME GAMES OF 2015	Nome-Beltz Gym	Games start at 11:30 a.m.
*Varsity/JV Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting		

Sunday, February 15

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

Monday, February 16

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AM Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Noon - 3:00 p.m.
*Floor Hockey (grades 3-6)	Nome Rec Center	3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
(grades 5-8)	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 17

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
*Library Story Hour	Kegoayah Kozga Library	10:30 a.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	11:45 a.m. - 1:15 a.m.
*Volleyball (grades 3-8)	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*PM Laps	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Common Council: Port Work Session w/ USAC, DOT	City Hall	5:00 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Zumba Step	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Nome Joint Utilities	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 18

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*AM Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Noon - 3:00 p.m.
*Team Handball (grades 3-6)	Nome Rec Center	3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
(grades 5-8)	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
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*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

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Planning panel poised to regulate vacant structures

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Planning Commission has a plan afoot to ensure the safe and sanitary maintenance of dwellings, commercial, industrial and nonprofit buildings.

A focus of the measure is to protect property values.

The Commissioners hope that an ordinance to prevent blight and nuisances would protect property values, neighborhood integrity to

protect the health, safety and welfare of Nome's citizens. Economic conditions, foreclosures and bankruptcies have emptied homes. As a result, the buildings have become vacant causing them to become attractive nuisances for criminals and young mischief-makers. The resulting open doors and windows, broken water pipes and burglaries devalue properties and deteriorate neighborhoods.

The NPC worked halfway through the draft document at a work session earlier this month and will take up the ordinance again at their next meeting on March 3.

The draft ordinance calls for the building inspector to keep a registry of all vacant properties. The measure requires owners to list their property in the registry within 90 days of vacancy. Owners of structures that are already vacant at the time of the enactment of the ordinance must register within 60 days.

The registration has to show the owner's mailing address, the name of the individual responsible for the control property.

The Council would set a registration fee to offset the cost of process-



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

ABATEMENT EYE CANDY—Whenever ever properties are selected for abatement, this dead building on West 2nd Avenue goes on the list. The City is preparing an ordinance to encourage owners to cleanup and fix up or demolish.

ing the form.

Properties subject to the ordinance would have to be kept free of weeds and tall grass, as well as debris, dead vegetation, junk, dead rats and feral cats. The planning panel rejected a requirement for landscaping, but property must be clear of growth. Pools, spas and other water features need to be in good working condi-

tion.

Properties subject to the ordinance must be secured and should not be accessible to unauthorized persons.

Doors, windows, garages, walk-throughs and any opening that might admit a child must be closed. The measure requires broken windows to

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Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

NOT ALLOWED—The Nome Planning Commission is getting ready to do a U-turn on requiring windows and doors to be boarded up and secured. A new ordinance in the works would require windows to be repaired by a deadline.

• Marijuana laws

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herb has only been decriminalized, he said.

According to the memo from the City's attorney, the first phase of the new marijuana use will begin on Feb. 24 when it will become legal to possess up to one ounce of marijuana on one's person and to use marijuana at home or in a private location. The second phase will come with regulations to be drawn up by the state's Alcohol Beverage Control Board by a Nov. 24 deadline that will spell out the rules for commercial growing and sales of marijuana.

The ordinances say, ban use of alcohol or marijuana by minors, ban open containers or open stashes in a public place, ban use of marijuana in any form in public places and in motorized vehicles and boats, ban smoking where fumes would disturb others, and ban driving under the influence.

One may use marijuana in any form on private property without consent of the property owner. Renters must have landlord's approval.

The laws also forbid the sale or barter of edible marijuana products and marijuana concentrates.

Marijuana concentrates means an oil, liquid, or other substance created by extracting cannabinoids from marijuana through the use of a solvent other than water for the purpose of increasing the strength or proportion of the cannabinoids, according to Papasodora. Users vaporize the marijuana concentrates and inhale them.

Papasodora had advised the fines go up to \$500 for violating the law against peddling, possession or pro-

duction of marijuana concentrates or barter or sales of edible marijuana products. Laws on keeping public places smoke free from tobacco products would now extend to marijuana smoke and odor, with no exceptions for "E-cigarettes."

The new section of law on marijuana use would set up the Nome Marijuana Regulatory Authority comprised of five members appointed by the mayor subject to Council confirmation. All members of the board must be residents of the City during the term of their appointment. Members of the board may hold municipal, state or federal office, either elective or appointed. Two members of the board constitute a quorum. The board will meet at least once each year and at other times as directed by the Council. The board will be advisory without legal powers or authorities of the City.

The business of the board will be to conduct studies and investigations to ensure the proper administration of marijuana regulations to protect public health, safety and welfare, reporting to the Council at least once a year.

Ballot measure 2 passed in the November election, but it left uncertainties that the state "is fighting over" in drawing up state regulations, Papasodora said. The state regs will leave holes that municipalities will have to fill in local regulations.

Ordinance 3.07, introduced by the Council on Feb. 9, is a measure to "fill the holes where the state leaves off" Papasodora said. "We have to strike a balance between what the public wants and what the City needs."

At the same time the ordinance requires local citizens to abide by state

regulations on marijuana use.

Local governments have lee way, "significant authority," to regulate, even prohibit marijuana commerce, but unforeseen questions will arise in the advent of the legal marijuana "experiment" nation wide, Chandler, the City's attorney said in his memo.

However, "the Marijuana Law [state level] becomes effective on Feb. 24, 2015. On that day, possession of small amounts of marijuana for personal use becomes lawful; local government does not have authority to alter this provision under law," Chandler reminded in his memo.

At the state level, the legislature is considering at least four bills regulating marijuana. A couple of the bills currently have teleconferenced public hearings scheduled. The bills are SB 30, on driving motor vehicles when there is an open container of marijuana with teleconference hearings on Feb. 11 and Feb. 13, both at 1 p.m.; HB 59, on marijuana concentrates; HB 75, dealing with local municipal regulation of marijuana involving local advisory boards; HB 79, also on driving motor vehicles when there is an open container of marijuana, public hearing scheduled in the Judicial Committee at 1 p.m. Feb. 11.

Based on a review of the state Marijuana Law, Chandler recommends the City accomplish the following:

By Feb. 24 or soon after:

- Review workplace policies to make sure they continue to bar marijuana use, possession and being "stoned" in the workplace. Inform employees of the continued, or changed, policies concerning drug testing. Employers can still insist on

drug-free work sites, Chandler said.

- Review smoking policies and ordinances to ensure they cover marijuana smoke. Determine whether policies and ordinances cover vaporizer use.

- Adopt ordinances dealing with use and possession by minors.

- Adopt definition of "public" to establish boundaries of prohibited public use.

Commercialization of marijuana has a different timeline. The Alcohol Beverage Control Board has until Nov. 24 to issue regulations for commercial marijuana grow operations, production, testing and retail sale. The State ABC must begin accepting

applications for marijuana facility permits by Feb. 24, 2016, and issue or deny permits within 90 days of application. If the State of Alaska misses any of these milestones, regulation and permitting for marijuana facilities passes to local government. Should the state meet the milestones for commercial operations on time, the City needs to:

- Designate a local regulatory authority.

- Determine what marijuana facilities will be permitted, if any, and the maximum number of each type of facility.

- Adopt standards for marijuana business regulation and permit review.

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Some of the organizations that had renewed requests on the table at the Feb. 9 Council meeting came away happy with additional money for their programs when the Council assigned the remaining \$55,000 on Monday for the women's shelter, homeless shelters, the providers of animal care, cultural activities, literacy and student services.

Council approved the following distributions to programs:

Iditarod Trail Committee \$10,000 (budgeted), \$0 Monday; Bering Sea Women's Group, \$10,000 (budgeted), plus additional \$5,000 Monday evening; Nome Preschool Association, \$20,000, plus \$10,000 Monday; Boys & Girls Club, \$10,000, \$0 Monday; Nome Community Center Food Bank, \$10,000

(budgeted), \$0 Monday; Nome Emergency Shelter Team (NEST), \$10,000 (budgeted), \$10,000 Monday; Iron Dog, Nome-Golovin Race, fireworks, \$25,000 (budgeted), \$0 Monday; PAWS of Nome (People For Animal Welfare and Safety), \$10,000 Monday; Nome Public Schools, Free Breakfast Program, \$10,000 Monday; Youth Education Services, \$2,500 Monday toward a student trip to Washington D.C.; Nome Imagination Library, \$5,000 Monday; Nome—St. Lawrence Island Dancers, \$2,500.

The Council should favor organizations that had already raised money on their own, Councilman Jerald Brown commented. Councilman Tom Sparks last year and this year brought up the issue of designing some sort of ranking criteria for distributing to organizations rather

than entertaining written proposals and verbal pitches from the podium. Sparks and Councilman Stan Andersen agreed that the current procedure seemed like a popularity contest.

Brown encouraged organizations not to rely on NSEDC money, but to submit requests for next year to the council during the regular budget cycle starting in May. The Council acknowledged that good programs had applied, but that money was shrinking and organizations would be wise to look elsewhere, including community support and fund raising.

Groups may be getting things started that they are not able to maintain, Andersen said. Money should go to the groups with match money, Sparks said. He cited as an example a request from an Icyview resident for a basketball court that without local support would fall off the table.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

ON THE LIST—The warehouse on Lomen Avenue that years ago stored cargo coming into town through the jetty (now filled in) is on a list of structures that will come under an ordinance prescribing maintenance requirements.

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be repaired within 30 days. Boarding up broken windows is prohibited except as a temporary measure for 14 days.

"What about miners and folks who leave for the winter. Don't they want to board up houses to keep them secure in their absence?" asked Ken Hughes.

The Commission conceded that perhaps the rule against boarded windows wouldn't apply to seasonal dwellings.

Property left open or broken into will be subject to entry by the City to ensure the property has not become an attractive nuisance, and the owner may be assessed a securing fee set by the Council to reimburse for contacting the owner or management com-

pany to come lock up. If the management company or the owner does not secure the property within 72 hours, according to the proposed ordinance, or cannot be reached, the owner will be assessed the cost of securing the property.

The building inspector or a designee will be authorized to monitor any property under the ordinance.

Should the property be damaged by fire, the owner has 90 days to apply for a permit to start construction or demolition. Fees unpaid after 30 days written notice to the owner or manager shall be assessed against the property as a lien and included on the tax roll.

Panel members will also consider adopting the International Property Maintenance Code.

Variance appeal

A man who built a house on West E Street that did not fit on the lot and was denied a variance before the Nome Planning Commission also came away from the meeting happy. After hearing his appeal of the variance turnaround, the Council ruled that Two Six Two Five One Zero Zero would not have to scrap his \$143,000 structure or pare it down to observe lot line setbacks.

According to Planning Commission Chair Larry Pederson, the builder needed a variance for being eight inches short of the five feet setback on the east side of the structure and nearly seven feet short of the 10-foot street setback on West E Street.

In addressing the Council during the hearing, Five One Zero Zero said he had submitted his plans to Commissioners and been told that either of two was fine. No one had come to inspect his project during the building process, he told the Council. He had taped the footage of five feet from the neighbor's house on the east side of his property and apparently come up short, he added.

The City had not supervised the construction or called the builder on the mistakes during a summer of construction, Andersen observed. The person filling in temporarily as building inspector was not trained as a building inspector, Andersen acknowledged.

"We charge money and don't provide the service," Andersen said. Five One Zero Zero acknowledged that he had obtained a remodeling permit of an existing shack, but had then built a new house because every part of the original structure was rotted.

Observing recently that the building was new and violated setback rules, the city's Building Inspector Greg Smith had issued a stop work order and told Five One Zero Zero to get a building permit for a new structure, along with which he would need to ask the Nome Planning Commission for a variance on setbacks.

A remodeling permit allows only 50 percent of an existing structure to be replaced. Anyone wanting to build on the many substandard sized lots on the west side of town would be hampered in building a useable structure after the square footage for setbacks was subtracted, Five One Zero Zero said.

Five One Zero Zero pointed out to the Council that his structure, which is a 'dried-in' shell with interior still to be finished, had an assessment of 10 times the house to the east and four times the value of the house to the north, making it an asset on the City's tax rolls.

In fact, Five One Zero Zero said, "If I were forced to move my building of this lot, the entire corner of this downtown area would continue to look like a giant abatement project."

The Council unanimously granted Five One Zero Zero's appeal.

PILT

In other business the Council considered a letter from University of Alaska protesting the Payment in Lieu of Taxes they would have to give the City on 15 lots they won in the City's December land disposal auction. The purchase price came out to \$467,250 for the lots. The City's proposed closing documents require the University to make ongoing payments in lieu of taxes (PILT). The City cannot levy property taxes on nonprofit state-owned property. Surprisingly, the University currently leases the properties that it just agreed to buy. The rent is equal to the current property taxes, according to Kit Duke of UA Facilities and Land

Management.

"From the University's perspective, it would be unreasonable and a bad business decision to pay the City \$467,250 [purchase price] and then continue to make a PILT equal to the rent it would otherwise under terms of the lease," Duke said in his letter to City Manager Josephine Bahnke.

The Council should forget the PILT payments and take the \$467,250 "before someone knows they have all that money and grab it," Andersen said.

The remainder of the Council agreed.

Port tariff

The revised 2015 Port Tariff adopted by the Port Commission and passed up to Council did not fly, with Councilman Louis Green Sr. indicating he was not in favor of increasing user rates.

Only four of six Council members attended the meeting. Measures require four votes to pass. Rather than risk a 3-1 vote based on a "no" vote from Green, the remaining Council members agreed to table the port tariff issue until a special meeting Feb. 17 when Council would have enough "yes" votes to approve the tariff.

The revised tariff rates across the board.

"I can't see that," Green said. "It would be raising the tariff out of people's pockets. The Port should look for ways to cut."

A rate study contracted by the Port Commission called for a much larger increase than is being proposed to survive, Brown said, adding that the Port could have the same cash flow issue as Nome Joint Utility System based on a reluctance to raise rates.

"They're barely making ends meet out there," Sparks said.

"The port staff spent lots of time on the tariff," Bahnke said. "I'd rather table it than have a 'no' vote."

"Anything to keep Green from voting," Andersen said.

Finally, the City has received the NJUS cost-of-service study, but did not take it up at the meeting Feb. 9. The Council intended to have a work session with NJUS at noon on Feb. 12.

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PAY DIRT — Nome Gold Alaska continue to mine in the winter and stock piles pay dirt for later processing.

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BLAST HOLES — A drill rig bores into the frozen ground to prepare holes to be filled with explosives to free up the pay dirt. A massive blast surprised and woke up Nome residents last week.

Louder than usual blast wakes up Nomeites

By Diana Haecker

A blast that rocked Nome on Wednesday, February 4 around 6:15 a.m. originated with the regular blasting activity of the Nome Gold Alaska Corporation mining.

Nomeites woke up to a detonation that was heard as far as Triple Creek and was felt throughout Nome and Icy View. Residents of Lester Bench, the closest neighborhood to the blasting site on the north side of the Nome Airport, reported that the blast shook their homes.

Nome Gold General Manager Randy Powelson and Production Foreman Shawn Buller told the *Nome Nugget* that, yes, they are aware that the Wednesday blast was more widely heard and felt. Powelson said that the blast was a large one, but the company has done four blasts of comparable magnitude in the past. “One of the other shots, we

heard people comment that they heard it, but we had many, many shots since then that we didn’t hear any comments about,” said Powelson.

At the blast site there was hazy fog, but it is unclear if the weather had contributed to the sound and shockwaves traveling faster through the moisture-saturated air. According to National Weather Service data, there was fog at only half a mile visibility at 5 a.m., then it cleared and there was 10 miles visibility at 6:05 a.m. But just 35 minutes later, fog rolled in again and limited visibility to one mile and three quarters of a mile.

Around Christmas time last year, Nome Gold began blasting overburden off the tundra north and northwest of the Nome Airport to get to the pay dirt. The pay dirt is then moved to a stockpile, which will be

transported to the washplant and processed during the summer time. Powelson said that the company has been blasting three to four times a week. Since the large shake-up last Wednesday, he has instructed his crew to conduct smaller shots and blast more often. “We will have shots more frequent-y. The goal is that people don’t even notice it because we do want to be good neighbors,” Powelson said.

Powelson described that the Wednesday shot entailed 163 drill holes, loaded as usual with an ammonium nitrate and diesel mix and a detonator.

“The process is for each ‘row’ to ‘shoot’ at one time in a successive pattern - front to back. So yes, several holes did go off at the same time,” Powelson explained in a follow-up email. “This is normal industry procedure to ‘peel’ the layers of

material away.”

He said that with the first blast, the explosions blast free the overburden. With the second shot, the aim is to get into the paydirt. Usually, he said, they do blasts of 100 to 150 holes. “It takes 24 hours of preparation time for a smaller shot,” Powelson said. It took about three days of prep work for the 163-hole shot.

The overburden is moved to reclaim areas that have been mined already and the paydirt is transported to a stockpile. According to Powelson, a normal-size blast consisting of 100-150 drill holes, produces about 12,000 cubic yards of dirt that the company has the ability to move in a 24-hour time period.

Powelson said the company employs three drillers, two explosive experts who load the drill holes with explosives and ten employees per shift to prepare the groundwork.

The early morning time to conduct regularly scheduled blasts was arranged based on conditions from the Federal Aviation Administration to minimize interruption of flight traffic.

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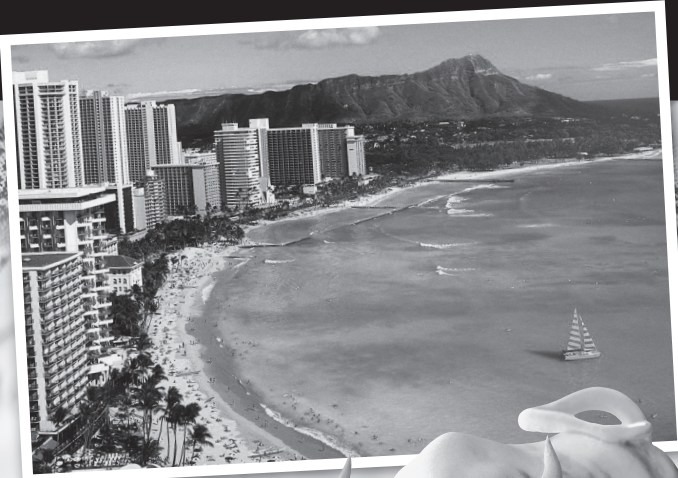
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Students perform in “Poetry Out Loud”

On Tuesday, 19 junior high students from the Anvil City Science Academy and Nome-Beltz competed in the third annual Poetry Out Loud competition coached and coordinated by teachers Lisa Leeper and Rachel Ventress.

All students from both schools took part in preliminary rounds during their classes, and some made it to the final event which was held in the commons of Nome Elementary School on February 3.

Students selected a variety of classical poetry and presented their poems focusing on public speaking skills, appropriate expression and interpretation.

Seventh grade winners were Kenneth Hafner in first place with his performance of an untitled poem by Emily Dickinson; Evelyn Iya in second place with her performance of

“Preacher, Don’t Send Me,” by Maya Angelou and Brittney Goldy in third place with her performance of “A Butterfly Life” by Sara Zylstra.

Eighth grade winners were Kyle Reynolds in first place with his performance of “A Late Walk” by Robert Frost, Jillian Iyatunguk in second place with her performance of two untitled poems by Emily Dickinson and Brayden Bahnke in third place with his performance of “Willow Poem” by William Carlos Williams.

Seventh grader Crystal Moses reciting “The Butterfly” by Pavel Friedman and Jillian Iyatunguk won the people’s choice awards for their performances.



Photo by Rachel Ventress

POETRY — Poetry Out Loud participants were (backrow left to right) Kenean Outwater, Walter Bell, Kyle Reynolds, Ayomide Ayowole-Obi, Ana Karmun, Sidney Kinneen, Jillian Iyatunguk, and Brayden Bahnke. Front (left to right) are Kelly Lyon, Anna Peterson, Joshua Marble, Brittney Goldy, Kylie Evans, Kenneth Hafner, Ashleigh Minix, Crystal Moses, Naomi Minix, Evelyn Iya, and Makayla Marble.

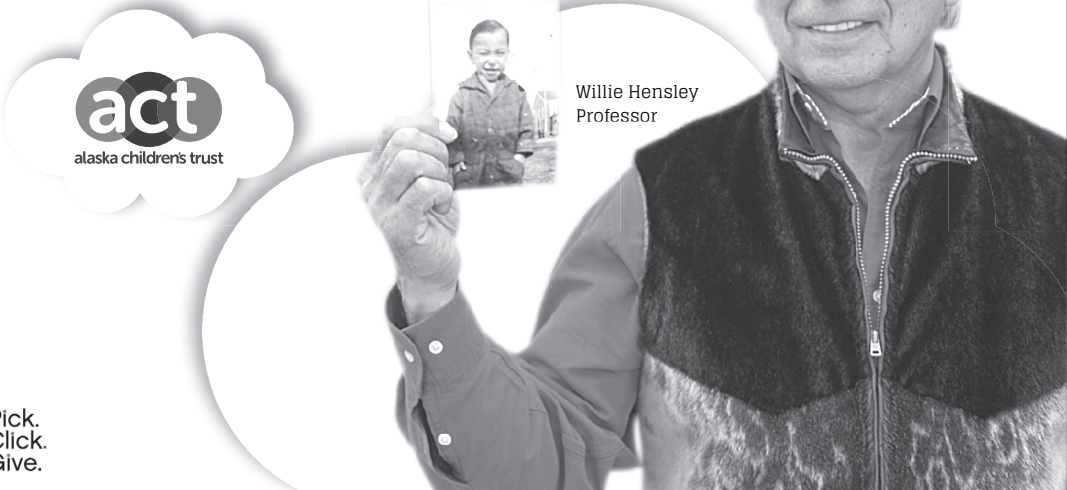


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LIL’ SKATER — Jamison Erickson-Ford is all smiles as she took to the ice rink on Saturday, February 7, enjoying ice skating with bigger kids and her brother.

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Nome boys notch key road win over Kotzebue

By Keith Conger

For the second time in two weeks the Nome-Beltz boys varsity basketball prevailed against a tough Western Conference opponent. By toppling Kotzebue 60-47 on their home court at the Kotzebue Husky Shootout on Saturday night, the Nanooks avenged an early season loss to the Huskies and continued their winning ways by racking up another crucial conference road win.

Although Kotzebue's Evan Reich was able to light up the Nanooks for 31 points in their first match-up last month at Nome's Subway Shootout, Nome held the Huskies sharp shooter to six first half points in the rematch.

Their defense kept Reich quiet in the third quarter as well, holding him to three points in the frame. Reich would go on a 10-point scoring spree in the final quarter, bringing his total to 19. But his scoring was too little, and too late, as the Nanooks had entered the fourth quarter with a commanding 17-point lead.

Nome coach Pat Callahan says the Huskies strategy was to try to stop Nome senior Klay Baker by sticking a single defender to follow him around all game, as the rest of their team played zone. While Kotzebue was able to limit Baker to eight points on the night, the defensive ploy by the Huskies opened the door

for seniors Alex Gray and Daniel Head to have big scoring nights. Gray finished the game with 22 points, as Head added 18.

Callahan was pleased that the team had only eight turnovers in the contest.

The Nanooks produced another important 3A win in their Thursday night game with Homer, beating the Mariners 77-32. According to a press release from Nanooks assistant coach Nate Perkins, the Nome boys used a flurry of 14 three-pointers to help defeat Homer. The team jumped out to a 19-5 lead and never let up. Perkins said the Nanooks worthy back-up players came in the final eight minutes and helped hold the Mariners to two fourth-quarter points.

Sophomore Josh Bourdon led the reserves with seven points. Gray hit six three-pointers contributing to his

game-high total of 29. Baker one-upped his teammate by connecting on seven three pointers and ended with 25 points.

Nome beat the 2A Point Hope Harpooners 79-49 on Friday night. The Nanooks had three players score 20 or more points, led by 24 from Baker. Senior Wink Winkelmann contributed 23, while Gray pitched in

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Photo by Janeen Sullivan

LOOSE BALL - Nome-Beltz Junior Varsity basketball players Chad Callahan (center) and Harrison Moore (right) work to secure the ball against a Kotzebue JV player last weekend in the Nome-Beltz gym.



Photo by Janeen Sullivan

MAKING HER MOVE - Nome-Beltz junior high basketball player Ellie Martinson tries to dribble around several junior high players from Kotzebue last weekend in the Nome-Beltz gym.

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Transition Camp

By Robin Child

Students had a wonderful week at NACTEC this January for Transition Camp, with a jam-packed schedule! The week started with Art Exploration Day-first, we visited the UAF Northwest Campus, where students viewed a new film Arctic Currents: A Year in the Life of a Bowhead Whale and had Q & A with animator Hannah Foss (who called in from the Museum of the North in Fairbanks) and marine mammal specialist Gay Sheffield.



Joel Pete working on his color wheel.

We then visited KNOM and were given a fun tour of the radio station and a glimpse into the world of being a deejay...some students even got to go on the radio! Students met and listened to the wonderful stories and advice of Joe Kunnuk, King Island carver.

On our way “home” to NACTEC, we stopped at Maruskiya’s to see regional and local artwork and meet Jimmy and her trick-wielding dog!

Back at NACTEC, we had a screen printing workshop with Alice Bioff, owner of Tundra Tees, who graciously shared with students about being a business owner and some of the ins and outs of entrepreneurship before helping students transfer her awesome designs to t-shirts with the heat press.

We closed our busy Art day with a lesson on mixing primary colors to make secondary colors using food coloring and frosting led by BSSD Art teacher, Robin Child. Students completed their “Cookie Color Wheel” before eating their projects!



Alice Bioff teaching a student screen printing.

Students spent the remainder of the week accessing the community, exploring various careers and interests, and participating in wellness and life skills activities. A huge THANK YOU to the people who helped make Art Exploration Day so fun and exciting: Gay Sheffield, Hannah Foss, Kelly Brabec, Joe Kunnuk, Mary Kunnuk, Jimmy at Maruskiya’s, Alice Bioff and her daughter, Aries. Also, many thanks to Danielle at the Nome Food Bank, Sara Lizak and Kawerak Staff, Spruce Lynch of Tobacco Alcohol and Drug Prevention, and Bruce and Ann Davis of Midnite Sun Reindeer Ranch. Much appreciation to teachers and chaperones Heather Stump, Eric Camp, Geni Dodsworth, Christine Foster, Jessica Marks, and Robin Child. It was a wonderful week filled with so many valuable life experiences for our students. ■

Climate Change in Gambell

Written by Doi Slwooko, Nayek Apassingok, Uker Koonooka, Qiifi Apangalook, Timmy Tungiyau, and Vaava Aningayou.



Clement Awaaliq Ungott, Gambell Elder, came to John Apangalook Memorial High School and spoke to the students and staff about climate change. He said, in the past the polar ice was much thicker and that it would arrive in November before Thanksgiving. Now it arrives very late (this year it arrived well into January). There used to be large icebergs called Kulusiq in Yupik, now they don’t come anymore to the island. He says he hasn’t seen such ice in over 10 years.

Due to the lack of this ice it’s been very hard to hunt for food. The polar ice would arrive on the island late, and start flowing north early. This results in a short span to hunt for sea mammals that live around the ice. Also now, there is fog and rain in winter. Snow would fall, then melt, and it would fall again. He also talked about how hunters would tell if bad weather was coming. They would always watch for dark clouds rising from the south west of the island. That mean bad weather conditions and the hunters would have to head straight home upon seeing the clouds. ■

2015 Academic Decathlon

By Karen Beranek Stebbins



Kadyn Erickson, John Henry, Brian Steve, John Washington, Kevin Guidry, Talon Erickson, Augustine Olanna, Anthony J. Andrews, Wilfred Otten. Vincent Van Gogh stated, “Great things are done by a series of small things brought together.” What does this quotation mean to you—and with only a minute to gather your thoughts, could you give a two-minute speech about it? Nineteen students from the Bering Strait Schools did just that and much more at the 2015 Regional Academic Decathlon held in Stebbins on January 21 and 22. Four teams of students from Shishmaref, St. Michael, Unalakleet and Stebbins met and tackled seven 50-question exams and difficult essay topics, as well as preparing speeches and interviews.



St. Michael: John Washington, Wilfred Otten, Anthony J. Andrews, Nayami Long, Deidre Levi, Coach Megan Akaran.

Academic Decathlon is a national competition covering Economics, Literature, Math, Social Science, Art, and Music. The USAD has been a national competition since 1981 and is designed to include students from all achievement levels. Teams are limited to nine members, who are divided into three divisions based on the students’ grade point average for select classes: Honors (3.75–4.00 GPA), Scholastic (3.00–3.74 GPA), and Varsity (0.00–2.99 GPA). Each team member competes in all ten events against other students in his or her division. Gold, silver, and bronze medals are awarded for individual events and for overall scores.

This year’s theme for the United States Academic Decathlon was New Alternatives in Energy: Ingenuity and Innovation. Topics have varied: this year’s broad theme delved into early efforts to curb the effects of the Industrial Revolution as well as modern issues with fracking and the Kyoto Protocol.



Shishmaref: Coach Randy Holweger, Lynden Weyiouanna, Samuel Topkok, Augustine Olanna, Julia Weyiouanna, Elsa Taft.

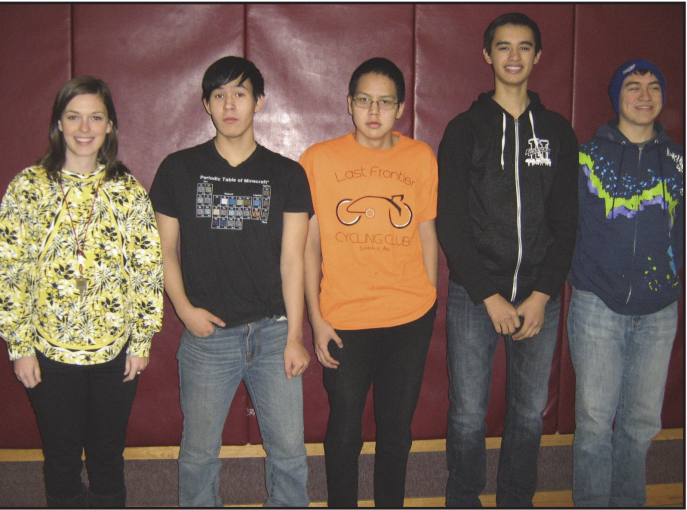
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The Environmental Movement and its effect on public policy was analyzed, with the featured novel being Annie Dillard’s creative non-fiction text, Pilgrim at Tinker Creek. Innovations in art and music were also explored. Past topics have been as specific as last year’s theme of WWI, to more abstract themes such as Understanding the Self.



Stebbins: Deion Andrews, Joseph Merculief, Brian Steve, Beverly Tom, April Marlin.

Academic Decathlon was founded in 1968 by Robert Peterson, a school superintendent in California, who intended the competition to encourage not only the highest-level students who already competed in academic competitions but also to “change C students’ lives.” In the Bering Strait, as many as 8 and 9 schools at a time –or as few as 3 or 4 schools– have fielded teams at Regional Competition. Some students participate one year, but many sign up to be Decathletes for 2 or more years. Recent graduates have stated that the speech and interview events gave them poise and skill in their College Communications classes which amazed their classmates and professors.



Unalakleet: Coach Adrianna Woodruff, Kevin Guidry, John Henry, Kadyn Erickson, Talon Erickson.

The three highest scoring students in each competition category move on to State Competition in Anchorage on February 26 and 27. Representing Bering Strait are: Honors: Kadyn Erickson (UNK), John Henry (UNK), Brian Steve (WBB); in the Scholastic Category, Talon Erickson (UNK), Kevin Guidry (UNK), and John Washington (SMK); in Varsity: Wilfred Otten (SMK), Anthony J. Andrews (SMK) and Augustine Olanna (SHH). Good luck, Decathletes! ■

Stomp on It Campaign

By Keith Carroll Gambell

At Gambell School on St. Lawrence Island, Michelle Ganoza, High School science teacher, has started an aggressive aluminum recycling effort to keep pop cans out of the landfill dump. As part of that effort, Keith Carroll, High School Math teacher, and the Senior Store, have come up with the Stomp On It Campaign.

The idea is to get students and adults to stomp on their empty pop cans before placing them in a recycle bin. Since everything goes by air, space has to be saved. With the help of the Girl Scouts under Tammy Holt, fifth grade teacher, the Little Dribblers basketball team, coached by Carroll and Ganoza, and flyers in the gym and around school encouraging all to Stomp On It, all cans at the school will be crushed before recycled.

Qaspeq Sewing in Wales

By Bethany Fernstrom



From Left to Right: Jade Milligrock, Creedence Ongtowsruk, Hilary Ahkinga.

Starting last August, the students of Wales began learning to rip and sew their own qaspeqs. For the first two weeks of school, leading up to the Dance Festival, several students ripped and sewed their own qaspeqs with Ms. Fern, the first and second grade teacher. Ms. Fern learned how to rip qaspeqs from women in Toksook Bay. She has now been making qaspeqs for five years.



Left to Right: Reuben Olanna Jr., Shawna Keyes, Bethany Fernstrom, David Olanna.

The students would spend one to two hours a day working hard, measuring their bodies and ripping the fabric to make qaspeqs that perfectly fit them. The woodshop in the school was set up with four sewing machines that students would take turns utilizing. They learned to measure, hem, pin and sew. There were several students that wore and danced in their qaspeqs proudly during the festival.



Kayden Ripping and his Qaspeq.

Since October, Friday has been designated “Qaspeq Friday” and all the students and teachers are encouraged to wear their qaspeqs. The last thirty minutes of school on Friday, community members come down to drum and dance with the students.

After seeing what some of the students created, all the students feel a desire to make their own qaspeqs.



David Anungazuk and Caleb Okpealuk.

The last hour of the school day, Ms. Fern pulls three students at a time to teach them how to sew qaspeqs. By the end of the year, all of the students will have their own handmade qaspeq. Here are some photos of the students that have completed their qaspeqs. ■

Happenings in Shaktoolik

By Lynda Bekoalok



The Shaktoolik Middle School students eating apples sent from Roger Lubiens from Folsom, California. Roger comes each summer with high school students from California to do Vacation Bible School. Throughout the school year he sends students oranges and apples from his farm in California.



Middle School students made volcanoes and used baking soda and vinegar to make them erupt. ■

NACTEC Builds-a-Plane in 2015

By Doug Walrath



Students learning about the Nome B-25 bomber.

2014-15 will mark the year of one of NACTEC’s most challenging undertakings. A series of three Aviation courses are new to NACTEC’s training calendar, with teacher Jake Fischer leading the rebuild of a 1962 Piper Colt. Under the watchful eye of Vic Olsen (below), NACTEC students have completed an Aviation I: Intro to Flight course, which included stripping old fabric from the wings and beginning airplane disassembly. During the Aviation II: Powerplant course students removed the engine and performed diagnostic tests.



NACTEC students working hard in their Aviation I: Intro to Flight course.

Bering Air and Ravn Alaska have partnered with NACTEC, exposing students to A&P Mechanic careers with visits to local shops, and with mechanics, during each training program.

Students enrolled in NACTEC’s Introduction to Aviation course were the beneficiaries of a rich history lesson as they began efforts to disassemble a Piper Colt in October, 2014.



Students learn about a historical Nome B-25 bomber integral to a Michigan Warbirds Museum effort to repurpose to original condition.

Students learned about an old B-25 bomber remaining in Nome from Roosevelt’s Lend-Lease Program of 1941. In efforts to help defeat Nazi Germany, B-25 bombers from the U.S. were lent to the Russian military. One of those B-25’s failed to make the trip from the lower 48 to Russia, ending up in Nome in the 1940’s.

The Warbirds of Glory Museum, a publicly supported history museum whose primary goal is to preserve aircraft of historical significance, will be disassembling the Nome B-25 in the summer of 2015, to be shipped to Michigan for efforts in rebuilding the B-25 Sandbar Mitchell plane. NACTEC will be partnering with this non-profit to get local students involved with the B-25 disassembly project. Students interested in this project, or the final Aviation course (June 8th-19th) should contact NACTEC staff (443-3507) for more information.

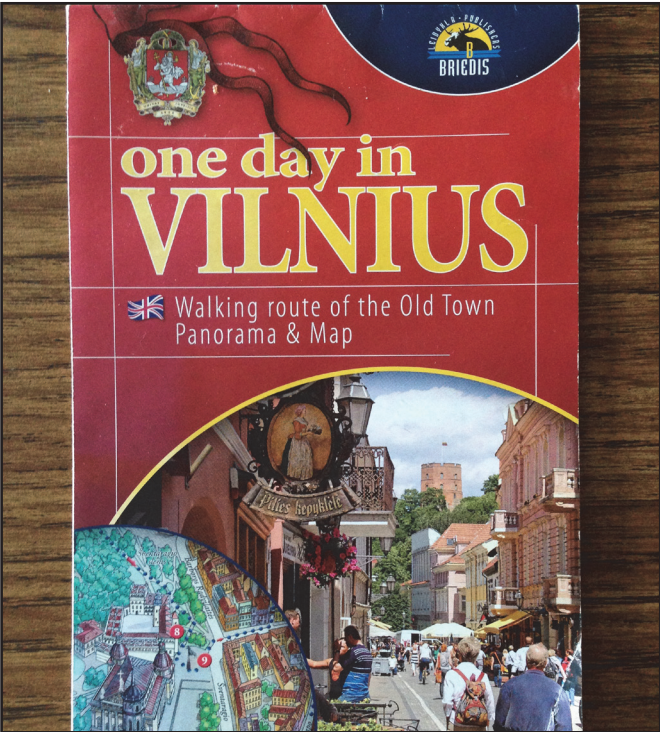
Pen Pal Exchange Program

By Michelle Ganoza
Gambell



Stamped package with student letters.

Students from Ms. Ganoza’s Health class are corresponding with students from Lithuania in a pen pal exchange program. Ms. Ganoza discovered PTPI, a global student corresponding program while searching for information to connect her students from another culture. Both groups of students have received their first introductory handwritten letters with information about their age, family members, hobbies and favorite subjects in school.



A map sent from Lithuanian students.

By the end of the school year, the students and teachers intend to meet through Skype as a culminating event with a 10 hour time zone to be considered. Ms. Ganoza hopes that by exposing her students to the traditional form of handwriting, they will discover how forms of communication can be a valuable resource to create more meaningful connections with others as future communication evolves.



ANATOMY OF A DROP BAG – Debbie Trowbridge helped her husband Rolland prepare the drop bags last month for his Yukon Quest race.

Photo courtesy of Maritime Kennels TRS



Photo by Marion Hoskins

MUSHING AT 40 BELOW – Iditarod veteran Aaron Burmeister is gearing up for his 16th Iditarod sled dog race. He has been serving as a mentor to several fellow Nome mushers with aspirations of running The Last Great Race. Burmeister runs Flat Dog Kennels out of Nenana during the race season.

Nome mushers 2015 successes lead to thoughts of 2016 Iditarod

By Keith Conger

Eight weeks, and more than 800 miles later, Tom Jamgochian found himself back in Nome.

"This was a special season," he said. "I did what I meant to do."

Jamgochian, a Nome Kennel Club board member, left Nome two months ago to train his dog team, and attempt to qualify for the 2016 Iditarod Sled Dog Race. By completing the Copper Basin 300, the Northern Lights 300 and the Knik 200, he can now officially put his name in the hat for The Last Great Race.

After finishing the Copper Basin 300 last month Jamgochian started to develop some understanding of mid-distance mushing. He says he has come a long way toward knowing what to expect when racing his dogs.

Not getting enough rest for the musher is one of those expectations. While battling sleep deprivation on January 26, Jamgochian completed the Northern Lights 300, which started and ended in race host Martin Buser's front yard in Big Lake. Jamgochian's finishing time of 68 hours, 47 minutes put him in 24th place out of 30 mushers. He was 19 hours behind race Northern Lights 300 frontrunners Kristy and Anna Berington.

When in Big Lake, Jamgochian

was pleased to meet Buser. "Martin said my dogs looked great when we finished."

Then, on the weekend of January 31, with 600 of the 750 mile Iditarod Race requirement complete, Jamgochian was in the Nancy Lakes Region outside of Willow for his next race, the Knik 200. Jamgochian and his team ventured back out on the trail after a break of only four days. Thirty hours after that, Jamgochian had crossed the finish line as the 22nd finisher out of the 30 who had started the race. He was also finishing as an Iditarod qualifier. Jamgochian was 10 hours behind race winner Will Rhodes.

Local mushers don't have to look far to get advice as they make their move from middle distance racing to longer distance events. Top-10 finishing fixture Aaron Burmeister, who lives in Nome eight months of the year, is the resident sage. He has completed the 1,049-mile journey from Anchorage to his hometown 15 times, finishing as high as fourth in 2012. He has run his Flat Dog Kennels out of Nenana since 2001 to be closer to major races.

Jamgochian has talked by phone with Burmeister about racing. "Aaron gave me great advice," said Jamgochian. "He is a valuable resource, and is very generous with his

time."

Another Nome musher with Iditarod aspirations benefiting from Burmeister's help and time is Rolland Trowbridge. "Rolland is one of the best students I have had," said Burmeister. "He's passionate and wants to improve."

Trowbridge went right to Nenana after completing this year's Kuskokwim 300 to get help with his food bags for the Yukon Quest, which Trowbridge is currently participating in. He returned to Flat Dog Kennels last week to train for the big race. Burmeister says that Trowbridge did

runs of five and seven and a half hours last week on trails that Burmeister has set up.

Being tutored by Burmeister is a good harbinger of success. Burmeister says he has coached nine other

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Rasmuson looks for distinguished artists

Rasmuson Foundation is seeking nominations for the 2015 Distinguished Artist Award, recognizing superior artistic accomplishments of an Alaskan. The selected artist will receive \$40,000.

“The Distinguished Artist Award is an opportunity to recognize the talents and contributions of extraordinary Alaska artists,” said Jayson Smart, program officer for Rasmuson Foundation. “We welcome the participation of Alaskans in this process to make sure our best artists are identified and their impact on our state validated through this award.”

Past winners of the Distinguished Artist Award are Peggy Shumaker, Kes Woodward, John Luther Adams and John Haines of Fairbanks; Teri Rofkar of Sitka; Rie Munoz of Juneau; Ron Senungetuk of Homer; Sylvester Ayek of Nome; and De-lores Elizabeth Churchill, Ray Troll and Nathan Jackson of Ketchikan.

Eligible artists include those who have dedicated themselves for at least the past 15 years to a significant professional arts career of any artistic discipline. Artists should also have an extensive independent body of work representing a life-long investigation and maturation of their personal creativity. Their work is usually widely recognized and influential in style, aesthetic or form.

Public nominations of artists who meet the Distinguished Artist Award criteria are welcome. Artists can also nominate themselves. Nominations can be submitted online or by mail. Electronic and hard copy forms are available at www.rasmuson.org/IAA. The Distinguished Artist Award is part of Rasmuson Foundation’s in-

dividual artist program. Since 2004, the program has distributed 338 artist awards totaling more than \$2.7 million, directly to Alaska artists. The Individual Artist Awards program also awards project grants of \$7,500 for artists with short-term project needs, in addition to artist fellowship awards of \$18,000 for mid-career and mature artists to advance their career. Applications for these two grant opportunities may be filed on-

line on the Rasmuson Foundation website by 11:59 p.m., March 1. Applications sent by mail must be postmarked by March 1, 2015. Applications delivered to the office must be received by 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 27, 2015. For additional information, or to request an application call 907-297-2700 or 877-366-2700 (toll free in Alaska).

ULU News
By Senator Donald Olson

STAFF UPDATE
My staff and I have entered in to the first year of the 29th Legislature here in Juneau. This session we have an almost all new staff which includes: Jacquelyn Boyer and Conran Gunther who are an addition to chief of staff Denise Liccioli who has been in my staff for the past nine sessions.

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

FINANCE
On the budget front, the news is not good. As you may have already heard, we are facing a \$3.5 BILLION shortfall in the current year, which ends this June 30, 2015; and another \$3.5 BILLION for next year if the price of oil holds at near the same amount. Even if the price of oil rises to around \$66 per barrel, we will still have a shortfall of around \$3.2 BILLION next year. To give you an idea of the magnitude, even if every state employee was laid off, and state government essentially shut down, the shortfall would still be over a BILLION. Even with budget reductions, the savings we were able to amass when the price of oil was high are not expected to last more than about 2 or possibly 3 years.

Having said all of that, this year and probably the next year or two will focus on cutting the operating budget, and bare bones capital budget. We do not expect to be able to fund many projects this year as we have been able to do in the past and all Alaskans will feel the pain of the reduced operating and capital budgets before very long.

In the near future, I am sure discussions will begin regarding increases to revenue as well. Leadership in both the Senate and House, as well as Governor Walker, has said that before we start those discussions, however, they want to be sure we have done the work of reducing government.

ARCTIC POLICY
The Alaska Arctic Policy Commission released its’ final report and implementation plan last week which outlined the goals of the Artic Policy. You can find out more details about these documents One of the key differentiating factors of the Arctic Policy is that its’ main focus is on preserving and improving the lives of the people in the Arctic. With this focus in mind, I will be traveling to Kotzebue with Secretary Jewell to discuss climate change and how it affects our lives in the Arctic.

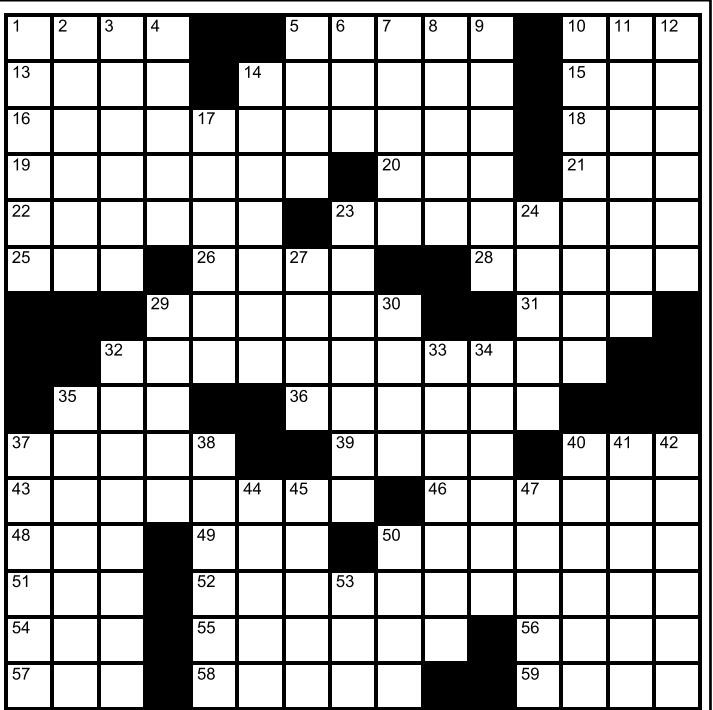
Constituent visitors: Angie Gorn -Nome; Anthony Cravaho – Kotzebue; Charlie Lean – Nome; Chuck Degnan – Unalakleet; Emily Hughes – Nome; Greta Schuerch- Kiana; Ivory Gerhardt-Cyrus – Kiana; Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus – Kiana; John Lincoln – Kotzebue; June Wonitlan – Nome; Martin Aukongak – Golovin; Mayor Reggie Joule-Kotzebue; Ron Huffman – Nome; Tim Schuerch – Kotzebue.

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

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

Thank you for taking the time to read my ULU Newsletter.

Best wishes and take care,
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- Across**
- 1. Obi, e.g.
 - 5. Atlas, e.g. (hyphenated)
 - 10. Undertake, with "out"
 - 13. Eastern pooh-bah
 - 14. Eclipse phenomenon
 - 15. Athletic supporter?
 - 16. Bony portion of the roof of the mouth (pl.) (2 wds)
 - 18. "___ we having fun yet?"
 - 19. In a foolishly imitative manner
 - 20. "Star Trek" rank: Abbr.
 - 21. Barely beat
 - 22. Avis offering
 - 23. Partygoer
 - 25. "Don't ___!"
 - 26. Bookbinding leather
 - 28. Bring up
 - 29. Gets up on, as onto a horse
 - 31. Queen, maybe
 - 32. Places to buy car fuel (2 wds)
 - 35. Buff
 - 36. Youth in Greek mythology whose wings melted
 - 37. Conundrum
 - 39. Western blue flag, e.g.
 - 40. Dracula, at times
 - 43. Unfinished detail (2 wds)
 - 46. Reserved
 - 48. "Is that ___?"
 - 49. C.S.A. state
 - 50. Word in the Second Amendment
 - 51. "Fancy that!"
 - 52. State of unrestrained merriment
 - 54. Ashes holder
 - 55. Excessive maternal protection
 - 56. "Trick" joint
 - 57. Artist's asset
 - 58. Restrict
 - 59. Cast
- Down**
- 1. "The English Patient" setting
 - 2. Spiritual love (pl.)
 - 3. Go down
 - 4. Verb with thou
 - 5. Sacred
 - 6. Victorian, for one
 - 7. Bach composition
 - 8. About
 - 9. Egypt's Lake ___
 - 10. Subs (2 wds)
 - 11. Supremely spooky
 - 12. Crow's home
 - 14. Insensitive
 - 17. Lighthouse
 - 23. Bromo ingredient
 - 24. Flat, leavened bread of NW India
 - 27. The "A" of ABM
 - 29. Bison features
 - 30. Antares, for one
 - 32. Petrol (var. spelling)
 - 33. Atomic no. 77
 - 34. Common black European thrushes
 - 35. Senseless behavior
 - 37. Pestilence
 - 38. Furnishes better weapons
 - 40. C4H8
 - 41. Come to light
 - 42. Afternoon service (2 wds)
 - 44. "Four Quartets" poet
 - 45. A Judd
 - 47. Type of fur coats
 - 50. Lion's share
 - 53. Bolivian export
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CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Love letters of long ago inspire a walk on the wild side. Have fun, Capricorn. An amazing opportunity is yours for the taking. Don't miss out.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Love is in the air. Seize every opportunity that comes your way, Aries. Small changes in budgeting make a big difference in your bottom line.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Picture-perfect results are certainly desirable, but not necessary this time. Do what you must to get the task done, Cancer. A pesky health problem eases.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

You're lucky in love this week, Libra, as you share many magical moments with that special someone. One man's trash is another's treasure.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

Please, Aquarius. You've stalled long enough. Make your request known. You will not be denied. A friend's brave journey begins. Be there for them.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Romance reaches new heights this week with a getaway for two. Ooh-la-la, Taurus. Financial errors are resolved quickly thanks to new technology. A work goal is set.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Travel plans hit a snag. Don't worry, Leo. A minor modification will turn everything around. A deadline is met with ease, and a celebration may be in order.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

Sometimes you have to pick your battles, Scorpio. Instead of going after every cause, why not fight for those that mean the most to you.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Applause all around. Your attention to detail makes all the difference this week, and the accolades will all be yours, Pisces. A website is launched.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

No news is good news, Gemini. Leave it be. A tickle of the ivories sets the stage for a dazzling weekend. Make sure you take plenty of pictures.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Organization is the theme of this week, Virgo. You must make sure everything is in order before you proceed. A project wraps up quickly at home.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

A senior achieves the impossible. Invite them over for a little celebration. Finances improve with some thinking outside of the box. Good work, Sagittarius.

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Washington legislation came close to ban Alaskan ivory

By Diana Haecker
A push in the Washington State Legislature to outlaw the possession, trade and barter of elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn items almost included Alaskan ivory items, including art items made of mastodon and mammoth ivory.
A federal ban on the commercial trade of rhinoceros horn and elephant

ivory aimed in 2014 to protect elephant and rhinoceros populations from poachers. The Washington bill primarily aimed to “discourage illegal trafficking by eliminating markets and profits.” The original version of the bill defined ivory to be ivory from any elephant or mammoth, or any part thereof. The mammoth portion would have impacted

Alaskan artists who work mammoth ivory into art items. As the bill made it through the House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, testimony was heard that the bill would hurt Alaskan Native artists who carve mammoth ivory items. The bill’s sponsors the created a substitute bill, excluding mammoth from. The new language limits ivory meaning “any

tooth or tusk composed of ivory from an elephant.”

The Washington state bill would “prohibit the import, sale, purchase, barter, and possession with intent to sell, of any ivory, ivory product, rhinoceros horn, or rhinoceros horn product.”
Exemptions to the law would in-

clude antiques older than 100 years old, museum or education pieces, legal distribution of an estate, and musical instruments in which the instrument was manufactured prior to Jan. 1, 1976.

Alaska Legislators to meet with Secretary Jewell in Kotzebue

Leadership from the Alaska House Majority Caucus announced last week that they will travel to Kotzebue on Feb. 17 to meet with U.S. Interior Secretary Sally Jewell, who is slated to participate in the Alaska Federation of Natives’ National Forum on The Future of Alaska Natives. Also expected to arrive are Alaska’s congressional delegation and other northern and Native leaders.
Alaskan officials, including Governor Bill Walker, the joint Alaska delegation and Alaska legislators fight the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service’s proposed update to the Comprehensive Conservation Plan of ANWR, which calls for more than 12 million more acres in the Refuge to

be managed as Wilderness. The Wilderness designation would render the coastal plain off limits for oil and gas exploration or development.
“We look forward to bringing our voice, the Legislature’s, to the Forum,” Alaska Speaker of the House Mike Chenault, R-Nikiski, said. “There’s been some upsetting national Alaska-centric policy announcements lately that we need to address. Secretary Jewell needs to hear from us and the leaders in the region about the adverse impacts and opposition we feel toward the proposals on ANWR and outer continental shelf that will harm our state and nation. What better way than with the people effected, in their region, with the decision makers in-

involved?”
Speaker Chenault, Alaska House Majority Leader Charisse Millett (R-Anchorage), House Rules Chair Craig Johnson, (R-Anchorage), House Majority Whip Bob Herron (D-Bethel) and Resources Co-Chair Ben Nageak (D-Barrow) are to travel to Kotzebue.
A similar forum was held 15 years ago and brought together congressional leaders, presidential cabinet members, state officials and Alaska Native leadership. The AFN forum next week will focus on ways the state and federal government can work together on a range of Alaska-specific options, like the dramatic drop in oil prices and its fiscal impacts, state and federal policies that

meet Alaskans’ needs, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act promise for sustainable economic development, Homeland Security issues for Alaska Natives and climate

change.
The forum is closed to the public.

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Traditions
Traditions define what groups, villages, or tribes wish their members to carry on to future generations. In my Inupiaq culture story telling, games of skill or endurance, how-to sessions on building uniaqs (sleds), kayaks, umiaq (skin boats), cutting out and sewing clothes for hunting, kamiqs (boots) or the importance of respect for nature and elders help our people endure long dark winters and bountiful summers.
Kivgik 2015 in Barrow is a weeklong gathering of Inupiat from throughout the circumpolar regions celebrating dances, crafts, stories,

Saying it Sincerely


and the importance of family. The finale will feature some four hundred drummers and singers from many villages singing and drumming the farewell songs before bidding one another farewell. Early in the week will be the kaluqaq (box drum celebrating the transition from the old year to the start of the new) - each village doing their traditional version. To stand among the gathering in the wee hours of Sunday morning is an experience not easily forgotten. The singular drum beat, the simultaneous song, the entire gathering swaying and experiencing this once every three of four year gathering is one easily forgotten.
In a letter to the early Thessalonians, Paul writes to correct a misunderstanding concerning our Lord’s return and to exhort the Thessalonian believers to be steadfast and to work for a living:

“13 But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. 14 To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 15 So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter”. (2 Thessalonians 2:13-15)
Much as we hold, practice, and enjoy our traditions, Paul exhorted the early believers to stand firm in their traditions. Traditions continue, traditions are important, traditions define who we are.

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

Makes 12 brownies
Preparation Time: 10 minutes
Bake at 325°F for 25 minutes
Difficulty Level: Medium

Ingredients:
BROWNIES:
¾ cup Butter
1 cup Cocoa powder
½ cup Sugar
2 Eggs
2 t. Vanilla
½ cup Whole-wheat flour
½ cup All purpose flour

FROSTING:
1 Tbsp. Instant vanilla pudding mix, sugar-free
½ cup Milk
2 cup Cool whip, lite

Directions:
1. Preheat oven to 325°F.
2. Melt the butter over medium heat. Stir in the cocoa and sugar until dissolved.
3. Remove from heat and stir in the eggs, vanilla, and flour until well combined.
4. Evenly divide the batter into 12 cupcake liners. Bake for 25 minutes.
5. While allowing the brownies to cool, whip together the vanilla pudding mix and milk. Fold in the cool whip.
6. Top each brownie with frosting and add sprinkles as desired. Refrigerate until ready to eat.



Nutrition Facts

Serving Size	1 cupcake
Amount of Servings	12
Calories	234
Total Fat (g)	7
Saturated Fat (g)	5
Cholesterol (mg)	30
Sodium (mg)	12
Total Carbohydrate (g)	12
Fiber (g)	2
Protein (g)	2
Vitamin A (%)	4
Vitamin C (%)	0
Calcium (%)	1
Iron (%)	5

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 Aaron Cooper
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
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.
For more information contact Bob Blake 434-1966

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Corner of Steadman & W. King Place • 443-5527
Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Masses: Mon. & Tue. 9:00 a.m., Thur. 12:10 p.m.
Friday Hospital Mass: 12:10 p.m. (NSRH Meditation Room)

Patients going to ANMC and want to see a Catholic priest please call Fr. Brunet, OMI: cell 907-441-2106 or Holy Family Cathedral (907) 276-3455

Seventh-Day Adventist
Icy View • 443-5137
Saturday Sabbath School: 10 a.m.
Saturday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

Nome Church of the Nazarene
3rd Avenue & Division Street • 443-4870
Pastor Dan Ward
Sunday Prayer 9:30 a.m. • Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

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Employment



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

Available position:

Public Relations Specialist

PURPOSE OF POSITION:
Oversee, develop, and maintain public communications for Norton Sound Health Corporation in accordance with NSHC policies, procedures, and applicable regulations; Promote positive messages about NSHC by publicizing health care services, programs, board, staff, and activities; Produce NSHC's public information newsletter and annual report and write press releases and advertisements in collaboration with departments and administration.

EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE and CREDENTIALS:

Education **Degree**
Bachelor's Degree
Program
Journalism, Public Relations, Graphic Design, or related field.

Experience **General (Non-supervisory):**
2 year(s)
Type:
news and information field, writing, editing and design
ing communications materials for reporting on broad-based progressive care programs.

Supervisory:
0 year(s)
Must have both general and supervisory experience if indicated.

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Please contact Jeanette Norris at 907-443-4530
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Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC)
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Available position:

EVS/Maintenance workers

Norton Sound Health corporation is seeking people with experience in housekeeping and light maintenance in the following villages:

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- Elim
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- Koyuk
- Savoonga
- Shaktoolik
- Shishmaref
- Stebbins
- Teller
- Wales

Please fax your application to 907-443-2085.
Or email to jnorris@nshcorp.org.

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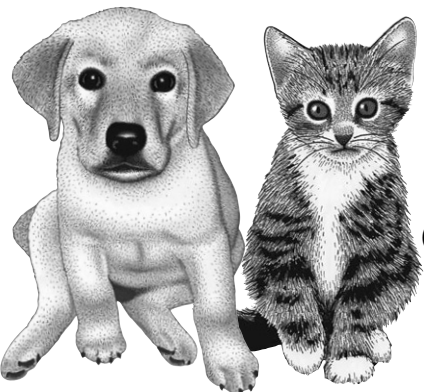
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Employment



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JOB VACANCY NOTICE

Sitnasuak Native Corporation is recruiting for executive personnel in the Nome Corporate office

Job Title: President
Location: Nome, Alaska
Schedule: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Salary: DOE

Duties: The President serves as SNC's "ambassador" and, in cooperation with the Chairman and CEO, represents SNC to shareholders, other Native corporations, Tribes and other organizations in the Native, regional and state-wide communities, social and political organizations and local, state and federal agencies and public bodies. The President oversees and monitors the implementation of corporate policies and directives adopted by the board of Directors (the "Board") with respect to shareholder relations and the disposition and selection of culturally-designated SNC lands.\

Minimum Qualifications:

SNC shareholder/descendant/spouse of shareholder with knowledge of Inupiaq values and Alaska Native cultures and politics, Bachelor's Degree (B.A.) preferred, Two year Associate's Degree (A. A.) in Business Management or related field preferred. OR Vocational Certificate may substitute for the AA Degree. Five (5) years of experience required in a senior or executive level management role, preferred. The ability to instill confidence in the members of the Board and SNC shareholders. Understanding and experience working with a corporate structure, board of directors, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the SBA 8(a) Program and government contracting, federal and state governing bodies and a historical understanding of the SNC region. Must possess the highest integrity and a strong sense of personal accountability and ethics. Effective people manager with innate ability to lead and develop direct reports. Working knowledge and track record of leading and managing the contract acquisition process through previous experience. Excellent interpersonal and written and oral communication skills. Strong interpersonal and relationship building skills, self-motivation and able to work without direct oversight or supervision.

Closing date: Open Until Filled

For additional information and to apply: Submit a completed Sitnasuak Native Corporation employment application, letter of interest with detailed resume, and three (3) letters of recommendation online or submit to Cameron Piscoya, HR Generalist at 387-1228 or email: cpiscoya@snc.org with questions.

Sitnasuak Native Corporation is EEO Employer EEO/AA. Preference will be given to Sitnasuak shareholders/descendants and Alaska Natives in accordance with Title 43 U.S. Code 1626(g) and Title 42 U.S. Code 2003-2(i).

Date Posted: 01/07/2015
Revised: 1/28/2015

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Bering Strait School District

Bering Strait School District:

Seeking Requests for Proposals. Turn-key construction of two teacher housing duplexes in Shishmaref, Alaska. Each duplex approximately 2,000 sq ft, 2015 completion date required. Bid submissions must be received by **2:00pm Feb 18, 2015**. Full details are posted on: www.theplan-room.com. Or can be obtained by contacting: LA Commack, Facilities Maintenance Department. Bering Strait School District P.O. Box 225 Unalakleet, AK 99684, 907 624-4235

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THE CITY OF NOME

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

O-15-02-01 An Ordinance Amending the City of Nome FY 2015 General Fund Municipal Budget

O-15-02-02 An Ordinance Amending the City of Nome FY 2015 School Debt Service Fund Budget

O-15-02-03 An Ordinance Amending the City of Nome FY 2015 Special Revenue Fund Budget

O-15-02-04 An Ordinance Amending the City of Nome FY 2015 Capital Projects Fund Budget

O-15-02-05 An Ordinance Amending the City of Nome FY 2015 Construction Capital Projects Fund Budget

O-15-02-06 An Ordinance Amending the City of Nome FY 2015 Port of Nome Fund Budget

O-15-02-07 An Ordinance Adopting Chapter 3.07 of the Nome Code of Ordinances

O-15-02-08 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10.50 of the Nome Code of Ordinances

These ordinances had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on February 9, 2015 and were passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **February 23, 2015 at 7:00 PM** in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the Office of the City Clerk.

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CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. O-15-01-03 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PORT OF NOME TARIFF NO. 11 TO REPLACE ALL EXISTING TARIFFS OF THE PORT OF NOME

This ordinance had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on January 26, 2015 and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council on February 9, 2015, but it was tabled until a special meeting of the Council scheduled for **February 17, 2015** in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinance are available in the Office of the City Clerk.

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Trooper Beat

C Detachment, Nome Post, no news reported



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• Basketball

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20. The Nanooks will host the winless Eielson Ravens next weekend, and are off to Barrow the week-end after that. According to the Alaska Association of Basketball Coaches website, Barrow holds the best 3A record in the state. The Nanooks are currently tied with ACS for the third best record. Monroe Catholic stands at number two.

Lady Nanooks make improvements at tourney The Nome-Beltz Lady Nanooks lost to the Homer Lady Mariners 50-39 in the opening game of the Shootout on Thursday. Nome's head coach Don Stiles praised his team and said that they made some improvements over the weekend. The trend of getting behind early

in games effected the Nanooks in the match-up with Homer. After the first quarter the Nome girls were down by thirteen points, with a score of 16-3. The Nanooks, however, regrouped and poured in 17 third-quarter points They were able to outscore the Mariners in the second half 31-26. Stiles says that freshman Taeler Brunette really stepped it up after the intermission. She led the charge in the third quarter when she scored seven of her 11 points. Sophomore Sonja Hukill picked things up in the final quarter connecting on her third and fourth three-pointers of the game. Hukill led the Nanooks with 12 points, while senior Lacy Erickson chipped in seven. Madison Akers paced Homer with 26 points. The Lady Nanooks were up against one of the top 3A teams in the state in Friday night's contest. According to the AABC, the Grace Christian Grizzlies entered the week-

end with a 13-3 record. The association listed Nome as having a 0-11 record. The AABC did not register the Nanooks two early, pre-3A season wins in December against 1A Noorvik. The Grizzlies were able to turn a 15-2 first quarter score into a 56-15 final. Nome was again led by Brunette who scored all eight of her points in the third-quarter. Grace Christian's high scorer was Sarah Laker who scored 14. Nome concluded its week-end with a game against the rival Kotzebue Huskies on Saturday. While the Nanooks kept most of the Kotz girls from scoring, the solid shooting of Calia Sieh, 14 points, and Caitlyn Conwell, 10 points, propelled the Huskies to a 45-29 victory. Sophomore Jillian Stettenbenz scored a team high 12 points for Nome. Stiles says he is working to get his team to continue to make improvements until the return of key players junior Sonora Ahmasuk and sopho-

more Ivory Okleasik. He thinks that their return will give them a better chance against Western Conference opponents during the conference championships next month. The Lady Nanooks host Eielson and then Barrow on the next two weekends. Kotz JV boys and Junior High Girls come to play Nanooks The Nome-Beltz Junior Varsity boys team hosted a JV squad from Kotzebue over the weekend. In the first game the Nanooks rode Ethan McDaniel's hot hand for a 45-19 victory. McDaniel's nine first half points helped his team establish a 23-19 lead. He would end up with 11 for the game, while teammate Chad Callahan helped out with six. Victor Stalker Jr. led Kotz with nine points. The Nome JV players continued their winning ways in the rematch, beating Kotzebue 40-36. Nathan Tobuk led the Nome scoring with 10 points. McDaniel chipped in eight, and Harrison Moore added six.

Frank Norton led the Huskies with 16 points, including four three-pointers. The Nome-Beltz junior high girls team met up with a junior high team from Kotzebue. They beat the Huskies 42-7 in the initial contest. Amy Bioff led the junior high Nanooks with 16 points, while Maggie Miller added 10 and Athena Hall chipped in eight. No Kotzebue player scored more than two points. Kotzebue's junior high girls fared better in their second game with Nome, but still fell 28-17. Kastyn Lie and Daynon Medlin showed the way for the Nanooks by each scoring eight points. The Huskies Tharissa Thomas had a game high 10 points. The Nome junior high boys players split up for intrasquad games. High scorers were Ian Smith with 13 points, Devan Otton with 10 points, and Cordell Lockwood and Gareth Hanson with eight points apiece.



Photo by Janeen Sullivan GRAY SKIES – Nome-Beltz junior high basketball player Amber Gray breaks free for a layup against the junior high players from Kotzebue last weekend in the Nome-Beltz gym.



DRIVERS ED - Nome-Beltz Junior Varsity basketball player Orlin Gologergen drives past a Kotzebue JV defender last weekend in the Nome-Beltz gym.

Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASES 02/02/2015 through 02/08/2015
Disclaimer: This is a record of activity. The issuance of citations or the act of arrest does not assign guilt to any identified party. During this period there were 131 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center. 53 (38%) involved alcohol. There were 16 arrests made with 15 (93%) alcohol related. NPD responded to 10 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. Two were remanded to AMCC as protective holds; and one remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment. There were 12 ambulance calls and 0 fire calls during this period.

Monday February 2, 2015
2:16 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a domestic disturbance on the west side of town. During the investigation, Nora Brown made accusatory statements implicating another of a crime, which was later proven false after a medical examination. Nora was placed under arrest for making a False Report to a Peace Officer and was remanded to AMCC and held on \$500.00 bail.
4:28 a.m., the Nome Police Department responded to the east side of town for a reported domestic dispute. Investigation revealed that Ernest Butler allegedly assaulted a member of the household, causing injury. Butler was placed under arrest for Assault III DV and Probation Violation.
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Request for Proposals for Information about Identification of Important Wildlife to Protect Areas of St. Lawrence Island. The Bering Straits Coastal Association is soliciting proposals for a project to gain a better understanding of the importance of St Lawrence Island and surrounding water and wildlife. Deadline for proposals is Feb 13, 2015. Contact Scott Dickens at bsca.director@gmail.com for a copy of the RFP.

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U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

Notice of Public Scoping

Over the next month, BOEM will hold a series of public scoping meetings to help determine the scope of a Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) to be prepared in support of the Department of the Interior's 2017-2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program.



SCHEDULE (All times 7pm–10pm Alaska time, except Anchorage)

- Feb 09 Fairbanks (Westmark Hotel, 813 Noble St)
- Feb 16 Nuiqsut (Kisik Community Center)
- Feb 17 Barrow (Inupiat Heritage Center)
- Feb 18 Kaktovik (Kaktovik Community Center)
- Feb 19 Wainwright (R. James Community Center)
- Feb 23 Kotzebue (NWAB Assembly Chambers)
- Feb 24 Pt. Lay (Kali School)
- Feb 25 Pt. Hope (Qalgi Center)
- Mar 02 Anchorage (Marriott Hotel, 820 W 7th Ave, 3pm–7pm)

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Butler was remanded to AMCC and was held without bail.

10:06 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a dog being stolen from another person. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

1:40 p.m., the Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that rolled through a stop sign. The driver was contacted and was given a verbal warning, no further action taken.

1:49 p.m., the Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that failed to stop completely at a stop sign. The driver was issued a verbal warning, no further action taken.

3:07 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a possible sexual assault. Further investigation revealed that the incident had already been reported and is currently under investigation.

5:38 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a possible trespass on the east side of town. Upon arrival, Officers contacted a highly intoxicated male, identified as Samuel Goldsberry, walking away from the residence. Goldsberry was provided transportation to a family member's residence and was warned for Criminal Trespass, as the complainant did not wish to pursue charges.

6:00 p.m., the Nome Police Department received the report of a theft occurring on the east side of town. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

8:45 pm, the Nome Police Department responded to a residence on the east side of town for the report of a trespass. Upon arrival, the suspect, identified as James Bloomstrand, was found still inside the residence, intoxicated and refusing to leave. Further investigation revealed that while inside the home, Bloomstrand had placed two persons in fear of injury based on his actions and he was also found to be on current Conditions of Probation that prohibited the consumption of alcohol. Bloomstrand was placed under arrest for two (2) counts of Assault in the Fourth Degree, Criminal Trespass in the First Degree and Probation Violation. He was remanded to AMCC, where he was held without bail.

10:23 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a possible sexual assault. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

Tuesday, February 3, 2015

03:08 a.m., the Nome Police Department responded to a residence on the west side of town for the report of a trespass. Upon arrival, the residents of the home stated that two individuals reported had already left the scene. The individuals were later located and denied being at the residence. No further action was taken, as the complainants did not wish to pursue charges. During the same incident, the residents reported a theft from their residence from approximately one month prior. Suspect has currently been identified and investigation into the alleged theft is currently on-going.

09:06 a.m. the Nome Police Department received a security alarm alert from Wells Fargo on Front St. Officers responded and upon arrival it was found that it was employee error and everyone was okay, no further action taken.

09:35 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a call from the Department of Transportation of a dead vehicle on Front St that is hindering their road work. The Nome Police Department contacted a known associate of the registered owner of the vehicle and agreed to move it for them, no further action taken. This is a good reminder to please keep your vehicle maintained and follow all parking regulations.

12:26 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a call on the east side of town regarding a verbal altercation. Officers arrived on scene and the situation was resolved by separation, no further action taken.

1:41p.m. hours, the Nome Police Department responded to a welfare check requested on the east side of town, upon investigation officers arrested Barbara Waskey for being in violation of her conditions of release, she was then taken to AMCC, her bail is set at \$1,000.

Wednesday, February 4, 2015

07:57 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a request to retrieve personal belongings pertaining to an individual Roger Gomez who was arrested earlier in the night. Officers made contact with the reporting party and transported his items to AMCC.

09:27 a.m. the Nome Police Department received a report of Domestic Violence. The reporting party was taken to NPD, where she was interviewed and a report was taken. Officers then transported the victim to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for any treatment needed and then to the courthouse upon completion at Norton Sound Regional Hospital. Officers then made contact with Robert White, and he was taken to

NPD for an interview, which led to the arrest for Assault in the second degree domestic violence related, and then transported to AMCC, where he is set without bail.

11:07 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a motor vehicle accident that happened earlier in the morning on the north-west side of Nome. The cause of this accident was said to be due to the weather and fog. Both parties had left the scene, and the vehicles also had been moved. Law enforcement officers could not investigate the scene due to no report during the time of incident and the communication center at NPD advised the reporting party of the online Alaska Department of Transportation crash report forms to fill out and submit for this process, no further action taken. Please drive with extreme caution during any harsh weather conditions to avoid these types of incidents!

2:54 p.m., the Nome Police Department served Nancy Goldsberry her paperwork to appear in court in February and Raymond Merrill his court ordered paperwork.

Thursday, February 5, 2015

02:08 a.m., NPD conducted a traffic stop on the east end of town. Investigation revealed that Kory Popiel was driving intoxicated. A report will be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office for Driving Under the Influence.

4:55 p.m., the Nome Police Department served Randal Wagner his court ordered paperwork on the west end of town.

9:19 p.m., NPD received a report at an establishment on the west end of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Joseph Kakik for Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the 4th Degree and Harassment in the 1st Degree. Mr. Kakik was taken out to AMCC and no bail was set.

Friday, February 6, 2015

10:05 a.m. Nome Police Department served Kory Popiel with her court summons paperwork.

1:05 a.m., Nome Police Department responded to a call on the east side of town for a report of an assault. After interviewing all involved parties it was determined to be accidental. The individual was safe with no injuries, no further action taken.

3:01 p.m., NPD Community Service Officer responded to the sea wall behind the AC apartments on the report of a male sleeping on the sea wall rocks. Tenadore Oozeva was contacted and observed intoxicated. During contact, one open bottle of alcohol was found on his person. Tenadore was issued an open container citation, and released on scene.

8:39 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a male passed out in a common area of an apartment complex on the west side of town. Upon arrival, officers identified the male as Allen Kost Jr, who was highly intoxicated. Kost was also found to be on current conditions of release, which prohibit the consumption of alcohol. Kost was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release, where he was held on \$1,000 bail.

10:01 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report from a Nome resident, while out of town, that persons had been entering his home without permission. Further investigation revealed that a neighbor was house-sitting and had not seen or heard any signs of unwanted guests. Entry was allowed into the home and nothing appeared disturbed, nor were there signs of anyone being inside recently.

Saturday, February 7, 2015

12:15 a.m., the Nome Police Department, while conducting a security check in an establishment on the west side of town, observed Lionel Winkel inside a bar intoxicated. Winkel was found to be on current conditions of probation that prohibited the consumption of alcohol and, due to a pressing service call, the report for the violation will be forwarded to the District Attorney for disposition.

12:19 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of an assault at a residence on the east side of town. Upon arrival, Blanche Day was found to have assaulted a member of the household, causing injury and was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, D.V., where she was held without bail. During the same service call, Thomas Tocktoo had also been in an altercation with a resident of the home, also causing injury to the victim. Thomas was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, D.V. and was also held without bail.

01:29 a.m., the Nome Police Department responded to the report of a highly intoxicated person that was possibly in need of assistance on the west side of town. Upon arrival, Officers identified the male as Jeffrey Nattanguk, who was observed to be highly intoxicated. Nattanguk was provided transportation to his residence and was left in the care of sober family members.

03:42 a.m., the Nome Police Department was dispatched to the east side of town to conduct a welfare check on an intoxicated female refusing assistance. Upon arrival and further investigation, the female, identified as Jenny Kuzuguk, was found to have placed a member of her household in fear of being assaulted. Kuzuguk was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, DV and was held without bail.

04:04 a.m., the Nome Police Department was dispatched to a residence on the west side of town for the report of a highly intoxicated male causing a disturbance. Upon arrival, officers contacted the male, identified as Jacob Martin, who was found in an angered state. Martin's frame of mind required officers to ensure his safety for the evening; which eventually led to his remand at AMCC on a Title 47 Hold.

05:56 a.m., the Nome Police Department was dispatched to the west side of town for a reported disturbance. The parties involved were found to have been in a physical altercation with each other and had already separated for the evening. All parties were identified and report was taken for assault. Report will be forwarded to the District Attorney's office for disposition.

1:12 p.m., the Nome Police Department was dispatched to the west side of town for a report of someone looking into houses windows. The case is still under investigation.

3:30 p.m., NPD Community Service Officer responded to the west side of town on the report of an intoxicated female having trouble walking. The female was contacted and identified as Dorothy Angusuc, who was then provided transportation to her residence. No further action was required.

7:26 p.m., Nome Police Department was dispatched to a business on the west side of town for a reported theft of merchandise. Investigation revealed that Jeremy Iyapana had stolen a bottle of alcohol from the store. A citizen's arrest was completed and Jeremy was remanded to AMCC for Concealment of Merchandise. His bail was posted at \$250.

8:33 p.m., the Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle travelling above a safe speed for the conditions present. The driver was cautioned regarding the icy conditions and was released from the scene with a verbal warning.

Sunday, February 8, 2015

12:23 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a disturbance at a residence on the east side of town. Upon arrival, the occupants of the home stated everyone was alright and they had not heard the noise. No further action was necessary.

01:53 a.m., the Nome Police Department responded to an establishment on the west side of town for the report of a verbal altercation. Upon arrival, both parties indicated they had some fault in the situation and both declined to pursue the matter further. No further action taken.

02:47 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of a possible assault at a residence on the west side of town. Upon arrival and further investigation, Gertrude Scott was found to have assaulted and injured a member of the household. Scott was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, DV, where she was held without bail.

03:39 a.m., the Nome Police Department responded to a residence on the east side of town for the report of a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival, officers identified the suspect as Jason Ellanna, whose actions caused physical harm to a member of the household. Ellanna was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, DV and Reckless Endangerment, DV, where he was held without bail.

04:27 a.m., the Nome Police Department responded to a dispute on the east side of town within a residence. Upon arrival, both parties indicated that the issue was resolved and both parties were separated for the evening. No further action was required at that time.

3:22 p.m., Nome Police Department responded to the west side of town on the report of an intoxicated male having trouble walking. Tenadore Oozeva was observed with an open bottle of alcohol on his person. Due to his high level of intoxication, Tenadore was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment, and was issued a citation for open container.

3:34 p.m., Nome Police Department responded to a call north of town involving a juvenile entering a residence. All parties were contacted and decided to handle the situation amongst them. Report was taken and filed for informational purposes.

6:44 p.m., Nome Police Department responded to the east side of town for a disturbance. Officers made contact with Courtney Tucker who was found to be highly intoxicated and in violation of her Conditions of Release. Tucker was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Facility for VOCR and her bail was posted at \$1,000.

Court

Week ending 2/6 Civil

O'Connor, Dawn M. v. Merrill, Raymond; Civil Protective Order

Osgood, Jessica E. v. Osgood, Charles; Divorce without Children

State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSDS v. Katchatag, JR., Fred J.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend

Ailak, Iva v. Ailak, SR., Ernest; Divorce without Children

Richards, Teresa v. White, Robert S.; Civil Protective Order

Huntsinger, Sarah v. Wagner, Randal; Civil Protective Order

Small Claims

Credit Union 1 v. Dixon, Scott D.; Small Claims

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Melanie Wasky (1/24/80); Order of Discharge After Suspended Imposition of Sentence; CTN 001: Cntrl Subs 4- Deliv 1+ Oz VIA; Original Disposition: Guilty Conviction After Guilty Plea; Discharge Order: The court previously entered a judgment of conviction in this case and placed the defendant on probation, suspending imposition of sentence; The period of probation has expired without the court imposing sentence and defendant is entitled to be discharged under the provisions of AS 12.55.085(d) and Criminal Rule 35.2; IT IS ORDERED that the case is closed and the defendant is discharged by the court without imposition of sentence; Order Re Set-Aside: IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT: Judgment of conviction is hereby set aside for the charge(s) noted above, and a copy of this Order shall serve as the defendant's certificate pursuant to AS 12.55.085(e).

State of Alaska v. John Richard Cheemuk, III (1/1/89); Notice For Withdrawal Of Petition To Revoke Probation; The State withdraws the Petition to Revoke Probation filed on or about 12/22/14; Filed by the DAs Office 2/3/15.

State of Alaska v. Morris Nakarak, Jr. (8/23/91); Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 11/22/14; 45 days, 45 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 2/3/16; Shall comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Nathan Noongwook (1/28/94); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Date of Offense: 1/28/14; Fine: \$200 with \$0 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court 8/1/15; Alcohol Information School: Defendant must attend the following alcohol information school: if available through NSHC BHS at Savoonga; Probation until 1/28/16; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; Defendant may not consume or possess alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Franklin Kaniingok (11/16/72); Notice of Dismissal; 001: Assault 4; Filed by the DAs Office 2/2/15.

State of Alaska v. Nora Brown (11/18/69); False Information or Report; Date of Violation: 2/2/15; 60 days, 45 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for six (6) months (date of judgment: 2/2/15); Shall comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume alcohol.

State of Alaska v. William Iyakaitin (12/16/88); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113672961; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days.

State of Alaska v. Walter Pungalik (2/22/85); 2NO-13-815CR Order to Modify or Re-

voke Probation; ATN: 114188922; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: No action on PTR.

State of Alaska v. Walter Pungalik (2/22/85); 2NO-13-990CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 003: AS11.41.220(a)(5): Assault 3 – Commit Assault 4, 2+ Convictions; Class: C Felony; DV; Offense Date: 12/24/13; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 001: AS11.41.210(a)(1): Assault 2 – Injury w/Weapon, Intent; CTN 002: AS11.41.210(a)(2): Assault 2 – Serious Injury, Reckless; CTN 004: AS11.41.220(a)(5): Assault 3 – Commit Assault 4, 2+ Convictions; Offense Dates (all CTNs): 12/24/13; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 2/4/15 with counsel, OPA Mike Wenstrup, and the DA present; CTN 003: 5 years with 18 months suspended; Unsuspended 3 years and six months shall be served immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following surcharge to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 003: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, the defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; AS 12.55.041(b)(1); Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h); Probation for 3 years (date of judgment: 2/4/15); General and Special Conditions set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Lionel D. Winkel (11/11/82); CTN 002: Criminal Trespass 2; Date of Violation: 1/31/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 45 days, 40 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 2/4/16; Shall comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume alcohol.

State of Alaska v. William B. Thieme (6/21/71); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 001: AS11.41.436(a)(2): Sex Abuse Minor 2-Contact, Vict Under 13; Class: B Felony; DV; Offense Date: 1/1/98; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 2/3/15 with counsel, PD Greer, and the DA present; CTN 001: 3 years with 1 year suspended; Unsuspended 2 years shall be served immediately; Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following surcharge to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 003: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, the defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; AS 12.55.041(b)(1); Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h); Other: Court recommends the defendant be placed at the top of the list for treatment; Probation for 3 years (date of judgment: 2/3/15); General and Special Conditions set, as

stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated; Must register as a Sex Offender.

State of Alaska v. Tadd C. Vandyke (11/3/84); Dismissal; Assault 4*; Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 2/5/15.

State of Alaska v. Richard Titus (1/8/76); 2NO-13-521CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113678802; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 2/5/16; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 70 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-15-77CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Richard Titus (1/8/76); 2NO-15-77R CTN 001: DUI; Date of Offense: 2/4/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002: 60 days, 50 days suspended; Report immediately to AMCC; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due 8/1/15; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, \$0 suspended; \$50 due; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; \$0 due; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st off.) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Contact other: Contact NSHC BHS by 4/1/15; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; Program may include required aftercare in addition to any jail time ordered above; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 5/1/15 that you followed all assessment recommendations, and file proof by 6/1/15 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Driver's license revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Other: CT 002 is dismissed by the State; Probation until 2/5/17; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 2/5/17 from date of this judgment; You are required to surrender your driver's license and identification card; your license and ID are subject to cancellation under AS 28.15.11 and AS 18.65.310; and any new license or ID must list the AS 04.16.160 buying restriction during the restricted period; AS 28.15.191(g); You are subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe you consumed alcohol, and are subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause.

State of Alaska v. Andrew Kunayak (2/27/72); 2NO-12-41CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112698198; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-13-548CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Andrew Kunayak Jr. State of Alaska v. Andrew Kunayak (2/27/72); 2NO-12-41CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112698198; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-13-548CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Randy Annogiyuk (12/23/87); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113673375; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Joseph Kakik (2/5/59); CTN 002: Harassment; Date of Violation: 2/5/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 6 months until 8/6/15; Shall comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; No communication with George Minix.

State of Alaska v. Valerie Ginger Kakaruk (11/6/91); Dismissal; Driving While License Canceled, Suspended, or Revoked, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 2/6/15.

State of Alaska v. Jessie Sockpick (3/30/90); Dismissal; Assault 4*, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 2/6/15.

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QUALIFIED (top)— Nome musher Tom Jamgochian recent completed his triple crown of middle distance racing. By finishing the Copper Basin 300 and Northern Lights 300 races in January, and the Knik 200 last week, Jamgochian has qualified for the 2016 Iditarod.

Photo courtesy of Maritime Kennels TRS

MASTER PLAN (left)— Nome musher Rolland Trowbridge pours over maps and notes in preparation of his 2015 Yukon Quest race.

• Mushing

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teams to prepare for Iditarod, and all have finished. He says the key to a favorable outcome is, “Don’t make the goal the finish line. Make the goal the next mile.”

Long distance mushers can’t prepare for everything, says Burmeister, but they can mentally prepare for “the wall” they hit three days into a 1,000-mile race. “It’s just part of the cycle,” he says, adding that mushers can expect another wall around the six-day mark. “They just need to grin and bear it.” He says that the dogs feed off the driver, so the musher needs to stay positive and confident.

As Burmeister preps for his 16th Iditarod, he, too, is training hard. Both he and his kennel partner, former Nomeite Tony Browning, competed in the 2015 Kuskokwim 300. He doesn’t have any more mid-distance contests before this year’s Iditarod, but he is getting ready for an upcoming 400-mile, Nenana to Tanana and back, tune-up.

He does all this despite recovering from a torn ACL, a torn MCL, and the removal of 40 percent of his meniscus from a 2014 mushing accident. Burmeister says after lots of

physical therapy, the knee is working about 70 percent.

When asked if he would be joining his trainees in the 2016 Iditarod, Burmeister stated, “My goal is to win this year, so I can get out for a few years and be with my family and kids.”

Another musher with Nome ties has been busy getting ready for a crack at the 2016 Last Great Race. Melissa Owens Stewart, who grew up in Nome and currently lives in Knik, has aspirations of making a fourth Iditarod attempt.

Stewart joined Jamgochian as one of the race’s entrants in the Knik 200,

but did not finish. “I had a great run on Saturday,” said Stewart after the race, “one of those days mushers dream about.” But Stewart says on Sunday her team did not have its usual pep. “They never got back on step after the rest I gave them,” she explained. Rather than expose her team of younger dogs to a miserable run and a bad experience, she scratched.

Stewart ended up very pleased at the end of the race, however, as husband Jason finished his very first sled dog race. Stewart had split her usual dog team into two teams for the Knik 200. Jason, whose longest run to

date had been 30 miles, was camping for the first time with his dogs. He ended up in 24th place, two spots behind Jamgochian.

Burmeister acknowledges the personal sacrifice and monetary commitment mushers make to compete in their sport. Part of his planned mushing budget goes to paying a groomer to maintain the 140-mile trail system he has established leading from his kennel.

Jamgochian, Trowbridge and Stewart are all still working to piece teams together for next year’s Iditarod, as well as putting together other necessary logistics. Jam-

gochian may end up leasing some dogs to fill in his team. Stewart has lent a few of her up-and-coming dogs to some 2015 Iditarod mushers so that they can gain valuable Iditarod experience.

Follow Burmeister’s 2015 Iditarod journey at Iditarod.com beginning March 7. Trowbridge, who is currently on the trail in the Yukon Quest, can be monitored at <http://yukonquest.com/race-central/current-standings>.



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STAR SKATER— Liam Erickson-Ford burns up the ice at the Nome Skating Rink on Saturday, February 7.

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