



HANG ON— Two-time Iditarod Champion Mitch Seavey navigates his dog team around a slippery corner at the Anchorage Ceremonial start of the Iditarod. Photo by Diana Haecker

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Deep-draft port: Is Nome ready to pay the lion's share?

By Sandra L. Medearis
The Arctic Deep-Draft Port planning team spoke from the phone on the table in Council Chambers mid-day Monday, and Port of Nome and City administration people gathered around.
The Nome Port Commission and Nome Common Council met for a give-and-take with the Alaska Dept. of Transportation and the Alaska District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers concerning the cost split be-

tween the City of Nome and the federal government for the approximately \$211 million project.
The tentatively selected plan for a deep-draft improvement project in Nome, announced Feb. 20, calls for dredging Nome Harbor to minus 28 feet Mean Lower Low Water, extending the current 2,700-foot causeway by 2,150 feet and adding a 450-foot dock.
The project would serve needs of increased shipping, larger ships com-

ing into harbor and provide a facility for oil spill response and a base for search and rescue. Currently, the western coast of Alaska has no developed deep-draft inlets north of Dutch Harbor.
If the project will go forward, the deeper draft would accommodate larger line haul fuel barges, cargo barges, U.S. Coast Guard cutters and federal National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration vessels, research vessels, landing craft and

tug boats.
The planning team is scheduled to present the project to the state Legislature in Juneau on March 12 at 1:30 p.m. City officials planned to travel to Juneau to beat the drums in support.
The cost for general navigation features for this alternative comes to a roughly projected cost of \$150 million. The non-federal sponsor's share would be about \$52 million; the feds' share around \$98 million, according to Bruce Sexauer, chief of Alaska District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ACE for short. The City of Nome wants to be the non-federal sponsor, in which case Nome would have to hustle bonds, legislative appropriations and stakeholder groups for an additional \$61 million for local services, bringing the total deep-draft port navigational

improvement cost to around \$211 million. Nome would have the responsibility to find a projected \$113 million total.
The \$51 million share from Nome would help to pay for part of the dredging, according to a formula set by Congress. That amount is firm, Sexauer said, with the dredging costs divided according to law.
According to Sexauer, Congress has set the dredging percentages to the following splits: For dredging above minus 20 feet MLLW, 90 percent federal money and 10 percent non-federal money; dredging below minus 20 feet MLLW, 75 percent/25 percent split.
The \$61,000 would pay for local service facilities — the Corps would build the causeway road and moorage for \$35 million. The City would

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Iditarod 43: Off to a hot start in Anchorage

By Diana Haecker
Rain ponchos, Xtratufs and Helly Hansens was the preferred gear for mushers and handlers during the unusual warm ceremonial start of Iditarod 43, on Saturday, March 7 in downtown Anchorage.
The day started with a scary sound for dog mushers: rain dripping off the rooftops. While there was no snow to begin with, except for a few dirty heaps here and there on street corners, the sound of rain made Iditarod volunteers and Anchorage public works employees cringe as they painstakingly had dumped 500 truckloads of snow to prepare a "mushable" trail from Fourth Av-

enue, down Cordova Street and onto an 11-mile run to Campbell Park strip, where bare grass welcomed the 78 Iditarod mushers to the end of the first leg of their 1,000-mile journey.
The lack of snow south and even north of the Alaska Range prompted the Iditarod Trail Committee a couple of weeks ago to move the real start of the Last Great Race, which usually is at Willow Lake, 360 miles north to Fairbanks.
This is only the second time in the race's 43-year history that the traditional route from Anchorage, Willow, over the Alaska Range, into the Kuskokwim area, and on to the Yukon River was rerouted due to un-

"The Yukon is going to be a game changer."

— Aaron Burmeister

favorable weather conditions. In 2003, the race was also run from Fairbanks to Nome. Jeff King remarked at the ceremonial start in Anchorage that he's looking forward to a new trail to travel on. "However, it's less technical than the traditional route," King said. The trail takes teams from Fairbanks to Nenana on the Tanana River, to Manley and Tanana. Then they will travel on the Yukon River, take a "gee" at Galena and travel up north to Huslia, the home of the late "Huslia Hustler," George Attla, who just passed away at age 81. When asked about the historical significance of the route going to Huslia, Lance Mackey said,
"Unfortunately, George Attla won't be there, but I'll hang out there, pay my respects."
He won't be alone. Many will take their 24-hour mandatory rest there to soak up the rich sled dog tradition of Athabascan dog drivers. From Huslia, the trail will lead the mushers south again to Koyukuk. From there,

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HERE COME THE DOGS— Nomeite Aaron Burmeister embarks on his 16th Iditarod Sled Dog race as he leaves the ceremonial startline in Anchorage on Saturday, March 5. Photo by Diana Haecker

Letters

Dear Nancy,

As always enjoyed this week’s Nugget. I do have a couple concerns that I might pass on for discussion.

The possibility of the expansion of the Port of Nome, is both exciting and needed. The Port and Harbor are already crowded, and with the almost certain increase in ship traffic in the future should be addressed. My concern is as a property owner in Nome.

The City seem’s to be eager to be the “Non-Federal Sponsor “? Why ? Would the State of Alaska not be in a better position to take this role? What financial obligations would the City be locked into if we take on this role? \$113,000,000 is a lot of money! How would we pay for it?

The City has a poor track record when it comes to Finance. A few examples being -

The Nome Public Safety Building. Over budget and overbuilt.

The New State Building. We had the funding for it, \$21 Million, and we end up not only loosing the Building but the funds, the Jobs and Tax base that came with it.

And just last week the City Council sold17 lots they were leasing to UAA for \$500,000 a year for one payment of \$500,000. Ending those taxes that we were getting every year?

There are many more examples, but these come to mind. Anyway as a property owner in this fair City, who will be on the hook for the \$113,000,000 when (NOT IF) they fail to secure the funds ? Food for thought?

As always
your Neighbor
Terry Day
Nome, Alaska

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

Editorial

It’s About Time

There is a legislative move to change Alaska’s time zone. It’s a move whose time has come. Some of us old geezers remember when Alaska had four time zones and there were six hours between the East Coast and Nome. It was a multi-year, complex process to bring us into one time zone.

It’s time to bring us into a more user-friendly process of not losing an hour of sleep and coping with the process of losing sleep in the midst of the late winter. We don’t have to milk the cows, but we enjoy the extra daylight in the morning while we walk to work of school. We spend four month from the beginning of November till the beginning of March on Standard Time. Let’s spend one last time change with Daylight Savings Time and then let’s stay on it and spare us the changes in sleep patterns and business connections. With our long length of summer daylight and wintry nights there is no problem with light in the evenings if our wintry nights are an hour shorter.

It would make sense to put us in the same time zone as California because we know that in reality nothing makes sense with our time zones. Standard Time is not a Standard issue when Daylight Savings Time makes more sense with the rest of the Nation. It’s time for a change. —N.L. M. —

Sound-Off

Jurors are essential to a well-functioning Justice System

By Superior Court Judge Paul A. Roetman

Thousands of Alaskans serve as jurors throughout our state. Everyone acknowledges the importance of the right to a jury trial. But most folks, at least at the outset, would admit that jury service seems more of an inconvenient imposition than an opportunity to serve. Countless times, however, I have seen this perspective change once people have served on a jury. Increasingly, however, I have observed a trend of people not responding to court summons and not appearing for jury service. This trend jeopardizes our system of justice and burdens those who do appear by shifting the burden of jury service to fewer people.

Serving on a jury gives a person an up-close view of the legal process. The jury’s main role is to determine the facts and the weight to give them. Jurors observe witnesses and decide who is truthful, who has bias, and ultimately who to believe. Jurors listen to the attorneys’ arguments and the judge’s instructions and decide whether the burden of proof has been met. These important decisions require careful, thoughtful deliberations and can only occur when there are a sufficient number of jurors.

Jury service is from one perspective, an exercise in patience. Once you enter the courtroom doors, at times you may feel as if time is standing still. Trial is a deliberative process—information can only be presented in pieces, by attorneys asking questions of witnesses. Depending on the complexity of the case, there may be more or less information to communicate. And evidence can be presented in various ways: live testimony, pictures, audio, reports, video, or jury views outside the courtroom of places where the dispute or crime took place. This process necessarily takes time.

A trial requires no less patience for judges and attorneys. Criminal trials can determine whether a person is guilty of a crime which may result in the person found guilty spending time in jail. Civil cases can affect a person’s business or personal affairs that result in financial liability and myriad other detrimental outcomes. Judges and court staff are committed to making sure that everyone has a full and fair opportunity to present their case, and that jurors have the support they need to fulfill their central role in listening, evaluating, and deliberating the outcome of a case.

By the end of a trial, my experience has shown time and again that most jurors have an increased appreciation and understanding of their role in the lives of people

in their community and in particular the parties to the case. Their first-hand experience has allowed them to feel the weight of their responsibility as jurors, the importance of the right to trial by jury and the need for people to serve as jurors. For most, the experience affirms the necessity and importance of the justice concepts found within the trial by jury.

But increasingly, there have been instances in trials held across Alaska where not enough jurors have appeared for service. When too few jurors appear in court, justice for the parties to the case—persons charged with crimes, victims and families to both—is unnecessarily delayed. This delay impacts jurors too, for those who took the time to serve as jurors, but were forced to wait until a sufficient number of jurors came to court to allow the jury selection process to continue.

Within the past year, I presided over a criminal case where an insufficient number of jurors showed up for trial. It was a serious sex assault case where the State alleged the victim suffered extensive physical injury from the assault. On the first day of trial, there were too few jurors to complete jury selection—the number of jurors required for trial, plus alternates, and sufficient jurors to account for the State and the Defendant’s juror challenges allowed by the criminal rules. Less than half of the jurors summoned appeared in court. The trial had to be continued until the next day so additional jurors could be called. I issued orders that were served by law enforcement during the night to increase the number of jurors available for jury selection. The next day there were enough available jurors to seat jurors for the felony trial.

As an attorney and judge, I am well aware of the time and effort jury service takes. But I am also aware of the difference dedicated jurors make to our justice system. Without you, we simply could not function, and those coming before our courts seeking justice would lose one of the fundamental promises of our democracy. To those of you who will be called as jurors, thank you in advance for the important role you will serve in the lives of the people in your community. To those who have already reported for jury service, thank you very much for your time and efforts. Jurors make our justice system work.

Paul A. Roetman is a superior court judge in Kotzebue, Alaska and is the presiding judge of the 2nd Judicial District which includes Barrow, Nome, Kotzebue and Unalakleet Courts.

Weather Statistics

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| Sunrise | 03/12/15 | 9:31 a.m. | High Temp | +31 | 03/06/15 | National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391 |
| | 03/18/15 | 9:09 a.m. | Low Temp | -21 | 03/10/15 | |
| Sunset | 03/12/15 | 8:53 p.m. | Peak Wind | 49 mph, W, | 03/07/15 | |
| | 03/18/15 | 9:11 p.m. | Total Precip. for 2015 (as of 3/10) | 2.34" | | |
| | | | Normal Total to Date (as of 3/10) | 2.09" | | |
| | | | Seasonal Snowfall | 52.00" | Normal 59.90" | |
| | | | Snow on Ground | 19.00" | | |

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Strait Action

Arctic sea ice well below average extent

The National Snow and Ice Data Center issued a report on March 4, saying that the Arctic sea ice extent continues to track well below average. It is still unclear whether March will see an increase in ice, or establish a record low maximum.

Regionally, Arctic ice extent is especially low in the Sea of Okhotsk and the Bering Sea. In the Antarctic, sea ice shrank to the fourth highest minimum in the satellite record. Arctic sea ice extent in February averaged 5.56 million square miles. This is the third lowest February ice extent in the satellite record. It is 362,900 square miles below the 1981 to 2010 long-term average of 5.93 million square miles. It is also 19,300 square miles above the record low for the month observed in 2005.

With the Arctic Ocean completely ice covered, the remaining areas of potential new ice growth are limited to the margins of the pack in the northern Pacific and northern Atlantic. Sea ice extent is below average across the entire sea ice margin, most prominently along the Pacific sectors. A small region of above-average ice extent is located near Newfoundland and the Canadian Maritime Provinces.

The Arctic maximum is expected to occur in the next two or three weeks. Previous years have seen a surge in Arctic ice extent during March in 2012 and 2014. However, if the current pattern of below-average extent continues, Arctic sea ice extent may set a new lowest winter maximum.

Arctic sea ice extent increased by 165,600 square miles during the month of February. This gain was slightly less than the average for the month. While low extent for the Arctic as a whole was largely driven by conditions in the Sea of Okhotsk and the Bering Sea, extent was also slightly below average along the Barents Sea and parts of the East Greenland Sea.

The monthly average Arctic sea ice extent for February was the third lowest in the satellite record. Through 2015, the linear rate of decline for February extent is 2.9 percent per decade. The low ice extent in the Bering Sea and Sea of Okhotsk

is linked to unusually warm conditions in the area. February air temperatures were as much as 7 to 11 degrees Fahrenheit above average in the northern Bering Sea, easternmost Siberia and Sea of Okhotsk.

While these localized hotspots are in part driven by the low sea ice extent and the resulting large heat fluxes from the open water to the atmosphere, they are seen to be part of a broad area of unusually warm conditions extending across most of northern Eurasia, across Alaska, and into the western part of the United States. In contrast, cold and snowy conditions have persisted across the eastern half of North America. Broadly speaking, these opposing patterns of warmth and cold, along with low ice extent in the Sea of Okhotsk and Bering Sea, can be linked to an unusual jet stream pattern, with the jet lying north of its usual location over Eurasia and the North Pacific (meaning that warm air extends further north than is usual),

Claire Parkinson of NASA recently presented the global average, Arctic plus Antarctic, trend in sea ice extent for the period 1979 to 2013. Overall, global sea ice has declined, despite the positive trend in Antarctic extent. The annual average trend is -13,500 square miles per year, or about -1.5 percent per decade.

The strong Arctic decline in September leads to the largest magnitude monthly trend for global sea ice in that month, at -68,000 square kilometers (-26,300 square miles) per year, or -2.6 percent per decade.

U.S. Senator Murkowski announces U.S. Senate Arctic Caucus

Senators Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) and Angus King (I-ME) last week announced they are forming the United States Senate Arctic Caucus in order to open up a broader conversation about the nation's future in the region as the United States prepares to accede to the Chair of the Arctic Council.

"The United States is an Arctic Nation because of Alaska, but the Arctic community is a partner to each and every state; the sooner we fully engage and take on a leadership role, the better," said Senator Murkowski. "There are new possi-

bilities and opportunities emerging in the Arctic, and we have the chance to write history there. The eyes of the world are on the United States, watching whether we will demonstrate a sense of vision there, as nations as varied as Italy and India and Iceland all make major investments in the region. We cannot afford to miss out on the opportunities the Arctic presents to us."

The Arctic Caucus's mission will be to convene conversations among Members and staff on defense, science, commerce, trade, environment, maritime affairs, the well-being of the people of the North, and other relevant issues in the Arctic region. Senators Murkowski and King hope to leverage their roles and use the Caucus to recognize the opportunity in an area of the world that has a rich history of collaboration and cooperation, and remains a zone of peace - with the belief that the United States must take a leadership role in guiding international policy decisions relating to the Arctic.

Governor Walker tackles budget

Governor Bill Walker and Lieutenant Governor Byron Mallott last week released two resources to the public and lawmakers to open a discussion with Alaskans about the state budget future. The Governor's Budget eBook and results from the Voices for Vision Budget Survey were posted online in hopes of spurring fruitful conversations about Alaska's current fiscal challenges.

The Governor's Budget eBook explains how Alaska's current budget gap developed, offers possible future scenarios and provides a financial overview for each state department. It is available online and can be downloaded as a PDF or an electronic book.

Governor Walker also released results of the Voices for Vision Budget Survey, which invited state employees and members of the public to weigh in on ways to manage Alaska's finances. Governor Walker's Budget eBook: <http://gov.alaska.gov/budget>; Voices for Vision Budget Survey Report: <http://gov.alaska.gov/Walker/press-room/budget-survey.html>

Subsistence contest

Kaitlin Kuzuguk of Shishmaref placed third in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Subsistence Management's sponsored subsistence art contest for 2015. She received third place honors in the category for grades 6 to 8. The Office of Subsistence Management received over 290 art entries from students all over the state of Alaska in grades K-12. The artwork was judged by the chairs of the Federal

Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils and Federal Subsistence Board members during the month of February. The student art will be used in regulation books, brochures and other publications produced by the Office of Subsistence Management.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, March 12

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| *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. |
| *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. |
| *Museum and Library Commission | City Hall | 5:30 p.m. |
| General Meeting | | |
| *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. |
| *US Army Corp. of Engineers | | 7:00 p.m. |

Friday, March 13

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| *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. |
| *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, March 14

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

WEEK OF IDITAROD

Sunday, March 15

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| *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, March 16

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| *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 |
| *2015 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, March 17

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| *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. |
| *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. |
| *AA Meeting | Airport Pizza (upstairs) | 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. |

Wednesday, March 18

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| *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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| *Tae Kwon Do | Nome Rec Center | 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. |

Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

Hours available by appointment. Call 907-443-6630

Kegoayah Kozga Library: noon - 8 p.m. (M-Th) • noon - 6 p.m. (F-Sat)

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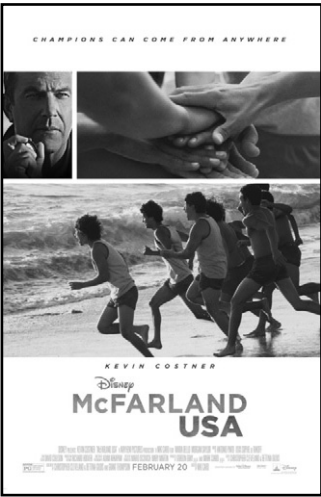
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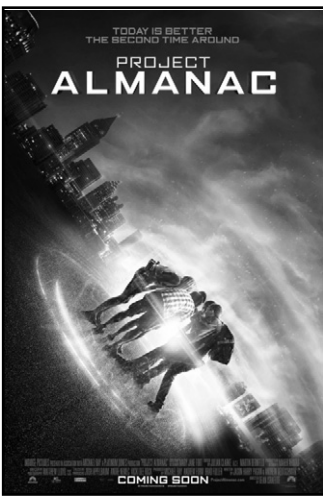
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build docks and utilities for \$26 million.

If the proposed deep-draft port for Nome will be authorized by Congress early next year, Sexauer expects that Nome would have to come up with a share of the cost for the design phase starting in fall 2016. The City/Port of Nome would need to put up \$50,000 to allow for a preconstruction engineering design agreement development. The design itself is estimated to cost \$3 million: Nome would pay \$750,000, leaving \$2.25 million for ACE to pay.

According to an ACE chart, a three-year design phase would be ready for contract award around spending year 2019, if all goes smoothly. A construction agreement between the ACE and City of Nome would come a year or two later.

A design agreement would not obligate the City to build the port project.

"We are not going to have you sign until you are prepared to have the funding in place," Sexauer told the gathering. "The design phase gets you through design and specifications."

"If you decide, no, you can't afford it anymore, you will not be bound to go to the construction phase," he added.

According to City Manager Josephine Bahnke, the City has design money saved from \$10 million received for projects through a state port bond.

While dredging costs cannot be reduced, the Port of Nome staff is having engineers PND of Anchorage do value engineering to see where savings could be captured from local service facilities, according to Joy Baker, harbor improvements project manager, also attending by telephone.

Port administration and PND are looking for cost savings in using a caisson dock versus sheet piling and other cuts.

"You have flexibility on a caisson dock and on local services," Sexauer said, "such as adjusting the width of the causeway road and less extensive docks. You have to have enough effectively to serve the vessels."

Mike Lukshin, statewide ports and harbors engineer with the Alaska Dept. of Transportation said that the team conducted a series of engineering studies beginning in 2011 and in 2013. They held a large planning meeting over several days in Nome to hear from user groups, he said.

For the past 18 months, the team conducted an economic analysis to find out what benefits a deep-draft port would have for user groups, he added. In the next few weeks, they would optimize the preliminary project design confirming the dredge depth of minus 28 MLLW, the breakwater and causeway, and the local service facilities.

The tentative plan still has to go through several reviews before it goes to the chief of U.S. ACE—a technical review, a policy review at U.S. ACE headquarters and an independent external peer review. The peer review usually takes about five months. After that, the draft plan will go through the Civil Works Review Board and on to the chief's report and finally authorization by Congress.

Bahnke urged the commissioners and councilmembers to forward their comments to Baker to compile for a united voice concerning the project.

The team also includes Lorraine Cordova, project manager and technical lead with ACE.

The team assured that they would be available for a public information meeting.

The City has tentatively set April 15 for a public meeting to collect comments on the project.

"I think we owe it to the public to get them together on this," Councilman Stan Andersen said.

"If the team is willing to come to a meeting, let's do it!" Councilman Tom Sparks said.



Photo by Diana Haecker

MUSHING WITH A PURPOSE— Kasilof musher makes her opinion known, heading down 4th Avenue during the Iditarod ceremonial start in Anchorage, March 5.

NJUS opens Moonlight Springs area to hatchery study

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Joint Utility System gave a "yes" vote on an issue that could make sectors of the Nome population feel positive affirmation of their dreams for more salmon.

Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. secured permissions to enter the Moonlight Springs aquifer area effective April 1 to measure the flow and quality of water that could come out of an abandoned well to supply a hatchery operation near Anvil Creek.

Fish biologist Charley Lean's plan to test a well abandoned as a drinking water source to see if it could sustain a fish hatchery planned by NSEDC had been rebuffed by the Nome Common Council until NSEDC agreed to only test the well, not to drill additional wells.

The Council must approve the agreement struck between NSEDC and Nome Joint Utility. The project cannot start until the City's engineer has issued a written permit to proceed. The permit does not authorize any drilling of additional study wells. When NSEDC settled for just testing the one well, the Council approved the plan and kicked it back to Nome Joint Utility to draw up an agreement with NSEDC.

The agreement appears to be chock full of measures to safeguard the town's domestic water supply nearby.

Time was critical in getting the approval, as NSEDC needed to check the flow of water during the low water months of March and April. Had the City withheld access, tests would have had to wait a year until next March.

NSEDC wants to test the well to assure feasibility of the project. Paramount is that there is no threat to the City's water supply. NSEDC will also test how much water there is during this time of year, assure that

the quality of the well water is satisfactory for fish culture, since fish standards are often more stringent than human requirements, and make sure that pumping the well has no effect on the water collection area.

NSEDC agrees, under the compact, to pay expenses for hydrology engineers and other expenses, including payment of NJUS personnel onsite to monitor the testing operation.

NSEDC will also stand the cost of reactivating monitoring technology previously placed by University of Alaska and feed data into the NJUS computerized monitoring system.

The document makes it clear that while NJUS backs the project for its benefits to NSEDC biologists in establishing a salmon hatchery in the

Anvil Creek area, at the same time NJUS must have in place safeguards against any disruption or detriment to the city's water supply.

NJUS reserves the right to determine whether the well activity may interfere with the water supply or the City's authority to regulate the project and the well. NJUS will terminate the project immediately if there is any indication that the activity is impacting the community water source, according to the agreement.

All data garnered from the well study must be shared with NJUS, according to the pact.

NSEDC must obtain a land use permit according to city law. NSEDC must inform NJUS of days NSEDC will be on the property so NJUS can have a representative on site.



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LET'S GO— A sled dog with Fairbanks musher Laura Allaway is ready to get on the trail, in Anchorage on March 5.



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READY TO ROLL— The lead dog of Richie Diehl, an Aniak musher, is ready hit the trail down 4th Avenue during the Anchorage ceremonial start on March 5.

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the teams will take the usual route to Nulato, Kaltag and on to Unalakleet and up the Norton Sound coast to Nome.

For Aaron Burmeister of Nome and Nenana, this is the 16th Iditarod. Burmeister said he expects Mother Nature to shake things up in this field of competitive mushers. Burmeister, who has mushed all his life and notched a fourth place finish in 2012, the ultimate goal is to reach his old home town of Nome first. “It’s going to be a real surprise to see how teams handle the over two feet of fresh snow on the Yukon,” Burmeister said.

Most teams have had barely enough snow to train on, whereas Burmeister, who trains in Nenana with his kennel partner Tony Browning in the wintertime, had good snow and good conditions all winter. “It’s

going to be a real special race for us,” said Burmeister. “We start in Fairbanks and go right by my driveway in Nenana and then we’re going home to Nome,” Burmeister said.

“The Yukon River can be a real game changer if the wind picks up and it storms,” he said.

There are only 13 checkpoints on the trail and since distances between checkpoints are farther apart than the “usual” 20 checkpoints route, dog teams will be seen camping between checkpoints rather than resting in checkpoints.

Burmeister said that suits him and his dogs fine. “I have a solid team of veterans, they all have finished the Iditarod with me in the top five and the top ten. We’re not running pups, we’re not running yearlings, but we’re running a solid team of competitive dogs between the ages of 4 and 7,” he said. “So far, everything has lined up for us and I hope for

some good luck during this race and that things come together for us.”

But there are several teams who harbor the same hopes. Defending champion Dallas Seavey and his father Mitch Seavey seemed just as hungry for another win as did Jeff King.

A few mushers hailed as the ‘young guns’ a few years back have now matured into champions of other races or faded from the scene.

There is the reigning Yukon Quest champion Brent Sass of Eureka, who put a nearly insurmountable distance between him and the following team, took too long of a nap and edged out a win, by beating Allen Moore to the Fairbanks finishline. Then there is Bethel’s Peter Kaiser, who won the prestigious Kuskokwim 300 this year.

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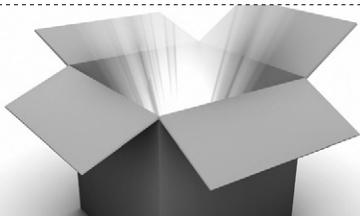
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PKaiser said modestly that through this victory he gained some confidence that his training was good and that he wants to use that knowledge to have the best possible result in this Iditarod race. He spent two months training in Nenana, so he is not fazed by the prospect of deeper snow on the Yukon. He said 14 out of his 16 dogs are three-year olds.

He's also excited to see new trail. "I think that's why we mush dogs, to get out travel through Alaska and see new trails." Kaiser added that although dog teams are no longer used to haul mail across Alaska, races such as the Iditarod and others keeps the history of dog mushing alive in the state. "A lot of people are still very excited about this," he said, pointing to the throng of fans standing four rows deep all along Fourth Avenue just to see the start of a dog race.

Four-time, back-to-back Iditarod Champion Lance Mackey said he's doing fine, but has to cope with some health issues. "Nothing that I haven't dealt with for years," he said upbeat. Mackey has won four consecutive Iditarod championships and two Yukon Quests in the same years, after recuperating from throat cancer.

The now 44-year old Fairbanks musher said he was very excited about the new route. "I think that it should be done regularly, it brings more people involved in the state of Alaska, the villages deserve to be more involved. I would recommend and prefer to do it every third year, personally," Mackey said.

"My training has been great, we had snow early, been on sled since mid October, still snowing, I brought a really young team. He ran nine to the finish line in the Quest and took another young team to this Iditarod. "If I get another nine off this race, and I have nine veterans from the Quest, then I'll have something to work with next year. That's the

whole goal and the approach to this year is to have fun."

"I have no expectations, no predictions, I'm not going to set myself up for disappointment saying I'm gonna come in the top 20 and beat Jeff King, no, that ain't gonna be me this year," Mackey said. However, Comeback Kennel is the name of Mackey's kennel and in this spirit, Mackey said, "I will be back with a team next year that it's gonna be hard to keep up with."

Speaking about the importance of mushing for him, Mackey said that it has been a family affair. "My dad was one of the people that helped make the event happen and make it what it is. It's a lifestyle, it's a career, it's a passion, it's a hobby, all those things wrapped into one," Mackey said.

"It seems to me that I was put on this earth to race dogs. Here I am and I'm gonna be doing this as long as I can and I will continue to do things that keep me able to do this. And if I have to go in a capsule next year with pontoons on, that's what I'll be driving."

As team after team slogged through the slushy snow that continued to melt under the hot sun and temperature of 42°F, the team of Lachlan Clarke suffered a terrible loss. According to the Iditarod Trail Committee, a dog named Stuart of Clarke's team, which was not part of the ceremonial start, somehow got loose from the dog truck parked at Campbell Park where the ceremonial run ended. The dog ran off, became disoriented and spooked as many strangers tried to help and catch him. Stuart was killed in a car accident on 36th and Old Seward Highway.

After the ceremonial start, mushers packed their dogs, sleds and gear to begin the 360-mile trek to Fairbanks, where on Monday, March 9 the restart took place and send the 78 men and women on their way to Nome.



Photo by Diana Haecker

SHORTS AND COMFORT — Iditarod rookie Brian Wilmshurst of Dawson City, Canada, donned shorts due to the 40°F heatwave that prevailed at downtown Anchorage. Apparently the heat was so overwhelming for the Canadian that Wilmshurst did not bother to stand up behind his dog team to drive his sled down slushy Fourth Avenue, on Saturday, March 5.



Photos by Diana Haecker

MUSHING MORTICIAN (top) — Scott Janssen of Anchorage and his Iditarider get ready for the 90 degree turn from 4th Avenue onto Cordova Street in Anchorage during the ceremonial start of Iditarod XLIII. Note the slush spraying from the sled runners and Janssen mushing without gloves.

IT'S HOT IN HERE — The thermometer mounted to Brian Wilmshurst's sled did not lie. Anchorage temperatures were well above freezing for at least a week, and approached the 40°F mark early on in the morning of the ceremonial start.

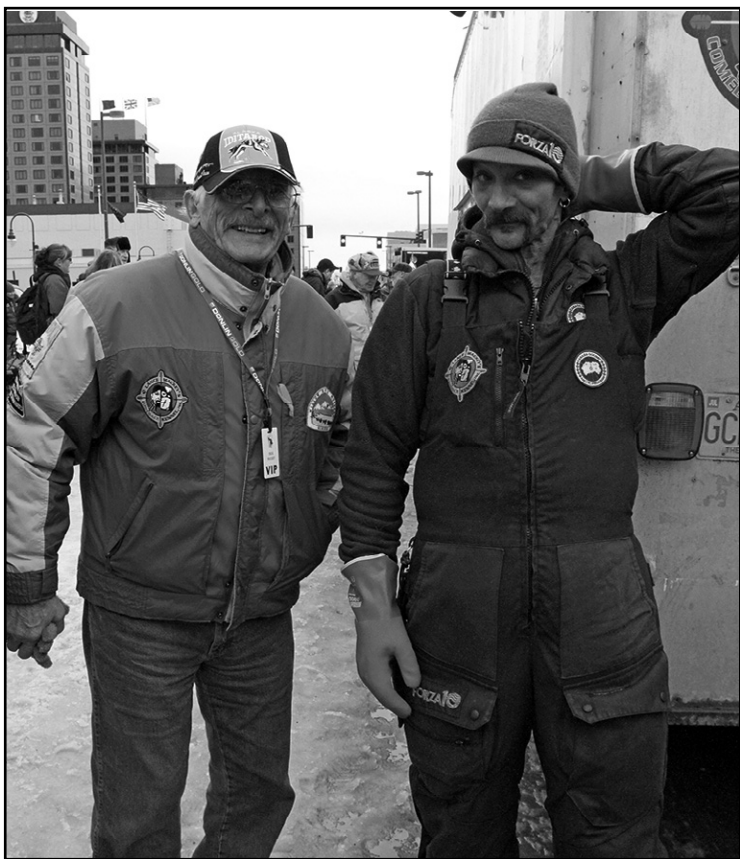


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TWO CHAMPIONS, ONE NAME — Father Dick Mackey, left, visits with son Lance Mackey, during preparations at the ceremonial start in Anchorage. Dick Mackey won the Iditarod in 1978. Lance won the race in 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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GOING FOR THE TOP SPOT—Race favorite and hometown favorite Aily Zirkle of Two Rivers, near Fairbanks, takes off at the start of the Iditarod in Fairbanks Monday. She notched three second-place Iditarod finishes in the past three years.



Photos by Malcolm McMillan
NOME TOWN FAVORITE— Aaron Burmeister, born and raised in Nome, is embarking on his sixteenth Iditarod race.

Off to a cold start: Mushers leave Fairbanks for Iditarod 43

By Kristan Kelly

A helicopter whirled overhead, children skipped school and thousands of people lined the starting chute to watch the start of the XLIII Iditarod Monday morning in Fairbanks. With the race start moved to Fairbanks due to a dearth of snow and warm temperatures in the Anchorage area, Fairbanks weather delivered the goods with eight inches of new snow, minus 2°F and a biting breeze.

Started in two-minute intervals at 10 a.m., all 78 mushers and nearly 1,000 dogs were enroute to Nome by early afternoon.

"It's fantastic for Fairbanksans to be able to see it," said spectator John Spitzberg. "It's like Fairbanks opened its heart and its arms to this race."

Like many in the crowd, Spitzberg has a connection to the Nome area. When he was a Teller schoolteacher in 1986, he also scooped the kennel of 15-time Iditarod musher Joe Garnie.

Garnie never let him run the team, but he was allowed to scoop, he said laughing.

One of the many spectators warming up inside Pike's Lodge Monday morning was Mick Hosken, of Placerville, California and formerly, London. He said before Monday's low of -5°F, the coldest he had ever experienced was 19°F degrees.

"It's not the sort of place we'd be interested in relocating," said Hosken with a laugh.

He and his wife Shelly met four-time Iditarod champion Jeff King last summer while touring his kennel and came back to Alaska to watch him at the ceremonial start in Anchorage as well. He wasn't disappointed that King didn't remember him, especially since he got to meet Sarah Palin at the banquet in Anchorage, he said.

Some of the kids skipping school said it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and they were not going to miss it.

"The environment is pretty exciting," said 16-year-old Parker Trosper. "It's cool to know they're going 1,000 miles on a sled."

Meanwhile, his older brother Morgan was much more in awe of having just met Alaskan reality television star Ariel Tweto of Unalakleet. "She's so pretty," he sighed, showing the photo of himself posing with her near the start.

Away from the crowd in the staging area, some dogs howled while others sat quietly as mushers setup their sleds and waited to begin.



Photo by Malcolm McMillan
A HUG FOR THE TRAIL— Jeff King's handler gives a hug to one of the dogs in his team before the restart in Fairbanks, Monday.

An hour before his start time, four-time champ Martin Buser looked relaxed as he sat on the back of his sled wearing the familiar red and black checked cap that can be spotted in race photos dating back to 1991. He described his dog team in glowing terms.

"They're very, very experienced, calm and quiet, heading into the prime of their lives, just like me," said the 57-year-old musher.

Nearby another four-time champion, Lance Mackey, explained how technical innovations help him overcome health factors. Cancer left him with poor circulation that makes the cold extremely painful. To remain competitive, he will be carrying a 10-pound generator and solar panels that allow him to recharge batteries that heat his gloves and clothing without having to stop at checkpoints.

Aaron Burmeister described his team as "incredible" and is hoping to benefit from the home-field advantage. With this year's route, he will be passing his winter home on the

Chena River in Fairbanks and then pass by his training home and kennel in Nenana and finally finish in his hometown of Nome where he keeps a third home. But it's not the familiar trails of the Interior that he most values.

"The best advantage is we had great snow to train on," said Burmeister while his two young children "helped" him setup his sled.

Typically a man of few words to the media, John Baker of Kotzebue was wasting few words before the start of the race as he took his dogs out of their dog boxes.

He described his team as "wonderful" and that "Biscuit" and "Angel" would be running lead in his team.

When asked if the river trail would be a good type of trail for his team, he said, "I hope so."



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TO THE START— Martin Buser's team is led from the staging area to the starting line of the Iditarod Restart on Monday in Fairbanks. Buser is four-time champion of the Iditarod.



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HAPPY CAMPER— Janelle Trowbridge of Nome finished the Junior Iditarod in fifth place.



STEADY— Marianna Mallory speeds out of the starting chute, but was commended for keeping her team at a steady pace to a sixth place finish. Marianna grew up in Banner Creek near Nome. She now lives in Chugiak with her parents Paul and Kathy and her brother John.

Nome girls place fifth and sixth at Junior Iditarod

By Keith Conger

"I thought it was an April Fool's joke," said seventeen-year-old Nome-Beltz senior Janelle Trowbridge recalling a story about her Junior Iditarod mushing roots. When Trowbridge was in White Mountain skiing on April 1, 2011 she received a phone call from her father saying the family had purchased a dog team made up of fluffy Greenlandic Huskies.

It turned out to be no joke, and the team proved to be the perfect introduction to mushing for the adventurous Trowbridge's.

But father Rolland Trowbridge soon caught the racing bug, and began to build a team of faster dogs.

When he announced his decision to sell the Greenlandics, the younger Trowbridge took exception. Trowbridge says her father explained that if the family was going to keep the original team, she was going to have to train and run them.

Trowbridge took her father's challenge, and for the next year she learned the ins and outs of being a musher. In 2013 she learned about the version of the Iditarod set up for youth ages 14-17.

After training and racing in local Nome Kennel Club events, Trowbridge entered the 2014 Junior Iditarod. She finished the 150-mile race in 6th place.

Trowbridge liked the experience so much that she signed up to do the 2015 Junior Iditarod, but this time her goal was to place in the top five. She would be using a team that had lots of race miles.

The week before the race, Trowbridge was able to spend time with former Nome musher, and 2005 Junior Iditarod champion Melissa (Owens) Stewart. Stewart allowed Trowbridge to keep her dogs at Stewart's kennel while she trained. Trowbridge says that the Owens family has helped them with their mushing since they started their team.

Due to icy conditions, this year's Junior Iditarod was shortened to 132 miles, and the race was moved from Willow to Cantwell. The course, says Trowbridge, was actually on the Denali Highway. "The trail was so smooth," she said, "that I had no clanging snow hooks."

Throughout the race, Trowbridge worked hard using her GPS, her watch and the mile post markers to keep her team at the desired pace. She pulled into the Alpine Lodge half-way checkpoint in eighth place.

During the first stages of the race's second half, Trowbridge passed a musher and crept up into seventh place. With a quarter of the race remaining, she says she caught sight of a pair of mushers in the distance, and it appeared that she was on pace to overtake them.

Her big move happened about 23 miles from the finish line. Trowbridge says that her well-conditioned team easily passed the other two and suddenly she found herself in fifth place, a position she would maintain until the end.

Trowbridge not only achieved her top-five goal, but she was also the

first of six female mushers to cross the line. She started, and ended, the race with the maximum 10 dogs. For her efforts she won a \$1,500 college scholarship.

The musher Trowbridge passed early in the race's second half was sixteen-year-old Marianna Mallory, of Chugiak, who was running her first Junior Iditarod. Mallory grew up in with her family in their Banner Creek home outside of Nome. Parents Paul and Kathy had introduced Marianna to mushing at an early age. She says that her first solo trip was a journey to Dexter and back with four dogs at the age of nine.

The family moved from Nome when Mallory was 11, and eventually settled in Chugiak where they had great access to mushing trails. As the family dog team grew, Mallory tried her hand at sprint racing. She soon discovered that her dog team was better suited for distance mushing, and she set her sights on the Junior Iditarod.

Mallory's goals for the 2015 race season included the Willow 100 and the Junior Iditarod. After running the Willow 100 she learned that her young dogs were susceptible to leg injuries, so she decided not to enter them in the bigger race.

Time was running out before the Junior Iditarod, so Mallory and her family put the word out looking for a team to borrow. They obtained one from Iditarod Veteran Wade Marrs, whose main advice was to run the team at 9.2 miles per hour.

Like Trowbridge, Mallory used her GPS to maintain her desired pace. She listened well to Marrs, as

she averaged 9.4 miles per hour during the race. She completed the 132-mile course in sixth place.

Mallory started with nine dogs, and crossed the finish line with eight. She received the Humanitarian

Award given to the musher that displays the best dog care.

Mallory plans on running the 2016 Junior Iditarod. Of her young team, she says, "they will be a powerhouse next year."

The winner of the 2015 Junior Iditarod was Kevin Harper, who is a sixteen-year-old junior at Wasilla High School. He placed third in the 2014 event.



Photo by Debbie Flint-Daniel

SPELLING BEE— Bethany Daniel, 7th grader with Nome Public Schools Extensions Program, tied for third place in the 2015 Alaska State Spelling Bee, held last weekend. Daniel was one of the 145 third through eighth grade students competing at the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts in Anchorage. The winner of the 2015 Alaska State Spelling Bee this year was former Nome resident, Bryce Tasso. Bryce will head to Washington D.C. the Scripps' National Spelling Bee in May. Bethany is pictured spelling the word MENINGITIS in round 5 of the Alaska State Spelling Bee at the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts on March 5.

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Nome Ski and Biathlon Team



FAST BREAK— Nome Ski and Biathlon member Mallory Conger puts her nine-pound rifle on and gets out of the range quickly during the Alaska Biathlon Championships at Anchorage's Kincaid Park on Saturday, March 7. Conger was one of only a few racers in the juvenile category to carry their rifles the whole race.

Photos by Keith Conger



IN THE MIX— Alexis Hutson, second from the right, of the Nome Ski and Biathlon team, works to pass a Fairbanks racer as she enters the range during the Alaska Biathlon Championships at Anchorage's Kincaid Park on Saturday. Skiers from Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Nome attended the biathlon meet.



LINE UP— Nome Ski and Biathlon member Bianca Trowbridge takes off in the Alaska Biathlon Championship's Pursuit Race at Anchorage's Kincaid Park on Saturday. For the start of this race, participants were placed in order of Friday's Sprint Race results.



FUN FINISH— Emelyne Hobbs of Nome Ski and Biathlon finishes the Pursuit Race during the Alaska Biathlon Championships at Kincaid Park in Anchorage on Saturday. Hobbs was one of 43 racers from around the state to take part in the two-day competition

Nanooks Boys and Girls eliminated at Western Conference Championships

By Keith Conger

Nome-Beltz Boys

Despite having beaten their southern rivals twice during the regular season, the Nome-Beltz boys basketball team lost both their games against the Bethel Warriors this past weekend at Dimond High School during the Western Conference Championships.

The Nanooks were matched up against the Warriors in their opening round game on Thursday night. Payton Corbett scored 11 first-half points as Bethel built an 11-point lead at the intermission. The third quarter proved to be Nome's undoing as they only mustered a Mikey Scott field goal. A 17-2 run by the Warriors gave them a comfortable margin at the end of the third quarter.

Alex Gray's 11 fourth-quarter points helped the Nanooks outscore Bethel by six in the final frame. The Warriors hung on for a 62-46 victory. Gray led Nome with 14 points, while Corbett scored a game-high 18.

Nome beat the Kotzebue Huskies 46-41 in Friday's loser's bracket game. Nome and Kotzebue traded cold streaks in the final two quarters. The Nanooks outscored the Huskies 13-4 in the third, but were bested 14-8 in the fourth. Gray led the Nanooks with 14 points, and Wink Winkelmann chipped in 12.

Barrow secured the top spot in the conference, and a trip to the state tournament by beating Kotzebue and Bethel in its two opening round games. The Nanooks had a chance to claim the Conference's second state tournament spot if they could knock off Bethel in a rematch, but came up short losing 47-37.

Barrow and Bethel will represent the Western Conference at the state tournament in two weeks.

Nome-Beltz Girls

The Lady Nanooks were matched up with the Barrow Lady Whalers in their opening round contest.

With the return of Senora Ahmasuk — who had been ineligible to play due to an early season transfer — Nome was playing at full strength for the first time this season. The Whalers kept the returning Nanook quiet to start the game, holding her to two first-half points while building a 21-8 halftime lead.

Ahmasuk scored eight of her game-high 15 points in the third quarter, leading the Nanooks on a 17-10 run. While the Nanooks started the final quarter only down by eight, the Whalers outscored Nome 14-9 in the fourth-quarter, and came away with a 45-34 victory.

Lacy Erickson chipped in eight points for the Nanooks. Rose Mon-

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Theresa Olanna completed UAA's Nome-based, two-year RN program in December of 2014 and is now working as a registered nurse at the Norton Sound Health Corporation. An NSEDC scholarship recipient, Theresa is enrolled in UAA's "RN to Bachelors of Science in Nursing" program, which allows her to broaden her scope of practice and knowledge as a nurse. "Nothing has ever been easy or simply handed to me, but hard work pays off," Olanna said. "If I can do it, so can you." Scholarships & Training - our greatest investment - visit nsedc.com.



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Monday, March 9

10am • **Iditarod Re-Start** • Fairbanks, AK
6pm • Iditarod Pool Championships • Polaris Bar

Tuesday, March 10

6pm • Iditarod Pool Championships • Breakers Bar

Wednesday, March 11

6pm • Iditarod Pool Championships • Soap N Suds

Thursday, March 12

6pm • Iditarod Pool Championships • Polar Bar
6pm-8pm • **Nome-Golovin 200** Snow Machine Race Sign-up • National Guard Armory

Friday, March 13

2pm-6pm • TLC Bible, Book & Gift Store Open House • 606 E. 1st Ave.
7pm • Iditarod Dart Tournament • ANB Club
9pm • 80's Night • Bering Sea Bar
10pm • Live Music w/the Usual Suspects • Polar Bar

Saturday, March 14

12pm • **Nome-Golovin 200 Snow Machine Race** • Sea ice East of Nome
2pm-6pm • TLC Bible, Book & Gift Store Open House • 606 E. 1st Ave.
4:30pm & 7pm • Iditarod Dart Tournament • ANB Club
7pm • Nome-Golovin 200 Snow Machine Race Awards Banquet • BOT Saloon
9pm • Nome-Golovin After Party • Bering Sea Bar
10pm • Live Music w/the Louie Green Band • Polar Bar
10pm • Live Music w/the Usual Suspects • Bering Sea Bar

Sunday, March 15

10am-11:30pm • **LOIBC Tournament** • Nome Recreation Center
1pm-4pm • Snow Sculpting Competition • Anvil City Square
2pm • Bob Beardsley Memorial Mini Mukluk Marathon • Nome Recreation Center
2:30pm • Dog Pull • Lot Across from Subway Restaurant
6pm • Chilly Lee Local Art Gallery • Bering Sea Restaurant

Monday, March 16

10am-5:30pm • Bearing Song's Make & Take a Craft • 310 Bering St.
10am-6pm • Arts & Crafts Fair • Old St. Joe's
10am-6pm • Fine Arts Show • Old St. Joe's
10am-11:30pm • **LOIBC Tournament** • Nome Recreation Center
10:30am • NPS Movie • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
10:30am • The First Serum Run; the Players • UAF Northwest Campus
1pm • NPS Reindeer Herding Talk • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
1:30pm • Muskox Slideshow • Northwest Campus
2pm • Meet & Greet w/Howard Farley • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
3pm • NPS Arts & Crafts from Muskox Demonstration • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
4pm • Old Iditarod Gang Book Talk • Kegoayah Kozga Library

5pm-7pm • Soup Supper • Our Savior's Lutheran Church, corner of 5th & Bering St.
6pm-8pm • Iditarod Kick Off Party • Breakers Bar
7pm • Texas Hold'em Poker • ANB Club
10pm • Bering Strait Jackets • Bering Sea Bar
Time TBA • Challenge Life Iditarod Basketball Clinic • Nome Eskimo Community

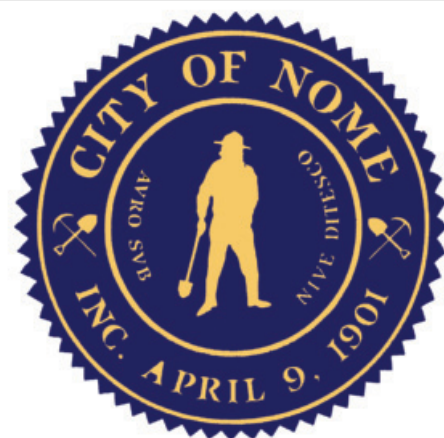
Tuesday, March 17

10am-5:30pm • Bearing Song's Make & Take a Craft • 310 Bering St.
10am-6pm • Arts & Crafts Fair • Old St. Joe's
10am-6pm • Fine Arts Show • Old St. Joe's
10am-11:30pm • **LOIBC Tournament** • Nome Recreation Center
10:30am • NPS Movie • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
11am • Museum Highlights • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
1pm • NPS Beading Workshop • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
1pm • St. Patrick's Day Parade • Front St.
2pm • Meet & Greet w/Howard Farley • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
2pm-3:30pm • Grass Basket Weaving Demonstration • Visitors Center
3pm • NPS Native Games Demonstration • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Office
4:30pm-6pm • Fur Hat Making Demonstration • Visitors Center
7pm • Texas Hold'em Poker • ANB Club
10pm • Be the Star of the Bar Karaoke • Bering Sea Bar
10pm • Wet T-shirt Contest • Polaris Bar
Time TBA • Challenge Life Iditarod Basketball Clinic • Nome Eskimo Community

Wednesday, March 18

10am-5:30pm • Bearing Song's Make & Take a Craft • 310 Bering St.
10am-6pm • Arts & Crafts Fair • Old St. Joe's
10am-6pm • Fine Arts Show • Old St. Joe's
10am-11:30pm • **LOIBC Tournament** • Nome Recreation Center
10:30am • NPS Movie • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
10:30am • Serum Run; the Medical Side of the Story • Northwest Campus
12pm • Book Signing w/Author & Musher Dan Seavey • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
1pm • NPS Wild, Woolly & Wonderful Talk • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
1:30pm-3pm • Qiviut Processing & Spinning Demonstration • Visitors Center
2pm • Meet & Greet w/Howard Farley • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
2pm-5pm • Qiviut Lace Workshop • Northwest Campus
3pm • NPS Sled Dog Drawing & History Workshop • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
4:30pm-8pm • Ditch the Pitch Day • Boys & Girls Club
6pm • Idita-Beer Pong Tournament • Bering Sea Bar
7pm • Texas Hold'em Poker • ANB Club
7pm-10pm • Arm Wrestling • Breakers Bar
8pm • Jodi Miller Entertainment Comedy Show • BOT Saloon
8pm • Sarah C. Hanson Concert • Bering Sea Bar

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8pm-12am • Airport Pizza Annual Beer Tasting Extravaganza • Airport Pizza
Time TBA • Acoustic Oosik • Bering Sea Bar
Time TBA • Bering Strait Jackets • Bering Sea Bar
Time TBA • Challenge Life Iditarod Basketball Clinic • Nome Eskimo Community

Thursday, March 19

10am-5:30pm • Bearing Song's Make & Take a Craft • 310 Bering St.
10am-6pm • Arts & Crafts Fair • Old St. Joe's
10am-6pm • Fine Arts Show • Old St. Joe's
10am-11:30pm • **LOIBC Tournament** • Nome Recreation Center
10:30am • Health Aide Training; Response to a Need • Northwest Campus
10:30am • NPS Movie • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
11am • Museum Highlights • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
11:30am-1:30pm • Nome Rotary Reindeer Dog Grill Out • Visitors Center
12pm-6pm • Young Living Essential Oils Presentation • VFW
1pm • NPS Learn Inupiaq w/Kunaq Workshop • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
1pm • **Spirit of the Wind Screening** • Nome Elementary School
1:30pm • Bering Strait Seals, Sea Lions & Walruses • Northwest Campus
2pm • Meet & Greet w/Howard Farley • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
3pm • NPS Skins & Skulls Roving Ranger • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
3:30pm-5pm • Qiviut Processing & Spinning Demonstration • Visitors Center
4:30pm-5:30pm • Robert Service Reading • Mini Convention Center
6pm • **Spirit of the Wind Screening** • Nome Elementary School
7pm • Make Your Own Bikini Contest • Polar Bar
7:30pm • Open Mic Night • Bering Sea Bar
7pm • Texas Hold'em Poker • ANB Club
10pm • Hawaiian Night • Breakers Bar
Time TBA • Challenge Life Iditarod Basketball Clinic • Nome Eskimo Community

Friday, March 20

10am-5:30pm • Bearing Song's Make & Take a Craft • 310 Bering St.
10am-7pm • Arts & Crafts Fair • Old St. Joe's
10am-7pm • Fine Arts Show • Old St. Joe's
10am-11:30pm • **LOIBC Tournament** • Nome Recreation Center

10:30am • NPS Movie • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
1pm • Meet & Green w/Martin Buser • Kegoayah Kozga Library
1pm • NPS Mushing Isn't Simply Standing on a Sled Talk • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
2pm • Meet & Greet w/ Howard Farley • Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
2pm-3:30pm • Grass Basket Weaving Demonstration • Visitors Center
3pm • NPS Nome Reconnection w/Russia Talk • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
3:30pm • Nome Kennel Club's Annual Businessman's Race • Bypass Rd. near NSHC
5pm-7pm • Fine Art's Show Reception • Old St. Joe's
7pm • Chili Cook-Off & Games • VFW
10pm • Bering Straits Jackets • Bering Sea Bar
10pm • Husky Hoe Down • Breakers Bar
10pm • Live Music w/the Usual Suspects • Polar Bar
Time TBA • Challenge Life Iditarod Basketball Clinic • Nome Eskimo Community

Saturday, March 21

8am-11am • Girl Scouts Pancake Breakfast • XYZ Center
10am-5:30pm • Bearing Song's Make & Take a Craft • 310 Bering St.
10am-7pm • **LOIBC Tournament** • Nome Rec. Center
10:30am • Bering Sea Ice Golf Classic • Sea ice behind Breakers Bar
10:30am • NPS Movie • NPS Office, Sitnasuak Building
12pm • Friends of the NRA – Nome Drawing • Carquest
2pm • **Musher Signing** • Mini Convention Center Dog Lot
7pm-10pm • Beer Tasting • ANB Club
9pm • Acoustic Oosik • Bering Sea Bar
10pm • I-did-a-Beer-Run • Bering Sea Bar
10pm • Live Music w/the Usual Suspects • Polar Bar

Sunday, March 22

4pm • Iditarod Awards Banquet • Nome Recreation Center

Events by Reservation:

Idita-Ride Snow Cat Tours Sled Dog Rides
Terry's Therapeutic Massage Therapy

Ongoing Events:

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Iditarod Trail Mail
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HIGH POWERED HANDLER— Iditarod Champion 2003 and 2005 Robert Sorlie, left, helps fellow Norwegian dog musher Thomas Waerner at the Anchorage start of Iditarod 2015.



TO THE START— Handlers help getting the dog team belonging to Kevin Harper to the starting line in downtown Anchorage. Harper won this year's Jr. Iditarod and participated in the ceremonial start of the Iditarod.



SPECTATORS— Mushing fans braved the slush and rain in Anchorage in order to get a glimpse of 78 dog teams and their mushers.



HITTING THE TRAIL— Girdwood musher Nicolas Petit rounds the corner of 4th Avenue and Cordova Street during the start of Iditarod 2015.



ONE HAS A DRY SPOT— A dog belonging to Iditarod musher Laura Allaway finds the best spot in the house during a wet and slushy race start in Anchorage.



WAITING TO RUN— A dog belonging to Iditarod musher Monica Zappa of Kaslof waits for the race to finally get underway in downtown Anchorage.

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FOUR-TIME CHAMP— Four-time Iditarod champion Martin Buser takes his team to the Anchorage starting line with the help of many handlers.



FOREIGN RACERS— Dogs belonging to the team of Norwegian Iditarod musher Thomas Waerner eagerly make their way to the starting line in Anchorage.



TWO-TIME CHAMP— Mitch Seavey, Iditarod champion in 2004 and 2013, is all smiles after finally hitting the trails at the start in Anchorage.

• Basketball

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goyak was the only Whaler in double figures with 11 points.

Nome played its closest 3A game of the year against the Kotzebue Lady Huskies on Saturday night. Ahmasuk and Jillian Stettenbenz combined for 17 points helping the Nanooks take a 25-18 lead into the

locker room at half time. Kotzebue's Paeton Shaeffer poured in 12 third-quarter points. She helped her team outscore the Nanooks 22-4 and grab a 40-29 third quarter lead.

Nome had one of its most productive quarters of the year to close out the game. Ahmasuk's nine fourth-quarter points sparked a 19-11 run for the Nanooks, but it was not

enough to repair the third quarter damage. Shaeffer's game-high 22 points led the Huskies to a 51-48 victory. Ahmasuk ended the game with 20, and Stettenbenz added 14.

The Western Conference will be represented by the tournament champion Lady Whalers, and the second place Lady Warriors.



GOOGLING THE IDITAROD— A Google employee captures the view of dog mushers heading down Fourth Avenue for a world wide audience.



FIRST CLASS MEAL— Iditarod musher Cindy Gallea measures out a high octane meat and kibble ration during the Iditarod start in downtown Anchorage.

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Exhibit open daily
March 16-21
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Art show reception
Friday, March 20
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Snow Sculpting Competition

Anvil City Square • Sunday, March 15 • 1-4 p.m.

8 teams have 3 hours to sculpt 4-foot snow blocks. Call 434-2118 to enter! \$20 entry per team. Cash prizes! Great for businesses & organizations. Vote for your favorite sculpture at 4pm Sunday.

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NOME ARTS COUNCIL



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RUNNING — Dogs dash off the starting line of the 2015 Iditarod in Anchorage on Saturday, March 7.

ULU News

PFD REMINDER

The deadline to apply for the Permanent Fund Dividend is March 31st, the end of this month. If you have any questions your local LIO can assist with PFD related issues, you can also contact my office if you need to appeal to the department. You may file online at <http://www.pfd.state.ak.us/>.

BIRTHDAY

I want to take a moment to recognize the woman who gave me life, my mother Maggie. This week she will be turning 89 years young! Happy Birthday Mom!

ARCTIC POLICY

In Arctic Policy we discussed HB 1: "An Act declaring the Arctic policy of the state." This bill was created to show the rest of the nation that we, as Arctic people, exist. The bill shows that the Arctic needs to grow in these four areas: economic and resource development, infrastructure and response capacity gap, healthy communities, and science and research. The committee as a whole decided to remove the support of "The law of the Sea Treaty" in the bill because it didn't represent the kind of relationship that most of the people in the State of Alaska or the Arctic wanted with foreign countries. With all of this in mind, Mayor Brower, Represented Herron, and Senator McGuire went down to Washington, DC this week to testify and advocate for the Arctic peoples of Alaska. You can watch the video at <http://www.energy.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/2015/3/united-states-arctic-opportunities-hearing>

MARIJUANA

On February 24th it became legal for a person over 21 years old to possess up to 1 ounce of marijuana and grow up to 6 plants (only three can

be blooming at any given time) on your own property. However, there are lots of provisions. Marijuana consumption is still illegal federally which means that you cannot possess marijuana on federal land like national forests or wildlife refuges. You can still lose your job for marijuana consumption if the work place chooses to keep the job requirements as drug free. Communities as a whole can decide to opt out of the marijuana initiative as a whole and make the community a dry community for marijuana.

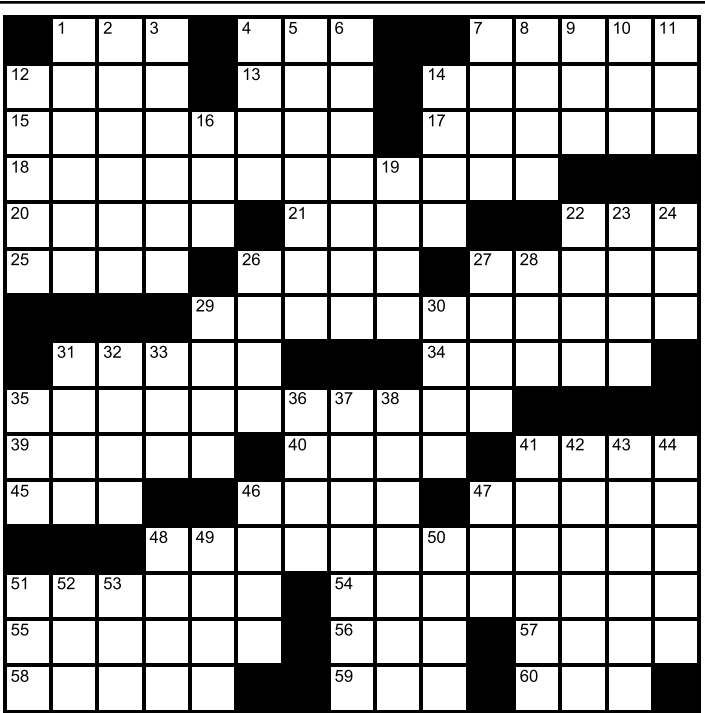
TAXES

It's almost that time of year again, tax returns are due April 15th. If taxes are a little confusing to you or you need some assistance with forms

then the Alaska Business Development Center's Volunteer Tax and Loan Program may be of assistance to you. They will be visiting different communities in our region but you also may call or fax them for additional help with your taxes. Phone (907) 562-0335 Fax (907) 562-6988. These services are offered to rural Alaska for free. Thank you for taking the time to read my ULU Newsletter.

Best wishes and take care,

Senator Donald Olson
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Across

1. "Spy vs. Spy" magazine
4. "The ___ Daba Honeymoon"
7. Avalanche
12. Tree trunk
13. Greyhound, e.g.
14. One who is in charge
15. Shoulder ornaments on military uniforms
17. Chant
18. Judge incorrectly
20. Cockeyed
21. "Aquarius" musical
22. Cousin of a crow
25. Certain herring
26. Stages of a journey
27. Nonpoetic writing
29. Advance consideration
31. One who works diligently at a trade
34. Anxious
35. Soft cotton fabric with a nap
39. Pub order
40. ___ vera
41. Secretary, e.g.
45. "That's ___ ..."
46. Digestion aid
47. Magical wish granter
48. Partook excessively
51. Like slander
54. Van Gogh's "The Starry Night," e.g.
55. Rained heavily
56. Anger, e.g.
57. "Green Gables" girl
58. Essential oil from flowers

Down

1. Sulky
2. Panhandle site
3. Mild expletive
4. Biblical shepherd
5. Meat retailer
6. Quiet
7. Cast
8. Cracker spread
9. "Much ___ About Nothing"
10. Big ___ Conference
11. "... ___ he drove out of sight"
12. Areas around churches' altars for the clergy and choir
14. Pinocchio, at times
16. Police, with "the"
19. "Schindler's ___"
22. Nudges
23. Far from ruddy
24. "Are we there ___?"
26. Elders' teachings
27. Corn ___
28. Same old, same old
29. Manage
30. "Unimaginable as ___ in Heav'n!": Milton
31. Slog
32. Extol
33. Setting for TV's "Newhart"
35. Away
36. Animal house
37. Certain conic section
38. Pedicure's painted object
41. Some river mouths
42. Car's mechanical energy source
43. Reddish brown
44. Move by means of a light anchor
46. Curve
47. Portable firearm
48. Creole vegetable
49. Swerve
50. Softly hit tennis ball that falls just over the net
51. Marienbad, for one
52. Ale holder
53. Away

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March 2015 — Week 2

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19
Watch it, Capricorn. Not everything is on the up and up. Join in only if you are sure the cause is legitimate. A financial snafu tests patience at work.

ARIES
March 21–April 19
Hush, Aries. You've had your say. Time to let others have theirs. Only then will you be able to make an informed decision. A visitor drops by with a gift.

CANCER
June 22–July 22
Feeling blue, Cancer? So are others. Put two and two heads together and find something fun to do to boost your spirits. A report receives rave reviews.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22
Hesitate too long, Libra, and you will most certainly lose out. Make up your mind now. A frank discussion among friends turns ugly. Intervene!

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18
Alarms sounding in your head, Aquarius? Listen to them. You're a generous soul, but some people cannot be helped. Step away. A challenge is met.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20
Amazing, Taurus. There is no other word to describe your tactics recently. You've got the goods, and the right people are noticing.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21
Youngsters strive to make a difference. Help them out, Gemini. Your boss makes you an offer. Don't take them up on it unless you are certain it is what you want.

LEO
July 23–August 22
Your opinion matters, Leo. Speak up. You have so much to offer. A confrontation at home ruffles feathers but settles an issue once and for all.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21
O, Scorpio, O Scorpio. You've loved and lost, but this time, it will be different. Let go of your reservations and give that special someone a chance.

PISCES
February 19–March 20
Relax, Pisces. Yes, your to-do list is long, but if you are willing to delegate, everything will get done one way or another. A book answers a question.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22
Your self-worth takes a real beating this week, Virgo, but not to worry. That special someone will find a way to help you rebound and recharge.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21
Adventure is calling. Surely you hear it, don't you, Sagittarius? Additional revenue allows for a major purchase. Take your time shopping.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY



RESTING UP— Dogs belonging to Iditarod musher Nicolas Petit rest up before the big race at the start in downtown Anchorage on March 7.

Photos by Diana Haecker

Saying it Sincerely

Pastor Charles Brower
Community United
Methodist Church
Member of the Nome
Ministerial Association

A recent gathering of Alaska Native clergy and lay leaders met to discuss “Now That Missionaries Are Gone, What Next?”

This conversation began in 2004 with Alaska Native elders gathering to “Give Voice” to issues some of our most vulnerable residents face each and every day. After several discussions that highlighted the desire for local church leadership as the primary concern, “Giving Voice” morphed into an ecumenical gathering of Alaska Native clergy with experiences in rural settings.

In July 2015, Giving Voice plans to begin an ecumenical lay leader-training program for Alaska Natives interested in leading their communities in theological discussions and local worship. Training emphasis desired include strong biblical content, biblical interpretation in Native cultures, centered in Native values and how Native cultures connect to our creator God, pastoral leadership, leadership in sacraments, missional engagement of young people and youth and the importance of church traditions.

Jesus commanded his disciples in Matthew 28: 19-20 “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Alaska Natives in our rural communities and those in urban ministries need and will get biblically based training as ecumenical leaders! Praise Him!



Photo by Kristan Kelly

WAITING— Dogs belonging to the team of Yvonne Dabakk of Norway await the start of the race in Fairbanks.

All Around the Sound

New Arrival
Shena M. and Brian A. Aningayou, of Gambell, announce the birth of their daughter **Ashleigh Briana Gail “Kavelu” Aningayou**, born February 4, 2015 at 7:09 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces, and was 19 ¾” in length. Siblings: brothers: Wayne Pusaa, 18; Danny Mike, 21, Ernest Tengt, 22; Landon Vuusleq, 1; and sister Deanna Ashlyn, 10. Maternal grandparents Wayne and Marcy Booshu; and paternal grandparents the late Reggie Sr. and Lucy Aningayou.

Bite into a Healthy Lifestyle during National Nutrition Month®

Mushrooms Burgundy

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

Makes 12 servings
Preparation Time: 5.5 hours
Difficulty Level: Easy

Ingredients:
2 lbs. White mushrooms
1 cup Red cooking wine (burgundy wine)
¼ cup Olive oil
¼ tsp. Dill weed
½ tsp. Garlic powder
2 cup Boiling water

Directions:
1. Place all ingredients in a large stockpot. Over medium-high heat, bring the contents to a boil.
2. After contents come to a boil, turn the heat down to low, cover the pot and let simmer for 5 hours until the mushrooms are tender.

Tip:
* If you need to use your stove for other cooking preparations, transfer the contents of the stockpot to a crockpot on low heat after step 1. Let the mushrooms cook for 4 hours before serving.



Nutrition Facts

| Serving Size | ¼ cup |
|------------------------|-------|
| Amount of Servings | 12 |
| Calories | 94 |
| Total Fat (g) | 7 |
| Saturated Fat (g) | 1 |
| Cholesterol (mg) | 0 |
| Sodium (mg) | 132 |
| Total Carbohydrate (g) | 4 |
| Fiber (g) | 1 |
| Protein (g) | 3 |
| Vitamin A (%) | 0 |
| Vitamin C (%) | 3 |
| Calcium (%) | 0 |
| Iron (%) | 2 |

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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 Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Last Sunday of each month Worship: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Worship: 7:00 p.m.
For more information contact Pastor Austin Jones

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



Nome Eskimo Community is recruiting for four (4) positions located in Nome, AK:

• **Youth Services Assistant:** non-exempt, seasonal, full-time position. The pay range is \$18.79/hour - \$21.15/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is Friday, March 13, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

• **Subsistence Specialist:** non-exempt, regular full-time position. The pay range is \$23.79/hour - \$26.78/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is Friday, March 13, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

• **Youth Services Director:** non-exempt, regular full-time position. The pay range is \$26.78/hour - \$30.14/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is Friday, March 20, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

• **Housing Director:** non-exempt, regular full-time position. The pay range is \$26.78/hour -

\$30.14/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is Friday, March 20, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

To ensure the safety of children who receive services, Nome Eskimo Community will complete a Criminal History Background Check on all applicants considered for the Youth Services Assistant and Youth Services Director position.

To be considered for employment, the report must be free of crimes involving sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor, unlawful exploitation of a minor indecent exposure, crimes of violence against persons, and must show that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony within the past ten years.

Native preference per Public Law 93-638

A full copy of the job descriptions and an employment application can be obtained from the Nome Eskimo Community Website www.necalaska.org or from the Nome Eskimo Community Office at 200 West 5th Avenue.

For any questions, please contact the Human Resources Manager, Cathy Lyon, at 907-443-9131 or by email to cathylyon@gci.net

Real Estate

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Legals

**PUBLIC NOTICE
STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
CONSERVATION**

An application for amendment to an oil discharge prevention and contingency plan (plan), under Alaska Statute 46.04.030 and in accordance with 18 AAC 75, has been received by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (department).

Applicant: Vitus Marine, LLC.

Plan Title: Vitus Marine, LLC. Chartered Tanker Oil Discharge Prevention and Contingency Plan

Proposed Activity: The applicant will transport refined petroleum products within State waters.

Maximum Cargo: 200,000 barrel in Port Clarence Alaska, 90,000 barrels all other regions.

Supporting Documents: Alaska CHADUX Response Manual

Potential Results: A potential risk exists of oil spills from vessels entering waters of the State as a result of this operation.

Location of Activity: Cook Inlet, Bristol Bay, Aleutians, Western Alaska, and Northwest Arctic regions of Alaska.

Any person wishing to submit a request for additional information or provide comments regarding the application may do so in writing to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, 555 Cordova Street, Anchorage, AK 99501, by facsimile to 907-269-8487, or e-mail to martin.farris@alaska.gov.

Requests for additional information must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. April 6, 2015. Comments will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. April 13, 2015. It is the responsibility of the commenter to verify e-mail submissions are received by the applicable deadline. The public comment period will be extended if necessary in accordance with 18 AAC 75.455(d) & (e).

Copies of the application are available for review at the department's Anchorage office at 555 Cordova Street and the Valdez office at 213 Meals Av-

Legals

enue, RM 17. Please call (907) 269-7687 to schedule an appointment.

If determined necessary by public comments received, the department will announce and hold public hearing(s) on the above referenced plan. Residents in the affected areas or the governing body of an affected municipality may request a public hearing by writing to the department of Environmental Conservation, at the above address, within 30 days of publication of this notice.

The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Eric Hotchkiss at (907) 465-6171 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided. 3/12



INVITATION FOR BIDS

Nome Eskimo Community is requesting written, lump-sum, fixed price proposals from qualified licensed and insured contractors for the **ELECTRIC** work in a residential home located on East 5th Street. Nome Eskimo Community will accept written proposals until 12:00 pm (noon) local time, on **Monday March 16, 2015**.

Proposals should be submitted to:

Nome Eskimo Community
Attn: Denise Barengo
RE: Project 13-0505 Electric
P.O. Box 1090
200 West 5th Ave.

IFB and all required forms, wage determinations, proposal rating factors and other information may be obtained from the NEC Housing office. A site visit is optional. Each contractor is encouraged to visit the project site prior to submitting a proposal for a clear understanding of the scope of work. Site visits may be arranged by contacting NEC, at least 24 hours in advance.

For additional information regarding this IFB, contact the NEC Housing Office, at (907) 443-9120. 3/12



INVITATION FOR BIDS

Nome Eskimo Community is requesting written, lump-sum, fixed price proposals from qualified licensed and insured contractors for the **Plumbing** work in a residential home located on East 5th Street. Nome Eskimo Community will accept written proposals until 12:00 pm (noon) local time, on **Monday March 16, 2015**.

Proposals should be submitted to:

Nome Eskimo Community
Attn: Denise Barengo
RE: Project 13-0505 Plumbing
P.O. Box 1090
200 West 5th Ave.

IFB and all required forms, wage determinations, proposal rating factors and other information may be obtained from the NEC Housing office. A site visit is optional. Each contractor is encouraged to visit the project site prior to submitting a proposal for a clear understanding of the scope of work. Site visits may be arranged by contacting NEC, at least 24 hours in advance.

For additional information regarding this IFB, contact NEC Housing Office at (907) 443-9120. 3/12

Trooper Beat

On March 6, while at the Anchorage Airport, Alaska State Troopers observed a strong odor of marijuana emitting from some checked luggage belonging to Corrina Odinzoff, 20, of Stebbins. A contact with Odinzoff lead to the seizure of (12) 750ml bottles of Vodka and 443.9 grams (15oz) of marijuana. The alcohol and marijuana were being taken to Stebbins, where they would be sold.

Stebbins is a local option community that has voted to ban the sale and importation of alcohol. The approximate street in Stebbins is \$3,600 when sold at \$300 per bottle. The approximate street value of the marijuana \$22,000. AST is referring charges of Importation of Alcohol, MICS 4(x2), License or Permit Required, and Minor in Possession of Alcohol.



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

Available position:

EVs/Maintenance workers

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

- Brevig Mission
- Elim
- Gambell
- Golovin
- Koyuk
- Savoonga
- Shaktoolik
- Shishmaref
- Stebbins
- Teller
- Wales

Please fax your application to 907-443-2085.

Or email to jnorris@nshcorp.org.

Please contact Jeanette Norris at 907-443-4530 or email her at jnorris@nshcorp.org to receive an application.

NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638), EEO, and Veteran Preferences. To ensure consumers are protected to the degree prescribed under federal and state laws, NSHC will initiate a criminal history and background check. NSHC is a drug free workplace and performs pre-employment drug screening. Candidates failing to pass a pre-employment drug screen will not be considered for employment. 2.12



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

Available position:

Certified Nursing Assistant, Quyanna Care Center

PURPOSE OF POSITION:

Assist professional nursing staff by performing simple treatments and related bedside patient care as well as transporting patients and performing some clerical duties.

EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE and CREDENTIALS:

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Education | Degree High School Diploma or equivalent Certified Nursing Assistant Training |
| Experience | General (Non-supervisory): 0 year(s) Supervisory: 0 year(s) Type: Must have both general and supervisory experience if indicated. |
| Credentials | Licensure, Certification, Etc. Alaska State Certification as Nursing Assistant |

Starting pay \$19.91 + DOE

For an application, detailed job description or more information, please contact us: recruiter@nshcorp.org

(907) 443-4573

(907) 443-2085 fax

www.nortonsoundhealth.org

NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638 and Veteran Preferences. To ensure consumers are protected to the degree prescribed under federal and state laws, NSHC is a drug free workplace and performs pre-employment drug screening. Candidates failing to pass any of the pre-employment requirements will not be considered for a position. 2.26

Start your career in the fishing industry!

Get trained in April for potential work this spring

Training dates: April 20-29, 2015, AVTEC, Seward, AK

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSDC) is sponsoring entry-level seafood processing training for Norton Sound residents. NSDC will pay tuition, employment documentation costs, transportation, food, and lodging expenses for selected applicants.

Details and application available at www.nsdc.com.
Application Deadline: April 9, 2015. Questions? Call (800)385-3190

Administrative Services Manager

Full Time, Benefitted

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Nome, Alaska

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) is seeking a highly skilled individual to coordinate the activities and operations of the Administrative and Housing Management services staff and provide sensitive and highly complex administrative support to the President/CEO, Board of Commissioners and Leadership Staff, as well as providing support for special projects as needed.

For more information or to apply, contact William Kost at (907) 443-8600 or visit www.bsrha.org.

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Photo by Diana Haecker
FINE TEAM— Western Alaska musher Richie Diehl of Aniack checks on his dogs before leaving the starting line at the ceremonial Iditarod start in downtown Anchorage on Saturday, March 7.

Court

Week ending 3/6
Civil
Wilkalkia, JR., Ernest v. Aningayou, Debbie; Civil Protective Order
Small Claims
No claims filed (start 2NO-15-00008SC)
Criminal
State of Alaska v. Tyler D. Ozenna (5/16/92); Dismissal; Violation of a Protective Order, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 2/26/15.
State of Alaska v. Ruby Topkok (11/28/61); Dismissal; Criminal Trespass 1st, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 2/26/15.
State of Alaska v. Tristan K. Sahlin (11/10/91); Amended Judgment; CTN 001: Dismissed Assault 4; Harassment 2; Date of Violation: 11/16/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for one year (date of judgment: 2/13/15); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol in any dry or damp community, and any stated ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe he has consumed alcohol; Subject to search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause.
State of Alaska v. Diana D. Shelikoff (8/28/94); 3AN-13-12168CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110215656; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 22 months; Sentence is imposed as stated in the attached supplemental judgment.
State of Alaska v. Diana D. Shelikoff (8/28/94); 3AN-13-12168CR Judgment and Order of Commitment Supplemental Judgment; Plea: Guilty; Plea Agreement: Yes; CTN 001: AS11.71.040(a)(2): Cntrlr Subs 4- Deliv 1+ Oz VIA; C Felony; Offense Date: 7/24/13; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 002: AS11.71.040(a)(3)(F): Cntrlr Subs 4-Possess 4+ Oz VIA; Offense Date: 7/24/13; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date): 2/24/15 with counsel, PD Andrew Dunmire, and the DA present; CTN 001: 22 months flat; Consecutive to 2UT-15-06CR; Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following surcharge to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 001: \$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).
State of Alaska v. Diana D. Shelikoff (8/28/94); 2UT-15-6CR CTN 001: Assault 4; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Theresa Kenick (5/1/77); Refusal to Submit to Chemical Test; Date of Offense: 4/12/14; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Pay the fines and others costs listed in this chart: \$1,500, due 2/27/17; Pay to Clerk of Court, or pay online at courtrecords.alaska.gov/ep: 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; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st Off.) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Bail is exonerated; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for (no time frame indicated); Costs of the IID will be deducted from the fine if you file proof of payment before the fine due date; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 2/27/15); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses.
State of Alaska v. Ernest C. Booshu (9/2/92); Dismissal; Count I: Assault 4th, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DA Office 2/12/15.
State of Alaska v. Edward J. Kakarak, Jr. (11/25/72); Dismissal; Count I: Violation of Condition of Release From a Misdemeanor, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DA Office 2/12/15.
State of Alaska v. Francine Lee Johnson (3/31/68); Dismissal; Count I: Violating Conditions of Release From a Felony, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DA Office 3/4/15.
State of Alaska v. Michael Joel Dewey (7/20/67); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114195798; Violated conditions of probation; ATN: 114195798; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 10/1/15; 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. Mary Lockwood (10/23/76); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114194943; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days.
State of Alaska v. Nolan Walunga (10/12/94); Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 3/3/15; 120 days, 90 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 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 one year, 3/4/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of James Walunga without consent; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol in any dry or damp community, and any stated ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires.
State of Alaska v. John Gustavus Fahey (10/23/69); CTN 001: Purchase Alcohol Dry Area; Date of Violation: 7/28/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed:

002; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 3/23/15 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Fine: \$3,000.00 with \$1,500.00 suspended; Pay unsuspended \$1,500.00 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 12/1/15; Forfeit alcohol seized to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for two years, 3/3/17; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law, jailable offenses; Shall not possess, consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Defendant's person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community by defendant's agreement in court, waving 9th amendment rights; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by NSHC BHS within 1 month; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare including up to 30 days residential treatment if found appropriate by the evaluator.
State of Alaska v. Michael Sookiayak, Jr. (3/6/95); Harassment 2; DV; Date of Violation: 8/1/14; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for one year, 3/3/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law.
State of Alaska v. Shane Lockwood (1/15/94); 2NO-13-772CR Dismissal; Driving Without a License, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 3/2/15.
State of Alaska v. Shane Lockwood (1/15/94); 2NO-14-431CR CTN 001: Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 7/1/14; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002, 003; 240 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served (time served); Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for one year until 3/3/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol.
State of Alaska v. Allison L. Nayokpuk (3/23/90); Dismissal; Assault 4th, Chg. Nbr. 1 and 2; Filed by the DAs Office 3/2/15.
State of Alaska v. Lester Nupowhotuk (10/24/64); Dismissal; Assault 4th, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 3/2/15.
State of Alaska v. Brandon J. Pushruk (5/13/95); Dismissal; Assault 4th, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 3/2/15.
State of Alaska v. Hannah Farris (3/22/97); Dismissal; Count I: Drive without a Valid Driver's License, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 3/5/15.



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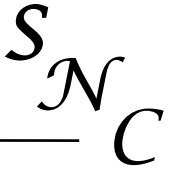
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NOTICE

To: Shishmaref Native Corporation Shareholders
From: Shishmaref Native Corporation Board of Directors

SNC Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Date: **March 28, 2015**
Time: **1:00 p.m.**
Place: **Shishmaref Community Hall**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held March 28, 2015 for the purpose of electing two (2) Board of Directors and for transacting other business that may come before the meeting.

Registration will be from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff

SNOW, FINALLY — Nome and the region received some much needed precipitation in the frozen form last week.

Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASES 03/02/2015
through 03/08/2015

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 141 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center. 60 (42 percent) involved alcohol. There were 8 arrests made with 8 (100 percent) alcohol related. NPD responded to 28 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. Four were remanded to AMCC as protective holds; and five remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment. There were 14 ambulance calls and 0 fire calls during this period.

Monday, March 2, 2015

03:00 a.m., NPD received a report from a citizen regarding crimes occurring in the distant past. Upon arrival, the citizen refused to provide any further details on which case it was referring to. No further action taken.

09:05 a.m., NPD responded to the report of an intoxicated female lying on the street on the west side of town. The female, identified as Marie Katchatag, was roused and then provided transportation to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation, as it was unknown how long she was outside. Once cleared, she was transported to a sober relative's residence, where she was left in their care.

10:44 a.m., NPD responded to a residence on the east side of town for a requested welfare check on a female that may be in need of medical treatment. Upon arrival, Officers located the female and confirmed the need for medical attention. The Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department was requested and the female was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment.

1:32 p.m., NPD Officers received a report of a possible belated assault. Upon arrival, the reported victim was contacted and denied any instance of assault and declined any further assistance.

2:27 p.m., NPD was dispatched to the west side of town for the report of an intoxicated male unconscious in a parking lot. Upon arrival, the male was identified as Thomas Koyuk, who had fallen asleep on the ground and once roused, declined further assistance as he was not intoxicated. No further action taken.

4:15 p.m., NPD Officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that failed to come to a complete stop at a stop sign. The driver was given a verbal warning for the violation and was released from the scene without further enforcement action taken.

4:35 p.m., NPD CSO observed a loose dog on the west side of town. The dog's owners were known and it was found to have slipped its collar. The dog was returned to the owner, who was informed of the equipment malfunction.

5:12 p.m., a citizen arrived at the Nome Police Department to report that he had run off the roadway on the east side of town. There was no indication of any wrong-doing upon arrival on scene and the citizen stated they would exorcitate the vehicle the next day, when towing businesses were open.

7:15 p.m., a citizen arrived at the Nome Police Department to report a belated theft. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

7:54 p.m., while on patrol, NPD officers were flagged down by a driver on the west side of town who wished to report a female violating conditions of probation. The female was searched for in the reported locations, but was not able to be located.

10:35 p.m., NPD received a report of a possible gun shot heard on the west side of town. Officers arrived and interviewed multiple residents in the area the noise was reported. Investigation revealed that the noise heard was a vehicle back-firing and no subsequent reports were made thereafter.

Tuesday, March 3, 2015

1:52 a.m., NPD officers were dispatched to a hotel on the west side of town for the report of a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival, officers contacted the two individuals causing the disturbance, identified as Adrian Daniels and Lorraine Saccheus; both of whom were heavily intoxicated. Further investigation revealed that both were the sole caretakers of an infant without a sober adult to care for the child. Both Daniels and Saccheus were cited for Endangering the Welfare of a Child in the 2nd Degree and the child was left with a sober family member for the night.

8:43 a.m., Raymond Douglas JR was served with his court ordered paperwork on the west end of town.

11:15 a.m., the Nome Police Department received a request from Nome Public Works in assisting them to get vehicles moved on the east end of town so they could properly clear the roads. Officers made contact with the vehicles owners and they will be moved, no further action taken.

1:41 p.m., the Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on an ATV on Front St, the individual Matthew Freckleton was given a warning operating an ATV on a state road, no further action taken.

2:42 p.m., the Nome Police Department served court ordered paperwork on Laura Gipson and her daughter on the east end of town.

3:03 p.m., the Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on the east side of town. Officers made contact with Johnny Wilson who was issued three citations including: operating a vehicle with load adversely affecting stability, motor vehicle insurance required, and driving with expired registration. No further action was taken and he was released on scene.

3:54 p.m., the Nome Police Department assisted the Alaska State Troopers and made contact with Leon Antoghame and he was taken to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance, and then remanded to AMCC for a Title 47 hold.

4:10 p.m., the Nome Police Department received two calls concerning dog issues in town, not being leashed, constantly barking, and not following city ordinances regarding their animals, these calls were forwarded to the Community Service officer to follow up on. This is a good time to remind all animal owners, since the weather will be getting warmer to please watch your animals, follow the ordinances, and do not let them do as they please!

5:06 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of an intoxicated male not leaving a residence when asked. Officers made contact with Jerry Iyapana and he was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and then remanded to AMCC where he is held on a Title 47 hold.

6:38 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of an individual trespassing on property and threatening to steal their belongings and break them. Officers responded to the scene and made contact with the reporting party, the alleged perpetrator was gone on arrival, no further action taken.

7:35 p.m., NPD responded to a report of domestic violence on the east side of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Mary Lockwood for Violating Conditions of Probation. She was taken to AMCC and no bail was set. OCS also responded to the residence and took custody of four children.

11:25 p.m., NPD responded to an apartment complex on the east side of town on a report of a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of Ernest Iyapana for Assault in the 4th Degree, DV. He was taken to AMCC and no bail was set.

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

1:49 a.m., NPD responded to a local business on Front Street on a report of an individual violating his conditions. NPD contacted Preston Dixon who was found inside of a bar and in violation of

probation. He was released on scene due to probation conditions. A report will be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office for Violating Conditions of Probation.

3:14 a.m., NPD responded to a residence on the east side of town on a report of a trespass. Investigation revealed that a male was intoxicated; he was taken to AMCC for a Title 47, 12 hour hold.

12:49 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a follow up complaint about vehicles parking in his property. Officers made contact with the reporting party and informed them to contact NPD when this occurs and gave other resources to utilize, no further action taken.

1:34 p.m., the Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on Nome-Teller Highway. Officers issued a citation to Gregory Thornton for Operating an Off-Road Vehicle on a State Highway, no further action taken.

2:34 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of theft of property that had occurred. The investigation is still ongoing.

2:43 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a request for a welfare check on a child on the east end of town. The child was found to be safe and secure, no further action taken.

3:41 p.m., the Nome Police Department served Bruce and Edward Kittess their court ordered paperwork on the east end of town.

4:33 p.m., the Nome Police Department served Bethany Horton her court ordered paperwork on the east end of town.

5:22 p.m., the Nome Police Department received a report of an intoxicated female passed out with a child on the east end of town. Officers made contact and Crystal Ozenna was issued a citation for Endangering the welfare of a child, and then brought to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and then will be remanded to AMCC for a Title 47 hold. OCS took custody of the child in order to find a safe caretaker for the child. Charges were filed on Jerry Iyapana for Assault in the 4th Degree, DV and Violating Conditions of Release.

8:23 p.m., NPD responded to an apartment complex on the east side of town on a report of a trespass. Officers made contact with Lena Elachik; she was taken to AMCC for a Title 47, 12 hour hold.

Thursday, March 5, 2015

9:15 a.m., NPD responded to a report of a Burglary that had occurred on the east end of town. Officers made contact with the reporting party and ensured the residence was secured and safe, and a report was taken.

9:32 a.m., NPD received an arrest warrant for Jerry Iyapana. Officers made contact with Jerry at the Office of Children Services and was arrested, and then remanded to AMCC.

10:34 a.m., NPD received a report of an intoxicated male in a residence and the reporting party wanted him to be removed. Officers made contact with the reporting party and that individual was removed from the residence, no further action taken.

1:58 p.m., NPD served court ordered paperwork on Jeanette Evan and her minor on the east end of town.

2:00 p.m., NPD received a report of stolen money from their debit card, a report was taken and the investigation is ongoing.

2:15 p.m., NPD received a report of a complaint that their neighbor is throwing their trash away in the wrong trash bin. The neighbor was contacted and informed to only use their residential trash bin and not an apartment complex's dumpster.

4:01 p.m., NPD received a report of a disturbance on the east end of town. Officers made contact with the reporting party and the issue was resolved by separation and only a verbal altercation, no further action taken.

Friday, March 6, 2015

11:50 a.m., NPD was informed of two highly intoxicated individuals walking on the east side of town who may possibly need assistance. Upon arrival, officers contacted Joseph Jones and Dawn Oozevaseuk; both of whom were provided transportation to their shared residence and left in the care of a family friend. No further action was

taken.

3:30 p.m., NPD received a report of an unwellcome guest in a residence on the west side of town. The reporting party indicated that the individual had already fled the scene, but he did provide a name. The suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

5:40 p.m., while on routine patrol on the west side of town, NPD Community Service Officer observed Edward Muktoyuk consuming alcohol outside a licensed promise. Edward was issued an open container citation, and was released on scene.

7:25 p.m., NPD Officers observed a snowmachine travelling at a high rate of speed on the west side of town. The driver failed to stop at the direction of a peace officer and was unable to be apprehended. The snowmachine has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

10:25 p.m., NPD responded to a report of a Domestic Disturbance on the east side of town. The investigation is open as officers were unable to locate one of the participants, who had fled the scene prior to our arrival. This case is open pending an interview with the other participant.

10:56 p.m., NPD Community Service Officer responded to the west side of town on the report of an intoxicated male lying on the floor of a smoke shack. Thomas Koyuk was contacted and observed to be intoxicated. Thomas refused any medical treatment and during contact, one open bottle of alcohol was found on Thomas' person. He was transported to the NEST and issued an open container citation. No further action was needed.

Saturday, March 7, 2015

3:40 a.m., NPD responded to a report of an intoxicated individual needing assistance on the east side of town. The investigation led to an adult female being identified as Naomi Green, whom was escorted home safely.

4:04 a.m., NPD responded to a report of a disturbance on the west side of town. The investigation led to the report being unfounded.

10:30 a.m., NPD responded to a residence on the east side of town after Dispatch received a 911 Hang Up. Upon arrival, the elderly resident was found to be stuck in her house due to ice buildup around the door. Officers assisted with clearing the ice and ensuring that the resident was able to come and go as she pleased.

3:18 p.m., NPD responded to a residence on the east side of town for a person that was locked out of their residence. Upon arrival, the officer was able to assist the homeowner into the house and no further action was necessary.

4:50 p.m., NPD received a report of vandalism on the west side of town. Officers arrived, documented the scene and took the report. The investigation is ongoing.

7:04 p.m., NPD responded to a report of an intoxicated male asleep in the restroom at the Polaris Hotel. The male was identified as Joel Titus, whom was then assisted to his room at the hotel.

7:14 p.m., NPD responded to a report of an intoxicated male in the lobby of the Aurora Inn. Upon arrival, the intoxicated male was identified as William Alvanna, who was provided transport to his residence and left with sober family members.

9:03 p.m., NPD responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on the west side of town. The investigation led to the situation being resolved by separation.

9:25 p.m., Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on the west side of town. Upon contact the driver, identified as Zachary Bourdon, was found to be too impaired to drive. Bourdon was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, where he was held on \$1,000.00 bail.

9:45 p.m., NPD conducted a traffic stop on the west side of town. The investigation led to the driver, Sigvald Standberg, being warned to install the updated vehicle registration sticker to the license plate.

10:14 p.m., NPD Officers responded to an apartment complex on the west side of town for the report of a noise disturbance. Upon arrival, the cause of the disturbance was found to be a couple

engaged in a verbal argument. The issue was resolved by separation of the two involved parties.

11:02 p.m., NPD responded to a report of an intoxicated male without any shoes on, walking on the north side of town. The male was identified as Anthony Koweluk, who refused to get out of a Good Samaritan's vehicle and provided a false name. Koweluk was arrested for Criminal Trespass 2nd Degree, Disorderly Conduct, and making a False Report. Anthony was taken to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment and then remanded to AMCC where he was held on \$1,000.00 bail.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2015

3:08 p.m., NPD contacted Thomas Asila on the east side of town, where he was served an Order to Show Cause issued from the Court.

3:15 p.m., NPD contacted Nicholas Bloodgood Jr on the west side of town, where he was served an Order to Show Cause issued from the Court.

3:24 p.m., NPD Officers responded to a business on the west side of town for the report of a physical altercation between two females. Upon arrival, the subjects had fled the scene and nobody present provided the involved parties information or names. No further action taken.

4:43 p.m., NPD received a call from a residence on the west side of town reporting Steven Walluk was intoxicated and causing a disturbance. Upon arrival and further investigation, Walluk was found to have placed a member of the household in fear of being struck. Walluk was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, DV, where he was held without bail.

8:48 p.m., NPD received a request for an ambulance for an unknown reason at a residence on the west side of town. Upon arrival, Officers contacted and intoxicated Raymond Douglas, who was found to have current conditions of release that prohibited the consumption of alcohol. Douglas was placed under arrest for Violating his Conditions of Release and was remanded to AMCC, where he was held on \$1,000 bail.

9:16 p.m., NPD received a report of a four-wheeler that was possibly stolen. Upon arrival, the officers located the machine parked in front of the reporting party's residence. Further investigation revealed that a member of the household had taken the vehicle and that it had not been stolen. No further action was necessary.

9:27 p.m., NPD Officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle without functional tail lights. Upon contact, the driver was not aware of the malfunction and was escorted to his residence to ensure there were no issues with getting back safely. The driver was warned for the equipment violation and released from the scene.

9:28 p.m., NPD officer received a report from a minor on the east side of town that their parents were drinking alcohol. Upon arrival, the children of the home were being watched by a sober adult and no other laws had been broken. Once intoxicated individual was provided transportation to a friend's residence and no further action was necessary.

10:36 p.m., NPD received a call from a citizen stating that there was an intoxicated male unconscious on the east side of town. Upon arrival, officers identified the intoxicated male as Joseph Jones, who was provided transportation to his residence, where he was left in the care of a sober friend. No further action taken.

11:12 p.m., NPD received a noise complaint from a tenant in an apartment complex on the west side of town. Upon arrival, officers contacted a couple who were having a verbal argument and both denied any physical altercation occurring. Both parties were warned for Disorderly Conduct and released at the scene.

11:56 p.m., NPD received a noise complaint from a residence on the west side of town. Upon arrival, the source of the complaint was an idling snowmachine, which the owners were warming up for a ride. The owners were warned regarding the noise level and released from the scene.

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