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HAPPY EASTER— The Easter bunny is hiding among a horde of kids ready to hit the ball field near the Rec Center for the annual Easter egg hunt. See more photos on page 8.

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NJUS gets mixed marks in RUBA performance review

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Joint Utilities board and the Nome Common Council met last week to receive a review of utility operations through a state business evaluation program.

The Rural Utility Business Advisor program analysis reviews short-term essential indicators and longer term sustainable indicators necessary for the managerial and financial health of the utility. Analysis is geared toward sewer and water systems.

However, for Nome, the study included the electric operations, which have partially subsidized water and sewer services.

The City and Nome Joint Utility System Director John K. Handeland jointly requested the study.

Fred Broerman, a local government specialist at the Alaska state Division of Community and Regional Affairs delivered the report by telephone.

A product of the study is a work

plan for improvements for effective management of community utilities. Findings were based on information received from NJUS. Broerman thanked Handeland, NJUS' Chief Financial Officer Mike Cusack and Julie Liew, the City's finance director, for supplying information and assistance for the study project.

RUBA is not a regulatory agency. It is a part of the Division of Community and Regional Affairs under the Alaska Dept. of Commerce,

Community and Economic Development, and provides its services for free. The analysis organized its findings under the following headings: utility finance, accounting systems, tax issues, personnel system, organizational management and operations.

Essential indicators look at policies and practices critical to short-term operations. Sustainable indicators consider practices and policies that make a utility cost-effective to operate and support long-term financial success.

Broerman gave positive results on accounting, tax compliance, management and operations.

However, the areas of finances and personnel needed help, he said.

In brief, Broerman delivered these results of his analysis:

Utility Finance, short term: The

utility is paying all wastewater/water electric bills and has on hand a year's adequate fuel supply or has a financial plan to purchase an adequate supply. However, negatives are that all revenue and expenses are not listed on the utility budget. The utility has not adopted a balanced realistic budget. The utility is not receiving revenues sufficient to cover operating expenses.

Utility Finance, long-term indicators: The manager prepares a monthly report and budget amendments are completed and adopted as necessary. However, NJUS is not receiving revenues sufficient to cover operating expenses and repair and replacement costs. Year-to-date expenses and revenues are not coordinated with those budgeted.

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Charges reduced for Allen in arson case

By Sandra L. Medearis

Kandie Allen has entered guilty pleas to two out of seven criminal charges stemming from a fire she admits she set in an apartment building at Third Avenue and Moore on Sept. 25, 2014.

The fire forced 20 people out of their homes and damaged the building in excess of \$500,000 according to Jerald Brown of Bering Straits Native Corp., owner of the eight-plex residential building.

At a change of plea hearing April 3, Allen pleaded guilty to one count of attempted Arson Second Degree with intent to damage the building, a Class C felony and one count of Assault in the Fourth Degree, causing fear of injury, a misdemeanor.

The remaining five charges on

arson and assault will be dismissed at Allen's sentencing hearing, set to take place on July 10.

Allen has been in custody at Anvil Mountain Correctional Center pending \$22,000 bail since the night of the fire. She also drew an additional charge on assault when she bit a doctor in the hospital emergency facility while being checked for smoke inhalation.

Prosecutors also entered a Petition to Revoke Probation stemming from alcohol consumption, registering a BrAC of point 315 in the emergency department.

A grand jury convened in November found enough evidence of the crimes to indict Allen in starting the fire and putting other occupants

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Photo by Diana Haecker

TEACHER OF EXCELLENCE— Anvil City Science Academy teacher Lisa Leeper was awarded the BP Teacher of Excellence award. See story on page 6.

Nome airport improvements underway at main runway

By Diana Haecker

Although snow's still on the ground and construction season yet seems to be far away, planned improvements to the main runway at the Nome airport have started two weeks ago.

The construction is part of the runway safety area improvements that were mandated by the Federal

Aviation Administration.

The improvements include extending the safety zone of both Nome airport runways.

Last year, contractor Quality Asphalt Paving completed work on the North-South runway, known as runway 3-31.

This year, construction began on Runway 10-28. Matt Schram, project manager with QAP said that the task at hand is to reroute the Snake River about 150 feet at the West end of the runway. This is done in April while the river is still ice covered to allow heavy equipment to drive over an ice road on the river and begin excavating the area where the river is to be rerouted to make room for an extended runway safety area. "We remove the ice, put it to grade and place riprap to shore up the new embankment," said Schram.

The plan is to place an engineered materials arrestor system, known as

EMAS, at the end of the runway. The system is designed to stop an airplane if it should overrun the runway. The concrete is designed so that it crushes under the weight of the airplane and forcing the aircraft to slow down and stop before it hits the river.

Schram said the last 1,000 feet at the west end of runway 10-28 are closed to allow construction activity. This reduces the total length of the runway to 5,000 feet temporarily. The navigational aids that marked the end of the runway were deactivated during the construction. Schram expects the rerouting and shoring up of the new river embankment to be completed by the end of April as QAP employees work day and night on the project.

The Snake River is also blocked off with orange fencing on the south and north side to make sure that no snowmachine traffic accidentally ends up in the construction zone.



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RUNWAY IMPROVEMENTS— Matt Schram with QAP points out the closed runway section during the weekly project update on Friday.

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EASTER HELPER— JROTC cadet **Cody Ferris**, representing the Nome Nanook Battalion, helped place Easter eggs prior to the Easter egg hunt at the Rec Center ball field.

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

Editorial

Mind the Facts

This time last year we were sitting fat and sassy with few concerns about where our next dollar would come from. Why were we not minding the Alaska bank account? What were our legislators doing? Were they merrily dipping into the treasury without a thought about the state's bottom line?

Suddenly we are aware of our limits. We have to take massive cuts in funds for everything. Schools? Forget 'em. We are going to have to sell a lot of cookies and cupcakes. Seems we are balancing the state's budget on the backs of our students. Kindergarten through graduate school is on the chopping block. How did we let this happen? We have spent a lot of time and money on our schools. Our students are worth it. Our students are our future. They are a bright and shining resource that we cannot waste.

We need to fund our schools, yet we have no money. We have a big problem with an obvious solution that will be hard to accept. The state is running out of money. What will we do? Look unto the crystal ball, read the future, say the words. We are going to have it in our future. It rhymes with facts. It's income tax. —N.L.M.—

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Sound-off

Dear Legislators,

I am writing to ask you to reconsider the drastic cuts to public education the Alaska State Senate made on April 3, 2015. Schools across the state are looking to see where they can find savings. But we need to make thoughtful decisions with caution and precision. The Senate put the future of our state in peril when they choose to make these severe cuts to education funding in Alaska.

What do these cuts mean to Nome Public Schools? If the 4 percent cut to foundation formula funding stands, Nome would lose approximately \$320,000 for the next school year. This would also have the effect of lowering the local contribution from the City of Nome (a double consequence of lost funding).

Nome Public Schools already lost \$208,000 in funding when Governor Walker eliminated the one-time

funding that was promised last year.

Also, Nome Public Schools lost over \$200,000 for next year with the elimination of the Pre-K grant. This is a total cut of over \$700,000 for next school year. This will be catastrophic to Nome Public Schools.

Nome Public Schools is willing to make budget cuts and has done just that over the last few years. At our March 10 work session, the school board cut five positions from our budget and found many areas to try and save money. The Board is trying to keep those cuts from effecting the direct instruction of our kids. There is no "fluff" in Nome's budget.

One member of the Senate Finance Committee compared the education cuts to households "tightening their belts" by stopping the practice of going out to dinner and stopping cable TV for their home and getting a second job.

I will let you know, in Nome, we have made those type of costs cuts long ago. We fundraise, we apply for grants, and we enter into partnerships with many businesses in our city and region. We are operating at the bare minimum now in providing education to just over 700 students. Cutting more funding at this point means a tip over the edge of not being effective at teaching our children.

I am asking you to do what is right for the youth of our great State of Alaska. Please restore the 4 percent cut to foundation formula funding.

Sincerely,
Betsy Brennan
School Board Member
Nome Public Schools

A Look at the Past



Photo courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

NICE DRIFTS— Photographer F.H. Nowell took this photo of a young child at Steadman Avenue on March 30, 1907.

Weather Statistics

Sunrise	04/09/15	7:50 a.m.	High Temp	+31	04/06/15	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	04/15/15	7:28 a.m.	Low Temp	-8	04/01/15	
Sunset	04/09/15	10:18 p.m.	Peak Wind	42 mph, E,	04/01/15	
	04/15/15	10:37 p.m.	Total Precip. for 2015 (as of 4/05)	2.49"		
			Normal Total to Date (as of 4/05)	2.63"		
			Seasonal Snowfall	53.80"	Normal 67.40"	
			Snow on Ground	13.00"		

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Legislature approves of Arctic Policy bill

On Tuesday, the Alaska State Legislature overwhelmingly passed House Bill 1 creating the first comprehensive Arctic policy in state history and is designed to guide state efforts to inform US domestic and international Arctic policy to best serve the interests of Alaskans and the nation. HB1 is centered on work by the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission (AAPC) over the last two years and principles of the Commission's report submitted to the Legislature in January.

"In just a couple of weeks, the US will assume Chairmanship of the Arctic Council," said AAPC Co-Chair Senator Lesil McGuire (R-Anchorage). "House Bill 1 sets the tone letting our federal government know Alaska is the reason the US is an Arctic nation and we, as the residents of this great state, know what's best for our people, our land and our culture. The AAPC worked diligently over the past two years, collecting input from across the state during meetings and listening sessions. HB1 is the culmination of that work to strengthen Alaska's position as the Arctic becomes increasingly important in the global economy."

HB1 establishes four categories of Arctic policy including upholding the state's commitment to economically vibrant communities while maintaining a healthy environment; collaborating with all appropriate entities to achieve transparent and inclusive Arctic decision-making; enhancing Alaska's security by strengthening Arctic safety; and valuing and strengthening the resilience of Arctic communities; and respecting and integrating the culture and knowledge of Arctic peoples.

The bill also encourages using recommendations in the AAPC Implementation Plan which include the following priorities: promoting economic and resource development; addressing the infrastructure and response capacity gap in the Arctic; supporting healthy communities; and strengthening a state-based agenda for Arctic science and research.

"Through this legislation we hope to make the biggest impact we can on the future of the North," said the bill's sponsor and AAPC CO-Chair Representative Bob Herron, D-South

Bering Sea. "Our goal is to ensure public safety and encourage economic opportunity. We also want to protect lands and waters of Arctic Alaska and ensure food security for Arctic residents. We are the ones who live here and we want to make it clear the Federal Government needs to put Alaska in the driver's seat for Arctic policy."

Senate supports Arctic Economic Council

The Alaska State Senate unanimously passed a resolution supporting the Arctic Economic Council. The resolution, sponsored by Senator Lesil McGuire (R-Anchorage), urges the U.S. Congress to stand with Alaska in its support for the Arctic Economic Council and requests that an Alaskan serve as its chair. The resolution also expresses support for the Arctic Economic Council Leadership to mirror the rotation of the chair of the Arctic Council.

"Alaska is what makes the United States an Arctic nation," said Senator McGuire. "With all eyes on the Arctic, we're hoping to use this opportunity to focus on the economic and development opportunities for Alaskans, the people of the north."

The Arctic Council was established in 1996 to promote cooperation, coordination, and interaction across the Arctic. In 2013, the Arctic Council created Arctic Economic Council to serve as its primary forum for interaction with the circumpolar business community. Its goals include enhancing regional economic cooperation, informing the work of the Arctic Council through a commerce perspective, and positively impacting the communities, lives, and cultures of Arctic indigenous peoples.

"We're hoping to see more development in the Arctic to fill up the Trans-Alaska pipeline again, create energy independence for America, and reclaim Alaska's place as a major energy supplier," said Senator McGuire. "There's also an additional \$100 billion just waiting to be invested in mining, shipping, and tourism in the circumpolar region."

The resolution requests that an Alaskan be appointed chair of the Arctic Economic Council. All three of the U.S. delegates, Lori Davey, Bruce Harland, and Gail Schubert,

who attended the founding organization meeting were Alaskans and Alaskans are represented in four of the six permanent participant organization.

"America has been behind in Arctic policy, but we're catching up and taking over in the way that Alaskans do," said Senator McGuire. "Alaskans are the ones leading the way, so we'd like to have an Alaskan at the table as chair."

The U.S. will become chair of the Arctic Council later this year.

Polar Bears unlikely to thrive on land-based foods

A team of scientists led by the U.S. Geological Survey found that polar bears, increasingly forced on shore due to sea ice loss, may be eating terrestrial foods including berries, birds and eggs, but any nutritional gains are limited to a few individuals and likely cannot compensate for lost opportunities to consume their traditional, lipid-rich prey—ice seals.

"Although some polar bears may eat terrestrial foods, there is no evidence the behavior is widespread," said Dr. Karyn Rode, lead author of the study and scientist with the USGS. "In the regions where terrestrial feeding by polar bears has been documented, polar bear body condition and survival rates have declined."

The authors detail their findings in a review article in *Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment*. The scientists noted that over much of the polar bear's range, terrestrial habitats are already occupied by grizzly bears. Those grizzly bears occur at low densities and are some of the smallest of their species due to low food quality and availability. Further, they are a potential competitor as polar bears displaced from their sea ice habitats increasingly use the same land habitats as grizzly bears.

"The smaller size and low population density of grizzly bears in the Arctic provides a clear indication of the nutritional limitations of onshore habitats for supporting large bodied polar bears in meaningful numbers," said Rode. "Grizzly bears and polar bears are likely to increasingly interact and potentially compete for terrestrial resources."

The study found that fewer than

30 individual polar bears have been observed consuming bird eggs from any one population, which typically range from 900 to 2000 individuals. "There has been a fair bit of publicity about polar bears consuming bird eggs. However, this behavior is not yet common, and is unlikely to have population-level impacts on trends in body condition and survival," said Rode.

Few foods are as energetically dense as marine prey. Studies suggest that polar bears consume the highest lipid diet of any species,

which provides all essential nutrients and is ideal for maximizing fat deposition and minimizing energetic requirements. Potential foods found in the terrestrial environment are dominated by high-protein, low-fat animals and vegetation. Polar bears are not physiologically suited to digest plants, and it would be difficult for them to ingest the volumes that would be required to support their large body size.

"The reports of terrestrial feeding

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, April 9

*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.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 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.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, April 10

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 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 - 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, April 11

*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.

Sunday, April 12

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Noon - 8:00 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, April 13

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 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.
*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.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Nome Common Council:	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting		
AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 14

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Library Story Hour	Kegoayah Kozga Library	10:30 a.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	11:45 a.m. - 1:15 a.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.
*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 Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Nome Planning Commission:	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Work Session	City Hall	5:50 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Movie: Plastic Paradise	Nome Elementary School	6:30 p.m.
*Nome Planning Commission:	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting		
*Nome Joint Utilities: Reg. Meeting	City Hall	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 15

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 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 - 10:00 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Port Commission:	City Hall	5:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting		
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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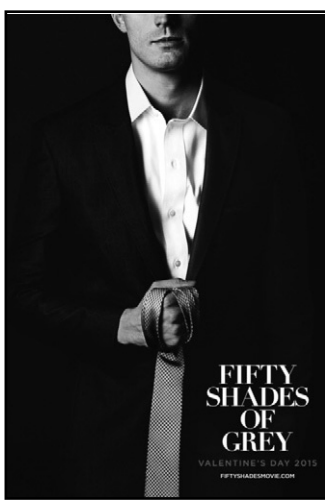
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Broerman comments that NJUS will not have the projected cash margin in the FY 2015 operating budget nor is the utility receiving revenue through user fees or other sources sufficient to cover operating expenses.

"Therefore, it cannot be said that the NJUS' FY15 operation and maintenance budget document portrays a realistic projection of the utility's financial capabilities or liabilities," Broerman reported.

Accounting Systems, short term and long term: All indicators were in the positive "yes" column. NJUS is following its collection policy, billing customers on a regular basis, tracking customers and overdue accounts by a viable accounts receivable system in place. The payroll system correctly calculates payroll and keeps records. A cash receipt system records incoming money and what it was for. NJUS has a cash disbursement system that records how money was spent. For long-term health, NJUS has a chart of accounts that identifies categories in a useful manner. Monthly banking reconciliations have been completed for all utility accounts. NJUS has a purchasing system that requires approval prior to purchase, with the approval process comparing proposed purchases to budgeted amounts.

In citing the issue that water and sewer revenues do not cover expenses, the report agrees with findings of a January rate study that indicates a considerable increase in water and sewer rates. Water and sewer operations are currently supported in part by revenue from power sales.

Tax Problems: The analysis found none. NJUS is current on federal and state tax reports as well as making federal and state tax deposits. NJUS has a system to accurately calculate, track, and report payroll tax liabilities.

Organizational Management,

short-term and long-term indicators, all systems: The utility has adequately trained management staff, including manager, bookkeeper and operators. The board makes and enforces utility policy. NJUS has adopted the necessary ordinances, rules and regulations to give it the authority to operate. NJUS meets as required and complies with the Open Meeting Act for all meetings, according to Broerman.

Operations, short-term and long-term indicators, are looking good, according to Broerman. Utility operators are working toward necessary certifications. Handeland receives a monthly operation and maintenance report from the utility operator and spot checks the facilities to ensure maintenance items are being completed. NJUS has completed its consumer confidence report and is meeting its require regulations. NJUS has not suffered any major outages due to management issues that are still unresolved. Maintaining an inventory control list and a critical spare parts list needs improvement over the long term.

Personnel System, improvement needed all "no" verdicts on needed practices, except one "yes" on training.

No: NJUS has adopted and uses a personnel policy, which has been reviewed by an attorney, Alaska Municipal League, or DCCED for topics and language.

No: NJUS has adequate written job descriptions for all positions.

No: NJUS has adopted and follows a written personnel evaluation process that ties job description to evaluation.

No: NJUS has an adequate written hiring process.

No: NJUS has personnel folders on every employee that contain at least: an I-9, job application and letter of acceptance.

No: NJUS has a probationary period for new hires that includes orientation, job-training and oversight, and evaluations.

Yes: NJUS provides training and opportunities to staff as needed and available.

NJUS' personnel policy and job descriptions are from the mid-1980s and need to be updated, Broerman found.

"Eight utility employees interviewed indicated that evaluations had not been done for many years," Broerman reported. Handeland said the requirement for annual evaluations was part of the negotiated labor contracts and that the requirement was removed 15-20 years ago.

NJUS negotiates contracts with Alaska Public Employees Association, Local 6138, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 1547, International Union of Operating Engineers—Local 302, and Laborers Union—Local 942. Portions of contracts scrutinized by Broerman discussed six-month probationary periods and a hiring protocol for new employees.

However, according to Broerman, hiring protocols did not spell out development of job notices, describe posting or advertising procedures, or applicant evaluation process. The contracts did not cover new employee orientation, job training, and evaluation procedures in probationary employee and probationary periods in the contracts examined.

"The spirit of RUBA compliance regarding the above deficiencies is that management formally communicates with employees expectations they have for their positions and provide feedback on their performance," Broerman reported.

Recommendations: Short Term

- Ensure revenues are sufficient to cover operating expenses.

- Provide the utility board with a budget package that includes all expenses, revenues, and debt liabilities for all departments, enterprises, grants and capital projects.

- Provide the utility board with a detailed cash basis monthly financial

report that compares year-to-date revenues and expenses to annual budget amounts (including a remaining balance column) for all departments, enterprises, grants or projects. Document in the meeting minutes that the board has received, reviewed and accepted monthly financial reports.

The board began this practice at its last board meeting. The board had been receiving monthly financial reports, but had not introduced and voted on a motion to accept the financial report.

Long Term

- Include a repair and replacement allocation in the annual budget to cover water and sewer utility items that have a life of one to seven years.

- Ensure that revenues are equal to or above those budgeted and expenditures are equal to or below those budgeted.

- Update and adopt a personnel policy that has been reviewed by an attorney or Alaska Municipal League that includes orientation, job training

and oversight and evaluations.

- Develop and implement a personnel evaluation process that ties job description to the evaluation.

- Adopt a written hiring process that includes posting and advertising protocol and applicant evaluation process.

- Ensure that all personnel folders include a letter of acceptance, which summarizes or outlines wages, benefits, expectations of the employer classification of job and date of hire.

- Develop and inventory control list that identifies parts, supplies and tools necessary to operate the utility.

- Develop a critical spare parts list that identifies those parts and supplies necessary to provide timely service without interruption.

"By implementing these recommendations, Nome Joint Utility will put itself into position to better meet unanticipated financial costs and ensure that employees are aware of their conditions of employment," Broerman concluded.

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• Strait Action

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by polar bears provide important insights into the ecology of bears on land," said Rode. "In this paper, we tried to put those observations into a broader context. Focused research will help us determine whether terrestrial foods could contribute to polar bear nutrition despite the physiological and nutritional limitations and the low availability of most terrestrial food resources. However, the evidence thus far suggests that increased consumption of terrestrial foods by polar bears is unlikely to offset declines in body condition and survival resulting from sea ice loss."

The study was developed by researchers at the USGS, Washington State University, and Polar Bears International.

Feds to send drones to the Arctic

The federal Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency seeks research proposals for unmanned sensor systems that can track targets in the Arctic Circle.

The request for research proposals states that the Arctic is increasingly serving as an area for commercial and military activity. U.S. capabilities to monitor these activities are limited.

The Pentagon's research and development agency wants to cure the military of this blind spot via unmanned sensor systems and is offering as much as \$4 million to do it, with each awardee getting about \$500,000 to \$750,000, according to request.

DARPA is seeking sensor systems that are cheap, environmentally friendly and quick to deploy. They will also need to be rugged enough to survive in a harsh location that is short on infrastructure: Proposed systems should be capable of unfueled operation in the Arctic environment for at least 30 days, the RFP states.

The sensor systems must be able to gather data on aerial, surface and/or undersea targets and send it to a remote facility as part of a "significant military mission," the announcement states. The awardees will propose solutions to one or more U.S. military surveillance problems in the Arctic and prove their systems viable by analysis, lab development and/or field experimentation.

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• Arson

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"in fear of imminent physical injury by means of a dangerous instrument." Occupants of the building at the time of the fire testified before the grand jury convened Nov. 1.

The grand jury handed up 10 charges on arson and assault, but the district attorney's office withdrew three assault charges.

After the September fire, Allen told investigators she had set the fire accidentally, according to Assistant District Attorney Tom Jamgochian.

"However, some months ago, in a prior incident she pled to reckless endangerment in starting a fire in the same apartment," Jamgochian told the court. The admission of starting this fire and the prior incident were the basis for the arson charge, Jamgochian said.

"She took substantial steps in knowingly starting a fire in the building," he said, adding that Allen knowingly or recklessly caused damage that was not an accident.

The assault charge was based on a consolidated charge of causing fear of injury for "all the folks in the building who had to flee, including the Dixon family," Jamgochian said.

Jamgochian asked the court to order a Preliminary Sentence Report, because the cost of the plea agreement was three years' incarceration at stake.

Allen's attorney Michael Wenstrup objected to the DA's request, citing Allen's six months in custody following the fire, and the additional three months she would be in custody during preparation of the PSR.

However, he said, he could agree

to a PSR with a bail hearing. Judge Tim Dooley overruled Wenstrup's objection and set a bail hearing for Monday April 6. That hearing has been changed to Thursday, April 9.

Investigation on Sept. 27 by the Alaska Dept. of Public Safety, Fairbanks office, yielded a report that the origin of the fire was on or above a dresser in a south bedroom of the three-bedroom unit occupied by Allen and Muktoyuk. Significant fire damage was on the wall behind and above the dresser.

"Above the remains of the dresser on the interior wall between the bedroom and living room, inspectors found an observable 'V' pattern," the report said. Directly above the wooden remains was a ceiling joist that was severely charred on the bottom. "The area on or around the dresser appears to be an origin of the fire," according to the report. The cause of the fire was incendiary. It was most probably started with a flame-emitting device, such as a match or a cigarette lighter, sometime before 7:00 p.m. on Sept. 25, 2014.

Preston and Sophie Dixon and their three small children lived directly above the ground floor apartment where Allen set the fire.

"I can't believe it," Preston Dixon said Saturday, hearing about the deal. "We were living over her and her boyfriend, Gabe Muktoyuk. Someone was yelling about a fire. I opened the door and saw nothing but black smoke." Dixon and his family escaped without injury, but not without loss.

"We lost everything we had," Dixon said Saturday. "There were

small children in the building. I testified at the grand jury hearing. I asked that there be no plea deals. My family could have been killed."

Dixon said his son still draws pictures of the fire.

The Nome Volunteer Fire Department received a call to Third Avenue and Moore Street on the evening of Sept. 26. The fire defied about 27 firefighters with axes, chainsaws, a pump truck and a ladder truck trying to quell the flames for about three hours.

Flames consumed at least two apartments and damaged several apartments in the west end of the nine-unit complex and displaced about 20 people from their homes.

In the immediate days following the fire, Nome turned out with donations for the people who lost their belongings to the blaze. Nome Baptist Church, Methodist Thrift Shop and other groups opened doors to donors who shared with the people who had no place to go and nothing to use for everyday activities.

BSNC's hotel Aurora Inn opened 10 rooms and a place to rest their heads for the displaced people.

The donations on behalf of the victims who lost their belongings helped families to replace them and saw them through a difficult time, Dixon said. His family received money from the Red Cross and also from Norton Sound Economic Development Corp, he said.

"People I didn't even know were coming up to me in the store and giving us money to help out," Dixon said Saturday.



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff

STORMY EASTER— A bona fide blizzard ravaged through Nome and surrounding areas on late Easter Sunday. This dog named "Son" didn't mind the inclement weather before he retreated into his dog house again.

Legislature proclaims April 2015 Sexual Assault Awareness Month

The Alaska State Legislature unanimously passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 6, sponsored by Senate President Kevin Meyer, R-Anchorage, which proclaims the month of April 2015 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The resolution is part of an annual national campaign to raise public awareness about sexual assault and educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence across the nation.

"Sexual violence is a very serious

public health problem that affects millions of women and men in our nation," said Senator Meyer. "In the United States, one in five women and one in 71 men have experienced, or will experience, sexual assault during their lifetime.

In Alaska, unfortunately, the rate is two-and-a-half times higher than the national average. Even worse, the statistics underestimate the problem because many victims do not tell police and they do not report it to family or friends."

SCR6 also recognizes the dedicated work of the volunteers, staff and agencies in Alaska who dedicate their lives to ensure victims have someone to talk to, a place to go, as well as many other services to help.

"These individuals and groups deserve our respect and support and we join them in removing the veil of secrecy and silence, and declare intolerance towards the crime of sexual assault in Alaska," said Senator Meyer.

Clarification

In last week's article on the Nome-Council 200 sled dog race, it was erroneously reported that Stephanie Johnson scratched from the race in Council, when she in fact scratched between Council and Topkok on the way back to Nome.

She also did not stop in Topkok for three hours before attempting to go through the blowhole. She went straight through at Topkok with the plan of stopping at the Safety Roadhouse, but turned back to the Topkok shelter cabin for her safety and the safety of her dogs upon entering the blowhole as the wind was blowing strongly.

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Nome teacher earns BP Teacher of Excellence award



TEACHER OF EXCELLENCE — Anvil City Science Academy teacher Lisa Leeper earned the Teacher of Excellence award.

By Diana Haecker

For the first time in its 20-year history, the BP Teacher of Excellence program has chosen a Nome educator to be honored with the award.

Lisa Leeper, teaching math, language arts and art at the Anvil City Science Academy received word last week that she received the coveted award.

According to BP Teacher of Excellence program director Tara Stevens, Leeper received several nominations including from ACSA principal Todd Hindman, a student and a parent. Altogether, there were 1,200 nominations for BP Teachers of Excellence throughout all of Alaska this year, Stevens said.

The teacher of excellence award recognizes a teacher who not only goes above and beyond its duties of teaching 9 to 5. “We recognize teachers who stand out, participate in after school programs, tutoring or other community activities and those who make a difference in their community to inspire their students,” said Stevens.

The selection process includes selection committees that are split up in urban areas and those for “outlying communities”. The award began 20 years ago, honoring only Anchorage and Fairbanks teachers until 2012, when the program was expanded to include teachers from the whole state.

The rural selection committee is comprised of a principal from a rural area, an Indian Education Association representative, former award winners and a BP representative. Stevens said Leeper’s achievements jumped out because she was engaged in voluntary art projects community-wide, taught watercolor painting classes to adults and youth at the Northwest Campus and has spearheaded many community activities

that proved helpful to students’ successes in school, among other things.

Leeper was instrumental to bring the Art Institute to Nome, teaching Nome educators how to integrate art into the “normal” curriculum two years ago. Recognizing the benefit of moving one’s energy before sitting down for a long day at school, Leeper also began teaching jump rope skipping at the Nome Elementary School before school started. “There were 50 to 60 kids coming to jump rope every morning,” Leeper said. This morphed into “morning gym”, a program that gets NES students moving before school starts. Then there are other accomplishments: she’s teaching art in the NOme elementary School during her planning periods; she developed a jump rope team called Lisa’s Leepers, she started a group called ACTION, a community service project that won her the Spirit of Youth award in 2010. In 2012, Leeper – inspired by her two own sons – ventured into starting a Lego Robotics group. In 2013, Leeper won the Alaska Society for Technology in Education Teacher of the Year award for integrating technology and information resources into her classroom. Leeper is also instrumental to bring

an Artist-in-Residence to ACSA regularly.

Leeper said she rarely has time to get to bed before midnight getting all these things done, her regular school-work taken care of and extra efforts organized.

Leeper said that the award means a lot to her. “Mr. Hindman came into my classroom and announced it to the students,” she said. “I felt pleased that all my years of a lot of effort and enthusiasm for teaching were recognized and I felt validated in my efforts,” Leeper said.

Lisa Leeper has taught at Nome Public Schools for 16 years. She and her husband Chip Leeper came to Nome in 1998, where Leeper was hired to teach math at the Nome-Beltz Junior Highschool for two years. The couple relocated temporarily to Fairbanks for two years and then returned to Nome in 2000. Leeper then began to work for ACSA, where she still teaches today.

Leeper was happy to be recognized with a statewide award. “I feel that I’m on a level playing field and it’s nice to know that even out here in the bush, we have quality teachers,” she said. “It’s cool to know that we are in the same realm when it comes to teaching.”

She added that she has been teaching for more than 15 years now and still feels pretty enthusiastic about the job. “I want to teach with all my heart and give it all,” she said. She said the award motivates her to keep up that level of intensity that goes into her teaching. She credits her colleagues at ACSA for keeping her on top of her game, too. “Part of staying motivated is that I work with super quality teacher. “When you have colleagues with the same vision, it’s easy to feed off each other,” she said.

This in turn is a good example to be followed by her students. Leeper expects a lot not only of herself but also her students. Grateful that she has certain freedoms to teach in her way, she said can use whatever she considers effective methods. “I am trying to build skills that are needed to become an organized, responsible, self-directed person,” she summarized. “No matter what you do in life, those are the skills you need to succeed.”

Tara Stevens said that BP Teachers of Excellence is working with Leeper and the Nome School district to set a date in May for an award ceremony to be held in Nome.

BSSD’s Child also awarded BP Teacher of Excellence

Bering Strait School District’s Robin Child of Unalakleet also received a BP Teacher of Excellence award. According to Stevens, Robin

Child’s nominator recognized her for having the ability to connect with learners and stimulate students who are expressive and reflective. “She demonstrates a clear command of the essential elements of instruction, providing clear goals for learners and identifying critical information in new content and monitoring the progress of learners interacting with new knowledge,” wrote Stevens in an email to the *Nugget*.

Child was recognized for stressing respect, creativity, problem solving and collaboration, focusing on integrating visual, performing and musical arts into the everyday classroom.

Important for a rural context, Child strives to connect learning to the rich, cultural knowledge and subsistence tradition that is a large part of the lives of the students, including nature and the community as much as possible. For example, during a

unit on Scientific illustration of local plants, an Elder visited to share her knowledge of plants and berries, describing traditional preparation and storage methods, common medicinal uses and stories of being a young girl collecting plants with her mother.

Another time, students created an animated film of the experience of ice fishing for tomcod on the river outside of the school. By encouraging creative freedom through hands-on practice, Child inspires students to find learning in everyday experiences, curiosity for the natural world and a sense of connectedness to community and place, Stevens wrote.

Child serves on the Alaska Arts Education Task Force to re-envision and re-write the state’s Art Standards, and as a panelist for the Alaska State Council on the Arts Artist in Schools and Teaching Artist Roster review.

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PROUD AKLAQS (top)— The girls from Teller took third place at the ASAA Basketball State Championships in Anchorage in March.

Photo by Amy Murphy

SURROUNDED (left)— Four Teller Aklaq defenders surround one of the St. Mary's Eagles players during a game at the ASAA Basketball State Championships in Anchorage in March. The Aklaqs placed third in the tournament.

Teller Aklaq girls take third place in State basketball tournament

By Keith Conger

The Teller Aklaq girls basketball team qualified for the 1A division of the Alaska School Activities Association's Basketball State Championships for the second straight year in March. The team finished with a 3-1 record at the tournament, and won their third place game.

Teller Coach Eric Boring explained in a phone interview that the Teller basketball girls had never qualified for a state tournament until the 2014 season. At last year's event they placed fourth.

The Aklaqs finished the Bering Strait School District regular season in second place with a 7-1 record in conference play. The team worked its way to the top of the bracket at the Bering Sea Conference Tournament in the first week of March, where they met up with the Shishmaref Northern Lights, who entered the event with a 10-1 conference record.

Boring said his team had to settle for second place after being beaten soundly by the Northern Lights. He described the loss as a turning point for his girls. "The loss to Shish really helped them to refocus and get ready for the state tournament," he said. The loss had exposed his team's weaknesses, and the girls worked diligently to correct them the three days prior to heading to the state.

The Aklaqs met up with the Manokotak Lynx in the first round of state tournament play at the Wells Fargo Sports Complex in Anchorage on March 14. Boring said his girls were down by as much as 10 points, but found a way to win. Senior Jazzlyn Garnie's 24 points led her team to the 50-46 victory. Senior Kaitlin Topkok chipped in 17 for Teller.

"Against Saint Mary's we played a grinder," said Boring of the team's second round 25-23 point vic-

tory at the Sullivan Arena.

Junior Grace Olanna-Ongtawas-ruk hit a few important free throws late in the game to help secure the win. Topkok led the team with 13 points. The win helped the Aklaqs advance to the semi-finals.

Teller met up with the eventual state champion Huskies from Wainwright in round three semi-finals at the Alaska Airlines Center. The Huskies, who also won the 1A title in 2014, made eight three-point shots and had 11 steals against Teller while coasting to a 64-29 win.

The loss left Teller with a match-up against the Selawik Wolves for third place at the Alaska Airlines Center on March 18. The Aklaqs finished the first half of that game with a one-point lead. They extended that to five at the end of the third quarter, and held on to win 48-43. The team was helped by Garnie's big free throw down the stretch, and by a couple of key assists by senior Rebecca Pikonganna.

Garnie's 16.2 points per game average set pace for the Aklaqs, and helped her earn first-team All-State honors.

Boring has coached basketball for 20 years, and has had Garnie on his team for the last five years. "I've been a coach a long time," said Boring. "I've never coached a girl like Jazzlyn. She is the strongest girl I've ever coached. When she started to understand the game, that is when our team really started to get better."

The Teller coach had high praise for his other seniors as well. Boring said Pikonganna had not played much before coming to Teller for her freshman year, but by her second year she had turned herself into one of the Aklaqs best defensive players.

Boring describes Topkok as one of the best sixth-men around. He said it really threw other teams off bring-

ing a player of her caliber off the bench. Topkok was second on the team in scoring during the tournament, averaging 12.2 points per game.

According to the ASAA website, the Shishmaref girls finished the tournament with a 1-2 record, beating Kipnuk and losing to Buckland and Nikolaevsk. They were led in scoring by junior Denise Fernandez and sophomore Kelly Ningeulook, who averaged 13.3 and 10.7 points per game respectively. Junior Hillary Sinnok led the team with an average of 7.3 rebounds per game, while senior Jessica Kuzuguk set pace with seven assists per game.

The BSSD was represented at the 1-A boys state tournament by teams from Elim and Teller. The Eagles from Elim, finished with a 1-2 record beating Toksook Bay, and losing to Scammon Bay and Nikolaevsk. They were led in scoring by sophomore Ralph Saccheus, who averaged 14.7 points per game. Senior Wyman Anasogak set pace with an average of 13.3 rebounds per game, while senior Tony Takak let the squad with 7 assists per game.

The Teller boys went 0-2, losing to Manokotak and Kotlik. Senior Cameron Okbaok let the Aklaqs with an average of 16.0 points per game, and rebounds with 13.0 per game.

The Unalakleet Wolfpack boys qualified for the 2A boys state basketball tournament. They completed the event with a 1-2 record by beating Chevak and losing to Dillingham and Unalaska. The Wolfpack was led by senior Gage Ivanoff who averaged 15.3 points, and had 6.7 rebounds per game. Wesley Ivanoff led the team with six assists per game.



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STRATEGY – Coach Eric Boring talks strategy with his Teller Aklaqs girls basketball team at the ASAA Basketball State Championships in March.

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TOUGH CONDITIONS— Drifting snow and 24 mph winds didn't keep these young Nomeites from participating in the Easter Egg Hunt.

Photo by Janelle Trowbridge



AGAINST THE WIND— Participants hung onto their Easter baskets in search of the elusive eggs.

Photo by Janelle Trowbridge



ALL HER EGGS IN ONE BASKET – Seven-year old Hayla Trigg shows the eggs she found at on the Youth Softball Fields on Easter Sunday. The annual event was sponsored by the Arctic Native Brotherhood Charitable Trust.

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DIRECT FROM THE SOURCE – The Easter Bunny made a guest appearance to hand out goodies at the annual Arctic Native Brotherhood's Easter Egg Hunt at the Youth Softball Fields on Easter Sunday.

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KOBUK 440 CHAMPION— Cim Smyth of Big Lake won the Kobuk 440 with a team of 10 dogs, finishing the race in a total time of 65 hours, and 41 minutes. Jeff King came in second place 1 hour and 2 minutes behind Smyth. Third place went to Kotzebue musher John Baker. Photo courtesy of Kobuk 440

Archie Ferguson/Willie Goodwin, Sr. Memorial Snowmachine Race



WINNER— Kotzebue racer Harold Lie took the overall win in the 2015 Archie Ferguson/Willie Goodwin, Sr. Memorial Snowmachine Race. Photo courtesy of the Lie family



FORMER NOMEITE— Former Nome musher Dempsey Woods, now residing in Kotzebue, finished the race with nine dogs on Monday, April 6 at 4 p.m. Photo by Norma Booth

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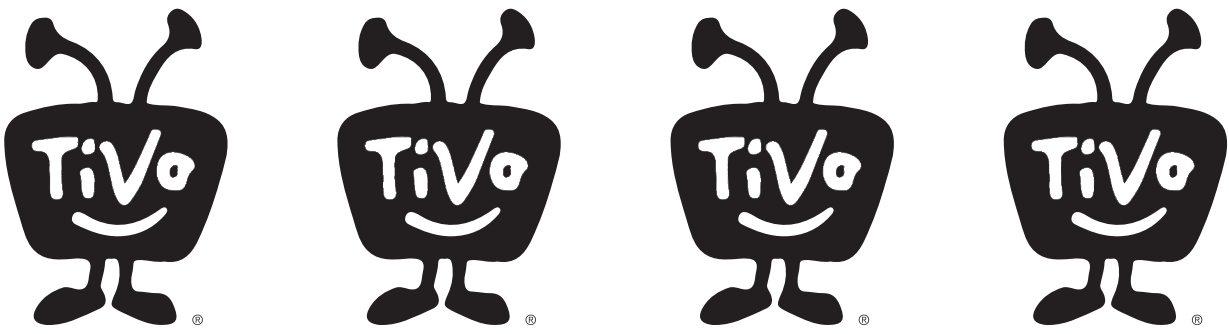
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MUSHING — Nome musher Stephanie Johnson runs her team across the tundra on the way to the coast.

Photo by Nils Hahn

UAF to honor Wales artist

During the University of Alaska Fairbanks commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 10, 2015, at the Carlson Center in Fairbanks, artist and UAF professor emeritus Ron Senungetuk will receive an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree.

Senungetuk is a sculptor and silver-smith whose work has helped position Alaska Native artwork in the international art world. He was born and raised in the village of Wales and attended Mt. Edgecumbe High School in Sitka, where his studies merged Alaska Native and modern Western art. He earned his bachelor's degree in fine arts from the Rochester Institute of Technology and was a Fulbright Scholar in Norway prior to accepting a position as a professor at UAF.

During his 25-year career at the university, he mentored and inspired countless young and emerging artists and helped establish the Native Art Center, which eventually merged with the Art Department. His commissioned art, including the mace used during the UAF commencement ceremony, is on display throughout Alaska and his work has been featured at shows nationally and internationally. He served as one of the first members of the Alaska State Council on the Arts when it was formed in 1966 and, in 2014, received the Alaska Governor's Award for Lifetime Achievement in the Arts and Humanities.

University of Alaska Fairbanks alumnus and Academy Award winner Ben Grossmann will give the keynote address at the University of Alaska Fairbanks commencement ceremony. Grossmann grew up in Delta Junction. He attended the University of Alaska Fairbanks in the mid-1990s and worked as a photojournalist to help pay for his schooling. In 2001, he moved to Los Angeles, where he worked as a part of the visual effects teams for feature films such as "Spider-Man," "Master and Commander" and "The Day After Tomorrow." Grossmann has received multiple awards for his visual effects work, including an Emmy in 2006 for his work on the miniseries "The Triangle" and an Academy Award in 2013 for his work on Martin Scorsese's film "Hugo." The day after the Oscars, he was back on set supervising visual effects for "Star Trek: Into Darkness."

Grossmann is the CEO and co-founder of Magnopus, a visual research and development company in Los Angeles, where he lives with his wife, Ariane Rosier, and their daughter, Scarlet.

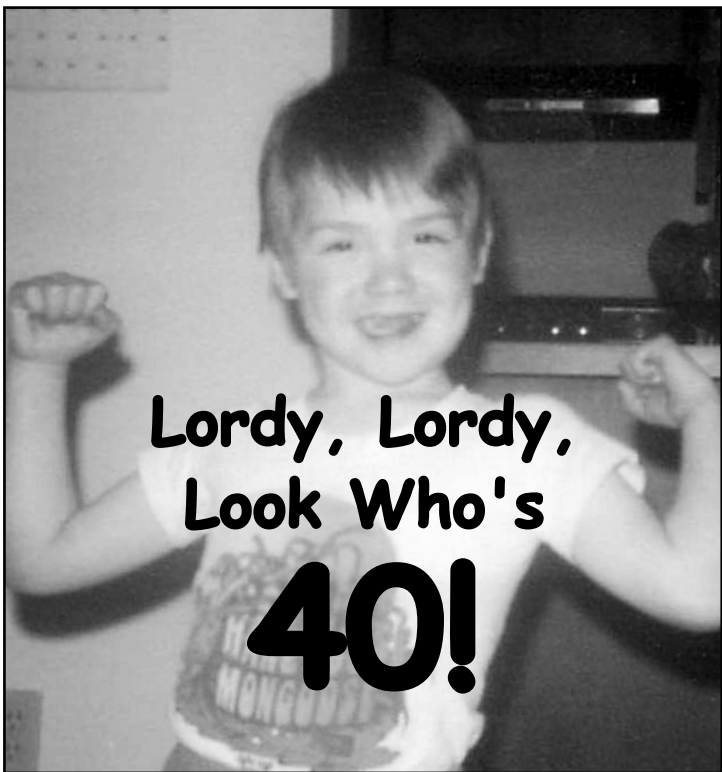
The university will also present two other honorary doctoral degrees and two Meritorious Service Awards at its 93rd commencement ceremony. Yup'ik elder Gust Bartman will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Geologist Thomas R. Marshall Jr. will receive an honorary Doctor of Science degree.

Professor emeritus Tony Gasbarro and former teacher and borough assemblywoman Karen Parr each will receive a Meritorious Service Award.

All Around The Sound

New Arrival
Rachel M. Ozenna and Woodrow W.K. Kitchen, of Wales, announce the birth of their son **Emile Gene Frank Kitchen**, born March 8, 2015 at 9:10 a.m. He weighed 9 pounds,

1 ounce, and was 21 1/2" in length. Sibling: Margret Kitchen, 11 months. Maternal grandma Andrea Okpealuk of Diomed, Alaska; and paternal grandma Lucy Kitchen of Wales.



Lordy, Lordy,
Look Who's
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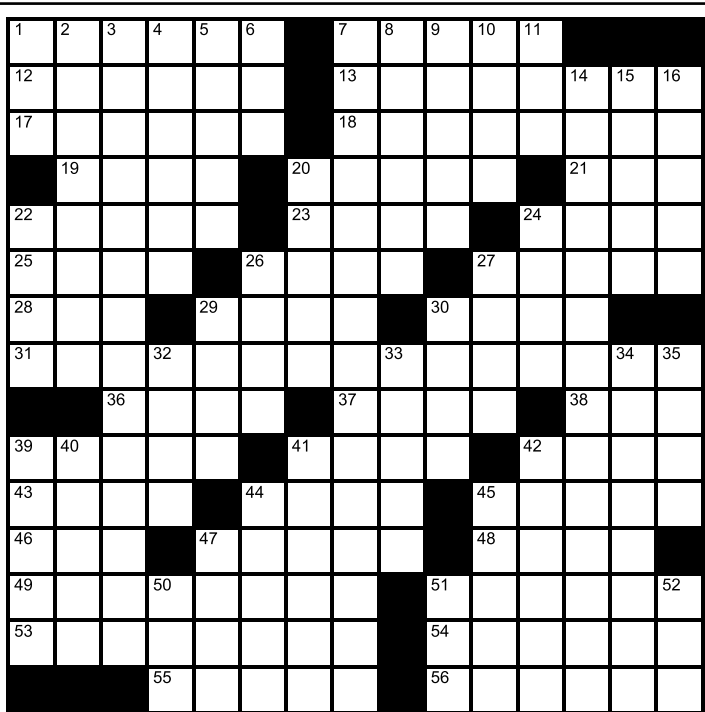
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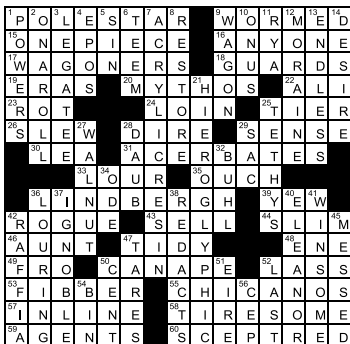


- Across**
- Place
 - Use a scale
 - Peninsula between the Red Sea and Persian Gulf
 - Herald
 - Most contemptible
 - Dance student presentations
 - Be a snitch
 - Capital of Jordan
 - "Sesame Street" watcher
 - Male friend from one's neighborhood (slang)
 - Comparative word
 - Buggy terrain
 - Length x width, for a rectangle
 - Average guys
 - More exposed
 - Anger, e.g.
 - Charlie, for one
 - Legal prefix
 - Stopped rubber warming containers (3 wds)
 - Had on
 - "How ___!"
 - Marienbad, for one
 - Grafting shoot
 - Accomplishment
 - Hurting
 - Full house, e.g.
 - Miniature sci-fi vehicles
 - Sheds tears
 - "Go on ..."
 - Brings home
 - Assayers' stuff
 - Beam where upper rafters attach

- Astronomy Muse
- Condition of being moist, fresh and pure
- Airline porter
- Bridge positions
- Compliance

- Down**
- Family retriever dog, for short
 - Handel bars
 - Hinged sash (2 wds)
 - Evergreen ornamental shrubs in Asia and Mexico
 - Fine thread
 - "Dig in!"
 - Display of kindness, sympathy and generosity
 - Injections of liquid into the rectum
 - Member of the Quechuan people in Peru
 - Enter (2 wds)
 - QB's cry
 - Study of the physical world (2 wds)
 - Copy
 - Banana oil, e.g.
 - Agreeing (with)
 - Chop finely
 - Blowgun ammo
 - Burlap fiber
 - Diminish
 - Mountain pool
 - Sulk
 - Golf club
 - Chutzpah
 - Inhabitant of ancient Ephesus
 - "___ who?"
 - Archaeological find
 - Birchbark
 - Dense growth of trees
 - Impressive displays or collections
 - Peels
 - Wine stoppers
 - "Empedocles on ___" (Matthew Arnold poem)
 - "A pox on you!"
 - Cable network
 - Appropriate

Previous Puzzle Answers



Winter Products

- LED Collar Lights
- Pet Safe Ice Melt
- Dog Booties
- Dog Jackets
- Dog Beds
- Straw



Nome Animal House
443-2490
M-F: 9am-6pm, Sat: 10am-2pm
Sun: closed

HOROSCOPES
April 2015 — Week 2

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Dream big, Capricorn. Nothing is impossible this week. A financial windfall may even make that trip you've been yearning for a reality.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Eek, Aries. No matter what you do, drama continues to follow you. Perhaps you should turn off your phone and get out of town for a few days.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

A bill inspires introspection. Are you where you want to be, Cancer? If not, now is the time to act. A health crisis ends with a new mode of treatment.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

Listless Libra. You've been challenged little, and it is starting to get to you. Fortunately, that is about to change. A supervisor has big plans for you.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

For goodness sakes, Aquarius. You're patient, but this takes the cake. Tell that procrastinator to get a move on. You've got a deadline to meet.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Trusty Taurus. When problems crop up, everyone turns to you for the solution. This time, however, there is no solution, and it is up to you to make that clear.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Lucky Leo. The tide turns in your favor at work, and you see more progress than you have in some time. Celebrate with a night on the town.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

A mission in organization gets off to a rocky start. Look to a mentor for help. Scorpio. Rumors circle at work. Pay them no heed. There is no truth to them whatsoever.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Peaceful Pisces. You rarely make a fuss, and while that serves you well most of the time, it won't work this week. Do what it takes to advance the cause.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

Technology can be handy, but just because so-and-so has something doesn't mean you should have it, too, Gemini. Compare the pros and cons before you take the leap.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Being evasive, Virgo? Not you! It's fine to keep things to yourself, as long as you don't hurt another. A loved one makes a long-term commitment.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Sometimes less is more, don't you think, Sagittarius? Find out what others have in mind before you go all out. A moonlight walk inspires a lawn and garden project.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Obituaries

Rev. Louis L. Renner, S.J.
1926-2015

Distinguished Jesuit priest and historian, Reverend Louis L. Renner, S.J., passed away on March 24, 2015, at 7:20 AM, at Gonzaga University Infirmary, in Spokane. He was 88. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at the Gonzaga Jesuit Residence Chapel on Saturday, March 27. Burial is planned for Mt. St. Michael's Cemetery.

Louis Lawrence Renner, the second oldest of eight children, was born to John J. Renner and Rosa Gustin Renner on April 25, 1926, in Bismarck, North Dakota. He was ordained a priest by Bishop Bernard J. Topel in St. Aloysius Church, Spokane, on June 15, 1957.

During the summer of 1958, Fr. Renner learned he was assigned to teach at Monroe Catholic High School in Fairbanks, Alaska. It was the beginning of a decades-long connection with the state and its people.

In 1961 his superiors directed him to Europe to pursue an advanced degree. In October, he began doctoral studies in philosophy at the Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich, Germany. By the July 4, 1965, with doctorate in hand, he was back in Alaska.

In the fall of 1965, Fr. Renner began his 15-year career as a member of the faculty at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He taught mostly German, but also a course in the humanities and courses in Latin. In fact, he started the university's Latin program.

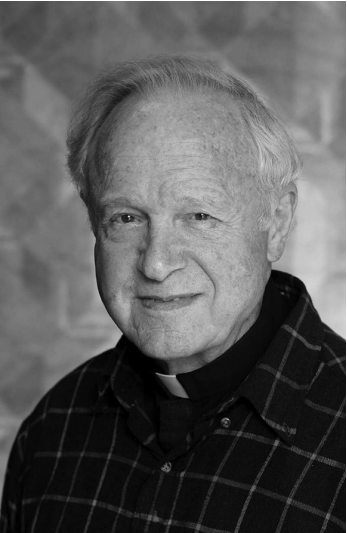
In his many years in Alaska he traveled across the state gathering material for a series of books. The first was Pioneer Missionary to the Bering Strait Eskimos: Bellarmine Lafortune, S.J. It was written in collaboration with Dorothy Jean Ray, was published in 1979. Next he wrote the life of Father Thomas P. Cunningham, S.J. Father Tom" of the Arctic, was published in 1985. Others followed, including Alaskana Catholica an encyclopedic look at the Catholic presence in the state.

He began the encyclopedia in February 2002 when he received an assignment to move to Gonzaga University and write a history of the Catholic Church in Alaska. That year he also received the Governor's Award for Friends of the Humanities, awarded to that individual who has advanced the humanities through life-long efforts."

In 2005, in his preface to Alaskana Catholica Fr. Renner

wrote: "One of the main intents of this volume is to keep alive for posterity the memory of many major Catholic Alaskan figures—clerical and lay, Native and non-Native, living and deceased—by the recording of their lives and deeds."

An extraordinarily gifted priest and missionary, Alaskan Catholics



Rev. Louis L. Renner, S.J.
1926-2015

Saying It Sincerely

Rev. Karen Sonray
Our Savior's Lutheran Church

The prophet Isaiah 25: 6 – 9 says: God will gather all peoples and, "He will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples. The sheet that is spread over all nations; He will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces. And the disgrace of his people he will take away."

And that is exactly what God has done in Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection — destroyed the shroud of death cast over humanity.

While Jesus was dying disgracefully on the cross, God's hand was at work even though we could not see it. As Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "My God why have you forsaken me", even then God was at work. Jesus experienced this silence and

like us wondered where is God in my suffering.

As Jesus died the Creation seemed to reflect that pain and estrangement— for we are told that a darkness came over the entire land. This blanket of darkness is like the "shroud" Isaiah spoke of — the agony of things happening that should not happen.

But God's hand was at work even then.

After Jesus died we are told he was laid in a tomb and a heavy stone sealed the entrance.

But early Sunday morning when the women went to anoint the body with oils, the stone had been removed. Inside that empty tomb lay the grave clothes folded. (Jewish custom was to wrap a body in cloths for burial)

It was as if God was saying to us, Jesus no longer needs any grave

cloths – ever again.

He was alive. And he had gone ahead of them to Galilee to continue the ministry. He is still alive today. And will help you with your problems and the stones in your life that seem to difficult to roll away. He can handle them.

His death and resurrection has shaken the very foundations of the universe in such a way that the spiritual powers of death, evil and sin have been reversed. Surely He can help you.

At the tomb the angel tells those early visitors do not be alarmed. He has gone ahead of you.

God is saying this to us still today. Do not be alarmed. He is alive. He has gone ahead of you and will show you the way. Thanks be to God! The spirit of the resurrected Christ is with you.

will remember him for his books and articles and the influence he had shaping the story of the Church's presence in the state.

Diocese of Fairbanks Bishop Chad W. Zielinski said of Fr. Renner, "Although I never met him, his gentle spirit, scholarship and passion for Alaska is felt in the chancery and the Alaskan Shepherd office every day. He exemplified the best of the Jesuit tradition and missionary spirit."

Fr. Renner is survived by his

brothers William, Leonard and Albert, and his sisters Julie McMillan and Della Carlin. He was preceded in death by his younger brother Richard. He will be deeply missed by his many friends, former students, colleagues, parishioners, and brother Jesuits of the Oregon Province.

A memorial service in Fairbanks at Sacred Heart Cathedral is scheduled for 12 April 2015 at 11:30 AM.

Roasted Carrots

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

Makes 12 Servings
Preparation Time: 5 minutes
Bake at 400°F for 15 minutes
Difficulty Level:



Ingredients:
2 lbs. carrots
1 Tbsp. olive oil
1 tsp. garlic powder
½ t. basil
½ t. cumin

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
2. Wash and cut carrots into 3-inch strips. Cut larger pieces in half, lengthwise until all pieces are about the same size. Place carrots in a medium bowl.
3. Add olive oil, garlic powder, basil, and cumin to the carrots. Stir well to coat.
4. Transfer carrots to a baking sheet. Spread into a thin layer; try not to overlap carrots. Bake for 15 minutes. Serve while warm.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size	1/2 cup
Amount Per Serving	12
Calories	36
Total Fat (g)	1
Saturated Fat (g)	0
Cholesterol (mg)	0
Sodium (mg)	42
Total Carbohydrate (g)	6
Fiber (g)	2
Protein (g)	1
Vitamin A (%)	203
Vitamin C (%)	6
Calcium (%)	2
Iron (%)	1

TIPS:

*Not only should you make half your plate fruits and vegetables, you should aim to eat different colored vegetables in order to incorporate a variety of vitamins and minerals into your diet.



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.

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3rd Avenue & Division Street • 443-4870
Pastor Dan Ward
Sunday Prayer 9:30 a.m. • Sunday School: 10 a.m.
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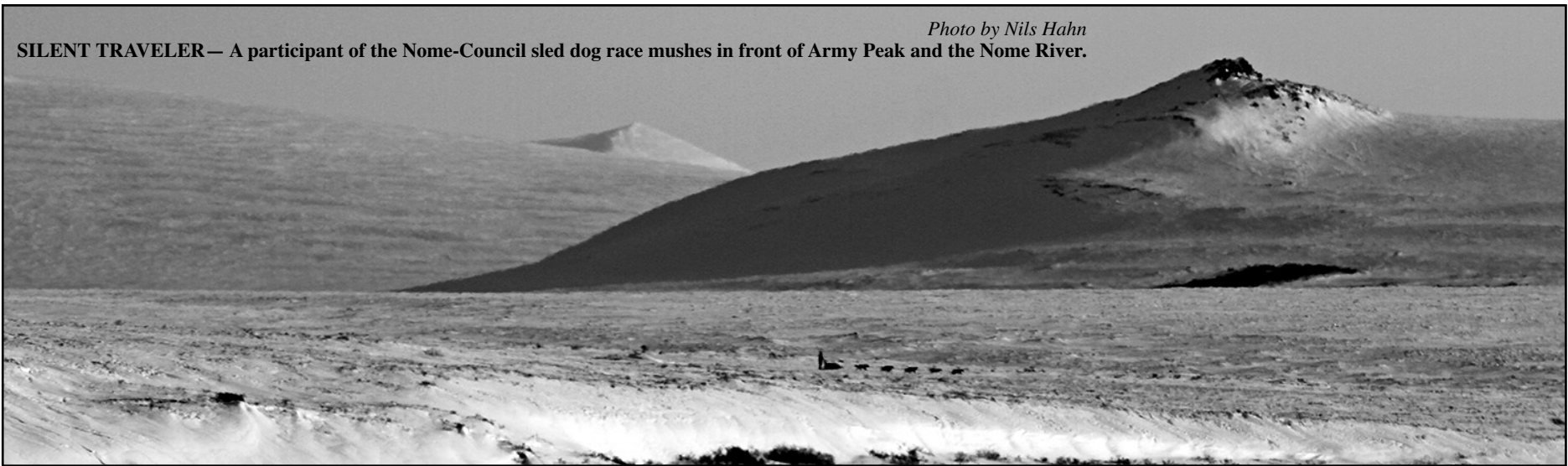
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SILENT TRAVELER— A participant of the Nome-Council sled dog race mushes in front of Army Peak and the Nome River.

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Employment



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

Executive Assistant: non-exempt, regular full-time position. The pay range is \$22.43/hour - \$25.24/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is **Friday, April 10, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.**

Tribal Services Specialist: non-exempt, reg-

ular full-time position. The pay range is \$23.79/hour - \$26.78/hour (DOE). The application deadline for the recruitment period is **Friday, April 10, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.**

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

4.9

Legals

THE CITY OF NOME

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

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

This ordinance (to establish marijuana regulations) had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on February 9, 2015 and was advanced to second reading/public hearing/final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for February 23, 2015, which was then rescheduled until March 2, 2015, at which time the ordinance was tabled until the regular meeting of **April 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM** in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinance are available in the Office of the City Clerk.

3.26,4.2-9

Bering Strait School District

The **Bering Strait School District** is seeking bids for turn-key construction on 2 School Vocational Educational/ Tech-Ed student shops: One in Savoonga 24'x80' heated concrete and heated slab foundation and one in Wales 24'x60', Tri-odetic foundation. Bids must be delivered to the BSSD Facilities Dept. by 5:00 pm **3/17/15** For information on these projects contact: Bering Strait School District, **Gary Eckenweiler 907 624-4249 or geckenweiler@bssd.org**

4.9

Real Estate

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) is currently accepting applicants for low-income rental units in our Senior Housing complex.

Guidelines for eligibility:
62 Years of age (or disabled)
Low Income (80% of the AMI for the Nome Census Area)
Native (Alaskan Native, American Indian)
Clean criminal background (no history of assault,

domestic violence, etc)
Clean Credit History (no outstanding balances due to other landlords, etc)

For more information and to apply, contact Hannah M. Katongan at (907) 443-8617, via e-mail at hkatongan@bsrha.org, or stop by our offices at 415 East 3rd Avenue for an application.

4.9-16

FORECLOSURE SALE

April 16, 2015 at 10:00 A. M.

Property Address: 122 Kings Way, Nome, AK 99762

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4.9

Village Clinic Job Openings



NORTON SOUND HEALTH CORPORATION

Norton Sound Health Corporation is currently hiring for positions at many of our **Village Based Clinics** for Environmental Services (housekeeping) and Maintenance Technician employees.

Each position is part time, working directly for Norton Sound Health Corporation at the local clinic.

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To apply for these positions, please fill out a NSHC Job Application which can be found at the local clinic and send to:

Norton Sound Health Corporation,
HR Department Fax: 907-443-2085
or email to klyon@nshcorp.org

If you have any questions or want any further information on the positions, please contact:

Mike Kruse
Director of Engineering
Phone: 907-443-9627
E-mail: mkruse@nshcorp.org



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1/8-4/8

Trooper Beat

Trooper Beat
On April 4, at 1:45 a.m., the Alaska State Troopers received a report of an intoxicated person in Gambell. Dana James, 31, of Gambell, was subsequently arrested for violating conditions of release. James was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Cor-

rectional Center.

On April 5, at 3:00 a.m., AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Gambell. Ladd Soonagook, 55, of Gambell, was subsequently arrested for Assault 4 and probation violation.



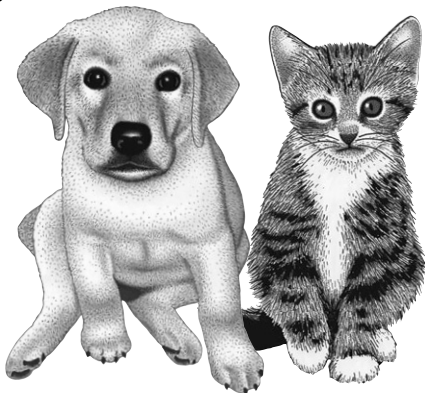
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Photo by Keith Conger

LOOK WHAT I FOUND – Seven-year old Rhianna Kunnuk shows the eggs she found at on the Youth Softball Fields on Easter Sunday. The annual event was sponsored by the Arctic Native Brotherhood Charitable Trust.

Court

Week ending 4/3
Civil

Minor Party v. Henry, Kevin; Civil Protective Order Structured Asset Funding, LLC v. Hunt, II, Joseph J.; Superior Court Misc Petition Kinok, Liudmila D. v. Ivanoff, Nikolai; Civil Protective Order Kennedy, Mark v. Boolowoon, Reva; Civil Protective Order Milton, Joyce and Milton, Benjamin; Dissolution with Children

Small Claims

No new claims filed (start 2NO-15-00010SC)

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Gary Kaningok (2/8/90); 2NO-14-508CR DUI-Operate Vehicle Under Influence, AS 28.35.030(a)(1); Date of Offense: 8/2/14; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Report immediately; Pay to Clerk of Court, or pay online at courtrecords.alaska.gov/ep: Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1,500 due: 4/1/17; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGS Office, Anchorage, or pay online at courtrecords.alaska.gov/ep: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended, \$50 due; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st Off) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 90 days; AS 28.15.181(c); 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 direct in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months, if available in your area; AS 28.35.030(b) and AS 28.35.032(g); Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 4/1/15); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses.

State of Alaska v. Gary Kaningok (2/8/90); 2NO-15-160CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: VCR; Filed by the DAs Office 4/1/15.

State of Alaska v. Jessica Russell (8/18/91); Harassment 2; Date of Violation: 7/12/14; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 6 months, 10/2/15; 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; Shall not possess or consume alcohol to excess resulting in a breath test of .08 or higher.

State of Alaska v. Dawn L. Annoglyuk (10/19/81); Import Alcohol-Dry Area-Small Amount; Date of Violation: 9/18/13; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 5/8/15, 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 3/1/16; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 4/2/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Forfeit any alcohol seized.

State of Alaska v. Kyle Elias Lockwood (8/25/90); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111498534; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 39 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Mark Miklahook (4/14/66); CTN 001: Import Alcohol-Dry Area-Small Amount; Date of Violation: 7/9/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 6/26/15, 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 4/1/16; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not 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 18 months, 10/1/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume alcohol in any dry or damp community.

State of Alaska v. Beau Garner Brown (10/2/91); 2NO-14-78CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114797025; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: No Action Taken; Consecutive to the term in 2NO-15-58CR.

State of Alaska v. Beau Garner Brown (10/2/91); 2NO-15-58CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 002: AS11.41.220(a)(5): Assault 3 – Commit Assault 4, 2+ Convictions; Class: C Felony; DV; Offense Date: 1/28/15; Plea: Guilty; Plea Agreement: Yes; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 001: AS11.41.210(a)(1): Assault 2 – Injury w/Weapon, Intent; Offense Date: 1/28/15; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 3/27/15 with counsel, OPA Mike Wenstrup, and the DA present; Incarceration: It is ordered that the defendant is committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for the following period(s): CTN 002: 21 months with 16 months suspended; The unsuspended 5 months shall be served immediately; Surcharges: Police Training Surcharge: The defendant shall pay the following police training surcharge(s) to the court pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: CTN 002: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.0471(c); DNA IDENTIFICATION: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.1.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; Probation: After serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 2 years under the following conditions: General, Treatment, Alcohol, Victim Contact and Search Conditions set, as stated in the order; Bond(s): Any appearance or performance bond in this case: No bail.

State of Alaska v. Samuel Goldsberry (10/14/85); 2NO-15-153CR Notice of Dismissal; 001: Assault 4°— DV; Filed by the DAs Office 3/31/15.

State of Alaska v. Samuel Goldsberry (10/14/85); 2NO-15-153CR CTN 001: Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 3/28/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 360 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 180 days shall be served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 2 years, 3/31/15; 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; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, M. Olanna; Shall not possess, consume alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Salvadore Campbell (11/11/59); Dismissal; Drunken Person On Licensed Premises, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 3/27/15.

State of Alaska v. Johnny Don Wilson (10/15/64); Dismissal; No Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 3/27/15.



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the annual meeting of shareholders of Koyuk Native Corporation, will be held **April 25, 2015, at 1:00 p.m.**, at the Koyuk Community Hall, for the following purposes:
1. Election of four(4) Board of Directors
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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASES
03/30/2015 through 04/05/2015

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 96 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center, 37 (38 percent) involved alcohol. There were 6 arrests made with 5 (83 percent) alcohol related. NPd responded to 7 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. 0 were remanded to AMCC as protective holds; and 0 remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment. There were 6 ambulance calls and 2 fire calls during this period.

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2015
08:19 am, NPd responded to a report of a motor vehicle accident, a truck was out of gear and rolled into two other vehicles, no injuries and the accident occurred on private property; information was taken down, no further action taken.
07:05 pm, NPd Community Service Officer responded to the west side of town on the report of an intoxicated male causing a minor disturbance. Al Koonooka was contacted and observed talking loud. During contact, one open bottle of alcohol was found on his person. Al was issued an open container citation, and was allowed to stay on promise to clean his cloths.
09:51 pm, NPd responded to the NEST shelter on the report of two guests causing a disturbance. Investigation found it was a verbal argument only that was resolved by separation. During contact, Mike Saclamana was found in possession of an open bottle of alcohol. Mike was issued an open container citation, and was warned for DC and Harassment. No further action was taken.
10:18 pm, NPd responded to a request of a welfare check on the east side of town for an individual with stating intentions to harm their selves, Officers made contact with the individual and the individual was safe and secure and no harm was done, no further action taken at this time.

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2015
01:50 am, NPd responded to a disturbance at a bar on Front St. The investigation led to information being gathered and forwarded to the District Attorney. The participants were separated; one was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation.
01:11 pm, NPd received a report of a fender bender that had occurred earlier in the day on the east side of town, Officers advised the reporting party of the required DMV and State website forms to properly fill out for the accident and to seek NPd out for any assistance.
02:42 pm, NPd received a report of a unattended Husky dog roaming around town a lot near the east end of town, Officers were made aware and will be patrolling area, no further action taken at this time.
03:15 pm, NPd conducted a traffic stop on the west end of town, a warning for was given to Chul Kang for double parking and he was released on scene.
07:49 pm, NPd received a report of a disturbance on the east end of town. Officers responded and it was a verbal argument only. Both parties involved did not want police assistance; the issue was resolved prior to NPd arrival.
09:55 pm, NPd received a report of an intoxicated female down on the west end of town, Officers made contact with the individual and was transported to the NEST shelter, no further action taken.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015
10:51 am, NPd received a request of assistance on the west end of town, the reporting party was not at the specific location of the request and the Communications Center informed the reporting party to call NPd when they have arrived so an Officer could meet them, currently pending the phone call.
12:06 pm, NPd conducted a traffic stop at Mile 1 on the Nome Teller Highway; Officers issued a citation to Anthony Shelp for operating an off road vehicle on a state roadway, he was then released on scene.
01:04 pm, NPd impounded a tan husky dog to the animal shelter, Wayne Miller was cited for Unattended Animal and the dog was returned to him, no further action taken.
01:57 pm, NPd issued a DOLP warning to Mike Saclamana Jr. during a security check on Front St.
09:05 pm, NPd received a report of an intoxicated male on the west end of town who had fallen, Offices made contact with

Lawrence Martin and he was given a disorderly conduct warning, and then was transported to the NEST shelter.
09:22 pm, NPd received a report of an assault that occurred on the west end of town, Officers made contact with the reporting party and a report was taken.
09:53 pm, NPd & NVFD received a report of a house that was allegedly burning on the east end of town, NVFD arrived on scene and stated it was a boiler problem just burning black soot and they resolved the issue and returned to bay.

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2015
09:36 am, NPd received an agency request to help locate a person for Grand Jury, both agencies were unable to locate the individual; no further action taken at this time.
11:04 am, NPd received a report of a minor in possession and using marijuana at Nome Beltz High School; Officers made contact with the reporting party and a report will be written and sent to Juvenile Probation Office.
01:05 pm, NPd received a report of a disturbance on the east end of town, Officers with assistance from the Alaska State Troopers arrived on scene and Barton Johnson was arrested and charged with Harassment in the first degree and Criminal Mischief in the third degree, then was remanded to AMCC where his bail is set at \$1000.00.
02:14 pm, NPd received a report of theft of property on the west end of town, Officers made contact with the reporting party and after contact with multiple individuals regarding the incident it was advised the issue needed to be sorted out in a civil case with the Nome Trial Courts to settle the matter, no further action taken.
04:11 pm, NPd responded to a report indicating an intoxicated male refusing to leave an establishment on the west end of town, Officers arrived on scene and the individual was removed and given a DOLP warning, no further action taken.
08:03 pm, NPd received a report of an intoxicated male not leaving a residence on the east end of town. Officers arrived on scene and arrested Rodney Whitt for Harassment in the 1st degree, he was then taken to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and then remanded to AMCC.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2015
12:07 pm, NPd responded to the east side of town for a report of a minor that was causing a disturbance. The Juvenile Probation Office was notified and an informational report will be written and referred to the JPO for disposition. The juvenile was released to their parent.
02:59 pm, NPd received a report of harassment occurring between two individuals. The reporting party was directed to the Nome Court to apply for a Stalking Order and informed to document the contact made by the reported suspect.
03:16 pm, NPd responded to the report of an intoxicated male lying down on street on the east side of town. Officers arrived on scene and contacted the individual, identified as Allen Kost, who was found highly intoxicated. Kost was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and was then transported back to his residence on the west side of town.
03:41 pm, NPd received a report of a minor with Tobacco at the Nome Beltz High School, Officers arrived on scene and a citation was issued to a juvenile male for Minor in Possession of Tobacco.
04:32 pm, NPd received a report of a female inside of a storage shed outside of an apartment complex on the east side of town without permission. Upon arrival, Officers contacted June Koonuk, who was observed to be highly intoxicated. Koonuk was provided transportation to a sober friend's residence, where she was left in their care after receiving a Disorderly Conduct warning.
04:54 pm, a citizen arrived at NPd to report an assault that occurred approximately one week prior. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.
05:59 pm, NPd received a report of a male that had fallen and hit his head. Upon arrival, the male was identified as Walter Sookiayak. The Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department was dispatched to the scene and Sookiayak was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation.
06:26 pm, NPd received a phone call reporting a female refusing to leave an apartment complex on the west side of town. Prior to arrival, the reporting party called back stating that they did not wish to pursue charges, the female had left the residence and the reporting party further refused to answer any questions regarding what transpired within the apartment.
09:16 pm, NPd received a call stating that a female was outside of a residence on the east side of town pounding on the door and making threatening statements to the

occupants. It was further reported that the female had been drinking while driving, along with a second person in the same vehicle. Contact was made with both occupants of the vehicle and both were found to be sober, as well as denying any threatening statements being made to the original reporting party. Investigation revealed that the initial reporting party had initiated contact in the first place. No crimes were committed and the issue was resolved by separation.
09:08 pm, NPd received a report of a possible burglary of a vacant residence on the west side of town. Upon arrival, Officers contacted the suspected burglars, who were found to be the owners of the property checking up on the residence. The reporting party was introduced to the owners to prevent any further confusion.
09:30 pm, NPd Officers responded to a requested welfare check at a hotel on the east side of town for two minors who had arrived dressed improperly for the weather, after reportedly being kicked out of their residence by an intoxicated parent. The duo was found to be at a friend's house in care of a sober adult and the report will be forwarded to the Office of Children Services for review.
11:32 pm, NPd responded to a local establishment on the west side of town for the report of an intoxicated male sleeping and refusing to leave the premises. Upon arrival, Officers identified the male as Dennis Soolook Sr., who was also found to be in possession of two open containers of alcohol. Soolook was placed under arrest for Drunk on Licensed Premises and Introduction of Alcohol to a Licensed Premises and

was remanded to AMCC after being medically cleared due to his high level of intoxication. Soolook was held on \$1,000.00 bail.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2015
02:49 am, a citizen called NPd regarding a neighbor using an electrical outlet for a portable heater, against the wishes of the homeowner. Upon arrival, the extension cord was found unplugged and the reported suspect was gone upon Officer arrival.
03:24 am, NPd Officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle travelling twenty five (25) miles per hour below the posted speed limit on the north side of town. Upon contact with the driver, identified as Christine Aukon, it was found that her license was currently revoked. Aukon was placed under arrest for Driving While License Revoked and was remanded to AMCC where she was held on \$500 bail.
08:18 am NPd, NVFD, and EMS responded to an apartment fire on the east side of town. The fire was accidentally started by a juvenile. No one was injured; the apartment occupants were checked by EMS and released.
02:24 pm, NPd responded to a residence on the west side of town for a possible domestic disturbance between two individuals. Upon arrival, the disturbance was found to be a verbal argument which was able to be resolved by separation after both parties were provided information regarding Domestic Violence Protective Orders.
04:37 pm, NPd responded to a residence on the west side of town for a reported assault. Upon arrival, Officers identified the suspect as Raleigh Iyapana, who through investigation was found to have caused phys-


ical injury to a member of the household, as well as spitting on two other occupants. Iyapana was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree and two counts of Harassment in the First Degree. Iyapana was held without bail, as all charges were Domestic Violence related.

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2015
12:24 am, NPd responded to a residence on the east side of town for the report of a disturbance. Upon arrival, Officers contacted Mark Van Dyke, who had refused to leave the residence upon request of the tenant. Van Dyke was placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree and was remanded to AMCC, where he was held on \$500 bail.
12:27 am, NPd responded to the report of a male lying in the roadway on the east side of town, yelling. The male was contacted and identified as Daryl Apatiki, who was found to be highly intoxicated. Upon arrival at the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance, he became disruptive to other patients by yelling loudly, even after being warned of regarding his behavior. Apatiki was placed under arrest for Disorderly Conduct and was remanded to AMCC, where he was held on \$250.00 bail.
12:43 am, NPd received a call that a minor had left her place of residence after a verbal altercation with her parents. While continuing the search for the minor, the parent called back stating that she had returned home safely.

PUBLIC NOTICE
MUSEUM & LIBRARY COMMISSION SEAT VACANCY

The Museum & Library Commission has five seats open for appointment. Anyone interested in serving on the Commission should submit an application to the City Clerk's Office by Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 5:00 PM.


Applications are available at City Hall or at www.nomealaska.org. Please call 443-6603 for more information.



PUBLIC NOTICE
PORT COMMISSION SEAT VACANCY

The Port Commission has one seat open for appointment. Anyone interested in serving on the Commission should submit an application to the City Clerk's Office by Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 5:00 PM.

Applications are available at City Hall or at www.nomealaska.org. Please call 443-6603 for more information.




NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Variance Application

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

Variance request from Kawerak, Inc. for the property located at 407 East K Street (Block 45A, Lot 2A).

DATE: Tuesday, April 14, 2015
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers




NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Conditional Use Permit

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

Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for GEO Re-Entry, Inc. to construct a residential re-entry correctional facility at 108 Front Street, which is currently zoned for Commercial Use.

DATE: Tuesday, April 14, 2015
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers



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AWARE OF THE WORLD (top)— Nome storyteller Yaayuk Alvanna-Stimpfle recounted a story about her childhood at the Nome Arctic Entries storytelling event on Saturday, April 4 at the Nome Elementary School.

MOOSE HUNTER (left)— Nome storyteller Rick Anderson told the saga of his first moose hunt at the Nome Arctic Entries storytelling event on Saturday, April 4 at the Nome Elementary School.

Arctic Entries brings Nome storytellers to the stage

By Keith Conger

For the last six years, the all-volunteer, non-profit group Arctic Entries has organized storytelling gatherings in Anchorage. Some 350 people have had a chance to tell their stories there over the years.

The format is simple – seven people have seven minutes a piece to tell a theme-related story.

Seven Nomeites – Lisa Leeper, Charlie Lean, Sam Cross, Lahka Peacock, Marjorie Tahbone, Rick Anderson and Yaayuk Alvanna-Stimpfle – became part of this chain of storytellers, bringing their stories to the public in the Nome Elementary Commons on Saturday night.

Last fall, Arctic Entries co-organizer Matt Rafferty contacted Nome's Laureli Ivanoff to bring the storytelling concept to Nome. Ivanoff immediately said "Let's do it" and soon pitched the idea to the Nome Arts Council. The council agreed to sponsor the event.

"Everyone has a story and we should hear them," said Ivanoff. She said the Arctic Entries event helps to build community one story at a time. "This connects people in a way that you can't quantify."

Through the guidance of Rafferty and his Arctic Entries organizing partner and co-host Emily Fehren-

bacher, Ivanoff developed a theme. She went to her daughter Sidney who said, "Do it on food." That made great sense to Ivanoff, and led to the official title of "Food!: Stories of Gathering, Traditions, and \$18 Orange Juice."

The next step was to seek out storytellers. Rafferty said that he sits in a lot of coffee shops in Anchorage listening to people's tales. When Arctic Entries was in its early stages, most of the participants were sought out by either the coffee shop method, or by recommendations. But as more and more folks began to find out about the shows, people began approaching the group.

Rafferty calls these people "self-identifying" storytellers.

Ivanoff set off to find her group. Her goal was to assemble a diverse collection of Nomeites. "People who are not on the stage very often," she said. She got some recommendations about people who had great food stories, and from those suggestions she found Leeper, Lean, Cross, Peacock, Tahbone and Anderson.

KNOM had done an Arctic Entries radio spot with Ivanoff, and from that interview Yaayuk Alvanna-Stimpfle came forward.

Each of the participants set out to refine their work. Ivanoff said the

stories must be true and must be about the people telling them. The contributors are not allowed to use note cards, and the stories must not be memorized. "Imagine you are telling your story to a friend," suggested Ivanoff.

Rafferty's added piece of advice was that a story probably will be a little bit different each time it is told. His tip to entrants was, "know your beginning, know your end, and know a few points in the middle."

Rafferty, Fehrenbacher, and Ivanoff helped get the Nome group ready with a rehearsal on Friday night. At the practice session the storytellers were not timed, and were given a few suggestions about how to work their stories. Rafferty did not pull out his harmonica at the rehearsal, but during the live show he uses this device to help people gauge their time.

Ivanoff followed the Anchorage Arctic Entries format by having the show start and end with musical entertainment. Local musician Sarah Hanson-Hofstetter said she likes to tell stories through her music. She started the evening off with a song about berry picking and ended it with a tune about transporting a latté through Nome for her husband Phil.

Rick Anderson was the first to en-

tertain the audience of about 60 people. He presented a story about moose hunting. The crux of the tale was Anderson's discovery of having shot the moose in the water. It was one of his coldest times ever.

Tahbone later told a hunting story she called "The Perfect Day" about the day she got her first duck and king salmon. Her father also shot a moose that day.

Cross, Lean, Leeper and Peacock's stories all had the common thread of Thanksgiving. Cross told of his trials and tribulations of making wrestling weight during the holidays. Lean recalled a story of high adventure and creativity as he cooked a turkey and made Pilot bread stuffing with his family at their cabin. Leeper recalled a celebration where she discovered that pickles wrapped in bacon and finger jello might no be the best dishes served at a Thanksgiving feast. Peacock brought down the house with stories of mummy costumes and cheese.

Alvanna-Stimpfle said her story was called "Surat Ataadni Quagrirunga." She presented not only a story about her childhood, but also taught the audience the Inupiaq words "Surat" which means the small green leaves of a willow bush that her family likes to eat, and

"Ataatni" which translates to under. She said although "Quagrirunga" has no direct translation into English, it can be thought of as a time where a child first becomes aware of their surroundings. So, her story explained that she first became aware of the world when she was under a willow bush.

"Stories are a part of people," said Ivanoff. "You can't help but feel connected through them."

She hopes to work the Nome Arctic Entries at least once every year.

Rafferty and Fehrenbacher have been hosting the shows for four years. Rafferty said Arctic Entries started off small in Anchorage six years ago.

James Keck and Tara Loyd created the shows as a spin-off of the Stoop Storytelling series in Baltimore, Maryland. The idea was that many great stories are told on the stoops, or porches, of people's homes. The name "Arctic Entries" is a play on words using that concept.

As the shows have grown in popularity, larger and larger venues have been needed. Rafferty says last month their show sold all 700 tickets online in six minutes. The shows can be seen the second Tuesday of the month, September through May, at Anchorage's Discovery Theatre.



EMCEES (top)— Co-hosts Matt Rafferty and Emily Fehrenbacher explain how the Nome Arctic Entries storytelling event will work to an audience of approximately 60 people on Saturday, April 4 at the Nome Elementary School.

PILOT BREAD STUFFING (left)— During the Nome Arctic Entries storytelling event on Saturday, April 4 at the Nome Elementary School, Nome storyteller Charlie Lean described the creative Thanksgiving meal he helped make with his family at their cabin.