



WATCH OUT — Toddlers were the first to compete in foot races at the customary street games held as part of the annual Independence Day celebrations in Nome. Photo by Diana Haecker

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COUNTRY STYLE — Sandra Rowe, baby Bradley and Carl Emmons with reindeer Velvet Eyes celebrated the Fourth of July by participating in a parade consisting of a few families on 4-wheelers in Cottonwood. Photo by Russell Rowe

NJUS wipes out debt to City of Nome

By Sandra Medearis

The Nome Joint Utilities System has paid off a \$2.2 million line of credit from the City of Nome, accrued interest included.

The utility ran short of cash in November when, for a handful of reasons, it had not applied for project reimbursements from grant and loan agencies. Utility executives said the lack of reimbursements and too-low electric rates had left NJUS without sufficient operating money and unpaid accounts receivable.

NJUS, owned by the City of Nome, signed an agreement allowing the utility a \$2.2 million line of credit backed up by the City's designated savings reserves. The short-term fi-

nancing agreement expired June 30.

In an update to the city manager and Nome Common Council by Finance Director Julie Liew, NJUS, based on May 31 figures, had drawn down a total of \$2,575,962.39 and paid back all but \$656,386.98 plus \$11,935.20 in accrued interest at 2.5 percent annually.

John Handeland, utility manager, said Monday that NJUS had paid the remaining principle balance and accrued interest ahead of the June 30 deadline. Additionally, NJUS had rendered its Payment in Lieu of Taxes to the City before it was due, and NJUS was whittling down the

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Alaska sues EPA over new water rule

By Diana Haecker

Despite denouncing his predecessor Sean Parnell's practice to fight "federal overreach" in the court room during the gubernatorial race last year, Governor Bill Walker announced last week that the State of Alaska has joined 13 other states in a lawsuit against the federal Environmental Protection Agency and the US Army Corps of Engineers, challenging the recently published "Waters of the United States" rule, also known as the WOTUS rule.

Alaska joined the states of North Dakota, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, South Dakota, Wyoming and the environment department and state engineer of New Mexico.

The states filed the complaint in the US District Court for the district of North Dakota, southeastern division. The complaint alleges that the WOTUS rule "unlawfully expands

the agencies' jurisdiction over state land and water resources beyond the limits established by Congress under the Clean Water Act. The plaintiffs ask the court to declare the final rule unlawful as it allegedly was issued in violation of the Clean Water Act, the National Environmental Policy Act and the Administrative Procedure Act. The plaintiffs also allege that the rule extends Congressional authority beyond the limits of the Commerce Clause and that it interferes with state sovereignty. They ask the court to vacate the entire rule and to prohibit the EPA and the Army Corps to use, apply, implement and enforce the rule.

"Alaska has over 174 million acres of wetlands, and more coastline and wetlands than all of the Lower 48 combined," said Governor Walker in a press release. "While not all of these waters are covered by the

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Where there is smoke there is not necessarily fire nearby

By Maisie Thomas

On Monday morning, Nome residents woke up to the smell of smoke.

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A strong east wind had pushed the scent of wildfires that burn near Koyuk, Shaktoolik and Unalakleet up the coast.

Fires have been especially numerous this year, with the Sockeye Fire in Willow and the Card Street fire in Sterling having wreaked havoc in residential areas in the Mat-Su Borough and the Kenai Peninsula.

Though the most severe effects occurred in the interior part of Alaska, the Seward Peninsula and the eastern Norton Sound area have not been spared from wildfires.

According to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center website, there are over 300 fires burning around the state as of press time, and

22 of these are large.

The Interagency Coordination Center website describes a very large fire as being over 2,500 acres and a large fire is defined to be anywhere from 250 to 2,500 acres in size.

Two very large fires are currently burning near Unalakleet, two very large and one large fire are blazing near Koyuk and one very large and one large fire are near Shaktoolik.

According to the Alaska Bureau of Land Management, none of the fires currently pose a direct threat to the villages or any structures.

Due to rain over the July 4 weekend, it was thought that the two

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FIRE — The Egavik fire is burning up a ridge near Unalakleet, on June 24. Photo by Jeff Erickson

Letters

Honesty is the best Policy

Dear Editor,

In order for Government and public institutions to work there has to be trust in them. This is rarely achieved by keeping the key parts of the process hidden from public view.

In March almost all of the students in the State of Alaska sat down in front of a computer to be weighed and measured in Reading, Writing and Math using computers, a very public process.

This should have resulted in quicker results to parents and Districts, in order to do intervention over the summer or in the next school year.

This is not the case, because this is a brand-new test it has to be calibrated, question that were missed by all students need to be removed. And then the bar set for cut off scores indicating proficiency or lack of in

these areas.

I miss the old days, when paper pencil IOWA tests administered in the 1980's were scored and returned before the end of the school year. Parents and teachers could look at the results which included a grade level equivalency and a percentile score of their child from last year's test and this year's and decide, do we need to do summer school or enrichment classes, truly a collaborative effort.

Tuesday the most important part of this year's testing process will occur, behind closed doors. Results will be unavailable to schools until November, 7 months after testing ended.

Invited Educators and others will look at test items and remove those deemed too hard, and too easy, but more importantly they will set the cut scores. These scores will inform districts and parents if the State of

Alaska Dept of Education believes their child is proficient, and will be used in teacher evaluations.

Setting the scores should be a simple math problem, one I taught in 7th grade math, the closer the Median (middle), Mode (most frequently occurring) and median (Average) are to

the peak of the Bell curve the truer the result. The farther any one of

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

Editorial

Give Glory Its Due

The flag of the United States of America is the standard of our beloved nation. No matter what our politics, Democratic, Republican, liberal or conservative, it is the symbol of our nation and the honor of the United States. Many of us have friends and family who have paid the supreme sacrifice and who have given their time, talent, health and energy to our beloved land.

We care deeply for her well-being and enjoy the privilege of the freedoms for which she stands. We in western Alaska have the joy of being a citizen of one of the most beautiful of our states, on one of her special summer days filled with glorious sunshine and fine gentle breezes, puffy clouds, blue sky, fantastic fishing, good times visiting and picnicking with friends and neighbors.

The Front Street games lived up to the well-earned respect of Nome's small town charm and American tradition. However, this year there was a blotch on the tapestry of our American flag and tradition. Even though we enjoyed the glory of the Spirit of '76 and the pride of independence, it took only one crazy, foulmouthed Nomeite to spoil the joy. It was embarrassing to witness and hear the one loud, vulgar Alaskan scream profanity at the folks who were in the process of packing their family and gear into their truck for the rest of the day.

Does the foul-mouthed drunk know how close he came to having his teeth rearranged? Does he know that residents of other parts of Alaska are also citizens of Alaska and the United States? And that these folks do not take kindly to profanity when it comes to the nation we know and love? We don't take kindly to the "F" word when it comes to America and her flag.

-N.L.M-

Sound Off: Combat Recession by Medicaid expansion

By Rep. Les Gara

According to a recent study, Alaska is either in a recession or on the brink of one. It's time for non-partisan solutions, not time to play Russian Roulette with the economy.

Alaska will lose 4,000 jobs across the economy by September. Blocking a vote on a Medicaid Expansion bill that's passed in Democratic and Republican states, that would create 4,000 Alaska jobs, isn't smart politics.

The public supports it across party lines. But Republican legislative leaders decided to block this bill from House and Senate floor votes during 140 days of legislative session and special sessions.

I'd ask opponents to rethink their position to protect our economy. This bill is a no cost way to help us get 4,000 new jobs, and \$145 million in federal funds that will ripple through and help an economy sitting on a recessionary cliff.

The Governor's bill would also create roughly \$330 million in state budget savings over the next six years, to help with state deficits. How? Medicaid Expansion and Reform requires the federal government to pay all, or in some cases, a higher percentage of Medicaid costs than the state currently covers. This savings estimate comes from Evergreen Economics, the consulting group most familiar with Alaska's Medicaid system. It's consistent with major budget savings in Republican and Democratic Medicaid Expansion states, according to studies by the Robert Wood Johnson and Kaiser Family Foundations.

Why didn't this bill pass? It was

supported by every Democratic and Independent legislator. It was supported by a Governor who'd been a Republican before running as an Independent. And it is supported by just enough Republicans that we have the votes to pass it. But GOP leaders said they won't allow a floor vote unless a majority of their own caucus members agree to support the bill. So, a non-partisan bill stalled even though it had enough votes to pass.

No one disputes the jobs Medicaid Expansion will bring. In the first year, Alaska will receive \$145 million in additional federal funds that will bolster the economy, rising to roughly \$200 million/yr. by 2020. According to Northern Economics, their midline estimate says Medicaid Expansion will initially create roughly 1,500 jobs, and 4,000 by 2020. That was before Alaska Regional Hospital announced they'd build a new clinic under Medicaid Expansion because a clinic can treat insured people more cheaply than treating uninsured people in an emergency room. Other hospitals will likely follow suit. More jobs will follow.

Why do some legislators oppose this bill?

Some doubt the state and national studies showing budget savings. But in over 30 legislative hearings this year the Walker Administration made its case.

Opponents also point to a flawed claims payment system Xerox sold the Parnell Administration. Under the Parnell Administration the system paid out claims poorly, harming many medical providers. When the

Walker Administration came in, they continued prior repair work, at a furious pace, to fix the Xerox system. It now pays at over 90 percent accuracy during the first billing submission. Opponents say that's less than 100 percent. But they fail to note that for claims the Xerox system doesn't pay accurately, a phone call from a provider results in 100 percent of claims being paid by the next or following month.

The state is still successfully forcing Xerox to improve this system through litigation. Alaska hasn't retroactively made right for all Parnell-era claims mangled by Xerox. It's working to do that. But the system can now pay new claims under Medicaid Expansion.

Finally, some argue the Administration just hired its own consultant, and must not have yet analyzed whether to accept Medicaid Expansion. That consultant is being hired, not to analyze whether accepting Medicaid Expansion and Reform is desirable, but to help implement Medicaid Expansion rules that will work best here.

Legislators should tell the Governor they'll pass this bill during a quick special session. That's smarter than telling him to accept the cost and delay of litigation that will come if he implements it without legislative approval. Improving the economy by getting people medical care is the right thing to do.

Rep. Les Gara is a Democratic Member of the House Finance Committee and the Representative for House District 20, Anchorage.

Weather Statistics

Sunrise	07/09/15	4:50 a.m.	High Temp	+71F	07/04/15	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391	
	07/15/15	5:08 a.m.	Low Temp	+43F	06/29,30/15 & 07/1,2/15		
Sunset	07/09/15	1:24 a.m.	Peak Wind	27 mph, E,	07/04/15		
			2015 - Total Precip. (through 7/06)				5.30"
			Normal Total to Date				5.41"

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)

Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
7/9	Th	1148am	+1.6			502am	0.0	611pm	+0.4
10	Fr	1203am	+1.2	1232pm	+1.6	552am	+0.2	714pm	+0.2
11	Sa	119am	+1.1	117pm	+1.6	643am	+0.4	817pm	+0.1
12	Su	239am	+1.1	203pm	+1.6	735am	+0.6	918pm	0.0
13	Mo	403am	+1.1	249pm	+1.5	829am	+0.7	1017pm	-0.1
14	Tu	526am	+1.1	337pm	+1.5	926am	+0.9	1111pm	-0.1
15	We	639am	+1.2	427pm	+1.4	1026am	+0.9	1159pm	-0.1

Daily variations in sea level due to local meteorological conditions cannot be predicted and may significantly effect the observed tides in this area. All times are listed in Local Standard Time. All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

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Strait Action

USFWS releases Conservation Management Plan for Polar Bears

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service released a draft polar bear conservation management plan on Monday, finding that the single-most important step is decisive action to address Arctic warming.

The polar bear was listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 2008, due to loss of its sea ice habitat attributed to Arctic warming. The plan identifies immediate actions that can help protect the species for the long term.

While the plan lists several potential threats to the polar bear, the loss of sea-ice is projected to lead to decreased or greatly decreased populations in three of the four polar bear "ecoregions" by 2050.

In addition to drawing attention to the threat climate change poses to polar bears, the plan outlines actions to better manage subsistence harvest, minimize risks of contamination from oil and chemical spills, protect denning habitat from human disturbance and industrial activity, deter human-bear conflicts and conduct research. It will also serve as the United States' contribution to an action plan being developed by the five polar bear range countries – Canada, Denmark, Norway, Russian Federation, and the U.S. – under the 1973 Agreement on the Conservation of Polar Bears.

"Polar bear conservation requires a global commitment to curb the re-

lease of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere," said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Director Geoffrey Haskett. "Until that happens, we're going to do everything within our power to give the polar bear a chance to survive. That's what this plan's about."

Polar bears are significant in Alaska Native culture, and representative organizations helped in both drafting the plan and in the call to action to preserve polar bear populations.

"In the words of our founder Charles Johnson, when we lose polar bears, we also lose our cultures," said Jack Omelak, Executive Director of the Alaska Nanuq Commission. "While the ESA requires the development of recovery plans for listed species, the Marine Mammal Protection Act, under which the polar bear is also managed, calls for listed species to be restored to "optimum sustainable populations."

The Polar Bear Conservation Management Plan is intended to meet the provisions of both laws.

The actions identified in the draft plan are aimed at managing U.S. populations of polar bears in Alaska, which occur in one of four polar bear eco regions. The draft plan was written by a team of more than 30 individuals from federal agencies, the State of Alaska, the North Slope Borough, Alaska Native organizations, industry, non-profit organizations, and the Canadian Wildlife Service. Team members have expertise in

polar bear biology, climate science, policy, communications, and traditional and contemporary indigenous ecological knowledge. The plan is available at <http://www.fws.gov/alaska/pbtr>. Comments will be accepted through August, 20, 2015.

Coast Guard prepares for Arctic Shield 2015

Last week, the Coast Guard 17th District stood up forward operating locations in Deadhorse and Barrow last week in preparation for operation Arctic Shield 2015. "With increased maritime activity in the Arctic, forward deploying assets and personnel to the region will provide an increased opportunity to conduct our statutory missions," said Rear Adm. Dan Abel, commander, Coast Guard 17th District. "Strategically positioning our assets throughout the Arctic will also allow us to focus on preventing and rapidly responding to potential maritime incidents."

As part of operation Arctic Shield 2015, the Coast Guard will deploy cutters, aircraft and personnel to engage in operations encompassing a variety of Coast Guard missions from Dutch Harbor through the Bering Strait and along the North Slope including the Northern Alaska Outer Continental Shelf.

According to Grant DeVuyst, US Coast Guard spokesman, Nomeites saw the USCG icebreaker and research vessel *Healy* in Nome's roadstead on Tuesday. It is on a research

mission to the Arctic Ocean and stopped in Nome for a crew change.

There will be several buoy tenders coming in and out of Nome to work on aids in navigation in the region. In July and August, the Coast Guard will also continue to offer dockside exams for the gold mining fleet.

A few weeks ago, the Coast Guard conducted an oil spill response training in Kotzebue in cooperation with the Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation and the Kotzebue Search and Rescue team.

Alaska has unique challenges with vast distances, extreme weather, limited infrastructure and remote regions. Increased commercial activity transiting the Bering Strait including energy and tourism industries will continue to significantly increase the demand for maritime preparedness in this remote region.

"The Coast Guard is committed to having a mobile and seasonal operational presence in the Arctic," said Abel.

Northern Alaska has severe shoreline erosion

In a new study published last week, scientists from the U.S. Geological Survey found that the remote northern Alaska coast has some of the highest shoreline erosion rates in the world. Analyzing over half a century of shoreline change data, scientists found the pattern is extremely variable with most of the coast retreating at rates of more than one meter, or three feet, a year.

"Coastal erosion along the Arctic coast of Alaska is threatening Native Alaskan villages, sensitive ecosystems, energy and defense related infrastructure, and large tracts of Native Alaskan, State, and Federally managed land," said Suzette Kimball, acting director of the USGS.

Scientists studied more than 1600 kilometers of the Alaskan coast between the U.S. Canadian border and Icy Cape and found the average rate of shoreline change, taking into account beaches that are both eroding

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these three lie away from the other the more skewed (untrue) the result.

On the old IOWA test this was the called 50th percentile, what an average student is expected to score on the test, a majority of students would have scores between the 25th and 75th percentile.

When results from the NAPE and the old SBA were compared there was an achievement gap on all subtests, the states cut scores were set too low and parents were informed their child was proficient, when in fact, according to the NAPE, they were not.

This is why the Alaska Measurement of Progress informational doc-

uments to the State Board of Education in June on the AMP testing cut scores are worrisome, they show the intent is once again to skew the Bell to the right. (Page 18 https://education.alaska.gov/State_Board/pdf/15-June-Packet.pdf)

Thus overinflating the amount of proficient students on the test.

Is that being Honest with parents and Lawmakers?

Is that being fair to the child?

Is that best for Alaska?

It is important to understand that intervention, remediation and retention all work in other states, but only if the data is not skewed.

Parents and Teachers can make good educational decisions, if given

truthful information.

I hope the attendees to the scoring meetings take their task seriously and follow one simple rule; if you do not like what the data is telling you, look at changing the system producing the data, do not manipulate the data to raise our students achievement.

Be Honest, Parents, Teachers and Lawmakers deserve the truth.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, July 9

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - noon
*Crafts and Library Activities (ages 8-13)	Kegoayah Kozga Library	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Summer Lunch Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	noon - 12:45 p.m.
*Summersize	Nome Rec Center	noon - 5:00 p.m.
*Weekly Women's Circle	Prematernal Home	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Summer Dinner Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering and Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, July 10

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Summer Lunch Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	noon - 12:45 p.m.
*Bering Land Bridge National Preserve: Junior Rangers	NPS Visitor Center	1:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
*Summer Dinner Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Adult 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, July 11

*Rec Center Closed Weekends Until Labor Day		
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
*2nd Annual Hammer on the Anvil: Running Race	Behind Beltz HS	10:00 a.m.

Sunday, July 12

*Rec Center and Pool Closed Weekends Until Labor Day

Monday, July 13

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Summercise	Nome Rec Center	noon - 5:00 p.m.
*Summer Lunch Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	noon - 12:45 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Summer Dinner Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Nome Common Council: Reg. Meeting	City Hall	7:00 p.m.
AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 14

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
*Library Story Hour (ages 3-7)	Kegoayah Kozga Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Summer Lunch Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	noon - 12:45 p.m.
*Summercise	Nome Rec Center	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, July 15

FIRST HALF CITY OF NOME PROBPETY TAX DUE		
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Bering Land Bridge National Preserve: Tundra Tots	NPS Visitor Center	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
*Summercise	Nome Rec Center	noon - 5:00 p.m.
*Summer Lunch Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	noon - 12:45 p.m.
*Bering Land Bridge National Preserve: Roving Ranger	NPS Visitor Center	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Summer Dinner Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY— Mayor Denise Michels addressed the crowd with a short speech before the street games began on Saturday, July 4, in Nome.

Photo by Diana Haecker

Federal money pays for Nome road improvements

By Maisie Thomas

The City of Nome is working with Nome Eskimo Community on an improvement project for 6th and N streets. Nome Eskimo Community qualified for federal funding for road design work through the Federal Highway Tribal Transportation Program. The goal of the program is to provide access to basic services in order to improve the quality of life for Native American people.

In 2009, the City entered into a memorandum of agreement with NEC for roadwork. Their first collaboration was on drainage improve-

ments on the West side of town in 2013. However, the work being done on 6th and N streets is the first large-scale project paid for with the federal funding.

According to City Manager Josie Bahnke, the Nome-based road crew is working to improve drainage, realign water lines and resurface the roads.

The project started in the second week of June, and the crew, many of whom are also part of other construction sites such as the Anvil City Square playground, worked around the clock. Overtime wages were an

added expense, but Bahnke says it was well worth it for a quick completion date. If the weather continues to cooperate, the work should be finished by the end of this week. However, the completion of this project may not mark the end of Nome Eskimo Community and City of Nome work for this summer.

According to Bahnke, the budget for the construction was \$700,000, and if there is any money left over they would like to do maintenance on storm drains around town as well as other road improvements such as paving.

• Wildfires

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Unalakleet fires were dying out, but a strong East wind rekindled them. The Egavik fire is about 12 miles Northeast of Unalakleet and provided the most severe threat to the community. However, according to Unalakleet resident Jeff Erickson, a shift of wind direction has caused the fire to turn around and burn back into itself – away from the river and village. There are not many structures in the area near the fires, and the only loss so far was one cabin. According to Erickson, the main concern is that the fire will “jump” the river and move toward the Covenant Bible Camp and village.

The other very large fire is the Old Woman fire, about 30 miles to the East. This fire is considered much less of a danger due to the greater distance from Unalakleet. The fire threatened a few shelter cabins, but Bureau of Land Management stepped in and was able to protect them by clearing a perimeter around the buildings. The fires are too big to stop, but the entire community came together to clear brush around the village to deter the blaze. “It’s an Alaskan wildfire, you just have to let it burn itself out,” says Erickson. But just because the fire cannot be put out does not mean it cannot be controlled.

Along with the Unalakleet Fire

Department, the Unalakleet Joint Response group has been instrumental in protecting the village. The group was formed two years ago to protect the village from a flood, and has been coming together when necessary ever since. The City of Unalakleet, Unalakleet Native Corporation, the Village of Unalakleet, the Department of Transportation as well as several other organizations and churches pool resources and come up with a list of ways to protect the village. This includes taking inventory and preparing for evacuation, if necessary.

Like the Unalakleet fires, the Koyuk fire will only pose a problem if it crosses the Koyuk River. According to the BLM, it is about 18 miles from the village and is currently being monitored. Thus far, the fires near Koyuk have not destroyed any structures. Leslie Charles, crew boss of the Koyuk firefighting team, said that eventually they will need to create a fire line, an area cleared of all plant life, around the village for protection.

Both fires near Shaktoolik, the Ungalik and Shaktoolik, are described by the BLM as “running.” This means that they are moving, but are not encroaching on any structures. Though multiple residents commented on the smoke, neither fire is close enough to pose a threat to the village.

• NJUS

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bills it owed.

“Our accounts payable have been reduced to under \$1million. I expect them to be fully repaid in a couple of weeks,” Handeland said Monday.

To secure the line of credit from the City, NJUS had to sign a security agreement pledging collateral for the short-term financing that included all revenues received from federal and state grants and loans as well as revenues from sales of electricity, water and sewer services.

NJUS paid the City from grants reimbursements while issues within the outside agencies delayed some money.

On Tuesday the Nome Common Council was to meet in a special session to approve another financial collaboration with Nome Joint Utilities System—in effect, to co-sign a Wells Fargo Bank loan to NJUS for \$6 million to finance this year’s diesel fuel purchase.

The City and Vitus Marine have

entered an agreement for purchase of the 2015-2016 fiscal year fuel supply for NJUS generators. A term of the agreement is for the City to place in escrow an amount sufficient to pay the still undetermined purchase price for the fuel. The City will place the \$6 million borrowed from Wells Fargo in the escrow fund.

A follow-up agreement between NJUS and City of Nome would have the utility repay the City from its revenues for all payments the City makes to Wells Fargo. NJUS would provide updates on its utility receipts to the city manager. The agreement with Wells Fargo would likely include fines for late payments.

A temporary, but mild price increase on electric bills expired June 30.

So far, the NJUS Board of Directors has vowed to ferret out any waste or redundancies and continue to take a hard look at ways to save money and pare down the budget before setting another permanent price hike.

• Strait Action

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and expanding, was -1.4 meters per year. Of those beaches eroding, the most extreme case exceeded 18.6 meters per year.

“This report provides invaluable objective data to help native communities, scientists and land managers understand natural changes and human impacts on the Alaskan coast,” said Ann Gibbs, USGS Geologist and lead author of the new report.

Coastlines change in response to a variety of factors, including changes in the amount of available sediment, storm impacts, sea-level rise and human activities. How much a coast erodes or expands in any given location is due to some combi-

nation of these factors, which vary from place to place.

“There is increasing need for this kind of comprehensive assessment in all coastal environments to guide managed response to sea-level rise and storm impacts,” said Dr. Bruce Richmond of the USGS. “It is very difficult to predict what may happen in the future without a solid understanding of what has happened in the past. Comprehensive regional studies such as this are an important tool to better understand coastal change.”

Compared to other coastal areas of the U.S., where four or more historical shoreline data sets are available, generally back to the mid-1800s, shoreline data for the coast of Alaska are limited. The re-

searchers used two historical data sources, from the 1940s and 2000s, such as maps and aerial photographs, as well as modern data like lidar, or “light detection and ranging,” to measure shoreline change at more than 26,567 locations.

There is no widely accepted standard for analyzing shoreline change. The impetus behind the National Assessment project was to develop a standardized method of measuring changes in shoreline position that is consistent on all coasts of the country. The goal was to facilitate the process of periodically and systematically updating the results in a consistent manner.

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Standoff in Selawik ends with one man dead, one arrested

By Diana Haecker

After a nearly ten-hour, armed standoff and the death of 23-year old Wade Cleveland, 39-year old Christopher Cleveland surrendered to Alaska State Troopers in the village of Selawik, on Monday, July 6 at 2:30 p.m. and was taken into custody.

Troopers received a report at 4:42 a.m. that a man was shooting off a firearm, had barricaded himself in his residence in Selawik and that a dead man was on the ground outside the house. At the time it was unknown if there were hostages held inside the house. Troopers had advised community members in Selawik to stay clear of the scene.

According to a trooper dispatch, four troopers from Kotzebue, several members of the Alaska Bureau of Investigation and the Southcentral Special Emergency Response Team were sent to Selawik, a village about 90 miles southeast of Kotzebue. Be-

fore SERT arrived in Selawik, Cleveland surrendered. He was transported to Nome booked into Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

The remains of Wade Cleveland were transported to the State Medical Examiner's Office in Anchorage for an autopsy. Alcohol is suspected to be a factor in the incident. ABI is continuing to investigate.

Trooper spokeswoman Megan Peters could not confirm the cause of death and if Wade and Christopher Cleveland were related.

According to Courtview, Christopher Cleveland faces six charges, including Murder in the First Degree, Murder in the Second degree, Assault and Burglary in the First Degree.

The first felony appearance is scheduled for July 8 in the Kotzebue court, with Magistrate Judge Stephen Brady.



Photo by Diana Haecker

RUNWAY 10-28— Construction work to improve the runway safety areas on the main runway of Nome's airport continues this summer.

Construction continues on Nome Airport runways

By Maisie Thomas

Following orders from the Federal Aviation Administration, the Nome Department of Transportation and contractor Quality Asphalt Paving, QAP, will continue improvement construction on the runways of the Nome airport.

The RSAs, or runway safety areas - zones at the end of the runways - will be extended to comply with FAA regulations. Using a \$26 million budget from the state, the goal of the construction is to increase the RSA from 300 to 500 ft. Last year QAP worked on Runway 3-21, which runs North-South. This summer, they will tackle 10-28, the East-West runway.

The project started in April 2015 with the rerouting of the Snake River, which, according to QAP project engineer Matthew Schram, was a success. After a short hiatus, the work continued on May 31 with

a new base and asphalt laid on the runway.

Runway 10-28 will be closed every night from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. in order for the RSA to be graded. Throughout the night, trucks haul asphalt to the runway. This step in the process should be completed by July 15, at which point there will be no more closures. While it is closed, navigational devices that mark the runway will be deactivated and Runway 3-21, will be used instead.

Taxiway G, which connects the airport to the runway, closed from 8 p.m. on July 7 until 8 a.m. on July 12 for reconstruction as well. Work on taxiway G is the beginning of the next part of the project. The aprons, or areas where planes park, will also be reconstructed and paved. The Northeast apron includes the portion of the airport where Northern Air Cargo and Lynden are located. Construction on the Alaska Airlines

apron will start on August 3. In order to minimize disruption, work will only be done on half of the apron at a time; this way airlines can still utilize the space.

All dates are weather dependent, but the project is scheduled to be completed by the end of September.



Photos by Diana Haecker

HEALY— The US Coast Guard Cutter *Healy* anchored in Nome's roadstead on Tuesday, waiting for a crew change.

The Dock Walk

Rough seas kept the gold mining fleet from going to work toward the end of last week.

Harbormaster Lucas Stotts reports the following traffic in and out of Nome's port and the small boat harbor:

On June 30, Alaska Marine Lines (AML) landing craft *Sam Taalak* arrived. The tug and barge *Millie Cruz/ Baranof Provider* arrived and waited for dock space.

July 1, the AML tug and barge *Polar Cloud/ Aleutian Trader* arrive with freight. The research vessel *Norseman II* arrived and departed again after loading crew and gear. Brice Construction's tug and barge *Island Viking/ 282* arrived to load gravel.

On July 2, AML's landing crafts

Sam Taalak and *Nunaniq* departed with village freight. AML's *Polar Cloud/ Aleutian Trader* departed.

The NOAA survey vessel *Rainier* arrive to lay over for the weekend. It was to depart on July 7.

July 3, AML's landing craft *Nunaniq* arrived, took on village freight and departed again. Brice had the *Island Viking/282* depart with gravel.

On July 4, SKW's tug and barge *Millie Cruz/ Baranof Provider* departed with gravel.

On July 5, AML's *Sam Taalak* arrive and departed with village freight.

On July 6, KNIK's vessels *Arctic Bear/ Alaska Provider* anchored at Cape Nome to load rock.



ON A MISSION— The NOAA survey ship *Rainier* anchored at the West Gold Dock before sailing north to join its sister ship *Fairweather* on a survey mission in Kotzebue, Point Hope and Port Clarence.

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Clean Water Act, we have long protected these important resources under statutory and regulatory authorities. This new rule just creates confusion and unnecessary bureaucracy for our state."

The rule was placed in the Federal Register on June 29 and will be effective on August 28.

EPA's region 10 spokesman Mark McIntyre declined to comment on the lawsuit, but said in an email correspondence that the rule was meant to clarify, not to create confusion. "EPA and the U.S. Army are ensuring that waters protected under the Clean Water Act are more precisely defined and more predictably determined, making it easier and quicker for businesses and industry to understand and operate," McIntyre wrote. "The energy, utility, and development sectors will benefit from the greater clarity and certainty provided by the Clean Water Rule. Permitting requirements have not changed, including the availability of nationwide permits for linear utility projects, but the permit process will be more timely and predictable as covered and exempt waters are more clearly defined."

A Clean Water Act permit is only needed if a body of water is going to be polluted or destroyed. The new rule defines which waterways, streams and water bodies are covered by the Clean Water Act.

McIntyre wrote that the rule clearly defines and protects tributaries that impact the health of downstream waters. "The Clean Water Act protects navigable waterways and their tributaries. The rule says that a tributary must show physical features of flowing water – a bed, bank, and ordinary high water mark – to warrant protection. The rule provides protection for headwaters that have these features and science shows can have a significant connection to downstream water," he wrote. "The rule also protects waters that are next

to rivers and lakes and their tributaries because science shows that they impact downstream waters. The rule sets boundaries on covering nearby waters for the first time that are physical and measurable."

In a May 26 statement by President Barack Obama on the Clean Water Rule, he said that Americans rely on a clear Clean Water Act to have access to clean water to drink, have access to and recreate in. "One in three Americans now gets drinking water from streams lacking clear protection, and businesses and industries that depend on clean water face uncertainty and delay, which costs our economy every day," Obama said. "Too many of our waters have been left vulnerable to pollution. That's why I called on the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to clear up the confusion and uphold our basic duty to protect these vital resources."

Nome's water source is Moonlight Springs, located at the base of Anvil Mountain. EPA spokesman McIntyre could not provide information by press time to explain how the new rule will or won't affect the protection of Moonlight Springs or other drinking water sources in the Bering Strait and Norton Sound region.

According to supplemental information published in the Federal Register, the final rule does not establish any regulatory requirements. Programs established by the Clean Water Act, such as the section 402 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program, the section 404 permit program for discharge of dredged or fill material, and the section 311 oil spill prevention and response programs, all rely on the definition of "waters of the United States."

According to McIntyre, those definitions have been made more user-friendly. "A major goal in writing the rule is to make the process of identifying waters that are, and are

not, subject to the Clean Water Act easier to understand, more predictable, and quicker in order to save people time and money. Regarding the permit process where there is a proposal to discharge pollutants in a waters of the United States, current national statistics show that the significant majority of projects are approved under a section 404 general permit with little or no review," McIntyre wrote.

Forty-six states and the U.S. Virgin Islands have been authorized by EPA to administer the NPDES program under section 402, and two states, including Alaska, have been authorized by the EPA to administer the section 404 program.

For the Nome region, it is of interest how the new rule will affect mining operations. David Hobbie, Chief of the Regulatory Division at the Alaska District Army Corps of Engineers told The Nome Nugget in a phone interview that he doesn't expect the rule to affect existing mining permits at all. What it does, he said, is clarify for him and his staff jurisdictional issues and better defines the waters of the United States. This includes the ocean waters, and thus the Nome gold mining fleet, which is already regulated by Alaska Dept. of Natural Resources and Army Corps permits.

"This rule has no impact on projects that we already regulate," Hobbie said. Hobbie also does not anticipate permitting delays because the rule provides clarification of where the Army Corps' jurisdiction starts and ends. "Currently we issue 90 percent of permits in less than 120 days," he said.

The Alaska District of the Army Corps is in the process of absorbing the new information and is awaiting implementation guidelines to put the new rule into effect. Once those implementation guidelines have been issued, Hobbie expects to initiate public outreach to explain the rule to the permit-seeking public.

What the Clean Water Rule Does:

- Clearly defines and protects tributaries that impact the health of downstream waters. The Clean Water Act protects navigable waterways and their tributaries. The rule says that a tributary must show physical features of flowing water – a bed, bank, and ordinary high water mark – to warrant protection. The rule provides protection for headwaters that have these features and science shows can have a significant connection to downstream waters.
- Provides certainty in how far safeguards extend to nearby waters. The rule protects waters that are next to rivers and lakes and their tributaries because science shows that they impact downstream waters. The rule sets boundaries on covering nearby waters for the first time that are physical and measurable.
- Protects the nation's regional water treasures. Science shows that specific water features can function like a system and impact the health of downstream waters. The rule protects prairie potholes, Carolina and Delmarva bays, pocosins, western vernal pools in California, and Texas coastal prairie wetlands when they impact downstream waters.
- Focuses on streams, not ditches. The rule limits protection to ditches that are constructed out of streams or function like streams and can carry pollution downstream. So ditches that are not constructed in streams and that flow only when it rains are not covered.
- Maintains the status of waters within Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems. The rule does not change how those waters are treated and encourages the use of green infrastructure.
- Reduces the use of case-specific analysis of waters. Previously, almost any water could be put through a lengthy case-specific analysis, even if it would not be subject to the Clean Water Act. The rule significantly limits the use of case-specific analysis by creating clarity and certainty on protected waters and limiting the number of similarly situated water features.

What the Clean Water Rule Does Not:

A Clean Water Act permit is only needed if a water is going to be polluted or destroyed.

The Clean Water Rule DOES NOT:

- Protect any types of waters that have not historically been covered by the Clean Water Act.
- Add any new requirements for agriculture.
- Interfere with or change private property rights.
- Regulate most ditches.
- Change policy on irrigation or water transfers.
- Address land use.
- Cover erosional features such as gullies, rills and non-wetland swales.
- Include groundwater, shallow subsurface flow and tile drains.

Source: EPA, <http://www2.epa.gov/cleanwaterrule>

FY 2016 budget signed into law

Last week, Governor Bill Walker signed into law House Bill 2001, the state's operating budget, and Senate Bill 26, the state's capital budget, for fiscal year 2016 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016).

With vetoes, the governor and lawmakers reduced the state's unrestricted general fund spending for fiscal year 2016 to \$4.95 billion, a reduction of \$1.1 billion, or 19 percent, from the fiscal year 2015 budget adopted last year.

The total spending for fiscal year 2016 will be \$12.1 billion.

Governor Walker used the line-item veto to reduce a \$700 million appropriation for refundable oil exploration expenditures to \$500 million. These are direct payments to oil companies that have no current tax liability. This has no impact on companies that are currently producing oil and gas.

"My administration is looking at cutting services to seniors and low-income Alaskans and freezing Medicaid rates; schools will be increasing class sizes; ferries are reducing services," Governor Walker said. "The state is tightening our belt and it's only right that we do the same with the payments to oil companies. I absolutely understand that the industry is the state's life blood. Unfortunately, in these fiscally challenging

times, everyone must be part of the solution."

Governor Walker emphasized that the \$200 million he vetoed from the FY2016 operating budget does not deny but rather delays those state expenditures.

"What this veto means is \$200 million will not be withdrawn from our savings this year," Governor Walker said. "We are honoring our word and will make those payments available over time. In the future, we need to look at a sustainable program of credits that incentivizes industry while protecting the state."

The minimum amount the state is required by law to have in the fund for fiscal year 2016 oil exploration expenditures is \$91 million.

The tax break for oil companies is for exploration activity only. The tax credits expected were estimated to total \$1.3 billion. In stark contrast, due to a dip in oil prices last year, the production tax paid into state coffers was only \$320 million.

Governor Walker also vetoed five items in SB 26, the capital budget, four of which do not impact projects.

The governor also vetoed a grant of \$175,000 to Arctic Power, a Washington D.C. lobbying effort. Governor Walker said he appreciates the good work done to date by Arctic Power, but believes that function can

be accomplished more effectively with existing resources.

Three of the vetoes have the effect of maintaining funding for projects that are not yet complete.

Those projects are the Department of Public Safety's Alaska Public Safety Information Network (APSIN) contract support, AOGCC gas reservoir depletion studies and some Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson facilities projects.

Despite the significant reduction of state spending by more than \$1 billion, it will not balance the state's budget.

"Even with this dramatic one-year reduction, we will use \$2.7 billion in savings to balance the budget," said Office of Management and Budget Director Pat Pitney.

Capital spending was reduced by 80 percent.

The only capital projects still going forward in the Bering Strait/Norton Sound area is the Gambell Airport pavement rehabilitation and lighting replacement at \$13.5 million.

As many of you may already know my son **Jens Hildreth** was diagnosed last February 2014 with Stage 4 Neuroblastoma Cancer. Between all his Chemos(6) his surgeries(3), Kidney Removal, A Stem Cell Transplant, High Dose Chemo, Dialysis, Turning Septic 3 different times, Having had a Coloscopy/Ileostomy bag for his bowel obstruction, Bowels corrected surgery 2/15, and most recently 12 rounds of Proton Radiation that took place in Seattle, WA, Jens next step is to start Accutane for 6 months starting here soon and run thru December. Jens will need to be seen every solid month in Anchorage by Oncology for Check ups, Lab checks, Nephrology Appts (to check on his one kidney) and Scans/MIBG/CT to make sure he is disease free. We are asking for donations to apply to a "travel fund" for these montly visits. Anything helps.

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Fish Report

By Jim Menard,
ADF&G Arctic Area Manager

CRAB:

The summer commercial red king crab fishery opened on June 29 and the fishery is off to a roaring start with nearly 60,000 pounds harvested through midday, Monday, July 6. To date 37 permit holders have registered for the open access fishery compared to 39 who registered for last year's summer fishery. The guideline harvest level (GHL) is 394,600 pounds of which 29,565 pounds is reserved for the CDQ fishery. Last year's GHL was 382,800 pounds.

SALMON:

Norton Sound

Sport Fishing: The retention of king salmon is prohibited until August 15 for all waters from Bald Head (Issac's Point) near Elim to Point Romanof. Any king salmon incidentally hooked while fishing for other species must be immediately released in the water.

Subsistence Fishing: Subsistence salmon fishing is closed from Cape Denbigh to Black Point. Limited subsistence fishing periods in the closed areas will be scheduled to coincide with favorable weather conditions to the greatest extent possible.

Commercial Fishing: All subdistricts are expected to have fishing periods this week targeting chum salmon. Preliminary Norton Sound salmon catches this season are 600 kings, 40,000 chums, 150 reds and 1,500 pinks by 100 permit holders. Early July projections indicate the chum harvest will exceed the department forecast of 70,000 to 100,000 chum salmon in the fishery. If the harvest exceeds 100,000 chums this season it will be the fifth time in the last six years. Previous to 2010 the last time there were at least 100,000 chums harvested in the Norton Sound commercial fishery was 1988.

Later in the week the department expects to announce a commercial fishing schedule for Subdistricts 2-4 (Golovin, Elim and Norton Bay) and the department will work with the buyer to schedule upcoming fishing periods for other subdistricts based on buyer capacity.

Unalakleet Subdistrict

Subsistence Fishing: (From 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Tuesday in marine waters with gillnets restricted to six inches or less; prior to publication, ED.) The department may open the fresh waters to beach seine periods this week with all king salmon required to be released in the water.

Commercial Fishing: (From 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Tuesday with gillnets restricted to six inches or less; prior to publication, ED.)

North River Tower – Camp J.B. - Escapement goals: King 1,200-2,600; Chum-No goal established; Pink 25,000; Silver 550-1,100 (aerial survey goal) – cooperative project; NSEDC with assistance from Fish & Game.

Cumulative counts through July 4 were 250 kings, 1,500 chums and 200 pinks. The average historical first quarter points at the tower are July 6 for kings, July 11 for chums and July 15 for pinks.

Unalakleet River Floating Weir – No weir escapement goals yet established – cooperative project; Fish & Game, Native Village of Unalakleet, United States BLM and NSEDC. Major funding provided by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – Office of Subsistence Management.

Cumulative counts through July 4 were 85 kings, 10,000 chums, 300 pinks and 50 sockeyes. The project started in 2010 and counts are comparable to previous years.

Shaktoolik Subdistrict

Subsistence Fishing: (From 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Tuesday in marine waters with gillnets restricted to six inches or less; prior to publication, ED.) The department may open the fresh waters to beach seine periods this week with all king salmon required to be released in the water.

Commercial Fishing: (From 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Tuesday

with gillnets restricted to six inches or less; prior to publication, ED).

Shaktoolik Tower – No escapement goals yet established – cooperative project; NSEDC with assistance from Fish & Game.

Cumulative counts through July 4 were 260 kings, 4,400 chums and 2,300 pinks. King and chum counts are well below last year for this time period.

Norton Bay Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Next period is from 6 p.m. Tuesday until 6 p.m. Thursday with gillnets restricted to six inches or less.

Inglutalik River Tower – No escapement goals established – A cooperative project between NSEDC and Fish & Game.

Cumulative counts through July 4 were 600 kings, 4,200 chums, and 700 pinks. Counts should be considered minimal because fish are being missed during large tidal surges at the counting site.

Elim Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Next period is from 6 p.m. Tuesday until 6 p.m. Thursday with gillnets restricted to six inches or less.

Kwiniuk River Tower – Camp Joel - Escapement goals: King 300-550; Chum 11,500 – 23,000; Pink 8,400; Silver 650-1,300 (aerial survey goal). Fish & Game project with assistance from NSEDC.

Cumulative counts through July 4 were 45 kings, 17,000 chums and 150 pinks. The average historical midpoints at the tower are July 6 for chums, July 9 for kings and July 22 for pinks.

Golovin Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Next period is from 6 p.m. Tuesday until 6 p.m. Thursday with gillnets restricted to six inches or less.

Fish River Tower – No escapement goals established – cooperative project; NSEDC with assistance from Fish & Game.

Cumulative counts through July 4 were 1,000 kings, 27,000 chums and 500 pinks. This is the second year of the Fish River project. No comparisons are possible with last year's Fish River counts because only one counting tower of the two counting towers was operational last year until mid-July. Past radio telemetry projects show approximately one-third of the chum salmon would be bound for Niukluk River and a preliminary projection shows that the previous Niukluk River tower chum salmon escapement goal will be reached this year.

Nome Subdistrict

Subsistence Fishing: The subsistence set gillnet schedule in the marine waters west of Cape Nome is from 6 p.m. Wednesday until 6 p.m. Saturday. The marine waters east of Cape Nome are open seven days a week. There are no catch limits when fishing in marine waters. The fresh water subsistence area set gillnet schedule was from 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Wednesday and from 6 p.m. Thursday until 6 p.m. Saturday. Beach seining is allowed at the same time gillnetting is allowed in both the marine waters and fresh water subsistence areas. Check the back of the subsistence permit for the catch limits that vary by river.

Commercial Fishing: The department is coordinating with the buyer for a commercial salmon fishing period as soon as possible east of Cape Nome.

Eldorado River Weir - Escapement goal: Chum 6,000 – 9,200 – cooperative project; NSEDC with assistance from Fish & Game.

Cumulative count through July 4 was 3,067 chums and 2 pinks. The chum escapement has exceeded the escapement goal range for five consecutive years and is now projected to exceed the range again this year. The average historical first quarter point at the weir is July 10 for chum salmon.

Nome River Weir - Escapement goal: Chum 2,900 – 4,300; Pink 3,200 – Fish & Game project with assistance from NSEDC.



Photo by Jim Menard, ADF&G

GOOD START – ADF&G reports that the commercial summer red king crabbing is off to a good start with 60,000 pounds harvest by Monday, July 6. Crab are delivered to the Norton Sound Seafood Plant, where the harvest is processed for shipment.

The weir was fish tight on July 2 with a cumulative count through July 4 of 1 chum and 1 pink.

Snake River Weir - Escapement goal: Chum 1,600 – 2,500 – A cooperative project between Fish & Game and NSEDC.

The weir was fish tight on July 4 with the first chums passing in the early morning of July 5.

Solomon River Weir – No escapement goals yet established – Fish & Game project.

Cumulative count through July 4 is 26 chums.

Glacial Lake Weir - Escapement goal (aerial survey): Sockeye 800 – 1,600 – A cooperative project between and Fish & Game and NSEDC.

A video system is used and the weir was fish tight on June 24. The video was swapped out on June 30 and salmon count through June 27 is 397 sockeyes.

Port Clarence District

Pilgrim River Weir - Escapement goal (aerial survey at Salmon Lake & Grand Central tributary to Salmon Lake): Sockeye 4,000 – 8,000 – Cooperative project; NSEDC with assistance from Fish & Game.

The weir was fish tight on July 2 with a count through July 4 of 1 king, 84 chums and 32 sockeyes. The average historical first quarter point for sockeyes through the weir is July 12.

Kotzebue

One buyer has registered and a second buyer has expressed interest. The expected opening date for commercial fishing is July 10.

Kobuk River Test Fish - Fish & Game project.

The project is scheduled to begin in mid-July.



Photo by Diana Haecker

READY – According to ADF&G, 37 fishermen registered for the open access fishery for red king crab this summer.

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STRONG HISTORY— Reindeer herding has been an important part of Brevig Mission’s culture for over 120 years.

Brevig herders drive reindeer to Grantley Harbor corral

Photos and story by Keith Conger

Leonard “Sulook” Olanna sat in his white-walled, summer fish camp tent on the north side of the channel that separates Grantley Harbor from Port Clarence late Wednesday evening, waiting for news. He was working on a cup of coffee when his cell phone rang. Moments later he announced to the semi-circle of family members seated around the cen-

tral wood stove that his crew had driven his reindeer to Piktaruk, a lake just west of Brevig Mission. Pauline Olanna, Sulook’s wife, offered the visitors another cup of her “cowboy coffee.” She stated that although the crew was well ahead of schedule, this would still be a late night. Sulook had sent his brother Michael and two young nephews, James Olanna and Elmer Seetot III,

out on ATV’s at three o’clock that afternoon to round up his herd. He initially expected them to return at about seven or eight o’clock the next morning, but this update indicated they would surely arrive before.

Outside, thick, dark clouds made it look more like autumn than less than two weeks past summer solstice. Inside, Sulook waited patiently for his younger sibling, and told a story about how, when he was growing up, elders have predicted that the weather would change in the future. The Port Clarence area has been experiencing much less favorable conditions during the summers since he was a boy, he said.

The cold winds from across the bay are not so good for filling fish racks, but they are perfect for “pushing” reindeer along the north side of the harbor since the animals like to follow the wind, said Sulook. The Kakaruk herders from Teller favor north winds when they corral their deer.

The expectant herder began seeing headlights of three machines in the distance around 1:00 a.m. Thursday morning as they pushed the herd toward the spit of land that lies across from Teller. At about 1:30 a.m., Sulook received a call saying that one of the machines had suffered a flat tire, but that would not prevent them from arriving shortly.

When the lights were about a mile away, the Olannas and their family members quietly crept out from several tent sites that line the steep beach near a row of abandoned

buildings. These dilapidated structures are known as “Plant,” because they once were part of the Lomen reindeer processing business back in

the 1920’s and 30’s. While Sulook and a few men headed stealthily toward the wire *continued on page 9*



REINDEER BROTHERS— Leonard Olanna, left, watches his brother Michael Olanna prepare a reindeer for ear-tagging at their corral on Thursday.



PROPRIETARY TAG— A reindeer sports white ear-tag 145 displaying Olanna ownership.

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THE WORLD'S BEST— James Olanna, right, and Sharosha Tocktoo expertly bring two of Leonard Olanna's reindeer to the ground for ear-tagging on Thursday. Leonard's wife Pauline, back right, and daughter Anna stand by.

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fence that serves as an outside border of the corral, Pauline lead the women and children to the old, vacant and windowless Lomen cook-house where they would watch the action unfold.

Michael and his partners gradually maneuvered the herd south along the lake behind the camps and worked a tricky creek crossing. When the tightly-packed bunch entered the first wire-bound funnel, helpers ran out from their hiding places to move the reindeer deeper into their first holding pen, while Sulook and a few of the men moved fencing into place to create an enclosure.

Their clocks read 3:15 a.m. by the time the reindeer were moved into one of the steep-walled "pockets" of the main corral, where they would spend the night.

The signal for Thursday's work came when the plane flew over head carrying Clarissa Eide, one of Kawerak Inc.'s Natural Resources Department reindeer-tally people. It took Eide, who is a distant cousin to Sulook, less than an hour to land, and make the nearly seven-mile ATV trip from Brevig Mission to Plant. While they waited, Sulook and Pauline calmly cut several fish they had caught in their net during the night, placing most in their drying racks, and putting two aside for a post-herding meal.

Reindeer assistant Johnny Seetot opened the outside corral door letting the first reindeer move through the narrow, V-shaped chute at approximately 12:30 p.m. Chute workers would steady each animal and make note of its ownership by observing the unique notching pattern that had been placed on its ear, or by looking for color-coded proprietary tags.

Each animal's transfer would bring a loud shout from Sulook such as "Olanna bull," for a white ear-tagged male owned by Sulook, or "maverick female" to denote a previously unmarked animal.

Eide loudly echoed each call, marking her tally seconds before one of Sulook's reindeer handling team grabbed the animal and wrestled it to the ground. Adult men from the crew worked the larger animals, while younger teenaged boys grappled with the fawns. The reindeer would be marked and tagged, if needed, and

grown deer would have their antlers cut off for sale.

Just about an hour had elapsed between the first and last deer moving through the chute. Eide was impressed by the group's organization. Her final tally showed that 110 deer passed through the chute, which included one from the Kakaruk herd, and one from the Noyakuk herd. Thirty-three fawns received the white ear-tag of the Olanna herd.

After the event's conclusion, a weary Michael sat resting in his and his wife Bessie's tent. He looked forward to a well-earned meal of "guak," (boiled walrus skin and blubber), and "ungiimaq," (half-dried salmon). Michael was glad to have brought reindeer to the corral, but lamented not bringing in the entire herd. He explained that a large group split off as he and his helpers were pushing the reindeer across the Don River, some 15 miles west of Plant.

Sulook and his siblings grew up around reindeer, as their father Ward was once a herder. In 1994, about a decade after Ward's passing, Sulook was able to reestablish the herd through the help of Tom Gray of White Mountain, who lent him around 450 head.

Sulook recalled the challenges of bringing animals 30 miles a day through the tree-filled lands between White Mountain and his family's grazing areas that lie west and north of Brevig Mission. This past winter he received 180 animals from the Kakaruk herd in exchange for the use of his corral. Sulook says that after 20-plus years of herding he is ready to turn the management of the operation over to Michael.

In an interview in Nome on Saturday, Greg Finstad had high praises for Sulook and Michael's endeavors. Finstad is an Associate Professor and the Program Manager of the Reindeer Research Program, an affiliate of UAF's Northwest Campus in Nome. He has been working with reindeer in the region since 1982, a year after the program's inception. It's not easy for one herder to get deer from another, he explained, since females get used to, and return to, familiar calving grounds.

"These are the world's experts," said Finstad in recognizing the fine

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KUGLUK— Rita Olanna of Brevig Mission points out a freshly tagged reindeer fawn to her startled great-granddaughter Ashley Olanna on Thursday outside the corral on Grantley Harbor.



APPRENTICE— RJ Brunns works to bring a reindeer fawn to the ground for ear-tagging. He was helping out at Leonard Olanna's corral on Thursday.



PUSHING DEER— Michael Olanna and two of his helpers use ATV's to push part of the Olanna reindeer herd toward the corral on Grantley Harbor early Thursday morning.



TAKE DOWN— Henry Olanna, far left, watches Phillip Tocktoo work a reindeer fawn to the ground for ear-tagging.

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reindeer husbandry skills of the Olanna brothers and their workers. “Leonard and his crew are good at it. It’s like watching a dance. They make it look easy, but it is not. They are able to put large animals to the ground with little chance of injury to the animal or the person. They are the best in the world.”

Finstad sees reindeer herding as a great vehicle for progress in the village. “Herding builds a connection with the land,” he says. “The pre-production is very compatible with the ecosystem. Socially, reindeer herding is very good. It builds excitement and is a good, positive experience.”

Reindeer herders have a storied history in this part of the Seward Peninsula. When deer were first brought to mainland Alaska from Siberia, they were put in the waters off Port Clarence and swam to shore. Finstad says the natural boundaries of the thin peninsula made it a perfect place to gather the reindeer for movement to other locations.

The original herd was moved to the Teller Reindeer Station, near present-day Brevig Mission. Two years later Norwegian Lapland herders (now known as Saami) were imported to train the native people of Grantley Harbor in reindeer management since instruction from the Siberians had proven unproductive. Their participation was contingent

upon the presence of a Norwegian Lutheran pastor. Tolaf Larson Brevig, also known as T.L., who had been living in Madison, Wisconsin, was not only hired as a minister, but as one of the Reindeer Station’s first superintendents.

Teller Reindeer Station can be thought of as the birthplace of reindeer herding in Alaska. In an excerpt from his journals, Brevig once wrote, “Port Clarence, the closest harbor to Siberia whence the reindeer were acquired in 1892, has been the landing place for the reindeer, which year after year have been brought over by the U. S. Cutter *Bear* (Captained by M.A. Healy). From Teller Reindeer Station for many succeeding winters, herds of reindeer have been sent across the frozen tundra to newly established reindeer stations in Alaska.”

In 1903 the name Teller Reindeer Station was changed to Teller Mission to reflect the Lutheran missionary efforts. Some years later the name was further revised to Brevig Mission to avoid U.S. Postal Service confusion between Teller and Teller Mission.

At the time of this printing, Michael and his crew had located another 250-300 of their reindeer, and were planning another journey to bring them back to the corral at Plant.



THERE ONE GOES— Lenora Olanna holds young Caroline Tocktoo who is not sure what to make of the reindeer that just streaked by.

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AND THEY'RE OFF— Participants in the four to six year-old bike race blast down Front Street in Nome towards the finish line.

Photo by Diana Haecker

Sun shines on Nome's Fourth of July celebrations

By Diana Haecker

Nearly 70°F, bright blue skies and a slight breeze to keep the mosquitoes at bay provided the perfect weather for Nome's Fourth of July festivities that began with the annual Anvil Mountain Run at 8 o'clock. (See story on page 20)

Nomeites came out in droves to watch the Fourth of July Parade kick off the celebration of the nation's 239th Independence Day, celebrated for the 116th year in Nome.

The local Nome Police Department led the parade starting near Subway on Front Street and moving west toward Bering Street. Floats in Red, White and Blue included the local chapter of the Alaska Miner's Association, followed by a comparatively smaller fleet of miners than usual.

There were trucks, 4-wheelers and Radio-Flyer wagons decked out in patriotic colors. The Nome St.

Lawrence Island dance group danced traditional dances while participating in the parade. Finally, a steady flow of candy was thrown from the Nome Volunteer Fire Department fire engines and fire trucks. Once the parade was over, the crowd gathered around the podium set up in front of City Hall to hear a blessing from Pastor Dan Ward. Jill Nederhood sang the National Anthem and Jackie Reader performed the Alaska State Song. Mayor Denise Michels reminded the crowd of the significance of this day before Erin Lillie announced the Rotary Club Citizen of the Year award winner: Jim West Jr. Lillie said the award is given to a Nomeite each year who goes above and beyond in service to the community. However, Jim West Jr. was not present to receive the award.

With that, City Clerk Tom Moran opened Front Street to the annual street games, sponsored by the City

of Nome. Former mayor Leo Rasmussen set up his ladder, placed a cushion on top, took a hold of the microphone and the games began. There were tricycle races, bike races – both fast and slow – foot races, wheelbarrow races, stilt, 3-legged and gunny sack races; there was crowd-pleasing shoe scramble race and the egg races, which left Front Street looking like a giant frying pan with eggs splattered all over. The grand finale was the Herbie Locke Memorial Pie Eating contest, leaving contestants with remnants of pie cream, peach and raspberry smeared all over their faces. This year, West was not pitched against the East as there was no rope-pulling contest. (See official results on page 13)

The crowds then headed up Bering Street to the traditional ice cream feed at the Fire Hall, sponsored by the Nome Volunteer Fire Department.



Photo by Diana Haecker

KIDS FUN— Caitlin Miller, right, celebrates with her brother William after he took first place in the four to six year old bike race while Paige and Amy Gustafson look on.



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MO MUD— George Leckband waves to the crowd during the Fourth of July parade in downtown Nome.



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HAPPY FOURTH— Allison Komonaseak celebrated her birthday on July Fourth.



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PARADE NOME STYLE— Members of the Nome-St. Lawrence Island Dance Group performed in front of the Nome City Hall after the Independence Day Parade.

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FOOT RACES— Little feet took to the road in the kids' foot races on Front Street in Nome.

Photo by Keith Conger



PIE EATING CONTEST— Participants in the Pie Eating contest were surrounded by spectators in Nome.

Photo by Diana Haecker



SHOE SCRAMBLE— James Horner, right, was second to the pile and first to the finish during the shoe scramble. Leif Erikson, middle, was the third place finisher, with Bolu Ayowole-Obi, left, coming in second place.

Photo by Diana Haecker



FIRST ONE DONE— Cody Aya was the first one to finish his desert during the Herbie Locke Memorial Pie Eating Contest.

Photo by Diana Haecker



THREE LEGGED RACE— Ryan Outwater, right, and Jelsey Gologergen participated in the 3-legged race on Independence Day in Nome.

Photo by Diana Haecker



BIKE RACES— Michael Lyon won the 18-35 year old boys bike race.

Photo by Keith Conger



Photo by Diana Haecker
SMALLEST BIKE— James Erickson participated in the slowest bike race with what looked to be somebody else's bike.



Photo by Keith Conger
THREE-LEGGED RACE— Liz Luce, left, and sister Jessica Blandford kept a steady rhythm, resulting in a third place in the three-legged race.



Photo by Diana Haecker
GUNNY SACK RACES— The competition was fierce in the 16 and over mixed Gunny Sack race with Junior Samuels taking first place.

Governor Walker appoints Marijuana Control Board members

Governor Bill Walker last week appointed members to the newly created Marijuana Control Board. In April, the Alaska Legislature passed House Bill 123, which established the Marijuana Control Board.

The board is tasked to develop regulations covering marijuana cultivation, processing and commercial sale. The board includes representatives from the public health and safety sectors, industry and rural Alaska. According to the transition language in HB123, general public seats will not be appointed until after the first terms of the initial board members expires.

Appointed to fill the public safety seat is Peter Mlynarik of Soldotna. Mlynarik has been the Chief of Police in Soldotna since 2012. Prior to joining the City of Soldotna, he spent over 20 years with the Alaska State Troopers.

Appointed to the public health seat is Loren Jones of Juneau. Jones is currently a City and Borough of Juneau assembly member, has a long history in the substance abuse and mental health arenas. He has also served as the director of the Alaska Division of Alcoholism and Drug

Abuse.

Mark Springer from Bethel was appointed to the rural seat. Springer has been an Alaska resident since 1976 and is recognized for his local government work in several rural Alaskan communities. He is a current member of the Bethel City Council and is active with the Alaska Municipal League.

Appointed to the two industry seats are Bruce Schulte from Anchorage and Brandon Emmett from Fairbanks. Per HB 123, the Governor needed to select two people for the initial appointments to the Marijuana Control Board with experience in the marijuana industry. This experience can be obtained through lawful participation in the marijuana industry or participation in an academic or advocacy role relating to the marijuana industry. Schulte has been a spokesman for both the Campaign to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol and the Coalition for Responsible Cannabis Legislation. He served as an information source to the Alaska Legislature during the 29th legislative session, and regularly provided testimony on multiple pieces of marijuana legislation. As a com-

mercial pilot and registered architect, Schulte is familiar with highly regulated trades.

Brandon Emmett has been involved in the legalization movement in Alaska as the Executive Director for the Coalition for Responsible Cannabis Legislation. He is also actively involved with the Fairbanks North Star Borough Mayor's Marijuana Work Group.

"I am pleased to announce these five appointees to the Marijuana Control Board," Governor Walker said. "They bring with them decades of experience in public health, business development and rural issues. With their different backgrounds and diverse skill sets, they will help shepherd in regulations for this new industry. Furthermore, we will be implementing the new board in an extremely cost-conscious way. We are utilizing existing staff to support the board and will only be hiring a small number of new positions."

The Alaska Department of Revenue estimates that tax revenues will generate between \$5.1 million to \$9.2 million in the first year of commercial sales.

Wade Hampton to be changed to Kusilvak Census area

The State of Alaska will rename the Wade Hampton census district in Western Alaska to Kusilvak Census Area.

Governor Walker sent a letter last week to John H. Thompson, the Di-

rector of the U.S. Census Bureau, informing him of the state's intention to officially change the name of the area in Western Alaska currently known as the Wade Hampton census district.

The census district stretches along the coast of the Bering Sea and up the Lower Yukon River, surrounding and encompassing the Village of

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4-6 Year Old Mixed, 25 yd: \$3 William Miller; \$2 Guy Goldsberry; \$1 Cole Crowe
7-10 Year Old Girls, 50 yd: \$3 Mecca Goldsberry; \$2 Carley Timons; \$1 Tori Gray
7-10 Year Old Boys, 50 yd: \$3 Max Gray; \$2 Son Erikson; \$1 Mitchel Ivanoff
11-13 Year Old Girls, 75 yd: \$3 Katie Smith; \$2 Olivia Timons; \$1 Daynon Medlin
11-13 Year Old Boys, 75 yd: \$3 Colin McFarland; \$2 Noah Hobbs; \$1 Tobin Hobbs
14-17 Year Old Girls, 100 yd: \$3 Sierra Tucker; \$2 Katie Kelso; \$1 Lupe Callahan
14-17 Year Old Boys, 100 yd: \$3 Leif Erikson; \$2 Gareth Hansen; \$1 Oliver Hoogendorn
18-35 Year Old Girls, 150 yd: \$3 Mylene Fagundes; \$2 Nancy Analook; \$1 Jessica Russell
18-35 Year Old Boys, 150 yd: \$3 Michael Lyon; \$2 Junior Samuels; \$1 David Stickle
36 & Over Girls, 150 yd: \$3 Megs Testarmata; \$2 Cher Kavairlook; \$1 Zonna Kunnuk
36 & Over Boys, 150 yd: \$3 Willy Hoogendorn; \$2 Patrick Callahan; \$1 Kirk Reynolds
61 & Over Mixed, 50 yd: \$3 Megs Testarmata; \$2 Frank Kavairlook Sr.

SLOWEST BIKE RACE

16 & Over Mixed, 50 yd.: \$3 Gary Kavairlook; \$2 Patrick Callahan; \$1 Lieudell Goldsberry

FOOT RACES

Under 2 Years Mixed, 10 yd.: \$3 Jamison Erickson-Ford; \$2 Jameson Alvanna; \$1 Aliyah Hensley

2-3 Year Old Mixed, 10 yd. \$3 Kaidynce Farrell; \$2 Lexi Blandford; \$1 Harry Barr

4-6 Year Old Mixed, 15 yd: \$3 Guy Goldsberry; \$2 Hunter Burmeister; \$1 Wyatt Jones
7-10 Year Old Girls, 50 yd: \$3 Cambria Bachelder; \$2 Alicia Michels; \$1 Natalie Tobuk
7-10 Year Old Boys, 50 yd: \$3 Connor Getz; \$2 Mitchel Ivanoff; \$1 Orson Hoogendorn

11-13 Year Old Girls, 75 yd: \$3 Kelly Lyon; \$2 Katie Smith; \$1 Justus Kowchee

11-13 Year Old Boys, 75 yd: \$3 Justin Tagle; \$2 Levi Getz; \$1 Colin McFarland

14-17 Year Old Girls, 100 yd: \$3 Mary Fiskeaux; \$2 Daynon Medlin; \$1 Sierra Tucker

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18-35 Year Old Girls, 100 yd: \$3 Liz Luce; \$2 Addy Ahmasuk; \$1 Jessica Blandford

18-35 Year Old Boys, 100 yd.: \$3 Junior Samuels; \$2 Michael Lyon; \$1 Jesse Blandford

36-60 Year Old Girls, 50 yd: \$3 Bridie Trainor; \$2 Lisa Leeper; \$1 Megs Testarmata

36-60 Year Old Boys, 50 yd: \$3 Willy Hoogendorn; \$2 Patrick Callahan; \$1 Lieudell Goldsberry

61 & Over Mixed, 25 yd: \$3 Joel Bachelder; \$2 Jim Adams; \$1 Megs Testarmata

WHEELBARROW RACE – 2 Per Team
All Ages, 25 yd.: \$3 Caitlin Miller & Peter Hansen; \$2 Landon Sherman & Jesse Blandford; \$1 Hani Lori & Patrick Callahan

STILT RACES

12 & Under, 25 yd. \$3 Tobin Hobbs
13 & Over, 25 yd: \$3 Teresa Johnson; \$2 Oliver Hoogendorn; \$1 Willy Hoogendorn

3-LEGGED RACES

8-15 Years Old Mixed, 50 yd: \$3 Star Erikson & Mary Fiskeaux; \$2 Bolu Ayowole-Obi & Gareth Hansen; \$1 Katie Smith & Clara Hansen

16 & Over Mixed, 50 yd: \$3 Junior Samuels & Jesse Blandford; \$2 James Horner & Oliver Hoogendorn; \$1 Jessica Blandford & Liz Luce

GUNNY SACK RACES

8-15 Years Old Mixed, 50 yd: \$3 Mary Fiskeaux; \$2 Justin Tagle; \$1 Walter Bell
16 & Over Mixed, 50 yd: \$3 Junior Samuels; \$2 James Horner; \$1 David Stickle

SHOE SCRAMBLE

11 & Under Mixed, 50 yd. and Back: \$3 Justin Tagle; \$2 Jason Otton; \$1 Natalie Tobuk
12-17 Years Old Mixed, 50 yd. and Back: \$3 James Horner; \$2 Bolu Ayowole-Obi; \$1 Leif Erikson

EGG RACES

12-17 Years Old Mixed, 50 yd: \$3 Leif Erikson; \$2 Gareth Hansen; \$1 Oliver Hoogendorn
18 & Over Mixed, 50 yd: \$3 Addy Ahmasuk; \$2 Jade Kauer

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PIE EATING CONTEST

Table #1 (All Ages Mixed, 8 Participants): \$3 Cody Aya; \$2 Lieudell Goldsberry; \$1 Bowaq Anowlic

Table #2 (All Ages Mixed, 8 Participants): \$3 Donald Smith; \$2 Bode Leeper; \$1 Oliver Hoogendorn

Table #3 (All Ages Mixed, 8 Participants): \$3 Gary Kavairlook; \$2 Aaron Motis; \$1 James Horner



Photo by Sandra Morgan

INDEPENDENCE DAY AT COTTONWOOD— Seasonal residents of the camps at Cottonwood north of Nome organized their own Independence Day Parade.



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INDEPENDENCE DAY SECURITY— Nomeites were in safe hands with Batman a.k.a Dean Hildreth and his helper Jens Hildreth patrolling the streets.

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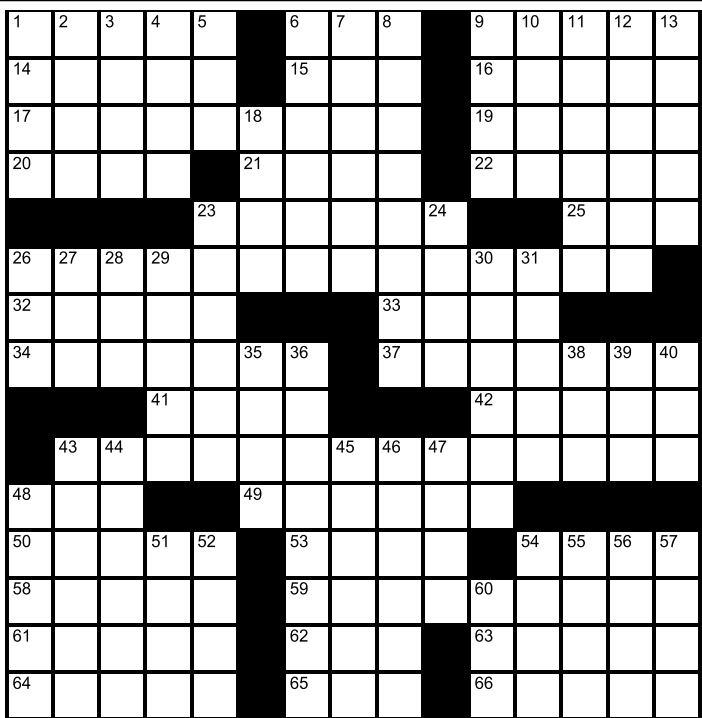
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LEADER OF THE PACK— A lone reindeer leads the rest of the herd during the roundup in Brevig Mission last week.



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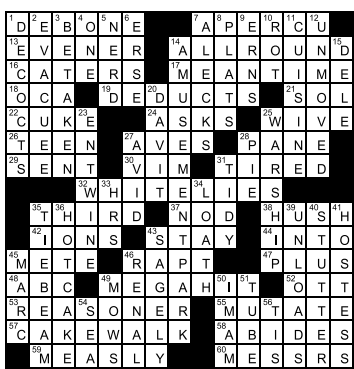
1. Flower
6. "Spy vs. Spy" magazine
9. Sphagnum and sedge
14. Blood carrier
15. Female sheep
16. Perplexed (2 wds)
17. Section between cerebrum and spinal cord (2 wds)
19. Provincial governor in Mogul India
20. Congers
21. Beethoven's "Archduke ____"
22. Boston newspaper
23. Keystones of arches
25. Propel, in a way
26. Performing worse than expected
32. "El Capitan" composer
33. During
34. Discharged from the body
37. Protozoa having hairlike appendages
41. Mysterious: Var.
42. Armour
43. Clarinet, e.g. (2 wds)
48. "Can't Help Lovin' ____ Man"
49. Cheesy snacks
50. About to explode
53. Filly's mother
54. Forum wear
58. Angers
59. Dish made with lamb, potatoes and onions (2 wds)
61. Assumed name
62. P.I., e.g.

63. Movie about cowboy life
64. Periodically repeated sequence of events
65. Artist's asset
66. Matter-of-fact and dry

Down

1. Honey
2. Elders' teachings
3. Face-to-face exam
4. "Miss ____ Regrets"
5. Adult male
6. Kind of unit
7. Raised
8. Fiendish
9. Qualm
10. And others, for short
11. In a faint
12. Small porous sack containing leaves for hot beverage (2 wds)
13. Cavalry weapon
18. Ancient colonnade
23. Packed into slatted wooden container
24. 18-wheeler
26. "It's no ____!"
27. Holiday drink
28. Payable immediately
29. Big Bertha's birthplace
30. Minute fingerlike projection on mucous membrane
31. Going to the dogs, e.g.
35. "____ Brockovich"
36. Nitroglycerine explosive
38. "____ Maria"
39. Big ____ Conference
40. "A jealous mistress": Emerson
43. Cautiously
44. Slanted typeface
45. Causing fright (var. spelling)
46. Three times
47. Some deer
48. Nobel Prize-winning English physicist
51. Blue hue
52. "____ quam videri" (North Carolina's motto)
54. Boris Godunov, for one
55. "Beetle Bailey" dog
56. Orders to plow horses
57. Not straight
60. Light springy jump

Previous Puzzle Answers



Summer Products

- Dog life jackets
- Bird dog training dummies
- Wild bird seed
- Bird feeders & bird houses
- No-smell waterproof collars
- Auto-water bowls
- Pooper scoopers

Nome Animal House

443-2490

M-F: 9am-6pm, Sat: 10am-2pm,
Sun: closed

HOROSCOPES

July 2015 — Week 2



Clean-up time, Capricorn. You may not have made the mess, but you will most certainly have to clean it up in order to move forward. A pal helps.



Money is always a worry, even with savings and small windfalls. Surely there is a better way, Aquarius. Look to a longtime mentor for the answer.



Face the facts, Pisces. What someone thinks and says are two different things. They could very well be trying to pull the wool over your eyes.



Dam, Aries. Just when you think you've got a handle on things at work, you're given new responsibilities. Delegation is key. A friend gets frank with you.



Perfection is highly desired but rarely attained. Do your best, reach for the stars, but don't be disappointed if you fall short. It happens, Taurus, more than you realize.



Competition is heating up at home. Bring it on, Gemini! A neighbor drops by for a few too many visits. Make yourself scarce and give them the hint.



Judge not, Cancer. You were young once, too. Blame less and guide more. A document reappears in the most unexpected of places. Ask questions later.



Lunatic you are not, Leo, but your behavior this week may make some wonder. Some risks are worth taking. It is as simple as that!



The fog lifts at home, and progress is made. Hooray, Virgo. A crass remark from a friend reveals the need to consult a professional.



Lady luck smiles on you, and you win big. Enjoy, Libra. A run-in with an old acquaintance uncovers an amazing opportunity. Go for it!



Too much, too little. There has to be a happy medium. Look for it, Scorpio. A film inspires introspection and meditation. Ah-ha! You've got it now.



Presto, Sagittarius. You see, you do, and you conquer. It's quick, simple and painless. Health and fitness goals are revamped. Go, go, go!

All Around The Sound

New Arrivals

Erik and Crystal Lie of Nome are proud to announce the birth of their son **Ledger Blanning Lie**, born on March 27 at 12:15 a.m. weighing 8 lbs. 13 oz. and 21 ½ inches long. His Inupiaq name “Nasruk” was given to him by his Great-Aana Minnie Gray of Ambler. Proud sisters are Rayne 16, Kastyn 13, Aralye 10, Nercyn “Benny” 6, Nyelle 4. Maternal grandparents are Jim and Leslie Blanning of Nome and the late Diane “Oupa” Warnke of Nome. Paternal grandparents are Aggie Jack of



Ledger Blanning Lie

Kotzebue and the late Steve Lie of Arizona.

Caleb and Sarah Weaver of Nome are happy to announce the birth of their son **Ryu David Weaver**. Ryu was born on May 22, 2015 at Providence Hospital, three weeks early, weighing 6 lbs. 4 oz. and measuring 19.25 inches long at birth. Ryu is the Weaver’s first child.



Ryu David Weaver

Regional students graduate from RAHI

After six weeks of challenging academics, community service and hands-on learning, 59 rural and Alaska Native high school students will be commended during the Rural Alaska Honors Institute graduation ceremony this week.

Among them are Christine Buffas of Nome, Nina Gavin of Buckland, Qaulluq Henry and Nyla Ivanoff, both of Kotzebue.

Kathy Milligan-Myhre, a 1989 RAHI alumna from Kotzebue, will be the ceremony’s keynote speaker. She earned her undergraduate and doctorate degrees in microbiology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. After completing postdoctorate study in Oregon, Milligan-Myhre will join the faculty at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Since UAF created the program in 1983 at the request of the Alaska

Federation of Natives, RAHI has prepared hundreds of rural and Alaska Native high school students to adjust academically and socially to college life.

While living in Fairbanks campus housing for six weeks, RAHI students take classes and earn up to 10 college credits. In addition to required classes in English, library science, emergency management team building, reading and study skills, traditional RAHI students choose

from electives in process technology, business, chemistry and math. Three times a week, students choose from karate, yoga or Alaska Native dance classes. RAHI Research students study organic chemistry and are paired with a mentor to perform research.

The graduation ceremony will take place at 1 p.m. on Thursday, July 9, in the Reichardt Building auditorium at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Salmon Patties

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

Makes 10 patties
Preparation Time: 35 minutes
Bake at 400°F for 20 minutes
Difficulty Level: Medium

Ingredients:
PATTIES:
1 Salmon filet
½ cup Yellow onion, chopped
½ cup Green onion, chopped
½ cup Panko (or plain bread crumbs)
1 tsp. Lemon pepper
2 Eggs
Non-stick cooking spray

GARNISH:
½ Avocado
½ cup Plain non-fat Greek yogurt

- Directions:
1. Spray a baking pan with non-stick cooking oil. Place the salmon filet on the pan and bake at 400°F for 20 minutes or until it flakes easily.
 2. While the salmon is baking, stir together the yellow onion, green onion, panko, and lemon pepper. In a separate bowl, mash the avocado and stir in the plain non-fat Greek yogurt for the garnish; set aside.
 3. After the salmon has finished baking, add it to the dry mixture along with the two eggs. Stir all the ingredients for the patties together. Divide into 10 separate patties.
 4. Heat a skillet on medium-high atop the stove; spray with non-stick cooking oil. Place patties in the skillet and heat for 3-5 minutes or until lightly browned. Flip the patties over and brown the other side. Remove the patties when both sides are lightly browned. Repeat until all the patties are cooked.
 5. Top patties with avocado garnish and enjoy!



Nutrition Facts

Serving Size	1 patty
Amount of Servings	10
Calories	98
Total Fat (g)	4
Saturated Fat (g)	1
Cholesterol (mg)	53
Sodium (mg)	176
Total Carbohydrate (g)	6
Fiber (g)	1.1
Protein (g)	9
Vitamin A (%)	2
Vitamin C (%)	3
Calcium (%)	5
Iron (%)	4



Steller Sea Lion in Shishmaref



Photo by Ken Stenek
RARE SIGHTING— This Steller Sea Lion was seen in Shishmaref last week. According to Gay Sheffield, UAF Marine Advisory Program Agent in Nome, this is most likely a subadult male.

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Hooper Bay and 19 other village communities.

“This area is a strong cultural region whose First People primarily speak Yup’ik,” Governor Walker said. “The original naming of this census district was completed over a century ago without the knowledge and consent of the area’s residents. The current name has no connection to the culture or the history of our land or people. I will instead recognize this district as the ‘Kusilvak Census Area’ to honor the wishes of its residents. Alaska’s place names should reflect and respect the diversity of our great state.”

Kusilvak is the name of a mountain range in Western Alaska, and is often referred to as the ‘Denali’ of the Lower Yukon Delta and coastal area.

The governing bodies of the Village of Hooper Bay, several state legislators from the region, and U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski all expressed support for the name change.

Fishing Reports.

Subsistence-Sport-Commercial

Hear the latest on fishing conditions in western Alaska with our daily fishing reports: Monday through Friday at 8:20 a.m., 12:20 p.m., 7:20 p.m. and 10:20 p.m., Saturdays at 11:20 a.m. and 3:20 a.m. and Sundays at 11:20 a.m. and 2:20 p.m.

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Church Services Directory

Bible Baptist Church
443-2144

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

Community Baptist Church-SBC
108 West 3rd Avenue • 443-5448 • Pastor Aaron Cooper
Sunday Small Group Bible Study: 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

Community United Methodist Church
West 2nd Avenue & C Street • 443-2865
Pastor Charles Brower
Sunday: Worship 11:00 am
Monday: Thrift Shop 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday: Thrift Shop 7:00 to 8:30 pm
Wednesday: Faith Followers 5:45 to 7:30 pm

Nome Covenant Church
101 Bering Street • 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey
Sunday: School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday: Youth Group 6:30 p.m. (443-8063 for more info)
Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church
5th Avenue & Bering • 443-5295
Sunday: Worship 11 a.m..
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side

River of Life Assembly of God
405 W. Seppala • 443-5333
Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Last Sunday of each month Worship: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Worship: 7:00 p.m.
For more information contact Pastor Austin Jones

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Corner of Steadman & W. King Place • 443-5527
Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Masses: Mon. & Tue. 9:00 a.m., Thur. 12:10 p.m.
Friday Hospital Mass: 12:10 p.m. (NSRH Meditation Room)
Patients going to ANMC and want to see a Catholic priest please call Fr. Brunet, OMI: cell 907-441-2106 or Holy Family Cathedral (907) 276-3455

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

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

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Deadline is noon Monday • (907) 443-5235 • Fax (907)443-5112 • e-mail ads@nomenugget.com

Employment

KNOM—Program Director

KNOM AM & FM in Nome, Alaska, is seeking a creative team-oriented management professional to join award-winning KNOM as Program Director. This position is responsible for day-to-day operation of KNOM's non-news programming. Interested candidates are encouraged to visit the knom.org website to download the job description and employment application, and gain insight into KNOM's mission and programming. The close date for this KNOM position is July 25, 2015. KNOM is an equal opportunity employer.

7.2-9-16

City of Unalakleet
Job Vacancy
Public Works Director

Summary: The Public Works Director oversees and provides leadership to all Public Works employees and operations in a safe and efficient manner with accordance to City policies and procedures, as well as coordinates department duties such as water, sewer, streets, the City shop, and the water plant. This is a supervisory position of the department head and works under the direction of the City Administrator. This position deals with a broad range of administrative duties, safety practices, and teamwork.

Qualifications: Commercial Driver's License (CDL), or able to obtain within 3 months. Level One Water Treatment Plant Operator Certificate, or able to obtain within 2 years of employment. Experience in operating heavy equipment. Knowledge of systems, structures, and operations for Public Works. Leadership and organizational skills.

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Salary: DOE, includes benefit package.
Duties and Responsibilities: See job description
Deadline: July 31, 2015 at 4:00 pm
A completed City of Unalakleet Application and letter of interest should be submitted to:
David Richards, City Administrator
City of Unalakleet
P.O. Box 28
Unalakleet, AK 99684
PH: (907) 624-3531
FAX: (907) 624-3130
EMAIL: counk@alaskan.com

The City of Unalakleet is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Deputy Clerk II
Alaska Court System
Nome, Alaska
\$3,967.00 Monthly
Closing Date: July 20, 2015

The Alaska Court System (ACS) is recruiting for a Deputy Clerk II for the Nome Clerk's Office. The selected applicant will serve as a front counter, jury, and small claims clerk. For More Information / How to Apply: Complete recruitment information is available on Workplace Alaska, <http://doa.alaska.gov/dop/workplace>. To view vacancies, go to the Job Opportunities section and select Court System. Applicants must submit a completed application through Workplace Alaska by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 20, 2015.

THE ALASKA COURT SYSTEM IS AN EEO EMPLOYER AND PROUDLY PROMOTES DIVERSITY

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Real Estate

Three city lots for sale.
Ideal location next to the elementary school and new hospital. Unobstructed view of the hills to the North. Block 118, Lots 2, 3, 4 (703, 705, 707 Greg Kruschek Ave otherwise known as the old By-Pass Road). \$47,500 each.
Please email nomerentals@yahoo.com for more information.

7.9-16-23-30

GOLD MINING CLAIMS FOR LEASE

140 onshore acres of patented mining claims for lease surrounding the Swanberg Dredge near Nome, Alaska. Submit interest level and onshore mining experience in the Nome area to: nomegoldclaims@yahoo.com

7.9-16

NOTICE OF SALE

Yukon Title Company, Inc., the present trustee under a deed of trust, gives notice that the property described below will be sold for cash at public auction at the front door of the Superior Court, 113 Front Street, Nome, AK on September 22, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. The property to be sold is described as follows: Lot 38A, Block 65A Re-subdivision of Lot 41, Block 65, NOME TOWN-SITE, according to the plat filed October 21, 1983 as Plat No. 83-29; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Property address: 114 W. Kings Place, Nome, AK 99762. The property is being foreclosed pursuant to a deed of trust the trustor of which is Edward H. Kelliher and the beneficiary of which is United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture. Said deed of trust was recorded November 18, 2008 as Instrument No. 2008-001822-0 in the records of the Nome Recording District. The amount owing to the beneficiary and secured by the deed of trust is two hundred twenty-five thousand six hundred seventy-seven and 66/100ths dollars (\$225,677.66) as of May 22, 2015 plus interest of \$24.10 daily from and after May 22, 2015, plus expenses incurred in foreclosure and in protecting the property. In this notice cash means currency of the United States, United States Post Office Money Orders, or a certified or cashiers check from a bank having a branch in the Nome Recording District.

Contact the beneficiary Rural Development at 800 Evergreen Ave., Ste. 201, Palmer, AK 99645 attn: Nancy Hayes for information regarding status of this foreclosure.

7.2-9-16-23

Legals

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 0-15-06-08 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY LAND USE PERMIT TO THE NOME KENNEL CLUB

This ordinance had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on June 8, 2015 and was passed to second reading/public hearing/final passage at the regular meeting of the Council scheduled for July 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.

6.18-25, 7.2-9

PUBLIC NOTICE
STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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

Applicant: Bering Marine Corporation

Plan Title: Bering Marine Corporation Oil Discharge Prevention and Contingency Plan

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

Maximum Cargo 466 barrels
Capacity:

Supporting Documents: Alaska CHADUX Corporation Technical Manual

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

Location of Activity: Aleutian, Bristol Bay, Western Alaska, Northwest Arctic, and North Slope regions.

Any person wishing to submit a request for additional information or provide comments regarding the application may do so in writing to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, 555 Cordova Street, Anchorage, AK 99501, by facsimile to 907-269-7687, or e-mail to martin.farris@alaska.gov.



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is now taking applications for one-bedroom unfurnished apartments (heat included; residents responsible for other utilities and cable if applicable). Applicants MUST BE 62 years of age OR disabled (3rd party verification required for disabled applicants.) Background/credit check required as well as previous rental references. Individual income determines monthly rent. Low income individuals' rent will be subsidized. Applications taken on a first-come, first-serve basis.

- Security Deposit \$500
- \$23.95 is required to perform background
- Wheelchair accessible/ADA units
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Phone (907) 443-5220 or email: gdavis.munaqsri@gmail.com

Legals

Requests for additional information must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. August 4, 2015. Comments will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. August 10, 2015. It is the responsibility of the commenter to verify e-mail submissions are received by the applicable deadline. The public comment period will be extended if necessary in accordance with 18 AAC 75.455(d) & (e).

Copies of the application are available for review at the department's Anchorage office at 555 Cordova Street and the Valdez office at 213 Meals Avenue, RM 17. Please call (907) 269-8487 to schedule an appointment.

If determined necessary by public comments received, the department will announce and hold public hearing(s) on the above referenced plan.

Residents in the affected areas or the governing body of an affected municipality may request a public hearing by writing to the department of Environmental Conservation, at the above address, within 30 days of publication of this notice.

The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Natalie Wolfe at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

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BSNC Nome Operations
has the following
open positions:

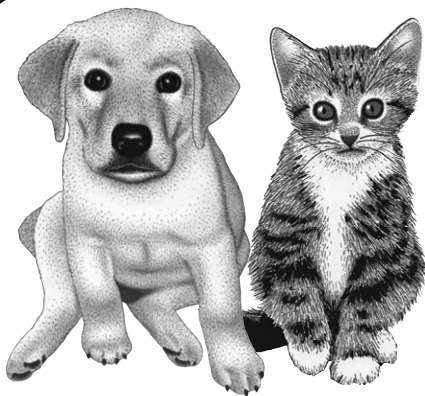


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Native Corporation

- Truck Drivers
- Construction Carpenters
- Laborers

All interested must apply online at www.beringstraits.com
For additional information, please contact
Jerald Brown or Peggy Hoogendorn at 443-5252.

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Dog food, cat food, cat litter and other donations are
always welcome at the Nome Animal Shelter!

Nome Animal Control & Adopt-A-Pet
443-8538 or 443-5262

Court

Weekday ending 7/1

Civil

Alaska Housing Finance Corp v. Tokeinna, Roberta L.; Eviction District Court
State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD v. Minix, George S.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend
Minor Party v. Tocktoo, Esther; Civil Protective Order
Kinok, Liudmila v. Ivanoff, Nikolai; Civil Protective Order

Small Claims

Rural Credit Services v. Scholten, Daniel; Small Claims

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Andy Penayah (8/23/814); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114193845; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Ann Janette Johnny (6/2/71); Dismissal; Count 1 – 11.41.230(a)(1), Assault In The Fourth Degree, Ann Janette Johnny – 001; Filed by the DAs Office 6/29/15.
State of Alaska v. Alton Walluk (9/17/55); Indecent Exposure; Date of Violation: 6/28/15; 1 day, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 1 day shall be served (CTS) with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Warren Elachik (10/28/79); 2UT-15-76CR CTN 01: Criminal Trespass; Date of Violation: 6/3/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 02, 04; 360 days, 300 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; 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 10/1/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol in any dry or damp community; Any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe he has consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause.

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State of Alaska v. Warren Elachik (10/28/79); 2UT-15-76CR CTN 03: Assault 4; Date of Violation: 6/3/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 02, 04; 360 days, 240 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; 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 10/1/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol in any dry or damp community; Any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe he has consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause.

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Classifieds

Honda ATV for sale:
2012 – 420 Rancher
2011 – 420 Rancher
2005 – 350 Rancher
Call 715-218-4298, make a offer.

7.9-16-23

WANTED—Muskox horn, moose/caribou antler, old ivory, Eskimo artifacts. Call Roger 304-1048 or email nomerog@hotmail.com.

2/26/2015 tfn

WANTED – Mark Knapp at The Cutting Edge in Fairbanks is buying legal ancient walrus ivory, musk ox horn, mammoth ivory and teeth. Very good prices.
907-452-7477, cuttingedge@gci.net.

5.14 – 8.27

Trooper Beat

(Through July 6)

Any charges reported in these press releases are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

On June 25, the Alaska State Troopers in Nome received a report of a 3-year-old child who was sexually abused. A suspect has been identified. The case is referred to a prosecuting agency.

On June 27, during a routine Sport Fish patrol on the Sinuk River near the Nome-Teller Highway, Nome Alaska Wildlife Troopers cited George Okbak, 22, of Nome, for Snagging Salmon - Fresh Water. Bail: \$260.

On July 1, at approximately 4:05 a.m., Alaska State Troopers in Unalakleet were notified of an assault that occurred in the village of Saint Michael. Investigation revealed Lyle B. Kobuk, age 29, of Saint Michael assaulted his girlfriend. Further investigation revealed Lyle was on conditions of release from a prior assault incident. Lyle fled the scene prior to Village Police Officer arrival but was arrested later on 07/01 for an arrest warrant stemming from this incident.

On July 3, at 1:15 a.m. the Alaska State Troopers received a report of an intoxicated person in Gambell. Polly Roberts, 63 of Gambell, was subsequently arrested for violating conditions of release and probation violation.

On July 3, at 1:30 p.m. the Alaska State Troopers in Nome seized three liquor bottles en route to Golovin via a local airline. A suspect has been identified. The importation of alcohol case will be forwarded to the State prosecutor.

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CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. O-15-03-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5.10.030 OF THE NOME CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCORPORATE THE MOST RECENT EDITIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE AND INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE

This ordinance had first reading at the rescheduled regular meeting of the Nome City Council on March 2, 2015 and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at the regular meeting of the Council on April 13, 2015, where it was then tabled until the regular meeting of the Council on May 11, 2015, where it was then tabled until the regular meeting of the Council scheduled for July 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.

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State of Alaska v. George Goldy (5/11/78); Assault 4; Date of Violation: 6/24/15; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Jamie Oozeva (9/23/79); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114191262; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Carson Oozeva, Jr. (7/18/88); Harassment 2; Date of Violation: 4/28/15; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 58 days suspended; Unsuspended 2 days have been 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 proba-

tion is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 1/24/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol in Gambell or Savoonga; Any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires.

State of Alaska v. Dawnelle Lisa Apangalook (1/11/76); CTN 001: Import Alcohol-Dry Area-Small Amount, AS 04.11.499(a)(misd); CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002: 150 days, 130 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 10/30/15, 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Fine: \$3,000 with \$0 suspended; Pay unsuspended fine through Nome Trial Courts by 5/31/17; 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 (date of judgment: 6/23/15); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol in any dry or damp community; Any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in her residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe she has consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause; Defendant's person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport enroute to local option community, by agreement; Shall submit proof of completion of 48 hours of Community Work Service; 6/23/17, if not submitted defendant agrees to serve 6 days in custody; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 9/1/15; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare including up to 30 days residential treatment; Forfeit alcohol and proceeds; Defendant also agrees that any probation violation evidence hearings requiring the participation of States witnesses may be accomplished telephonically.

State of Alaska v. Francis R. Ivanoff (9/11/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114801615; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Preston L. Bradley (10/28/91); 2UT-14-161CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114801093; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: to include defendant's obligated (illegible) restitution in 2UT-15-72CR pursuant to agreement; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to 2UT-15-72CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

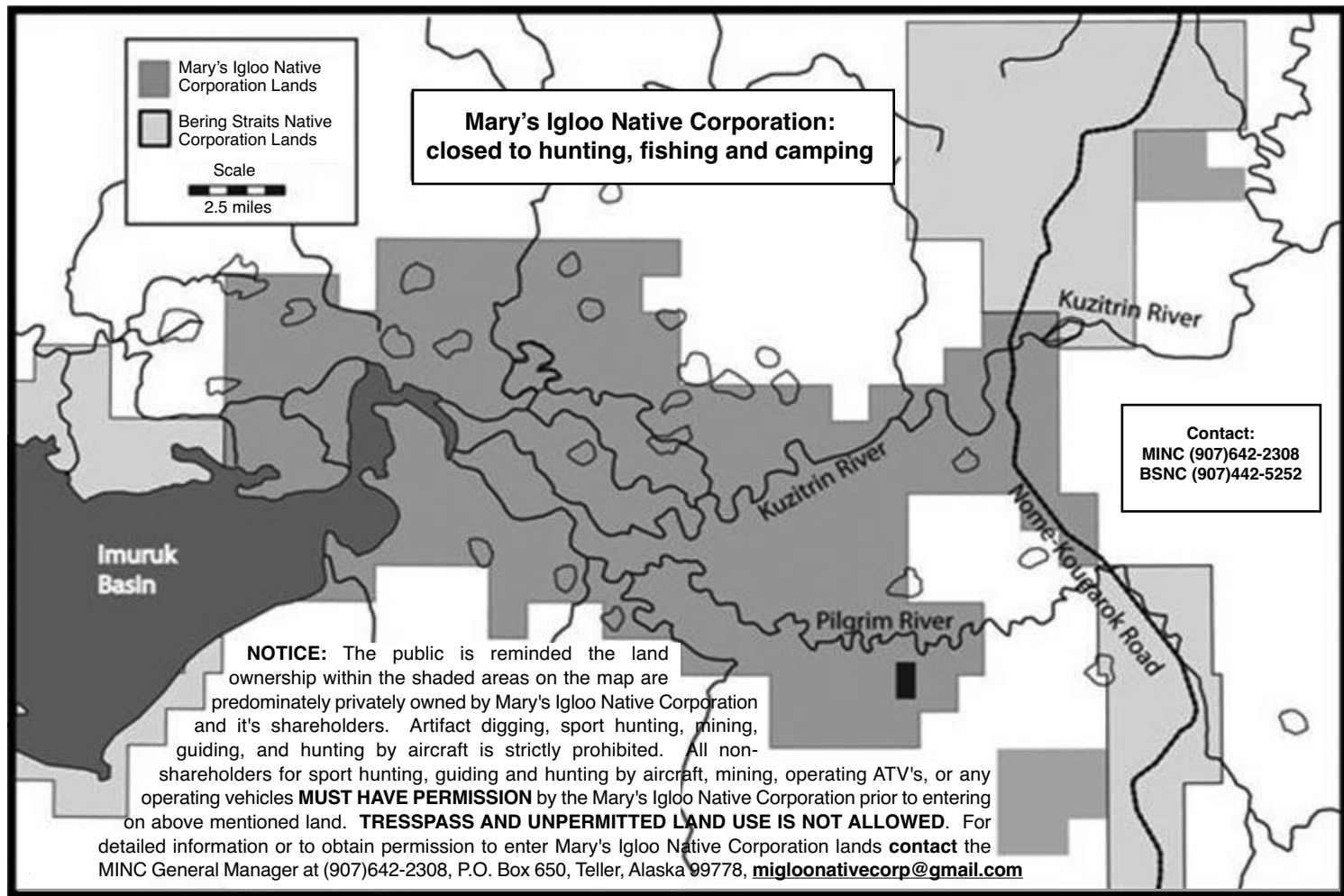
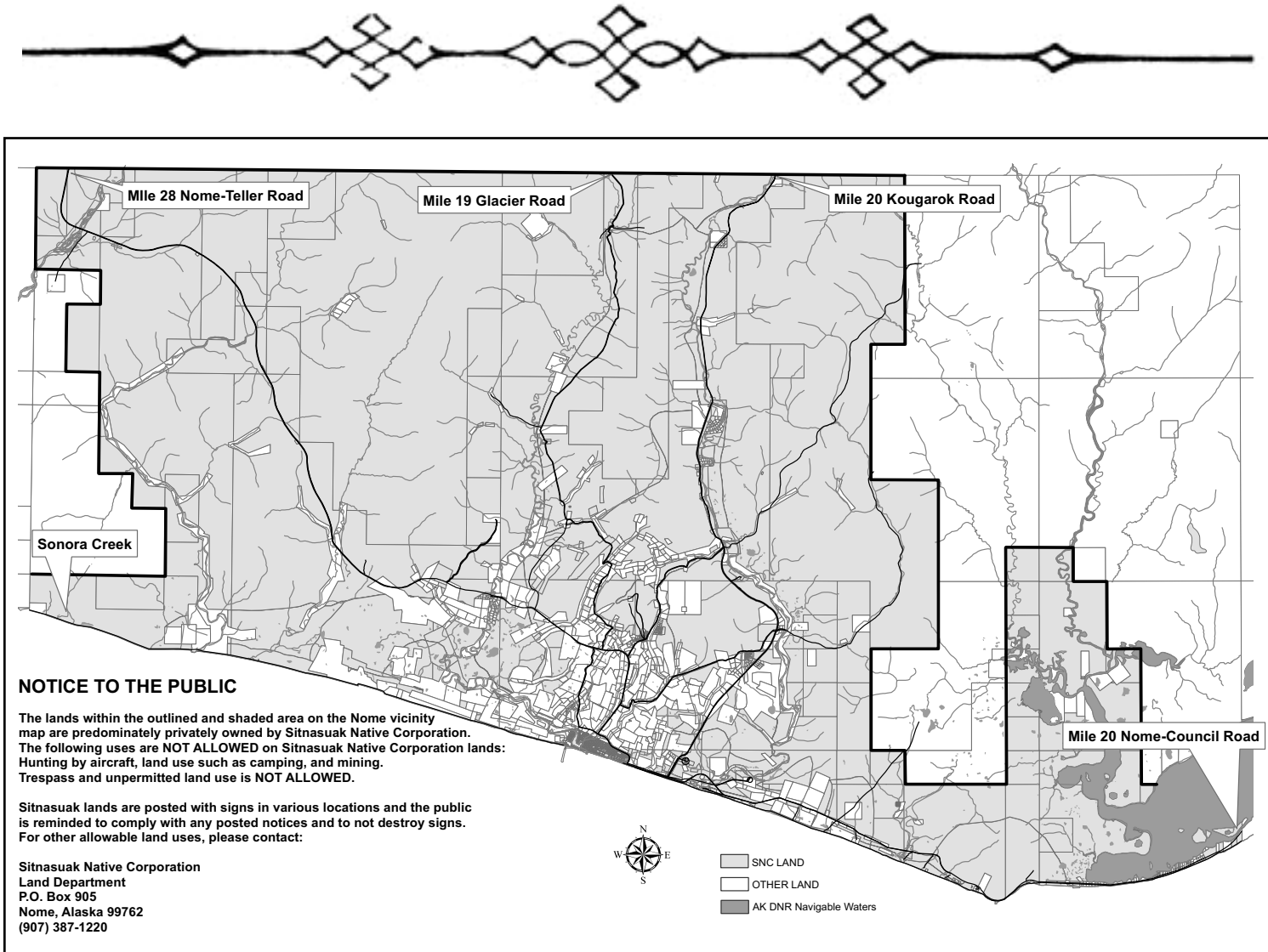
State of Alaska v. Preston Bradley (10/28/91); 2UT-15-72CR CTN 003: Criminal Mischief 4; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001, 002, 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution

to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2).

State of Alaska v. Clarence Dewey (10/11/89); DUI; Date of Violation: 6/25/15; 120 days, 100 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Fine: \$3,000 with \$0 suspended; Pay unsuspended \$3,000 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 6/25/16; 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: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 6/26/15); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol; Any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe he has consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 10/1/15; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; (Illegible) incarceration \$720 ignition interlock device 1 year; Operator's license revoked for 1 year.

State of Alaska v. Patrick Katcheak (12/6/87); CTN 001: Criminal Trespass 1; Date of Violation: 6/7/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002, 003; 360 days, 300 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; 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: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 6/26/15); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol; Any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe he has consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 10/1/15; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; (Illegible) incarceration \$720 ignition interlock device 1 year; Operator's license revoked for 1 year.

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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASES 06/29/2015 through 07/05/2015

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 181 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center. 65 (36%) involved alcohol.

There were 17 arrests made with 12 (71%) alcohol related.

NPD responded to 15 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. Three were remanded to AMCC as protective holds; and six remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment.

There were 11 ambulance calls and 0 fire calls during this period.

MONDAY - JUNE 29, 2015

00:05 am, NPD responded to the west side of town on the report of a male sleeping on the ground. One male was contacted and observed to be intoxicated. The male was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment due to his high level of intoxication. He was later taken to AMCC, where he was held on a Title 47 hold.

00:27 am, NPD responded to the east side of town on the report of individuals causing a disturbance. Upon arrival and further investigation, the disturbance was found to be strictly verbal and the occupants were separated inside the home. All parties contacted were given DC warnings and no further action was needed.

01:36 am, NPD CSO responded to the west side of town on the report of a female sitting on a connex van in the rain. A patrol was conducted and the female was unable to be located. A short time later, the reporting party telephoned NPD stating that the female had already walked away.

08:19 am, NPD received a report of a possible assault occurring the night before. Officers contacted the alleged responsible parties and victim, the investigation is ongoing.

09:18 am, NPD impounded two dogs. Later in the same day they were returned to Wendy Whitaker and she was cited for having animals at large. No further action taken.

07:40 pm, NPD received a report of a possible trespass at a local business on the west end of town. Officers contacted Jamie Oozeva. Jamie was cited for Open Container and a report was forwarded to the District Attorney's Office for Violating Conditions of Probation. He was released on scene, no further police action required.

08:30 pm, NPD received a report of an individual trespassing on the west end of town. Officers made contact with the individual and a report was taken. It will be forwarded to the DA's office for being in violation of his conditions of probation, no further action taken.

09:09 pm, NPD received a report of an assault on the east end of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Becky Rietheimer for two counts of Assault in the Third Degree, DV. She was transported to AMCC and no bail was set.

TUESDAY - JUNE 30, 2015

01:49 am, NPD received a possible report of trespassing. Officers assessed the situation and transported the intoxicated individual to NSRH. Once medically cleared, he was transported to AMCC for a 12-hour hold.

11:33 am, NPD received a report of Wayne Alvis violating a domestic violence restraining order. Officers spoke with the reporting party and with the assistance of the Alaska State Troopers, Wayne was located and arrested for an active Arrest Warrant. He was charged with Violating his Conditions of Probation and Violating a D.V. Order. Alvis was remanded to AMCC, where he was held without bail.

02:42 pm, NPD received a report of a possible assault on the west end of town. Officers arrived on scene and two individuals were given disorderly conduct warnings. Neither party reported an assault and it was resolved on scene. No further action taken.

WEDNESDAY - JULY 01, 2015

03:05 am, NPD conducted a traffic stop on the west end of town. The driver, Benjamin Kilgore, was cited for Illuminating Headlights Required. He was released on scene, no further police action required.

11:35 am, NPD received a report of a suicide threat on the north end of town. Officers arrived on scene to check on the individual and they were safe and secure and with family members, no further action taken.

12:41 pm, NPD received a report of a dog being on the green at the city's Old St. Joe's park. Officers arrived and spoke with the individual. He was informed that no dogs can be in any and all city parks and was released on scene. No further action taken.

01:11 pm, NPD received a report of an intoxicated male who was unable to leave a premise on Front Street. Officers made contact with Foster Olanna and he was arrested for being Drunk on a Licensed Premises. He was then remanded to AMCC where his bail is set at \$250.

02:36 pm, NPD received a report of an intoxicated female needing assistance on the west end of town. Officers made contact with her and she was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment and left in their care, no further action taken.

06:35 pm, NPD received a report of a trespass on the west end of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Judith Noyakuk for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree and Resisting Arrest. She was taken to AMCC and bail was set to \$1000.

07:39 pm, NPD received a report of an intoxicated driver traveling on city roads. Officers located the man and identified him as Floyd Crumbley. After investigating the incident, Crumbley was placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence and remanded to AMCC.

10:44 pm, NPD received a report of trespassing. Officers arrived on scene and investigation led to the arrest of Maxine Ungott for Violating her Conditions of Probation. She was remanded to AMCC.

THURSDAY - JULY 02, 2015

12:28 am, NPD received a report of a suicide threat of an individual residing in Nome. Officers made contact with the individual and the person was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment. Behavioral Health Services was contacted for the individual.

12:57 am, NPD received a report of an intoxicated male down on the west end of town. Officers made contact with Larry Aningayou. He was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and then will be transported to AMCC for a Title 47 hold.

03:02 pm, NPD received a report of intoxicated individuals on the west end of town. Officers made contact with three individuals and they were each given a DOLP warning.

04:31 pm, NPD made contact with Al Wayne Koonooka during a security check. He was found with alcohol on him and was intoxicated in an establishment. He was arrested for Being Drunk on a Licensed Premises and Introduction of Alcohol to a License Premises. He was then transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and then onto AMCC where his bail is set at \$1000.

FRIDAY - JULY 3, 2015

02:00 am, NPD received a report of an assault on the east end of town. Officers arrived on scene and the investigation led to the arrest of Sally Ooomealingok for Assault in the Fourth Degree, DV. She was transport to AMCC.

02:11 am, NPD contacted two juveniles on the west side of town. Both individuals were found to have ingested alcohol and were subsequently issued Minor Consuming Alcohol citations.

08:01 am, NPD responded to the west side of town for the report of juveniles trespassing on a fishing vessel. Upon arrival, the reporting party indicated that a witness had seen two juveniles on the boat, but did not see anything missing from the vessel. One of the juveniles was identified and notice of their activity was relayed to a guardian with a warning for Criminal Trespass.

09:23 am, NPD received a report of a male who appeared unconscious in the driver seat of a pickup on the west side of town. Officers arrived and made contact with the driver, who was found to be awake, alert and sober. The driver was issued a verbal warning for the expired registration on the vehicle and was released at the scene. No further enforcement action was necessary.

01:30 pm, NPD officers responded to the north edge of town for the report of two musk oxen within close proximity of several residences. Upon arrival, the musk oxen were coaxed outside of the residential area and no further action was taken.

01:43 pm, NPD received a report of a possible trespass at a residence on the east side of town. Further investigation revealed that the reported trespasser was an invited guest of another resident of the home. The reporting party was informed that the person was not able to be removed from the residence and was provided with options to exercise to keep unwanted persons out of the home.

01:59 pm, NPD officers responded behind a business on the west side of town for a reported assault. Upon arrival and further investigation, the altercation was found to be verbal in nature and the issue was resolved by separation. The reporting party, while officers were on scene, requested medical assistance and was provided transport to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital.

02:18 pm, NPD received a report of an intoxicated male who may possibly require medical assistance behind a business on the west side of town. Upon arrival, the male denied needing any medical assistance, but was observed to have slight injuries consistent with a fall. The male was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation and left there for observation.

04:10 pm, NPD received a report of an intoxicated individual sitting on the side of the road on the west side of town. Upon arrival, officers contacted and identified the male, who was found to have a residence within town. The male was provided transportation to his residence and did not require any further medical or police assistance.

07:15 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a juvenile driving an ATV on the west side of town. The juvenile was provided a verbal warning and education on the requirements for driving a motor vehicle upon city streets. The juvenile's guardian was informed of the limitation and the ATV was parked at the residence.

10:15 pm, NPD received a report of Shane Lockwood violating his conditions of release and probation by consuming alcohol at a residence on the east side of town. Upon arrival, officers contacted Lockwood, who began fighting with responding officers. While at Norton Sound Regional Hospital, Lockwood attempted to contaminate medical staff with bodily fluids and then spit saliva on several officers. He was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Facility for four counts of Harassment in the First Degree, Disorderly Conduct, Violating his Conditions of Release and Probation. He was held there without bail.

11:21 pm, NPD was dispatched to the north edge of town for the report of an intoxicated individual walking in the middle of the roadway. Upon arrival, officers contacted and identified the individual as Justin Ahkinga, who was found to be on Felony Probation, which prohibited the consumption of alcohol. Contact was made with the Adult Probation Officer on call, who requested that Ahkinga be remanded for the violation. Ahkinga was remanded to AMCC for the violation, where he was held without bail.

SATURDAY - JULY 4, 2015

00:00 am, NPD was received a report of an intoxicated female lying in the roadway on the east side of town. Upon arrival, officers located the female and due to her level of intoxication, she was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation, where she was held for observation.

00:29 am, NPD responded to a residence on the east side of town for the report of an assault. Upon arrival and further investigation, the suspect, identified as Malakye Viner, was found to have caused physical injury to a member of the household. Viner was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree DV, where he was held without bail.

02:18 am, NPD received a report of a sexual assault. Report taken and investigation is ongoing.

02:22 am, NPD was dispatched to a residence on the west side of town for the report of a disturbance. Upon arrival, officers contacted the two residents of the apartment, one was identified as Gene Oxereok. Further investigation revealed that Oxereok had placed another member of the household in fear of imminent physical injury and he was then placed under arrest for Assault in the Fourth Degree DV, and Violating his Conditions of Probation and was remanded to AMCC. He was held without bail.

02:51 am, NPD received a report of a female that was unconscious behind a business on the west side of town. Upon arrival, the female was located, identified and roused awake. The female was then provided transportation to her residence, where she was left in the care of a sober family member.

07:00 am, NPD responded to a residence on the east side of town for the report of a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival and further investigation, the issue was found to have been an argument over alcohol. The dispute was resolved by separation and all parties involved were warned for Disorderly Conduct.

11:55 am, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle observed passing a slow-moving vehicle in the break-down lane on the west side of town. The driver was found to have all required documentation and was given a verbal warning for the offense.

01:44 pm, NPD officers responded to the west side of town for the report of an intoxicated individual sitting on the side of the road who possibly required assistance. Upon arrival, officers identified the male, who denied any medical assistance. The male was then transported to his residence without further issue.

05:51 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle observed failing to stop at a stop sign on the west side of town. Upon contact with the juvenile driver, he was unable to provide proof of insurance. The juvenile was issued citations for Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign and Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance. He was then released at the scene without further issue.

09:17 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on an ATV

travelling on the north edge of town on a state highway. The driver was issued a verbal warning for the offense, as well as helmet requirements for passengers. The driver was released at the scene without further enforcement action.

10:39 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle displaying expired registration stickers. Upon contact with the driver, identified as Daryl Galipeau, he was also unable to provide proof of insurance. Galipeau was cited for Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance and was issued a verbal warning for the expired registration.

11:30 pm, NPD received a report of an intoxicated female refusing to leave a business on the west side of town. Upon arrival, the female was identified as Deanna Pete. She was still present on the premises. Pete was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree, where she was held on \$250 bail.

SUNDAY - JULY 5, 2015

01:00 am, NPD Officers responded to a residence on the east side of town for the report of an intoxicated male causing a disturbance. Upon arrival, the male was found to have fled the scene and abandoned his child within the home. The Office of Children's Services was contacted and took custody of the child. The male has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

02:42 am, NPD responded to the report of an intoxicated female behind a business on the west side of town that required assistance. Upon arrival, officers located the female and determined that medical attention was necessary. The female was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation, where she was held for observation.

05:15 am, NPD officers responded to the west side of town for a requested welfare check on an intoxicated male. Upon arrival, officers contacted the male who refused any assistance from police or EMT's. The male was released at the scene and no further action was necessary.

05:25 am, NPD officers, while on routine patrol, observed an open door at a closed business on the west side of town. Upon further investigation, an employee was found inside cleaning and indicated that no assistance was required, as the door was open for ventilation.

07:32 am, NPD received a report of a boat floating toward the harbor entrance on the west side of town. The Harbormaster was informed of the situation and indicated the issue would be surveyed shortly. No further assistance was requested from the Nome Police Department.

08:17 am, NPD received a report of a female attempting to gain entry into a residence on the east side of town. Upon arrival, the female was contacted and identified and informed officers she was looking for a phone she thought she left at the residence. The female was provided transport to her residence, where she was left in the care of a sober family member and will continue the search for her phone later in the day.

09:28 am, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that did not have a registration sticker visible on the license plate. The driver, identified as Spencer McClesky, was contacted and was unable to locate proof of insurance for the vehicle. McClesky was issued a citation for Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance and was given a verbal warning regarding the registration. He was released at the scene without further incident.

09:44 am, NPD officers observed a vehicle travelling above the posted speed limit on the west side of town. Upon contact with the driver, a verbal warning was issued for Basic Speed and the driver was released at the scene.

04:48 pm, NPD conducted a traffic stop resulting in Annette Coggins being issued a citation for Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign. She was released at the scene.

05:16 pm, NPD responded to a business on the east side of town on the report of an intoxicated male causing a disturbance. The male was contacted and left upon officer's request. He was provided transportation to his residence where he was given verbal warnings for trespassing, disorderly conduct, and being drunk on a licensed premise. No further action was needed as no disturbance was observed.

08:21 pm, an officer on routine patrol observed two females engaged in an altercation on Front Street. Further investigation revealed that Yvonne Pete had pulled another females hair in an effort to fight with them. When attempting to interview Yvonne about the incident, she contaminated an Officer with bodily fluids on two separate occasions. Yvonne was subsequently placed under arrest for two counts of Harassment in the First Degree and was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for clearance due to her level of intoxication. While at Norton Sound Regional Hospital, Yvonne became disruptive. Yvonne was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Facility for two counts of Harassment in the First Degree, one count of Harassment in the Second Degree, and Disorderly Conduct. Her bail was posted at \$1,500.

10:20 pm, Nome Police Department responded to a report of Criminal Mischief on Front Street. Report for the damaged property was taken, a suspect was identified, and the report will be filed with the District Attorney.a

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diately to AMCC; 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: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment 6/26/15); 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, consume or buy alcohol; Any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe he has consumed alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Veronica N. Tea (1/9/62); 2NO-13-503CR Notice of Dismissal—PTRP; PTR filed on 5/17/15; Filed by the DAs Office 6/26/15. State of Alaska v. Veronica Tea (1/9/62); 2NO-15-239CR Assault 4; Date of Violation: 5/7/15; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Adam Queenie (5/7/49); Assault 4; Date of Violation: 5/7/15; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Connie Olanna (11/16/90); CTN 001: Criminal Trespass 1; Date of Violation: 6/25/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 3 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Scott Slwooko (8/10/89); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111034314; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked an imposed: 10 days; All

other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Jalene Johnson (11/8/77); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 002: AS11.41.210(a)(1): Assault 2 – Injury w/Weapon, Intent; Class: B Felony; DV; Offense Date: 11/27/13; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 001: AS11.41.200(a)(1): Assault 1-Serious Injury, Weapon; Offense Date: 11/27/13; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 6/30/15 with counsel, PD Ferguson, and the DA present; CTN 002: 3 years with 2 years suspended; The unsuspended 1 year shall be served immediately; Surcharge: Pay Police Training Surcharge within 10 days: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, the defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; AS 12.55.041(b)(1); Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or as 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h); Probation for 3 years; General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond is this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. June Koonuk (6/10/62); CTN 002: Disorderly Conduct; DV; Date of Violation: 6/55/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Eathen S. Ellanna (5/17/95); Criminal Trespass 2; Date of Violation: 10/7/15;

Suspended Imposition of Sentence; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case, due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Arranged with M. Jason Evans by 11/25/15; Probation for 6 months; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law pertaining to alcoholic beverages.

State of Alaska v. Scott Aningayou (10/20/81); 2NO-15-106CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 002: AS11.41.220(a)(1)(B): Assault 3– Cause Injury w/Weapon; Class: C Felony; CTN: 005: AS28.35.030(a)(1): DUI-Alcohol Or Contr Subst; Class: A Misdemeanor; Offense Dates: 2/18/15; The following charges were dismissed: CTN 001: AS11.71.040(a)(4)(A)(i): Cntrid Subs 4- IIIA-VIA At Youth Ctr; CTN 003: AS28.35.182(a)(1)Fail to Stop/Dir Officer-Reck Driving; CTN 004: Reckless Driving; CTN 006: AS11.41.250: Reckless Endangerment; CTN 007: AS28.15.291(a)(1): Drive w/License Canc/Susp/Revoke/Lim; CTN 008: as11.56.700(a)(3): Resist/Interfere Arrest-Risk Of Injury; Offense Dates: 2/18/15; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 6/30/15 with counsel, PD Ferguson, and the DA present; CTN 003: 22 months with 12 months suspended; The unsuspended 10 months shall be served immediately; Consecutive to count 5; Surcharge: Pay Police Training Surcharge within 10 days: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, the defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; AS 12.55.041(b)(1); Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or as 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for

the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h); Probation for 3 years; General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond is this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Scott Aningayou (10/20/81); 2NO-15-106CR CTN 005: DUI-Operate Vehicle under Influence; Date of Offense: 2/18/15; 60 days, 30 days suspended; Report immediately to AMCC; Pay to Clerk of Court, or pay online at courtrecords.alaska.gov/ep: Fine: Highway work zone: \$3,000 with \$0 suspended; \$3,000 due 6/30/17; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$50 due; 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; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: \$1467 (2nd Off); with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 1 year; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for (no time frame provided) months; Costs of the IID will be deducted from the fine if you file proof of payment before the fine due date; Probation for 3 years (date of judgment: 6/30/15); Concurrent with the assault charges; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess, consume, or buy alcohol for a period ending 3 years from date of this judgment; You are required to surrender your driver's license and identification card; Your license and ID are subject to cancellation under AS 28.15.11 and AS 18.65.310; Any new license or ID must list the AS 04.16.160 buying restriction during the restricted period; AS 28.15.191(g); You are subject to a warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe you consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause.

State of Alaska v. Amos Slwooko (5/11/84); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113671566; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 11 months;

Remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Scott Michael Kent (5/8/75); Dismissal; Count I – 28.35.030(a)(2), Driving Under The Influence, Scott Michael Kent – 001; Filed by the DAs Office 6/30/15.

State of Alaska v. Eathen Shawn Ellanna (5/17/95); Dismissal; Count I – 11.46.150, Theft II The Fourth Degree, Eathen Shawn Ellanna – 001; Count II – 11.56.757(b)(2), Violation of Conditions of Release for a Misdemeanor, Eathen Shawn Ellanna – 002; Filed by the DAs Office 6/30/15.

State of Alaska v. Kenneth Acoman (8/5/70); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 001: AS11.41.220(a)(1)(B): Assault 3– Cause Injury w/Weapon; Class: C Felony; DV; Offense Date: 2/12/15; Defendant came before the court on (sentencing date) 6/29/15 with counsel, PD Ferguson, and the DA present; CTN 001: 30 months with 20 months suspended; The unsuspended 10 months shall be served immediately; Surcharge: Pay Police Training Surcharge within 10 days: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, the defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; AS 12.55.041(b)(1); Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or as 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h); Probation for 5 years; General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond is this case: is exonerated.



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Collins wins back-to-back Anvil Mountain Run titles

By Keith Conger

“I’m closin’ in on it,” said Jeff Collins after winning the 2015 Anvil Mountain Race on Saturday, in reference to the 27-year old course record of 1 hour, 11 minutes, 23 seconds set by Mark Rogers in 1988.

Collins had just won his second Anvil Mountain Run in as many years. “I figure I’ve got about seven years left to try,” he said.

The conditions in which he ran the races were quite contrasting. Collins, the Nome-Beltz High School head cross country running coach, followed his cold, damp and foggy 2014 Fourth of July victory with a 2015 win in warm, mid-50 degree temperatures and clear skies. He completed the 12.5-mile course that started at City Hall, gained 1,116-foot elevation to the Anvil Mountain ridgeline, and finished back in Nome, in 1 hour, 19 minutes, 34 seconds.

That effort shaved two minutes off his previous time.

Eagle River’s Steve Lee, who is a Bristol Construction engineer working on construction of the Nome middle dock, gave Collins a race, being the first to reach the Anvil Mountain summit checkpoint. “Before I got to the bottom of the hill, Jeff caught me. Jeff said ‘turn right here’ (near the high school parking lot), and helped me with a short cut,” he said.

Lee finished second in a time of 1 hour, 21 minutes, 48 seconds. “It was a super fun race,” he said after the race. “It’s a super friendly (running) community. Everyone is really encouraging.”

There were several “races within a race” at the 37th annual Anvil

Mountain Run. The race for third place overall was not decided until Sam Schmidt and Wilson Hoogendorn reached the finish line on Front Street. Schmidt, a Nome alumni and UAF college student, beat Nome-Beltz high school junior Wilson Hoogendorn by only three seconds. Schmidt ran his first Anvil Mountain race in a time of 1 hour, 24 minutes, 41 seconds. Schmidt was a considerable distance behind Hoogendorn after the downhill section. When Hoogendorn got to the edge of town he attempted to gain time by using the cemetery trail. “I lost track of him just before the cemetery,” said Schmidt. “Then he showed up at the harbor.” This was not advantageous to Hoogendorn in the end. However, he won the trophy for the 16-year old and younger category.

Nome marathoner Crystal Tobuk was the first female to complete the course. Her time of 1 hour, 25 minutes, 52 seconds was over nine minutes faster than her 2014 finishing time. Tobuk’s improvement can be attributed to her more focused approach to training. This is the first year that she has kept track of her mileage and times, and has run about 680 miles since January 1.

Tobuk said that after the mountain descent, 2015 high school graduate Maisie Thomas was slowly catching up to her. “Once we got past the graveyard, she caught me,” said Tobuk. “I just looked at her and knew she was just as tired as I was. That gave me a bit of fuel to pick it up until the finish.” Tobuk and Thomas finished just three seconds apart, and were the sixth and seventh runners in the field of 26 to cross the line.

Greg Finstad, Program Manager of the Reindeer Research Program at UAF’s Northwest Campus in Nome, won the trophy in the 60-year old and above category. His time of 1 hour, 32 minutes, 51 seconds earned him the tenth position.

The youngest competitor in the race was 12-year old Tate Coggins. She ran the course in 2 hours, 9 minutes and 10 seconds. Coggins spends

the summers in Nome with her family and used the race to train for the Arizona gymnastics program she participates in during the winter.

Nome-Beltz high school student Kevin Thomas’ finish time of 2 hours, 53 minutes, 8 seconds assured that all racers completed the course before the beginning of the Fourth of July parade.

Anvil Mountain regular David

Olson, who ran his first race in 1985, did not attend this year’s event. Olson said that 30 years in a row were enough.

The Anvil Mountain Run is organized by Leo Rasmussen. It is the second oldest running race in Alaska behind the Mount Marathon Race in Seward. Both races take place on the Fourth of July.



Photos by Keith Conger

TOP FLIGHT– 2015 Anvil Mountain Run champion Jeff Collins, center, is flanked by Wilson Hoogendorn, left, and Steven Lee of Eagle River on Saturday. Lee would take second place, while Hoogendorn would win the 16-year-old and younger age category.



THE HILLS ARE ALIVE (top)– Nome-Beltz High School junior Bianca Trowbridge nears the summit of Anvil Mountain during the 37th Annual Anvil Mountain Run on the Fourth of July.

BIG DROP (top right)– Nome’s Crystal Tobuk descends over 1000 feet - from Anvil Mountain’s summit to the tundra below - en route to her victory in the women’s division of the 37th Annual Anvil Mountain Run on the Fourth of July.

FIRST FOURTH OF JULY PARADE (right)– The front runners of the 37th Annual Anvil Mountain Run lead a procession of athletes out of Nome three hours before the downtown parade.



A photograph of a female runner, Maisie Thomas, jumping over a large rock on a mountain trail. She is wearing a blue t-shirt and black shorts. The background shows a rocky landscape with a clear sky.

37th Annual Anvil Mountain Race Results

- 1) Jeff Collins 1:19:34
- 2) Steve Lee 1:21:48
- 3) Sam Schmidt 1:24:41
- 4) Wilson Hoogendorn 1:24:44
- 5) Phil Hofstetter 1:25:01
- 6) Crystal Tobuk 1:25:52
- 7) Maisie Thomas 1:25:55
- 8) James Ferguson 1:27:38
- 9) Sam Deering 1:27:47
- 10) Greg Finstad 1:32:51
- 11) Rosa Schmidt 1:35:35
- 12) Troy Henkels 1:35:36
- 13) Bryant Hammond 1:35:39
- 14) Tyler Johnson 1:40:55
- 15) Ian Coglean 1:46:49
- 16) Brodie Kimmel 1:50:26
- 17) Riley Bennett-Vockner 1:50:27
- 18) Kevin Keith 1:52:25
- 19) Bianca Trowbridge 1:57:04
- 20) Tate Coggins 2:09:10
- 21) Nathan Tobuk 2:10:11
- 22) Haylee Rea 2:21:06
- 23) Christine Schultz 2:27:40
- 24) Neal Foster 2:33:01
- 25) Jessie Miller 2:33:02
- 26) Kevin Thomas 2:53:08