



ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY— The *HMCS Saskatoon*, left, and the *HMCS Nanaimo*, right, belong to the Royal Canadian Navy and were on their way to the Canadian Arctic last week. *Photo by Nils Hahn*

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## Musk ox mortally wounds sled dog

By Maisie Thomas

Another Nome dog has become the victim of a musk ox attack. Shortly before noon on Wednesday, August 12, a muskox entered the dog lot of Nome musher Rolland Trowbridge. The bull went on a rampage, attacking several dogs, and eventually injuring one and fatally wounding another.

Fellow musher Phil Pryzmont happened to be near the lot, and saw the threat. Pryzmont fired warning shots, but the animal showed no signs of retreat. Trowbridge said, the shots had the opposite effect; they further angered the animal. Pryzmont's only option was to shoot the musk ox. After the first bullet entered the animal, it tried to attack the closest dog. The musk ox was shot three times, and eventually killed in a legitimate case of Defense of Life

and Property (DLP).

One of the wounded dogs seemed to have escaped serious injury, but Beula unfortunately received fatal injuries. The female Greenlandic was part of the first dog team the Trowbridges acquired in 2010 shortly after moving to Nome. The Greenlandic team now belongs to Trowbridge's daughter, Jannelle, a Junior Iditarod finisher.

Due to a diligent patrol system around their lot - one of many dog lots behind AC - this is the first musk ox problem that the Trowbridges have had. When they see or hear that a musk ox is a certain distance from their lot, the family runs the animal off using an ATV. According to Trowbridge, this has always been a successful method. The animals seem to have learned the boundaries of the lot and rarely enter it. This

male, however, was already in defense mode, and likely would not have been deterred even by a side-by-side, said Trowbridge.

According to Fish & Game Wildlife Biologist Bill Dunker, problems with musk ox were common last summer, but until this incident, the animals have been seen but not heard this year. The dog fatally wounded in Trowbridge's lot is the first of 2015. It is unclear why there has been such a drop in the number of musk ox conflicts this year. Lowered risk or not, Dunker still recommends that mushers keep their teams enclosed. "Ultimately, in the case of sled dogs the only way to ensure the safety of the animals is to erect a barrier between the dogs and the muskox." The problem is that enclosures are costly. Many mushers do not have the money to install fences

around large dog lots.

Trowbridge emphasizes that he does not blame Fish and Game for the problem. "The reality is, when you live with wildlife and have dogs...you just have to do what's necessary to protect them. It's your responsibility, not the state's." The family is already planning to construct an electric fence around the lot to prevent future attacks. Fish and Game has been testing the effectiveness of electric fences, which the department believes will be a less expensive alternative to traditional chain link fencing.

According to regulations, the meat of an animal killed under a DLP, or Defense of Life and Property law, must be salvaged. In this case, Dunker reported that the edible parts of the musk ox carcass were donated to the Nome Covenant Church. The hide and skull were turned into Fish and Game, and the bones and other non-edibles were disposed of so as not to attract bears and create another problem.

Last year, Fish and Game tried several different tactics to deter the animals, including hanging bear decoys and spraying bear urine, both of which had little effect.

On behalf of Fish and Game, Dunker offered several recommendations for lowering the risk of musk ox attacks on both dogs and humans. These include: keeping dogs under control at all times; bringing animals indoors at night or whenever muskox are around; if they must be left unattended they should be housed in a securely anchored chain link enclosure; bull muskoxen are more aggressive during the fall breeding season, August through October, so precautions should be taken to avoid disturbing males when in rut; muskoxen may move into areas around homes and cemeteries because they offer structures that are appealing for rubbing; be mindful of structures or willows around your home that may entice muskoxen.



MUSK OX— A herd of musk ox grazes next to the Nome Landfill on August 17. On August 12 a sled dog belonging to local Nome musher Rolland Trowbridge was mortally wounded by a musk ox. *Photo by Nils Hahn*

## Council set to vote on pot and firearms

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome Common Council intends to make its six panel members the local regulatory authority to control sales of marijuana products in Nome. The Council reached consensus on the move at a recent work session, and has introduced an ordinance slated for second reading and public hearing at its Aug. 24 regular meeting.

The ordinance sets out fines for violation of the law—\$100 for the first violation within a 12-month period; \$500 for the second violation within a 12-month period; third violation, mandatory court appearance. The \$100 fine coincides with state law; the \$500 would be a City of Nome addition to cover conduct not prohibited by state law and not sub-

ject to the \$100 fine amount set by state statute.

The ordinance seems to follow regulations under consideration by State of Alaska and echo rules on liquor consumption against use in vehicles, in public, by a person under 21 years of age, and a ban on importation.

The City's attorney Brooks Chandler drew up the language of the ordinance's "whereas" and "therefore" clauses. A memorandum to the Council from Chandler dated July 20 includes a phrase stating that to receive 50 percent of state fees associated with future state permits for commercial marijuana facilities in Nome, the Council had to be the regulatory body—not quite true.

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## “Grandfather” property rights to require sales tax license

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Planning Commission has approved a proposed Council ordinance to register nonconforming

uses (grandfather rights) of property within the 2008 zoning law. If the Council adopts the ordinance, nonconforming use status would be preserved by a City of Nome sales tax license.

The current law allows a grandfathered use of a property that does not conform to the 2008 law dividing Nome into zones allowing and prohibiting specific activities. However, should the nonconforming use be discontinued for 24 months, the nonconforming use generally sunsets and is lost.

Late last year the Council asked the commission for an opinion on a proposed ordinance which required registration of properties identifying

the use or structure as it existed when the City adopted its zoning codes in October 2008.

All claimed commercial uses would be reviewed to determine whether the City issued a 2008 sales tax license for the commercial use.

At its November 11 meeting, the Nome Planning Commission asked for clarification on the date of enactment of the nonconforming use ordinance, saying that a new law could not be applied retroactively.

Commissioners found that the ordinance would retroactively punish businesses with nonconforming uses by retroactively applying a new law not in effect during the time from the enactment of the zoning ordinance in

2008 to the present.

City Planner Eileen Bechtol, and Commissioner Sara Lizak both exchanged e-mails with City Clerk Thomas Moran seeking more information.

Moran affirmed that the law could not be applied retroactively to 2008, but said the City could enact a new requirement—a sales license to prove that a grandfathered use had not elapsed. He cited an example concerning the Perkins garage now housing Trinity Sails Repair in which case the requirement applied was “continuing use as a vehicle repair facility.”

“The new ordinance would require ‘continuing use as an active

business entity,” Moran said in an e-mail to Bechtol.

At their December 2014 meeting, the commission voted unanimously to return the ordinance to the Council, recommending that the Council not adopt it.

In April, the Council kicked the ordinance back to the Nome Planning Commission, asking them to reconsider.

The planners finally put the ordinance on the agenda for the August 4 meeting and approved it with the provision that the sales tax license be required only after the Council adoption of the ordinance.

Thus, the new law would mean

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# Nome is in dire need of veterinarian services

**By Diana Haecker**

Since January of this year, Nome, and consequently the region, has been without a practicing veterinarian. The lack of professional veterinary help has left many pet owners with few options to seek medical help for their animals. The options that are available can be very costly.

Dr. Derrick Leedy had practiced in Nome for nearly 44 years until he retired last year. His license has since expired. In absence of a successor, all residential dog, sled dog, horse, cat and bird owners are now on their own when it comes to pet health care. The absence of a practicing veterinarian is most painfully felt when there is an emergency, an accident, or an end-of-life situation.

Most recently, the Nome Police Department's K9 dog Icon suffered a gastrointestinal sickness from which it did not recover. Icon died in surgery in Anchorage. An earlier diagnosis and stabilization may have helped the animal.

Owners of senior animals have few options to deal with end-of-life

situations. Nomeite Chris Blount recently lost his 16-year-old dog. "It was just devastating to watch him die," Blount said. Instead of having the option to humanely cut short the dog's suffering, his owners sat by his side until the animal drew its last breath.

Blount said he loves dogs and at one time had four. Blount had adopted animals from the pound or gotten them when a pet owner died. Now he has one dog left and said he will not adopt another until there is a vet in town. "It's a humanitarian issue. I will not have any more dogs if there is no veterinarian in town. It was too devastating," Blount said.

"Without a vet, we are back in the Stone Age," he said. Blount proposes allowing EMT's or trained emergency personnel to humanely put animals down. "If you're an EMT, why in the world could you not put a needle in a dog and end his suffering?"

The other option would have been to send the dog to Anchorage. Everts Air Cargo offers a special rate of \$50 for pets in need of medical attention

from Nome and the region, but Blount said, in his case, the pet would not have flown directly to Anchorage and he didn't want his sick animal to sit in a plane for hours. "Also, the hospital where we were to send the dog to wanted an open-ended credit card." He knew it would've been the last trip for the dog, and to send an old buddy out to

go through agonizing travels, and to be euthanized and disposed of, was too hard. "It's not as easy as you think," Blount said. "Not emotionally nor financially."

So they sat with his pet to the end. Banner Creek dog musher Tom Jamgochian experienced this anguish when one of his favorite lead dogs developed an abscess that quickly

grew. He was left with the choice to wait for improvement or to send the animal out. Jamgochian decided to put the dog on Alaska Airlines for \$500, and from there had it picked up by a service for \$200. He eventually found out that the animal didn't need surgery, but the trusted leader re-

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Editorial

It Happens Here First

The President of the United States is coming to Alaska. President Obama has paid only a brief stop-over visit, but he now has the duty of taking time to visit a portion of our Great Land that is taking the lead in global politics and economics.

We are told the President will visit Dutch Harbor, Kotzebue, and points north. We wonder why there is no visit planned for Nome. Our President needs to experience Nome, to visit our historic Gold Rush town and its rich history is important in gaining an understanding of our role in international politics and America's lead in the world trade and commercial development. Nome and its surrounding communities are poised on the front lines of climate change. What is happening here is the bellwether of what is happening elsewhere at a very rapid rate of change. Our President needs to see the Arctic with eyes wide open and no pre-set concepts. Obama needs to see the melting tundra, the eroding shoreline, the warming water with oxygen depletion and lack of ice. He needs to see the critical nature of our environment and understand what it means for the long-term environmental damage we could suffer at the hands of careless development.

Sure, the entire Bering Strait region is important for the value of the Arctic, but we wonder why Nome was left off the President's itinerary. Maybe his travel plans are in the mail and stuck with the rest of the mail in Nome's postal limbo. —N.L.M—

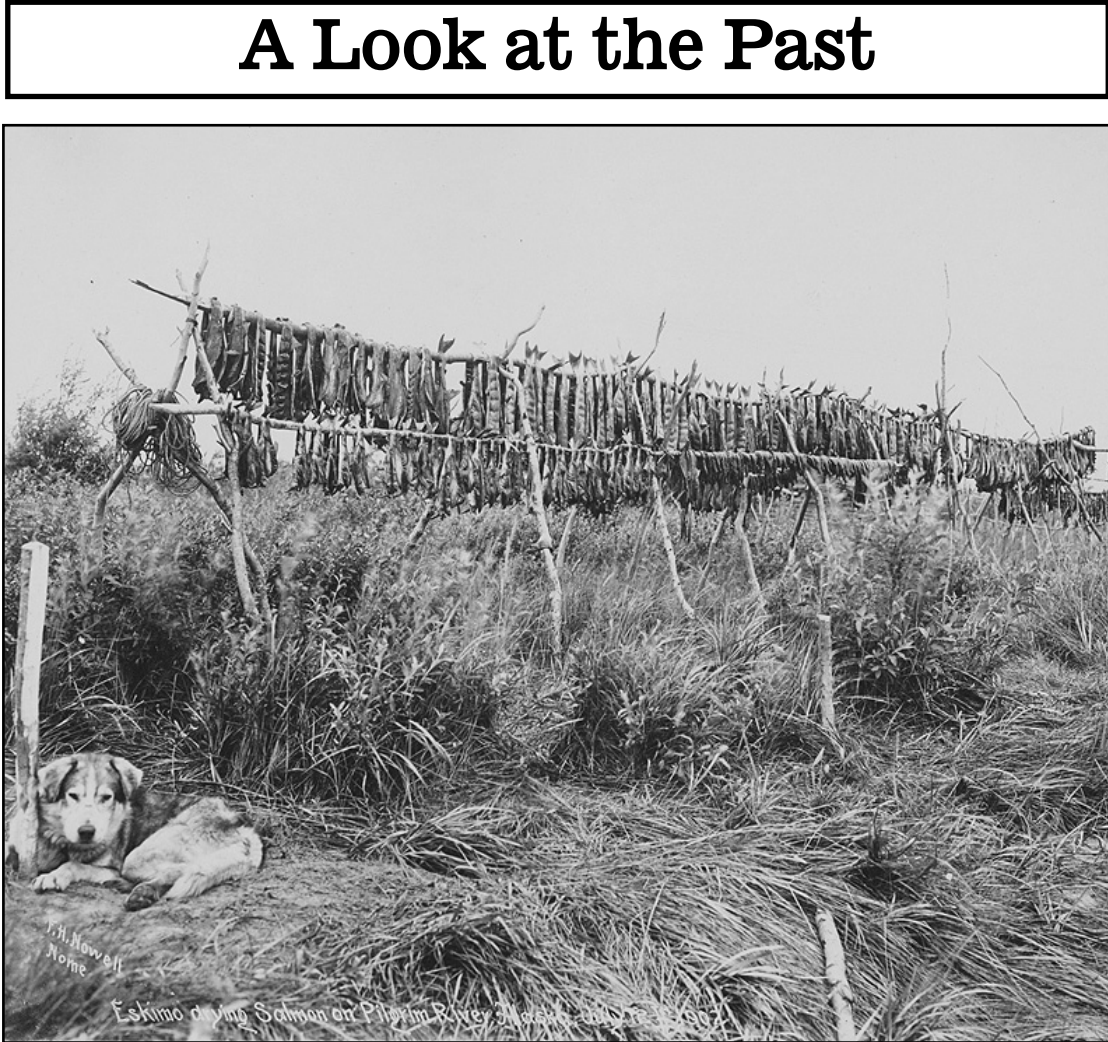


Photo courtesy of Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

DRYFISH— A trusty sled dog watches over a drying rack full of Salmon on the Pilgrim River.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)									
Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
8/20	Th	951am	+1.3	1010pm	+1.1	318am	+0.3	406pm	+0.5
21	Fr	1021am	+1.3	1103pm	+1.1	353am	+0.4	453pm	+0.4
22	Sa	1050am	+1.3			427am	+0.5	542pm	+0.4
23	Su	1200am	+1.0	1117am	+1.3	500am	+0.6	633pm	+0.3
24	Mo	103am	+0.9	1141am	+1.3	532am	+0.7	723pm	+0.3
25	Tu	211am	+0.9	1205pm	+1.3	606am	+0.8	813pm	+0.2
26	We	318am	+0.9	1246pm	+1.3	652am	+0.8	901pm	+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).

Weather Statistics				
Sunrise	08/20/15	7:06 a.m.	High Temp	+58F
	08/26/15	7:25 a.m.	Low Temp	+37F
			Peak Wind	26 mph, W, 08/16/15
Sunset	08/20/15	11:02 a.m.	2015 - Total Precip. (through 08/16)	7.16"
	08/26/15	10:40 a.m.	Normal Total to Date	8.92"
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LEPC discusses future collaborations

**By Maisie Thomas**  
The Nome Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) held a meeting on August 13. The LEPC is a state funded group that helps the Nome region prepare for, and respond to, disasters such as storms. With no hazards on the horizon, the commission was content to enjoy Emergency Service Administrator Mimi Farley’s salmon casserole in the Public Safety Building while discussing ways to improve the health of the community.

The low-key conference consisted of about 15 members, including representatives from the Fire Department, Crowley, the State Troopers and Police Department, as well as two members of Fort Richardson’s 103rd Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team.  
After a quick roll call and other opening procedures by Farley, the majority of the meeting was devoted to a teleconference presentation by Tonda Scott, an Anchorage Public Health nurse. Scott discussed a Point

of Dispensing, or POD, plan. A POD site provides medical attention, such as vaccines, to communities as quickly and efficiently as possible. Scott and other Anchorage Public Health nurses want to set Nome up as a POD site this fall. POD services., such as the distribution of flu vaccine could possibly be made available at the annual health fair,  
Tom Vaden from the Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department gave a run down on upcoming happenings of relevance to the LEPC, such as an

Emergency Alert System Test being done at KNOM later this month.  
Two members of the 103rd Civil Support Team gave a report. Technical Sergeant Jon Lewis and Sergeant Dutch Inman gave the commission background information about their team and what they do. The federally funded team responds almost immediately to disasters including terrorist attacks, toxin releases, and man-made or natural disasters. To alert the team, local governments or agencies call the team commander, who is available 24/7.  
“So this guy will pick up if I call at three in the morning? I won’t get a message telling me to call back between eight and five?” Fire Chief Jim West Jr. asked jokingly. The Sergeants were quick to put West’s fears to rest, saying that after getting an

alert, a team of up to 22 responders are out the door within 90 minutes. How quickly they are able to arrive on scene of the incident is dependent upon the threat level and transportation options. The team hopes to expand their response area to the Northwestern part of the state so that they can help more communities.  
The commission also addressed a list of discussion topics submitted by City Hall. Topics ranged from how to better help elders who live alone to how to deal with bed bug problems.  
The LEPC’s next meeting will be held October 15, and a training will be held six days later. The details for the drill are still undecided.

• Veterinarian

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ceived treatment and medication.  
Jamgochian said he’s minimizing risk by not letting his dogs free-run as often as he used to in order to avoid injuries caused by moose, musk ox or squabbles among the pack of dogs themselves. He has also started to educate himself about how to deal with superficial injuries that can be sutured. “You can learn a lot on YouTube, Jamgochian half-jokingly said, “but the problem is the availability of medications.” Only vets can prescribe the appropriate meds or antibiotics and usually they are reluctant to do so over the phone and without having seen the patient. Jamgochian said that a traveling vet would be a great solution for the time being. Efforts are underway to recruit an itinerant pet doctor.  
Dr. Leedy said that Nome has a population of about 1,500 pets. He said he could make ends meet because his spouse had a day job to supplement their income. Start up monies for a new veterinarian, which would include costs for equipment and for staff, would be substantial. Animal House owner Sandra Rowe said it makes her nervous to board dogs, cats and even birds without having a vet in town, but she’s working on solutions. She has applied for funding for veterinarian equipment. “It would make it easier for a traveling vet to see patients,” she said.  
She had the idea to turn the Animal House’s grooming room into a

vet facility and she said she would apply for more grant money to expand her building in order to accommodate a vet clinic. “It’s not realistic to expect a vet to come here and to build a business,” said Rowe. Her preliminary plan is to initiate the process, take the risk, build the facility and eventually hire a vet, who then would be an employee of the Animal House.  
Rowe observed that since Animal Control Officer Amy Smithhisler left Nome, city pet owners have let their dog’s manners deteriorate, creating more risks for other pet owners. The lack of a city vet, sporadic animal control in Nome, lots of roaming and free running dogs that get into trouble, and unwanted breedings have created a recipe for disaster.  
In an interview with The Nome Nugget, Dr. Leedy said the best solution in the absence of a vet is for pet owners to keep their dogs under control. Dogfights, dogs getting hit by cars, and dogs falling out of trucks were the most common causes of visits to the Nome Vet Clinic while Dr. Leedy practiced.  
“I’d stress prevention,” said Dr. Leedy. He said controlling one’s dog and properly securing them at home, and when riding shotgun in the back of a pickup truck, along with spaying and neutering the animals would be preventative strategies that could reduce the number of accidents by one third.  
Nome has two State-certified lay vaccinators helping out. Both

Christie Salesky and Norton Sound Health Corporation’s Environmental Office director Kevin Zweifel are allowed to administer rabies and five-way vaccinations.  
PAWS of Nome organizes spay and neuter clinics to help reduce unwanted dogs or cats that down the line could be in need of PAWS services. During their last spay and neuter clinic in June, a vet and her two tech assistants spayed and neutered 37 dogs. Many more are on the wait list for the next clinic.  
PAWS is called by people in need of medical advice. PAWS board member Chrystie Salesky said the group’s message phone receives at least two calls per week from distressed pet owners seeking answers for their pet’s health issues.  
“All we can do is tell them to call Anchorage veterinarians,” said Salesky. “We can help them set up a transport, but that’s about all we can do.” PAWS also takes in unwanted animals and sends them out to partner rescue groups in Anchorage or Fairbanks who then place those animals with good homes.  
PAWS had at one time tried to recruit a veterinarian for Nome by sending out letters to several veterinarian schools in the lower 48. They received no reply.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, August 20

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 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.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Weekly Women’s Circle	Prematernal Home	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
*Summer Dinner Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering and Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Ninaya Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Port Commision:Reg. Meeting	City Hall	5:30 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Adult drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Friday, August 21  
CITY ELECTION CANDIDACY OPENS

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Summer Lunch Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	noon - 12:45 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 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, August 22

*Rec Center Closed Weekends Until Labor Day	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting		

Sunday, August 23

*Rec Center and Pool Closed Weekends Until Labor Day	Old St. Joe’s Hall	1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*GARDEN TOUR		

Monday, August 24  
School Starts

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

Tuesday, August 25

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*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.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Summer Dinner Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
*Adult drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 26

*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.
*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	noon - 10:00 p.m.
*Summer Dinner Program (kids 0 -18)	Boys & Girls Club	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

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

Nome Visitors Center: 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. (M-F)• 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Sat, Sun)

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XYZ Center: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (M-F)

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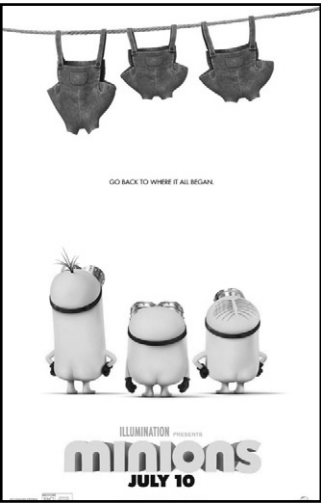
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Starting Friday, August 21

Minions

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Mission Impossible

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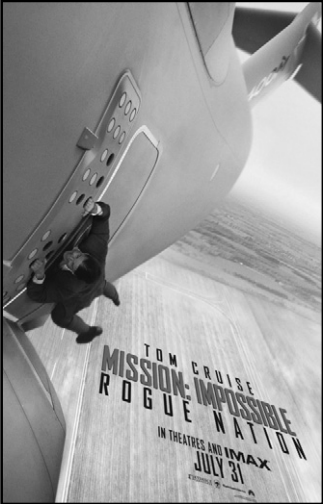
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Minions

1:30 p.m.

Mission Impossible

4:00 p.m.



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As conceded by Councilman Stan Andersen, there needed to be a local regulatory authority whose members the Council could appoint, but that "we decided the Council would be the regulatory body," Andersen said.

The ordinance under consideration, again, prohibits the importation of marijuana for sale in City of Nome. The importation provision would limit commercial marijuana in Nome to "Nome grown" marijuana and marijuana products.

The current library-museum building on Front Street has come up for consideration as the site of a City-run pot store during conjecture on future use of the building after the museum and library facilities move to the Richard Foster Building, currently under construction.

If the Council adopts the ordinance as presented at the Aug. 10 meeting, these are the contents: No use of marijuana and marijuana products in motor vehicles, watercraft or aircraft. No use by persons under 21 years of age.

No use in public places, additionally, no use on private premises with-

out owner's consent, including rentals where the owner does not permit marijuana use. It would be unlawful for anyone who operates any restaurant, eatery, bar, hotel or other lodging to permit marijuana use in violation of the law. "In public" would mean in or upon any City property as well as any place members of the public are able to congregate regardless of whether the property is privately or publicly controlled. Examples include, according to language of the ordinance, and are not limited to restaurants, bars, clubs, hallways, lobbies and common areas of hotels and multi-unit buildings, shorelines, waterways and tidelands.

No person shall send, transport or bring marijuana or marijuana products into the City of Nome for commercial manufacture of marijuana products or for sale within the City of Nome. The provision does not apply to marijuana for personal use or taking marijuana through the City by an establishment located outside city limits when transport is documented according to law.

A private citizen may file a civil lawsuit to stop violations—an alternative to involving the City in dis-

putes between neighbors.

In his memo, Chandler said he included the clause on use "in public" because currently there was no state statute defining the phrase specific to marijuana use.

### Show us the money

And besides, Chandler continued, "... there are common sense reasons to allow police officers to issue citations based on our own ordinance rather than as a violation of state law: to reduce criminal consequences of these violations to a "minor offense" and allowing the City to keep the fine money."

The proposed marijuana ordinance was not quite clear of stems and seeds, according to Tim Smith, a citizen who presented written comment for Council consideration at the Aug. 10 meeting. During councilmember comments at the end of that meeting, Councilman Randy Pomeranz asked the City's administration to seek Chandler's opinion on Smith's suggestions.

Smith contended that the proposed ordinance and Chandler's memorandum did not include a defensible showing of compelling pub-

lic interest authorizing City of Nome ordinances prohibiting transportation, use, consumption and sale of a legal product sufficient to overcome an Alaskan citizen's right to privacy. Additionally, Chandler did not provide defensible definitions of unlawful marijuana use or consumption, and did not give a source of the "City's legal authority for prohibiting use, consumption, transportation or sale [of marijuana]," Smith said.

### Firearms

In other business on the upcoming agenda is an ordinance that amends City law to prohibit the discharge of firearms within city limits and establishes a minor offense fine of \$500.

The ordinance would not apply to discharge in situations of defense of life or property (DLP), indoor shooting range facility, subsistence hunting or while engaging in permitted sports hunting.

Chief John Papasodora of Nome Police Dept. urged the ordinance at a recent Council work session, saying that the law was needed to reduce the risk of injury from miscellaneous zinging bullets whizzing through town.

### Noise

In preparation for NomeGold's plan to mine for gold within city limits in the Dry Creek area, the Council has brought forth an ordinance prohibiting "unreasonably loud noise" during the hours 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. which "disturbs the quiet enjoyment of another within the city."

The amended ordinance does not apply to constitutionally protected speech or to noise made by animals, but excessive noise that is a gross deviation from a standard of conduct that a reasonable person would follow. The fine for excessive noise during the night would be \$300.

Councilmembers commented at the first reading of this ordinance Aug. 10 that it needed more work, was too broad and language needed to be more specific.

The Council will be considering an appeal filed by Nancy Mendenhall on a variance request turned down by the Nome Planning Commission. The issue involves a deck built into the setback allowance on the street side of 303 West E. Street. City law calls for structures to be five feet from property lines and 10 feet from the street. The law says citizens may appeal to the Council for relief from actions by the Nome Planning Commission.

## • "Grandfather" property rights

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"continuing use as an active business entity." Businesses are required by City law to have City of Nome Sales Tax Licenses.

In other business, the Nome Planning Commission has turned down a property owner's request for a variance from the City's law on lot-structure setbacks. Nancy Mendenhall, owner of the property at 303 West E Street, appealed the planning panel's decision to the Nome Common Council. That public hearing will

occur at the regular Nome Common Council meeting on Aug. 24.

Mendenhall asked the planning group to excuse the 10 foot requirement between structures and the edges of streets. A deck and stairs already built this summer by family members extends into the setback zone.

The structure stands on the west side of town where boundaries enclose substandard lot sizes.

Greg Smith, building inspector, told the commission the new deck did not meet building codes.

The commissioners found they could not say the property owner did not cause the condition that required the variance. Additionally, they could not rule out that the variance was required to save the applicant or property owner money. These are two of eight needs for a variance that must be ruled out as invalid as regards to the law.

A motion to approve the variance was amended to require the structure be brought compliant to building codes. The motion failed 3-2.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

**TOO CLOSE**—The Nome Common Council will hear an appeal from Nancy Mendenhall Aug. 24 on a variance request concerning a new deck that does not allow the structure to be in compliance with a requirement for a 10-foot setback from the street. The property is at 303 West E Street in a part of town where lots are substandard size.

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# BSNC leaves no stone unturned at Rock Creek Mine

By Maisie Thomas

Ever wonder what has become of the Rock Creek Mine? There was a time when Nome residents could not go a day without hearing the latest news about the mine, but for years the site has been inactive. That is changing this summer.

In May of 2015, Bering Straits Native Corporation (BSNC) issued a mining reclamation bond for the Rock Creek Mine. Reclamation is the process of returning a disturbed area to its natural state. Jerald Brown, Vice President of Nome Operations for BSNC, is quick to point out that this is not exactly what will happen to the land where Rock Creek mine sits. "I don't want anyone to get the idea that it will look like it did before the mine was there, because it's not," said Brown. BSNC does hope that the plan will bring the mine into compliance with water quality standards and Alaska Department of Natural Resources regulations concerning inactive mines on private land.

The mine started operations almost 10 years ago, but Rock Creek was only open for a few short months. In 2006, Rock Creek became the first mine opened by Nova Gold, a Canadian precious metals company. The mine was run by a NovaGold subsidiary, the Alaska Gold Company.

In a news release issued on November 24, 2008, NovaGold announced the suspension of the Rock Creek Mine. According to the release, the operation suffered from se-

rious mechanical issues as well as problems meeting state and federal environmental requirements. The unexpectedly high cost of building the mine, coupled with various problems during its start-up and the economic crash of 2008 caused NovaGold to go into debt. The mine was closed in late November of 2008, and NovaGold sold ACG four years later.

In 2012, BSNC bought the Alaska Gold Company, LLC from NovaGold Resources, Inc. The \$6.265 million purchase included Rock Creek Mine, a hard rock gold mine six miles from Nome as well as the Big Hurrah mine site, 40 miles from Nome. In January of 2012, BSNC released a reclamation plan for the Rock Creek Mine. The plan has been amended several times since it was first issued.

Originally, BSNC planned to restart the mine. This turned out to be a harder than anticipated. In early 2015, BSNC decided that mining would not be cost effective, and ruled out the possibility of reopening the site.

Although the mine will remain inactive, there will be some changes. BSNC is in the process of completing the reclamation plan. According to the plan, the goal is to "minimize water ponding and runoff channelization." Currently, work is being done to level the slopes surrounding the operation. Conversely, soil is being added to graded surfaces. The topsoil will be seeded with plants native to Nome. Plants have more than just aesthetic purposes; their roots

help to hold down the topsoil.

Work to contour the slopes started this summer, and is now 30-40 percent finished, with a completion date set for October. Besides the work on

the slopes, there will not be many changes made to the mine area. The structures, including the dam, will remain in place for the near future.

Brown said that the long-term fu-

ture of the hard rock mine is still up in the air. One possibility is to remove the buildings and start a resort.



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**ROCK CREEK MINE**— Bering Straits Native Corporation issued a mining reclamation bond for the Rock Creek Mine.

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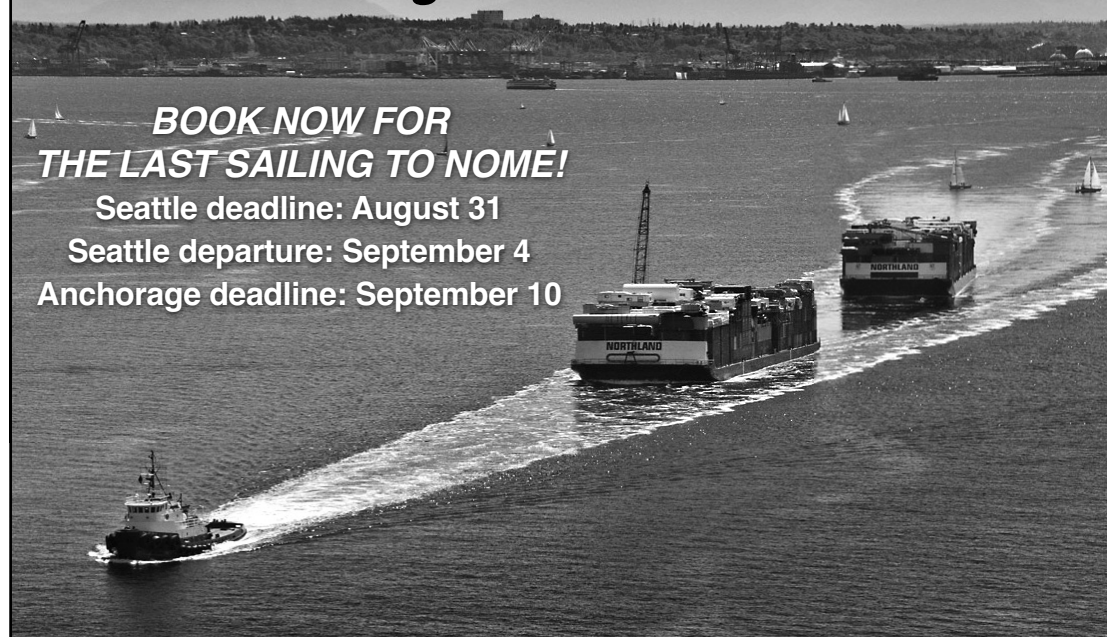
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# Northwest Campus starts fall class schedule with lighter budget

By Keith Conger

According to an Executive Summary Report issued by the University of Alaska – Fairbanks, operating costs of the University of Alaska System for the FY16 school year have increased beyond what the State of Alaska has allocated. This shortfall has resulted in a reduction of \$31.4 million from the UA System budget. The University of Alaska – Fairbanks has been targeted for nearly \$20 million of that amount.

The budget trimmings have far-reaching effects, some of which will impact Nome's Northwest Campus, a branch of UAF. "When the state legislature finally passed the state budget they cut every single part of state funding," said Northwest Campus Director Bob Metcalf.

According to Metcalf, the UAF budget is split into seven administrative units. NWC falls under the Rural Community and Native Education Unit, which has been targeted for an 11.7%, \$2.4 million decrease. The Northwest Campus portion of the RCNE cut is about \$200,000. That amount represents roughly 13.5% of the NWC budget.

The cuts are not a surprise to Metcalf. UAF Chancellor Brian Rogers and RCNE Vice Chancellor Evon Peter knew future funding decreases were unavoidable and worked with Northwest Campus last year to implement a "self-imposed," five percent, pro-active, budget reduction plan. "Knowing that we were going to get cut this year, this was an attempt to preserve some (funds) and to try to carry some forward, to help fill in the gaps," Metcalf said.

One of the strategies Chancellor Rogers developed to eliminate the initial five percent was to implement a mandatory hiring freeze. Waiting 90 days to fill General Fund position vacancies has saved money. A 90-day wait allows campuses to evaluate the necessity of each position.

Northwest Campus has decided to keep its library services position vacant. "The most obvious impact is going to be that we won't have library services in our new library building," said Metcalf. "It's not open until we have someone who can check out books, can check back in materials, and help with searches." NWC will also realize salary savings by eliminating an administrative support position.

Cuts to Northwest Campus have been made in several other areas. Administrative and staff travel has been reduced. Funding for contractual services, such as additional snow removal, has been cut. Expenses on commodities, such as office supplies, have been reduced. Commodities can also include course materials for students that have traditionally been paid for by the campus, resulting in increased materials costs to students.

UAF also instituted administrative furloughs, which resulted in a

five-day leave of absence without pay for Metcalf, and a savings of salary expense for the university. Metcalf was one of 55 UAF administrative employees affected by furloughs. The implementation of furloughs for other employees may be a strategy for future cuts.

Metcalf says other campuses have made cuts by eliminating educational positions. The Kuskokwim Campus is not rehiring for their Yupik Language and Developmental Studies position. The Bristol Bay Campus is not rehiring for their vacant general studies teacher, and the Rural College, which includes the Alaska Studies and Rural Development Program, is reducing its number of adjunct positions.

"We've reduced no faculty," Metcalf said. "We've actually saved salary so we could hire our Applied Business faculty person. This year for sure, we don't expect anyone to notice any less classes, and no less instruction, because that's the very last thing we want to start eliminating."

Northwest Campus' budget strategy allows for continued hiring of adjunct teachers during the FY16 school year. The college will continue to hire local and regional teachers to offer short courses such as kaspeq sewing and ceramics, as well as semester-long classes.

Northwest Campus will be affected indirectly through reductions made in other areas of the UAF system. UAF Provost Dr. Susan Hendichs has been in charge of a \$7.7 million reduction in Academic Units and eLearning. Her cuts have included the elimination of a Department Chair. Cuts to this position have resulted in decreases in avail-

ability of summer advising in some departments. Metcalf said this has effected Northwest Campus' ability to gain course approval, and approval for adjuncts, during the summer months.

UAF Administrative Services Unit lost a facilities and maintenance chief that worked with all rural campuses. The Executive Summary Report states the loss of this position could limit services, resulting in more reactive maintenance. NWC could see lower response times to non-emergency maintenance and grounds problems, and a general decline in facility quality.

Metcalf said although UAF Academic Unit programs are regularly evaluated, the budget cuts have prompted Special Program Reviews. This has led to reductions at the Large Animal Research Farm and to the Reindeer Research Program. These programs are a part of the UAF School of Natural Resources and Extension, and do not fall directly under the Northwest Campus umbrella. Cuts to programs in these areas, however, will impact NWC, which is the only rural campus directly involved with reindeer science.

According to Metcalf, the cuts are forcing Northwest Campus to search out external funding sources to help support the High Latitude Range Management Program, an educational arm of the Reindeer Research Program. NWC offers academic reindeer courses on its campus, and helps support part of program director Greg Finstad's salary. Metcalf says Finstad has

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RESEARCH VESSEL — The NOAA research vessel Fairweather makes its way to the Nome Harbor on August 14.

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6. Take into custody  
10. "Don't go!"  
14. Kind of skeleton  
15. \_\_\_ Minor  
16. Halo, e.g.  
17. Asian plant's flaxlike fiber  
18. Vice president under Jefferson  
19. Ball of yarn  
20. Director of an opera  
22. Applaud  
23. "From Here to Eternity" wife  
24. Strategy board game  
25. Big blowout  
29. Horizontal trellis on posts  
31. Unlawful  
33. Something outstandingly difficult (British)  
37. Snoopy, for one  
38. Not straight  
39. Cause oneself to consider  
41. Large, brightly colored handkerchief  
42. Tenth month  
44. "-zoic" things  
45. Young bird  
48. Pie cuts, essentially  
50. Advanced  
51. Rectories  
56. Arm bone  
57. The "A" of ABM  
58. Italian dry white wine  
59. 20-20, e.g.

60. \_\_\_ Piper  
61. "Come in!"  
62. Arid  
63. "God's Little \_\_\_"  
64. Aquarium fish

Down

1. Delhi dress  
2. Final, e.g.  
3. Walk lamely  
4. Wild animal's den  
5. Aerodynamic  
6. 1972 Liza Minnelli musical film  
7. Money lender  
8. Employment terminations  
9. Betting game  
10. Simple sugar  
11. Gown fabric  
12. Bailiwicks  
13. Talks raucously  
21. Discerning  
24. Rodeo sight  
25. Kind of lettuce  
26. On the safe side, at sea  
27. Bed board  
28. Type of gas that reduces knock (hyph.)  
30. Smallest of the Great Lakes  
32. Press and release a mouse button  
34. Boris Godunov, for one  
35. "Empedocles on \_\_\_" (Matthew Arnold poem)  
36. Scandinavian shag rugs  
40. Pertaining to the sacred texts of Islam  
41. Kind of manner  
43. Trade goods or services without money  
45. Hints  
46. Axe handle  
47. \_\_\_ tube  
49. Atlas enlargement  
51. Perry Como's "\_\_\_ Loves Mambo"  
52. Bang-up (hyphenated)  
53. General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (acronym)  
54. "... happily \_\_\_ after"  
55. "Buona \_\_\_" (Italian greeting)

Previous Puzzle Answers

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September 23–October 22

Way to go! You manage to move mountains this week, Libra, and you're rewarded for your efforts in a very big way. An offer looks promising.



January 20–February 18

Friends are coming to town. Pull out all of the stops to make them feel welcome, Aquarius. A summer activity comes to a rousing end.



April 20–May 20

Too little, too late, Taurus. You've given far too many chances as it is. Wash your hands of it. An engagement gets off to a shaky start but ends well.



July 23–August 22

You want it, you need it, but for some reason, you can't get it. Go at it from another angle, Leo. A star is born at work. Look, listen and learn.



October 23–November 21

Take it or leave it, Scorpio. There is no room for compromise. A home improvement project finally sees the light of day. Take up that pal's offer to help.



February 19–March 20

A mission in organization gets completely out of hand. Look to a mentor to get everything back on track, Pisces. A joke breaks the ice at an event.



May 21–June 21

A close friend begins dropping hints. Don't take the bait, Gemini. You have plenty to keep yourself busy for months to come. A rescue is completed.



August 23–September 22

Many magical moments are headed your way. Enjoy, Virgo. A tiff in your inner circle puts the kibosh on an event. Use the time to get things done at home.



November 22–December 21

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# School Board celebrates JROTC funding gift, looks forward to the school year

By Kristine McRae

The past year has introduced several uncertainties to school districts around the state; budget cuts and reductions in staff have threatened to dissolve valuable programs. But last week members of Nome's school board had reason to celebrate. Sitnasuak Native Corporation has again donated funds to support the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, or JROTC. SNC president Michael Orr and Program Coordinator Christy Salesky presented the board with a check for \$100,000 to keep the popular program alive at Nome-Beltz. Instructors LTC (Ret) Robert Blake Sr. and SGM (Ret) James Shreve were also at the meeting to accept what Shreve called "the extremely generous support."

In addition to funding deficits, districts statewide have had to struggle with the switch in learning assessments and the way those tests are scored. Last spring Nome schools administered the AMP (Academic Measure of Progress) for the first time. AMP replaces the SBA (Standards Based Assessments), and with the change comes a discrepancy between the way students are scored and placed into their learning environments.

"The AMP testing was a big change, and they are still working on the outcomes of the first round of testing around the state," Arnold told the board. "The standards are quite different than our previous teaching standards. We won't receive the scores and data until October 12." Of the delay and the change to the scoring process, Arnold added, "We have to raise our expectations and reflect on how we're delivering instruction across the state. We can't rely on the

state to tell us where we're at and where we're going. We have to rely on ourselves. I'm not as concerned as what the scoring says; we will take it on ourselves. We have the tools to move forward."

In what has become an annual event at the August school board meeting, participants in this year's culture camp shared their experience with members of the board. Seven teachers from NPS went to Tom and BeeJay Gray's fish camp near White Mountain for several days to become, themselves, students of local culture and subsistence practices. Although most of the camp attendees were new to western Alaska, the group also included veteran teachers and even some returning to the camp for a second year. Among the participants was new Nome-Beltz principal, Chip Sharpe, who shared slides of learning to process salmon, traditional-style.

Third grade teacher Elizabeth Korenek-Johnson is starting her 15th year teaching, and went to the camp for the first time this summer. "I'm so thankful I did; even having lived here pretty much all my life I learned so much," Korenek told the board. "It's important to remember that all of our kids come to us with different backgrounds. We should expect great things, and they are capable of great things. I recommend this for all teachers, no matter how long you've been here."

Aisha Talbert, who is starting her second year with Nome Public Schools, said, "I grew so much more as a teacher. I'm looking at what I need to be celebrating in my classroom to make it more of a community." And Teriscovkya Smith, who comes to Nome-Beltz Junior High

from the Bronx via Kotzebue, said the experience was a great springboard for the teaching year. "I can't imagine not going to the camp as a start to my time in Nome," Smith said, "I realize how much work we have to do, and I'm excited about networking."

The class is a collaborative effort, with support from UAF Northwest Campus, Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation, Nome Eskimo Community, Bering Strait School District, and Nome Public Schools. Dr. Barb Amarok is the instructor for the classroom portion of the graduate-level class, ANS 475, Alaska Native Social Change. Amarok, who is also a school board member, said the conversations in class were uplifting and emotional. "One of the best things is that we really connected with each other and created strong bonds. We're all learners, and I think that the attendees are going to be wonderful assets to our schools and to our community," Amarok said.

In his report to the board, superintendent Shawn Arnold shared his goals for the upcoming school year. Arnold will continue with the community engagement effort, which for the past few years has been gathering information from students, faculty, and community members in an effort to strengthen the role of the community in the schools and the role of the schools in the community. Arnold is also developing a partnership with the University of Alaska, which will allow teachers to earn professional credits for working with direct instruction projects, such as the new math standards. "Community engagement is one of my initiatives," Arnold told the board, "and

also investing in our valuable staff. Our teacher in-service this year will focus on community engagement and the Alaska standard for culturally responsive schools. Teachers are going to walk out with a plan for their classrooms."

This year the district welcomes two new principals. Nome-Beltz principal Chip Sharpe comes to Nome from, most recently, Mountain Village. He has spent six of his 28 years in education in Alaska. "I am excited to be in Nome. I've gone through a lot of things with the maintenance crew, and we're ready for school to start." The new assistant principal at Nome-Beltz is Beth Sabdefur, who for the last five years has lived in Metlakatla.

Kevin Theoness is the new Nome Elementary School principal. Theoness came to Alaska 26 years ago and met his wife, who is from Noorvik. She will be the new teacher at Nome Preschool. "We are blessed to come to a community like this, to connect with people in a way you can't in larger communities," Theoness said. "I'm also excited with the math and language arts curriculum changes that are coming this year and next. There is a level of excellence with the staff at the elementary school, and I'm looking forward to working with them."

Todd Hindman, a veteran teacher and principal of Nome's charter school, Anvil City Science Academy, was also at the meeting and briefed the board on the start of the year at ACSA. "We're starting the year with the overnight camping trip and some hikes," said Hindman, "and we're looking forward to another great year." Hindman has been with the charter school for 17 of his 27 years

as an educator. ACSA has 60 students, 15 in each class of fifth through eighth grade.

The board ended their meeting by approving the contract for Madelyn Alvanna-Stimple, who accepted the early-childhood-education teacher position at Kawerak Head Start.

Toward the end of the meeting, Superintendent Arnold shared some surprising news. Arnold, who has served for over 20 years in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, received a deployment tasking him to go to the Middle East. "It would be in July [2016] for a six month deployment," Arnold told board members, "It would be my fourth combat tour, and I have asked my leadership to see if there's anyone else [who could go]." Board president Betsy Brennan said the board would consider requesting that Arnold not be deployed, given that his position is so integral to the district.

In a slightly ironic twist, the board is set to receive an award for their support of Arnold's commitment to the Reserves. "Several months ago I nominated my supervisor [the school board] for support of my reserve duty for the Air Force, and they won," Arnold announced. The Patriot Award is given by the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), an office of the Department of Defense. It recognizes supervisors and bosses for their support of the nominator. The head of the Air Force Reserves hopes to present Nome's five-member board with the award in November at the Alaska Association of School Board's annual meeting in Anchorage.

## KUAC stops broadcasting APRN

By Maisie Thomas

The Fairbanks public radio station, KUAC-FM, is no longer broadcasting Alaska Public Radio Network (APRN). The parting was caused by budget cuts made by the station's two largest funders: the State of Alaska and the University of Alaska Fairbanks. KUAC's website stated that due to dramatic decreases in donations from both, they will start the 2016 fiscal year \$190,000 under budget. As of July 1, KUAC stopped broadcasting APRN.

Money troubles are not new to KUAC, and the last two years have been especially lean. The station made an effort to increase fundraising, but the 15% donation increase in listener donations was not enough to combat the \$360,000 loss from the combined 2014-2016 cuts. Last year, the station announced that it would end its affiliation with APRN, but ended up terminating an administrative position instead. In 2015 KUAC eliminated two more positions.

With the state budget cuts, it became clear that just ending contracts would not have enough impact. After researching other possible alternatives, KUAC concluded that cutting APRN would save \$35,000 and be

the most effective way to trim the budget.

According to their website, KUAC airs four hours of APRN per week and each hour costs \$167.87. In comparison, the station pays only \$25 each hour for airing National Public Radio (NPR). In addition, NPR is a flat rate, meaning that KUAC pays the same amount per year for the 10 hours they currently broadcast per week.

The decision was made to cut APRN because it is more expensive and because losing four hours each week would not have a great impact on their broadcast schedule. According to their website, KUAC "chose the move that would have the least impact to all Alaskans and to our programming schedule."

The four hours of APRN programming each week included three shows, the 30-minute Alaska News Nightly each weekday, the hour-long Talk of Alaska on Tuesdays and brief Alaska morning headlines. To fill the schedule gaps, KUAC has replaced Alaska News Nightly by moving Marketplace to 6:00 p.m. each evening. KUAC has replaced Talk of Alaska, with its new show To the Point, an hour-long news program

covering national problems. Alaska Morning Headlines, which used to play before NPR's Morning Edition, has been completely eliminated.

Although KUAC pays per hour for APRN, picking and choosing shows is not an option. If the possibility to broadcast only Alaska News Nightly was an option, the station would likely look into bringing it back.



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# Fish Report

By Jim Menard  
ADF&G Arctic Area Manager

### Norton Sound

The silver run has picked up this week and the commercial harvest has surpassed 100,000 silvers for the second year in a row, and the seventh time in history. The department forecast of 60,000 to 90,000 silvers in the commercial fishery has been shattered. This year's harvest looks to be on track to break into the Top 3 greatest harvests that occurred from 2006-2008.

Commercial Fishing: Preliminary Norton Sound salmon catches this season are 1,100 kings, 150,000 chums, 4,000 reds, 65,000 pinks and 104,000 silvers by 125 permit holders. The chum catch finished 11th best in the 55-year history of the commercial fishery and was the best harvest since 1983.

### Unalakleet Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Two 48-hour fishing periods a week unless changed at the request of the buyer. Sunday 6 p.m. until Tuesday 6 p.m. and Wednesday 6 p.m. until Friday 6 p.m.

Commercial catch this season is 300 kings, 500 sockeyes, 33,000 pinks, 38,000 chums and 70,000 silvers. The silver catch is the sixth highest in history. The 72-hour period that ended Saturday night had one of greatest single fishing period harvests with a catch of 18,000 silvers.

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 August 14 were 1,900 kings, 22,000 chums, 455,000 pinks and 3,600 silvers. The silver count through mid-August is the second highest in five years. The average historical third quarter point for silver passage at the tower is August 23.

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.

Project completed for season. Cumulative counts through August 15

were 2,775 kings, 97,000 chums, 1.6 million pinks, 900 sockeyes and 41,000 silvers. The project started in 2010 and the silver count was the best in history.

### Shaktoolik Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Two 48-hour fishing periods a week unless changed at the request of the buyer. Sunday 6 p.m. until Tuesday 6 p.m. and Wednesday 6 p.m. until Friday 6 p.m.

Commercial catch this season is 34 kings, 55 sockeyes, 14,000 pinks, 26,000 chums and 18,000 silvers. The silver catch through mid-August is the best since 2008 and is eighth highest in history.

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

Cumulative counts through August 13 were 600 kings, 27,000 chums, 400,000 pinks and 11,500 silvers.

### Norton Bay Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Two 48-hour fishing periods a week unless changed at the request of the buyer. Saturday 6 p.m. until Monday 6 p.m. and Wednesday 6 p.m. until Friday 6 p.m.

Commercial catch this season is 225 kings, 250 sockeyes, 12,000 pinks, 24,000 chums and 6,600 silvers. The silver catch through mid-August is a record.

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

Cumulative counts through August 10 were 1,400 kings, 68,000 chums, 825,000 pinks and 8,000 silvers. Silvers counts are above average.

### Elim Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Two 48-hour fishing periods a week unless changed at the request of the buyer. Saturday 6 p.m. until Monday 6 p.m. and Wednesday 6 p.m. until Friday 6 p.m.

Commercial catch this season is 500 kings, 2,200 sockeyes, 4,500 pinks, 39,000 chums and 6,600 silvers. The silver catch is the sixth highest in history.

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 August

15 were 320 kings, 38,000 chums, 102,000 pinks, 27 sockeyes and 2,200 silvers. The silver count is second highest in the last 5 years. The average historical midpoint for silver passage at the tower is August 15.

### Golovin Subdistrict

Commercial Fishing: Two 48-hour fishing periods a week unless changed at the request of the buyer. Saturday 6 p.m. until Monday 6 p.m. and Wednesday 6 p.m. until Friday 6 p.m.

Commercial catch this season is 60 kings, 1,000 sockeyes, 1,300 pinks, 17,000 chums and 2,500 silvers. The silver catch is sixth highest in history.

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

Cumulative counts through August 15 were 2,300 kings, 145,000 chums, 215,000 pinks and 8,000 silvers. This is the second year of the Fish River project. The previous tower project at Niukluk River had an average historical midpoint of August 21 for silver passage at the tower and escapement goal range was 2,400 to 7,200 fish. Tagging studies have shown that one-third of the silvers go up the Niukluk River and the Niukluk River escapement goal range would have been met this year.

### Nome Subdistrict

Subsistence Fishing: Beach seining is no longer allowed. Subsistence set gillnet schedule fishing in the marine waters is open seven days a week. There are no catch limits when fishing in marine waters. The fresh water subsistence area set gillnet schedule is from 6 p.m. Monday until 6 p.m. Wednesday and from 6 p.m. Thursday

until 6 p.m. Saturday. Check the back of the subsistence permit for the catch limits that vary by river. A record 515 Nome Subdistrict subsistence permits have been issued so far this season. The previous record was 494 permits issued in 2010.

Commercial catch this season is 3 kings, 90 sockeyes, 550 pinks, 5,000 chums and 15 silvers. No more commercial fishing periods are expected. The chum catch was the best since 1987.

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

Cumulative counts through August 15 were 20 kings, 5,800 chums, 75,000 pinks, 60 sockeyes and 70 silvers. The silver count has been lagging and is the lowest since 2009. The average historical midpoint for silver passage at the weir is August 29.

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

Cumulative counts through August 15 were 3 kings, 4,200 chums, 16,000 pinks and 75 silvers. The silver count ranks as the third highest since 2009. The average historical midpoint for silver passage at the weir is August 28.

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

Cumulative counts through August 15 were 3 kings, 1,030 chums, 18,000 pinks and 30 silvers.

### Port Clarence District

All subsistence sockeye salmon limits at Pilgrim River have been waived. Check the back of the permit

for limits on other salmon. Subsistence gillnet and beach seining is open seven days a week.

Pilgrim River has required subsistence permits since 1964 and a record 368 Pilgrim River subsistence permits have been issued so far this season. The previous record was 265 permits in 2013.

The department will open the half of Salmon Lake that drains into Pilgrim River to subsistence fishing later this week.

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.

Cumulative counts through August 15 were 97 kings, 37,000 chums, 2,700 pinks, 35,000 sockeyes and 125 silvers. The sockeye escapement was the best since 2007.

### Kotzebue

The commercial harvest in the Kotzebue fishery through mid-August is 255,000 and is half of last year's record harvest, but likely will finish third highest in the last 20 years.

There is only one buyer and the buyer has daily catch limits of 1,500 pounds per permit holder. This week 72 permit holders fished on Tuesday, the most permit holders to fish in one fishing period since 1994.

Kobuk River Test Fish - Fish & Game project.

Through mid-August the chum catch is only half of last year's catch, but ranks sixth highest in the 23-year project history.



Photo by Jim Menard, ADF&G

**STILL FISHING—** Skipper Ralph Ivanoff and crew Kenny and Duncan Ivanoff check the net Saturday morning off of Unalakleet. Ralph Ivanoff is probably the oldest salmon permit holder in Norton Sound if not Alaska at 92 years old!

## The Dock Walk

Harbormaster Lucas Stotts reports the following traffic in and around Nome's port last week:

On August 11, Alaska Dream Ventures had their research vessel *Dream Catcher* depart the Port of Nome. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game had the *Pandalus* arrive.

On August 12, Alaska Dream Ventures had the research vessel *Dream Catcher* arrive in Nome after a short journey. Ridge Construction and Ridge Marine had the tug and barge *FishHawk/Logistics Provider* depart.

On August 13, Cruise Silver's tour ship *Discoverer* arrived and departed after allowing passengers to go on day-tours of Nome. KNIK had the tug and barge *Arctic Bear/Alaska Provider* at Cape Nome.

August 14 was the busiest day of the week at Nome's port. Alaska Department of Fish and Game had the *Pandalus* depart. Alaska Dream Ventures had the *Dream Catcher* depart after a three-day stay. Canadian Navy ships *Saskatoon* and *Nanaimo* arrived. The ships are making their way north on an arctic exploration trip. National Oceanic and Atmos-

pheric Administration had their research vessels *Fairweather* and its sister ship the *Ranier* arrive. Alaska Marine Lines had their tug and barge *Malolo/Naknek Trader* offshore.

On August 15, Alaska Marine Lines had the landingcraft *Greta* arrive and depart with village freight. Canadian Navy ships *Saskatoon* and *Nanaimo* both departed.

On August 16, Alaska Marine Lines had the *Malolo/Naknek Trader* arrive after unloading and loading freight.

August 17, No activity was reported.



Photo by Brandon Ahmasuk

**DEAD WHALE—** Minke whales are the smallest baleen whale, abundant in number, and their population status is considered stable in Alaska. They also swim the fastest of all the baleen whales and use their speed and endurance to try to outdistance killer whales that hunt them for food. Minke whales are migratory and visit Alaska in the summer. The throat grooves on its chin allow the whale to enclose a large "gulp" of water and strain the water out to get their main prey of krill and small fish.

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**HANGING AROUND**— Audrey Bahnke looks for her next hold on the difficult “top-rope” section of the climbing wall.



**SPIDER-MAN**— Rohn Peacock does his best Spider-Man impression on the Nome Rec Center climbing wall under the watchful eye of his father Lahka.

# James Schwarb brings life back to Rec Center climbing wall

**Photos and Story By Keith Conger**

“I wasn’t expecting to hear that in Nome, Alaska,” said newly hired Nome Recreation Center Assistant director James Schwarb in a recent interview. He was referring to job information he received this spring about the local Rec Center having a climbing wall. Schwarb, 27, has been in Nome since late April and, along with other duties, has begun reestablishing a Rec Center feature that hadn’t gotten much attention in quite some time.

Schwarb, a native of the Detroit, Michigan area, grew up participating in a variety of sports, including hockey, soccer, basketball, and golf. “You name it, I played it,” he said. Schwarb graduated with a BA in History from Wayne State in Detroit, and learned to rock climb at the school’s gym. His climbing career took a big step forward when he started frequenting the climbing gym Planet Rock in Pontiac, Michigan, where he took a course and received a rock climbing certificate.

Between college and coming to Nome, Schwarb spent time as an archeologist working on pre-historic digs in Ohio, West Virginia, and Kentucky. He also worked the dig site at Fort Massachusetts, the oldest fort in Colorado. “Unless you’ve got a Ph.D., or a masters degree, you’re not doing the cool Indiana Jones in Egypt stuff. I didn’t see myself diggin’ holes the rest of my life, so I started looking elsewhere,” he said.

When Schwarb got to the Rec Center he quickly located the racquetball court-turned-rock wall in the northwest end of the building. “I noticed that the holds probably hadn’t been moved in a while, so I came in here and took the holds off,” said Schwarb. He removed and cleaned hundreds of plastic pieces, and then rearranged them on the wall.

Holds range from easy to grasp

“jugs” to smaller pieces that can only be grasped by a few fingers, explained Schwarb. He says each of the 4 x 8 foot panels that make up the well-constructed, false walls have 72 inlaid screws that accept holds. This allows for an incredible number of different set-up possibilities.

Participants have the choice of randomly moving along the wall from hold to hold, or working their way along intended routes. Schwarb sees the business of creating new pathways as an art form. “You build a route in your head, and try to duplicate it on the wall,” he said. “I tried to throw different holds at them to try and challenge them a little bit. It’s like a puzzle.”

Schwarb’s work has not gone unappreciated. “I lucked out with my helpers,” said Schwarb as he talked about eighth-graders Justus Kowchee and Brittney Goldy. The pair of budding climbers wandered into the rock gym early during route reconstruction. “I asked them if they

wanted to learn, and they said sure. I wasn’t sure I’d see them again, but sure enough, the next time I was in there they came in,” he said after the girl’s initial lesson. “They both flow up the wall really well. They both know how to change their body movements”

Schwarb explains that to distinguish one route from another he uses colored duct tape. “I started putting up routes with no name on it. I said, ‘if you’re the first to climb it, you get to name it.’ Kowchee loved the challenge of that. One of her first routes was named Red versus Blue for the two colors that marked the route.

Both Kowchee and Goldy have been fixtures in this summer’s Tuesday and Friday night climbing sessions. The two have done well on the “bouldering” sections of the rock gym, where climbers work their way horizontally across the wall. Falls here are short and participants land on thick pads.

The pair has also been

Schwarb’s most trusted helpers on the gym’s 18-foot vertical wall section. To climb this element, participants wear rock climbing harnesses and are attached to climbing ropes. For safety, the technique of top-roping is employed. Climbers use a rope that is threaded through a fixed point near the ceiling. A second climber “belay”, keeping their partner’s rope tight to prevent falls.

Between five and ten participants have attended the climbing sessions this summer said Schwarb. For safety reasons, he keeps the groups at ten or less. He has been waiting for the end of the softball season to continue growing the sport in Nome. His plans include the establishment of a climbing club this fall. He hopes to create sessions that accommodate a great number of climbers, both beginners and advanced. If interest grows, he will work toward getting a group of youth to a top-roping competition in Anchorage.



**THE RISE OF CLIMBING**— Justus Kowchee solves a “bouldering problem” in the Rec Center’s rock gym.

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worked with local herders for over 20 years, and provides a valuable service.

Finstad says his program has received cuts similar to those felt by NWC. The Reindeer Research Program has reduced its travel budget. To save money, many members of the RRP staff have been placed on 10-month contracts.

“It’s a very unique program,” said Metcalf. “The (reindeer) industry has had a hard time getting included in federal funding initiatives and sup-

port because it doesn’t neatly fit within the Agricultural Farm Bill or higher agricultural university educational programs.” Metcalf said that the United States Department of Agriculture is the first logical place to look for funding.

UAF’s operating budget reductions are not complete. Metcalf says UAF’s Vision Strategy leads Northwest Campus to expect FY17 cuts to be similar in size to those instituted in FY16. “This year the university took \$20 million (in cuts), and they are saying count on another \$20 million next year,” said Metcalf.

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She will be remembered for her unwavering devotion to her children and grandchildren as well as an exceptional special friend to many others. Barb is preceded in death by her mother Ike Schick and sister Janet Breeden. She is survived by her father Robert Schick, her daughter Michelle Earp with granddaughter Lyric, her son Andrew Earp with grandson Dalton, her daughter Joni Earp with grandson Robert, her daughter Jessica Earp and husband Bjorn Miller, her sister Peggy Schick, her brother Michael Schick, and her brother Louis Schick. A pub-

lic Celebration of Life was held August 19th at Tanglewood Lakes Golf Club.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to the cancer awareness organization “Let Every Woman Know – Alaska” 3851 Piper Street, Suite U264 Anchorage, AK



Barbara Kay Schick Earp

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

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Bake at 350°F for 30 minutes  
Difficulty Level: Medium

Ingredients:  
8 corn tortillas  
1 lb. ground moose  
2 cups pinto beans  
1 (4oz) can chopped green chilies, drained  
2 Tbsp. taco seasoning  
1 cup fat-free sour cream (or plain yogurt)  
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese



Directions:

1. Spray 9x13 inch casserole dish with olive oil. Line the dish with the 8 corn tortillas and set aside.
2. Spray hot skillet with cooking spray and heat on medium-high heat. Add ground meat to the skillet. Stir in beans, chilies, and taco seasoning. Continue cooking until meat is brown.
3. Spoon meat mixture into cooking dish. Spread sour cream evenly over the top and sprinkle with cheese.
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Tips:

- \* Top with shredded lettuce, tomatoes, guacamole and salsa for added fiber and flavor.
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Social Services Assistant, Social Services Depart

PURPOSE OF POSITION:

Provide psycho-social assessments and social services to the people of all ages throughout the Bering Straits Region in accordance with NSHC's mission, philosophy, policies, and procedures while applying standards of the social services field. Assist in locating community resources for clients. Advocate for patient or resident rights issues and actively supports the Corporation's philosophy by participating in patient/customer focused care activities and quality assessment/improvement team activities.

EXPERIENCE and CREDENTIALS:

**Education** Degree  
High School Diploma or Equivalent

**Program**  
**Experience** General (Non-supervisory):  
Amount: 4 year(s)  
Type: performing medical social work, child protection or adult protection services or related field  
**Supervisory**  
Amount: 0 year(s)  
Type: Must have both general and supervisory experience if indicated.

**Credentials** Licensure, Certification, Etc.:  
Alaska Social Worker License

Starting pay \$23.32 + DOE

For an application, detailed job description or more information, please contact us:  
[recruiter@nshcorp.org](mailto:recruiter@nshcorp.org)  
(907) 443-4573  
(907) 443-2085 fax  
[www.nortonsoundhealth.org](http://www.nortonsoundhealth.org)

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

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Classifieds

**MORE DESIRED THAN GOLD** The life and times of NOME prospector and Pioneer **FRANK H. WASKEY** elected Alaska's first Delegate to Congress.  
Book summary: [www.createpace.com/5290894](http://www.createpace.com/5290894)  
8.20-27, 9.3-10

**\$2000 REWARD** for information leading to the recovery of the following 3 items stolen near the Kougarok River Bridge: **Green 2007 Polaris Sportsman 500 6 wheeler. Red Honda Rancher 4-wheeler**, with electronic shift button to change gears. **Flat bed ATV tilt trailer**, 8 ft. wide x 11-12 ft. long, with release lever to drive up on to it. **Call Judy or Don at 907-235-8975**

8.13-20-27

**WANTED**—Muskox horn, moose/caribou antler, old ivory, Eskimo artifacts. **Call Roger 304-1048** or email [nomerog@hotmail.com](mailto:nomerog@hotmail.com).

2/26/2015 th

**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

**For Sale: One Military Aluminum Insulated Container**, Will not rust away from the salt air, lighter to move, Totally enclosed. Heavy Entry Door, very secure, Could be used for storage or living quarters. 7 ft 3 inches wide, 12 ft 3 inches long, 6 ft 11" tall. Outside dimensions. Can stand inside this unit. Good condition. **\$4,500 OBO**  
**Contact Lee to look at unit. 954-401-8714**

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Legals

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

**O-15-08-01** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13.25 of the Nome Code of Ordinances to Prohibit Excessive Noise within the City and Amending Section 1.20.040 to Establish a Penalty for Violation

**O-15-08-02** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13.25 of the Nome Code of Ordinances to Prohibit the Discharge of Firearms within the City and Amending Section 1.20.040 to Establish a Penalty for Violation

**O-15-08-03** An Ordinance Amending Title 3 of the Nome Code of Ordinances to Establish Chapter 3.40 Marijuana Regulation and Amending Section 1.20.040 to Establish a Penalty for Violation

**O-15-08-04** An Ordinance Approving the Amended 2015 Operations and Maintenance Budget for Nome Joint Utility System

**O-15-08-05** An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to Nome Joint Utility System's Electric Tariff No. E-2, Making Changes to Rate Schedules 'A', 'B' and 'C'

**O-15-08-06** An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to Nome Joint Utility System's Water and Sewer Tariff No. 3, Making Changes to Rate Schedules 'A' and 'B'

These ordinances had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on August 10, 2015 and were advanced to second reading/public hearing/final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **August 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall**, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the Office of the City Clerk.

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INVITATION TO BID

CITY OF NOME  
City Hall Interior Improvements

NOME, ALASKA

**OWNER: CITY OF NOME**  
**P.O. BOX 281**  
**NOME, ALASKA 99762**  
**907-443-6663 (PHONE)**  
**907-443-5345 (FAX)**

The City of Nome will receive sealed bids for demolition of a limited amount of existing casework and countertop and replacement with new built-in casework, countertops, and finishes within the City Hall entrance and City Clerk's Office areas.

Interested persons may receive a bid package by registering with the City Clerk by email [tmoran@nomealaska.org](mailto:tmoran@nomealaska.org), phone at 907-443-6663, or by fax at 907-443-5345. Contract Documents will be available on August 20, 2015.

One complete set of Bid Documents will also be available for review at The Plans Room, 4831 Old

Real Estate



**Nome Sweet Homes**  
907-443-7368

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[www.nomesweethomes.com](http://www.nomesweethomes.com)

Legals

Seward Hwy # 102, Anchorage, AK 99503, 907-563-2029.

The deadline for submission of sealed proposals is Thursday, **September 10, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.** local time and shortly thereafter the bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids must be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked clearly on the envelope as "Bid Enclosed: City Hall Interior Improvements" along with the name and address of the Bidder. Fax submissions are not allowed, but bid modifications are.

**The contract will be awarded to the lowest qualified Bidder as determined by the City. The City of Nome reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to reject non-conforming, non-responsive, or conditional bids.**

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Appeal of Variance Denial

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO SEEK COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING:

**Appeal of a variance denial from Nancy Mendenhall for the property located at 303 West E Street (Block 55, Lot 14ptn).**

**DATE: Monday, August 24, 2015**  
**TIME: 7:00 P.M.**  
**LOCATION: City Hall Chambers**

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC,  
GUIDES, PILOTS & HUNTERS

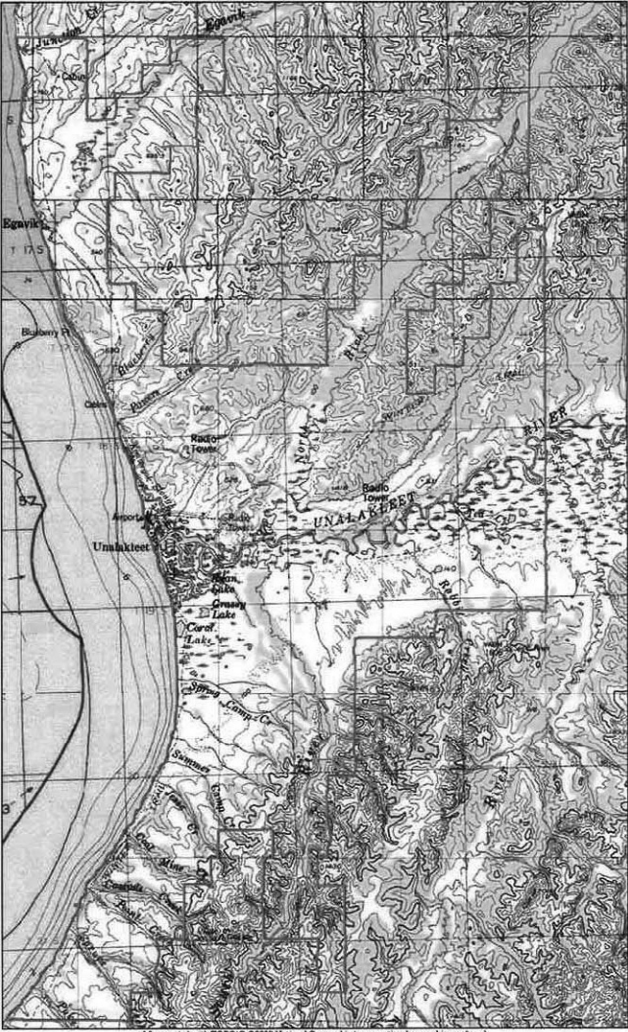
Game Unit 22A -  
Unalakleet River Area

- The public is reminded the land ownership within the outlined areas on the map are predominately privately owned by Unalakleet Native Corporation and its Shareholders.

- Hunting by non-shareholders is not allowed. Hunting by Shareholders, spouses of Shareholders, and descendents of Shareholders for subsistence purposes is permitted. For other allowable uses of land by non-shareholders, please contact:

**Unalakleet Native Corporation**

907-624-3411



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Court

Week ending 8/14  
Civil

Richards, Teresa v. White, Robert; Civil Protective Order  
Johnson, Deilah v. Hudson, Trevor; Civil Protective Order

Small Claims

Yager, Ralph v. Massie, Tomas; Small Claims Greater Than \$2500

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Thomas Augustine Lockwood (7/15/82); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112499208; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: time served.

State of Alaska v. Ladd Soonagrook (11/24/59); CTN 001: Assault 4; Date of Violation: 6/27/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002, 003; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Credit time served; Report now to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Jonathan Moses (5/25/84); 2NO-13-308CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113671413; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 8/12/16; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Jonathan Harvey Moses (5/25/84); 2NO-15-125CR Dismissal of Criminal Charges; CTN 001: Violated Cond of Release For Misd; Off Date: 3/1/15; Dismissal Code: CRPC-NFD; All charges in this case are now disposed; It is ordered that any bond posted in this case that has not been ordered forfeited is exonerated; Reason: Probable Cause Not found at Issuance of Warrant or Summons under CrR 4(a)(1) or Probable Cause Not Found at Initial Appearance – CrR 5(d), [CRPCNFD].

State of Alaska v. Jonathan Harvey Moses (5/25/84); 2NO-15-125CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: False Information; Filed by the DAs Office 8/12/15.

State of Alaska v. Amos Waldo Brown (6/20/95); Minor Consuming/Possessing Alcohol Underage Consuming (Non-Criminal AS11.81.900); Date of Offense: 7/3/15; Fine: \$400 with \$200 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court 10/1/15; Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with

6 months suspended; Alcohol Information School (First offense only); Defendant must attend the following alcohol information school: if one is given at NSHC BHS by 10/1; Probation until 6/20/16; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Jacob Seppilu (7/13/85); 2NO-15-196CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113566383; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: balance of sentence; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Jacob Seppilu (7/13/85); 2NO-15-420CR Notice of Dismissal; VCR; Filed by the DAs Office 8/11/15.

State of Alaska v. Carrie Annogyiuk (8/7/63); Dismissal of Criminal Charges; CTN 002: PTRP – Alcohol Consumption; Off Date: 8/22/13; Dismissal Code: DSCFJ; It is Further Ordered that the defendant be released from custody in this case only; Reason: Furtherance of Justice or On Motion of Defendant – CrR 43(c) [DSCFJ].

State of Alaska v. Manuela Meyer (3/14/63); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113677875; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days, not to exceed time served.

State of Alaska v. George Langton (6/25/74); 2NO-15-401CR Reckless Driving; Date of Violation: 7/22/15; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC, consecutive; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. George Langton (6/25/74); 2NO-15-406CR Violate Conditions of Release; Date of Violation: 7/25/15; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately to AMCC, consecutive; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Christine Aukon (9/3/83); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: VCR; Charge 002: EWM; Filed by the DAs Office 8/13/15.

PUBLIC NOTICE  
PORT COMMISSION SEATS



The Port Commission has vacancies for appointment. Anyone interested in serving on the Commission should submit an application to the City Clerk's Office by Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 5:00 PM.

Applications are available at City Hall or at [www.nomealaska.org](http://www.nomealaska.org). Please call 443-6663 for more information.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

2015 MUNICIPAL ELECTION  
CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE



The candidate filing deadline is **Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 5:00 PM** for the Annual City of Nome Municipal, School Board, and Utility Board Election (which will be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2015).

The following seats will be up for election:

- Mayor (2 year term)
- 2 City Council (3 year terms)
- 2 Utility Board (one 3 year term, one 2 year term)
- 2 School Board (3 year terms)

Contact City Hall at 443-6663 to obtain the forms necessary to file.

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Trooper Beat

Any charges reported in these press releases are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty. On August 13, Alaska State Troopers received a report of an Assault that occurred in Saint Michael. Investigation revealed 19-year old Leroy Kobuk Jr. of Saint Michael, assaulted an adult female. Further investigation revealed Kobuk interfered with the victim reporting the crime and was under the influence of alcohol. Kobuk was arrested for Assault in the Fourth Degree D.V., Interfering with the Report of a D.V. Crime, and Minor Consuming Alcohol. He was transported and remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center where he was held with no bail pending arraignment.

On August 15, at 9:00 a.m. AST received a report of an airline traveler in Nome en route to Saint Michael with liquor. Subsequent investigation led to the seizure of 6 pints of liquor. A suspect has been identified and charges are forwarded to the State prosecutor.

On August 15, at 3:00 p.m. AST received a report of liquor bottles inside a passenger's luggage at an airport in Nome. Subsequent investigation led to the seizure of five, 750ml bottles of liquor. The airline passenger and liquor were en route to Gambell. A suspect has been identified and charges are forwarded to the State prosecutor.

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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASES  
8/10/2015 through 8/16/2015

**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 165 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center. 60 (36%) involved alcohol.

There were 16 arrests made with 14 (88%) alcohol related.

NPD responded to 20 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. 0 were remanded to AMCC as protective holds; and 5 remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment.

There were 18 ambulance calls and 1 fire calls during this period.

Monday, August 10, 2015

00:38 am, while serving court paperwork to Angelina Kogassagoon, she was found to have consumed alcohol while under the age of twenty-one (21). This was in direct violation with her conditions of release which specified that she is to obey all laws. Kogassagoon was placed under arrest and remanded to AMCC for Violating her Conditions of Release and Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol and was held on \$1,250.00 bail.

00:50 am, NPD received a report of an intoxicated individual that was unconscious on the west side of town. The male was contacted and escorted to his residence, which was only a short distance away.

02:52 am, NPD received a report of an assault on the east end of town. Further investigation revealed that Vanessa Johnson had caused injury to a bystander in the area, the original reporting party, as well as another family member in an unrelated incident. Johnson further injured the responding Officer upon contact. Johnson was subsequently placed under arrest for four counts of Assault in the 4th Degree; one Domestic Violence related and three counts of non-Domestic Violence related. Johnson was then remanded to AMCC, where she was held without bail.

04:08 am, NPD received a report of a possible sexual assault occurring within city limits. The investigation is ongoing.

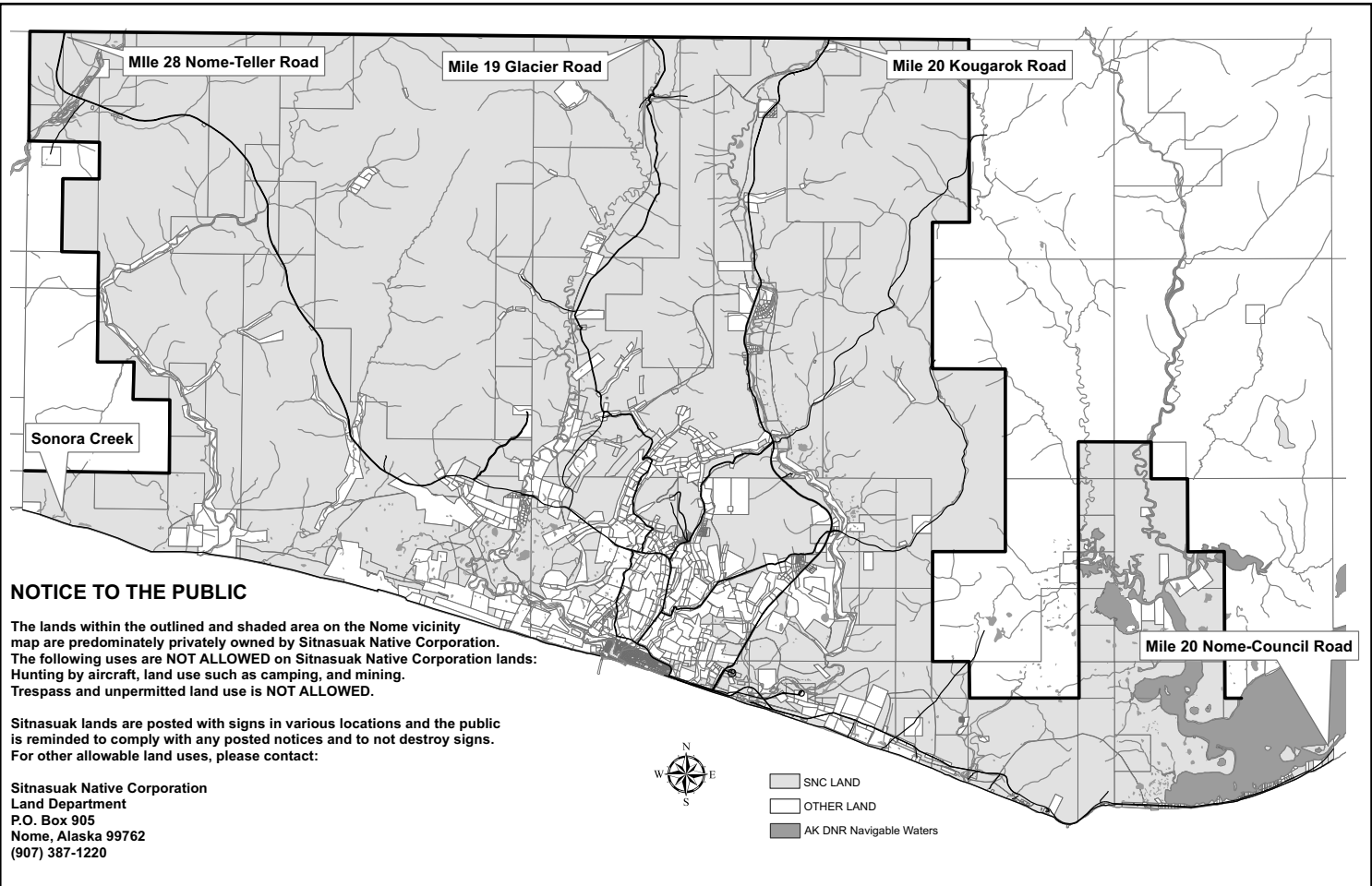
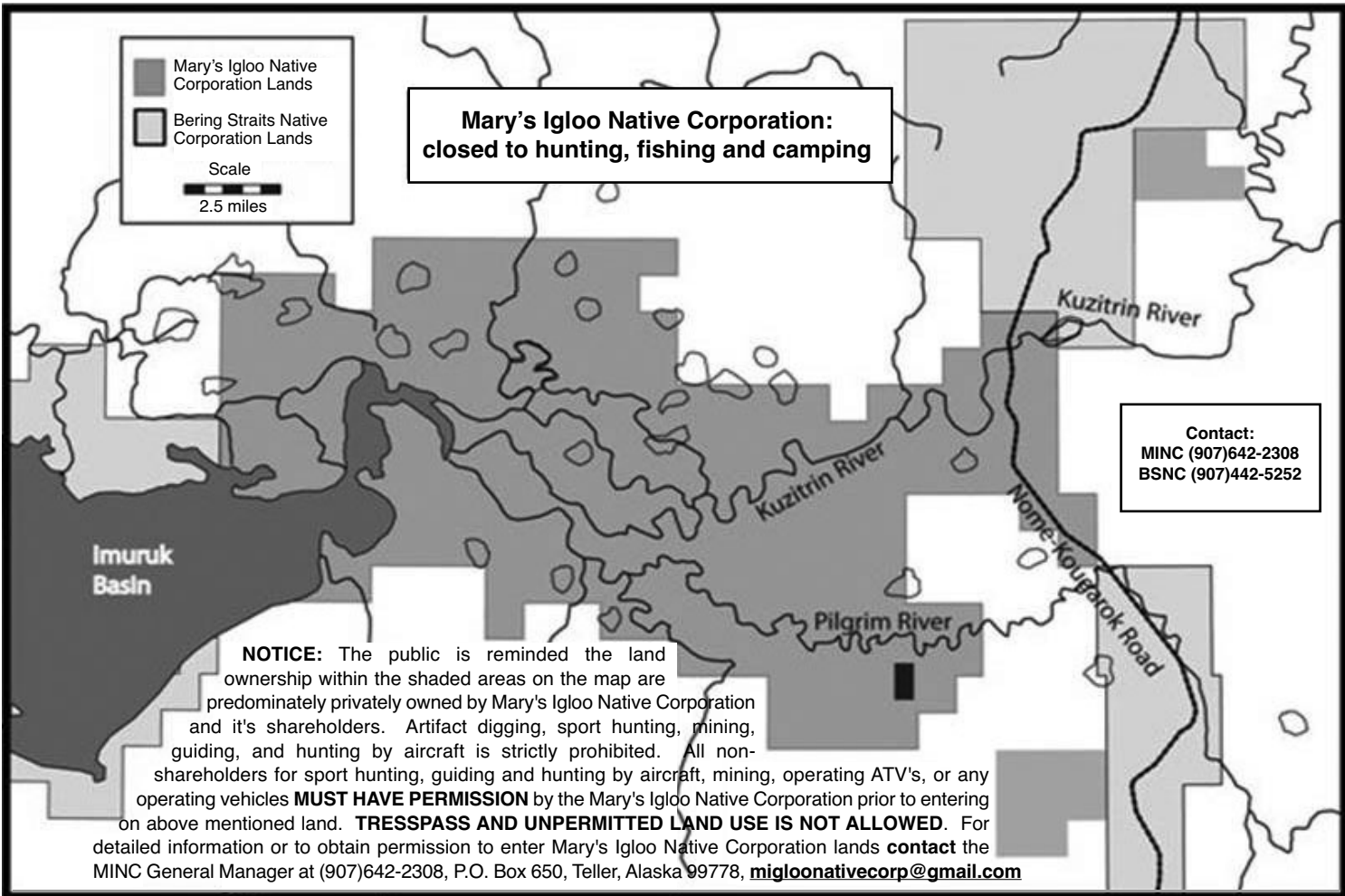
08:18 am, NPD received a report of an individual trespassing in multiple homes on the east end of town. Upon arrival in the area and further investigation, Officers located Gary Kavairlook, who was identified as the suspect. Kavairlook was placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree and two counts of violating his conditions of release. He was then remanded to AMCC where he was held on \$2,500.00 bail.

04:18 pm, NPD received a request of a welfare check on an individual stating he was going to harm himself on the west end of town. Officers made contact with the individual, who was found safe and was left in the care of a sober family member. No further action taken.

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

04:23 am, NPD received a report of a suicide threat from a person whose location was unknown. Officers and the communications center

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searched and attempted to contact the individual and multiple associates. A short time after the communications center made contact with the subject, Officers then contacted the subject, whom was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital and left in the care of BHS.

02:21 pm, NPD received a report of an individual causing a disturbance on the west end of town. Officers made contact with John Penetac and he was given a citation for Open Container and a report for being in violation of his probation conditions will be forwarded to the District Attorney's office for disposition.

05:04 pm, NPD received a report of a stolen vehicle from Alaska Airlines long term parking lot. Further information was gathered from the registered owner of the vehicle and the information was relayed to AST. The vehicle was later located out of town the Alaska State Troopers. The case is currently under investigation.

06:25 pm, NPD received a report of an individual that was intoxicated and would not leave an establishment when requested on the west end of town. Officers responded and the individuals were given warnings and provided transport back to their residence. Upon arrival at the residence, Officers made contact with Barton Johnson who was found intoxicated which was in violation of his conditions of felony probation and conditions of release. He was then arrested and remanded to AMCC, where he was held without bail.

08:31 pm, NPD received a report of an intoxicated female on the west end of town that may need assistance. Officers responded and the individual was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital and left in their care.

09:44 pm, NPD impounded a dog on the west end of town. A short time later, the owner claimed the dog and it was returned without further issue.

Wednesday, August 12, 2015

03:01 am, NPD made contact with two juveniles and each were given a curfew warning and told to return to their residences.

05:49 am, NPD received a report of an assault occurring on the east end of town. Officers made contact with the individuals and a report was taken. The investigation is ongoing.

11:37 am, NPD received a report of a Musk-Ox being killed on the North side of town. The Musk-Ox had attacked a dog tied up in a lot and was dispatched by the owner. Officers, as well as Fish and Game, were notified. Fish and Game took over the investigation. No further action taken.

03:29 pm, NPD received a report of theft of property. Officers met with the reporting party at the station and an interview was completed and information was gathered. The investigation is ongoing.

04:08 pm, NPD received an auto dialer of a fire alarm that was triggered on the west end of town. Officers and the Nome Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Department were dispatched and arrived on scene and through further investigation; the cause of the alarm was a burnt meal in one of the apartments.

08:19 pm, NPD conducted a traffic stop on the North end of town. Officers issued a citation to the juvenile driver for operating an ATV without a valid driver license. The minor was released at the scene. No further action taken.

10:15 pm, NPD received a request of a welfare check on an individual's daughter on the west end of town for possible concerns related to domestic violence. Officers arrived on the scene and checked the residence and through investigation found that no assistance was necessary.

11:48 pm, NPD returned two bicycles that were impounded to the owner whom reported them missing earlier in the day.

Thursday, August 13, 2015

00:48 am, NPD received a report of a stolen vehicle from the west end of town, Officers responded and the communications center sent public service notices to the cab companies to keep an eye out. Officers searched for the vehicle, and it was later located on the east end of town and taken into NPD custody and then released to the registered owner. A report was taken and no further action needed at this time.

01:54 am, NPD received a report of an ATV accident that had occurred earlier in the day, the individual brought their self to the hospital and the report was relayed from Norton Sound Regional Hospital, Officers followed up and met with the victim, an informational report was taken, no further action needed.

09:08 am, NPD received an Arrest Warrant for John Penetac for violating his conditions of probation, Officers made contact with John on the east end of town and he was arrested on that warrant and transported to AMCC where he is held on \$500.00 bail.

11:28 am, NPD received a report of a disturbance on the west end of town, Officers responded and Nick Alexia Jr was arrested for Assault in the 4th degree domestic violence related, reckless endangerment domestic violence related and violating his conditions of probation, he was then transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and then remanded to AMCC where he is held with no bail set.

01:03 pm, NPD conducted a traffic stop on the east end of town; Officers issued a citation to P.B. For operating an off-road vehicle on a state highway and given a warning for driving in violation of his driving permit, he was then released on scene.

02:09 pm, NPD received a report of an individual passed out on the seawall on the west end of town, Officers responded and made contact with David Walluk, he was issued an open container citation and then transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment, no further action taken.

04:08 pm, NPD received a report of an assault on the west end of town, Officers made contact with Melissa Carlisle whom was arrested for False Report, and being found violating her conditions of release, she was then remanded to AMCC where she is held on \$1500.00 bail.

Friday, August 14, 2015

07:16 am, NPD responded the west side of town on the report of a possible assault. Upon Officer arrival and further investigation, the assault was deemed unfounded, however a subject within the residence, identified as James Alvanna, was found to be intoxicated which violated his current conditions of release and probation. Alvanna was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance, then remanded to AMCC for Violating his Conditions of Release and Probation, where he was held without bail.

10:29 am, NPD received a report of a vehicle that was vandalized. The owner of the vehicle was interviewed and the investigation is ongoing.

03:52 pm, NPD responded to the east side of town for the report of an ATV being driven by an unlicensed driver. The reporting party called back a short time later and informed NPD that the driver had returned to their residence. The driver was contacted and given a verbal warning regarding driving the ATV without a license.

04:39 pm, NPD received a report of Musk-Ox attacking an occupied tent outside of city limits. Nome AST Wildlife was informed of the situation and responded to the scene. No injuries to the occupants of the tent were reported.

05:48 pm, NPD received a report from a third party that a male was threatening to harm himself at a residence on the east side of town. A short time later, the male called NPD and invited Officers to speak with him at a local business. Officers made contact with the male, who indicated that the report was not true and he did not wish to harm himself. The male was released at the scene and no further action was needed.

06:11 pm, NPD responded to a business on the west side of town for the report of an intoxicated male urinating inside the building. Responding Officers observed Michael Saclamana outside the building with his genitalia exposed. Further interview of witnesses in the area revealed that Saclamana had exposed himself to two other individuals on scene as well. Saclamana was placed under arrest for two counts of Indecent Exposure in the Second Degree and was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, where he was held on \$750.00 bail.

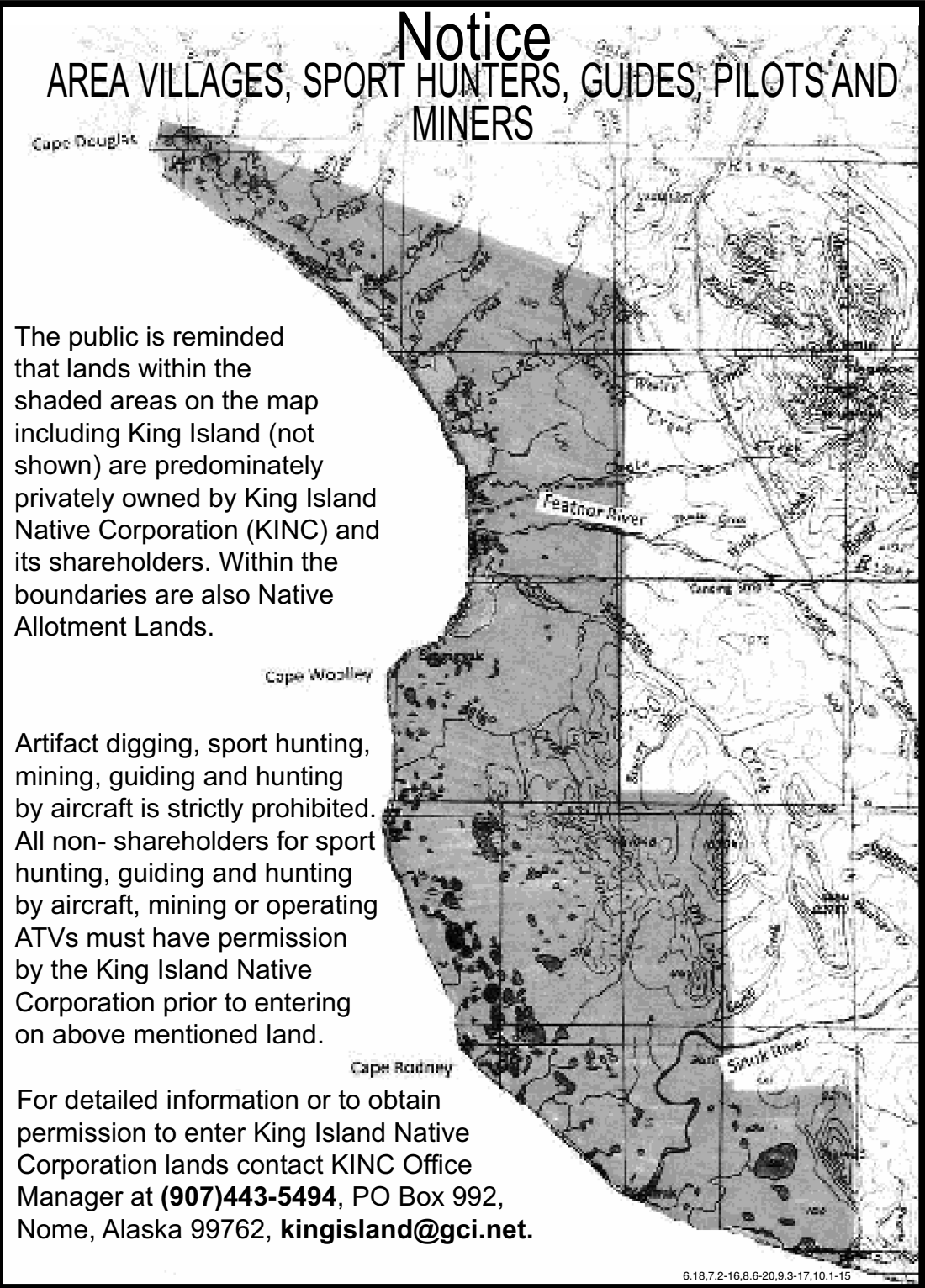
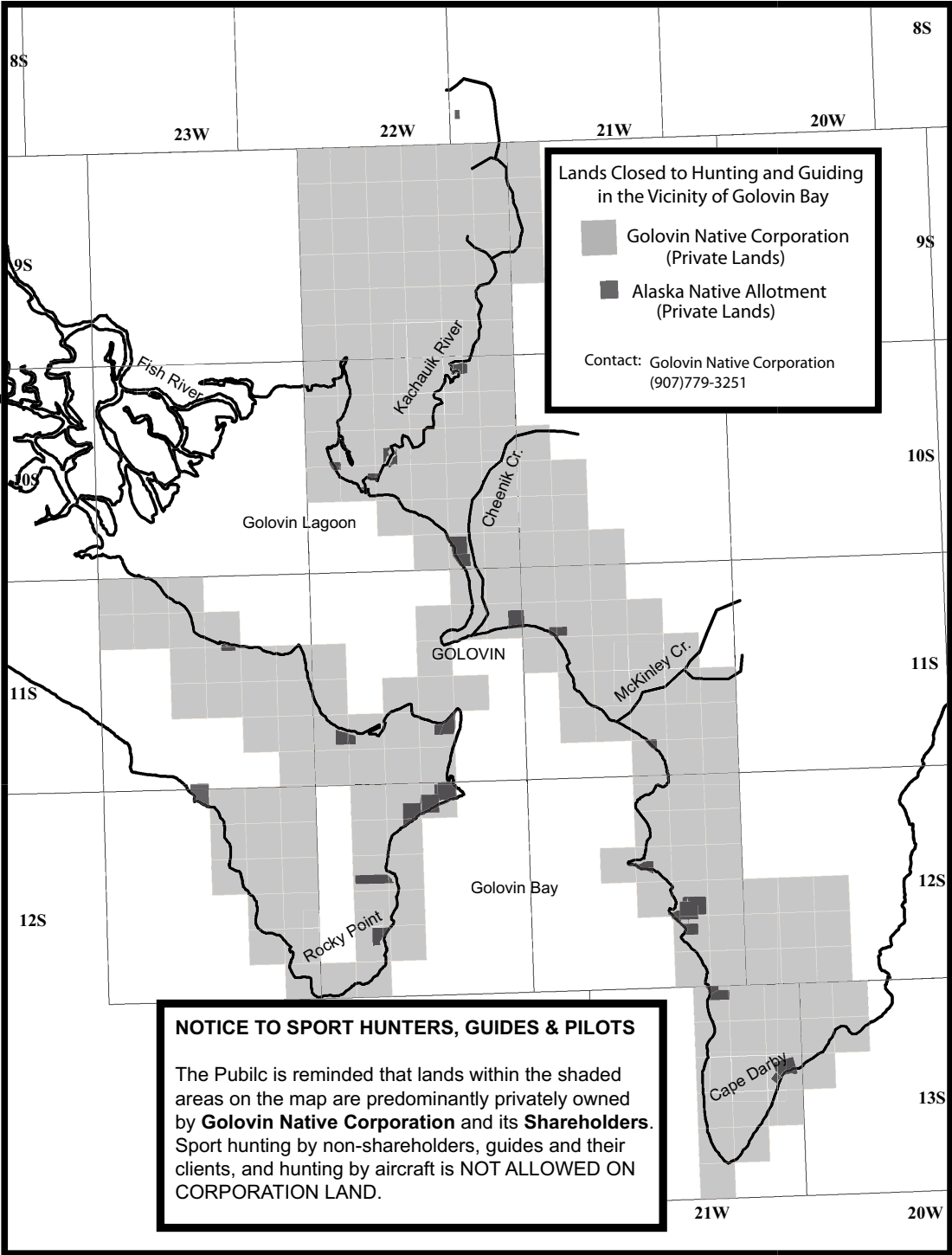
07:50 pm, while on routine patrol on the west side of town, NPD CSO observed a group of intoxicated individuals loitering in front of a business. Upon contact, Ariene Kelly was observed to have an open bottle of alcohol in her possession. Kelly was issued an Open Container citation and was released on scene.

09:07 pm, NPD was informed of an unattended bag at a local air carrier. The bag was searched and the owner was identified, but failed to pick up his belongings.

09:19 pm, NPD conducted a traffic stop on an ATV travelling on the east side of town for failing to come to a complete stop at a stop sign. The driver was given a verbal warning for violation and was released at the scene.

09:29 pm, NPD responded to the east side of town for the report of a child being left in the care of an intoxicated parent. The reported suspect was found to have moved from the residence and no

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Nome Garden Tour

Sunday, August 23 at 1 PM at Old St. Joe's.

Bus transportation is provided for \$10/person or \$20/family.

The garden tour is a great way to learn about plants and gardening in the Arctic plus get a sneak peek at some of the unique garden spaces around Nome!

A potluck follows at the end of the tour at the Thompson residence - feel free to bring a dish of food to share if you like.



Contact Cheryl Thompson at 443-5632 or Angela Hansen at 443-7447



PLEASE HELP Adopt a Pet or make your donation today!

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



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forwarding address was given.  
09:44 pm, NPD received a report of a reckless driver on the west side of town. The reporting party was contacted, who then led Officers to the vehicle and the driver. The driver, identified as Juris Pupols, was contacted and observed to be too impaired to drive. Further investigation led to Pupols being placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence (Alcohol) and was later remanded to AMCC, where was held on \$1,000.00 bail.

Saturday, August 15, 2015

00:44 am, while on routine patrol on the east side of town, Officers observed a young female staggering the middle of the road. Upon contact with the female, later identified as Tracy Ahnangnatoguk, she appeared to be intoxicated. Ahnangnatoguk then fled the scene and entered a home that she did not reside in an attempt to elude Officers. Ahnangnatoguk was contacted inside the home and taken into custody, at which time she provided a false name to responding Officers. Ahnangnatoguk was placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree, False Information or Report and Minor Consuming Alcohol. She was remanded to AMCC and was held on \$1,000.00 bail.  
01:55 am, NPD responded to a local business on the west side of town for the report of a patron in possession of an open container of alcohol that was not sold from the business. The subject was contacted and given a verbal warning regarding Introduction of Alcohol to a Licensed Premises and provided transportation to a safe residence for the evening.  
03:30 am, NPD received a report of a possible stolen ATV on the east side of town. At 0921 hours

the owner called NPD stating that he found his ATV and had already transported it back to his residence. The investigation is ongoing into the theft.  
03:40 am, NPD received a report of a possible assault that occurred on the west side of town. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.  
03:57 am, NPD responded to a requested welfare check on an individual that was reported to be acting erratically at a residence on the west side of town. Upon arrival, the subject was contacted and found cleaning the residence and denied requiring any assistance.  
04:47 am, NPD responded to a residence on the west side of town for the report of an intoxicated female refusing to leave a residence. Officers arrived and observed the female, later identified as Bridgette Dickson, inside the home refusing to vacate upon both requests from the homeowner as well as responding Officers. Dickson was subsequently placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree and Resisting Arrest. She was then remanded to AMCC, where she was held on \$1,000.00 bail.  
06:24 am, NPD responded to the east side of town for the report of a suspicious vehicle that had the engine and lights on, but had been stationary for some time. Upon arrival in the area, Officers observed the vehicle to have a subject in the driver's seat that appeared unconscious. The driver, later identified as Edward Anasogak, was found to be too impaired to drive and further investigation resulted in Anasogak being placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence (Alcohol). He was then remanded to AMCC, where he was held on \$1,000.00 bail.  
03:37 pm, NPD was dispatched to the west side of town for the report of a female lying on the ground, seemingly unconscious. The female was contacted and observed to be highly intoxicated. The female was transported to the Norton Sound

Regional Hospital, where she was left in the care of the ER staff for medical evaluation.  
04:27 pm, NPD CSO responded to the west side of town for the report of a female needing assistance. The female was contacted and observed to be highly intoxicated and complained of an injury to her arm, which was determined to require medical assistance. The Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department was dispatched and the female was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation.  
09:21 pm, NPD received a report of a male trespassing on private property on the east end of town. Upon arrival and further investigation, permission of who was allowed on the land was called into question by both parties; as the actual owner was not present. Both were informed of the resources to utilize to prevent future confusion, to include the Nome Court System for Protective or Stalking Orders, and/or a trespass notice filed by the owner of the land.  
10:48 pm, NPD responded to the east side of town on the report of an assault. Upon Officer arrival, the suspect of the assault had already fled the scene. The reporting party was able to identify the suspect and the investigation is ongoing.  
11:34 pm, NPD responded to the east side of town for the report of disturbance. Further investigation revealed that the disturbance was the result of a verbal argument between several members of the family. All parties involved were given a verbal warning for Disorderly Conduct and the issue was resolved by separation within the home.

Sunday, August 16th 2015

00:30 am, NPD responded to an apartment complex on the east side of town for a noise complaint. The occupants of the apartment reported were found moving furniture. The residents were re-

quested to wait until a more appropriate time of day to do their rearranging. No further action was needed.  
00:40 am, NPD CSO responded to the east side of town for the report of an intoxicated female needing assistance. The female and her husband were provided transportation to their residence without further issue.  
02:26 am, NPD received a report of several minors violating curfew outside of a business on the west side of town. One minor was located and issued a curfew citation, then later transported to a family member's residence for the evening.  
03:31 am, NPD responded to a residence on the west side of town for the report of multiple intoxicated persons that were refusing to leave. Upon arrival, the first person reported left upon Officers' request. The second individual, later identified as Dawn Ozenna, was found to be in violation of her current Conditions of Release that specified she is not to consume alcohol. Ozenna was placed under arrest for Violating Conditions of Release and was remanded to AMCC, where she was held on \$1,000.00 bail.  
04:46 am, NPD responded to a report of multiple minors consuming alcohol inside a residence on the east side of town. Upon arrival, the investigation revealed that the minors were not intoxicated and were under direct supervision of an adult inside the residence.  
11:28 am, NPD received a report of a suspicious vehicle lurking near a residence on the east side of town. The vehicle has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.  
04:01 pm, NPD responded to the east side of town for the report of two people causing a disturbance by yelling and screaming at each other. Upon arrival and interview of witnesses, the disturbance was purely verbal and had already been separated

by neighbors. One of the subjects still on scene was issued a Disorderly Conduct warning prior to being released.  
04:12 pm, NPD Officers conducted a traffic stop on the east side of town for a vehicle that displayed expired registration. The driver had all the required documentation, was issued a verbal warning for the violation and was released at the scene.  
06:08 pm, NPD responded to an apartment on the west side of town for the report of a theft. Upon arrival and further investigation, it was found that a verbal dispute had occurred after the reporting party made an accusation that a roommate had stolen recently acquired cash. A report was taken and the investigation is ongoing.  
08:32 pm, NPD received a report of a loose black dog running down the highway. Officers observed the animal with its owner walking on the bike path. No further action was necessary.  
09:42 pm, NPD CSO responded to the west side of town on the report of an intoxicated male lying on the ground. The male was contacted and identified as Nick Alexia, whom was observed to be intoxicated, which was found to be a violation of his probation conditions that specify he is not to consume alcohol. Alexia was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical treatment and was later transported to a friend's home. Alexia was contacted again later in the evening, at which time it was learned that he was also on Conditions of Release, which also prohibited the consumption of alcohol. Alexia was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating his Conditions of Release and Probation and was held without bail.  
11:35 pm, a report was made of a barking dog on the west side of town. The dog was observed to be quiet and not causing a disturbance.


### Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation

#### NSEDC Member Representative Election

#### Public Notice of Election and Filing Deadline

The following communities shall hold 2015 elections for a Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) Member Representative for a three-year term:

<b>Communities:</b>	Elim
	Nome
	St. Michael
	Savoonga
	Teller
<b>Election Date:</b>	October 6, 2015
<b>Filing Date:</b>	August 21 through September 4, 2015



NSEDC has arranged with the local municipal governments to conduct the NSEDC Member Representative elections. However, the NSEDC Member Representative election is not a municipal office and it will have a separate ballot. Voters do not need to be qualified to vote in the City's elections to be eligible to vote in the NSEDC election. Any registered voter who resides in a state election precinct that encompasses the member community, even if they live outside the community's municipal limits is eligible to vote for an NSEDC Member Representative. To check if you are eligible to vote on the NSEDC ballot, visit the Alaska Division of Elections site: <https://webapp.state.ak.us/electionsLookup/JSP/VoterLookupMain.jsp>

**NSEDC Eligibility and Minimum Vote Requirements:**

**Candidate Eligibility:** To be eligible as a candidate, an applicant:

- Must be a "resident fisherman," which is an individual with recent (within 10 years prior to the election), documented commercial or subsistence fishing activity who is a registered voter residing within the state precinct boundaries encompassing the member community, where the applicant maintains a mailing address and permanent domicile and is eligible to receive an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend.
- May not be currently employed by NSEDC as a regular employee; and
- Must have "good character," which means that an individual:
  - has not previously been removed from the board for any reason aside from attendance;
  - has a history free of any felony convictions, including guilty pleas or pleas of nolo contendere, within the last 10 years; and
  - can pass a drug screen test, prior to the election and annually, which is administered in accordance with NSEDC's employee drug and alcohol testing policies.

**Each applicant must declare himself/herself by completing a "Member Representative" Candidacy Statement and consenting to a background check and drug test.** You may pick up a Candidacy Packet with these forms from the city office or from the NSEDC Liaison. Packets will be available on August 21, 2015.

**Minimum Vote:** The candidate receiving the highest number of votes and over 40% of the total votes cast shall be the elected NSEDC Member Representative.

**If you have any questions, please contact your city office or NSEDC at 800-650-2248.**

### MEETING NOTICE


#### US Arctic Research Commission Meeting and Community Reception in Nome



Please join the US Arctic Research Commission (USARC) for our 104<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting, Aug. 25-26, 2015, at Nome's Mini-Convention Center. Local and State of Alaska scientific researchers will discuss current and planned research activities being conducted in the Western Alaskan region. There will be a public comment session on Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30 am to noon. For additional details about speakers and presentations, please access the agenda on the USARC's website, [http://www.arctic.gov/upcoming\\_meetings.html](http://www.arctic.gov/upcoming_meetings.html) or call Kathy Farrow at 703/851-7332.

The USARC will also host a Nome Community Reception on Tuesday, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 to 7 pm, at Old St. Joe's Church. Light appetizers will be served.

The USARC Commissioners and staff look forward to meeting you there.



## Nome Eskimo Community

# Notice of Workshop for the NEC Energy Efficiency Services

**Nome Eskimo Community Housing Program** has transitioned to Energy Efficiency Services. These services are limited to low-medium income families as defined by HUD. NEC is seeking new applicants for individuals and families that are in need of housing repairs.

Any applications in progress, member applications that have been on the waiting list or applicants that have been approved for renovation assistance will automatically be transitioned to the new program in our pursuit to assist members with their housing needs.

NEC will conduct a workshop on **August 29, 2015** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to assist potential new members with the application process, and provide technical assistance in completing the required application.

To reserve your seat at this workshop, please call Toni Smith at **443-2246**. For energy efficiency service related questions please call Jason Rietheimer at **443-9120**.

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ALL DOWN HILL FROM HERE— Crystal Tobuk starts her descent of Anvil Mountain.



Photo by Keith Conger

LIMITED TIME— Runners had 59 minutes, 37 seconds to get up and down Anvil Mountain on Thursday.

Hoogendorns claim top spots at Anvil Mountain Challenge

**By Keith Conger**  
Wilson Hoogendorn, a junior on the Nome-Beltz cross country team, might have been looking for redemption on Thursday as he lined up next to his recently graduated brother Oliver for the start of the annual 59 Minute, 37 Second Anvil Mountain Challenge. Wilson was bested by Oliver at a time trial a little more than 24 hours before the race's start, and Oliver seemed poised to make it two in a row against his younger sibling.

Whether the motivation was to beat his older brother, or to break the record he established at the 2014 race, Wilson made sure he was the

first person up and down Anvil Mountain, crossing the finish line in 21 minutes, 27 seconds. In winning the race Wilson shaved 17 seconds off his previous record. He remains the only person in the race's history to break the 22-minute mark.

Oliver finished second out of 23 racers, completing the challenge in 22 minutes, 31 seconds. Aaron Rose, a sophomore member of the Mount Edgecumbe cross country team, went up and down in 22 minutes, 53 seconds. He cut over three minutes from his 2014 race time.

Crystal Tobuk was the first female to complete the course, and the sixth runner overall, with a time of 26

minutes, 4 seconds. The second female across the line, and the first female high school runner was junior Bianca Trowbridge. Her time of 27 minutes, 44 seconds was nearly three minutes faster than her 2014 mark. Rounding out the top three in the female division was eighth-grader Mallory Conger. Her mark of 29 minutes, 24 seconds eclipsed her 2014 race time by over two minutes.

The first finisher in the junior high boys category was seventh-grader Tobin Hobbs, who completed his first Anvil Challenge in 28 minutes, 17 seconds. The youngest competitor was elementary school student Natallie Tobuk who finished in 36 minutes, 41 seconds.

High school freshman Aaron Motis and Nome community member Tyler Johnson conducted the best

"race within the race." Motis tracked down Johnson with about 50 yards to go. The pair went head-to-head to the finish line with Johnson besting Motis by two-hundredths of a second.

The race was given its unique name many years ago when race founder Leo Rasmussen took his daughter Kristina out to show that running, or walking, to the top of Anvil Mountain and back was possible. His time that day: 59 minutes, 37 seconds.

The course begins at the base of the Anvil Mountain Road, just off the Dexter Bypass Road, and ascends 800 feet in less than a mile and a half. The race's only requirement is that participants complete the course in less time than Rasmussen's inaugural run.

Race Results	
1. Wilson Hoogendorn	21:27.0
2. Oliver Hoogendorn	22:31.7
3. Aaron Rose	22:53.4
4. Nils Hahn	24:07.0
5. Bryant Hammond	25:04.4
6. Crystal Tobuk	26:04.7
7. Joseph Fiskeaux	26:10.6
8. Tyler Johnson	27:35.5
9. Aaron Motis	27:35.7
10. Bianca Trowbridge	27:44.5
11. Tobin Hobbs	28:17.9
12. Mallory Conger	29:24.4
13. Daynon Medlin	33:42.8
14. Ava Earthman	33:47.1
15. Brayden Bahnke	35:44.2
16. Jeneva Motis	35:48.2
17. Roy Tobuk	36:41.2
18. Natallie Tobuk	36:41.8
19. Erin Johanson	36:45.6
20. Liz Korenek-Johnson	37:12.1
21. Sarah Wade	40:48.0
22. Katie Kelso	46:26.6
23. Maya Coler	46:32.0



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PHOTO FINISH— Tyler Johnson, left, beat Aaron Motis by two hundredths of a second on Thursday.

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