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TERMINATION DUST— Mount Osborne and the higher peaks of the Kigluaiaks were covered with the first snow dusting on Monday, August 31.

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President Obama turns global spotlight on climate change

By Mary Pemberton
For The Nome Nugget

President Barack Obama issued a global call to action Monday, encouraging nations everywhere to join the United States in the fight against climate change or face what he described as cataclysmic changes, some already occurring in Alaska.

Alaskans are on the front lines of these changes, ranging from powerful storms that are battering coastlines and toppling buildings into the sea to longer than usual wildfire seasons to thawing permafrost, Obama said.

Except for a few, steadfast climate change deniers, Alaskans and others know all too well the devastation that awaits if more is not done, and quickly, to slow down climate change, the president said.

"The climate is changing faster than our efforts to address it," Obama said. "We are not acting fast enough."

Obama issued his call to action at the GLACIER conference intended to turn the global spotlight on the problem of climate change. Obama was joined at the conference in downtown Anchorage by Secretary of State John Kerry and Interior Secretary Sally Jewell, along with foreign ministers from several Arctic nations and delegation heads from a dozen countries. GLACIER stands for Global Leadership in the Arctic:

Cooperation, Innovation, Engagement and Resilience.

Obama said the Arctic is heating up twice as fast as other regions of the world, and Alaska is on the forefront of those changes. The thawing permafrost is a threat to tens of thousands of Alaskans and increasing acidity of oceans is threatening the livelihoods of Alaska Natives and others, he said. If nothing is done, Alaskans can expect to see average temperatures rise between 6 and 12°F by the end of the century, he said.

Coastal erosion already is forcing some Alaska villages to relocate entirely, the president said.

"In some cases, there will be absolutely no hope," Obama said. "Climate change is no longer some far-off problem. It is happening here. It is happening now."

"The bottom line is that climate is not a distant threat for our children and their children to worry about. It is now," Kerry said, echoing the president during the conference's opening session. "Villages in Alaska are already being battered by storms and some have had to move, or will. As the permafrost continues to thaw, the infrastructure is beginning to be challenged. Houses and other buildings are literally collapsing into rubble."

Obama said the world has the sci-

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IN GOOD COMPANY—President Barack Obama makes comments at a roundtable discussion with Alaska Native leaders and other government officials at the GLACIER conference on Monday, August 31 in Anchorage. At his right is Melanie Bahnke, President and CEO of Kawerak Inc.



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US RESEARCH COMMISSION— USARC chair Fran Ulmer, left, and the Governor's arctic advisor Craig Fleener, right, listen to presentations at last week's USARC meeting in Nome.

USARC listened to Arctic research needs

By Diana Haecker

Buried in a presentation given near the end of the two-day marathon meeting of the U.S. Arctic Research Commission in Nome, U.S. Corps of Engineers project manager Lorraine Cordova dropped an important piece of information that made ears perk up. She said that President Barack Obama would announce that the Denali Commission will be functioning as the lead agency to help environmentally threatened communities in Alaska. Meaning: the Denali Commission would assist communities in very difficult decisions of "should we go or should we stay in place."

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USARC hears of need to fund behavioral health research

By Maisie Thomas

Two of three days of the United States Arctic Research Commission's 104th meeting were held in Nome on August 25 and 26.

According to USARC chair Fran Ulmer, the goal for the trip was to get a better focus on what areas, both literal and figurative, would be most in need of future research.

The Arctic Research Commission's topic of discussion on Tuesday was mental and behavioral health and suicide prevention.

Suicide rates in Alaska are more than double compared to those in the Lower 48. The majority of those deaths occur in the Norton Sound, Maniilaq and Arctic Slope regions.

After brief reports by Kawerak and the Bering Sea Alliance, Ray Droby, Lance Johnson and Jay David spoke on behalf of Norton Sound Regional Hospital's Behavioral Health department.

Droby, a psychologist now based in Unalakleet, gave an overview of NSHC's Behavioral Health Services. Droby's slideshow was complete with several photos of some of the 15 villages served out of the hub hospital in Nome.

Although BSH is excelling in several aspects, such as through their

community outreach programs in the Nome Children Advocacy Center and Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, there are many areas for improvement, he said. Despite of a well-trained Nome staff, the hospital is not capable of providing inpatient treatment. All patients who require extensive mental counseling and drug and alcohol treatment need to leave the region.

Lance Johnson, Administrative Director, spoke to future developments. A major improvement for mental and behavioral health services in the Norton Sound region would be a wellness center. The plan is to start Liftik Wellness Center, a facility capable of providing inpatient treatment for both substance abuse and mental health counseling. "It's about keeping people in the region, being treated by people in the region," said Johnson. This would allow patients to stay near their families, homes and support systems. According to Johnson, one of the problems that occur when struggling patients are sent away is that they have to adapt to a whole new environment, which makes recovering even more difficult. Hence, it is important to have a facility capable of inpatient care in the Nome region.

The problem is that there is no funding.

Jay David, a licensed clinical social worker for Norton Sound, spoke about another way to help patients in the villages. The behavioral health practitioner program started about 18 years ago. Trained therapists, often originally from the village they serve, provide counseling for those in need. According to David, this program has several benefits, including keeping patients at home. However, it also has its flaws. Patients in need of serious treatment still need to leave the village. On one hand, it is good that a professional

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Letters

To the Honorable Governor Bill Walker,
My name is Howard Ira Slwooko. I am of Siberian Yupik and Inupiat descent. My late father Howard "Iyangusuk" Slwooko was a man of God, a native Evangelist.
I write this letter on an issue that is important to our people, which is "subsistence." I commend you hustlers of the land, sea and air whom are working for the long winter ahead.
I want to share some history. My mother who is from Cape Prince of Wales whom is 85-years young, it is there that the Thoratous D. Loppes came to civilize the natives. There was an individual who carried around a revolver on a daily basis who made a couple native men uneasy so they killed the man.
In that day and age the men of renown met together discussed the issue and came to the conclusion at their demise to kill them for they said they would do it again.

My point is we live off the land and the voice of our "elders" in rural Alaska is not being heard in Juneau. The recent issues in the Nome Nugget compel myself to write you about my culture relying on marine mammals to survive. The foolishness of the State of Alaska Wildlife Troopers is a joke in my mind as to cite us for selling smoked fish, not allowing Mr. Anowlic to put the walrus out of its misery to eat, salvage the ivory is deplorable.
What do you do with the confiscated sustenance? Do we tell you when to go to Fred Meyers, Costco's when to take sh_t? Believe me someday we will have civil unrest here in our great state. Governor Walker, I pray that your spiritual eyes are open to the issues of rural Alaska, the recent death of this 5-year old child must open your eyes to the realities of rural elders dealing with honey buckets on a daily basis.
I wrote not to condemn and to encourage you to listen to the still small

voice of my people. What will you do for us out in rural America? To Mr. Mallot, you are not the Lieutenant Governor of the Tlingits, Haida, etc...only. I voted for both you in the recent election.
In closing I add these words then if my people will humble themselves and pray, and search for me, and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and forgive their sins and heal their land. II Chron 7:14 (NLT).
In closing thank you to Senator Olson for all your work for us out here, God bless you Governor and I pray God gives you both wisdom and good judgment as you serve.
Sincerely,
Howard Ira Slwooko
Unalakleet, AK 99684

Dear Editor,
My family and I would like to

thank the following people for helping us this summer with traditional food and subsistence supplies. I would like to say thank you to Jerald Brown for the wooden barrel. I would also like to say thank you to Gay Sheffield and husband, Cora Kourak, and Clarrisa Nakak for the fish and dry fish.
To the young people working at Hanson's and AC; thank you for helping us carry groceries to our vehicle. You are very much appreciated!
Last, but not least, thank you to Neal M. Becker from New York for helping us out this summer. If I have forgotten anyone who helped us in anyway, quyaanavuk! (a big thank you!).
Sincerely,
Vince and Betsy Pikonganna
Nome, AK

Dear Editor:
We enjoy reading the Nome Nugget on line each week. This past week was especially pleasing with all of the pictures of the garden tour and the variety of successful efforts to produce flowers and vegetables in your harsh climate. Some 60 years ago we spent a year in Nome helping to establish the Lutheran Church. We wondered at the time how it might be possible to have successful gardens with the challenge of climate and soil. Obviously a number of ingenious folks have figured that out and are doing a great job. We continue to do our gardening in our 80s here in Minnesota.
Thank you for helping to keep us in touch with an area and people that we very much care about!
Sincerely,
Curtis and Ruth Johnson
Northfield, MN

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

Editorial

Forever

We're not talking about the new concept in Postal Service stamps; we are talking about how long it takes to mail a first class letter from one end of Nome to the other. Forever. Forever is a long time and that means a lot when we are talking about the U.S. Postal Service. The Forever stamp is just the ticket as far as efficient use of postal delivery time. Nomeites have been left in long lines scratching their heads. Why is our mailbox empty? Where is our mail? After three weeks of minimal delivery, why did we suddenly get deluged with three weeks worth of Christmas and Easter catalogs in one day in August?
Where does our mail go to nest when it is not coming to us? Where does it get hung up? What's the excuse? Will the postal Service lay out a formal apology for the late checks? For the late notices of bank credit cards due? For the missed mortgage payments? For the federal grant deadlines past due? For the bills sent out by Nome businesses that would remain undelivered? For the undelivered invoices that would remain unpaid. For the late charges innocent customers would rack up because of late delivers? Why are we being treated so blatantly unfair? Why are rural Alaskans being discriminated against?
Of course the Postal Service isn't the only lack of service federal entity that has been giving us the short end of the stick. We have been cut back on the Weather Service hours. Heaven forbid a storm should brew over the weekend. Oh, we should rely on Fairbanks to send us storm warnings. Oh, that's just so great. —N.L.M.—

A Look at the Past



Photo courtesy Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
BEAUTY — Photographer F.H. Nowell photographed this scene titled "Along the Kustokim [sic] River."

Weather Statistics

Sunrise	09/03/15	7:49 a.m.	High Temp	+58F	08/26/15	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	09/09/15	8:06 a.m.	Low Temp	+33F	08/29/15	
Sunset	09/03/15	10:11 p.m.	Peak Wind	37 mph	08/26,29,30/15	
	09/09/15	9:49 p.m.	2015 - Total Precip. (through 08/30)	10.24"	10.24"	
			Normal Total to Date	10.36"		

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)

Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
9/3	Mo	819am	+1.4	726pm	+1.4	125am	-0.3	142pm	+0.7
4	Tu	900am	+1.5	832pm	+1.4	212am	-0.2	242pm	+0.6
5	We	943am	+1.6	938pm	+1.4	301am	-0.2	343pm	+0.4
6	Th	1028am	+1.6	1046pm	+1.3	350am	0.0	444pm	+0.3
7	Fr	1113am	+1.6	1157pm	+1.2	439am	+0.1	548pm	+0.2
8	Sa	1201pm	+1.6			530am	+0.3	653pm	+0.1
9	Su	113am	+1.2	1251pm	+1.5	622am	+0.5	759pm	+0.1

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Strait Action: President's commits to improved communications with tribal governments, support for youth

President Barack Obama offered the following remarks after a roundtable meeting with Native leaders, including Kawerak CEO and President Melanie Bahnke, held at the Denina Civic and Convention Center in Anchorage, Alaska on Monday, August 31.

THE PRESIDENT: "Well, I am thrilled to be in Alaska. And I look forward to spending the next few days with everyday Alaskans to tell me what's going on in their lives and what's going on in this remarkable state.

I want to thank our Governor, Governor Walker, Lieutenant Governor Byron Mallott, as well as Senator Lisa Murkowski, and Secretary Sally Jewell of the Department of Interior for joining us.

But the main purpose of this meeting was to give me an opportunity to interact and listen to some Alaska Native tribal leaders. A number of them I've met with before during the Tribal Summits that we've had in Washington.

But this gave me a chance to focus more intensely on specifically what's happening in Alaska. And they don't just represent a large portion of Alaska's population; these are communities that have been around for 10,000 years or so. So it's worth paying attention to them because they know a little bit from all that history.

Since I took office, I've been committed to sustaining a government-to-government relationship between the United States and our tribal nations. We host tribal leaders in Washington every year. I've visited Indian Country at the Standing Rock Reservation and the Choctaw Nation. This week, we're going to be visiting two more tribal communities here in Alaska — in Dillingham and Kotzebue.

And in fact, by the end of my time in office, I'll have visited more communities — more tribal communities than any previous sitting President, which I feel pretty good about — in case anybody is keeping track.

One of the things that we've been focused on is how can we work together and improve communication,

consultation, collaboration and participation in dealing with the issues that face Native communities.

And we've made progress so far in providing support for tribal youth, expanding access to health care, improving disaster assistance, making sure that we're addressing squarely the profound issues around violence against Native women.

We've also made a couple of news announcements today.

Obviously the big one was returning the most magnificent peak in our nation to its original name — Mount Denali — something that the people of Alaska had been working on and petitioning consistently since 1970. And I'm glad that we were able to respond to that.

My administration also is taking new action to make sure that Alaska Natives have direct input into the management of Chinook salmon stocks, something that has been of great concern here.

But one of the biggest things I heard during this discussion was the need for us to work more intensively and more collaboratively with communities, particularly in rural areas, that are burdened by crippling energy costs, that are obviously continually concerned about hunting and fishing rights and their ability to sustain their way of life in the face of profound climate change that's taking place — taking place, in fact, faster — twice as fast here in Alaska as it is in the Lower 48.

And so, in addition to initiatives around renewable energy and how we can be more creative in helping local communities deal with high energy costs and bringing them down, housing construction that's more energy efficient that can save people money, we're also going to be paying a lot of attention to how we can work together and tap into the wisdom and knowledge of tribal communities in managing and conserving land in the face of what is a profound global challenge.

Many of the issues that were raised here — everything from voting rights to land trusts — are issues that my agencies will be following up with on an ongoing basis. And



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ROUNDTABLE—President Barack Obama makes comments at a roundtable discussion with Alaska Native leaders and other government officials at the GLACIER conference on Monday, August 31, 2015. From left are AlexAnna Salmon, President of Igiugig Tribal Council, Myron Naneng, President of the Association of Village Council Presidents, Obama, Melanie Bahnke, President and CEO of Kawerak, and Andy Teuber, President of Kodiak Area Native Association and the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium.

we've already had a lot of visits from various Cabinet Secretaries and Deputy Secretaries, working with the people around this table.

That's going to continue for as long as I remain President. And hopefully we will have set a new pattern and a new set of relationships that will extend well beyond my own presidency, because when it comes to the First Americans, how we interact with these communities says a lot about who we are as a country. And I think the people of Alaska understand that as well as anybody.

So, again, I want to thank all the leadership here for everything that they've done in working with us. I want to thank you for all the great ideas that you offered. And I want to thank the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and the Senator for their participation as well.

They obviously feel very deeply about these issues in their home state as well."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, September 3

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*NCC Parent and Child Play Group	Boys and Girls Club	10:00 a.m. - noon
*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.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering and Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Ninyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Adult drop-in Soccer (ages 15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Friday, September 4

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Nanook Volleyball: JV v Kotz JV	Nome-Beltz Gym	5:30 p.m.
*Nanook Volleyball: Varsity v Kotz V	Nome-Beltz Gym	7:00 p.m.
*Adult drop-in Soccer (ages 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, September 5

*Rec Center Closed Weekends Until Labor Day		
*Nanook Volleyball: JV v Kotz JV	Nome-Beltz Gym	10:00 a.m.
*Nanook Volleyball: Varsity v Kotz V	Nome-Beltz Gym	11:30 a.m.
*Summerfest	Nome Rec Center	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 6

*Rec Center and Pool Closed Weekends Until Labor Day

Monday, September 7 LABOR DAY

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Closed for Holiday
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	Closed for Holiday
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Closed for Holiday
*39th Annual Great Bathtub Race	Front Street	noon
*Rotary Club Rubber Duck Race	Snake R. (Bering Air)	2:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	Closed for Holiday
AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 8

*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.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Sepala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 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, September 9

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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To mind come communities like Shishmaref, which has voted to move to the mainland more than a decade ago, but studies to find a suitable place turned out empty. Shishmaref is still in the same place, just worse off because federal or state infrastructure investments are not flowing toward the community, which is still without water and sewer connections. Or the community of Shaktoolik, which decided to stay and defend against the onslaught of climate-change induced storms that cause increased erosion.

These problems may now be addressed via the new program, but details were not yet released. When Fran Ulmer asked if the information should be embargoed, Cordova announced, no, it could be out there, and the president will make the details know in this visit to Alaska this week.

After a meeting in Anchorage on Monday, August 24, the USARC commission traveled to Nome and continued its work in the Gold Rush City at the Nome Mini Convention Center on Tuesday and Wednesday. The agenda was packed with a heavy emphasis on Mental and Behavioral health sessions (see related article in this Nugget.) as well as presentations from local researchers, co-management groups such as the Eskimo Walrus Commission and the Alaska Nanuq Commission, and from renewable energy experts. "Three main

things we've taken away from this have to do with mental and behavioral health which our first day in Anchorage and yesterday was spent on," said USARC deputy director Dr. Cheryl Rosa after the commission adjourned its meeting. "We have heard a strong call for increase in research and increase in funding for preventative strategies and early intervention strategies and care as well. We just scratched the surface of this issue and we'll continue to work on that in the future for sure."

Affordable energy and how to integrate renewables into existing diesel-powered micro-energy grids also got the attention of the commissioners. "Energy was another big issue," Dr. Rosa said. "It looks like we may end up coordinating a group similar to what we do with water and sanitation, to bring the different players to the table to get a more holistic view of all of the different aspect that energy touches, also including water and sanitation."

Subsistence and the reliance on a healthy ecosystem with healthy animals and plants was also stressed in presentations. "Third and definitely not least is the need for communities to get involved in research and that bridges everything from energy, mental and behavioral health to subsistence. We ended up with some really strong subsistence presentations today. It really drives home especially for the commissioners who are not from Alaska how important sub-

sistence is in western and northern Alaska."

Local UAF Marine Advisory Program Agent Gay Sheffield in her presentation stressed that marine research throughout the Bering Strait region should consider regional public health concerns and that scientific investigations cannot be viewed solely as wildlife population dynamic or conservation concerns.

She also pointed to the lack of transparency in research done as researchers from urban centers are often aware of their colleagues work. "Yet there is no one place - for either Bering Strait coastal communities or potential new Arctic researchers to understand comprehensively what is currently being done, how is it coordinated with other projects, where, why and by whom," Sheffield said.

Among other suggestions, Sheffield said that there is a need to better integrate urban agencies and existing regional communication routes and knowledge bases.

She pointed out the need for long term, comprehensive environmental monitoring and real time exchange of information so that Bering Strait residents can make their own informed decisions. For example, the accessibility of data produced by a seasonal weather buoy that transmits real-time data, must be communicated to locals. Last, she pointed to the need for better communication and cooperation with the Russian neighbors. "Weather events, the marine wildlife, our concerns for human health, public safety, and food security are common to the peoples on both sides of the Bering Strait," Sheffield pointed out.

This relationship, said Vera Metcalf, executive director of the Eskimo Walrus Commission, is working very well on a low level between Alaskans and Chukotkan hunters. "We have a real good relationship with our Chukotkan partners," Metcalf said. "But we are separated by politics and governments."

Metcalf also pointed out to the effects of a changing climate on walrus hunting efforts in the past few years. The walrus harvest decreased not due to a lack of walrus but due

to unsafe ice and weather conditions that prevented hunters from going on hunting trips. Several communities declared hunting disasters in the last three years. Most recently, 10,000 pounds of halibut were donated to the communities of Savoonga and Gambell to meet the nutritional needs. Jack Omelak, executive director of the Alaska Nanuq Commission reminded the commission of the larger issues that are involved in polar bear management, outside from hard science and research. He said that the Polar Bear is the iconic animal standing for the health of an ecosystem, similar to what the whales stood for in the 1970s. "It's the iconic species held up for conservation of the Arctic," he said. The pressure to stop whaling hit subsistence hunters and not until researchers included local knowledge did truly reliable population numbers surface. "40 years later, subsistence polar bear hunters face the same issue," Omelak said. "We need sound and robust science and not be held hostage by international and political grandstanding."

U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Kody Stitz updated the Commission on the Port Access Route Study that proposes a route from Unimak Pass through the Bering Sea, the Bering Strait to the Chukchi Beaufort Seas and the Arctic Ocean. In anticipation of increasing ship traffic and exploration activity, the Coast Guard began working on the study in 2010 to propose a route to safely direct marine traffic through the Bering Strait. Updating nautical charts was on top of Stitz' wish list. He alluded to the recent accident involving the Shell vessel *Fennica*. "The *Fennica*, just a couple months ago coming out of Dutch Harbor, struck something and in the aftermath of that NOAA went out, did a survey, and we ended up finding an uncharted rock," he told commissioners, but declined expanding on the Coast Guard's findings if the strike was due to an inexperienced captain, as suggested by a commissioner.

The National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration is in the process to chart the Coast Guard proposed route expects to have that

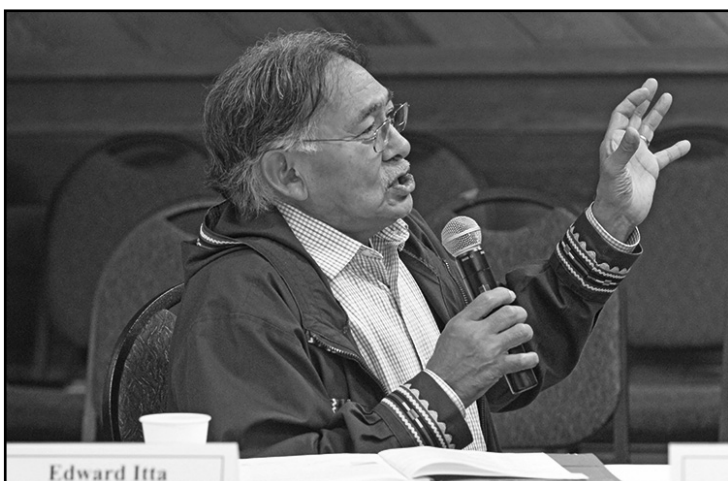
work completed by the end of the year.

The PARS study will have to go through the federal channels before final approval and another public comment period. Stitz said that the route, once charted and published in the federal register, would be taken to the IMO for consideration. This then would give shippers and insurance companies a strong incentive to follow the proposed route.

Commissioners then heard from energy experts, including Bering Straits Native Corporation's Robert Bensin, Alaska Center for Energy and Power engineer Mark Mueller-Stoffels and a representative from the Alaska Energy Authority. Suggested research topics included research on hybrid renewable microgrids, short-term energy storage to bridge power fluctuations and research on unintended consequences of "going green" or "energy efficient" when for example, homes are built too tight and don't allow air flow, which results in increased respiratory illnesses.

The meeting of the U.S Research Commission took place a week before the presidential visit to Alaska. The commissioners are chairwoman Fran Ulmer, fishery consultant David Benton of Juneau, Edward Itta of Barrow, James McCarthy of Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts, Mary Pete of Bethel, Charles Vörösmarty of New York and Warren Zapol of the Massachusetts General Hospital from Boston. Alaska's designated representative is Craig Fleener, Governor Walker's special assistant on Arctic policy.

The commission's job is to establish a national policy, priorities and goals for basic and applied scientific research including natural resources, materials, physical, biological and health sciences and social and behavioral sciences. It is to promote Arctic research and communicate policy recommendations to the President and Congress and to "interact with Arctic residents, international Arctic research programs and organizations and local institutions including regional governments in order to obtain the broadest possible view of Arctic research needs."



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COMMISSIONER— Edward Itta of Barrow commented during the 104th meeting of the USARC, held last week in Nome.



ENERGY— Robert Bensin with BNSC, left, expressed the need for exchanges of data and information. Mark Mueller-Stoffels is shown right.

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• President Obama

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ence and ingenuity to fix the problem. The United States is trying to do its part by moving toward renewable energy and taking steps to conserve energy, but more needs to be done both at home and globally. He said new initiatives would be announced in coming days.

Obama, who recently gave Royal Dutch Shell the OK to begin exploratory drilling in the Chukchi Sea, said it's possible to use less "dirty fuel" and still grow the economy while meeting target goals for reducing emissions.

Northwest Arctic Borough Mayor Reggie Joule expressed a similar sentiment during a press briefing.

"Alaska is an energy state," he said. "There has to be a middle ground."

The day-long conference also included numerous sessions for attendees. Topics included: The Arctic's Unique Role in Influencing the Global Climate, Building the Resilience of Arctic Coastal Communities in the Face of Climate Change and Strengthening International Preparedness and Cooperation for Emergency Response, among others.

When Vice Commandant Charles D. Michel, second in command of

the Coast Guard, was questioned at one of several press briefings about resources for the Arctic, he acknowledged that getting Congress to allocate money is tough these days. The Russians have a fleet of more than 40 Polar Class icebreakers and the United States has just three, and one of them is broken, he said.

Hopefully, the conference will create enough of a "demand signal" so that Congress will do what needs to be done and recapitalize the fleet, Michel said. However, he noted that the price tag on one icebreaker is \$1 billion.

Rear Adm. Daniel Abel, the Coast Guard's commander for Alaska, said the Coast Guard is ready to respond if called upon. He said it has worked closely with Shell on its spill response plans to reduce "risk to its lowest possible level." However, he said, "Nothing is risk-free in the maritime."

Joule said he is more concerned about increased maritime traffic and the threat to food security and environmental damage from accidents than off-shore spills.

"We have been very slow in preparing for these activities," he said.

To reduce risk in what is expected to be an ever-busier Arctic, Abel said

the Coast Guard is considering creating a 4-mile-wide traffic lane for ships. It also is planning on holding a mass rescue operation drill with eight Arctic states now that Crystal Cruises is offering a cruise of the Northwest Passage next summer. The cruise ship can carry 1,700 people.

"It keeps me up at night," Michel said, when he thinks about weather, treacherous conditions and a cruise ship that size traveling the Northwest Passage.

On a more positive note, Abel said when it comes to saving human lives, the U.S. and Canada work as one team. Relations with Russia are also very good, he said.

"Everyone is reaching out to each other because no one can do this on their own," Michel said. "This is an area that is ripe for partnership."

Secretary Jewell said Alaska's coastal communities impacted by erosion face some difficult decisions.

"We don't want to invest in infrastructure that is just going to wash away," Jewell said.

Then there is the question of "How do we pay for all of this?" she said.

Obama is spending three days in Alaska.

While here, he is planning on hik-



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TALKING CLIMATE CHANGE — Interior Secretary Sally Jewell talks to reporters on Monday at the GLACIER conference on climate change held in downtown Anchorage. President Barack Obama attended the conference and issued a call to action as part of a global initiative to tackle climate change before he said it is too late and irreparable damage is done to the planet.

ing a melting glacier, talking to fishermen in Dillingham and visiting Kotzebue in Northwest Alaska to see how climate change has impacted lives there.

"This is a solvable problem if we start now," Obama said. "This is an opportunity to be seized."

• USARC mental health

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counselor is knowledgeable about the community and its traditions, but on the other hand, the therapists often have to treat their own relatives.

Another option for providing counseling to remote communities would be through telemedicine. Telemedicine, Droby believes, is the way of the future for villages. However, because of limited bandwidth, the Internet is often too slow to successfully hold a teleconference.

Lisa Wexler, Associate Professor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst School of Medicine, and Lisa Ellanna, director of Manliilaq Wellness, spoke about mental health and suicide prevention in Alaska. Specifically, Wexler and Ellanna displayed information about rates of suicide, and discussed ways to use that data to prevent future deaths.

Using data gathered on suicide and suicide attempts in Alaska from 1989 to present, Wexler was able to deduce a few key pieces of information. Considering the thousands of years people have inhabited this region, youth suicide is a new epidemic.

In most cases, the person, usually a young Alaska Native male, did not seek care. When services are called, it is often too late to effectively help the patient.

In most deaths, the victim was between 20 and 29 years of age and alcohol was a factor. Data also revealed that most suicides occur during the summer months. But why

are these facts important and how are they relevant?

According to Wexler, the data is helpful in understanding possible motives for suicides. Knowing why someone might commit suicide can help prevent the death.

Among Alaska Natives, an important factor to consider is identity. The conflicting traditional and Western cultures are troublesome for young people, who are not yet sure of who they are and where they fit in. For example, Wexler pointed out, school starts in the middle of subsistence season.

Young people are not able to provide for their families and are thrust into a culture completely different from the one they grew up in. This forces them to choose between cultures.

Experts speculate on the enigma of why suicide rate in Alaska increase in the summer months. Many of the people who decide to end their lives during the midnight sun are unable to afford the gas or time off of work required for subsistence activities. This lack of self-purpose coupled with financial stress often takes a toll on Alaska's youth, especially males. In remote villages, the cost of living is high and jobs are hard to come by, which can make financial stability difficult. Many times, this causes young people to turn to alcoholism. In his presentation, Droby pointed out that many teenagers are faced with a tough decision upon graduating high school. They either need to leave the village for college and abandon their culture, or they

can stay in the community and attempt to make a living.

Wexler's goal is to combine her research with local values in order to make the facts and figures useful. Her pilot study, Promoting Community Conversations About Research to End Suicide, or PC-CARES, strives to do just that. The purpose of PC-CARES is to increase interaction between Natives and non-Natives in the field of mental health. The ultimate goal is to have people struggling with depression and other problems want to seek out help, not refuse it.

Both Wexler and Droby stressed the need to give Alaska's youth a sense of self-importance and a place to fit in. This could be through Native studies at school, or through programs such as NACTEC, that introduce further learning opportunities.

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Nome Joint Utilities earns a clean report on 2014 audit

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome Joint Utility System has undergone a regular annual audit on keeping its books during 2014.

There were no findings of concern and items noted from 2013 had been resolved, according to Joy Merriner, CPA, who presented the final draft audit to the NJUS Board in person at a meeting Aug. 18.

"In our opinion, the financial statements above present fairly, in all material aspects, the final position of Nome Joint Utility System as of Dec. 31, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America," the auditor's report read.

"This is a clean, unmodified opinion, the kind you want to see," Merriner told the board Aug. 18.

The auditing firm BDO USA has rendered a draft that will be made final pending receipt of records from state Dept. of Environmental Conservation.

These documents concern information on three remaining loan draws by NJUS. Auditors need to know whether the funds go into the state or federal column for one audit section that needs the figures for the split for its completion. Three draw requests, totaling \$628,246, have been approved by DEC, but none of the three actual disbursements have arrived along with information on government sources needed to make final the audit.

When the state agency would release the money and the accounting information available has kept NJUS guessing, according to NJUS manager John K. Handeland. Processing the draws and the money was hung up on a change in the state accounting system, according to Handeland.

Utility staff has cleared up other reimbursement issues as the utility looked for cash to repay draws on a \$2.2 million line of credit from City of Nome. A previous audit had flagged delayed applications for

agency reimbursement on grant projects that this year left NJUS hurting for operating cash. NJUS resolved prior year audit findings according to corrective action plans.

The BDO USA team performed fieldwork and poured over accounting records during the week of May 18. Following the fieldwork, the auditors suggested two adjusting entries, which NJUS implemented. One concerned amortization of a bond refunding loss and unamortized bond over 10 years due to reissuance of an Alaska Municipal Bond Bank bond for the new power plant. The other entry concerned accounting procedures on state "relief payments" relating to unfunded liability in the Public Employees Retirement System account.

Based on the 2014 draft audit, BDO USA staff had additional suggestions that did add up to material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, according to the audit report draft document. These are a sampling:

- Carry materials for resale and large power plant parts in a formal inventory tracking system. NJUS should implement an inventory tracking system concerning materials allowed under grants for maintaining systems. With agency approval, NJUS buys some additional quantity of water-sewer pipe and fittings, above that actually installed, for maintenance.

- NJUS charges for equipment rental and periodically adjust rates. Auditors recommended documenting rates and policies.

- Auditors suggested NJUS develop a policy to document treatment of ancillary construction costs — coffee break supplies, for example — that are not grant-eligible and submitted to agencies for

reimbursement.

- NJUS assigns administrative and service costs to various operating divisions under consistently applied percentages. Auditors suggested reviewing and documenting the allocation process.

- Develop a policy for unusual or significant costs, feasibility studies and amortization. The board has adopted a policy relating to deferred debts and the treatment of feasibility studies that may not result in actual construction.

Combing the financial statements for material weaknesses, whether due to fraud or error, relates to whether a user of the statement would be misled to the wrong decision, according to Merriner.

NJUS would postpone accepting the audit report until the final report is issued based on receiving the additional information from DEC.

Auditors did find three material weaknesses in financial statements during a previous audit of 2013 that have been remedied. These comprised management override of controls, a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting. Additionally, the auditors found issues of proper cutoff and timeliness of reimbursement requests and cash management stemming from the issue of proper cutoff and timeliness of filing reimbursement requests from agencies — material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting. Auditors considered these findings resolved, according to the report.

BDO USA's report acknowledged full cooperation of staff and availability of records for their inspection to achieve their objective: "To obtain reasonable -not absolute- assurance about whether the financial statements were free from material misstatements."



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JUNGLE GYM— Large numbers kids of all ages have been having a blast on the new playground equipment at Anvil City Square.

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Dealer sentenced to 2 years in jail

By Diana Haecker

Nome Superior Court Judge Tim Dooley sentenced Kelly McDaniel to six years, four years suspended and five years probation, after McDaniel had pleaded guilty to one count of dealing heroin in Nome.

McDaniel was arrested in February, facing eleven charges of misconduct involving a controlled substance in various degrees, and for dealing drugs with 500 feet of a school zone.

According to court documents, McDaniel sold heroin and methamphetamine to an undercover WAANT trooper on several occasions. The trooper's affidavit states that McDaniel bought the drugs from a source and then delivered them to the buyer, meeting him at his car on the street or at the Bonanza parking lot.

McDaniel changed his not guilty plea in April and was sentenced on August 17 to six years, four suspended and five years probation.

The prosecution asked for seven years in jail, with four suspended.

After being released from jail, conditions of release include to not break the law, not to own weapons, firearms, switchblade knives, to seek steady employment, not to consume alcohol or drugs and to complete a substance abuse program.

If the terms of the five-year long probation are violated, McDaniel would face spending up to the remainder of the four suspended years in jail.

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NOME-BELTZ — Although obscured by the black and white rendering of this image, a rainbow spans over the Nome-Beltz Jr./Sr. High School and the NACTEC building to the right in this photo taken on August 28.

Photo by Debbie Flint-Daniel

Summit to tackle regional education topics; Nome Elementary School considers sending wolverine packin'

By Kristine McRae

Nome will host the first-ever Norton Sound Education Summit on October 9 through 11 at the Nome Elementary School. The summit is sponsored by the Norton Sound Education Work Group (NSEWG), which is comprised of several entities from around the region who are committed to supporting students from early childhood through post-secondary education and vocational pursuits. "Norton Sound region is becoming the forefront of what's happening in education," Superintendent Shawn Arnold told the school board at last week's work session. The summit, which is sponsored in large part by NSEDC, will bring together educators, community members and students from the region to discuss the opportunities for and challenges of educating youth in western

Alaska. "Students will be doing concurrent activities, and we'll be hearing from stakeholders around the region what needs they see in education," Arnold said.

The state Department of Education and Early Development Commissioner Mike Hanley is expected to speak at the summit kick-off on Friday evening.

Nome Elementary School could soon have a new mascot. One of the topics for discussion at last week's school board work session was the possibility of retiring the wolverine as the school's animal agent in favor of a younger, cuter, version of Nome-Beltz's Nanook.

Nome Elementary School principal Kevin Theoness said that at a recent gathering of the Alaska School Leadership Institute, participants talked about the verticality between

younger and older kids, and that there's value in connecting the younger students to their future as high school team members. "The kids in elementary always look forward to being on the high school teams," Theoness told the board, "and this is a way to connect the students and teachers, and to create school pride."

Initial queries show that the origin of the wolverine as mascot is not clear. Board member Paula Davis said she remembers the wolverine as the junior high school's mascot in the 1980's, and then it migrated to the elementary school. Cultural teachers Josie Bourdon and Annie Conger are excited by the idea, Theoness told the board, and they have been helping to find a culturally appropriate name for "little polar bear," or "polar bear cubs."

"Nanauyaat means little Nanooks in Inupiaq," Theoness said, "and we're considering a version of that idea."

The board supported pursuing the idea further. Theoness said that he would seek input from the community, as well, during the September open house.

Each year, in the spring, as the district prepares the budget for the following school year, school officials estimate the number of students who will attend Nome schools. That number tends to hover around 700, and its accuracy helps when planning for expenses. In October, an official count is taken to determine the actual amount of funding, per student, the district will receive from the state. That amount is the base student allo-

cation (BSA), and last spring the district estimated 695 students would attend. It turns out the number was conservative, which may mean a bit more money for the schools. "Right now we're at 724, and we're expecting more families to come into Nome in the next month or two," Arnold told the board. "We have almost 70 kids in the second grade, but kindergarten is not as big as it's been in the past."

The BSA for this fiscal year is \$5,867.52, which could mean an influx of \$175,000 to the district. Eight Nome students left the district to attend high school at Mt. Edgecumbe in Sitka, Arnold said.

The board will meet for their next regular meeting on September 8.

Swimming pool problems resolved

By Maisie Thomas

The Nome swimming pool, which mysteriously lost its water in late spring, is filled once again. Nome swimmers, including Summercise participants, were forced to go without the facility for about an extra month this year. But the end of the dry spell is near, the pool should be opening up to the public in early September.

According to Chip Leeper, City of Nome Director of Parks and Recreation, staff began to heat the water on August 28. It takes about a week for the pool to reach a swim-able temperature. The next step is to add chemicals, such as \$75,000 worth of salt, and allow them to stabilize. The

pH of the water needs to be within a neutral range, and it takes a few days to reach that level. Although there is no date set in stone, Leeper predicts that the pool should be open in no more than a week and a half.

The mechanical issue that caused 144,000 gallons of water to leak from the pool seems to be solved. According to Leeper, staff held a brainstorming session and, through process of elimination, were able to narrow the problem down to a fractured coupling. The coupling was replaced and the water has stayed put. Since the water from the pool drained into the mechanical room, which is what is supposed to happen, the facility fortunately suffered no

water damage.

According to Nome-Beltz swim coach Kirsten Bey, the start of the high school swim season was delayed a few weeks due to the pool closure. Although the season could technically start in early August, the facility is closed until the latter part of that month. Bey's plan is to start practices as soon as the pool is ready.



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WAITING OUT THE WEATHER — The Nome gold dredge fleet anchored in the small boat harbor, hiding out from bad weather last week.

Sound Off: Mental Health care reform blocked in Congress

Pseudo-science, misguided civil rights laws, and agencies behind blocking mental health care reform

By Kimberly Blaker

The bipartisan Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act, HR2646, introduced in June by Rep. Tim Murphy and Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson, has come under attack.

The purpose of the legislation is to resolve a number of problems within our mental health care system, particularly for the treatment of America's seriously mentally ill. The measures within this legislation would effectively improve treatment and outcomes for those with severe brain diseases ultimately resulting in a significant reduction in homelessness and incarcerations. But various groups, agencies, and organizations are trying to halt the entire bill, or have a number of crucial measures removed or watered down.

First there are anti-psychiatry and anti-psychology groups intervening to halt any and all efforts to correct our failed system. The most noted on this front is the Church of Scientology, a cult that doesn't recognize the substantial scientific evidence behind brain diseases, such as schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, and bipolar disorder. These diseases make up well over half of those with serious mental illness (SMI).

Next, there are anti-science and anti-pharmaceutical groups who rather than accepting empirical studies of evidence based treatment, maintain faith in pseudo-scientific therapies for SMI.

Such faith is often based on mere anecdotal stories by the herbal supplement industry, the mistaken notion that diet and nutrition alone is the cure-all to everything, and acceptance of disproven or unproven treatments from the fringes of the mental health field.

Many within these groups also often hold strong paranoia and conspiracy theories toward scientific and medical communities and prescription drug companies.

In this camp are also likely the seriously mentally ill themselves, as paranoia and conspiracy theories are a hallmark of schizophrenia and psychosis. I don't fault the latter here, as

it is their illness that causes such beliefs.

Perhaps the most disconcerting opposition, however, are the agencies and organizations whose purpose is or should be to care for and treat the seriously mentally ill.

Many individuals with SMI experience psychosis, and as a result are the portion who pose greater than average danger to themselves and others when left untreated. These individuals also often have the symptom of anosognosia, meaning their brain disease prevents them from being aware of their illness resulting in their refusal of treatment.

Some of these mental health agencies, along with many of my fellow Democrats, are opposing such crucial measures as assisted outpatient treatment (AOT), which refers to court ordered treatment. Evidence has shown this to be the only way to effectively treat the smaller percentage of the most seriously mentally ill with psychosis and anosognosia. Yet misguided civil rights laws to protect the seriously mentally ill continue to be upheld as justification to allow those incapable of making an informed decision about their treatment from receiving care that is critical to their safety and well being, and the safety of their families and society.

Some of these agencies also favor mental health reform that benefits the 25-40 percent or so of the population that might need various services from time-to-time to deal with such issues as personal stress.

Other agencies might place all or most of their focus on reducing stigma, peer support groups, and educating about work related stress. These agencies prefer to manage the easy-to-treat, or the worried well. While these goals are admirable, these agencies are often funneling and misusing funds that were intended for treatment of the seriously mentally ill. As a result, such organizations have strongly objected to measures in the legislation that would lead to oversight.

In doing so, these agencies de-

plete the extremely limited resources intended to serve the critical needs of those with the most severe brain diseases, who are the most under served. If such efforts are successful, they will have the effect of maintaining the status quo in America's mental health care system.

In light of daily tragedies occurring across the country and the severity of the various problems associated with serious mental illness and our ineffective mental health care system, it is imperative legislators co-sponsor and advance this legislation—and keep the measures within fully intact.

Kimberly Blaker, an author and freelance writer, is the mother of a young adult son with SMI, schizoaffective disorder.

No radiation detected in Bering Sea waters

By Maisie Thomas

The results of water sample tests for radionuclides taken off the coast of Gambell are back. The sample, assessed by the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Center for Marine and Environmental Radioactivity (WHOI), came back with a very small level of cesium 137 and no cesium 134.

This is the second sample taken in as many years. In 2014, Gay Sheffield, Marine Advisory Program Advisor at Northwest Campus, and Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSED) fundraised to have water sampled and examined from the Bering Sea. The sample was sent to WHOI, a publically funded organization that tests oceans for radiation. The public chooses a location and pays \$600 to have a sample taken and tested.

The samples taken were tested for cesium 134 and cesium 137, radioactive isotopes. Cesium 137 is commonly found in oceans; it is left

over from nuclear weapon tests done in the 1960s. Cesium 134 can be traced directly back to Japan's Fukushima Daiichi power plant.

Last year's results showed a very small level of cesium 137, and an undetectable level of 134. The 2015 sample, taken in roughly the same area off of St. Lawrence Island, came back very similar to the 2014 test. This puts us in the "no news is good news" category, as Sheffield put it. Our ocean has not gotten any more radioactive since last year.

The purpose of the testing is to track radiation left over from the nuclear disaster in the Fukushima power plant in 2011. The explosion in the plant contaminated the Pacific Ocean, and although it is unlikely that the radiation will affect the Bering Sea, Sheffield wants to know where the contaminants going and how quickly it will travel. This information will provide data on what direction currents travel and how quickly they move.

Fish Report

By Scott Kent, ADF&G Assistant Area Manager

The Norton Sound silver catch is a new record with nearly 147,000 silvers caught through Monday, August 31. Approximately 115 permit holders have made deliveries this season.

The commercial fishery in Elim and Golovin closed by regulation at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 31 and Norton Bay, Shaktoolik, and Unalakleet close by regulation at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 6.

The final harvest should approximate or exceed 150,000 silvers for the season. Golovin's silver catch was sixth best, Elim and Norton Bay harvests are the second best on record. Record harvests could have easily happened in Elim and Norton Bay but a storm system kept fishermen on the beach for much of last week.

Unalakleet's harvest should be record setting after this next period and

Shaktoolik's harvest will end up the fourth best ever.

The Kotzebue commercial salmon season also closed on Sunday, August 23 with 306,000 chum salmon harvested for the season.

A second buyer bought for one period on Sunday, August 23. Harvest this year finished at the low end of the department forecast range of 300,000 to 500,000 chum salmon, but was the third highest in over 25 years and ranked twelfth highest in the 54-year history of the fishery. There were 103 permit holders who fished, the most since 1994. Ex-vessel value was approximately \$825,000 and was a big drop from last year's 2.9 million. However, it was the fourth highest in 27 years without adjusting for inflation.

Kobuk River test fish completed operations and chum catch index was fourth highest in the 23-year project history.



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NOME CAUSEWAY — Construction of Nome’s middle dock is progressing. The Nome port is expected to become busier with arctic shipping lanes opening. Photo by Diana Haecker

The Dock Walk

An early fall story at the beginning of last week altered ship traffic in and out of the Nome Port and small boat harbor. The storm also kept Harbormaster Lucas Stotts busy, so this week includes two weeks worth of his reports.

On August 18, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) had their research vessel the *Fairweather* depart Nome.

On August 19, Bowhead Transport Company had the tug and barge *Lois H/Klinkwan* arrive to work freight. The French cruise ship *L’Austral* anchored offshore.

August 20, there were no new arrivals or departures, but the cruise ship *L’Austral* was still offshore.

On August 21, Bowhead Transport Company had their tug and barge *LoisH/Klinkwan* depart along with their landing craft *Greta*. The University of Alaska Fairbanks’ research vessel *Sikuliaq* arrived. NOAA’s research vessel *Ranier* arrived. Bering Pacific’s tug and barge *Diane H/Kumtux* arrived and departed with freight.

On August 22, the United States Coast Guard cutter *Alex Haley* arrived.

On August 23, Alaska Dream Ventures research vessel *Dream Catcher* arrived and stayed to hide from upcoming bad weather.

On August 24, Alaska Department of Fish and Game research vessel *Pandalus* arrived. The landing craft *Thor’s Hammer* arrived from Shaktoolik to hide from upcoming bad weather. The *Sikuliaq* departed ahead of schedule due to strong southerly winds that caused large waves inside the outer harbor. The USCG cutter *Alex Haley* also departed due to the weather.

On August 25, there were no arrivals or departures due to the bad weather.

On August 26, Alaska Marine Lines’ landing craft *Greta* arrived to escape the bad weather and it took on for freight.

On August 27, there were no arrivals or departures due to weather.

On August 28, the offshore surveying company Fugro Pelagos’ *Dream Catcher* departed for survey work. Alaska Marine Lines’ tug and barge *Mike Oleary/Kuskokwim Trader* arrived with freight.

On August 29, the *Dream Catcher* arrived.

On August 30, Alaska Maine Lines had the *Greta* depart with freight.

On August 31, Alaska Marine Lines had the *Mike Oleary/Kuskokwim Trader* depart.



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OFF TO THE RACES— Two dozen runners from Elim, White Mountain, Nome and Unalakleet get a fast start at the Unalakleet Cross Country Running Invitational on Saturday. Photos by Melanie Sagoonick

Wilson and Amaktoolik keep pace at UNK running meet

By Keith Conger

Perhaps the Bering Strait School District’s top two runners were taking the humorous animal-encounter avoidance strategy too far: When being chased by bears, you just need to be a “little bit” faster than your partner.

With eventual race winner Wilson Hoogendorn of the Nome Nanooks well ahead of them, and a horde of Nanooks bearing down upon them from behind, Unalakleet junior Jayden Wilson and Elim senior Jonah Amaktoolik ran for their lives to earn podium spots at the Unalakleet Cross Country Running Invitational on Saturday afternoon. Wilson completed his hometown, five-kilometer course in 19 minutes, 32.27 seconds, edging Amaktoolik by fifty-five hundredths of a second for the silver medal.

“They were neck and neck the whole race,” said Nick Hanson, cross-country running coach of the Unalakleet Wolfpack. “Jayden passed him as he crossed the line. It’s really fun to be a coach for something like that.”

Hanson added that he was impressed by Amaktoolik’s third place effort. “He’s a lot faster than he used be,” he said.

Hoogendorn, a junior, won his first high school race of the season in a time of 18 minutes, 58 seconds.

Five runners from Nome, led by sophomore Harrison Moore and freshman Ben Cross, followed Hoogendorn, Wilson and Amaktoolik across the finish line.

Three teams from the Bering Straits School District joined Nome to make up the high school boys field of 24 runners. The top competitor from White Mountain was sophomore Josh Prentice, whose time of 21 minutes, 19 seconds gave him a ninth place finish. Teller’s top runner was senior Ryan Topkok, who completed the course in 12th place with a time of 21 minutes, 24 seconds.

The sparsely attended high school girls’ race was dominated by freshman runners. The top four finishers, and five of the eight competitors overall, had only been in high school for about a week. Leading the pack was Nome’s Starr Erikson with a time of 24 minutes, 34 seconds. BSSD runners Felicia Ione of White Mountain and Summer Sagoonick of Unalakleet rounded out the top three with respective times of 25 minutes, 39 seconds, and 26 minutes even.

Nome freshman Daynon Medlin

had added responsibilities this weekend, as three of her teammates were either injured or sick. Her time of 26 minutes, 53 seconds on the Unalakleet course earned her fourth place. She nipped Unalakleet senior Ada Harvey by six seconds.

Elim seventh-grader Shaun Daniels won the junior high five-kilometer contest. Although official times were not established for all racers, Daniels’ time was listed as 23 minutes, 11 seconds. He was followed by Unalakleet runners Larry Wilson, eighth grade, and Darrell Semaken, seventh-grade, who posted times of 23 minutes, 40 seconds and 23 minutes, 54 seconds, respectively.

Eighth-grader Mallory Conger outran fellow Nome eighth-grader Ava Earthman by three seconds for first place in the junior high girls race. No times were recorded for the younger girls, but Nome-Beltz cross-country running coach Jeff Collins,

who keeps track of all Nanook runners times, said the pair finished in 25 minutes, 14 seconds, and 25 minutes, 17 seconds.

A whopping 40 Unalakleet youngsters participated in the elementary race. They were joined by sixth-grader Clara Daniels of Elim. “We even had some four-year olds,” said Unalakleet elementary running coach Nancy Persons who has been leading her little charges for about six years.

On Saturday Persons set up a course about a mile in length and coordinated the finish to occur during the junior high race. That way the crowd could cheer them in, she said. The top three elementary boys were Cody Ivanoff, Carter Commack and Kanayaq Ivanoff, all sixth graders.

Sixth-grader Daniels of Elim won the elementary girls race. She was followed by fourth-grader Autumn Nanouk, and second-grader Ourea

Busk.

The Unalakleet Cross Country Invitational gave participants the opportunity to learn the trail that will be used for the Region 1 North Cross Country Running Championships on September 26. The Hanson-designed course had racers start out along a dirt road before they encountered “The Tundra Hill,” where runners did two laps on an ATV trail that included a steep ascent, as well as a muddy, and boggy section at the bottom of the descent. Hanson said that Unalakleet had received lots of rain in the days leading up to the event, so the area at the bottom of the hill was a “giant marsh.”

“He really designed a nice course,” said Collins. “It’s not supposed to be a road race. That’s not what cross-country is supposed to be. This course has boggy and muddy stuff. It meets the required guts and grit.”



RACE FOR SILVER— Johah Amaktoolik of Elim tries to stay ahead of Unalakleet’s Jayden Wilson during the high school boys race at the Unalakleet Invitational. Wilson nipped Amaktoolik at the finish line to take second place.

Unalakleet Cross Country Invitational Results

High School Boys

- 1.Wilson Hoogendorn OME 18:58
- 2.Jayden Wilson UNK 19’32.27
- 3.Johan Amaktoolik ELI 19’32.82
- 4.Harrison Moore OME 19’48
- 5.Ben Cross OME 20’10
- 6.Jamie Yi OME 20’13
- 7.Devan Otton OME 20’50
- 8.Chris Gandia OME 21’04
- 9.Josh Prentice WMO 21.19
- 10.Richard Takak ELI 21’30
- 11.Jacob Brouillette ELI 21’30
- 12.Ryan Topkok TLA 21’34
- 13.Devin Nakarak ELI 21’41
- 14.James Horner OME 21’46
- 15.Jared Topkok TLA 22’27
- 16.Aaron Motis OME 22’32
- 17.David Johnson UNK 22’47

- 18.John Wade OME 22’58
- 18.Jesse Nagaruk ELI 23’26
- 20.John Henry UNK 25’39
- 21.Percy Agloinga WMO 26’00
- 22.Lincoln Simon WMO 30’50
- 23.Edwin Okbaok TLA 31’54
- 24.Donald Smith OME 34’44

High School Girls

- 1.Starr Erikson OME 24’34
- 2.Felicia Ione WMO 25’39
- 3.Summer Sagoonick UNK 26’00
- 4.Daynon Medlin OME 26’53
- 5.Ada Harvey UNK 26’59
- 6.Anjoli Agloinga WMO 27’14
- 7.Kiara Okleasik TLA 30’36
- 8.Grace Olanna-Ongtawasruk TLA 31’13

Junior High Boys

- (correct order/limited and unofficial times)
- 1.Shaun Daniels ELI 23:11
 - 2.Larry Wilson UNK 23:40
 - 3.Darrell Semaken UNK 23:54
 - 4.Melvin Amaktoolik WMO
 - 5.Darin Olanna TLA
 - 6.Tony Haugen UNK
 - 7.Payton Commack UNK

Junior High Girls

- (correct order/limited and unofficial times)
- 1.Mallory Conger OME 25:14
 - 2.Ava Earthman OME 25:17
 - 3.Melody Bergamashi WMO
 - 4.Jewel Wilson UNK
 - 5.Jessie Katchatag UNK
 - 6.Talia Cross OME
 - 7.Laurnyn Garnie TLA



YOUTH IS SERVED— The top three high school girl finishers at the Unalakleet Cross Country Running Invitational were freshmen. Nome’s Starr Erik Erikson, right, won the race, and was followed by Felicia Ione of White Mountain, middle, and Summer Sagoonick of Unalakleet.



POWER GAME— Senior Senora Ahmasuk delivers a hit against Valdez.



TEAMWORK — The Nome-Beltz Nanooks girls volleyball team worked hard during the Chugiak High School Invitational Tournament this weekend.

Photos by Aileen Witrosky

Nanook volleyball girls take on 4A powerhouses at Chugiak High School Invitational Tournament

By Keith Conger

Nome-Beltz high school volleyball coach Lucas Frost didn't waste any time getting his 2015 team battle-tested. Frost put his "coaching toward more quality teams" approach into action this weekend as the Lady Nanooks took part in the Chugiak High School Invitational Tournament, a gathering that featured eight large, big city 4A schools, as well as perennial 3A powerhouse Valdez.

The only squad that seemed to be missing from the party was the 2014 4A state runner-up team from Dimond. The Nanooks took care of that absence by playing the Dimond Junior Varsity squad in a tune-up match on Thursday evening. Nome took one set, but lost the match 3-1.

Nome, the only non-road system team in the Chugiak tournament field, made a strong showing against the much larger schools by finishing pool play with a 6-12 set record. This placed them tied for eighth with the Colony Knights. They finished ahead of the Service Cougars.

The Nanooks had the opportunity to play a two-set match against all nine of their competitors during round-robin pool play. While they did not come away with any match victories, they were able to earn splits with Service, West Valley, Chugiak, Valdez, Colony and Eagle River. The only match where they were clearly outplayed was a 20-4, 20-4 drubbing by the defending 4A state champion South Anchorage Wolverines.

The Nanooks were not the only team to lose to South, as the Wolverines posted a 17-1 set record in pool play. South outdueled the West Valley Wolfpack 25-21, 25-23 in the championship match.

The Nanooks were competitive against East High School, which the Alaska School Activities Association lists as having a student population of 2,139. The girls from Nome-Beltz come from a school that is 12-times smaller than East, yet played the Thunderbirds tough at 20-14, 20-14.

Nome's closest match of the tournament came against the host Chugiak Mustangs on Friday evening. The Nanooks won the first set 20-15, and nearly took the second before bowing out at 20-19.

The Nome girls were able to bounce back twice from first set losses. They opened the weekend on Friday afternoon with a close 20-18 loss to the Service Cougars, but battled back to win 20-10 in the second set. That score represented their biggest margin of victory. Nome dropped the first set to the Colony Knights, who tied for 5th at last year's state 4A tournament, by a score of 20-15. They picked themselves up in set two, earning a 20-17 victory.

"They are super huge, but we are

definitely capable of beating bigger teams," said senior defensive specialist Kailey Witrosky after the team had returned to Nome. "We were totally competing with all those 4A schools." One of Witrosky's fondest memories was when Nome freshman Kastyn Lie blocked a girl that was over six feet tall.

One of the team's most important victories may have been the 21-19, first set win over the Valdez Buccaneers. The Nanooks placed two positions behind the Buccaneers at last year's 3A tournament. This victory showed they can play with one of the best 3A teams in the state.

"Valdez had a really strong, tall girl," said Frost. He said senior Senora Ahmasuk had a really big game against them.

Junior outside hitter Kimberly Clark hurt her knee at the net on Saturday and had to leave match play. Frost said that the team really didn't recover well from her absence during their championship match against Service later that night. His Nanooks bowed to the Cougars 25-20, 25-10 in that contest.

Frost says that his team has seven seniors, but also has a couple of younger players. "We definitely played well," he said. "I was really impressed with our ability to get the pass to our setter. I'm pleased we were passing the ball well."

Nome had several key positions to fill from their 2014 squad. The Nanooks had been helped by three transfer students. Sisters Senora and Kerry Ahmasuk are back from Mount Edgecumbe. Senora, a senior, has been working as a middle hitter, while Kerry, a sophomore, has been getting time at the setter position. Junior Natalia Cole is a transfer student who played at South last year. She too, has been seeing time in the middle.

The team seems poised to make the jump to the next level. "They know they are good," said Frost of his squad. "Now they are expecting to win."

A large number of players traveled to volleyball camps outside of Nome this summer. Senior Allaryce Agloinga led the way by attending four camps. She was joined by Clark and senior Kalani Suemai for a three-day camp at the University of Alaska - Anchorage. Agloinga and Clark in addition to Witrosky, sophomore Emily Pomrenke, junior Megan Contreras and senior Jadyn Otten attended a camp at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. Agloinga, Witrosky, Clark, Contreras and senior Rayne Lie attended another four-day camp in Long Beach, California. Agloinga and Clarke finished up their summer volleyball odyssey with a three-day camp at University of Nevada in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The Nanooks' next action will be at home against their regional rival, the Kotzebue Huskies, on September 4 and 5. Frost says that action will be

the first for the Huskies. They were supposed to play the Barrow Whalers last weekend, but those matches were cancelled due to

United States President Barack Obama's visit to Kotzebue.

YOUTH SOFTBALL

1st Place Majors Division



Photos by Angela Hansen

WINNERS— Team Bonanza Fuel won first place in the majors division. Front row, l-r: Lydia Kuzuguk, Elise Rasmussen, Daynon Medlin, Jeneva Motis, Jon Gilder, Ben Cross. Back row, l-r: Assistant Coach Tim Motis, Jesse Kuzuguk, Ian Smith, Brendan Goldy, Aaron Motis, Kevin Erickson, Joel Hesse, Coach Mitch Medlin, Assistant Coach Leo Rasmussen. Not pictured: Rhiannon James, Kieraan Tobuk, Brayden Bahnke & Reese Bahnke.

1st Place Minors Division



MINOR WINNERS— Team PLS Construction won first place in the minors division in this year's Nome Softball season. Front row, l-r: Owen Outwater, Landon Luce, David Miller, Caden Hanebuth, Haylen O'Connor. Back row, l-r: Jelsey Gologergen, Head Coach Rob Luce, Kellie Miller, Clara Hansen, Ryan Outwater, Colin McFarland, Riley Larson and Assistant Coach Ricky Outwater. Not pictured: Lucas Marvin and Michael Marvin

Obituaries

Thomas C. Davis
March 29, 1965
– August 12, 2015

Thomas Clyde Davis, a lifelong Alaskan, went to be with the Lord on August 12, 2015 with his family at his side. Thomas was born on March 29, 1965, in Nome Alaska, to Lawrence and MaryAnn Davis.

Thomas graduated from Nome Beltz High School in 1983, and also attended small engines training in Seward. Thomas had several jobs over his lifetime but the most cherished job was being a reindeer herder, helping his dad and family. He also met many people over the years while driving cab in Nome.

The friends he made were lifelong friendships. Even during his time of illness, Thomas was always thinking of those around him. He enjoyed hearing of his nephews and nieces in every aspect of their lives, and was so proud to be called “Uncle Tom”.

At a young age Tom was known for making his very famous popcorn. Siblings, friends, and many visitors would often ask him to make popcorn while sitting around the living room watching sports, movies, or just visiting the Davis’.

In Thomas’ mid-twenties he chose to live a healthy life exercising, and this involved hiking Anvil countless times and many long bikes rides around Nome. He was also an avid sports fan, and enjoyed conversations with others and was often talking about sports news of the day.

Thomas had a renewed passion for the Lord, and he was happy to learn more from scripture readings and watching programs that glorified the Lord. His strength came from living on the promises of God, and was renewed by God’s grace and



Thomas C. Davis

mercy. He was comforted and loved listening to gospel music. He often participated in the live music by the Henry Shavings family on Thursday nights at ANMC. Thomas was very caring and tender hearted towards all.

Thomas was preceded in death by his father Lawrence Davis, his brother William Davis, his grandmother Etta Tocktoo, grandfather Elmer Davis, Aunt Ethel Karmun and many other relatives.

Thomas is survived by his mother,

Mary Ann Davis, his siblings: Bruce and Ann Davis, Karen and Peter Neagle, Cheryl and Tim Lynch, Clark and Dora Davis, Ruth and Stan Piscoya, Paula Davis and Jeff and Laura Davis.

Thomas has many nephews, nieces, aunts, uncle, and cousins that were a large part of his life.

Funeral services will be held in Nome, Alaska. Burial will take place at the Nome Cemetery.



Arthur C. Sandstrom, 81, passed into the hands of our most loving Lord on Thursday 30 July 2015, after a short battle with brain cancer, surrounded by family and friends. For a complete obituary and service details please visit www.mulkeymason.com.

Easy Moose Stew

Recipe by Miller Health Consulting, LLC

Makes 6 Servings
Preparation Time: 5 minutes
Cooking Time: 8 hours
Difficulty Level: Easy

Ingredients:
1 lb. moose roast
2 cups presoaked pinto beans
5 medium carrots, chopped
4 stalks celery, chopped
1 medium onion
1 Tbsp. Italian seasoning
1 ½ tsp. minced garlic
1 tsp. black pepper
4 cups water

Directions:

1. Cut moose roast into ½ inch cubes and place in the crockpot. Add pinto beans, carrots, celery, onion, seasonings, and water. Stir to mix.
2. Cook on low setting for 8 hours, stirring occasionally.

Tips:

*Pair with a slice of whole wheat bread for added fiber and beneficial carbohydrates.



Nutrition Facts

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Calories	223
Total Fat (g)	1
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Sodium (mg)	110
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Vitamin C (%)	77
Calcium (%)	6
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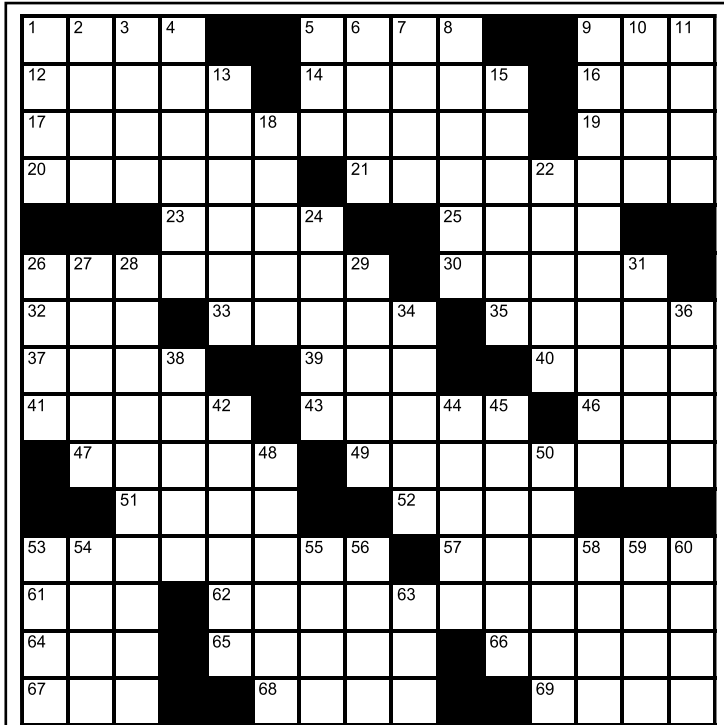
All Around the Sound

New Arrivals

Elizabeth C. Ivanoff and Jason S. Toshavik of Unalakleet, announce the birth of their son **Jace Stanton Toshavik**, born August 3, 2015 at 1:24 p.m. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 21” in length. Sib-

ling: Elijah H. Ivanoff, 4. Maternal grandmother Loretta Ivanoff of Unalakleet; and paternal grandparents Glenda Toshavik, and the late Earl Toshavik of Unalakleet.

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1. Small ornamental ladies' bag
5. Rock music with mournful lyrics
9. Neon, e.g.
12. Capital of Switzerland
14. Acquiesce
16. Back, in a way
17. Extremely popular books
19. Churchill's "so few": Abbr.
20. Common sense
21. Vision test (2 wds)
23. Curse
25. Carpet type
26. Persons who hold title to property for others' benefit
30. Affirmatives
32. Dusk, to Donne
33. Overthrow, e.g.
35. Slender, delicate things
37. Bogus
39. Batman and Robin, e.g.
40. Bell the cat
41. Dravidian language
43. Dome-shaped Buddhist shrine
46. Grassland
47. Greek letters
49. Helpful partner
51. Medical advice, often
52. "Buona ____" (Italian greeting)
53. Tailor's tool
57. Wine container
61. Anita Brookner's "Hotel du ____"
62. Negligence

64. Victorian, for one
65. Like "The X-Files"
66. Begin working energetically (2 wds)
67. Cyst
68. Arid
69. Aggravate

Down

1. Declines
2. Abound
3. "Major" animal
4. Emcees' lines
5. "For Me and My ____"
6. Eye
7. Deuce topper
8. Unorthodox opinion
9. Selling used items at one's home (2 wds)
10. Biology lab supply
11. Delicate
13. Heir's concern
15. Avoid
18. Banana oil, e.g.
22. Member of a Jewish mystic movement
24. Range rovers
26. Makeup, e.g.
27. Doctor's order
28. Against U.S. interests
29. Pole position?
31. Bender
34. Dissolute men
36. Accommodate
38. Acarology subject matter
42. Famous TV collie
44. Newbie, of sorts
45. Green perimeters
48. The Rolling ____, band
50. Concern
53. Knocked off, in a way
54. Attention
55. Pink, as a steak
56. Ado
58. Josip Broz, familiarly
59. French novelist Pierre
60. Carbon compound
63. Short-sleeved, pullover shirt

Previous Puzzle Answers



Summer Products

- 🐾 Dog life jackets
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HOROSCOPES
September 2015 — Week 1



December 22–
January 19

Fall has arrived, bringing falling prices everywhere you look. If a major purchase is in order, now is the time to shop for it. You could get a great deal, Capricorn.



March 21–
April 19

A loved one gets a taste of the good life and yearns for more. Sadly, they don't realize what they have. Remind them, Aries, before they do something stupid.



June 22–
July 22

You're a real trooper, Cancer. You keep plugging along against all odds, and you manage to finish. Celebrate with those you mean the most to you.



September 23–
October 22

You're no expert, but you know more than some people are willing to give you credit for. Keep at it, Libra. The right people will take note.



January 20–
February 18

Someone close to you is very good at masking their feelings. You can tell, however, that something is up. This may not be the time to ask, Aquarius.



April 20–
May 20

Uh-uh, Taurus. A door of opportunity is about to close. If you have the slightest bit of interest in it, now is the time to speak up. A deep discount is given.



July 23–
August 22

You need help, but lo and behold, Leo, no one is available. You get one lame excuse after another until someone you least expect steps up to the plate.



October 23–
November 21

Confidence lacks in a young one. Do what you can to encourage them, Scorpio. A delivery arrives on time as promised. Get ready to have some fun.



February 19–
March 20

A friend is high on the hog right now, but if they aren't careful, everything is going to come crashing down around them. Do what you can to prevent that, Pisces.



May 21–
June 21

A slaphappy friend has you in stitches, Gemini. The mood is light, and the time is right to complete a goal. A new treatment provides hope for a loved one.



August 23–
September 22

You do everything right, but somehow the ball is dropped. Don't let it get to you, Virgo. You'll do better next time. A question is answered in great detail.



November 22–
December 21

Wonders never cease, Sagittarius. The colleagues you expect to bail won't while others will. Take what you can get and be grateful. This is not the time to complain.

Saying It Sincerely

What If?

By Rev. Charles Brower
Member of Nome
Ministerial Society

...What if...? In John 6: 61-62 many of Jesus' disciple deserted Him. "61 Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you? 62 Then ... what if ... you see

the Son of Man ascend to where he was before!"
What if ...
•We loved God and our neighbors as we love ourselves?
•We were to serve our homeless and hungry and not wait for NEST to act on our behalf?
• Our churches took to the streets every Sunday morning to help our neighbors fix their leaky roof, paint their home, cleaned their windows, and fixed their minor re-

pairs?
• Our worship times included opportunities for our less fortunate to participate in the many activities and fellowship times we enjoy?
• The social justice issues faced by many were understood and formed a basis for developing a stronger society?
• Reforms in our justice systems reduced the numbers in prison? what if ???

All Around the Sound

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Samantha J. Ungwiluk and Duane A. Johnson of Gambell, announce the birth of their son **Arthur Duane Brooks Ungwiluk**, born August 4, 2015 at 11:45 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 ½" in length. Sibling: Andrea Julia Jenny Ungott; maternal grandparents Eddie and Joni Ungott of Gambell; great grandparents Clement and Irma Ungott; and paternal grandparents Albert and Delia Johnson of Nome.

Amber and Reuben Cunningham of Unalakleet, announce the birth of their daughter **Cassidy Kiana Cunningham**, born August 5, 2015 at 2:54 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 21" in length. Sibling: Keane and Brian.

Moreen Angelina Waska and Michael Paul Lockwood of St. Michael, announce the birth of their daughter **Caasi Agnes Rosina Lockwood**, born August 6, 2015 at 12:11 p.m. She weighed 8 pounds; siblings: Mariette, 3; Zeke, 2; and Paul, 1.

Melinda M. Ivanoff and William J. Gray, of Nome, announce the birth of their son **Dexter Basin Gray "Aqaan"**, born August 7, 2015 at 9:45 a.m. Sibling: Roman Henry Gray, 2. Maternal grandparents the late Kermit J. Ivanoff, Sr.; and Laura Ivanoff. Paternal grandparents William Gray, and Angelique Horton.

Jodi B. Gilley of Unalakleet announces the July 18 birth of her daughter at 8:29 a.m. at Norton Sound Health Corp. **Scarlette Zoe Gilley** weighed 9 lb. 5 oz. and was 21.25" long. Her brother is 2-yr-old Richard Gilley. Maternal grandparents are Robert Gilley and Tracy Cooper of 2 Unalakleet.

Askley Tobuk and Joseph Cross III of Nome are proud parents of **Logan Reese Tobuk**. He was born at 10:02 p.m. August 13. He weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. and was 20 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Marsha Tobuk and Harrison Miklahook, Jr. Paternal Grandparents are Reva Boolowon and Joseph Cross, Jr.

The family of **Thomas C Davis** especially, his mother MaryAnn Davis appreciates the kindness and prayers given for Thomas C. Davis' passing. The many who helped and countless others who comforted each of us as family. This list is not intended to leave anyone out. Please know you are a blessing to us.

Alaska Native Medical Center doctors, nursing staff and lift team
Lonnie O'Connor Iditarod Basketball Classic Committee
Rav'n Alaska - Nome Station/Manager Sonja
United Methodist Church Inupiaq Choir
Our Saviors Lutheran Church-Nome
Sitnasuak Native Corporation
Q Trucking - Charley Reader
Grizzly Building Supply
Darin Olanna
William & Suzi Piscoya & family
Genevieve Nakaruk
Mary & Bruce Gibson
Ruth Clemens
Pastor Austin & Jennifer Jones
Aggie Pagel
Nellie Eide
Doris Angusuc
Josie Bourdon
Becka Baker
Harry Karmun
Aaron "Luke" Jackson
JT Sherman & Myrtle Fagerstrom
James Sparks
Koonuk & Heather Angusuc

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A SINCERE THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for the fantastic support you gave my family and myself during the last few months. My cancer was very aggressive, and I had an expensive expanded trip in Anchorage. This stay would not have been possible without the help and support of my granddaughter Ashley Crowe who was by my side on a daily basis. Thanks to my friends in Nome, the surrounding area, Anchorage, Grandma Gaynelle, Papa Scott, granddaughter Vanessa Johnson and Dr. Head for all the love and care given to me. Thanks to Ryan Air and Kenny B. for giving Scott the time needed to take care of business.

For all of the support from the community – financial and spiritual – thank you all so much for your generous donations. It is impossible to list all who donated their resources to help a friend, neighbor and coworker.

THANK YOU ALL.

God bless each and every one of you.

Jay Peterson and the Crowe-Johnson Clan

Church Services Directory

Bible Baptist Church
443-2144

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Employment

KAWERAK, INC.

Recruitment for Community Planning & Development Program Director, August 31st to September 14th, 2015

DIVISION: Community Services
DEPARTMENT: Community Planning & Development
JOB TITLE: Program Director
POSITION STATUS: Regular Full-Time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 14-15-16-17 (\$28.78 to \$39.84) DOE
REPORTS TO: Vice President – Community Service Division

For a full copy of the job description please see our website at www.kawerak.org or contact HR at hr.spec@kawerak.org

Oversees the activities of Kawerak's Community Planning & Development Department (CPD). Responsible for planning, development, and implementation of the CPD program focusing on community planning, economic development, project coordination and grant development activities.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Provide leadership and direction to CPD staff to ensure that training and technical assistance activities are implemented to individuals, community organizations, IRA and Traditional Councils and other appropriate local agencies to aid them in community and business development, grant development and implementation, project coordination, and implementation of community development programs.
2. Provide supervision and direction to the CPD staff; conduct staff evaluations on an annual basis or as necessary. Provides hiring and firing recommendations to the Vice President (VP) of Community Services.
3. Work in cooperation with other Community Services Division staff and appropriate internal and external entities to develop, coordinate and deliver CPD activities, which meet the needs of the region.

4. Provide support and oversight to appropriate staff on the management of the Bering Strait Development Council (BSDC) and Economic Development Administration (EDA) Indian Planning grant and other program grants as necessary.
5. Establish and maintain contracts for grant writer services with IRA/Traditional Councils on a bi-annual basis or as necessary. Gather and analyze financial and other pertinent data to determine eligibility for grant writer contracts.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Bachelors Degree in Rural Development, Economics, Public Administration, Business Management or related field. Supervisory work experience may be substituted for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.
2. Two years of management and supervisory experience preferred.
3. Must have strong oral and written communication skills, organizational and budgeting skills.
4. Knowledge of contemporary issues and current trends, law, policies and program of interest or otherwise affecting community development and tribal governments.
5. Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.

Native Preference per Public Law 93-638 Approved (8/25/10)

Barbara R. Fagerstrom
HR Specialist
Kawerak, Inc
Ph 907-443-4373
Fax 907-443-4443

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KAWERAK, INC.

Recruitment for Education Disabilities Specialist, August 31st to September 14th, 2015

DIVISION: Children & Family Services
JOB TITLE: Education/Disabilities Specialist
POSITION STATUS: Regular Full Time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 13-14-15 (\$26.41 to \$34.46) DOE

REPORTS TO:

Head Start/Early Head Start Director

For a full copy of job description please see our website at www.kawerak.org or email HR at hr.spec@kawerak.org

BRIEF SUMMARY OF JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:

Core Staff Responsibilities

1. Assist with implementing the goals, objectives and performance standards of the Head Start/Early Head Start Child Care Programs.
2. Track all Program Information Report (PIR) data in regard to service area and submit monthly reports on the 7th of each month to the Director.
3. Develop, coordinate and monitor the integrated work plans, policies and procedures to ensure that performance standard and federal and state rules and regulations are being followed. Provide training and technical assistance to site staff to meet these regulations.
4. Participate in team planning with other specialists, site staff, and families to facilitate a seamless system of program delivery.

Disability Responsibilities

5. Review the developmental assessments provided by all Head Start/Early Head Start/Child Care Programs; use the end results to identify potential children with special needs and help staff make referrals as needed.
6. Collaborate with Special Education Coordinators from Bering Strait School District and Nome Public Schools and the Infant Learning Program in the planning, implementation and evaluation of Disabilities Services for children with special needs. Ensure IEPs and IFSPs are followed in the classroom or home.

Education Responsibilities

7. Analyze trends in the Early Childhood Education field as well as data on children and families in the program to continually improve educational services.
8. Provide training to all staff on individualization for each child, observation and record keeping techniques, Child Abuse/Neglect and reporting, home visiting and parent teacher conference techniques, lesson planning and the referral process.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1 AA Degree in Early Childhood Education, Child Development or related field. Must be willing to

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9.3-10

Start your career in the fishing industry!
Get trained in October for potential work this winter
Training dates: October 12-21, 2015, AVTEC, Seward, AK



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

Details and application available at www.nsedc.com
Application Deadline: October 1, 2015. Questions? Call (888)650-2477



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

Village Based Openings:

Norton Sound Health Corporation is currently hiring for positions for Environmental Services (housekeeping) and Maintenance Technician employees for:

Brevig Mission
Koyuk
Shaktoolik.

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

Job Descriptions:

- EVS/Maintenance Worker, Part Time 20 hours per week
- EVS Worker, Part Time 10 hours per week
- Maintenance Worker, Part Time, 10 hours per week

Salary range depending on position and years of experience: \$16.40 to \$17.80

Positions will be given **formal training** including EVS procedures for healthcare, boiler maintenance, plumbing maintenance, equipment troubleshooting, building monitoring and other technical skills.

To apply for these positions, please fill out a NSHC Job Application which can be found at the local clinic and send to Norton Sound Health Corporation, HR Department via **fax 907-443-2085** or **email to klyon@nshcorp.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.
8.27

NOME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Job Openings for the 2015-2016 School Year



Nome Elementary School:

- Classroom Instructional Aide - \$17.74/hour-\$25.62/hour DOE
- Special Education Paraprofessional (3 positions) - \$21.36/hour-\$24.10/hour DOE

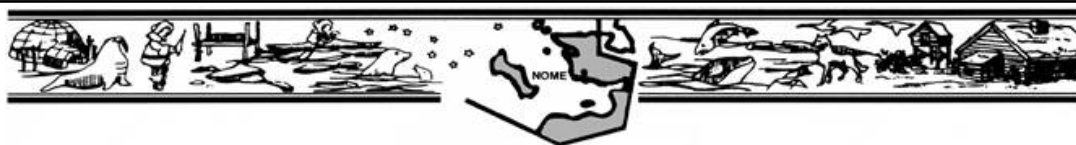
Nome Beltz Jr./Sr. High School:

- Classroom Instructional Aide - \$17.74/hour-\$25.62/hour DOE

Nome Youth Facility:

- Classroom Instructional Aide - \$17.74/hour-\$25.62/hour DOE

For more information about each job, please contact NPS Human Resources Manager Cynthia Gray at **443-2231**. You may email Cynthia at cgray@nomeschools.com for complete job description and classified employment application.
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Construction Manager Full Time, Benefitted Salary Depending On Experience Located in Nome, Alaska

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) is seeking a skilled construction professional to manage assigned construction, renovation, remodel and retrofit projects; assure compliance with construction project specifications, budgetary requirements and timelines; provide project management and construction expertise for construction, acquisition and development projects; supervise and evaluate the performance of assigned personnel; oversee contractor's and supervise construction field staff in the completion of construction, renovation, remodel and repair projects.

Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Construction Management or Architecture. Bachelor's degree requirement may be substituted on a year-for-year basis with progressively responsible Construction Management experience. Ten (10) years direct construction management or project management experience including two years in a supervisory capacity and a valid Alaska Driver's License that meets BSRHA insurability criteria.

BSRHA offers an excellent benefit package including participation in the Alaska Public Employees Retirement System (PERS).

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

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work towards a BA Degree in Early Childhood Education, Child Development or related field.
2 Ability to work effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds.
3 Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, including demonstrated writing ability required.
4 Computer, keyboarding and office skills required. Must possess basic computer knowledge and skills in Windows, Internet usage, Microsoft Office software, Excel & Word.
5 Must complete and submit a work physical upon hire and every five years after hire.
Must complete an annual TB screening.

Native Preference per Public Law 93-638 Approved (8/25/10)

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Any charges reported in these press releases are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.
On August 25, Casey Sherman, 19 of Nome, and two 17-year old residents of Golovin, pled guilty to one count each of Take Grizzly Bear Closed Season and Fail to Salvage Grizzly Bear in the Nome District Court. The group had shot and killed a grizzly bear on the Kachavik River on July 21, 2015 near Golovin, and attempted to conceal the carcass. Sherman pled guilty and was sentenced to fines totaling \$1,000 with \$500 suspended, \$400 in restitution for the bear, 1 year of probation and forfeit the firearm involved. The remaining defendants pled guilty to both counts and each received fines totaling \$1,000 with \$500 suspended, \$400 in restitution for the bear, and 1-year probation.

On August 26, during a routine fall hunting patrol on the Kougarok Rd., Nome AWT cited Greg Bonham, 34, of Nome, for Failure to Leave Evidence of Sex Naturally Attached - Caribou. Bail: \$150.

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Siu Alaska Corporation

Notice of Election of Directors and Invitation to Submit Statement of Interest



Siu Alaska Corporation (Siu), a wholly-owned for-profit subsidiary of Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC), is soliciting individuals interested in serving on its board of directors. In November 2015, Siu will hold its annual meeting of the shareholder, at which time the shareholder will elect two (2) Siu directors, each for a term of three (3) years. One of those directors must be an individual who is not NSEDC-affiliated. NSEDC-affiliated individuals include all NSEDC directors, employees, committee members, and at-large committee members.

Any person who is not NSEDC-affiliated and interested in serving on Siu's board of directors may submit a resume and a statement of interest for the shareholder to consider. Resumes and statement of interests must be received by no later than September 28, 2015.

The statement of interest should demonstrate an understanding of the responsibilities and time commitment required to serve as a director of an active business corporation and a willingness to take on those demands. The statement must also provide: (i) name, address, and contact information; (ii) a brief summary of education and employment background, especially as it relates to the person's qualifications for a director position; (iii) information concerning any personal or professional interests that may be relevant to this position; and (iv) a vision statement relating to the role of a Siu director.

A statement of interest and resume may must be submitted to Siu at the following address, email, or fax number:

Siu Alaska Corporation
420 L Street, Suite 310
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Pearl@nsedc.com
Fax: (907) 274-2249

Please direct any questions about the information in this notice to Pearl Dotomain at (800) 650-2248.

The deadline for submitting a resume and statement of interest is September 28, 2015.



Kawerak Inc.
Child Advocacy Center
Did You Know?

Children who have been victims of sexual abuse exhibit long-term and behavioral problems more frequently, particularly inappropriate sexual behaviors.

For more information, resources or help contact the Child Advocacy Center at 443-4379

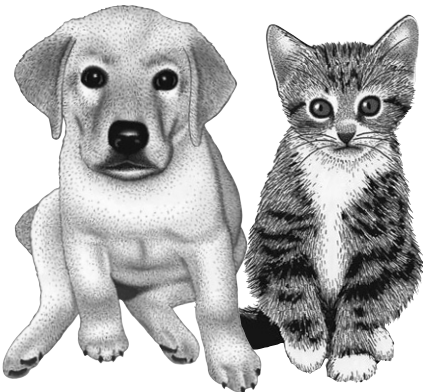


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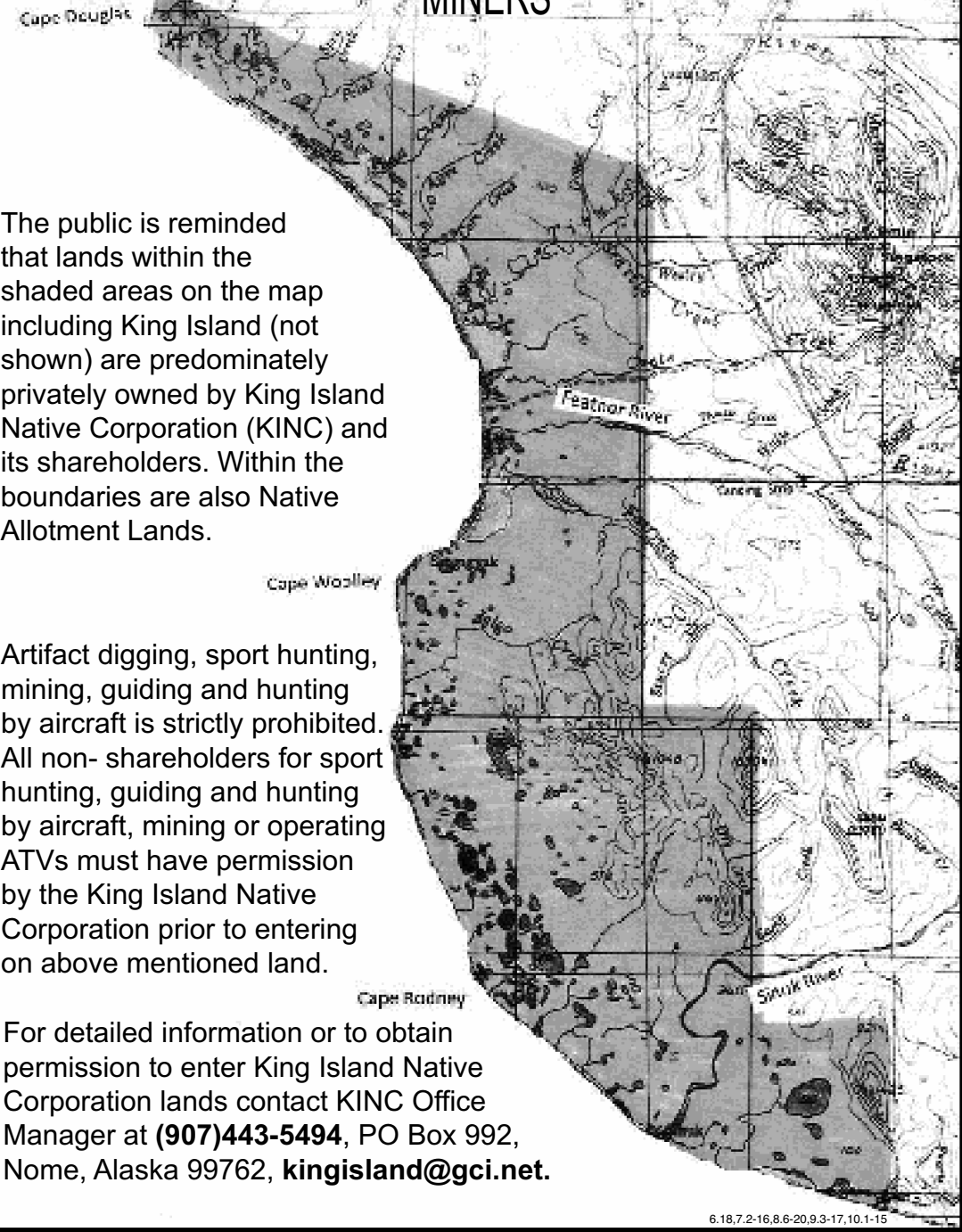
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Notice
AREA VILLAGES, SPORT HUNTERS, GUIDES, PILOTS AND MINERS



The public is reminded that lands within the shaded areas on the map including King Island (not shown) are predominately privately owned by King Island Native Corporation (KINC) and its shareholders. Within the boundaries are also Native Allotment Lands.

Artifact digging, sport hunting, mining, guiding and hunting by aircraft is strictly prohibited. All non- shareholders for sport hunting, guiding and hunting by aircraft, mining or operating ATVs must have permission by the King Island Native Corporation prior to entering on above mentioned land.

For detailed information or to obtain permission to enter King Island Native Corporation lands contact KINC Office Manager at (907)443-5494, PO Box 992, Nome, Alaska 99762, kingisland@gci.net.

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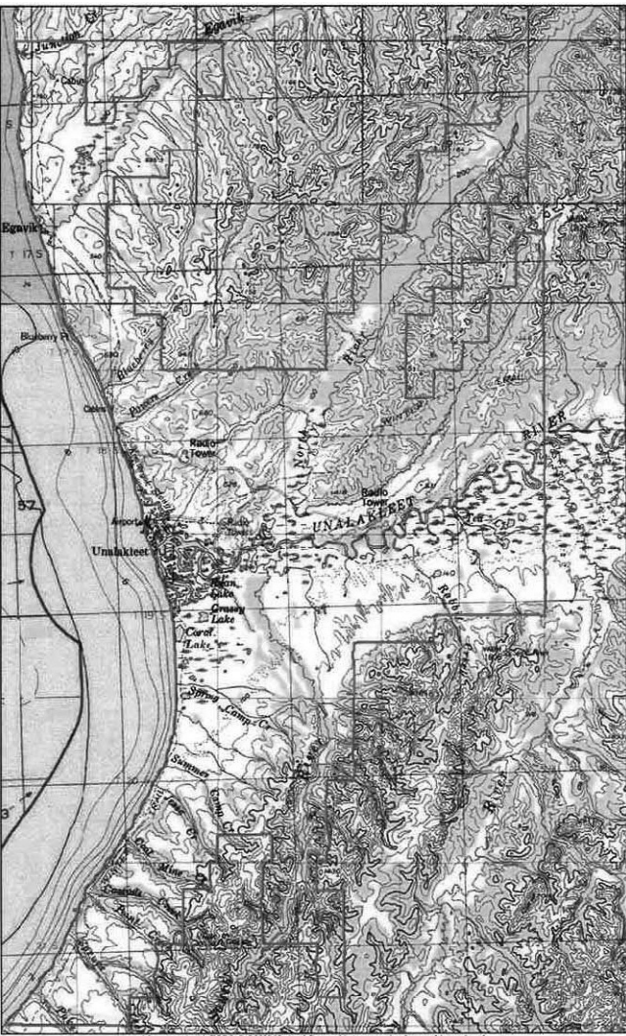
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC,
GUIDES, PILOTS & HUNTERS

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 8/28
Civil
Ferry, Rochelle v. Mazieka, Daniel; Civil Protective Order
Christensen, Ivy v. Oxereok, Llyod; Civil Protective Order
Snowball, Ada v. Lockwood, Jordan; Civil Protective Order
Baker, Ngoc v. Gody, Daniel; Civil Protective Order
Small Claims
Rural Credit Services v. Iyatunguk, Kristen; Small Claims Confession of Judgment Greater Than \$2500
Horton, Jamie L. v. Riethheimer, Jason; Small Claims Greater Than \$2500
Credit Union 1 v. Nashoanank, Joan L.; Small Claims Less Than \$2500
Criminal
State of Alaska v. Freida Okoomealingok (8/6/81); Assault 4; Date of Violation: 8/17/15; 1 day, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Po-

lice Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. June Koonuk (6/10/62); 2NO-15-143MO; Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: End. Welf. Child; Filed by the DAs Office 8/26/15.
State of Alaska v. June Koonuk (6/10/62); 2NO-15-472CR; Violate Protective Order; Date of Violation: 8/25/15; 15 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Doreen Lockwood (8/10/75); Dismissal; Count I – 11.41.230(a)(1), Assault In The Fourth Degree, Doreen Lockwood – 001; Filed by the DAs Office 8/25/15.
State of Alaska v. Casey Sherman (5/14/96); Judgment Fish & Game; CTN 001: 5AAC85.020(a): Hunting Seasons And Bag Limits For Brown Bear Unit 22(A)(B)(C), Violation; CTN 002: 5AAC92.220(a)(2): Failure To Salvage Brown Bear Hide And Skull, Violation; Date of Offenses: 7/21/15; Fine: CTN 001 and 002: Each count:

Fined \$500 with \$250 suspended; Unsuspended \$250 shall be paid 8/25/16; Police Training Surcharge: CTN 001 and 002: Each count: Surcharge: \$10 (Inf/viol); Defendant is ordered to pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and to apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Other: The following items are forfeited to the State: Savage 308 Rifle; Probation until

8/25/16; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; No Further Game Violations.
State of Alaska v. Trevor Sockpealuk (4/29/98); Judgment Fish & Game; CTN 001: 5AAC85.020(a): Hunting Seasons And Bag Limits For Brown Bear Unit 2 & Unit 3, Violation; CTN 002: 5AAC92.220(a)(2): Failure To Salvage Brown Bear Hide And Skull, Violation; Date of Offenses:

7/21/15; Fine: CTN 001 and 002: Each count: Fined \$500 with \$250 suspended; Unsuspended \$250 shall be paid 8/26/16; Police Training Surcharge: CTN 001 and 002: Each count: Surcharge: \$10 (Inf/viol); Defendant is ordered to pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment

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Legals

THE CITY OF NOME

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Major Subdivision

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

A final plat for a **major subdivision** from **Alaska Gold Company LLC** for the property located at the intersection of Greg Kruschek Avenue and Nome-Teller Highway (USMS 1136, the Iowa Association and the Hazel Kirk Placer Mining Claims).

DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 2015
TIME: 7:00 PM
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers

THE CITY OF NOME

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Variance Application

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

Variance request from Carol Piscoya for the property located at 311 Port Road (Lot 6).

DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 2015
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers

THE CITY OF NOME

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Variance Application

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

Variance request from Doug and Judy Martinson for the property located at **Willow Ridge Subdivision**, (Lots 2D, 1C, and 1D).

DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 2015
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers

THE CITY OF NOME

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Major Subdivision

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

A preliminary plat for a **major subdivision** from **Alaska Gold Company LLC** for the property located at the Camp 5 Subdivision - Tracts C & D; the Military Museum Subdivision - Parcels A & B; USMS 497; USMS 1117; USMS 1887; USMS 1175; USMS 747; USMS 1264; and USMS 329.

DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 2015
TIME: 7:00 PM
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers

WALES NATIVE CORPORATION
42nd annual Shareholders Meeting Notice

The Wales Native Corporation 42nd Annual Shareholders' Meeting will be held in Wales, Alaska on **Saturday, September 19, 2015** and the doors will be open at 1:00 p.m. for registration.

The meeting will be held at the Native Village of Wales Multi-Purpose Building. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect three (3) Directors, review annual reports and to conduct any other business that may come before the shareholders.

Proxies for this meeting must be returned by **Saturday, September 19, 2015** to be valid. If you have any questions or comments, please contact our office at (907) 664-3641, submit a letter to the following address: Wales Native Corporation, P.O. Box 529, Wales, Alaska 99783-0529 or by e-mail at **tcrisci_wnc@yahoo.com**.

Unalakleet Native Corporation

To the Unalakleet Native Corporation Shareholders

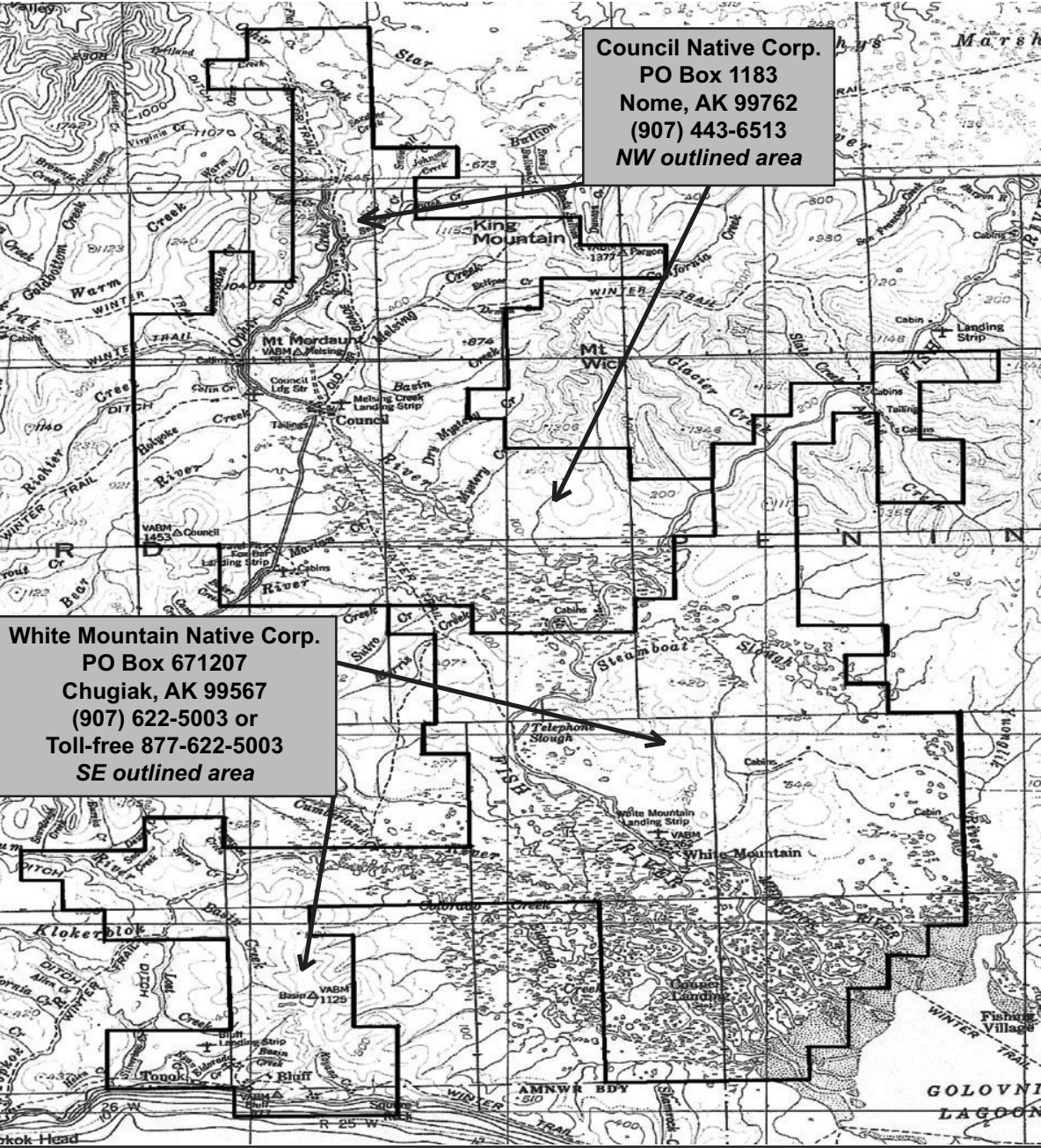
Nomination forms are now available for shareholders interested in running for a **two (2) year term for the Board of Directors**. Closing date is **3rd of October 2015**. Please write to Box 100 or call (907) 624-3411 to request a nomination form.

Unalakleet Native Corporation
P.O. Box 100
Unalakleet, Alaska 99684
PH: (907) 624-3411 *FAX: (907) 624-3833

NOTICE TO GUIDES, PILOTS & SPORT HUNTERS

- The Public is reminded the land ownership within the outlined areas on the map is predominately privately owned by Council Native Corporation and its Shareholders, and White Mountain Native Corporation and its Shareholders.
- Sport hunting by non-shareholders, guides and their clients, and hunting by aircraft is NOT ALLOWED. Hunting by Shareholders, spouses of Shareholders and descendants of Shareholders for subsistence purposes is permitted. For other allowable uses of land by non-shareholders, please contact:
 - **White Mountain Native Corp.:** (907) 622-5003 or toll-free at 877-622-5003
 - **Council Native Corp.:** (907) 443-6513

Game Unit 22B – Niukluk and Fish River Area



Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASES
8/24/2015 through 08/30/2015

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 161 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center. 45 (28%) involved alcohol. There were 13 arrests made with 12 (92%) alcohol related. NPD responded to 20 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. 1 was remanded to AMCC as protective hold; and 6 remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment. There were 6 ambulance calls and no fire calls during this period.

Monday, August 24, 2015

01:11 am, NPD received a report of a disturbance on the west end of town. Officer's responded and further investigation led to the arrest of Melissa Carlisle for Harassment in the 2nd Degree. Carlisle was then remanded to AMCC, where she was held on \$250.00 bail.

03:52 am, NPD received a report of a minor consuming alcohol on the west end of town. Officers responded and a citation was issued to the minor, identified as Lovina Steve, age 18. Steve was then transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation and was left in their care.

03:43 pm, NPD received a report of an individual threatening to harm themselves on the east end of town. Officers responded and made contact with the individual, who was then transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital and left in the care of BHS. No further action was taken.

05:56 pm, NPD received a report of a possible power line down at W. Kings Place and Steadman St. Officers responded and requested the assistance of both TelAlaska and NJUS. Further investigation revealed that the line was a GCI cable line. GCI was contacted and stated they will address the issue.

07:08 pm, NPD received a report of a possible trespass on the east end of town. Investigation led to the arrest of June Koonuk for Violating a Domestic Violence Protective Order. She was remanded to AMCC, where she was held without bail.

Tuesday, August 25, 2015

00:45 am, NPD received a report of a possible trespass on the west end of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Archie Tocktoo for Violating a Domestic Violence Protective Order and Violating his Conditions of Probation. Tocktoo was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, where he was held without bail.

09:12 am, NPD received a report of a stolen bi-

cycle that is currently registered with the Nome Police Department. The reporting party provided the description of the bicycle and officers were informed to keep an eye out for it.

12:11 pm, NPD received a report of a drive off from a local gas station. The Nome Police Department Dispatch Center was able to contact the registered owner of the vehicle and they agreed to go back to pay their debt.

02:35 pm, NPD received a report of loose dogs on the west end of town. Officers made contact with the owner of the dogs, identified as Sierra Johnson, and she was issued a citation for Animal at Large and was released at the scene.

Wednesday, August 26, 2015

02:38 am, NPD received a report of a possible sexual assault that occurred on the west end of town. The investigation is still ongoing. During the investigation, Daniel Goldy was contacted and he was arrested for two counts of Violating his Conditions of Release. Goldy was remanded to AMCC and bail was set at \$2,000.

03:56 am, NPD received a report of a sexual assault occurring on the west side of town. The investigation is still ongoing.

01:39 pm, NPD impounded a small dog to the animal shelter and it was later claimed by Louis Buffas. Buffas was issued a citation for Animal at Large and then was released on scene.

11:20 pm, NPD received a request of assistance required at a residence on the west end of town. Officers responded to scene and made contact with the reporting party, who was found to be highly intoxicated. The reporting party was then transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance and later remanded to AMCC for a Title 47 hold.

Thursday, August 27, 2015

06:41 am, NPD received a report of a stolen vehicle. Officers located the vehicle and nothing from inside was reported missing, nor was there any damage done to the vehicle. The vehicle was then transported back to the owner's residence.

09:15 am, NPD received a report of a stolen phone that had been located by the reporting party. The owner requested that charges be filed against the suspect; who has since been identified. The investigation is currently ongoing.

09:49 am, NPD impounded a dog from the west end of town. Officers will issue a citation to the owner upon claiming the animal.

10:52 am, NPD received a report of a stolen vehicle taken from the west end of town. Further in-

vestigation revealed the vehicle was not stolen and had been seized as a result of a lien filed at the Nome Trial Courts. The reporting party was informed of the seizure and given the contact information for the parties involved to rectify the situation.

11:14 am, NPD received a report of an intoxicated individual not leaving a residence on the west end of town. Officers responded and the individual was transported to a sober relative's residence, where they were left in their care.

Friday, August 28, 2015

07:40 am, NPD received a call from an employee regarding a dredge being hooked up to a fire hydrant on the west side of town. Upon further investigation, the subject had been given permission to use the hydrant to conduct a pressure test on a pontoon to find a leak. No further action was necessary.

01:50 pm, a citizen arrived at the Nome Police Department to report an ATV that was not being returned upon request. Further investigation revealed that the person had allowed the subject to

work on the vehicle and neither party had any proof of ownership. Both parties were directed to the Nome Court system for resolution through civil action.

04:04 pm, NPD responded to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for the belated report of a sexual assault occurring within city limits. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS
NOME MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Absentee ballots for the October 6, 2015 City of Nome Municipal Election will be available at the Office of the City Clerk, located in Nome City Hall, by September 25, 2015. Application may be made by mail to: City Clerk, City of Nome, P.O. Box 281, Nome, Alaska 99762, or by fax at (907)443-5345. Mailed ballot applications **MUST** be received in the City Clerk's Office no later than October 1, 2015. Ballot applications submitted in person **MUST** be received by October 5, 2015.

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ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

If you plan to vote in the October 6, 2015 City of Nome Municipal Election, you must be registered to vote at a **RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS IN NOME** by September 4, 2015.

Contact the Office of Elections in the new State Office Building to register to vote or to change your address.

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and to apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Probation until 8/25/16; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; No Further Game Violations.

State of Alaska v. Hank Henry (improper DOB); Judgment Fish & Game; CTN 001: 5AAC85.020(a): Hunting Seasons And Bag Limits For Brown Bear Unit 2 & Unit 3, Violation; CTN 002: 5AAC92.220(a)(2): Failure To Salvage Brown Bear Hide And Skull, Violation; Date of Offenses: 7/21/15; Fine: CTN 001 and 002: Each count: Fined \$500 with \$250 suspended; Unsuspended \$250 shall be paid 8/25/16; Police Training Surcharge: CTN 001 and 002: Each count: Surcharge: \$10 (Inf/viol); Defendant is ordered to pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and to apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Probation until 8/25/16; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; No Further Game Violations.

State of Alaska v. Shane Lockwood (1/15/94); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114798879; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended by one year to 3/3/17; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Aaron Casper Milligrock (9/10/89); CTN 002: Harassment 1; Date of Violation: 8/6/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 1, 3, 4; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately 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; Restitution: Defendant shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); Probation until 8/25/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol; State ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing by any peace officer with probable cause to believe defendant has consumed alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Shane Lockwood (1/15/94); CTN 001: Harassment; Date of Violation: 7/3/15; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 2 through 6; 90 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 90 days shall be served; 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.

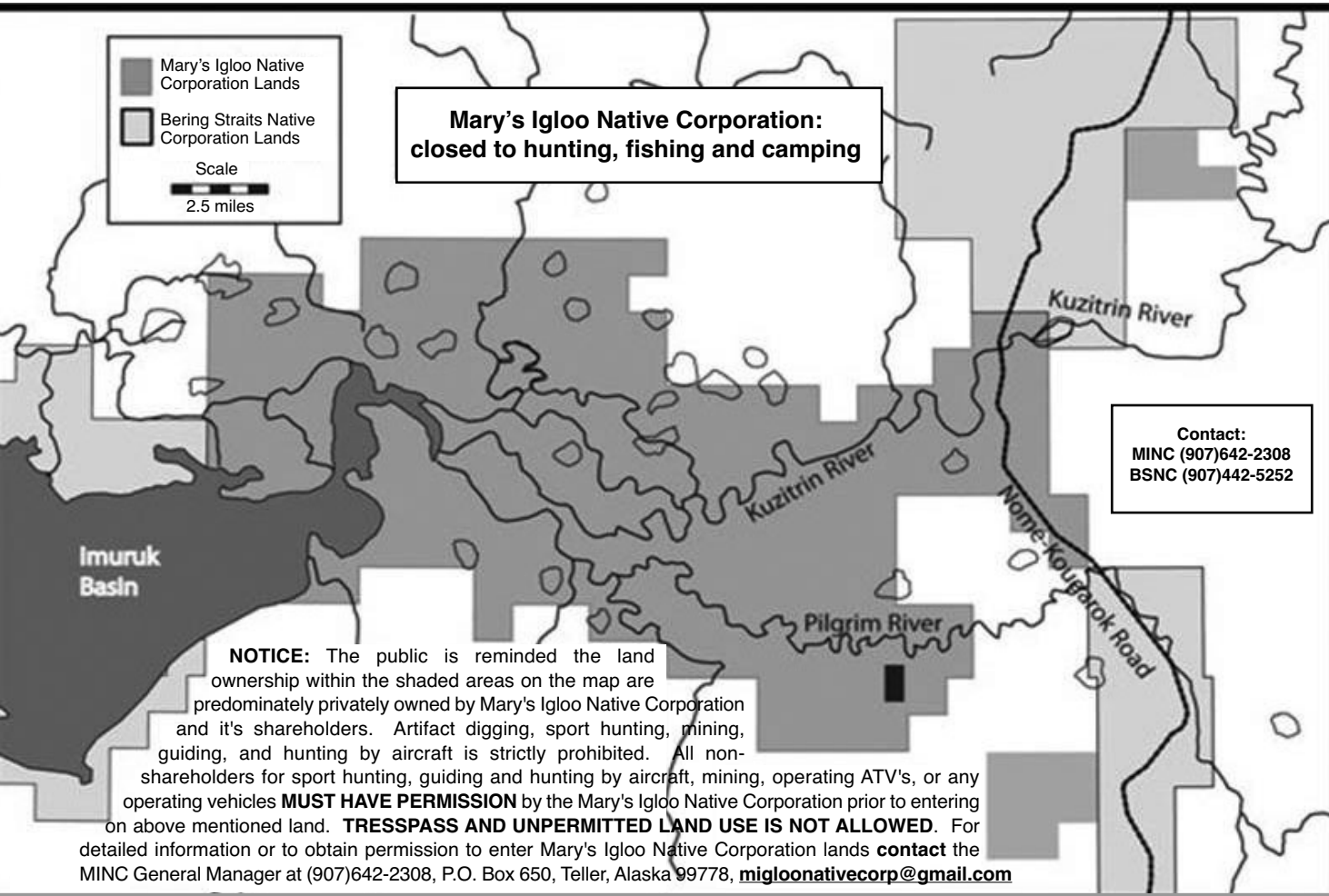
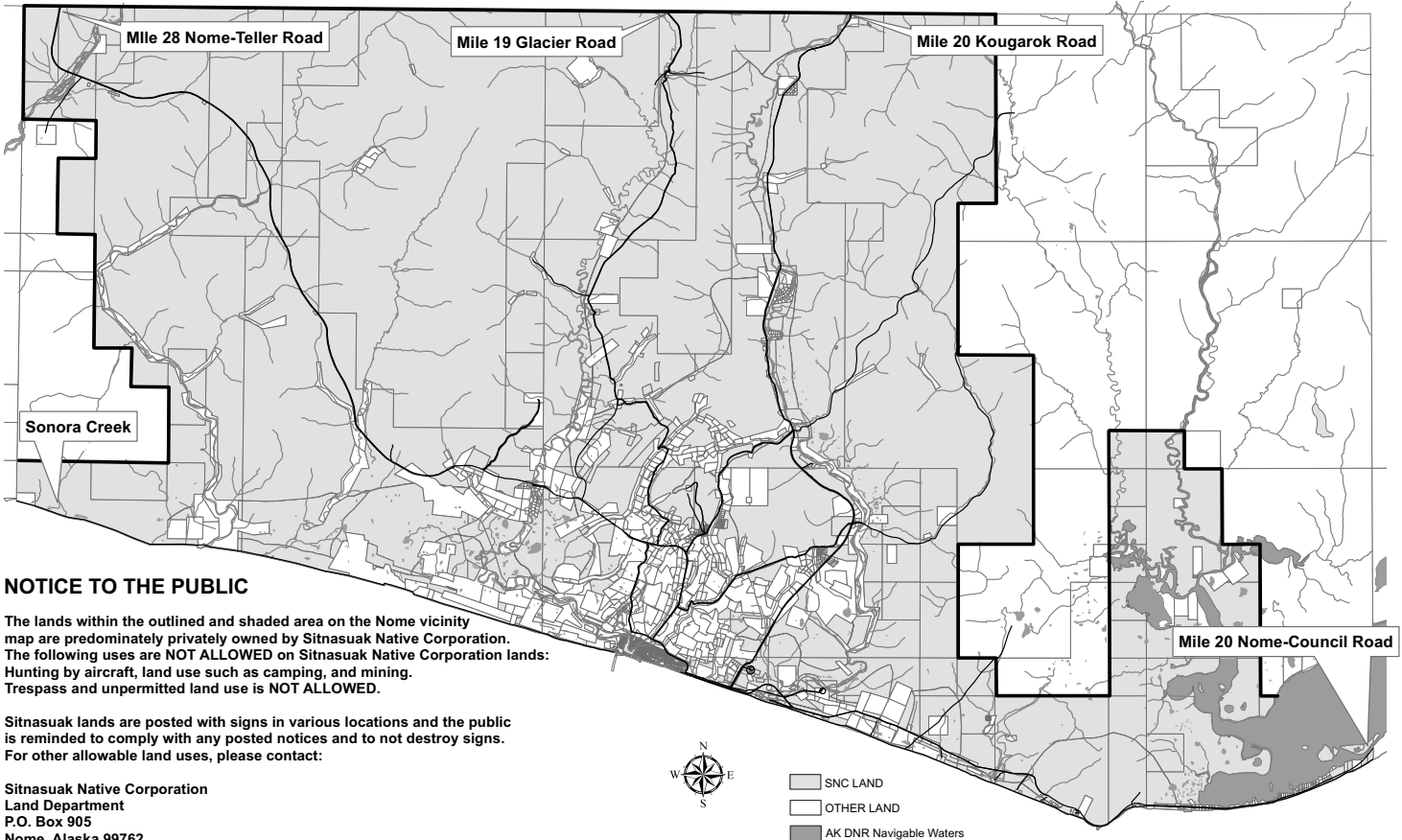
State of Alaska v. Kevin Emmanuel Ozenna (3/26/92); Dismissal; Count VI and VII: Violation of Conditions of Release for a Misdemeanor; Filed by the DAs Office 8/24/15.

State of Alaska v. Jason Annogiyuk (3/19/79); 2NO-14-514CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114193809; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: balance of time to serve; Report to the Nome Court on 10/30/15 for a remand hearing.

State of Alaska v. Jason Annogiyuk (3/19/79); 2NO-14-728CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114800409; Violated conditions of probation; No other action; Probation extended to 4/15/16; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Roger C. Oozevaseuk (5/12/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114192576; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 days; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Larry Jacob Daniels (7/10/87); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112371075; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time.



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04:39 pm, NPD received a phone call requesting a welfare check be completed on an individual who failed to show up to work. Upon further investigation, the subject was found to have recently been incarcerated. The reporting party was informed of this information and no further action was necessary.

05:41 pm, NPD responded to a local business on the east side of town for the report of a female requesting help. Investigation revealed that the female, identified as Courtney Amaktoolik, had been warned previously not to enter the premises. Amaktoolik admitted to officers she was aware of the warning issued and was subsequently placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree. She was transported and remanded to AMCC, where she was held on \$500 bail.

07:52 pm, NPD officers, while on routine patrol, observed two juveniles climbing on connex containers on the west side of town. The two juveniles were contacted and given a verbal warning regarding playing on private property. No further action was taken.

09:31 pm, NPD received a report of alleged child abuse. The suspect and victim have been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

10:21 pm, NPD received a report of suspicious persons entering an abandoned building on the east side of town. Upon arrival and further investigation, it was learned that the building's owner had given the persons permission to be inside the residence. No further action was necessary.

10:21 pm, NPD received a report of a possibly intoxicated driver on a motorcycle on the west side of town. Officers located the vehicle in question and made contact with the driver, who was found to be sober. No further action was necessary.

10:41 pm, NPD responded to an apartment complex on the west side of town for the report of a female who was unconscious next to a staircase. The female, identified as Sophie Iyapana, was found intoxicated and it was later learned that Iyapana was on current Conditions of Release that prohibit the consumption of alcohol, as well as consuming while under the age of 21. Iyapana was placed under arrest for Violating her Conditions of Release and Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol. She was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, where she was held on \$1,250 bail.

11:14 pm, NPD responded to a business on the west side of town for the report of a customer refusing to pay his bill and refusing to leave. Investigation revealed that the male's paycheck had not been deposited into his bank account. The male was provided transportation to his home to retrieve his checkbook and the matter was settled after he wrote a check for his bill. No further action was needed.

11:53 pm, NPD responded to a business on the west side of town for the report of an intoxicated male causing a disturbance. One male was contacted outside on the sidewalk and found to be the source of the disturbance. The male was issued a verbal warning for Disorderly Conduct and Drunk on Licensed Premise. The reporting party declined pressing any criminal charges and the male was provided transportation to his residence, where he was left in the care of sober family members.

Saturday, August 29, 2015

00:15 am, NPD received a report from a citizen reported stolen prescription medications. The male called several hours later to inform NPD that the medication had been located and was just misplaced.

00:50 am, NPD received a report of a male violating a Domestic Violence Protective Order at a business on the west side of town. Upon arrival, the reported suspect was not on scene and when located later, it was learned that once the subject realized the petitioner was present, he relocated to another establishment. No further enforcement action was necessary.

01:41 am, NPD responded to a residence on the west side of town for an intoxicated subject refusing to leave a residence of a relative after being asked multiple times. Upon officers' arrival, the subject was contacted and identified as Melanie Kulukhon, who continued to refuse to vacate the residence, even at the request of responding officers. Kulukhon was subsequently placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree, DV and was remanded to AMCC, where she was held without bail.

03:16 am, NPD received a report of two individuals fighting in the middle of the street on the west side of town. Upon arrival, the two subjects fled the scene but were located a short time later nearby and neither involved party wished to pursue any criminal charges. During contact, a third intoxicated subject was contacted and identified as Patrick Okitkon, who was found to be on current Conditions of Release and Probation; both of which prohibited the consumption of alcohol. Okitkon was placed under arrest for Violating his Conditions of Release and Probation and was remanded to AMCC, where he was held without bail.

09:06 am, NPD received a report of an intoxicated driver present at a local air carrier. Upon arrival, the subject had already been transported to his residence by a third party. Further attempts to contact the driver at their residence were unsuccessful.

10:52 am, a citizen arrived at the Nome Police Department to report a lost wallet. If you, or anyone you know, find any lost/abandoned property, feel free to drop it off at the Public Safety Building so the owner can be located and reunited with their property.

11:39 am, NPD received a report of a possible intruder in a residence on the west side of town. Upon arrival, officers cleared the residence of any uninvited guests and spoke further with the reporting party to gather details. The homeowner arrived on scene shortly thereafter and it was learned that an invited guest had returned to gather personal belongings. No further action was necessary.

12:15 pm, a citizen arrived at the Public Safety Building with a loose dog they had captured. A notice was placed online and the owner arrived later in the day to claim the animal. The owner Greg Mendez was issued a citation for Animal at Large and the dog was released to his custody.

12:40 pm, NPD received a report of a possible sexual assault occurring on the east side of town. The victim was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation and further investigation revealed that the assault was not sexual in nature. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing regarding the physical assault.

01:12 pm, NPD received a welfare check request for a person who was reportedly out of fuel and without electricity. Upon arrival, the subject was contacted and found in good health and the landlord for the property was assisting with a furnace malfunction. The reporting party was informed of the subject's well-being and did not request any further action be taken.

04:05 pm, NPD CSO responded to the west side of town for the report of a male lying on the ground. The male was contacted and found to be highly intoxicated. The male was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital and left in the care of the ER staff due to his level of intoxication. At 08:11 pm, the subject had been medically cleared and he was provided transportation to a sober friend's residence, where he was left in their care.

04:17 pm, NPD responded to a residence on the west side of town for the report of a disturbance between several parties. Upon arrival, several members of the household were contacted and the disturbance was found to be a verbal argument regarding familial issues. All persons involved were given a verbal warning for Disorderly Conduct and were released at the scene.

05:47 pm, NPD received a report of a person refusing to leave a residence on the east side of town. Prior to officers' arrival, the reporting party called back stating that the subject had left and no police presence was necessary.

05:51 pm, NPD responded to a residence on the east side of town for the report of a sexual assault. The victim was contacted and transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for evaluation, but did not wish to continue with the investigation. A suspect has been identified and the victim was instructed to contact the Nome Police Department if pursuit of further investigation was desired.

07:50 pm, NPD CSO responded to the north end of town for the report of two children playing close to the highway. Two children were contacted after being observed walking along the highway and were provided transportation to their residence, where they were left in the care of their mother, who was informed of the children's activities. No further enforcement action was necessary.

10:57 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle without an operational tail light on the north edge of town. The driver, David Lajack, was contacted and was not able to provide proof of insurance. Lajack was issued a citation for Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance and issued a verbal warning regarding the equipment violation.

11:15 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that failed to come to a complete stop at a stop sign on the west side of town. The driver was found to have current documentation and was issued a verbal warning for the moving violation.

11:36 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle without an operational headlight on the west side of town. The driver, Daniel Verduin, was issued a citation for Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance and was issued a verbal warning for the equipment violation.

11:47 pm, NPD officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with only one operational taillight. The driver, Mackenzie Hall, was issued a citation for Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance and was given a verbal warning for the equipment violation.

Sunday, August 30, 2015

00:08 am, NPD conducted a traffic stop on the west side of town on a vehicle without operational taillights. The driver was given a verbal warning for the equipment violation and was released at the scene.

00:51 am, NPD conducted a traffic stop on the north end of town on a vehicle exceeding the speed limit. The driver, Wilson Hoogendorn, was issued a citation for Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance and was given a verbal warning for speeding.

01:21 am, NPD responded to a residence on the west side of town for the report of an assault that occurred earlier in the evening. The victim was interviewed and was provided transportation to their home. The suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

02:12 am, NPD officers were conducting a security check in a licensed premise on the west side of town. During the check, officers contacted Frank Johnson, who was found to have an outstanding arrest warrant. Johnson was placed under arrest and remanded to AMCC, where he was held without bail.

07:54 am, NPD received a report of a bicycle being reported stolen from a residence on the east side of town. At 06:50 pm, the owner called NPD stating the bike had been located.

03:24 pm, NPD responded to a hotel on the east side of town for the report of an intoxicated male refusing to leave the property. Upon arrival, officers contacted and identified the male as Samuel Mokiyyuk, who was still present within the establishment. Mokiyyuk was subsequently placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree and was transported to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, where he was held on \$250 bail.

03:34 pm, NPD responded to an apartment complex on the east side of town for the report of an assault. Upon arrival, officers contacted the victim, who was found to have been injured as a result of the attack. The suspect, who had fled the scene, was located and identified as Joylynn Kugzruk. Investigating officers located Kugzruk and following investigation, Kugzruk was placed under arrest for Assault in the Fourth Degree, DV and was transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical clearance. Once

cleared, she was then remanded to the AMCC, where she was held without bail.

06:09 pm, NPD received a report of a juvenile being assaulted on the west side of town. Investigation indicated the juvenile was injured by a family member. The suspect, identified as William Alvanna, was contacted a short time later and was placed under arrest for Assault in the Third Degree, DV and was remanded to AMCC, where he was held without bail.

07:39 pm, NPD received a report that Justin Shield had contacted the petitioner of a protective order, which prohibited contact. A short time later, Schield was located on the west side of town and was placed under arrest for Violating a Domestic Violence Protective Order and for Violating his

Conditions of Release; which state he shall obey all laws. Schield was transported to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, where he was held without bail.

08:33 pm, NPD CSO responded to the west side of town for the report of a male sitting on the ground that may possibly require assistance. The male was contacted, identified and observed to be intoxicated. The male was provided transportation to his home, where he was left in the care of sober family members.

08:47 pm, NPD received a report from a homeowner that a construction worker had abandoned a project on the east side of town and had taken various items from the worksite. The property owner was advised file a civil suit against the

worker if items were not returned and to also utilize the option of a protective order to keep the subject off the property. At 2237 hours, NPD contacted the subject and recovered the missing items which were returned to the property owner.

10:10 pm, NPD responded to the east side of town for the report of several individuals trespassing inside a residence. Further investigation revealed that a second occupant of the home had invited the reported trespassers inside. The two subjects left upon request and were provided transportation to their own residence. No further enforcement action was taken.

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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CITY OF NOME
NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2015, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 AM AND 8:00 PM OF THE SAME DAY.

The polling place for electors will be Old St. Joe's, Anvil City Square, 407 Bering Street, for those persons living in both Nome Precinct No. 1 (39-924) and Nome Precinct No. 2 (39-926).

THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTORS AT SAID ELECTION SHALL BE:

- a) A U.S. Citizen qualified to vote in state elections.
- b) A resident of the City of Nome for thirty (30) days immediately preceding the election.
- c) Registered to vote in state elections at a residence address within the municipality at least thirty (30) days before the municipal election at which the person seeks to vote.
- d) Not disqualified under Article V of the Alaska Constitution.

THE PURPOSE IS THE ELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING SEATS:

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| 1. | Mayor, to be elected to a 2 year term: | | |
| | Seat | Term | Incumbent |
| | Mayor | 2 Yr. | Denise Michels |
| 2. | Two members of the Common Council, to be elected to 3 year terms: | | |
| | Seat | Term | Incumbent |
| | "C" | 3 Yr. | Randy Pomeranz |
| | "D" | 3 Yr. | Stan Andersen |
| 3. | Two members of the Utility Board, one to be elected to a 2 year term and one to be elected to a 3 year term: | | |
| | Seat | Term | Incumbent |
| | "A" | 2 Yr. | Pat Knodel |
| | "C" | 3 Yr. | Dave Barron |
| 4. | Two members of the School Board, to be elected to 3 year terms: | | |
| | Seat | Term | Incumbent |
| | "C" | 3 Yr. | Betsy Brennan |
| | "D" | 3 Yr. | Paula Davis |

NOTICE OF NSEDC MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION

Concurrently with the municipal election, the City Clerk shall conduct the election of the community's NSEDC Member Representative in accordance with the City's election ordinances, except that the election results will not be formally certified by the City and the City will not be involved with any challenges to the election. In addition, the following additional rules provided in NSEDC's current bylaws will apply to the NSEDC Election:

THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTORS AT SAID NSEDC MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION ONLY SHALL BE:

- a) Registered to vote in state elections at a residence address within the state precinct boundaries encompassing the *Community of Nome*.

THE PURPOSE IS THE ELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING SEAT:

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| 1. | NSEDC Member Representative, to be elected to a 3 year term: | | |
| | Seat | Term | Incumbent |
| | Nome | 3 Yr. | Don Stiles |



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SERVING THE COMMUNITY OF NOME



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Quote Number: Need to call that morning or day before. It's necessary to keep track of costs.

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GROUP**

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24-Hours Crisis Line
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EMAIL leadadvocate@nome.net
P.O. Box 1596 Nome, AK 99762

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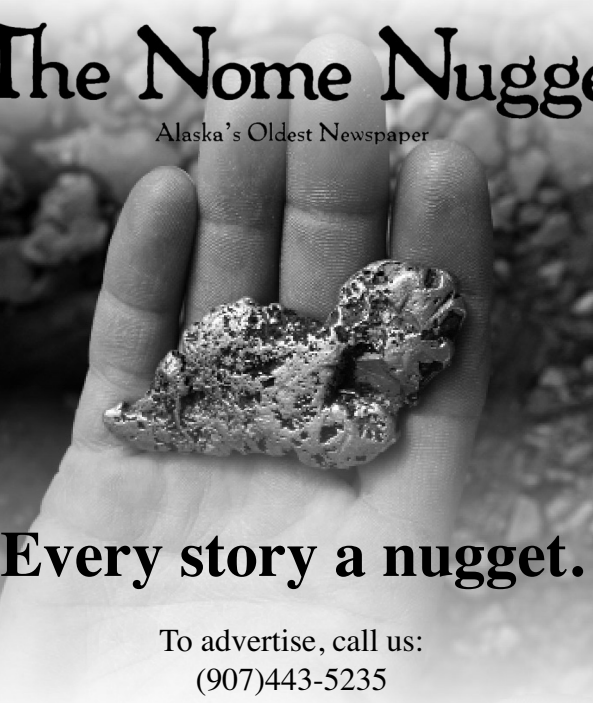
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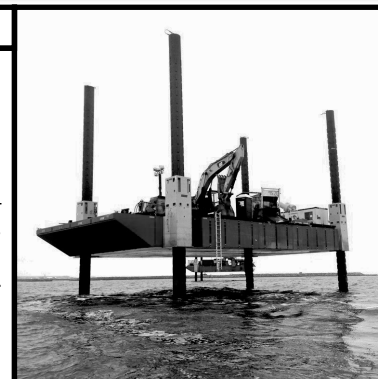
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FRENCH CRUISE SHIP—The *L'Austral* is docked in the Nome Roadstead on August 20.

ALL ABOARD— Visitors from around the world board Nome school buses on their way to points of interest after arriving at the Nome airport and before boarding the french cruise ship *L'Austral* on August 20.



Nome to see three more cruise ships this fall

By Maisie Thomas
Birds are beginning to migrate south, but as they go Nome fills with another type of visitors: cruise ship passengers. In the early part of the summer, most of the ships in Nome's port are research vessels, but by September they are mostly cruise ships. On August 13 the *Silver Discoverer*, operated by Silversea cruises, brought the first cruise ship passengers to Nome. The most recent cruise ship to dock in Nome was *L'Austral*, a luxury cruise ship from the French line Ponant. The second of the five cruise vessels scheduled to dock in Nome

this summer landed on August 20. Nome is often the turn-around spot for cruise ships. A group of passengers arrives on a vessel and tours Nome before flying out, while others arrive on the same plan, tour Nome and then get onboard the cruise ship. According to David Karp, co-owner of Northern Logistics, a tour company geared toward cruise passengers, this maximizes the impact tourists have on Nome's economy. During their 12 or so hours in the Gold Rush City, the passengers experience Nome with local residents as guides. Although Karp roughly structures the tours, for the most part

the guide chooses the destinations and activities. At the end of the day, the group leaves on an airplane, or in the case of *L'Austral*, two planes, chartered by the cruise line. *L'Austral*, one of the four ships operated by Ponant, was commissioned in the spring of 2011. *Le Boreal* and *Le Soléal*, *L'Austral*'s sister ships, are scheduled to arrive in Nome later in the fall. Each of the boats can carry up to 264 passengers as well as 140 crewmembers. Passengers on the nearly identical French ships have their choice between two on board restaurants. Amenities and entertainment aboard

the luxury ships include a pool, spa, library, fitness center and theatre. It is possible that the ships will be delayed due to rough seas and the late summer storm. But for now, *Le Boreal* is scheduled to arrive in Nome on September 11 and take passengers down the coast of Alaska and into Canada. Passengers fly into Nome on a chartered flight. The 15-day cruise ends in Vancouver. *Le Soléal* will visit Nome shortly after its sister ship. After tourists fly in from Anchorage, the Russian-bound cruise ship will take its passengers across the date line. The 14-day trip will follow the Russian

coast down to Petropavlovsk-Kamchatskiy, which is roughly the same latitude as the Aleutian chain. The other cruise line with a ship traveling to Nome is the German company Hapag-Lloyd. Their ship *Bremen* is set to arrive in Nome on September 7 and stay until September 8. The month-long cruise started in Norway on August 12, and headed north to Russia and the Arctic Ocean. The ship will travel on the Northeast Passage. After reaching Nome, the passengers will leave on a flight to Vancouver, then another back to Germany.

El Niño and PDO cause dry Alaskan summer

By Maisie Thomas
As evidenced by the shrinking ponds and massive wildfires, this summer has been especially dry for both Alaska and most of the western United States. But as fall approaches, Alaska has not seen the last of 2015's strange weather. The dry summer is likely part of a severe weather pattern, meaning that there will be more frequent fall storms and a warmer than normal winter. According to Christopher Clarke, Meteorological Technician for the National Weather Service in Nome, the dry summer is a result of a storm track caused by El Niño and a phenomenon known as Pacific Decadal Oscillation, or PDO

for short. El Niño, defined by warming of the Pacific Ocean, pushes warm waters up the west coast. This often results in drier than average weather. Unusually warm water off the Gulf of Alaska creates high atmospheric pressure, which blocks precipitation. PDO is similar to El Niño, but

works in a 40 to 50 year pattern of cold and warm phases. Last year marked the beginning of a warm phase, and it is currently in what is called the "Alaska Warm Phase." Independently, each phenomenon causes storms and abnormal weather. Combined, the effects amplify one another, causing drier weather, more frequent storms and warmer winters. "We have two reasons to expect a warmer than usual winter," said John Walsh, Chief Scientist and President's Professor of Global Change at the International Arctic Research Center at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. Although it is easy to jump to conclusions, Walsh said that the dry weather is not a result of climate change. The prediction is that global warming will lead to more precipitation in the summers, not less. According to Walsh, the precipitation this summer was consistent with what is expected during El Niño and PDO years. However, the warmer than average summer was unexpected, since El Niño usually

causes higher temperatures in the winter, not summer. The precipitation predictions for this winter are still up in the air. According to Walsh, there is little correlation between dry summers and winter snowfall. But it is likely that Nome and surrounding areas will get their fill of precipitation in the form of fall storms. The storm during the beginning of last week was caused by the storm track of El Niño and PDO. Fall storms usually occur later in the season, but seeing them during this time of year is not that unusual, according to Clarke. "It's definitely not the norm, it happens maybe once in every 10 years." Although the storm presented harsher weather than usual for late August, it was not a major weather event. According to Mimi Farley, Emergency Service Administrator for the City of Nome, there were no reports of damage in the Nome area.



Photo by Nils Hahn
NO WATER— A small tundra pond along the Nome-Council Highway is waterless as a result of an unusually dry summer in Nome.



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SALMON LAKE ISLAND— Low water due to an unusually dry summer brought forth this island in Salmon Lake north of Nome.

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