



Photo by Nadja Roessek

SHORT DAY—This photo taken Jan. 2 shows the path of the sun on the horizon formed by the partially frozen Bering Sea with a sunrise at 11:57 a.m. and sunset at 4:14 p.m.

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ROLLING INTO 2010—Sierra Anderson take a turn in the wheel as Grace Okleasik gets set to spin her at the annual Fun Nite held at the Nome Recreation Center on New Year's Eve.

At least four file for council

Common Council needs to fill seat with Foster's appointment to Legislature

By Reba Lean

As of press time Jan. 5 there are four contenders for Seat B of the Nome Common Council. They are Jim West Jr., Betsy Brennan, Laura Lawrence and Tim Smith.

"I think I have a little different perspective to contribute to the council," Smith said. He feels that there are sources of income in the region that aren't being taken full advantage of, and there is a real need to diversify the economy.

Brennan thought that being a council member "would be a really neat opportunity." She's served on boards in the community in the past, most recently the Nome Public Schools Board of Education. "I love living in Nome, and I would like to be involved in the process of making decisions for Nome's future," she said.

Lawrence wanted to step up for the city when she heard the special

circumstances surrounding the open seat. "I'm just looking to contribute to the community," she said. She feels she has a willingness to serve and help out.

West, a member of the volunteer ambulance service and fire department as well as the port commission feels that he has the experience needed for the council. While he doesn't have a specific platform, he says, "I'm pro-development," and says he would like to keep costs and taxes down.

The four prospective council members are proposing to replace Neal Foster, who is now a state representative, taking over his father, Richard Foster's, long-held position. He resigned from his city position in November, and his resignation was accepted at the Dec. 13 meeting. The last day available for submitting letters of interest for the open seat was Jan. 6.

Moving musk ox temper opening weekend harvest

By Tyler Rhodes

Perhaps the musk ox are wiser than we think. On a gorgeous opening weekend of the subsistence hunt for the shaggy creatures, few musk ox were to be found in the usual haunts close to Nome. "This is the first time that I can recall having hunters come in on a Monday morning unsuccessful," said Alaska Depart-

ment of Fish and Game biologist Tony Gorn the morning of Jan. 4.

For many on the Seward Peninsula, the first days of the year are spent in the pursuit of musk ox with the opening of the subsistence hunt on Jan. 1. While harvest quotas were met in a matter of days last year, some portions of the 2010 winter hunt may take a

little longer to be completed.

While harvest reports were still coming into the Nome ADF&G office on Tuesday following the opening weekend, the early numbers showed that less than half of the available quota was taken in the unit closest to Nome. Gorn said before noon on Tuesday that 12 of the available 34 musk ox in Unit 22C were

reported to his office. In the subsistence hunt, successful hunters are required to report their kill within 48 hours.

Hunters who expected to find herds not too far west of the Penny River in Unit 22C over the weekend were treated to stunning and ex-

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Restrictions lifted on who may receive H1N1 vaccine

Story and photo by Reba Lean

A shipment of 1,500 H1N1 flu vaccination dosages arrived in Nome Dec. 29.

With the influx, Norton Sound

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Health Corp. has now lifted the restrictions on who may receive the vaccine. Previously, due to limited supplies, only those in certain priority categories were administered the shot.

Walk-in appointments are available from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Nome Health Center. Two-thirds of the dosages are set to head to the villages, while about 500 will stay in Nome. "These should last a couple weeks, easily," said nurse Terry Romanesko as she opened her fridge at the Public Health Building.

This shipment is the largest Nome has seen yet, but it is not expected to be the last. Smaller shipments are scheduled in the weeks to come, and more dosages are readily available

for ordering, Public Health Nursing Director Chris Kilby said. The dosages come to the hospital in multi-dosage vials or in ready-made shots. The ready-made shots are handy for sending out to villages where fewer dosages are needed.

Kilby recommends that children ages 6-10 receive two shots for better protection. If needed, appointments other than the scheduled walk-in times can be made by calling 443-3221.

A SHOT IN THE ARM—NSHC Public Health Director Chris Kilby gives Norton Sound employee Roy Agloinga his H1N1 vaccine Dec. 30. Increased supplies mean all are eligible for the shot.



Letters

Dear Nancy,

I recently watched a documentary called “Food Inc.” The documentary was about where the food that we buy at our grocery stores actually comes from. Apparently things have changed quite a bit from the old days on the farms in the lower 48 states. The quaint little farms that I imagined my pork, chicken and beef coming from are no longer supplying most of the meat that we buy at our grocery stores here in Nome. In fact, almost all of the meat in the U.S. is now controlled by a handful of companies that force the farmers they employ to use “factory farming methods.” I did some research on factory farming and found out that these methods could negatively affect our health. The animals raised on factory farms are fed antibiotics on a consistent basis that collect in the animals’ tissues and milk. When we eat the meat, eggs or drink the milk from these animals, we lose our ability to fight certain strains of bacteria.

Not only do these practices negatively affect our health, they cause extreme pain and suffering to the animals that are raised in these factory farms, mainly chickens, turkeys, cows and pigs. According to the

ASPCA, a factory farm is a large-scale industrial operation that houses thousands of animals at one time. These factory farms confine animals to small cages with metal bars, ammonia-filled air and artificial lighting or no lighting at all (meaning no windows). They force breeding animals to produce young at unnaturally accelerated rates, causing exhaustion and stress. When the farm factories transport livestock to slaughter plants, sick or injured animals that fall or die on the way are forced onto slaughter trucks, often with a bulldozer. The ASPCA also states that the food companies employing these factory farms genetically alter animals’ bodies to prevent them from acting out in aggression or anxiety caused by living in such extreme confinement.

In the documentary I watched the chickens they showed had been genetically altered to produce more white meat. The chickens grew at such an accelerated rate that their bones could not keep up with their rapid weight gain and they had trouble standing. Many fell and died in mounds of their own feces, long before the rest were taken to be slaughtered. The dead chickens were then recycled to be fed to other animals. Even the most minimum humane standards proposed in various states are stopped by the powerful food companies that have an oligopoly on the market. I believe that if we as human beings are responsible for bringing animals into this world, we should also be responsible for treating them in a humane way where they do not have to needlessly suffer, even if we are raising them for food.

I really love to eat meat, but after becoming educated about where it comes from, I have reservations about buying this meat from our grocery stores. However, there are things that we can do as a community to combat this problem. In my research, I found out about a non-profit organization called Humane Farm Animal Care. They are responsible for the Certified Humane Raised and Handled Program. The *Certified Humane Raised and Handled* program is a certification and labeling program that is the only animal welfare label requiring the humane treatment of farm animals from birth through slaughter. The goal of the program is to improve the lives of farm animals by driving consumer demand for kinder and more responsible farm animal practices. Their website (<http://www.certified-humane.org/>) states, “when you see the Certified Humane Raised and

Handled® label on a product you can be assured that the food products have come from facilities that meet precise, objective standards for farm animal treatment.” For more information please visit their website at <http://www.certifiedhumane.org/> On this website you will find information about the specific requirements farmers have to meet in order to label their products as Certified Humane Raised and Handled.

Since becoming educated about this issue, I have been searching through every grocery store here in Nome for the Certified Humane Raised and Handled label. I found that Nome Trading Company carries “Ranger” chicken, beef and pork. I closely read the label and saw a note on the meat stating that it was humanely raised and handled. I would really like to encourage all of our grocery stores to carry meat and dairy products that have the Certified Humane Raised and Handled label, even if it is just a few items. I know

that it may cost a little bit more, but I and others that I have spoken with are willing to pay a little extra in having the comfort of knowing that the meat we are buying comes from an animal that did not terribly suffer in its short and painful life. I would also like to encourage the restaurants in town to purchase meat and dairy products with the Certified Humane Raised and Handled label, even if it is only a few things. Every little purchase makes a big difference in market demand for these humane raised and handled products.

For more information visit the ASPCA Farm Animal Cruelty site at <http://www.asPCA.org/fight-animal-cruelty/farm-animal-cruelty/what-is-a-factory-farm.html> or the Humane Farm Animal Care website at <http://www.certifiedhumane.org/>

Sincerely,
Sara L. Neubauer
Nome, AK 99762

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Editorial

A Grain of Salt

“There’s a sucker born every minute” — P.T. Barnum

The old adage, “If it’s too good to be true, it probably isn’t,” is a good rule to keep in mind and on a little card next to our computer. There are so many scam artists on the Internet that we need to keep constant vigilance to attempts to sucker us out of our money. The Queen of Africa’s London solicitor is waiting for us to claim an inheritance, the Canadian drug companies want to peddle Viagra, the bank we do or don’t deal with has a problem with our account, just let them know our account number ... Blah, blah, blah! Some Somalia pirates are trolling the Internet waiting to snag a few fish. One wonders how they get away with such bad grammar and poor spelling, yet they must catch a lot of gullible people. And folks really are gullible. The number of recent calls this newspaper had received asking about alien abductions is mind boggling. Callers insist it is true because they saw it on the Internet.

There are a lot of positive features about the Internet and it has a wide audience. However it is rife with lies and horse manure. There are amazing numbers of folks who put up blogs and web pages where the content is complete nonsense, untrue, inflammatory, hate-filled and just plain wrong. The truth is so limiting. There is no editor or newsroom to check facts and filter out the horse manure. Too many bloggers are fast and footloose with the facts and common sense has gone out the window

So what can we do? Be a skeptic, ask questions, get educated, study logic and understand that banks and credit card companies never send you an email. So, make it a point in 2010 to be Internet smart and keep the salt shaker handy and the b.s. meter turned on. Don’t get scammed. — N.L.M.—

The Corner Office

By Jason Evans
What does a board do?

I have been asked by several people, “What does a board member do?” I think this is a great question, and one that not only the general public doesn’t always understand, but also one many board member themselves don’t understand. I have served several boards ranging from our village and regional corporation to statewide non-profits. I have seen both effective and ineffective board members and I believe this makes a tremendous difference in how well a corporation performs.

It is said that the single responsibility of a board is to: *create and build an effective organization*. From my experience, a board member has five important duties and depending on the organization’s current situation and history, some of these items will have more importance than the other:

1. Hire and fire the CEO as needed by the corporation.
2. Set strategic direction for management to follow.
3. Allocate resources, both human and financial.
4. Monitor performance. This role is often left out or skipped by most boards.
5. Provide a buffer for the CEO. A board must work as a team with the CEO and from time-to-time take the heat of both individual decisions by the CEO and strategic direction.

When a Board collectively fulfills these duties they provide a system of checks and balances by creating a process of participation from the board as a group. This adds judgment and protects the corporation and prevents an abuse of power, self-dealing, favoritism and just plain foolishness. Without this system of checks and balances, a corporation is dependent on the performance of the CEO and loses the collective wisdom of the group.

For these reasons a board is extremely important to building a better organization. This added layer of oversight may slow down decision making, but it will provide for stakeholder input and a much needed system of checks and balances. When a board is working collectively for the common good, it is an enjoyable and rewarding experience to be a part of the process.

The Corner Office is a column written by Jason Evans, a business and financial consultant. Mr. Evans has extensive expertise in business and finance. He was born and raised in Nome and may be reached at jevans@financialalaska.com.

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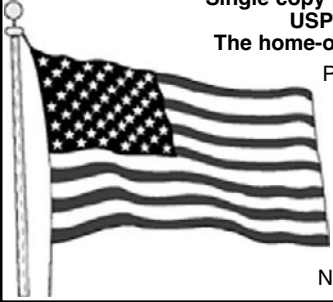
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Sunset	01/07/10	04:26 p.m.	Peak Wind	36 mph, N, 1/4/10	
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Alaska state news briefs

Compiled by Diana Haecker

Oil spills irk governor

Concerned that recent oil spills sully Alaska's reputation for responsible resource development, Governor Sean Parnell called executives at both BP Exploration and Alyeska Pipeline Service Company to give them a scolding. In December, two significant spills occurred at Prudhoe Bay and one in Prince William Sound on Christmas Eve. The spills in the Prudhoe fields contaminated several thousand square feet of snow-covered land.

In November, a spill of 46,000 gallons of oil, water and natural gas was reported. Officials also investigated another oil spill of about 7,100 gallons of water with oily residue. In Prince William Sound, a tugboat enroute to Valdez ran aground on Bligh reef and left a three-mile sheen of fuel oil on the water.

Parnell has asked the attorney general and commissioners of Environmental Conservation and Natural Resources to review these spills, and to make recommendations early in 2010 related to spill prevention and enforcement.

Parnell fights new EPA rule

The state of Alaska is fighting a new EPA rule that seeks to regulate greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act. The Clean Air Act is the law that defines the Environmental Protection Agency's responsibilities for protecting and improving the nation's air quality and the stratospheric ozone layer – one would think it would include the regulation of greenhouse gases.

On January 2, Parnell sent a letter to the Obama administration requesting that the Environmental Protection Agency halt its effort to regulate greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act. The letter to EPA administrator Lisa Jackson said the proposed regulatory regime would have a detrimental effect on Alaska.

Parnell predicts that the rule would bury Alaska's businesses, institutions and the state's environmental agencies in regulatory burden. The letter also lets shine through Parnell's opinion on the current administration. He said he would continue to stand up against this unprecedented level of federal regulatory intrusion, which he said threatens jobs and economic development opportunities for Alaskans.

non-partisan Congressional Budget Office. The CBO said that premiums for individuals without employer-sponsored coverage would rise between 10 and 13 percent, which in Alaska could affect up to 28,000 people."

Alaska Governor Sean Parnell also responded critical to the Senate's bill. He ordered the Alaska attorney general to review the legislation and requested the commissioner of the Department of Health and Social Services and the director of state/federal relations to update the state's policy analysis of pending health care legislation.

Parnell said, "Forcing citizens to purchase health insurance is not only bad policy, it may raise serious legal and constitutional issues." When Congress returns back to session, the House and Senate are slated

to solve the differences between their respective health care bills.

Health care reform bill passed U.S. Senate

Alaska Senators voted along party lines when the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, aka new health care legislation, passed the Senate last week. U.S. Sen. Mark Begich, D-Alaska, said that he voted in favor of the bill because he didn't accept the status quo. "This legislation ends discrimination for pre-existing conditions; ends discrimination based on gender; makes it illegal for insurance companies to drop your coverage if you get sick; extends the solvency of the Medicare trust fund by an additional 10 years while cutting waste, fraud and abuse in Medicare; makes prescription drugs more affordable; requires insurance companies to pay for preventive care," said Begich.

U.S. Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, voted against the bill, taking offense to a price tag she pegs at \$2.5 trillion and alleges that the bill was written in secret behind closed doors of the majority leader's office. Murkowski said, "I could not support legislation that would cause health care costs and insurance premiums to rise, as this bill does, according to the

Alaska's minimum wage increases

Starting January 1, Alaska's minimum wage increased from \$7.25 per hour to \$7.75 per hour. Despite the increase, Alaska is near the top of the highest cost of living list and other western states have higher minimum wages, such as Washington with \$8.55, Oregon with \$8.40 and California with \$8.

Census to start in Noorvik

ANCHORAGE (AP) — U.S. Census Bureau workers are about to begin their 2010 count of Alaskans living in communities off the road system. The visits beginning Jan. 25 are earlier than the official national start because the census wants to catch rural Alaskans before spring breakup, when many head off to fish camps and other subsistence pursuits. Census Bureau director Robert Groves has said he will fly to Noorvik in northwest Alaska to get the count under way. The official start of the 2010 census is April 1.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

January 7 - 13, 2010

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, January 7		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*High School Practice	Pool	6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Lap/Open Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Denali KidCare class	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*When To Call The Dr. If Your Child Is Sick video	Prematernal Home	4 p.m.
*Wiffleball (3rd - 6th grades)	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Swing Dancing with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Friday, January 8

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 4 p.m.
*Nutrition class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Saving Indian Infants from Dying in Their Sleep video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

Saturday, January 9

*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
*Circumcision video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Play it Safe: What Should You Know About RSV video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 10

*Celebrate Birth video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Bathing and Diapering video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.

Monday, January 11

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 6 p.m.
*Sacred Trust-Protect Your Baby Against FAS	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Great Expectations: Pregnancy Program video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Circuit Training with Kelly S.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Nome Common Council reg mtg	Council Chambers	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

Tuesday, January 12

*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*High School Practice	Pool	6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Lap/Open Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Social Services class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Labor & Delivery for Teens video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Open Gym	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Nome Planning Commission reg mtg	Council Chambers	7 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY

Wednesday, January 13

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizaa	noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*The Baby System-The 1st Yr video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*After Childbirth-Postpartum video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Stories video		
*Step Box with Kelly S.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.
*Open Space Yoga	Nome Rec Center	9 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Community points of interest hours of operation:

XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Tu - F)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (M - F)
Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m. (M - F)
		additional hours by appointment
Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th)
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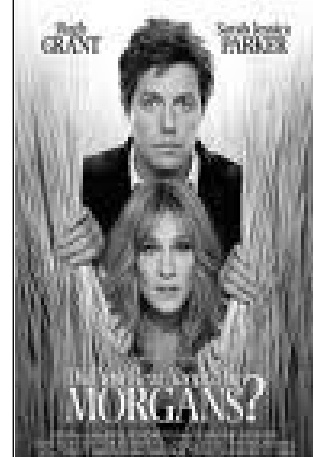
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Hunts

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pansive views with a full moon and cloudless skies. Despite the near-perfect conditions, those sweeping views often didn't include musk ox. "Hunters are benefitting from great weather; however, what they're not benefitting from is a much different distribution of musk ox groups from what we've seen the last five years," Gorn said.

That's not to say there were no musk ox being hauled back to Nome. Those who were willing to venture farther out were more likely to be rewarded for the extra seat time. In addition to the 12 harvested in 22C, nine were reported by early Tuesday from the Kuzitrin River drainage in Unit 22D and five from Unit 22B west of the Darby Mountains. Those portions of Units 22D and 22B each have a quota of 11 musk ox. In Unit 22D Southwest, near Teller, two cows were reported harvested by Tuesday morning. That area has a quota of seven animals, five of which can be cows.

As of early Monday, two of the four cows that were permitted to be harvested from the Kuzitrin were taken. No cows were allowed to be harvested in 22B or 22C. Nevertheless, Gorn said one cow was among the dozen musk ox reported taken in 22C. Several cows and calves were shot during last winter's hunt, either by a hunter misidentifying his target or the result of a pass-through shot that struck the intended animal and then continued on to hit another. Gorn said he had not heard of any other cases of taking the wrong sex or any cases of waste as of late Tuesday morning.

Gorn said of the animals being taken, it appears more younger, 2-

to 3-year-old bulls are being selected by hunters. While mature bulls are easier to differentiate from cows by their pronounced boss horns—both male and female musk ox have horns—the older bulls tend to possess much tougher meat. As a subsistence hunt, current regulations call for the destruction of the horns on musk ox with a boss horn. Besides perhaps giving successful hunters better meat, Gorn said the taking of younger animals could also be seen as a positive in Unit 22C. "It does help preserve some of the mature bulls in 22C. We've definitely seen a decline in the mature bull-to-cow ratio," he said. "In that respect it's good to spread out the harvest in the different age classes."

While finding the musk ox may have been a bit more challenging this winter, once located, they are generally an easy animal to hunt. Unlike many big game animals that flee when approached, musk ox tend to form a circle for defense. Perhaps more than anything, successful hunters need patience to both identify their target and wait for a clear shot. "Even though it's been cold and windy [in past years], it's been a gentleman's hunt," Gorn said.

While out-of-area hunters have again traveled to the region for a chance to hunt musk ox, which in the past was only available through competitive drawing permits, Gorn said their numbers appeared to be fewer than last year.

This year's hunt is set up a bit differently than last year, allowing permit holders to hunt three different sub-unit areas under the same permit. Gorn said along with the scattered herds, he believes the permit change has been a factor in helping distribute hunters more widely across the avail-



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

COMFY COW—A cow musk ox digs beneath the snow for a snack late in the fall near Nome. She and her herd are likely safe from hunters, as they live too close to Nome to be in the hunt area that opened Jan. 1.

able area. "We've seen more musk ox killed in the Kuzitrin," he said.

Also likely attracting hunters north of Nome was the opening of a moose hunt as well Jan. 1 in the Kuzitrin. While last year hunters were not allowed to possess both a musk ox and moose permit at the same time, that restriction was lifted this winter. Hunters holding both permits who headed north had more of a

chance coming home with meat. As of late Tuesday morning, Gorn said two of the available 14 antlered bulls were reported harvested. Gorn said only one moose was harvested in the same hunt last year.

Another moose hunt in the region was closed Monday night by emergency order. The quota of five antlered moose had been met in Unit 22B west of the Darby Mountains. If

the quotas are met in various musk ox and moose hunts in other areas of Unit 22, the Department of Fish and Game will close them as well by emergency order. Current hunting regulations and updated emergency closure information can be found by following links on the department's website at www.wildlife.alaska.gov. The department's Nome office can be reached at (907) 443-2825.



Photo by Nadja Roessek

LET'S PRAY FOR WIND—Nome Joint Utility System's John Handeland and Banner Wind management team president Roy Ashenfelter sign the long-awaited contract that allows NJUS to buy back excess energy from the wind farm on Banner Peak. Joining in the ceremony are (back row, left to right) Bering Straits Native Corp.'s Jerald Brown, Sitsnasuak Native Corp.'s Trudy Sobocienski, BSNC President Tim Towerak, Utility Board Member Berda Willson, Nome Mayor Denise Michels and Banner Wind's Neal Foster.

King bumps up Iditarod purse

It's a safe bet Jeff King wants some of his money back.

Following the Iditarod's December announcement of a \$100,000 cut in the purse for the 2010 race, the four-time champion this week ponied up \$50,000 of his own funds to help build back the prize money.

The Denali Park musher said in a press release

that the donation was his way of giving back to a race that has given him so much. The gift was also made in hopes of spurring others to donate to the race that was hit hard by the loss of sponsorships.

King will be among those looking to get a portion of that purse when he points his sled toward Nome in early March for his 21st Iditarod.

State urges filing online for PFD

Don't wait for those thick Permanent Fund Dividend booklets to be stuffed into your post box as a reminder to file for the annual PFD.

The state's PFD division is now trying to cut down on paper applications and urges Alaskans to file online. The state's Permanent Fund Division last year decided to streamline the process. Division director Deborah Bitney said the paper booklets are not an efficient way to reach all Alaskans. The division plans to spend the money saved from sending out 450,000 of the booklets on a media campaign to reach Alaskans who haven't filed yet. Booklets will still be available at the Nome Legislative Information Office in the state building.

The first days of filing online for the 2010 PFD ended in chaos for Alaskans who wanted to do-

nate portions of their PFD to charitable foundations under the Pick.Click.Give program. The link to Pick.Click.Give didn't work for some, others reported they were timed out before the long list of about 500 Alaskan organizations to choose from appeared. Bitney encouraged people to file their application online and try to use the Pick.Click.Give link during off-peak traffic times. The Pick.Click.Give program is administered by the Rasmuson Foundation. In Nome, the Bering Sea Women's Group, Kawerak and Nome Preschool are listed as charitable or educational organizations eligible for PFD donations.

The program is in its second year. Last year, 545,000 Alaskans donated some of their PFD via Pick.Click.Give. To file online for the PFD go to www.pfd.alaska.gov.

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New Year's wishes for Nome

Nomeites speak up about changes they would like to see in 2010

By Reba Lean



Josie Bahnke

Josie Bahnke, Nome city manager

"I'd like to see the Public Safety Building completed and improved streets. I'd like to see a beautification committee that helps with spring cleanup, and helps with junk cars and houses. An anti-litter campaign with a good group of folks who want to help."

Mayor Denise Michels



Denise Michels

"I'd like to see our port and harbor study expansion completed, secure more funding for alternative energy, move closer to getting a detox center, all of our roads paved, and see that the airport master plan is completed and fully funded, and that everyone has a great new year!"

Trooper Anne Sears

"I would like to see a sleep-off center for local inebriates on a more permanent basis. I'd love to see my diesel fuel bill go down, [and] that wind farm get going."

Trooper Andrew Merrill

"[I wish] people would stop double parking on Front Street!"

Trooper Aileen Witrosky

"Lower cost of living."

Ruth Emmons



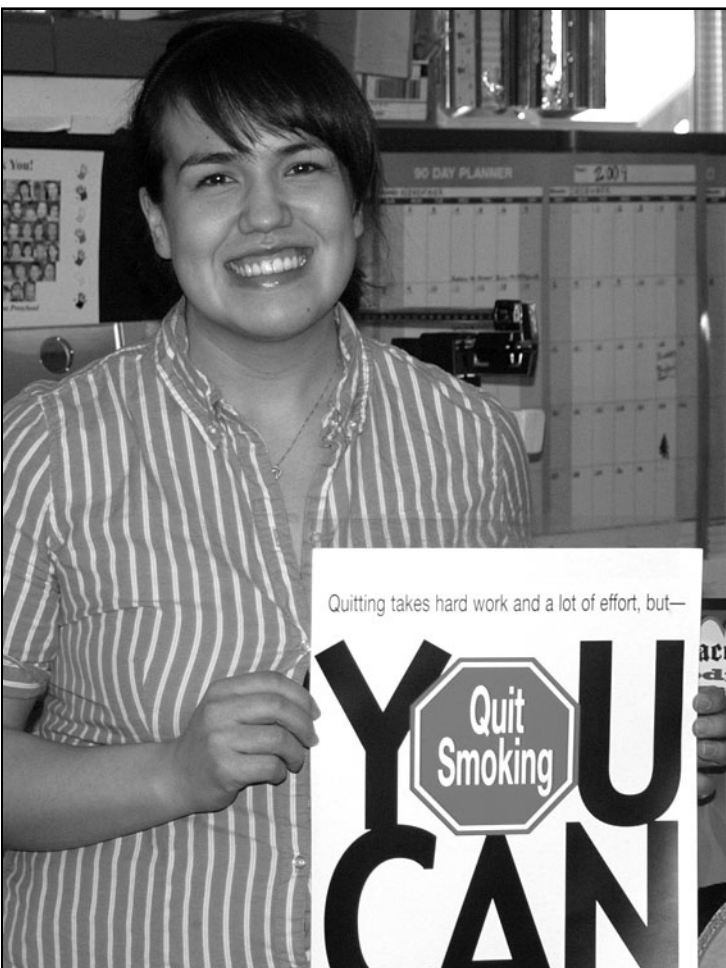
Ruth Emmons

"Businesses still need to make it accessible for people with disabilities – mostly the restaurants. [I'd like to see more] enforcing the ordinance for snow removal on the sidewalks. Also, I would use sidewalks if they were usable [in the winter], but they're not."

Rahnia Parker

"I'd like to see the health of Nomeites improve by fewer people smoking."

Rahnia Parker



Angie Gorn

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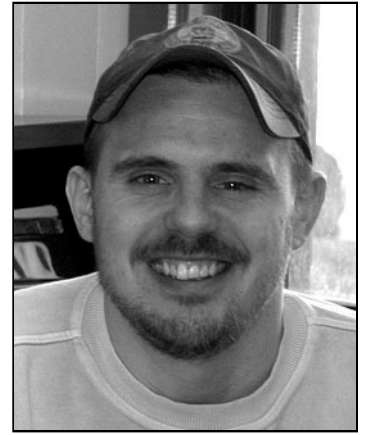
"I'd like to see a smoke-free environment, more Nome-Beltz graduates going into health care, and more recycling efforts."



Stephanie Curtiss

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"I'd like to see a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week shelter for the homeless."



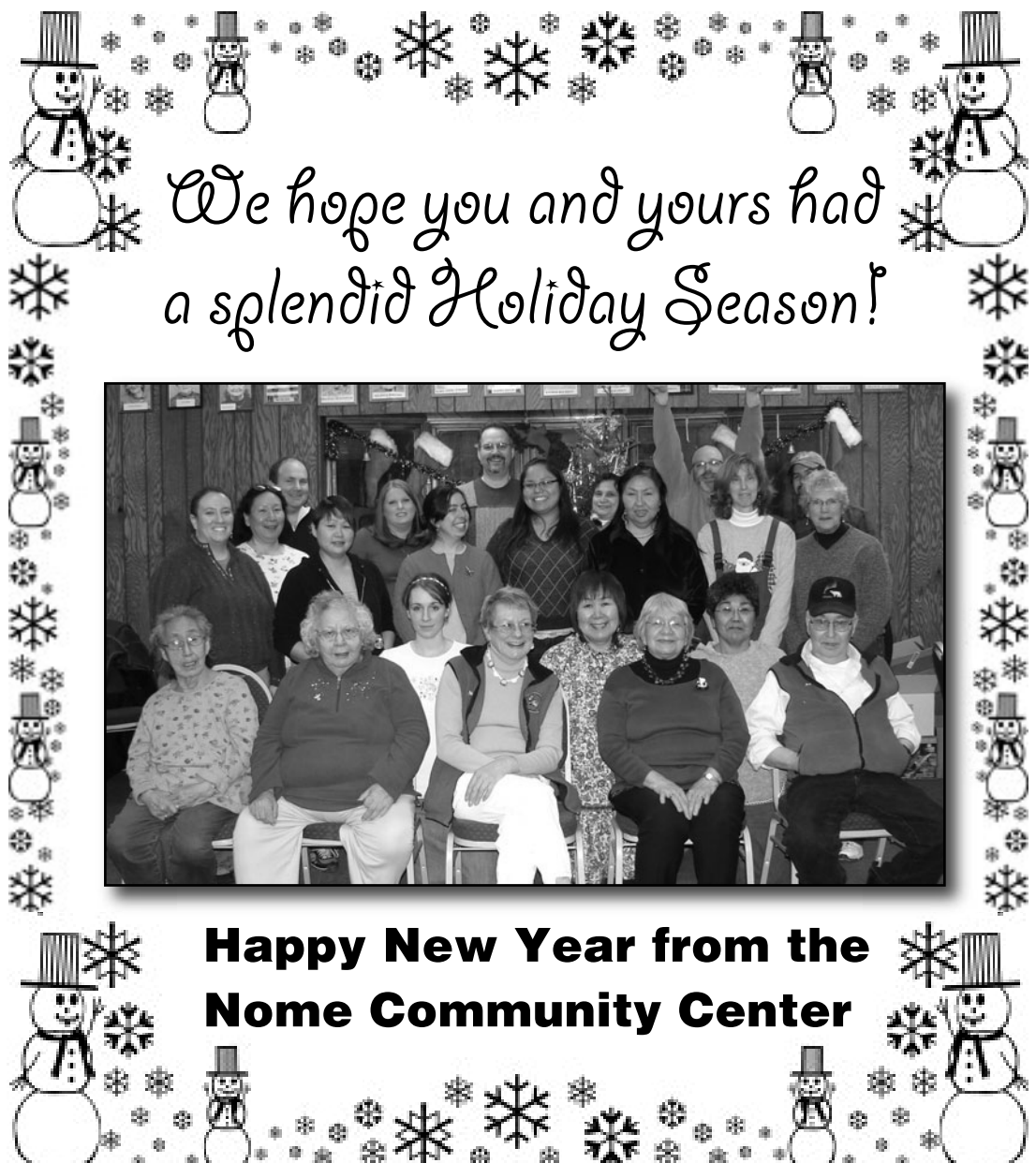
Scott Kent

Scott Kent

"I'd like to see the bowling alley restored, staffed and renovated by Christmas next year."



Troopers Anne Sears, Andrew Merrill and Aileen Witrosky voice their New Years wishes for the town.



We hope you and yours had
a splendid Holiday Season!



**Happy New Year from the
Nome Community Center**

A look back at 2009

A sampling of headlines from the past year

By Tyler Rhodes

With the closing of the books on another year, *The Nome Nugget* takes the opportunity to look back on just a few of the events that made headlines this year in Nome and the region.

In the headlines

Nomeites learned a couple of iconic pieces of real estate in Nome are in danger of being lost to public enjoyment. **Pilgrim Hot Springs** was put on the block to satisfy financial obligations of the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska in the wake of sexual abuse claim settlements. The **White Alice towers** on Anvil Mountain just north of Nome are slated to be torn down in the future as the board of directors of **Sitnasuak Native Corp.** voted to have them removed before the property on which they sit is given to the Native corporation by the federal government.

Spring couldn't come fast enough for most Nomeites after a late-winter series of storms that pounded the region one after another for several weeks. At one point the near-record snowfall shut down streets, the airport and schools. The bountiful white stuff required that the city find extra funds to cover budget shortfalls due to all the manhours and equipment needs to remove the snow.

The news at the **Rock Creek Mine** outside of Nome was mostly no news. Mine owner and operator **NovaGold** maintained the same line all year that it would continue to mull the prospect of restarting the idled open-pit gold operation north of Nome.

Nome's **Junior Reserve Office Training Corps** program received two life lines from **Sitnasuak Native Corp.** in the form of two \$100,000 donations. The donations, made through a state tax credit program, have kept the JROTC program functioning in the wake of both the city and school district declining to fund it in the face of budget cuts.

Volunteers frustrated with seeing too many perish on the streets during Nome's cold winters came together and formed the **Nome Emergency Shelter Team**. Operating out of the Nome Nazarene Church, the group managed to run a shelter when temperatures dipped well below 0° F starting in March and resuming again in November. Since the NEST shelter started operating, no one has been frozen to death on Nome's streets.

Farewells

In 2009, Nome lost two of its iconic citizens and leaders. Legendary Seward Peninsula businessman and Board of Trade owner **Jim West Sr.** died Oct. 1 at the age of 82. For 50 years, West called Nome home, running and profiting from myriad ventures.

Fewer than two weeks later,

Nome would again lose one of its favorite sons with the passing of **Rep. Richard Foster** Oct. 13. He was 63. Born in Nome, Foster rose to be one of the region's greatest advocates and leaders in state politics, serving in the House for nearly 21 years.

Memorial services for both men filled the Nome Recreation Center.

Changing of guard

Nome and House District 39 will again be served by a Rep. Foster after **Neal Foster** was selected by the governor to serve out his late father's term in the Legislature. Foster, along with **Ralph "Weaver" Ivanoff** and **Sam Towarak Sr.**, were selected by a local committee as potential replacements for **Rep. Richard Foster** who died in October. Neal Foster was sworn in by **Lt. Gov. Craig Campbell** in Anchorage on Nov. 16.

On May 7, one of Nome's own took over the leadership of Norton Sound Health Corp. After serving as interim president and chief executive officer of the health care organization since February, the board of directors officially gave **Carol Piscoya** the job. Born and raised in Nome, Piscoya had previously served as the health corporation's vice president of community health services.

Nome received a new police chief with the arrival of **John Papasodora** this fall. Papasodora accepted the position, replacing interim chief **Dallas Massie** who held the post since early 2009 after **Paul Burke's** departure. Both Papasodora and Massie are former Alaska State Troopers.

Nome Elementary School students were welcomed by a new principal this fall as **Shari Biscotti** started her first year as the school's leader. She replaced the retiring **Carl White**.

The Nome Board of Education saw some shuffling as its president, **Gloria Karmun**, resigned during the summer to pursue employment with the district. When the two candidates to replace her, **Joel Alowa** and **Lynette Schmidt**, tied in evaluative scoring by the remaining board members, it was up to a coin toss to decide who would serve. Fortune favored Schmidt that evening and she served all the way up to a run-off election in the fall when she ultimately lost the seat to **Heather Payenna**. In the initial election in October, Karmun made a return to the board, replacing **Betsy Brennan**. Karmun eventually was voted in again as president.

In April the board named Jon Wehde as the district's new superintendent, replacing Rick Luthi who retired after one year at the helm.

Gail Schubert assumed a new role at Bering Straits Native Corp., sharing leadership responsibilities with



Photo by Peggy Fagerstrom



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

SNOW JOKE (top)—Storm after storm left plenty of snow in Nome in late April and early March. The piles along Front Street rivaled the buildings in height.

SALUTE (above)—Veterans salute as the flag is folded over the late Rep. Richard Foster's coffin during a memorial service at the Nome Recreation Center Oct. 30.

the regional Native corporation's president, **Tim Towarak**. Having served as BSNC's general counsel and executive vice president since 2003, Schubert was named chief executive officer in early December.

After leading Nome's Native corporation in an interim status since the spring, **Trudy Sobocienski** was officially named the president and chief executive officer of Sitnasuak Native Corp. in the summer. Sobocienski was appointed interim president and CEO after **Robert Fagerstrom** left the position. Fagerstrom or other company officials never did say why the change in leadership occurred.

Visitors

The World, a luxury cruise ship in which its well-heeled passengers own their suites and condominiums, paid a visit to Nome this summer. The ship travels the globe with its residents boarding and leaving as they please.

Sen. Lisa Murkowski, Gov. **Sean Parnell** and what seemed like at least half of the **Alaska State Legislature** visited Nome in 2009. Many of the Legislature's members were in Nome this fall to pay their respects to the late Rep. Richard Foster. Sen. Murkowski spent a half day visiting the hospital, schools and the public in the fall. Gov. Parnell came to make the announcement that he had selected Neal Foster to fill his late father's shoes in the Legislature.

The **U.S. Coast Guard** paid a long and busy visit to Nome in August, staging the majority of its Arctic Crossroads operation out of the Gold Rush City. The exercises brought boats, aircraft, personnel and military and government officials to the area to train and assess the area's available resources and needs.

Several ships and their crews passed through Nome's port on their way to or from the **Northwest Passage**. Among those was the **Ocean Watch**, a vessel attempting to circumnavigate North and South America while promoting ocean conservation. As of press time, the vessel, which started its journey in Seattle, was in Argentina.

Victory and defeat

Those lining the chute leading up the Burled Arch were treated to a familiar scene in March as **Lance Mackey** made his third victorious charge up Nome's Front Street in the 2009 Iditarod. After three wins in a row, Mackey is now permanently etched in the history books of the

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SUCCESSFUL HUNT—Gambell whaling captain Tommy Antogham sits after the first bowhead whale of the season was brought ashore April 23. The 42-foot whale was Antogham's ninth.

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AND THE WINNER IS? (above)—Nome Public Schools' Bill Gartung (left), board member Barb Nickels (center) and superintendent Jon Wehde examine the results of the coin toss that granted Lynette Schmidt a seat on the board.

THE WINNER IS (right)—Three-time champ Lance Mackey gets a kiss from his lead dogs during the 2009 Iditarod awards banquet.

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1,000-mile race from Willow to Nome. Mackey's win came as he put all challengers out of contention by braving his way through a windstorm that left most of the field either well behind or stalled out in Shaktoolik. Besides the win, Mackey also took home the race's most coveted prize, the Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian Award for the musher who gives his dogs the best care.

... Before the four-legged dogs make their way to Nome, the Iron Dogs first have at the trail. This year, riding a pair of Polaris Dragons, **Todd Minnick and Nick Olstad** won the world's longest snowmachine race in record time, edging the Ski-Doo team of **Tyler Aklestad and Tyson Johnson** by just 3 minutes, 18 seconds. Nome marks the race's halfway point. Nome's **Mike Morgan** placed an impressive fifth in his first year racing the Iron Dog.

... And if racing across Alaska by snowmachine or dog team doesn't impress you, **Tim Hewitt's** perseverance and determination must. The Pennsylvania endurance runner took the title in this year's Iditarod Trail Invitational race. Traveling by foot in oversized running shoes, the lawyer covered the 1,000-mile trail in 25 days, finishing in Nome shortly after midnight. Out of the eight attempting to make it to Nome, only one other finished, Italian **Marco Berni**. Berni also walked the trail to Nome, finishing a few days after Hewitt.

... It would seem unusual if the Seward Peninsula were to see a year go

by without someone trying to traverse the Bering Strait by one odd method or another. More often than not, the attempts call for the unlucky adventurer or adventurers to be plucked from the frigid sea by rescuers. Such was the case this year for **Jean-Gabriel Chelala**, a French citizen attempting to circumnavigate the globe under his own power.

Chelala had already paddle-boated across the Atlantic and biked from Florida to Alaska before making his attempt to kayak across the Bering Sea and continue his journey through Asia. Suffering from hypothermia, Chelala was hoisted from the sea by a Coast Guard helicopter over the

July 4 weekend.

Another traveler met nearly the same fate a few days later. Norwegian **Audun Nordhus** was rowing his boat near Little Diomed when weather blew him off course. Nordhus had started his journey in Teller July 3 with both his craft and supplies

looking to be no match for the waters in which he was about to journey.

After being lifted from the churning Bering Sea by helicopters, both were taken to Nome. Chelala went on to continue his voyage, arriving in Paris Dec. 12. Nordhus went home to Norway soon after his rescue.



ROPING THE WIND (above)—Joey Waits lends a hand on the ground while crews perform work to get the turbines running again in September at the Banner Wind Farm just north of Nome. The 18 turbines spent much of the year idled by a manufacturing default. As the year ended, the project was again running and an agreement was ironed out between Nome Joint Utility System and Banner Wind.

HIGH FLYING (below)—Members of an international demonstration tae kwon do team from Korea take to the air in perfect synchronization while performing a kata before a packed house at the Nome Rec Center Jan. 10.



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HEADS UP—Jeremy Head of the Nanooks is up for a dunk in a game against the Kotzebue Huskies in the Anchorage Christian School tournament on Thursday.

Nome notches big wins, one loss in Anchorage

The Nanook boys basketball squad rang in the new year by blasting their way past their hosts to claim a win in the consolation bracket of the Anchorage Christian School Tournament Jan. 2.

Led by Jeremy Head's 32 points, 19 of which came in the first quarter,

Nome handily dispatched the Lions in a 77-49 game Saturday night. Tim Sullivan and Christian Leckband also put up double-digit efforts, each scoring 13 to contribute to the win.

The Nanooks' route to the consolation game was handed to them by perennial challenger Barrow on the

first day of the year. The Whalers jumped out to a 22-7 lead in the first quarter. Despite narrowing the gap, Nome was never able to regain the ground in the 66-57 loss. Head again led the Nanooks with 23 points and 10 rebounds. Leckband notched 11 points in the game where he saw lit-

tle play time due to foul trouble. The loss was Nome's first of the year. Last season, Nome edged out Barrow to take the regional conference title.

The Nanooks started the tournament with the subtlety of a hurricane, plowing over Kotzebue in a 91-20 victory Dec. 31. Head scored 30,

Leckband added 16 points and Derek Weiler scored 12. The Huskies will be bracing for the Nanooks' arrival in Kotzebue this weekend for a set of games Friday and Saturday.



Photo by Janeen Sullivan

OFFENSIVE STANCE AGAINST TWO VIKINGS—Renee Lammer takes a stance as she is teamed against by the Petersburg Vikings at the Anchorage Christian School Tournament.

Trip to Anchorage nets Lady Nanooks one win

The Lady Nanooks basketball team rang in the new year with three days of hoops in the big city during the annual Anchorage Christian School tournament.

Nome with 1 for 3 in the holiday tournament, bested the host's junior varsity team while falling to Petersburg and Valdez.

The Lady Nanooks started off on the right foot Dec. 31, taking an eight-point lead into the locker room against Valdez. The Lady Bucs, however, came back strong, outscoring Nome 28-11 in the second half to grab the 46-37 win. Hillary Stiles led the Nanooks with 13 points, backed up by Richelle Horner who chipped in 11. The charity line proved to be a stumbling block for the Lady Nanooks as they were only able to

score 7 point on 24 free-throw attempts.

Nome's first game of the new year also came up a loss as Petersburg outscored Nome 41-32. Devynn Johnson led the Lady Nanooks with 11 points while Stiles added 8.

The Lady Nanooks were able to finish the tourney on a positive note as the team came together to best the ACS JV squad 46-40. Johnson again notched 11 points and grabbed 18 boards to lead Nome. Iris Warnke-Green gave a double-digit effort with 10 points and Renee Lammer added 9. The win improved Nome's record to 2-3.

The Lady Nanooks will play at home this weekend, hosting Kotzebue Friday and Saturday.

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BLUE MOON WITH A WILD STREAK—December 31, 2009 yielded a blue moon, the source of the phrase—once in a blue moon. Swanberg Dredge is lit by one set of headlights as another car streaks by, leaving its mark (the red streak across the photo). A blue moon is the second of two full moons occurring in one month, allowing for the year to have 13 full moons, and this happens every three years.



JUST THE BEST—Karen Erickson prepares a batch of her renowned cinnamon rolls for Kuupiaq (Coffee) House customers in Unalakleet. Freshly baked muffins and cookies, espresso beverages and smoothies also draw regular patrons and visitors to the coffee shop, opened in March 2008 by Karen and her husband, Karl.

Cinnamon rolls and kuupiaq in Unalakleet

By Laurie McNicholas

Karen Erickson’s cinnamon rolls are twice the size of most, with a home-baked texture and flavor rarely found in a restaurant or bakery. They draw eager customers to her new business in Unalakleet—Kuupiaq (coffee) House.

“I usually go through two dozen cinnamon rolls a day when I make them—at least twice a week,” Karen said. They are available with or without frosting. “I carry muffins, cookies, sometimes donuts too, all made from scratch,” she added.

Karen concocts her customers’ favorite hot espresso beverages, including lattes, cappucci-

nos, breves, sludges, americanos and mochas. She also offers frappachinos, a blend of coffee, ice and milk; and smoothies, concentrated fruit flavors blended with ice.

Kuupiaq House is located in a small building in midtown near the post office and across the street from the Unalakleet Schools and offices of the Bering Strait School District. A small dining area with a couch and two tall, round tables, each with three stools provides limited seating. Customers pick up their orders at a counter between the dining area and kitchen.

“A few regulars come in and sit, but we receive call-in orders from the school district and

frequent customers in town,” Karen said. Groups of hungry high school students pop in from time to time. She also prepares baked goods to order for meetings and other special events.

“We started business in March 2008 at the start of the Iditarod Sled Dog Race,” Karen recalled. “We were so busy.” Later that year Kuupiaq House won a Small Business Initiative grant of \$14,500 from Norton Sound Economic Development Corp.

Karen’s husband, Karl, an Alaska State Trooper, sometimes mans the Kuupiaq House counter during his off-hours. Both were raised in Unalakleet but lived for years

in other communities where Karl served as a Trooper — Anchorage, Glennallen, Soldotna and Kotzebue.

“We’ve been back in Unalakleet only four years,” Karen noted. “It’s nice to come home. Our kids love it.” Their kids are daughter Katiya, 17, a senior at Frank A. Degnan High School; and sons Donald, 15; Kadya, 10; and Kael, 5. Karen said Katiya and Donald often run the coffee shop when she and Karl are not available.

Karen hopes to expand Kuupiaq House in the future. “I would love to make it into a soup and sandwich and chili spot,” she said.

Coffee: how healthy is your morning cup?

Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

If you are drinking a cup of coffee while reading the paper today, pour yourself another cup. This ancient beverage is likely good for your health.

Most people know coffee provides a temporary boost in mental acuity and energy, primarily due to caffeine. Research over the last 20 years shows that coffee consumption may also have long-term health benefits. At higher doses, coffee reduces a person’s risk of acquiring type II diabetes, Parkinson’s disease, liver cancer, colon cancer, and dental cavities. Sometimes coffee is used to treat migraine headaches and even asthma.

The most recent research on coffee involves its effect on prostate cancer. Men who drink coffee have a lower risk of acquiring an invasive form of prostate cancer, according to recent data reviewed by a group of Harvard epidemiologists. These scientists followed a cohort of 50,000 men over 20 years and found that

men who consumed more than 36 ounces of coffee daily lowered their risk of acquiring invasive prostate cancer by 60% compared with men who do not drink coffee.

Thirty-six ounces per day, about 6 small cups, seems to be the dose of coffee at which researchers find the greatest long-term health benefits. For example, according to research out of the Harvard School of Public Health published in the Annals of Internal Medicine in 2004, one to two cups of coffee a day will lower a person’s risk of developing type II diabetes by a few points, but at 6 cups a day, men reduce their risk of type II diabetes by over 50 percent, and women who drink six or more cups a day lower their risk by nearly 30 percent. Decaffeinated coffee has beneficial effects as well, but the effect is much less profound compared to caffeinated coffee.

Despite the positive research, doctors are reluctant to recommend daily coffee, especially at higher doses, out

of concern for coffee’s harmful effects. Coffee can exacerbate symptoms of gastritis or gastric ulcers, especially in smokers. Higher doses of coffee are associated with a slight increased risk of osteoporosis in women; (though this effect is mitigated by a glass of milk daily).

Coffee’s effect on the cardiovascular system is mixed. Coffee causes a small elevation in cholesterol levels and can strain an unhealthy heart by temporarily increasing the heart rate and blood pressure. These harmful effects are balanced by the positive effects of heart-healthy antioxidants, which are highly concentrated in coffee. According to research published in the journal *Circulation* early in 2009, coffee consumption is associated with a lower risk of stroke in otherwise healthy individuals. The American Heart Association has found no clear adverse effects to moderate coffee consumption defined as one to two cups per day.

It is important to point out that the healthy aspects of coffee do not overcome the unhealthy ingredients in many specialty drinks. Saying that coffee makes a double tall mocha healthy would be like saying that apples make apple pie good for you. In both cases any health benefits are purely social.

Taking your coffee black may sound old-fashioned, but when consumed daily, drinking your coffee plain or adding only a little milk likely offers the greatest benefit to your health. Of course you can still

have fun with the order. Ask for a “single tall skinny drip without the whip” and be well.



All Around the Sound

New Arrivals

Tammie Saccheus and Alex David of Elim announce the birth of their daughter, **Louisa Madison David**, born November 19, 2009 at 8:35 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 6 pounds, 9.6 ounces, and was 19" in length. Her sister is Keisha Saccheus.

Proud parents Irene J. and Thomas S. Olanna of Shishmaref announce the birth of their son, **Quinten Daniel Reuben Archie Eutuk Aktunia Seeguanna Olanna**, born December 3, 2009 at 7:44 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 20" in length. Siblings are Peter Olanna, 7, and Vicki Linn Olanna, 4. Maternal grandparents are Daniel and Evelyn Olanna and great-grandmother is Margie Ningealook, all of Shishmaref. Paternal grandparents are Fred and Marie Olanna; and great-grandmother is Lily Adams, all of Brevig Mission.

Zita M. Andrews and Dallas C.G. Acoman of Saint Michael announce the birth of their son, **Tery Calvin Acoman**, born December 10, 2009 at 6:40 p.m. He weighed 5 pounds, 9 ounces, and was 19" in length. Maternal grandparents are Martin and Digna Andrews, Sr. of Saint Michael. Paternal grandparents are Diane and Mark Thompson of Saint Michael.

Beda and John Prentice of Koyuk announce the birth of their son, **Isaac R.L. Prentice**, born December 16, 2009 at 9:17 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Siblings are Nikko, Melissa, Annette, Denin, Chloe and Adam.

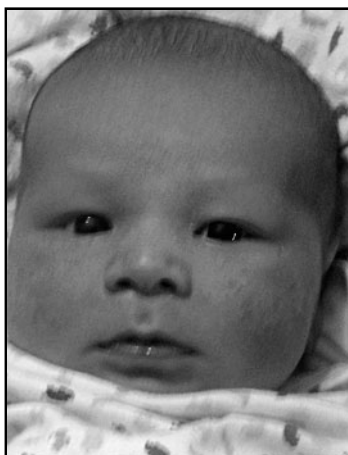
Heather Lynn Lockwood and Dana Aaron Henry of Stebbins announce the birth of their son, **Noah Cyrus Henry**, born December 17, 2009 at 8:31 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 20" in length. His brother is Deondre Aaron Henry, 18 months. Maternal grandparents are Anna Matthias Sr. of Savoonga, and Henry Lockwood of Saint Michael. Paternal grandparents are Julie Henry and Patrick Henry of Stebbins.

Preston Pete Sokeinna Weokonna Olanna, was born at ANMC on Dec. 20, 2009 at 4:23 a.m. weighing in at 8 lbs. 11.6 oz and was 19.5 inches long. His proud parents are Archie and Peggy Olanna. He has six sisters, Stacey, Louise Inez (in memory), Rebecca, Tia, Colleen and Caroline and three brothers, Archie Jr., Victor and Harvey. Maternal grandparents are Pete and Lena Sereadlook of Wales and paternal grandparents are Helen Olanna and John Kakoonna of Brevig. Preston is named after his big cousin, Preston Robin Keller.



Preston Pete Sokeinna Weokonna Olanna

Levi Smith and Donna Koutchak of Fairbanks announce the birth of their son, **Ira Hunter Dukhasuk Smith**. He was born Dec. 6, 2009, weighing 9 lbs, 9 ounces and measuring 20 inches long at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle. He joins his sister, Leighara Smith, 2, and Olivia Smith of Marion, Mich., 12. Proud maternal grandparents are William Koutchak and the late Davida Koutchak of Unalakleet. Paternal grandparents are Mark and Leslie Smith of Nome,



Ira Hunter Dukhasuk Smith.

Nomeites appointed to state boards

Governor Sean Parnell reappointed Randy Romenesko to the Denali Access System Advisory Committee.

The committee advises the Denali Commission on surface transportation needs in Alaska Native villages and rural communities, including projects to build essential access routes from the road system to villages and communities, and advises the Commission on transportation planning among Alaska Native villages.

Romenesko is a longtime arctic engineer, who now works as an engineering consultant with tribal and local government clients. He worked for the city of Nome as city engineer from 1995-2000, and as city manager from 2000-07. He was the Northwest Alaska district engineer for the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation from 1990-



FUN NIGHT— Joshua Keller shows his mom Sandi how to handle a basketball while Jasolyn Olin rides her Trike on New Year's Eve at the Rec Center in Nome.

95, and a civil engineer in construction and government projects across Alaska from 1983-90.

Romenesko earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Marquette University, and a master's degree in civil engineering from Northwestern University. He is a state-licensed civil engineer and Alaska-registered professional engineer. He was appointed as a representative of an Alaska Native regional corporation, non-profit, or tribal government.

Parnell also appointed Laura Samuelson to the State Historical Records Advisory Board. The board is responsible for reviewing grant requests from historic, archival, research, governmental and academic organizations, and helps plan for statewide records management needs. Samuelson has been director of the city-owned Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum since 1997. She has previously worked in Nome as a state public assistance eligibility technician from 1992-97, construction office manager from 1991-95, and administrative officer for the state transportation department from 1988-91. She also worked in public relations for Inspiration Gold, Inc., as shareholder relations director for Bering Straits Native Corp., and in various positions for *The Nome Nugget* newspaper.

Samuelson earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Western Illinois University, and belongs to many professional organizations, including the Nome Historical Foundation, Museums Alaska and the Alaska Association for Historic Preservation. She sits on the board of directors of the Alaska Historical Society. She was appointed to a local government records seat.

Church Services Directory

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

Community Baptist Church-SBC

108 West Third, **443-5448**

Small Group Bible Study 10 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Pastor Bruce Landry

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2nd Ave. West, **443-2865**

Sunday 11 a.m. Worship

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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Nome Covenant Church

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m./**Sunday** Worship 11 a.m.

Wednesday: Fellowship Meal 5:30 p.m./Ladies' Bible Study,

Mens' Fraternity & Children's Choir 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Youth Group 7 p.m. (call 443-7218 for location)

Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 - 7 p.m.

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5th & Bering, **443-5295**

Sunday School & Bible Study 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship 11 a.m.

River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.

Wednesday Night Service 6:30 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527

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Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 p.m./**Sunday** 10:30 a.m.

Seventh-Day Adventist (Icy View), 443-5137

Saturday Sabbath School 10 a.m.

Saturday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

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January 7 - 13, 2010

 CAPRICORN December 22–January 19 Fantastic, Capricorn. Sticking to your resolutions is easy with the help of a friend. A business deal is sealed. Invite your pals over to celebrate.	 ARIES March 21–April 19 The reality of a situation at home sinks in, and you resolve to make amends. Start with that special someone. Aries. An e-mail piques your curiosity.	 CANCER June 22–July 22 Your artistic side emerges, and you have a stroke of genius. Bravo, Cancer! An acquaintance divulges a secret. Keep it in the strictest of confidence.	 LIBRA September 23–October 22 Project plans get put on hold due to a shortage of funds. Don't despair, Libra. A better opportunity will arise later. A meeting brings you a powerful ally.
 AQUARIUS January 20–February 18 Way to go, Aquarius. Your proposal is well received. Drama ensues at home with the arrival of guests. Don't worry. Things will work out in good time.	 TAURUS April 20–May 20 Make a wish, and it just might be yours. Yes, Taurus. Magic is in the air. A venture into the unknown turns up something all too familiar. Stick to your guns.	 LEO July 23–August 22 Rework your budget, and financial worries will give way. Really, Leo. You will find a way to make every dollar count and then some. A romantic retreat may be in order.	 SCORPIO October 23–November 21 Ooh-la-la, Scorpio. Romance blooms at home. Make the most of it. A riveting tale motivates you to set some goals and see them through.
 PISCES February 19–March 20 Travel plans get underway. Bon voyage, Pisces. A risky move at work pays off big. Share your success with others. Freedom at home comes at a price.	 GEMINI May 21–June 21 You're too clever for words, Gemini. A relative has no idea what you are up to. Make sure they will appreciate your surprise before you present it.	 VIRGO August 23–September 22 The tide changes at home, and you must rise to the occasion. Step up, Virgo. A neighbor makes an unusual request. Take the time to hear them out.	 SAGITTARIUS November 22–December 21 Uh-oh, Sagittarius. Trouble looms, but thankfully, it does not involve you. A relationship deepens, while a business venture flourishes. Celebrate the good times.

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Obituaries

Karen Anaquta Mae Iya

May 28, 1959 – December 2, 2009
Anaay was born May 28, 1959 and raised in Savoonga by Nathaniel and Cora Iya.

Anaay loved living in Savoonga and lived with whom she called Muffy her “Mom.” She had a passion for Eskimo Dancing and excelled in dancing so much that the audience would start to get excited even before she began to dance. The singers loved to sing for her.

She enjoyed eating traditional food and loved storing food. She was a Teacher-Aide at the Hogarth Kingeekuk Memorial School for many years because she loved working with children. When Qemiy was born, she automatically adopted him as her son. Their bond was always visible and very enjoyable to watch.

Anaay helped to raise Ukaaka, Koni and Barry. She baby-sat a lot of other nieces, nephews and other children. She loved playing cards, especially “Snitners,” watching movies, reading books or riding around on a four-wheeler with Qemiy and teasing her friends. Anaay made an extra effort to make sure you knew her because it was meant to be a friend for life; thus the teasing was always present.

Anaay is survived by sister Agnes Immingan and brother James Iya, Jeanette “Muffy” Iya and her family, Gordan Iya’s family, Davis Mokiyyk and family, Veronica Iya and her family, nephews Joseph, Jr., Jason, Jade, Barry and niece Bernadette as well as many other nieces, nephews, and numerous relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents Nathaniel and Cora Iya, brothers Harvey, Edgar, Gordan, Joseph Sr., and Matthew Iya; her sisters Elizabeth and Joan.

Anaay had many other relatives in Gambell, Nome, Anchorage, Portland, Michigan and other points beyond. She had friends from Barrow to Juneau, and Boston, MA to Portland, Oregon. Qemiy said that she is our guardian angel now and will always be close to our heart.

Qemiy (and family) would like to

express our gratitude and thanks for all who helped in the time of our need, for your prayers, comfort, food, flowers and especially your support. God Bless you all.

We all thank everyone for cards, food, flowers, spiritual and physical donations (making casket and cross). Your thoughtfulness has made a difference in the sorrow our family felt. Thank you for remembering her.

With all our thanks and God Bless!

Muffy, Jason, Joe Jr., Ukaaka, Qemiy (Anaay’s son), Koni and Barry Iya.

James Minor Walsh

James Minor Walsh, born in Nome on December 22, 1916, died December 14, 2009 in Seattle. He was fourth of 10 children born to Michael Walsh and Louise Forsythe Walsh. Jim received his BA from the University of Alaska in Fairbanks, and taught elementary school in Nome and Seldovia, interrupted by his enlistment in the US Army.

Following the end of WWII he returned to Alaska, where he met and in 1946 married Elizabeth Petry, his beloved Betty. They celebrated their 62nd anniversary in October 2008, and she passed away the following February.

Jim worked as station manager for Pan American Airways in Nome, and later in Ketchikan. During these years 10 children were born to the couple. In 1966 the family moved to Seattle where Jim continued to work for Pan Am until his retirement in 1977.

For the next several years, he worked for a variety of travel organizations and for Alaska Magazine, writing several articles and consulting on a book about Nome. His work enable him to explore the world and it was a delight for him to be able to share this opportunity with his family. Soviet Russia, China and Afghanistan were only a few of the countries he visited.

Jim’s life was one of profound dedication to his family and his community. He was active in the Chamber of Commerce, the Irish American

Heritage Club, rotary, Alaska Yukon Pioneers, and the Democratic party, helping to nominate John Kennedy at the 1960 national convention. He loved learning, he loved language, and above all he loved a good story. True adventures from Alaska’s remarkable history, tall tales from poet Robert Service, and shaggy dog stories. Jim recited them all with relish and a twinkle in his eye. “Top o’ the morning” greeted all who called, day or night. And he sang constantly. From working as a volunteer fire fighter to playing Santa for the neighborhood kids, to preparing food for a church dinner for the needy. Jim was always ready to pitch in, and never forgot to count his blessings.

Jim is survived and remembered lovingly by his sisters Eileen Taylor, Noreen Wills, and Kay Farley, his children Mary T. Jones, Elizabeth A. Walsh (Jim), Nora L. Walsh, J. Timothy Walsh (Diane), Eileen F. Walsh (Gee), C. Erin Walsh (Mike), James D. Walsh (Kathy), Michael B.

Walsh, Joan C. Campbell (Bruce), Thomas A. Walsh (David), his grandchildren Jennifer (Dan), Matthew, Seamus, Andrea (Chris), Caitlin, Brigid, Kyle and Christopher, and his seven great grandchildren. Grandson Jaron passed away in 1999.

Funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, December 21, at 10:00 a.m.

at Blessed Sacrament Church. Remembrances may be made to the Blessed Sacrament Feed-In, SVDP 5050 8th Ave. N.E., Seattle, WA 98105, University of Alaska Foundation, P.O. Box 755080, Fairbanks, AK 99775-5080, or your local Food Bank.

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Saying it Sincerely

By Fr. Ross Tozzi
St Joseph Catholic Church
For the Nome Ministerial Association

If you want to cultivate peace, protect creation

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 1:7). The start of a New Year is a time when many make and soon break New Year’s resolutions. In the Catholic Church, the start of a new year is a time when we gather to pray for world peace. The tradition began in 1968 when Pope Paul VI, the Bishop of Rome, invited the world and not simply Catholics to pray for peace.

Forty-two years ago, Paul VI explained that threats to peace include selfishness, violence, weapons of mass destruction, the spending of national resources for swords rather than plowshares, and the failure to use reason to settle international differences. In the past four decades we have seen progress in world peace, the collapse of the Iron Curtain, the end of apartheid in South Africa, and peace in Northern Ireland. Sadly, other conflicts rage on and new ones abound. As the young men and women of our region and nation continue to patriotically serve in harm’s way in Afghanistan and Iraq, we readily recognize the need to continue to pray for world peace from the traditional threats.

For 2010, Pope Benedict has chosen the theme, *If You Want to Cultivate Peace, Protect Creation*. He explains, “seeing creation as God’s gift to humanity helps us understand our vocation and worth as human beings. With the Psalmist, we can exclaim with wonder: “When I look at your heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you have established; what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?” (Ps 8:4-5). Contemplating the beauty of creation inspires us to recognize the love of the Creator, that love which “moves the sun and the other stars.”

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- For thousands of generations, local hunters and fishermen have shown great care for God’s creation as they provided for their families and the local community. The values and skills of past generations carefully taught, accepted, and passed on cultivate peace and help to care for creation.

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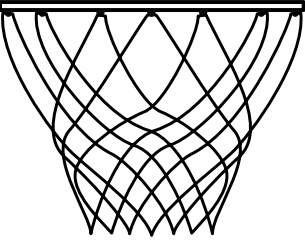
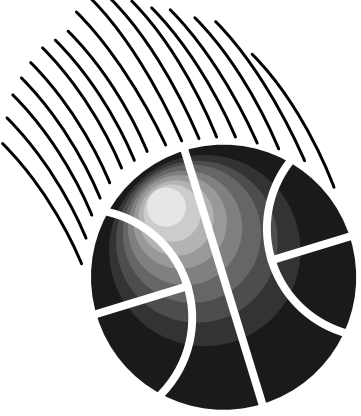
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11/26; 12/3-10-17-24; 1/7

Seawall

12/21/09

Lauren Alborn, 29, received a citation for Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign.

12/22

Kyle Crump, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence and Interfering with the Report of a Domestic Violence.

Olaf Walters, 48, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Felony DUI and Driving While License Revoked/Suspended.

Harvey Agloinga, 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

12/23

Jason Iya, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 2nd Degree.

Nathaniel O'Connor, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

Sean Yi, 18, received a citation for Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign.

Penny Olanna, 32, received a citation for Motor Vehicle Insurance Required.

12/24

Dawn Warnke, 51, received a citation for Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign.

Walter Reynolds, 60, received a citation for Motor Vehicle Insurance required.

12/25

Anthony Villegas, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving While Intoxicated, Driving Without a License, Reckless Endangerment, and Leaving the Scene of a Property Accident.

Elizabeth Dalilik, 19, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Darryl Aukon, 21, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Zachary Nashalook, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving While Intoxicated, Fail to Stop at the Direction of a Peace Officer, Assault on a Peace Officer, Resisting Arrest, and Reckless Driving.

12/26

Anthony Gandia, 33, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

12/27

Christine Dalilik, 56, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

Scott Payenna, 21, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Daniel Aukon, 49, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violation of Conditions of Release.

Robert Sherman, 47, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violation of Custodial Duty.

Kenneth Smith, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the 1st Degree.

12/28 Dallas Cash, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violation of Conditions of Release and Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor.

During this reporting period we had three (3) persons transported to the hospital for a Title 47,

Protective Custody Hold.

12/29/09

Aleksei Wilson, 23, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4th Degree, Domestic Violence and Misconduct Involving Controlled Substance 6th Degree.

Eugene Iknokinok, 44, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Criminal Trespass 2nd Degree, and Drunk on Licensed Premises.

John Charles, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

12/30

Michael Saclamana, 47, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Eric Pushruk, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Drunk on Licensed Premises and Criminal Trespass 2nd Degree.

Kenneth Smith, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Anthony Sebwenwa, 39, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 3rd Degree.

Joseph Jones, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation, Driving on a Revoked Drivers License and Reckless Driving.

Nicole Topkok, 18, received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

12/31

Eric Pushruk, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release and Disorderly Conduct.

Rhonda Weyiouanna, 29, received a citation for not Stopping at a Stop Sign.

1/1/10

Courtney Amaktoolik, 19, was arrested and remanded for Violating Conditions of Release and Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Sergie Obruk, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass 1st Degree.

A Golovin juvenile received a citation for Driving in Violation of Instruction Permit.

Lisa Larsen, 20, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence.

Shane Mike, 18, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for two counts of Assault on a Peace Officer, Resisting Arrest and cited for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Memory Mike, 19, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Interfering With an Arrest.

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David Cavanaugh, 57, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence, Driving While License is Suspended/Revoked, and Failure to Stop at the Direction of a Peace Officer 2nd Degree.

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Geoffrey Jackson, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Parole Violation.

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Trooper Beat

On December 17, 2009, the Unalakleet VPSO Donald McKenzie responded to a report that Byron Kotongan, 23, of Unalakleet, was found passed out inside the Native Village of Unalakleet office. Investigation revealed that Kotongan had damaged a door in the office. Inside his jacket was a bag of marijuana packaged for individual sale. Kotongan was charged with two (2) counts of Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance Fourth Degree and Criminal Mischief in the Fourth Degree, he was arraigned at the Unalakleet Court and then transported to Nome and lodged at Anvil Mountain Correctional Center on \$2,000 bail.

On December 18, at 11:00 a.m., AST arrested Johnathan Elachik, 33, of Saint Michael, with an arrest warrant for Assault 4th Degree. Elachik was remanded to AMCC with \$5000.00 bail.

On December 22, at approximately 9:00 p.m. AST received a report that Martin Willoya, 50, of Golovin, had died. The investigation revealed that Martin Willoya died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The next-of-kin was notified.

On December 23, at 8:40 p.m., AST received a report of an overdue snowmobiler from Shishmaref. A search party located Fred Eningowuk, 52, of Shishmaref, in good condition after his snowmobile broke down approximately 30 miles from Shishmaref.

On December 24, at 10:56 a.m., AST received a report of an assault in Brevig Mission. A suspect has been identified. Investigation continues.

On December 25, at 9:15 p.m., AST received a report of an intoxicated person in Saint Michael. Subsequent investigation led to

the arrest of Roland Lockwood, 19, of Saint Michael, for Minor Consuming Alcohol and Probation Violation.

On December 25, at 9:15 p.m., AST received a report of a vehicle colliding with a house in Saint Michael. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Alexandria Lockwood, 29, of Saint Michael, for Driving Under the Influence, Criminal Mischief 4, and Reckless Driving.

On December 25, at 8:45 p.m., AST received a report of a disturbance in Saint Michael. Nimeron Mike, 33, of Stebbins, was subsequently charged with Violating Conditions of Release.

On December 26, 2009 at about 9:20 a.m., White Mountain VPSO Dan Harrelson received a report that Robert G. Williams, 35, of White Mountain, was intoxicated and in possession of a .22 caliber rifle. Williams was contacted and arrested for Assault III, Assault IV, Misconduct Involving Weapons IV, Resisting Arrest, and probation violation. Williams was transported to Nome where he was lodged at AMCC on no bail.

On December 27, at about 2:15 a.m., Unalakleet Police Department received a report of a person lying in the street, face down. Unalakleet village police officer Turner responded and found David Panitchuk, 34, of Unalakleet, face down on the ice, dressed only in his pants and shirt, shoes and socks. Panitchuk was transported to the clinic but was pronounced deceased shortly after arrival at the clinic. Alcohol is believed to be a factor. Next of kin was notified as well as the Medical Examiner. Investigation continues.

On December 27, at 2:30 a.m., VPSO Dan

Harrelson received a report of a domestic disturbance in White Mountain. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Amos Brown Sr, 43, of White Mountain, for Assault 4. Brown was remanded to AMCC.

On December 28, at 8:30 a.m., AST received a report of a burglary at the Saint Michael IRA building. AST responded and estimates the damage to the building to be approximately \$3,500. Some petty cash was missing from a filing cabinet and no other items were reported missing. Investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact Sgt. Merrill in Nome at 1-800-443-2835.

On December 28, at about 2:00 p.m., Stebbins Police Department advised AST of a break in at the Stebbins IRA that occurred on December 25. Investigation determined that 80 Stebbins IRA checks were taken as well as some food items. Damage to the building is approximately \$750. Anyone with information about this incident is requested to contact Sgt. Merrill at Nome AST 800-443-2835. Investigation continues.

On December 29, Nome Alaska Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Enforcement contacted Clarence Savetilik, Jr., 23, of Shaktoolik, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, 2-750ml bottles of alcohol were removed from his jacket. Charges will be forwarded to Office of Special Prosecution and Appeals.

On December 31, at 2:15 a.m., AST received a report of an intoxicated person in Saint Michael. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Robert Otten, 29, of Saint Michael, for Probation Violation. Otten was remanded to AMCC.

Recording District, Second Judicial District, Alaska, describing: Lot 5, Block 24 BROWERVILLE ADDITION NO. 3, according to the plat filed August 8, 1983 as Plat No. 83-6; Records of the Barrow Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE SUBSURFACE ESTATE and all rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances of what so ever nature accruing unto said estate pursuant to the Alaska Native claims Settlement Act of 12-19-71 (85 Stat 688, 704; 43 U.S.C. 1601,1613 (f). (1976) as reserved

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Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME

CASE NO: 2NO-09-00318CI
AMENDED ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING

In the Matter of a Change of Name for: **Shawnte' Toni Oyomick-Haugan**

Current name of Minor.

Notice of Petition to Change Name

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case #2NO-09-00318CI) requesting a name change from (current name) **Shawnte' Toni Oyomick-Haugan** to **Shawnte' Toni Haugan**. A hearing on this request will be held

on **February 02, 2010 at 1:00 pm at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.**

12/17-24; 1/7-14

NOTICE OF SALE

Trustee, Alaska Trustee, LLC will sell realty for cash to the highest bidder at the Main entrance to the Barrow Courthouse, 1250 Agvik Street, Barrow, AK 99723 on February 5, 2010, at 10:00 AM with other sales that may be conducted. Proceeds will apply to the Deed of Trust naming Kalen Kaohu Kau Texeira, Trustor, Kalen Kaohu Kau Texeira, Record Owner, recorded on April 27, 2007 under Reception No. 2007-000275-0, Barrow

Public Notice

Nome Public Schools Make-up Day

The make-up day for the weather related school closure on Wednesday, **November 11, 2009** will be on:

The vacation day presently designated for Monday, January 18, 2010 on the school calendar.

Monday, January 18, 2010 will be a regular school day for students and staff.

For questions, please call the NPS District Office at **443-2231**.

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by the United States of America) Also described of record as The "surface estate", as described in the Interim Conveyances recorded December 3, 1976 in Book 4, Page 648 and recorded October 23, 1981 in Book 31, Page 298 and recorded July 19, 1989 in Book 36, Page 886 recorded June 5, 1989 in Book 55, Page 255 and Corrective Interim Conveyance recorded December 17, 1990 in Book 58, Page 277; Records of the Barrow Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska in the following described land: Lot 5, Block 24, BROWERVILLE ADDITION NO. 3, according to the plat filed August 8, 1983 as Plat Number 83-6; Records of the Barrow Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. EXCEPT THEREFROM the Subsurface Estate therein, and all rights privileges, immunities and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, accruing unto said estate pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 19, 1971 (85 Stat 688.704: 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613 (f)), more commonly known as 7522 Transit Street, Barrow, AK, 99723., a/k/a 7522 Transit Street, Barrow, AK 99723. \$139,724.71 is due, plus interest, advances, etc. Go to alaskatrustee.com or usa-foreclosure.com for status. 12/17-24; 1/7-14

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME CASE NO: 2NO-09-00327CI ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING

In the Matter of a Change of Name for: **Garrick Glen Takak**, Current name of Minor. **Notice of Petition to Change Name** A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-09-00327CI) requesting a name change from (current name) **Garrick Glen Takak** to **Garrick Glen Jackson**. A hearing on this request will be held on **February 04, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at Nome Court-house, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.** 1/7-14-21-28

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND SALE Foreclosure Sale to be held February 24, 2010, at 10:00 AM at the Main entrance to the Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street, Nome, AK.

RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the present Trustee under the Deed of Trust executed by ROBERT I. STEVER AND CAROLE A. STEVER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, Trustor(s), to YUKON TITLE COMPANY, INC., Trustee, and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., Beneficiary, recorded April 05, 2007, in Document No. 2007-000954-0 in Book n/a at Page n/a, the beneficial interest of which was assigned to BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP by instrument recorded on **November 23, 2009** in Document No. **2009-001098-0** in Book — at Page —, all in the records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, encumbering the following real property:

EXHIBIT "A" A portion of Lot 54A, block 57, NOME TOWNSITE as numbered and designated on Plat 84-1, filed January 3, 1984 and more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 54A, Block 57, Nome, according to Plat 84-1,

Thence N 65° 55' W, 114 feet to the Northwest Corner of said Lot 54A; Thence S 24° 05' W, 48 feet; Thence S 65° 55' E, 114 feet to a point which bears S 24° 05' W and is 40 feet distance from the True Point of Beginning; Thence N 24° 05' E, 48 feet to the True Point of Beginning; Cape Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska.

and having a corresponding address of 301 PROSPECT PLACE, NOME, AK 99762, gives notice that a breach occurred because Trustor(s) failed to satisfy obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. The amount owing to the Beneficiary as of November 16, 2009, is \$136,478.40, plus future interest, costs, or expenses. Beneficiary gives notice that it is preserving its rights against other collateral securing the obligations.

Questions regarding the foreclosure should be directed to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. at (800)-261-8219 and reference T.S. No. 09-0169369.

Dated: 11/16/2009 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. By G. HERNANDEZ B.P. Flores, Team Member 1/7-14-21-28

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The public is invited to participate in the development of State of Alaska's SFY2011 Consolidated Housing and Community Development (HCD) Annual Action Plan, and the SFY2011-2015 five-year HCD Strategic Plan.

The Annual Action Plan and the five-year Strategic Plan are prerequisites to receive federal funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the Emergency

Shelter Grant (ESG) Program and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME). The geographic areas covered by Alaska's Annual Action Plan and the Strategic Plan are all areas of the State *except Anchorage*. The five-year strategy (SFY2011-2015) will be adopted in 2010. The five-year strategy provides general principles and priorities and is implemented by a series of one-year action plans. The SFY2011 Annual Action Plan is the first annual implementation plan of the five-year strategy.

This **second** public hearing will be held: **Thursday, January 14, 2010, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.** **Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Board Room (AHFC)**

4300 Boniface Parkway, Anchorage, Alaska

Persons unable to attend in person may teleconference by calling 1-877-873-8018 and using the access code for the hearing **#4823559**.

AHFC complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids or special modifications to participate in the public meeting should call Elaine Mello at phone 907-330-8236. Requests for the January 14 hearing should be made no later than January 13, 2010. 1/7



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Alaskan refiners caught price gouging

A legislative research report shows that price gouging by Alaska's refiners has continued and that the refiner margin in Alaska is twice the national average. The Legislative Research Services Division report conclusively shows that price gouging by Alaskan refiners has continued unabated. Sen. Bill Wielechowski, D-Anchorage, estimates that refiner price gouging has cost Alaskans over \$189 million. Wielechowski said that during the last legislative session legislators were assured by a Tesoro representative that Alaskan gasoline prices were merely lagging behind those of the lower 48, and that they would soon come down. The newly released report's charts show that the refiners have continued to jack up the price of gas, although the price of crude oil has gone down. The refiner margin is very roughly the profit earnings, plus some costs, for a refiner. Tesoro and Flint Hills Refiners provide virtually all the refined gasoline for Alaska, with Tesoro dominating the gasoline refining, with over 80 percent of the market.

According to the American Automobile Association, Alaska still has the highest gasoline prices in the nation today. When the price of oil spiked in the summer of 2008, Alaskan refiner margins exploded to \$1.45 per gallon by October 2008, while the Washington and US average refiner margin peaked at 60 and 63 cents, respectively, in September 2008. In November 2008, the Washington and US average refiner margins hovered at around 10 cents per gallon, while Alaska's refiner margin remained over 10 times higher, at \$1.17 per gallon. As the Legislature debated price gouging bills over Tesoro's and Flint Hills' strong objections, the refiner margin difference narrowed.

Taking the historical averages, Wielechowski estimates that Alaskans have been overcharged an average of 54 cents per gallon. He pushes for passage of Senate Bill 54, which would outlaw price gouging on gasoline and other fuels in Alaska.

NOTICE OF LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER

Sang Ton Yi, d/b/a Twin Dragon Restaurant located at 100 Front Street, Nome, Alaska is applying for transfer of a Beer & Wine/# 3142 liquor license to Twin Dragon Corporation located at 100 Front Street, Nome, Alaska.

Interested persons should submit written comment to their local governing body, the applicant and to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board at 5848 E. Tudor Rd. Anchorage AK 99507

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Sitnasuak Native Corporation Shareholder Notice

37th Annual Shareholders Meeting Saturday May 8, 2010, • 10:00 a.m. Mini-Convention Center • Nome, AK

BUSINESS CONDUCTED WILL INCLUDE:

- Election of three (3) Directors for three year term
- Approval of the Independent Auditor
- Other shareholder business

SOLICITATION OF CANDIDATES FOR BOARD POSTIONS

- Written Letter of Candidacy and Nominee Information Questionnaire
- Canidates must be 19 years old or older by filing date.

MUST BE RECEIVED BY **February 8, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.**

SHAREHOLDER PROPOSAL

A proposal form (fee & signature requirements) will be provided, please contact the Sitnasuak Native Corporation Office **907-387-1200** or **877-443-2632 (toll free)**

MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CORPORATION OFFICE ON OR BEFORE **February 8, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.**

For more information write or call:

Sitnasuak Native Corporation
P.O. Box 905
Nome, Alaska 99762
907-387-1200 or 877-443-2632 (toll free)



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CITY OF NOME

The **Nome Planning Commission** has one seat available for appointment.

If you are interested in serving on the Nome Planning Commission, please submit an application form.

Application forms are available at City Hall or on the City of Nome website at: **WWW.NOMEALASKA.ORG**

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY JANUARY 15, 2010 AT 5:00 P.M. TO CITY HALL, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
CITY OF NOME
P.O. BOX 281
102 DIVISION STREET
NOME, ALASKA 99762

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Public Notice



Board of Directors Meeting

The Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) Board of Directors is scheduled to meet January 18-20, 2010 at the **Pioneer Hall** located on **110 Front Street** in Nome, Alaska at **9 a.m.**

Portions of the meeting may be conducted in executive session. The public is invited to attend the meeting. Testimony from the public maybe limited. Members of the public wishing to receive information or a copy of the agenda may contact the Administration Office at **(907) 443-3226** as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours before the meeting so that arrangements may be made.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in the meeting, please contact **(907) 443-3226** as soon as possible, but no later than three days before the meeting to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

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THE Nome National Forest

is calling all Christmas trees to join in and make this year's forest **THE BEST EVER!**

Call **Connie Madden @ 443-2620**. Trees may be dropped off at **Connie's house on First Avenue (next door to Outfitters)**.

AT&T grants BSSD \$50K toward dropout prevention

The Bering Strait School District has received a \$50,000 grant from AT&T to help fund drop-out prevention programs. The funds come from a four-year, \$100 million national commitment by the company to fund high school success and work force

readiness initiatives.

Bering Strait was one of two districts in the state to receive the \$50,000 gift. The Anchorage School District netted the other grant. “This significant donation from AT&T will go a long way toward helping at-risk

students graduate and go on to a successful work life or higher education,” said BSSD Superintendent Jim Hickerson in a press release.

The funds are part of AT&T’s Aspire program, which includes grants to schools and nonprofits, student job

shadowing, national research and community dropout prevention summits. “The success of our youth affects us all—from the students themselves to our need for an educated workforce,” said Mike Felix, president of AT&T Alaska. “With

this program, we’re helping Alaska school districts look for ways to encourage students to stay motivated to graduate and to see how their choices today can lead to better futures.”

Court

Week ending 12/28/09 Civil

Okleasik Jr., Franklin vs. Amrok-Oliver, Denise; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term
Sitnasuak Native Corporation et al vs. Nunes, H. James et al; Other Contract - Superior Court
Capital One Bank (USA) N A vs. Nguyen, James; Confession of Judgment - District Court
Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Nguyen, James V.; Confession of Judgment - District Court
Wards Cove Packing Company d/b/a Nome Trading Co vs. Gologergen, Sterling R.; Debt - District Court
Wards Cove Packing Company d/b/a Nome Trading Co vs. Jones, Joseph M.; Debt - District Court
Gandia, Margaret R. vs. Gandia, Ramon F.; Divorce Without Children - Superior Court

Small Claims

No current Small Claims on file

Week ending 12/31/09 Civil

United States Department Of Agriculture vs. Kakaruk, Irene J.; District Court FED
Discorer Bank, Issuer of the Discover Card vs. Hardy, Matilda J.; Debt - District Court

Small Claims

Cornerstone Credit Services LLC vs. Katchatag, Marie L.; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail
Savoonga Native Store vs. Toolie, Sylvia; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail
Savoonga Native Store vs. Toolie, Cedric; SC More Than \$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Criminal

Week ending 12/25/09

State of Alaska v. Michael Lawlor (8/3/56); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110699613; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days, shall report to AMCC by 1/11/10; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. David Walluk (12/6/82); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110700909; Defendant refusing probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody.
State of Alaska v. Ada Peterson (2/9/90); Habitual Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 10/25/09; Binding Plea Agreement; 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 1/8/10; Immediate remand for violations; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Conditions of Release remain in effect until reporting; Community Work: Complete 96 hours of community work service and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's License or Permit: Revoked for 6 months, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Shall immediately surrender license/permit to court; Probation until her 21st birthday; Shall not consume inhalants, or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license/permit, pay surcharge, show proof of community work service, and report to jail as ordered; Shall submit to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer and may be arrested without a warrant for probation violation; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra six months revocation of driver's license.
State of Alaska v. Michele H. Adams (11/3/83); Misdconduct Involving Controlled Substance 6th; Date of offense: 6/1/09; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days, 20 days suspended; Forfeit marijuana to State; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/15/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not consume alcohol or possess consume controlled substances; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.
State of Alaska v. Eric A. Trigg 9/13/80); Count 1: Employee Sale of Alcohol to Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 10/10/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 6/15/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.
State of Alaska v. John Penetac (11/12/64); Count 1: Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 11/20/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State; count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 40 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 40 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.
State of Alaska v. Lawrence Martin (11/11/86); 2NO-09-682CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110704293; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time.
State of Alaska v. Lawrence Martin (11/11/86); 2NO-09-682CR Count 2: Driving While License Canceled, Suspended or Revoked, or in Violation of Limitation; Date of offense: 10/31/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 20 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to count 3; Driver's license, privilege to obtain a license and to operate a motor vehicle are revoked for 90 days concurrent with DMV action; Probation until 12/14/10; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for violation of probation; No violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Other: Perform 80 hours work service and show proof by 7/1/10.
State of Alaska v. Lawrence Martin (11/11/86) 2NO-09-682CR Count 3: Refusal of Breath Test; Date of offense: 10/31/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed: count 1 (001); 180 days, 120 days suspended; Report immediately to AMCC; Fine: \$3,000 with \$0 suspended; Unsuspended \$3,000 due 12/14/10; Payable to Clerk of Court; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due 10 days from date of this judgment (12/14/09); Payable to Clerk of Court; Jail Surcharge: \$150 (if probation) with \$100 suspended (if probation), \$50 payable to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Cost of Imprisonment: \$1,467 (2nd offense) with \$0 suspended; Full amount due payable to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: Contact local ASAP, other: NSBHS by 3/1/10; File proof by 4/1/10 that assessment was received and file proof by 6/1/10 that assessment recommendations were followed; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 1 year; Concurrent with DMV action; After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must us an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) during your probation period; Probation until 12/14/10; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 1 year from date of this judgment; Other: Warrantless breath test and arrest.
State of Alaska v. David Ferguson (1/8/60); Order of Dismissal; Count 001: Violate Condition of Release for Felony; Date of offense: 11/25/09; This case is dismissed for the following reason: No probable case; It is further ordered that the defendant be released from custody, any bond that has not been ordered forfeited be exonerated and any cash or other security posted as bail be refunded to the depositors.
State of Alaska v. Noah Shoogukwruk (2/24/84); Judgment of Acquittal on Counts 1; Assault 4th/Reckless Injure; Date of offense: 9/1/09; Defendant came before the court for a jury trial on 11/24/09, with counsel, William McMillen, Public Defender, and Wayne Cary, DA present; The jury has returned a verdict of NOT GUILTY; IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the defendant is acquitted and discharged and that any appearance or performance bond executed on behalf of the defendant is exonerated, and any cash or other security posted as bail be refunded or released to depositors.
State of Alaska v. Theodora Katcheak; Order Modifying Judgment; It is hereby ordered that specific probation condition number six (unnumbered) is stricken from the judgment; The defendant is ordered released from Seaside, and probation conditions shall not require her residence at a particular location; The balance of probation conditions shall remain the same.
State of Alaska v. Dana Henry (12/21/84); 2NO-06-467CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109420326; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the revocation in Case No. 2NO-08-318CR; Remanded into custody.
State of Alaska v. Dana Henry (12/21/84); 2NO-08-318CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110126502; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days, consecutive to the revocation in Case No. 2NO-06-467CR; Remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Dana Henry (12/21/84); 2NO-08-783CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110130606; Violated conditions of probation; No action is taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Andrew Ozenna (11/3/86); Criminal Trespass 1st; Date of offense: 12/20/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall

be paid through this court within 10 days; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.
State of Alaska v. Vivian Washington (3/24/83); Count 2: Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 12/21/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 001; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. John Saclamana (12/19/81); (Attempted) Fraudulent Use of Access Device; Date of offense: 10/8/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 360 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 360 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Substance Abuse treatment while incarcerated is recommended; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Matthew M. Moore (7/9/84); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 1107057286; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 months, remanded into custody; This Court recommends placement at Seaside Community Residential Center.
State of Alaska v. Charlene Ellanna; Order Modifying Sentence; Based on motion of the defendant, the non-opposition of the State, and good cause being found therein; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the 30 days revoked and imposed in 2NO-09-45CR is vacated and probation is terminated.
State of Alaska v. Sterling Buffas; Order Granting Early Termination; the defendant has requested early termination of probation; This request has not been opposed by his probation officer and the request demonstrates substantial positive changes in the defendant's life; More than one half of the originally ordered probation has elapsed without negative actions; For these reasons, the request is GRANTED.
Week ending 12/31/09
State of Alaska v. Justina Pete (6/27/67); Criminal Trespass 1st; Date of offense: 8/28/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated upon reporting to serve as ordered; 3 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 1/8/10; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Anthony Okpealuk (1/22/67); Indecent Exposure 2nd; Date of offense: 10/22/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/28/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not consume possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for alcohol.
State of Alaska v. Steve Pennini (10/2/80); 2NO-09-416CR Count 2: Interfering with Report of Domestic Violence; Date of offense: 7/10/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance of performance bond is exonerated; 300 days, 300 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/28/12; 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 contact, directly or indirectly, except indirect contact as related to visitation and child care, or return to the residence of M. Swann; Other: Not return to Nome without written permission of court.
State of Alaska v. Steve Pennini (10/2/80); 2NO-09-596CR Count 1: Violating Protective Order; Date of offense: 9/17/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance of performance bond is exonerated; 300 days, 300 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/28/12; 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 contact, directly or indirectly, except indirect contact as related to visitation and child care, or return to the residence of M. Swann; Other: Not return to Nome without written permission of court.
State of Alaska v. Steve Pennini (10/2/80); 2NO-09-596CR Count 2: Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 9/17/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance of performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/28/12, subject to the following conditions: same as count 1.
State of Alaska v. Archie Adams (12/7/77); Theft 3rd; Date of offense: 6/3/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance of performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Defendant has made restitution to satisfaction of victim; Probation until 12/28/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.
State of Alaska v. Robin Fagerstrom (3/16/72); 2NO-09-418CR Count 1: Reckless Driving; Date of offense: 7/12/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 330 days, 300 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 2/1/10; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due 10 days from date of this judgment (12/28/09); Jail Surcharge: \$150 (if probation), \$100 suspended; \$50 due, pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st offense), \$0 suspended; Full amount due payable to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: other: NSBHS or VBC by 2/15/10; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; File proof by 3/15/10 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 6/1/10 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 90 days, concurrent with DMV action; Surrender ID/License within 1 week; After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 12 months during your probation period; Probation until 12/29/10; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 1 year from date of judgment; Other: Subject to warrantless breath test at request of any peace officer; Warrantless arrest for violation.
State of Alaska v. Jeffrey M. Kimoktoak (6/20/89); 2NO-07-511CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109527858; Violated conditions of probation; No action taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Jeffrey Kimoktoak (6/20/89); 2NO-08-882CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110126898; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, shall report to AMCC by 1/8/10.
State of Alaska v. Jeffrey Kimoktoak (6/20/89); 2NO-09-602CR Habitual Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 9/12/09; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court within 10 days; Community Work: complete 96 hours of community work service and submit proof

of completion to Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's License or Permit: Revoked for 6 months, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Defendant shall immediately surrender license/permit to court; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 12/29/09); Shall not consume inhalants, or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license/permit, pay surcharge, show proof of community work service; Shall submit to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer and may be arrested without a warrant for probation violation; Shall contact NSBHS or any ASAP by 2/15/10, and shall be evaluated, pay for, and successfully complete any recommended alcohol education or treatment program(s); Inpatient treatment of up to 60 days can be required; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.
State of Alaska v. Jeffrey Kimoktoak (6/20/89); 2NO-09-619CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol; Filed by the DAs Office 12/29/09.
State of Alaska v. Madeleine Okpealuk (9/14/82); 2NO-08-48CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110062818; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-474CR, 2NO-09-479CR; Remanded into custody.
State of Alaska v. Madeleine Okpealuk (9/14/82); 2NO-09-474CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110702943; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-479CR, 2NO-08-48CR; Remanded into custody.
State of Alaska v. Madeleine Okpealuk (9/14/82); 2NO-09-479CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110702979; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-474CR, 2NO-08-48CR; Remanded into custody.
State of Alaska v. Madeleine Okpealuk (9/14/82); 2NO-09-695CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001, 002, 003: Violation of Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 12/23/09.
State of Alaska v. Madeleine Okpealuk (9/14/82); 2NO-09-781CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violation of Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 12/23/09.
State of Alaska v. Harvey T. Agloinga (3/13/75); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109062027; Violated conditions of probation; ATN: 109062027; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Not to return to Nome without written permission of the Court; Probation extended to 6/23/10; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Marie Lawlor (1/10/56); 2NO-09-742CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4th; Filed by the DAs Office 12/23/09.
State of Alaska v. Marie Lawlor (1/10/56); 2NO-09-748CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 11/29/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 15 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-09-780CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Marie Lawlor (1/10/56); 2NO-09-780CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 12/14/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-09-748CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Lloyd Apatiki (3/26/81); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110064195; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 12/29/10; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, remanded into custody; Shall serve the current time revoked and time revoked from 11/18/09 Order; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Mary D. Charles (9/15/62); Assault 4th; Date of offense: 5/9/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Probation until 6/29/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.
State of Alaska v. Dan W. Koonuk (1/25/56); 2NO-08-379CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109526004; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 12/29/10; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Dan Koonuk (1/25/56); 2NO-09-286CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4th; Filed by the DAs Office 12/29/09.
State of Alaska v. Gary Amarok (3/4/74); 2NO-07-566CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110061252; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 12/28/10; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Gary Amarok (3/4/74); 2NO-09-705CR Count 1: Criminal Mischief 4th; Date of offense: 11/7/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 50 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 50 days have been served; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Restitution: Defendant has made restitution to satisfaction.
State of Alaska v. Robert L. Otten (8/22/80); 2NO-09-166CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110828034; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: shall be assessed for alcohol treatment by 4/1/10 and shall participate in and complete the recommended treatment and aftercare; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days, shall report to AMCC by 12/31/09 to serve the original sentence and the current revocation; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence.
State of Alaska v. Robert L. Otten (8/22/80); 2NO-09-577CR Count 2: Misconduct Involving Controlled Substance 6th; Partial Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Forfeit marijuana to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Probation until 6/26/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol or marijuana, nor have such in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol/marijuana; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/Substance Abuse assessment by 4/1/10; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.
State of Alaska v. Katrina Allison Toolie (5/3/87); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110127312; Violated conditions of probation; No action is taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Priscilla N. Rock (6/4/76); 2NO-07-210CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109521747; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Not to consume/possess alcohol or enter establishments where liquor is sold or served; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Priscilla N. Rock (6/4/76); 2NO-09-566CR DUI; Date of offense: 9/7/09; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Report by 1/15/10 to AMCC; Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; \$1500 due: 9/30/10; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due 10 days from date of this judgment (12/29/09); Jail Surcharge: \$150 (if probation), \$100 suspended; \$50 due, pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st offense), \$0 suspended; Full amount due pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; File proof by 2/1/10 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 7/1/10 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 90 days; After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 12 months during your probation period; Probation until 1/1/11; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 1/1/11 from date of judgment; Other: May not enter bars or liquor stores; Warrantless test/arrest.
State of Alaska v. Anthony Sarren (5/14/46); Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 12/26/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 7pm, 12/31/09; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Probation until 12/30/10; 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 contact, directly or indirectly, Y.S. without consent.
State of Alaska v. Eugene Iknoikin (1/11/65); Count 2: Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 12/29/09; Binding Plea Agreement; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

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