



Photo by Diana Haecker

NEW HOSPITAL— On Gold Hill just north of the Nome Elementary School (lower left) is the new Norton Sound Regional Hospital. It is scheduled to open this coming autumn.

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Pick your doctor

NSHC takes patient-centered approach to health care

By Diana Haecker

Norton Sound Health Corporation changed the way out patient services are delivered and, among other things, the change allows patients to choose their doctor or physician. Angie Gorn, vice president Hospital Services, explained that NSHC is embracing the so-called patient centered medical home philosophy. The idea is to leave it up to the patients to pick their preferred doctor who in turn is backed by a whole team of nurses and other staff that form a

team.

It used to be that a patient made an appointment and was seen by any health care provider who was available. This is changing. "We want every patient to have a personal provider who they have a relationship with instead of coming to the hospital and seeing a different provider at every visit," Gorn explained.

She said that NSHC has been

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Sixth graders will stay put

By Lori Head

After three weeks of surveys, meetings, interviews and presentations Mike Brawner, superintendent of Nome Public Schools, recommended to the school board that the sixth graders remain at the elementary school. Percentages varied between six groups surveyed, ranging from 66 percent of the community favoring they stay put to 80 percent of current junior high students voting for the same. The only dissenting percentages came from Nome's current fifth graders who would have been the first students of a newly formed middle school. They were ready to make the change with 82 percent voting to send themselves out to the junior high next year. Tweaking the original option a bit, Brawner recommended hiring an additional teacher for the fifth and sixth graders rather than taking one from the junior high school and maintaining the fourth grade aide position which was "a late addition" this school year. He also withdrew the idea of hiring a dean of students.

56er report

Dan Eide began his oversight of the 56ers on February 1 and has been

working with the students, teachers and parents on issues including respectfully addressing each other, classroom management with consistent rules and processes, and the block schedule. "The first week, or the first three days I was there, I ended up taking eight students home after school and visiting with parents. Out of those eight families, every one of them were supportive... They wanted what was best for kids. They understood the problems we were having in the 56er pod with attitudes and things like that," reported Eide.

"Bad behavior wins if good people do nothing," stated Eide. He feels that the 56ers should be leaders at the school and is working on helping the ten percent that interfere with that goal. Nome Eskimo Community has helped by sending two tutors and Eide is encouraged with progress he's seen as there were two days last week with zero discipline referrals.

January students of the month

Tamara Spivey of the junior high and Dylan Johnson of the senior high were honored as January Stu-

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Photo by Nils Hahn

FIRST ROOKIE TRAIL CLASS TEAM — Harold Egan and Brian Jurenka Team 45 of Anchorage arrived in Nome Monday night. They are posed in front of the Iditarod arch on Front Street. As of Tuesday noon Team #43 Cliff Johnson and Stacey Green of Nome (both rookies), Team #44 Jeff Dyer and Tracey Dyer, both veterans, Team #49 Laura Bedard, Barb Harris, and Kim Woodbury (all rookies) and team #51 Mike Bedard and Joseph Lawendowski (both rookies).

Photo by Nadja Cavin

FIRST PRO CLASS INTO NOME—Dusty VanMeter and Marc McKenna arrived in Nome at 3:15:14 followed by Mike Morgan and Chris Olds at 3:17:35 and Todd Minnick arrived at 3:25:38 Tuesday.

Iron Dogs head to Nome, halfway home

By Stephen Palmatier

The ultimate and grueling snowmachine race in the world is off and running. Yes, indeed it is that time of the year when the best in snowmachine racing get put to the test in the Iron Dog Race, a 2,000 mile journey which not only tests the riders physically but mentally as well.

The race began in Big Lake this past Sunday as 31 different teams of two riders set off to race for the ultimate prize in snowmachining. One of the teams in this year's race is James "Tre" West and Tyler Huntington, who have both competed in the race six times. West, who is from Nome feels very good entering the race.

"I feel pretty confident this year," said West. "I have a new partner in Tyler Huntington who has won the race the last two years, so I feel good about it," said West.

With the amount of experience combined between the two teammates along with Huntington's past success, it's easy to see why West feels as confident as he does.

West and Huntington began Sunday starting in the 17th position, which is virtually the middle of the pack. They started 35 minutes after the first team went

out, but the time difference does not factor at all for the rest of the race. At the first layover in McGrath, it will be recorded for the amount of time it took each group to get from Big Lake to McGrath, which then sets up when they let each rider leave from McGrath onward.

The Iron Dog, which started back in 1984 was originally only a 1,000 mile race, but since then it has doubled in distance.

Many people over the years have had the experience racing in the Iron Dog before multiple times.

"I really enjoy it. Once you get going, the racing itself can be a lot of fun," said John Bahnke, who raced in the Iron Dog in 1998, 2002, 2008 and 2010.

The Iron Dog race is an event that not only is tough, but also the preparation is just as intense.

"It definitely takes a lot of time beforehand," said Bahnke. "You see the weeks and weeks of preparation on the snowmachines and getting ready with the body both physically and mentally as well," said Bahnke.

The race, which began this past Sunday will head north until it reaches Nome, the halfway point of the race. After a layover in Nome, the riders then will shift east as they head for the finish in Fairbanks. The race itself will take around a week to complete.

UME investigation: Seals don't show radiation, scientists say

By Diana Haecker

Preliminary screening of tissue samples from sick and healthy seals and walrus have not shown elevated radiation levels, says the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The federal agency and a team of international scientists are still investigating the cause of a mysterious disease that causes lesions, hair loss and apathy in ice

seals and some walrus.

After hunters and rural residents observed seals with significant hair loss, skin lesions and unusually tame behavior, NOAA declared an unusual mortality event, which triggered a more thorough investigation to shed light on the cause and course of the disease.

Part of the investigation is to find out whether the meltdown of the

Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant in March 2011 and its outfall could have anything to do with the disease. Dr. John Kelley and Douglas Dasher took the lead for the radiation assessment and are working at the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences among other schools. The scientists are examining muscle tissue from sick and healthy pinnipeds for the

presence of Cesium-134 and Cesium-137.

Final results are pending, but in a preliminary assessment, the scientists found no radiation levels in the seals. The researchers also didn't find evidence that supports impacts to marine mammals in Alaska, after the nuclear outfall in Japan.

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Letters

Hi Nancy,
I was just blown away when I read in the recent All Around the Sound section that Nome's Quyanna Care Center was ranked as one of the 39 best nursing homes in the country, out of 15,000 nursing homes surveyed! This should be front page news all across Alaska! Just imagine, Nome's Quyanna Care Center ranks right up there with the some of the nation's most expensive and exclusive nursing homes. What a huge honor! My hearty congratulations to all the staff who helped QCC received perfect score in all categories for the past year. You make us proud — and comforted — that such great care is available right here in Nome. Quyanna!
Sue Steinacher
Nome, AK

Dear Nancy:
Superintendent Mike Brawner should be commended for focusing community attention on shocking data describing student performance at Nome Public Schools. As reported in the February 16, 2012 edition of the *Nome Nugget* ("Where Should the Sixth Graders Go?"),

roughly 40 percent of students in grades 5 through 8 read about four years below their grade level:
• 51 percent of eighth graders read at a third grade level or lower (five years behind);
• 37 percent of seventh graders read at a third grade level or lower (four years behind);
• 38 percent of sixth graders read at or below the second grade level (four years behind); and
• 40 percent of 5th graders are reading at a second grade level (three years behind).
The data are not news to school administrators and staff. NPS has performed poorly on such assessments for many years. Both Nome Elementary School and Beltz are at year three of level five of failing to make Adequate Yearly Progress under the No Child Left Behind Act.
Over the past decade, NPS has tried to raise reading scores by devoting more time to instruction, purchasing new instructional materials, and training and retraining instructional staff. It is not surprising that these attempts have been futile—the underlying causes are too broad,

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

Editorial

Get Involved

Bad government happens when good people do nothing. In Nome and in other western Alaskan communities there is a tendency for folks to be very accepting of the status quo. There is a reluctance to challenge those in power. This does not necessarily mean that the public is happy with the way their city is run.
We have many opportunities to get involved yet we are content to quietly grumble and let someone else speak for us. However, they don't. At many community meetings there are only one or two, if any, members of the public present. Where are the concerned citizens? Where is the community backbone? Where is our spine? At times folks will contact the newspaper saying, "You ought to write about..." When they are told to take the problem to the city council, school board, or utility board they go mute.
It's important for responsible citizens to get involved with government. Attend our public meetings, keep informed and be the public watchdog. We have a lot of important issues in our town's future. Now is not the time to sit quietly and get run over by a steamroller.
—N.L.M. —



Comments and Photo Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
HONORING GEORGE WASHINGTON—Since 1776 America's school children have been taught about the founding father of our country, George "I can not tell a lie" Washington. Pictured is a modern Nome classroom in 1902.

Short Stories

Written by Chas.L.Guimond
During the long evenings of the Winter 1900-01
Founded upon more truth than fiction
Written in Nome City, Alaska

Museum Editor's Note: The darn grammar and spelling errors are all his!
As promised, the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum is pleased to present another passage from an unpublished manuscript in our archives. We know little about Chas. L. Guimond, the author of these short stories. He was born Leo Charles Guimond in Holyoke, Massachusetts on November 21, 1879. He was 21 years old when he landed on our beaches to seek his fortune in gold. Guimond wrote several entertaining stories in his journal throughout the long, cold Nome winter of 1900-1901. The Museum will publish more of Chas's musings in upcoming issues of *The Nome Nugget*.
For now let's go back in time 111 years ago to a small cabin occupied by seven grown men down on the beach west of Nome...

"Washington's Birthday"

By Chas.L.Guimond
Nome City, Alaska
February 22-1901

This is a day of rejoicings! Rejoicing at the anniversary of the birth of the father of this country, George Washington. This is a day upon which the American heart swells with pride — proud of doing homage to America's most illustrious son. In every city, town, village or hamlet, in this our beloved country, of which the American heart is so justly proud, the name of Geo. Washington is on every lip. The spirit of freedom and liberty which he planted in the Americans' heart, will remain as firmly planted in the coming generations' hearts, as though he had planted them upon the battlements of Heaven. In war, as in private life, he was a God fearing

man. For the love of freedom and liberty, he achieved for his country what no other could have done and gave to his country the most substantial government upon the face of the earth. Neither the eloquence of a Demosthenes, nor the pen of a Shakespeare, could picture out the grand and noble example which he has set to the world, which will never be forgotten, that no country can be free and enjoy freedom and liberty with a Republican form of government. He has led, and others have followed in his footsteps. His, is a name that will never go down in oblivion, as long as the Stars and Stripes float over the heads of all true Americans. Well may we rejoice in celebrating his birthday. All glory to the father of this country, George Washington.
—The End for Now

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LEPC tackles communications issues

By Diana Haecker

During a regular meeting of the Local Emergency Planning Commission last week at the Fire Hall, discussions turned to the need of a back-up communications system in the event of power failures during emergency situations. For example, during the recent winter storm in November, a telephone router failure caused some telephone lines to malfunction, including the 9-1-1 emergency lines that allow Nome residents to contact the Nome Emergency Dispatch Center. Police Chief John Papasodora said the Incident Command and the Emergency Dispatch Center fell back on plan B and with the help of NJUS' manager John Handeland, cell phones were procured and used as back-up 9-1-1 communication. LEPC Chair Tom Vaden made suggestions that the LEPC acquire an Iridium satellite telephone system to use in the event of telephone failures, and the subject is under discussion. Following the meeting, Papasodora told the Nugget that redundant and interoperable communications has been a priority for the emergency services community for several years and that improvements have been made to the communications capability of the entire emergency services community. These changes included development of a standardized communications matrix that is programmed into all mobile and hand-held radios which will allow greater communications capability in the event of an emergency; the acquisition of several base station units that can be set up in remote locations or used as back-up to the main system and upgrades of communications equipment among the police, fire, ambulance and other emergency services providers. At the meeting, Papasodora offered a resolution to present to the City. The resolution would be to include the installation of an antenna and repeater site to high-mast lighting towers that are slated for installation at the port. Papasodora said that installation of equipment on the high mast towers would enhance radio coverage on the south side of the city as well as extend radio coverage over the water where much of the gold dredging activity occurs. With the recent interest generated from the 'Bering Sea Gold' program, it is anticipated the need for reliable communications may be vital to rescue operations resulting from ill-prepared dredge operators who may find themselves in adverse conditions.

In other business, emergency planner Mimi Farley reported that she had sent out 172 letters to businesses, requesting Tier 2 reporting of hazardous materials. Only three companies responded and reported their materials. Alaska Gold Co. was not one of them, although chemicals and explosives used at the failed Rock Creek gold mine are still present in Nome. NovaGold Resources Inc., the parent company, insists that they are exempt from Tier 2 reporting because there are reporting to the Mining Safety and Health Administration, MSHA.

Congratulations to the following Cupcake War Winners!



Photos by Rebecca Callahan
YUMMY – Thomas Cushman, Ethan and Richard Nassuk won the Most Tasty Juniors category.

On behalf of the Forget-Me-Nots we would like to thank the community of Nome for participating in our 1st Cupcake War! It was exciting to see all of the creativity and talent in our community. A big thanks to Kawerak Inc. for providing us the space to have this event. We would also like to thank the judges! It truly was a community effort that helped raise \$1,026.26 for Relay for Life! Way to go!



INSPIRING – Rebecca Callahan won the Most Creative category.

Best Overall: Kim Knudsen
Most Creative: Rebecca Callahan
Most Tasty: Ashley Frost & Eileen Witrosky
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Juniors category:
Best Overall: Kawerak Early Head Start Kawerak
Most Creative: Early Head Start
Most Tasty: Thomas Cushman, Ethan and Richard Nassuk



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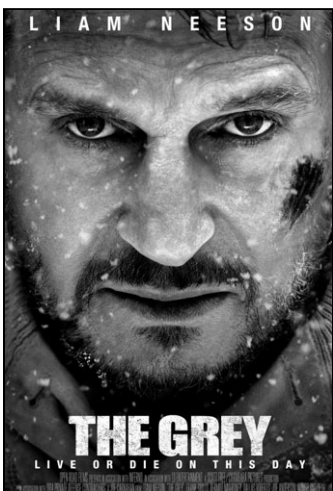
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

February 23 - February 29, 2012

Thursday, February 23

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 a.m. - noon
*Lunch Laps	Pool	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Healthy Journey: Pregnancy Guide	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*The Stages of Labor Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Wiffleball Grades 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Body Blast	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*City League Bball	Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Friday, February 24

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*CAMP & Audiology Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Early Infant Care Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Team Handball, Grades 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	3:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Zumba	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Open Bowl	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Climbing age 8 & under	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 25

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Body Blast	Nome Rec Center	12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.
*Relax, Renew & Restore Yoga	Nome Rec Center	1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
*Touchpoints Video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Bowl	Nome Rec Center	4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 26

*H2O Aerobics	Pool	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Relax- Stress Video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Cardio Kickboxing	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Circumcision Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Pick Up Women's Bball	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Monday, February 27

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	1:30 p.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 5:15 p.m.
*Aids and Women: Greatest Gamble	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Choices in Childbirth Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Zumba	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Open Spc Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*NCC Reg Mtg	Council Chambers	7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 28

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Library	10:30 a.m.
*Lunch Laps	Pool	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Eating on a Healthy Budget Video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Project Diabetes Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Floor Hockey, Grades 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Cardio-Kickbox	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 29

*Pickup Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*Step Parenting Video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Teen Dads Video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Youth Soccer Gr K-2	Nome Rec Center	2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Youth Soccer Gr 3-6	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
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*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Nome Chamber (see ad on page 4)	Mini Conv. Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Community points of interest:

- *Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Tu-Sa)
- *Kegoayah Kozga Library: noon - 8:00 p.m. (M-Th), noon - 6:00 p.m. (F-Sa)
- *Nome Visitor Center: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (M-F)
- *XYZ Center - Center Street: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (M-F)



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working on the initiative for a while and that they asked patients since November to choose their primary care provider. In case of an acute illness or hospital visit without appointment, Gorn explained that acute care issues would be managed as walk-ins and be seen by available staff. Gorn said that this too would change in July and those cases would be handled in the urgent care clinic. "Once we're in the new hospital we'll have a fast track for acute care cases," Gorn said.

Two primary care teams have been created to deliver primary care at NSHC. They are consisting of doctors, certified medical assistants, licensed practical nurse and other support staff. They begin their day with a "huddle" at 8:30 a.m. At the huddle, they discuss patients to be seen that day, go over their charts, develop best strategies for the cases, check on prevention screenings and if lab work is done in time.

"This approach greatly improves communication between everybody involved," Gorn said. When the first patient shows up at 9 a.m. the team is ready with a strategy. Is this going to speed up the turn-around of patients per day? Gorn said that the

hospital is doing time studies to see how quickly patients get through as every step is tracked for managers to see where bottleneck situations occur. "The goal is that patients are seen on time, get the best care and have preventive care built-in to the visit," Gorn said.

Gorn said that over the past year, managers, chief of staff and administrators have been learning about the model. "We've been taking baby steps and finally we said, it's time to implement it," Gorn said.

From November to January NSHC implemented "empanelment," a term used when patients were asked to pick their preferred doctor. "We still encourage patients to call in and let us know who their primary care provider should be," Gorn said. This also holds true for patients who come in from the outlying communities. "We try to improve continuity for every patient," Gorn said.

NSHC currently employs seven medical doctors and doctors of osteopathic medicine. They are Karen O'Neill, M.D.; David Head, M.D.; Carolyn McDougald, D.O.; Alin Ledford, M.D.; Gina Salcedo, M.D.; John Salmon, PA; Sai-Ling Liu, D.O.



Photo by Diana Haecker

THE HUDDLE— NSHC primary care team members Bobbi Jo Conner, Dr. Sai-Ling Liu, Sarah Swartz and Kristian Kasayulie "huddle" on Friday, Feb. 17 morning to discuss health care strategies for patients to be seen that day.

• Sixth graders stay put

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dents of the Month. Anvil City Science Academy selected Tori Thomas in November, Paul Bioff in December and Kastyn Lie in January as students of the month.

Partner in Education awards

Marguerite LaRiviere, director of the Kegoayah Kozga Library, accepted a Partner in Education award from the school board at their February 16 regular meeting. LaRiviere was commended for her numerous efforts towards literacy including organizing and fundraising to bring author Brandon Mull to Nome, working closely with the NPS librarian and school reading incentive programs, ordering the necessary books for Battle of the Books each year, and holding a weekly preschool story hour as well as a summer reading program.

John Handeland, chairman of the Museum and Library Commis-

sion, also accepted a Partner in Education award on behalf of the Kegoayah Kozga Library which was recognized for its diligent efforts to support reading.

A third Partner in Education award was given to Malinda Besett, Head Start director, recognizing Kawerak and its partnership with NPS and the Pre-Kindergarten program.

Hearing of delegations/individuals

Megs Testarmata, community member, acknowledged that there is now a bus running after school five days a week and asked the board to "consider requiring students that are failing, that have D's and F's in classes, to stay for that after school time and put in some time...to help these students succeed." Testarmata cited two school districts which are currently running a mandatory after school program for failing students.

Early Release Day – Feb. 24

Measures of Academic Progress results are in and students will be released early, Friday, February 24, in order for staff to review the data and prepare instructional plans accordingly. "Our latest winter assessment revealed that we have improved eight percent so now we have 46 of our third graders that are at the score of the 40th percentile...That is the mark that the board adopted in the Read 90 program...I think that's good news," shared Brawner.

Legislative Fly-In

Board member Jennifer Reader thanked everybody for the opportunity to go to Juneau and represent NPS. Mike Brawner, Reader and board member Barb Nickels met

with several legislators requesting increased funding. Reader expounded, "As Mr. Brawner told each and every one of them, not in a stimulus package but in a continuous increase and something that we know will sustain our budget so that we can know that we can actually give teachers a job every year and maintain some of these amazing programs that we have started." Brawner will be going back to Juneau in March and Reader encouraged community members to express their opinions stressing that "the governor doesn't want to support the proposition that we'd like him to support right now. And so we really would like to encourage each and every one of you to kind of help

us with that voice and tell him this is what we really want and need."

Junior high science fair

According to Steve Gast's written report, principal of Nome Beltz Jr/Sr High School, all junior high students will be involved with a two week science project in February that will conclude with a Science Fair on Thursday, March 8, where the projects will be judged and awards presented.

Elementary updates

Dave Keller, principal of Nome Elementary School, reported a successful parent-teacher conference attendance rate of 84 percent in his

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• UME investigation

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Gay Sheffield with the Sea Grant Program at Northwest Campus in Nome said that so far there were 179 events – instances when one or more seals were found dead with symptoms of hair loss or alive showing symptoms — in a time span from May to November.

Sheffield aids the UME investigation and has so far sent in seven seals from Wales, Shishmaref, Diomede and Gambell for necropsies. The dis-

ease showed up in seals in Canada, the North Slope, along the northwestern Alaskan coast including the islands of Little Diomede and St. Lawrence, all the way down to Hooper Bay. Russian researchers report seals with the same symptoms and in northern Japan, spotted, ringed and ribbon seals were seen with lesions and hair loss in unusual haulout sites.

The research teams are still encouraging the public to report seals and walrus showing symptoms.

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By Lori Head

Something interesting is happening at Head Start in Nome. Test scores are improving — dramatically! Janet Balice, Head Start teacher, shared some impressive data with the Nome Board of Education at their regular meeting on February 16.

The 2010-2011 school year was the second year of the Nome Public Schools preschool grant. The story begins with 31 students beginning last school year when they were four years old at Head Start. Two different tests were administered in the fall 2010 and again in spring 2011.

One was the Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test. Based on the national percentile rankings of the PPVT, the percentage of the 31 students was as follows:

31 Students Total	Fall 2010	Spring 2011
Top Quartile (75 th -100 th percentile)	19%	39%
Second Quartile (50 th -74 th percentile)	26%	26%
Third Quartile (25 th -49 th percentile)	19%	32%
Bottom Quartile (0-24 th percentile)	35%	3%

Important to notice above is the 20 percent increase in the top quartile from 19 percent to 39 percent and the 32 percent decrease in the bottom °quartile.

The second test administered was the Developmental Indicators for the Assessment of Learning Third Edition (DIAL – 3). Based on the national percentile rankings of the DIAL-3, the percentage of students in each quartile of the total score was as follows:

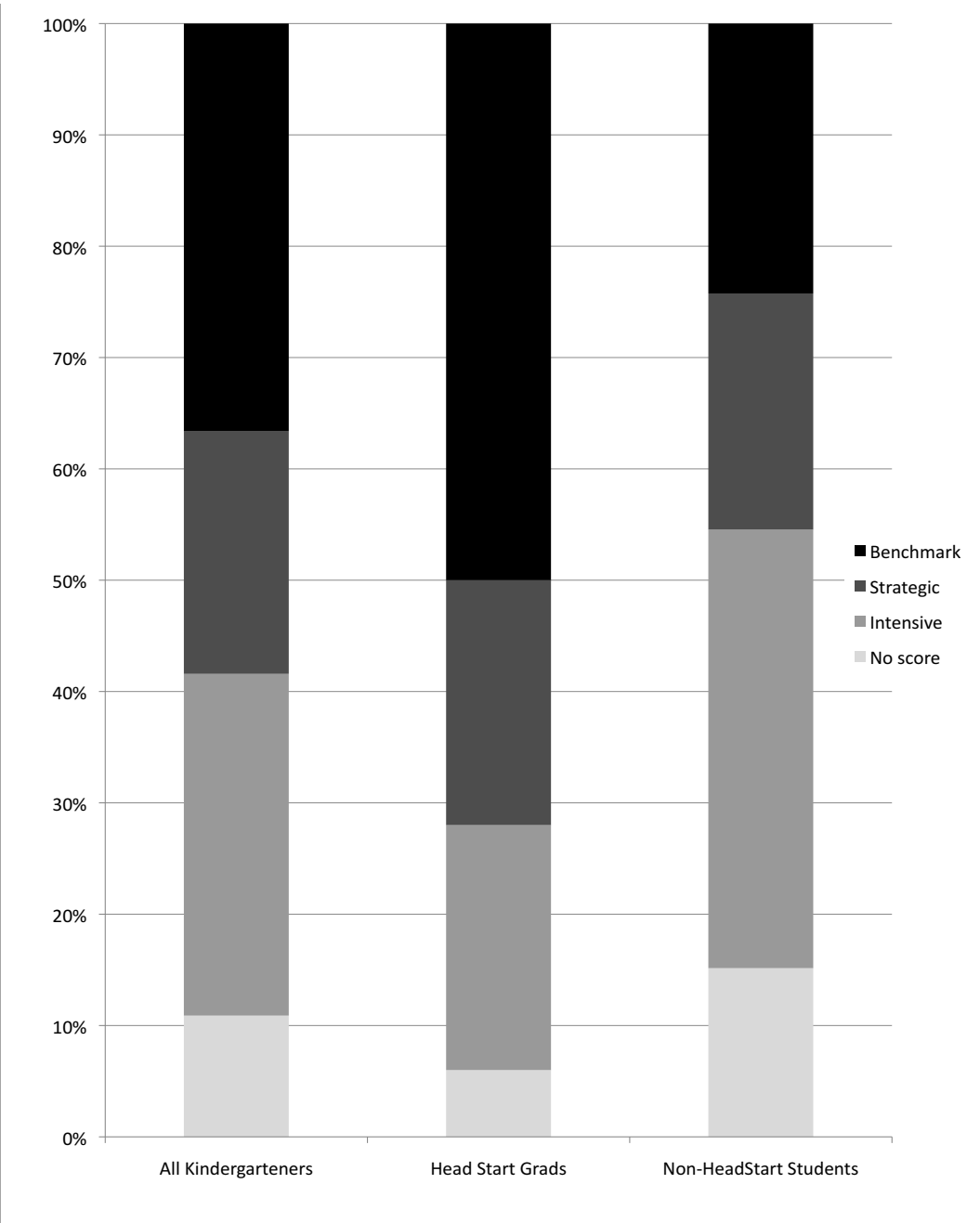
30 Students Total	Fall 2010	Spring 2011
Top Quartile (75 th -100 th percentile)	23%	80%
Second Quartile (50 th -74 th percentile)	7%	3%
Third Quartile (25 th -49 th percentile)	33%	7%
Bottom Quartile (0-24 th percentile)	37%	10%

Important to notice above is the dramatic increase of 57 percent of students in the top quartile from fall to spring and the 27 percent decrease in the bottom quartile. After Summer 2011 these Head Start students entered Nome Elementary School as kindergarteners. And they were tested again. This time it was the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) test. Important to notice above is the upper segment of each column which is benchmark level, in other words, it’s the target level. The middle column is

the Head Start graduates with 50 percent scoring at benchmark on their first assessment. All Kindergarteners total 65 students, including the 32 Head Start graduates, or almost half of NPS entering kindergarteners. In the far left column, the percentage of all Kindergarteners at benchmark is 37 percent. Kawerak’s Head Start pro-

gram has recently received two awards. The first was awarded at the Alaska Head Start Association Annual Conference where they were recognized for School District Collaboration. The other was a Partner in Education award from the Nome Board of Education for its partnership with Nome Public Schools and the Pre-Kinder-

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AHSA CONFERENCE—Cam Kristenson (Nome) - Community Advocate of the Year Mary Long (St. Michael) - Family Advocate of the Year Malinda Besett (Nome) - Director of the Year Janet Balice (Nome) representing Nome Public Schools - School District Collaboaration of the YearLillie Nylin (Elim) - Beating the Odds.

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written report.

Keller also noted that a reported small group of fifth and sixth graders “have been continuing to use tobacco products, in particular chew or snuff.” Some have been interviewed and searched and found in possession of snuff. “Consequences have included suspension as well as enrollment in a tobacco awareness program co-facilitated by Danielle Sylvester and Sherri Harvey,” stated Keller.

Thirty candidates applied for the NES principal position beginning next school year. Four finalists were selected and will interview for the position the week of February 20. Brawner hopes to offer a contract to a successful candidate and bring a signed contract to the March school board meeting for approval.

Action Items

After previously meeting as a full board with Brawner and offering an extension of one year to his contract, the board needed to formalize that as an action item at this meeting. With board members Barb Nickels and Gloria Karmun absent, board president Betsy Brennan and board member Reader voted in favor of the extension, board member Amarok voted against it. The motion needed majority of the board membership, or three votes, to pass so it would have required all three board members in attendance to vote yes. Any board member may bring this back

to the table at a future date.

All 34 tenured staff teacher contracts were approved by the school board.

Two policies, BP 4111.2 Legal Status Requirement and BP 4030 Nondiscrimination in Employment passed on their second and final readings.

Two other policies, BP 6161.4 Internet and BP 6159 Individualized Education Program both passed with their first reading.

The internet policy involved adding cyber bullying and harassment text to current policy to conform to requirements due by July 2012 to continue to qualify for E-Rate funding according to Robin Johnson, technology director.

BP 6159 Individualized Education Program was a policy update recommended by AASB (Association of Alaska School Boards). Sandy Harvey, special education coordinator, recommended the board approve the policy which included adopting the June 2011 Alaska State Special Education Handbook and an updated website link.

Next meeting

The Nome Board of Education will meet again on February 28, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss MAP results, a drug dog presentation and security cameras inside the buildings.

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NOME’S COAST — Locked up by ice most of the year, Nome’s coast offers a wealth of recoverable resources in the summer months. A strong coastal zone management program would give Nome as say in how activities can occur in Nome’s coastal zone.

Legislature introduces new coastal zone management bill

By Diana Haecker

While a citizen initiative to bring back the coastal zone management program has progressed to appear on the 2012 primary or general election ballot, lawmakers last week introduced a bill that is identical to the initiative’s text. Take note of the name, House Bill 325. It is destined to make headlines – again. Last year, the Alaska coastal zone management program — ACMP for short — was at the center of a bitter dispute between the two legislative bodies and the Governor’s office over passing the extension of the program. The program — which is in effect in all states except for Alaska — allowed states and, to some extent, local residents and municipalities to put conditions on development activities on federal lands and waters.

The ACMP sunset on June 30 last year when the Legislature and the governor couldn’t come to terms on a revamped program. During a special session devoted solely to resolving the issue, lawmakers failed to save it.

Last Friday, House Majority Leader Rep. Alan Austerman (Kodiak) and Representatives Neal Foster, Paul Seaton, Peggy Wilson, Bryce Edgmon, Reggie Joule, Beth Kertulla and Bob Herron introduced the new bill. HB 325, just like the initiative, proposes an Alaska Coastal Policy Board that would be created under the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development. It would consist of nine public members and nine alternate members appointed by the governor from a list composed of at least three names from each region, nominated by the coastal districts in each region. One public member and the alternate would be picked from Northwest Alaska, the Bering Strait region, including the BSSD area and the City of Nome, as well as southwest Alaska, Kodiak-Aleutian Islands, Upper Cook Inlet (including Mat-Su Borough and Anchorage), Lower Cook Inlet, Prince William Sound, northern Southeast and southern Southeast Alaska. Designated members would be the commissioners of the Dept. of Environmental Conservation, Alaska Fish and Game, Natural Resources and Commerce, Community and Economic Development. The members would serve staggered terms of three years.

The board’s task would be to review and approve regulations to implement the ACMP and to “initiate an interagency program of strategic coastal and ocean planning for each geographic region of the state,” the bill reads. The bill also calls for the creation of a division of ocean and coastal management within the Dept. of Commerce, Community and Economic Development.

The division would make federal and state consistency determinations in case a project needs a permit from two or more state agencies. The division is also to help coastal districts to carry out their planning and man-

agement functions, and provide financial assistance to develop and maintain coastal management plans.

Prior to the demise of the ACMP, the program was at home at the Dept. of Natural Resources and was implemented by roughly 34 state employees. The bill lays out the objectives of the ACMP, and those run the gamut from protection, enhancement and restoration, to development.

One objective reads that the ACMP must be consistent with “the use, management, restoration and enhancement of the overall quality of the coastal environment for this generation and succeeding generations.”

The second objective states that the “development of industrial or commercial enterprises are consistent with the social, cultural, historic, economic and environmental interests of the people of the state.”

Another objective recognizes “the need for a continuing supply of energy to meet the requirements of the state and the contribution of a share of the state’s resources to meet national energy needs,” which alludes to coastal oil and gas developments.

Two objectives touch on the protection of the subsistence lifestyle. One calls on the “orderly, balanced use and protection of the resources of the coastal area consistent with sound conservation and sustained yield principles” and the “full and fair evaluation of all demands on and uses of the land and water in the coastal area.”

Juneau mayor Bruce Botelho spearheaded the creation of the Alaska Sea Party for the purpose of putting the initiative on the ballot to let Alaskans determine whether or not Alaska should have a Coastal Zone management program.

Last week, Lt. Governor Mead Treadwell determined that the initiative has gathered 25,875 signatures from qualified Alaskans and this allows the appearance of the measure on the 2012 ballot. However, it is not quite certain that it will be on the ballot. “Whether the measure actually appears on the primary or general election ballot depends on the timing of the legislature’s adjournment and whether they take action on substantially similar legislation,” Lt. Gov. Treadwell said.

If the Lt. Governor finds the legislation to be “substantially similar” to the initiative, he can remove it from this fall’s ballot. However that decision could be challenged in court, adds Paul Labolle, staff to Nome Rep. Neal Foster.

The bill has been read on the floor on Friday and it has been referred to the state’s resources and finance committees. The Senate has not introduced a companion bill yet.

Nome Rep. Neal Foster said that he co-sponsored the bill along with seven other lawmakers that include the three colleagues from western Alaska, Bob Herron, Bryce Edgmon and Reggie Joule. Asked why he signed on to co-sponsor the bill, Foster said that he wanted to enhance the possibility of an ACMP bill passing

either way. “It’s better to give it two opportunities to succeed,” Foster said. Plus, Foster added, by allowing it to go through the deliberative process in the Legislature, changes can be made, if necessary. If the initiative is approved by voters, language cannot be changed after the voters approved it. Explains Labolle, “If the ballot measure goes through, the resulting law can’t be modified for two years.”

Fears are that if it comes down to the ballot measure, proponents and opponents of the measure would throw millions of dollars at ad campaigns and muddle the water. Foster maintains that the deliberative process of hearings, committee meetings and discussions could bring forth a less controversial end-product. But, by the same token, Foster said “It’s probably going to be a battle to get it through.” However, he said it’s something that the House

district 39, including Nome and much of Norton Sound and the Bering Strait region, supports.

“Let’s give this as many opportunities as we can,” Foster said. Foster said he’s thinking of the future when an influx of activity is coming our way. “I really want to make sure that we have a seat at the table. Down the road, we will see some really big things happening like Shell coming through for oil and gas exploration as well as big ships going through the Bering Strait and that really could affect subsistence,” Foster said.

Foster said that opponents of the ACMP would be afraid that locals had veto power, but the ACMP bill as written only gives locals a voice, not veto power, in project developments on state or federal coastal zones. After all, the whole point of the ACMP is to give states the opportunity for input in activities in federal waters, clarified Labolle.

Nome city manager Josie Bahnke welcomed the introduction of the bill in the House and was encouraged that the Legislature thought it was important enough to submit a bill in addition to the initiative. Bahnke said that with the expected onslaught of mining activities resulting from the Discovery Channel’s reality show “Bering Sea Gold” and the DNR offshore lease sale, the city still has the opportunity to provide comment through the DNR permitting process. “But they don’t have to go through the next level of scrutiny that the ACMP consistency review offered,” Bahnke said. Nome had a coastal zone management plan, but with the death of the program, the plan is not enforceable anymore. “We’re watching HB 325 very closely,” said Bahnke.

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Arctic policy: Alaska wants a big dog in the fight

By Sandra L. Medearis

The United States has a firm toe hold on the status as an Arctic nation through Alaska, its northernmost state with shorelines lapped by Arctic waters. Enjoying this strategic position with countries along the Arctic Circle, Alaska wants to ensure its voice is heard, including input from its coastal indigenous villages.

With receding ice and climate warming opening northern waters, stakeholders in the state's economic and cultural future have been attempting to get the state onto the circumpolar stage as a player in Arctic policies with an active role in determining U.S. policies and responding to those that run counter to Alaska's interests and established regional relationships.

The Alaska Legislature formed the Alaska Northern Waters Task Force in 2010 to exert and preserve its influence on northern marine transportation, governance, fisheries, resource development, research and outer continental shelf development. Rep. Reggie Joule heads the panel of which Nome's mayor, Denise Michels is a member. The Task Force held meetings around the state and came out with findings and recommendations this month. Conversations about Alaska were being held in the Canadian arctic, circumpolar arctic countries and in Washington D.C., Joule said.

"One of our goals was to get the Legislature engaged in conversations about the Arctic as opposed to waiting for budgetary items to come forward," Joule said Monday, and thus get communities also involved in the discussions.

Canada already has an Arctic policy, as does Denmark. An Arctic Council is being chaired for two years by Sweden, to be followed by Canada for two years, then the United States. The Arctic Council comprises eight nations—Canada, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Russian Federation, United States and Denmark (Greenland and Faroe Islands). It is an intergovernmental forum that addresses issues faced by the Arctic governments and indigenous people of the Arctic.

"For a period of four years, the chair will be handled by North America. By working together with our neighbors to the east we can have some impact on some of the policies and decisions that that body will be looking at," said Joule.

Now to develop the state's position farther, at the request of the ANWTF, the House Finance Committee has introduced HCR 23, a bill for the creation of a 16-member Alaska Arctic Policy Commission. The intent is that the Commission would help Alaska position itself within the national Arctic policy.

The state could use the AAPC to stay in conversations that would affect the state and its communities, Joule said.

"This is certainly very important to those of us around the Nome area," Rep. Neal Foster said. "I want to point out that in the work of the Task Force that has just been concluded was the focus to make sure the people whose backyard is being affected—Kotzebue, Wales, Diomed, people who can actually even see the ships going by—wanting to make sure that the benefits were being shared by people in those communities."

According to testimony from Canadian visitors, Canada already sees itself as an Arctic nation and its part of their national story and their

national mystique," Rep. Berta Gardner said. "The United States largely has no awareness of that. It's clearly on our minds here in Alaska, but the rest of the nation is largely asleep on some of the issues that concern us."

Canada has a national policy, and three provinces—Nunavut, Northwest Territories and Yukon have their own Arctic vision, according to Joule.

"I think we would do much the same," Joule said.

"Canada's national policy, developed in 2009, was more geared to military and national sovereignty in resource development, whereas NWT Nunavut and Greenland are more about regional cooperation, economically sustainable communities economically sustainable resource development—more regionally based," Christine Hess, Joule's chief of staff said in a House Resources Committee hearing.

Rep. Alan Dick said constituents had concern "this might lead us down a road where we might be sacrificing national sovereignty in joining into some global something or other," he said.

"I guess one of the options is to do nothing," Joule responded. "Where would that take us?"

"Alaska, because of its place allows the United States to sit with the Arctic Council among Arctic nations. Would we say that we'll just let the federal government make the decisions and go from there and take their lead," Joule said. "I think our state has a little bit of independence and I believe that our state would also like to be able to influence some of the decisions that are being made at the federal level, but also potentially at the international level. If anything, it would be asserting our sovereignty."

For the most part, the members of the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission would be residents of Alaska, with the exception of a representative of the federal government who might be only stationed in Alaska, as a U.S. Coast Guard representative, for example.

The 16-member Commission would include the following to serve for the life of the panel:

- Three senators appointed by the Senate president (one acting as co-chair).
- Three representatives appointed by the House speaker (one acting as co-chair).
- One member from the executive branch appointed by the governor.
- Nine members appointed jointly by the Senate president and the House speaker representing the federal government; a tribal entity; the mining industry; the oil and gas industry; the University of Alaska; fisheries; a local government; a coastal community; an international Arctic organization.

Unlike the Task Force, the AAPC would include representatives from the oil and gas industry, University of Alaska and tribal members. "This intends to bring more of the stakeholders into shaping this policy," Joule said. One of the most important pieces of the Task Force was the dialog we were able to have with communities when we went out to Wales, when we went out to Unalakleet, when we went out to Wainwright."

As designed, the AAPC would develop preliminary policies as a progress report by Jan. 30, 2014 and deliver a final report by Jan. 30, 2015.



Photos by Michelle Simon

EXCELLENT— White Mountain Kaverak Headstart students Stanley Jack and Kaden Adams earned excellent attendance awards.



AWARDS— Kaverak Headstart recently gave out attendance awards to students who have shown 85 percent or greater attendance. Pictured are Lori Nassuk and Caitlyn Lincoln of White Mountain,, proudly showing their award certificates.

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Rocky watch out: Sivuqaq Sweet Science boxing team formed in Gambell

Editor's note: Recently in Gambell on St. Lawrence Island, 35 miles off the coast of Russia and a bit closer to Alaska, Robert McCoy started a boxing team. McCoy, 22, has ties to the island as his mother's family originates from the island. Love brought him back to his ancestor's place.

McCoy started the boxing club called Sivuqaq Sweet Science. Here is his first-hand account on forming an unusual club on the island, teaching skills to youth that go beyond sports.



Coach Robert "Utuqsik" McCoy

By Robert McCoy

I have been boxing since 2001 and it has always been a dream of mine to start my own boxing team and eventually open up my own gym. I came to Gambell in May 2011 and spent two months here. One of the problems I noticed was overexposure of negative influences to the youth, due to lack of entertainment or activities. Because my family, the Apangalooks from my mom's side, originates from Gambell, I was pressed to try and make a change and provide a positive influence for our youth and our future.

I returned to Gambell in November 2011 with plans of making an impact. My first week back I began working as a substitute teacher at the Hugo T. Apatiki Elementary/John Apangalook Memorial High School. After about a month of subbing, I landed a full time position at the Kawerak Head Start. In December, I began wondering if this place where my ancestors come from could be where I can pursue my dream. So I started asking and conversing with the people in the village, who are highly respected and great leaders, about my plans and my dreams. All were supportive of my plans to make an impact with our youth through boxing as long as it was done so with the right guidance and encouragement.

I began my process of starting the

first Alaskan rural boxing team by collecting letters of recommendation from three highly respected members of the community. I then wrote a letter myself, explaining my plans and goals. After all letters were in order, I started collecting signatures from the community who supported my proposal and I gathered six pages full! I brought all of my paperwork to the school and requested permission to use the school facilities for our practices. Since most of the school staff, including both the principal and the assistant principal, also supported my proposal, I had no problem getting approved. With help from Deb Forkner, the school principal, and Kathy Klunder, I was able to acquire a grant through a program called 21st Century, which supports after-school programs. With the grant come responsibilities of a required 20 minutes of reading, which we do together at the end of practice. I then made plans for our first meeting and our first practice.

Every week I do lesson plans for upcoming practices to be prepared. During and after practices I track every student's progress and try to get some one-on-one time with each student. I explained to my students that we were not only going to be learning boxing, but along with it we would also be learning self control, self discipline, history, nutritional information, and most of all, to have fun together. I explained that I started this program to redirect them from getting into trouble and to build confidence in themselves and to be great leaders in the community, which they all have the potential to be.

With reality setting in after our first official meeting, I realized all the responsibilities I brought on. I have many plans for our unique boxing team and I am determined not to let them down. I also told them we would have to work for everything that we receive and nothing would go unearned.

All of my students so far, into our third week, have shown a great deal of interest with over 15 members. With all the support from the community and my students, it has brought a great deal of optimism to our boxing team's future and we cannot help but to be filled with excitement and happiness.

I, without a doubt, believe that with some hard work, dedication, teamwork and persistence, the sky is the limit for our "Sivuqaq Sweet Science" boxers. We have practice twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays for an hour and a half each day. In our first practices we were doing mostly basics of boxing to get them started but lately we have been getting into more conditioning practices. We start with stretching for 10 minutes, then we run 10 laps in the gym, then we jump rope for 15 minutes and finally we get into what I have planned for that day doing station workouts and while they're doing stations I pull them out one at a time to do some more one-on-one

training getting into more detailed or vital lessons.

My boxers are all in the middle or high school age group.

I got involved in boxing in 2001 through my childhood best friend. He brought me to a boxing gym in downtown Anchorage called Jill's

gym in the backroom of a pulltab parlor— it was kind of a hole in the wall gym but that's when I fell in

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Photos by Jewel Koonooka

SIVUQAQ SWEET SCIENCE BOXING CLUB— Robert McCoy, standing at the far right, began teaching Gambell youth the art of boxing. His team is growing and includes the following members. Back row (from left to right) Danny Aningayou, Russell Apatiki, Anthony Siwooko, Jared Koonooka Jr., Andrew Kunayak, Simber Apatiki and Wallace Ungwiluk, coach Robert McCoy. Front row (left to right) Andrew Apangalook, Austin Apassingok, Shannon Apassingok, Ben Apangalook, Jeffrey Siwooko, Leonard Apangalook III.



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TEACHING— Coach McCoy, right, is teaching his students at the Gambell school's gym.

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love with the sport and knew it would be a big part of my life one way or another. After starting at Jill's gym I tried a couple other gyms but the gym I most recently trained at and I consider my home gym right now is Daniel's boxing school in Anchorage.

At Daniel's boxing school I gained lots of experience training with many professionals including even a boxer who was in the 2008 Beijing Olympics. Daniel Choi was my trainer and he is a top trainer in the nation having many Golden Glove champs and professionals and amateur boxers training through him. Daniel felt I was experienced enough to help with training new boxers at our gym and had me start teaching.

The equipment we are currently trying to acquire are heavy bags, speed bags, boxing gloves, head gear, mouth guards, hand wraps, better jump ropes, jerseys and shoes. The equipment is mostly what we're fundraising for right now, but we are also trying to plan a trip to bring my more serious students on a trip to Anchorage to train at Daniel's Boxing School for a week and attend a boxing event in Anchorage and also

just enjoy the city for a little while.

Anthony Slwooko, 15, said that the boxing gives him inspiration. "The boxing program has inspired me to try harder in life and has given me something to look forward to here in Gambell," Slwooko said.

The only thing our team lacks so far is funding which we are seeking through donations and fundraising. Last Sunday, 70 people in Gambell attended a spaghetti fundraiser that brought in \$500 for the purchase of gear. I made the first donation by supplying all the food necessary to have our spaghetti feed. I informed my students that we're going to have to work to earn our equipment and gear as it was not already all available for us. All my students are more then willing to help with fundraising because they understand that we are going to have to earn all our equipment required for experience and growth in boxing.

Ben Apangalook, 13, said that coach Robert has inspired him to do better at school and at home. Other kids testified to the effect that the boxing helps them keep focused in school and helped them with self-control.



KEEP YOUR GUARDS UP— Coach McCoy demonstrates during practice how to punch and guard. Shown in the photo are Jeffrey Slwooko, Anthony Slwooko and Wallace Ungwiluk.

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FUNDRAISER— Gambell residents turned out in force for a spaghetti fundraiser held on Sunday night.



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WORKING FOR THEIR GEAR— Boxing club students Dominic Apangalook, Anthony Slwooko and Austin Apassingok helped serving food for the Spaghetti Feed fundraiser to benefit the newly formed boxing club in Gambell.

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Nome Boys Drop Second Game of Year in Dillingham

By Stephen Palmatier

The Nome Nanooks boys basketball team lost only their second game all season this past weekend in Dillingham as they split the two games played on the road. It wasn't just the fact that they lost one and not the other, but the way both games played out was staggering.

In the first game, the Nanook boys dominated the entire game, eventually winning in a convincing fashion, 63-43. Nome, who had three different players score in double figures,

had no trouble getting points, scoring at will against Dillingham. Nathan Blandford led the Nanooks, as he has in many games this season with a game high 24 points. Tyler Eide scored 15 points and Jens Irelan added an additional 10.

However, in the second game, it was a completely different story. Nome's defense again allowed Dillingham only to score 43 points. The problem with this game was that Nome themselves only scored 30 points. The Nanooks, who only had

Eide score in double figures with 10 points, shot 29 percent from the floor and committed 16 turnovers, doubling the turnover margin that Dillingham gave up. Blandford and Irelan, who have been consistent double figure scorers all season, came away with 10 points combined in the loss in what was perhaps the worst game played all year by the Nanook boys squad.

Every team has an off night during the season, but the question is worth asking. How can a team that

they beat so easily the previous day defeat them the next day so convincingly? Or perhaps a better question being is how their offense can look so effective one day and terrible the next?

With all of that said, the one thing the Nanooks have been consistent about all season has been their defense. The defense of Nome has been their trademark as a team, which has boosted them to their 18-2 record for the year. It will also be the thing that determines how far Nome can go this

season.

Even with the loss, the Nanooks are a serious contender to make a run in regionals and the state tournament. Before they focus on those tournaments, head coach Pat Callahan and his team have one more regular season weekend coming up against Barrow at the Den of the Mighty Nanooks this weekend. It will also be the time where the seniors will be recognized and awarded for their outstanding years of contribution for the program.

Lady Nanooks Split Games on Senior Weekend

By Stephen Palmatier

The Nome Lady Nanooks were able to split the games played this past weekend against Dillingham at the Den of the Mighty Nanooks. Like many times this year, they fell in the first game but were able to make great adjustments to bounce back with a victory.

In the opening game, the Lady

while Dylan Johnson added 14 and Devynn Johnson had 12.

But as much as the two games mattered this weekend for the overall success of Nome's season, the main importance was the spotlight of the three seniors on the team, who got awards over the weekend. The three seniors, Kaitlyn Gartung, Chloe Mattheis, and Raechel Stiles each

regionals in Anchorage looming in just two weeks, the Lady Nanooks hope to get things together beginning this coming weekend in Barrow. The

Barrow Whalers, who beat the Lady Nanooks in Anchorage earlier this season, pose a big test for Nome.

"We will need to be mentally

tough and prepared as Barrow has a great program and their gym is one of toughest places to play," said Stiles.



Photos by Janeen Sullivan

UNDER PRESSURE—Nome Lady Nanooks player Chloe Mattheis faces the Dillingham defense during last weekend's games at the Nome-Beltz High School gym.

Nanooks fell to Dillingham, 71-65. It was an offensive explosion by both teams, as neither defense was doing a good job containing each other's offense. Devynn Johnson led the scoring for the Lady Nanooks with a game high 34 points in the loss. Dylan Johnson added 17 points as well for Nome, but it was not enough as Nome's man-to-man defense was unable to stop Dillingham for most of the game.

Knowing that, the Lady Nanooks made an adjustment for the second game on defense, switching to a 2-3 zone for much of the game. This turned out to be a brilliant adjustment as the ladies were able to win 49-42 behind a great defensive effort.

"Tonight, we went to a 2-3 zone and stopped the penetration and their inside game which forced them to shoot outside," said Don Stiles, head coach of the Lady Nanooks.

The production on offense was much more balanced in this game for the ladies as Nome had three different players in double figures. Shayla Johnson led the way with 15 points,

were recognized before the first game for their outstanding contributions they have given to the Nome Lady Nanook program.

"Just watching them grow over the first three years I have worked with them has been the best thing," said Stiles.

Chloe Mattheis has been the starting center this season and has made a strong contribution, especially in the rebounding department. Kaitlyn Gartung has been the first one off the bench most of the year, giving valuable minutes and production for the Nanooks and Raechel Stiles has been another player who has given great minutes off the bench for the Lady Nanooks all season long.

"I will miss the humor of Chloe and her dedication to stay in shape," said Stiles. "With Kaitlyn, it's her dedication she has had which I hope will rub off on other players, and with Raechel, it is her work ethic that she always shows me every day," said Stiles.

With senior weekend over, Nome will now be traveling away from home for the rest of the season. With



PUTTING ON THE PRESSURE—Nome Lady Nanooks team member Kaitlyn Gartung gets up close and personal against Dillingham player Bryn Tennyson.



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NOME SKI AND BIATHLON TEAM COMPETES IN ANCHORAGE



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SHARP SHOOTERS—Catiy Tozier (left) takes aim at her target during a biathlon race at Kincaid Park last weekend. Tozier and five Nome Ski and Biathlon Teammates traveled down to Anchorage to participate in the relay format race. Two members of the team have qualified for the upcoming Arctic Winter Games which will take place in Whitehorse, Yukon Territories, Canada, the first week in March. Tozier has qualified for Team Alaska as a member of the Snowshoe Biathlon team, Rosa Schmidt has qualified as a member of the Snowshoe running team. The competitor on the right is Zoey Grenier, Caity's AWG teammate from Anchorage

Nome Wolverines have great showing at NYO State competition

By Joni Earp

Students were motivated into action this last winter when handed an early Christmas present from their coach—“Practice over break.” Little plastic kick balls were brought home. One inch in diameter, the white kick balls hung from ceilings in families’ homes around town. Parents were relaying stories about how their young athletes pushed their personal limits. Practice pays.

Ten hard working students had a chance to represent Nome with students from across the state at Begich

dedication. Competition was greater this year as Orlin kicked 60” for second place, passing last year’s first place height of 58”. Gologergen’s humble nature and attentiveness to his peers earned him an honorable Sportsmanship award for the team at our last home meet.

Nome’s team had its strongest showing in the Scissor Broad Jump, walking away with three medals. The Scissor Broad Jump simulates jumping on ice flows during spring break up. An athlete has to maintain their footing while jumping in a pro-

tion from the NYO community for their presence as a team. Students represented their hometown in great fashion receiving compliments on

behavior and their excellent form on the floor. Students supported one another, and earned compliments from coaches, officials, even the Begich

Middle School principal took notice. Thanks for a great season and for your dedicated hard work!



GOING UP—Nome student Taeler Brunette has her eyes on target during the Alaskan high kick. Taeler finished in the top 10 in her class.

Middle School on Friday, February 17 in Anchorage. Fifth and sixth graders perform three events, the Alaskan High Kick, The One foot, and Scissor Broad jump. Nome Wolverines walked away with four of the top five medals in the events. The traveling team was: Randel Iyatunguk, Harrison Moore, Sammy Wilkalkia, Orlin Gologergen,

Orlin Gologergen kicked his way to second place in the Alaskan High Kick. Orlin’s form and strength were reflective of hours of hard work and

cession of jumps; right foot, left comes behind, back to right and ending with both feet planted firmly on the ground. A fall during this event would indicate falling into the water while traveling on the ice. The event requires timing, agility, strength and extreme focus. For the ladies, Emily Pomrenke placed second jumping 24 feet. Taeler Brunette placed fourth in the event, landing 2” shy of Pomrenke. Harrison Moore jumped his way to fifth place for the boys.

Nome continues to receive atten-



WARMING UP—Nome Wolverine competitor Orlin Gologergen gets ready for his turn during the Alaskan high kick. Orlin came in second place in his class.

All Photos by Glenda Gologergen



NOME WOLVERINE NYO TEAM—The Nome Wolverines NYO team went to Anchorage last weekend for the state competition.

All Around The Sound

New Arrivals

Marta (Thrasher) and Christian Muntean welcomed their first child, Elijah Jack Tinuk Muntean, on January 15, 2012 at 5:13 a.m., weighing 8

lbs 14 oz and 21 inches in length. Elijah's Inupiaq name, Tinuk, comes from aunt Nita Towarak of Unalakleet. Maternal grandparents are Maggie Thrasher and the late Jim

Thrasher; paternal grandparents are Janice and Gary Muntean. Nome local Jeri Ann Tomter is Elijah's auntie.

Carrie Adams and Benjamin Daniels of Noatak and Elim announce the birth of their daughter Neena Grace MaeAnn Puyuk Kakiniq Daniels, born November 30, 2011 at 10:35 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 5 pounds. Grandparents are Vernon, Sr. and Grace Adams; and Ross, Sr. and Elizabeth Saccheus.

Darlene M. Noongwook and Fredrick Kingeekuk of Savoonga announce the birth of their son Kurt Reeves Kingeekuk, born February 9, at 2:17 a.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 20" in length. Kurt has seven proud siblings, the proudest little big sister Desiree, 4, Ame, 5, and Faye, 7. Maternal grandparents are Elvin and Mary Ann Noong-

wook of Savoonga. Paternal grandparents are Amelia and the late Floyd Kingeekuk, Sr. of Savoonga.

Honors

Tara Schmidt, a resident of Nome, has earned placement on the Gonzaga University Dean's List for fall semester 2011. Students must earn a 3.5 to 3.69 grade-point average to be listed. Gonzaga University

is a humanistic, private Catholic University providing a Jesuit education to more than 7,500 students. Situated along the Spokane River near downtown Spokane, Wash., Gonzaga is routinely recognized among the West's best comprehensive regional universities. Gonzaga offers 75 fields of study, 25 master's degrees, a doctorate in leadership studies, and a Juris Doctor degree through its School of Law.



Elijah Jack Tinuk Muntean

Carry the Cure offers hope and healing along the Iditarod Trail

While mushers race their dog teams 1,000 miles to commemorate the diphtheria epidemic of the 1920's, an organization dedicated to ending the epidemic of depression and suicide in Alaska is preparing to visit communities along the Iditarod Trail. Just as mushers raced to carry the serum to villages in Western Alaska, the Carry the Cure team will race to carry a message of life and hope that saves people from acts of self harm.

A team of 12 will visit a different Iditarod checkpoint each day March 6-13: McGrath, Kaltag, Shaktoolik, Golovin, Unalakleet, and Nome. They will present a "committed to life" suicide-prevention school assembly. Each evening, Broken Walls will present a community concert free to the public.

This is the third annual trip the organization has made during the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race. Bill Pagaran is president of Carry the Cure and organizer of the trip.

"Through our multimedia school assembly and our music, stories and proven practices we will give youth reasons to commit to life," Pagaran said, "as well as giving them practical tools to help themselves and others in the time of need."

CTC is chartering two planes to carry 2,400 pounds of sound equipment and 12 people. Their multimedia school assembly and music, stories and activities give youth reasons to commit to life, and give them practical tools to help themselves and others in the time of need. CTC will connect all the people and resources in the community in order to provide a safety net for people who are depressed and/or suicidal.

Carry the Cure, Inc. (CTC) is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that is committed to giving the youth of Alaska reasons to live, through our many programs, trainings and school assemblies. Since 1996, Carry the Cure has focused its attention on the native youth of Alaska. CTC has visited over 50 communities in Alaska offering suicide prevention, drug-alcohol prevention, family-marriage workshops, as well as cultural encouragement and enrichment programs to help Alaskans commit to life.

Broken Walls, an internationally known Native American band, has been nominated for many Native American Music Awards and Aboriginal Awards, and has won two of these prestigious awards. They enthusiastically share their music and messages that bring hope, restoration and unity to indigenous people throughout the world.

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Across

1. Landlord

7. Fully satisfying an appetite

13. Between sunrise and sunset

14. Ancient Roman silver coins

15. Thinks

16. Hot, in Vegas (3 wds)

17. Intelligence

18. Was unwilling

20. After expenses

21. "Rocky ____"

23. One who pushes gently

25. Coup d'etat

28. Formulation of plans and important details

31. Setting for TV's "Newhart"

32. Gossip

34. ____ Mix

36. Lever operated with the foot

38. E-mail

40. Blow off steam?

41. Superficially stylish

43. Campaigner, for short

44. Prayer book

46. Sign up

48. Plagiarist

50. Newspaper div.

51. "____ Ng" (They Might Be Giants song)

54. Bivalve mollusks

56. Vermin

59. Opponent of technological progress

Down

1. Put on board, as cargo

2. One who gives first-hand evidence

3. Balance

4. Be in session

5. Black cat, maybe

6. Gum

7. Native of W African country whose capital is Dakar

8. Wreath for the head

9. Toni Morrison's "____ Baby"

10. "Pumping ____"

11. "Blue" or "White" river

12. Covered with gold

13. Kipling's "Gunga ____"

14. Slump

19. Sail close to the wind

22. Decorated, as a cake

24. Brinks

25. Core

26. Tear open

27. Deceptive statements (2 wds)

29. Native of Naples, Italy

30. "Taras Bulba" author

33. Some legal papers

35. Healthy

37. "By yesterday!" (acronym)

39. Harmony

42. Crumbs

45. Restricts

47. ____ skates

49. Like "The X-Files"

51. "Not to mention ..."

52. Deaden

53. Bothers

55. Advanced

57. Bay

58. "____ he drove out of sight"

60. ____-eyed

62. Overwhelming wonder

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CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Step it up, Capricorn. You're lagging behind, and it's starting to impede the progress of others. Do whatever you need to, to get ahead and stay ahead.



ARIES
March 21–April 19

Plan A out. Aries? Go to plan B. Don't have one? Look to a mentor to give you one. Bartering at home ends in satisfaction for one and all.



CANCER
June 22–July 22

Visitors drop by unexpectedly, and schedules must be rearranged. Make the best of it, Cancer. It's been a while. A token of appreciation stirs up controversy.



LIBRA
September 23–October 22

Casual exchanges send you down memory lane and motivate you to revive old traditions. Start with something small, Libra, and work your way up to bigger and better things.



AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

The time is right for you to shore up your finances, Aquarius. The motivation and the know-how are at hand. A friend pushes the envelope.



TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Feeling left out these days, Taurus? You should be and for good reason. Be patient and all will be revealed in good time. A deadline approaches.



LEO
July 23–August 22

Don't bother with the blame game, Leo. Everyone is at fault this time, and it's going to take all of you to clean up the mess and get things back on track.



SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

Just when you thought life couldn't get any sweeter, an old friend returns to the fold. Go all out, Scorpio! You have much to celebrate.



PISCES
February 19–March 20

Stop stalling, Pisces. You know what you need to do, so do it. The situation will turn out far better than expected. Passion heats up at home.



GEMINI
May 21–June 21

At a loss with a young one? Don't be, Gemini. Look within for the answer. Another person's trash turns out to be your treasure, much to your surprise.



VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Make no mistake, Virgo. You're right, but you're in the minority. Give the matter some time to settle and your family will come around. A gift brings smiles.



SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Shoot, Sagittarius. You knew all along there were issues, but you've never had the resources to deal with them until now. A relative lends a helping hand.

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Pilots required to use FAA online system by October 1, 2012

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Air travel is a vital part of life in rural Alaska. The Federal Aviation Administration recognizes that the health of our pilots is critical to flight safety. For this reason, pilots are required to undergo regular health exams to ensure they are medically safe to operate aircraft.

The process by which pilots apply for a medical exam will change later this year. Paper applications for medical certificates traditionally completed

by pilots in a doctor's office will, vanish as the FAA moves to a paperless online system for tracking the health status of U.S. pilots.

As of October 1, all pilots must use the online FAA MedXpress system to complete an electronic application for an Airman Medical or Student Pilot certificate.

Once this transition occurs, designated Aviation Medical Examiners, doctors who perform health exams for pilots, will no longer be able to complete airman exams or issue medical

certificates without a confirmation number issued by the online system.

In the January edition of the *Federal Air Surgeon's Medical Bulletin*, Fred Tilton, MD, the Federal Air Surgeon explained, "The paper system allows for too many errors, leads to storage problems, and creates security risks."

The transition to an electronic system is projected to save the FAA around \$150,000 a year.

The online MedXpress system has been available to pilots since 2007, though the system up until now was optional. Pilots who did not have Internet access or who were unfamiliar with online technology could complete the old paper application in the doctor's office prior to their exam. In fact many pilots preferred the traditional paper form.

The use of paper forms; however, has become largely redundant. Since

1999, when the FAA originally moved to an electronic system, all exams have been converted to an electronic format. Even when a pilot completes the traditional paper form, the entire history and physical exam must be transferred to an electronic form prior to submission to the FAA. This transfer, often performed by clinic staff after the airman exam, frequently leads to unintended errors from poor handwriting, spelling errors, or form omissions. The MedXpress system is designed to ensure the accuracy of the information submitted by each pilot and his or her AME.

A pilot using the MedXpress system receives a confirmation number after completing the online application. This number is then given to an Aviation Medical Examiner who uses the confirmation number to access the airman's medical applica-

tion, complete the necessary forms, and print a medical certificate.

The MedXpress application is available online at <https://MedXpress.faa.gov>. Online applications remain active for 60 days after completion. The application is automatically deleted after 60 days if the pilot does not undergo an exam. All information submitted within the FAA website is password protected.

According to Dr. Tilton, the FAA is planning to implement a query system so that pilots can use their online accounts to check the status of an airman certificate.

The FAA is also designing the MedXpress system to automatically transfer information to any new applications, which will make the process easier for professional pilots who undergo regular exams as frequently as every six months.



House Bill 262 would criminalize airport pat-downs

By Sandra L. Medearis

State Rep. Sharon Cissna went through a body scan at Sea-Tac International Airport in Seattle when she was attempting to board a plane back to Juneau and legislature a year ago Monday. The scan showed scars from a mastectomy. Transportation Security Administration policy dictates that inspectors must see or touch prosthetic devices and pat down mastectomy scars.

"Facing the agent, I began to remember what my husband and I'd decided after the previous intensive physical search. That I never had to submit to that horror again! It would be difficult, we agreed, but I had the choice to say no, this twisted policy

did not have to be the price of flying to Juneau!" Cissna (D-Anchorage) said in an account she gave Alaska Legislature.

Cissna, on the way back from a medical appointment, just said no, and boarded a ferry headed north, traveling also by small airplane and car. Those who have felt the knife edge of flat hand in the crotch and had a stranger's hands trace the underwire line of their bras or had someone touch their "junk" will have interest in a bill that Cissna is currently sponsoring in state Legislature. House Bill 262 that criminalizes actions like TSA's pat-downs, seen as invasive by many, and body scans that show a naked

picture, sets up another contest between state rights and the federal government.

Over the years, Cissna has been a known champion of the rights of victims of sexual assaults.

Legislators in Texas attempted to pass a similar bill last year. Texas SB 29 would make it a felony for who "touches the anus, sexual organ, buttocks, or breast of the other person, including touching through clothing." Conviction under the bill came with a \$4,000 fine or with a year in jail.

The feds threatened to enforce a "no fly" zone over Texas. The bill went down in defeat last May.

At a House hearing last week in

Juneau, the Alaska bill came under opposition also. Some lawmakers said the pat-downs and scans were necessary to protect form terrorists. Rep. Bob Lynn (R-Anchorage) said Feb. 17 he wanted himself and his family to be safe, and "if someone sees that as an inconvenience, tough." Lynn's lone objection blocked the bill from getting out of House Judicial Committee last week.

Cissna told legislators Feb. 17 that anyone else touching another as happens at airports would be guilty of a crime.

A teleconference scheduled for Monday was cancelled with another teleconference slated for Wednesday. Cissna's bill, HB 262, an act relating to the offense of interfering with access to public buildings or air transportation states:

"A person commits the offense of interference with access to public buildings or transportation facilities if the person, as a condition for access to a public building or transportation facility, requires another person to consent or otherwise submit to

(1) physical contact by any person touching directly or through clothing the genitals, buttocks, or female breast of the person seeking access; or

(2) any electronic process that produces an electronic image of the genitals, anus, or female breast or otherwise creates an electronic image of the person seeking access that exposes or reveals a physical characteristic that is normally hidden by clothing and is not normally visible to the public."

There are other means, Cissna said, pointing out that Alaskans fly more often than those in other states and that many living in remote areas have no choice but to go through airport security.

From HB 262, "Airports in other countries and states throughout the US have developed procedures that do not use TSA employees. Those airports provide solid security while providing safe, respectful treatment of the flying public. HB 262 calls for unfettered access to our state's public airports. The bill does this by making it a class A misdemeanor for any individual, including TSA employees, to require an individual to submit to an electronic body imager or to direct physical contact before being granted access to a public building or a transportation facility."

HB 262 excludes public buildings as probation offices and correctional institutions.

American Cancer Society implements patient lodging program

American Cancer Society's new 'Patient Lodging Program' aids those traveling for their cancer treatments

- A Kodiak woman undergoing chemotherapy sleeps at the Anchorage International Airport overnight. She makes sure she is close to a bathroom just in case she gets sick.

- For six weeks, a 91-year-old man and his wife of 70 years drive to Anchorage daily from their home on the Kenai Peninsula so he can get his radiation treatment.

- A cancer patient from Kodiak spends \$794 for a four-night stay at an Anchorage hotel during the summer season.

- A 21-year-old man from Northwestern Alaska travels to Anchorage to attend college, but instead finds that he has leukemia. With no home and no friends or family in the city with the potentially life-saving cancer facilities, his battle is far larger than just his disease.

These are just a few of the many stories of cancer in our state.

A cancer diagnosis can be devastating to any individual. In an instant, a once normal life can be transformed into a series of questions and concerns most never think they will have to face: Is surgery an option?

What treatments are best? And how will I pay the mountain of bills that will surely follow?

Alaska's lack of a road system connecting many parts of the state creates additional barriers to those attempting to seek treatment. On top of paying for medical bills, patients in outlying areas face paying for housing while taking treatments in Anchorage. The financial impact for Alaska's cancer patients can be staggering.

Your local American Cancer Society office works hard to help alleviate these challenges by soliciting contributions from local companies whose generosity has provided air travel, hotel rooms, and gas cards. It is why the American Cancer Society developed its Anchorage *Patient Lodging Program* for individuals diagnosed with the disease.

The American Cancer Society's *Patient Lodging Program* offers rooms free of charge for cancer patients and one caregiver who must travel more than 50 miles to the Anchorage area for their treatments, do not have friends or relatives to stay with, and for whom paying for a hotel would be a financial hardship. Currently participating in the Amer-

ican Cancer Society Anchorage Patient Lodging Program are the Anchorage Marriott Downtown, Days Inn, Hampton Inn, Hilton Anchorage, Longhouse Alaskan Hotel and the Westmark Anchorage Hotel.

According to Debbie Jaso, Patient Navigator for the American Cancer Society, the program has been well received since it began last September. In the 4 short months since it started, the six participating hotels had offered nine cancer patients 69 nights of free lodging during their treatments.

"The program is a blessing for cancer patients coming in from across Alaska," says Jaso. She explains that when a cancer patient schedules his or her treatments, they are encouraged to contact their social worker or patient navigator to request a room in one of the participating hotels. Since almost all cancer treatments are performed during the week, the limited number of complementary rooms are only available Monday through Friday on a first come - first serve basis.

For more information about the American Cancer Society Anchorage *Patient Lodging Program*, call Debbie Jaso at 212-5605.

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Obituary



L. Earl Towner

L. Earl Towner

Chaplain (LTC-R) L. Earl Towner, 70, of Barnes, Wisconsin, received final orders from his Commander-in-Chief on February 8, 2012, at St. Luke's Hospital Hospice in Duluth, Minnesota, surrounded by family.

He was born Ludvig Earl Towner on May 28, 1941, in Nome, Alaska, the oldest son of the late L. Earl and Ruth Towner. He was a 1959 graduate of Nome High School; attended North Park College in Chicago, Illinois; enlisted in the U.S. Army from 1963 to 1966; finished his undergraduate degree at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis in order to go into the ministry, and attended Bethel Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. He served pastorates in Lund, Wisconsin and Worthington, Minnesota until 1979 when he was commissioned as a U.S. Army Chaplain, serving at Ft. Riley, Kansas and Ft. Richardson, Alaska until he retired

with 24 years of service in 2001.

Between Christmas and New Years in 1960, he attended the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship Urbana Missions Conference, and met Lynette Carole Peterson. After three years of dating and writing letters, they married at Zion Covenant Church in Ellsworth, Wisconsin on June 21, 1964.

Chaplain Towner was awarded the Legion of Merit Award, which is the highest award given during peacetime and is approved by the U.S. Congress. He also received the Alaska Legion of Merit Award, approved by the Alaska Legislature; the Alaska Commendation medal; and the Minute Man award for outstanding leadership as the STARC Chaplain for the State of Alaska Army National Guard. Additionally, he received four Community Service Medals and many other commendations. Following his retirement, he worked as the Alaska Veteran's Administration Chaplain helping home-

less veterans with substance addictions.

In 2002, he was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota and moved from Anchorage to Barnes, Wisconsin in order to participate in research studies with Mayo Clinic. These visits continued until his death. He was pleased that he was able to contribute to the efforts towards a treatment for Alzheimer's disease.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lawrence Earl Towner; his mother, Ruth Evangeline Ost Towner; and a brother Robert Lincoln Towner who died in infancy.

He is survived by his wife Lynette "Lynn" Towner of Barnes, Wisconsin and their children: Beth

Towner of Barnes; Brett (Kim Anh) Towner of Anchorage; Kaari (Sterling) Bouma of Homer; and Kirk (Jacquelynn) Towner of Anchorage. He is also survived by his brothers: John (Colleen) Towner of Chaska, Minnesota; Joseph "Joe" (Mary) Towner of Cottage Grove, Minnesota; James "Jim" (Martha) Towner of Sauk Center, Minnesota; and one sister, Ruth "Kathy" Burton of Kenai. He will be dearly missed by his grandchildren: Michael, Konnie, Lander, Heighlan, Walker, Jessica, Neil, and Kaitlynn, as well as a host of nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Earl's life was held on Saturday, February 11 at Barnes Community Church.



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deep and complex.

No single factor is responsible for this catastrophic failure of our local educational system. A successful solution must be as multi-faceted as the problem it is addressing. By presenting the data frankly and honestly in a public forum, Mr. Brawner has taken an essential first step toward a real solution to the problem—he has asked us for our ideas and support. It is now up to us—the community—to respond.

Sincerely,
Margaret Thomas
Nome, AK

Dear Editor,

The letters written about the Seaside Center by former center Director Mr. Davin Anderson and Nome resident John Smith in previous *Nome Nugget* issues about the center's misconduct are spot on. Mr. Smith's description of the indecent

and verbal abuse by security staff continues to this day. There are apparent and intentional violations of prisoner/ resident health and well-being.

We would like to tell the people of Nome what is really going on at their Seaside Center but we can expect staff here to retaliate against us for talking publicly about their deviousness. This will be construed as a form of "Unauthorized Communication with the Public," an Alaska Department of Corrections infraction. Half the rules at the center are not in the handbook (written by a different company Cornell Corrections, revised 1999) and new ones are made each week to accommodate making the staff's job easier, to save on money for Geo Care Inc., and satisfy the Chief of Security's desire for power. The Chief of Security has imposed a new rule that working furlough based on the fact that they smelled like a cigarette!

Although Geo Care Inc. has an ap-

proved meal menu (by NSHC's Pat Owens) they continuously cut the portions, ingredients, and quality of the food. The meals served at the center are cut to save on the budget. For instance, the approved menu will have lettuce and tomato as part of the "burger meal" menu item but when it comes time for preparation they don't give them. There hasn't been a meal that followed approved menu ingredients in months. Residents are deprived of proper nutrition. The food provided through the vending machines has zero nutritional value and is not fit for diabetics who have no choice but to buy it because they are hungry.

All of the work furloughs have also mentioned that their lunch meals are unreasonably small. They pay for their cost of care by having the state take 25 percent of their gross wages. Yet they receive leftover food or skimpy sandwiches day in and day out. It has even been mentioned by staff members (humorously) that residents' admit photos show that all have been losing weight. Yet when staff is fed they receive twice as much food as the res-

idents.

New rules set by staff don't allow for anyone to bring in food items or order out. Their logic behind this is that someone might try to import contraband into the center. But it really is a ploy for a money making scheme. They have two vending machines that they fill with everything from candy and soda to coffee. They buy the items and fill it up a couple times a week. The weekly draw money issued to residents circulates (the money had been marked by residents) within the facility for months with the profits being skimmed off the top. Ramen noodles for \$1.00 a piece! We believe they're starving us to insure that there will be a demand for vending machine food.

The center continuously runs out of hand soap and paper towels for as long as two to three weeks at a time. Residents who are sick are told that they are faking it and that they can manage. That if the illness continues they can fill out a medical form to be seen by AMCC Medical. This takes about a week to get processed.

The building doesn't comply with

living conditions standards. The facility director has gone as far as having his church donate bunk beds to increase the capacity to bring in more money. When asked why they chose to bypass donating the beds to needy families but rather give the beds to a for-profit company the LDS members said, "We were told too." The windows have heavy duty screens bolted down and the levers have been removed to keep anyone from opening them regardless of an emergency.

I know it is hard for a lot of folks to sympathize with us but remember we are humans too. We have families who care for us and as Christians you should too. We are in a halfway house (community orientated and minimum security risk) after all. We are being treated like lower class citizens. Someone needs to look into these claims. At least make a call to the Ombudsman or your legislative representative's office. They will not be unfounded.

Seaside Residents
Signatures of 17 Seaside residents are on this letter
Nome, AK

Church Services Directory

Bible Baptist Church 443-2144

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

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

Community United Methodist West 2nd Ave • 443-2865

Sunday: Worship 11 a.m.

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

Thrift Shop Tuesday & Thursday: 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Nome Covenant Church

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

Our Savior Lutheran Church 5th Avenue & Bering • 443-5295

Sunday: School 9:45 am/Worship 11 a.m.
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side

River of Life Assembly of God 443-5333

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m./Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Sunday Youth Meeting: 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service: 7 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Corner of Steadman & King Place • 443-5527
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Patients going to ANMC and want to see a catholic priest please call Fr. Brunet, OMI: cell 907-441-2106 or Holy Family Cathedral (907) 276-3455

Seventh-Day Adventist

Icy View • 443-5137

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Saturday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

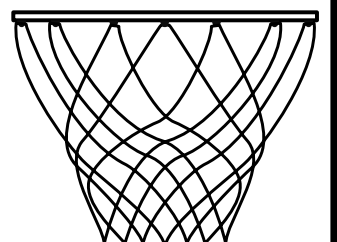
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Supervises: Non-Supervisory
Classification: Regular
Date Revised: February 15, 2012
Safety Sensitive: No
FLSA/AWJA Status: Non-Exempt
Work Schedule: Full-Time
Occupational Code: 47-4011
Salary Range: 10-12 (20.75/hr – 30.47/hr)
D.O.E.

Job Summary:
Under the general supervision of Construction/Projects Manager, creates and implements inspection and maintenance counseling programs for compliance with housing assistance program standards and various codes and regulations. We have the general application here at the office if not you can pick one up at the Job Center on front street. If you have any questions please call Paul Whipple at the Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority office at (907)443-5256 or if you want to look at the job responsibilities you can checkout the website at www.bsrha.org. 2/23,3/1



Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) is committed to providing quality health services and promoting wellness within our people and environment. NSHC is currently recruiting for the following position:

Community Health Aide/Practitioner for the following communities:
Elim, Gambell, Savoonga and Shaktoolik

PURPOSE OF POSITION: To provide acute, chronic, emergency and preventive care to village residents according to the CHA/P Manual and in accordance with NSHC's mission, philosophy, policies, and procedures. Care will be provided while under the direct supervision of the NSHC medical staff and/or the standing orders authorized by members of that medical staff.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: High School Diploma or equivalent. Employment conditional on passing Kawerak TABE language, reading and math tests at 7th grade level or higher. One to three months related experience and/or training.

REGISTRATION/CERTIFICATION: Must complete training sessions I, II, III, IV, Emergency Care Training, and annual CME's; must obtain CHP certification within three years of hire. Must be eligible for State of Alaska Certification at the end of each training session.

For an application, detailed job description or more information, please contact:

NSHC Human Resources Department:
Rhonda Schneider, Recruitment & Staffing Manager
rmschneider@nshcorp.org
907-443-4525, 907-443-2085 fax, www.nortonsoundhealth.org

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



Nome Eskimo Community

Norton Sound Regional Hospital Replacement
Construction Project

Active recruitment is in progress for a Maintenance Systems Technician position:

JOB SUMMARY: Perform start-up functions on selected systems based on project plans, specifications, and other contract documents. Assist in setting up control system computer with trendlogs, alarms and schedules. Assist in developing documentation for functional testing and commissioning reports. Insure checkout and commissioning documentation is accurate and complete.

PREFERRED CREDENTIALS AND EXPERIENCE:

AA degree in applied technology or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience. Experience in Microsoft Windows 7 and Office applications (including Visio), HVAC and/or Mechanical system, mechanical and electrical system troubleshooting.

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COMPLETE JOB DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT IS AVAILABLE AT:

Nome Eskimo Community
Hospital Replacement Project
200 West 5th Avenue, Nome, AK 99762-1090
Website: www.necalaska.org
Phone: (907) 443-9124 or Toll Free: 1-877-943-2246
Fax: (907) 443-9144 or (907) 443-3539

Pre-employment screening requirements are completed through Nome Eskimo Community. The selected candidate may be eligible for training and the potential consideration by the Norton Sound Hospital Maintenance Department upon successful completion and demonstrated performance in this position.

Preference in employment for this Project is given to Alaska Natives and American Indians in accordance with federal law HHSAR 352.270-2 & HSSAR 352.270-3. All applications (Alaska Native and American Indian, and non-Native) will be made available for consideration to the NSHC Hospital Replacement Project Contractors and Subcontractors.

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Trooper Beat

On February 18, approximately 3:00 a.m., Unalakleet State Troopers responded to a call of a domestic assault. Investigation revealed, Dan Ivanoff, 26, of Unalakleet physically assaulted his ex-girlfriend by punching her in the face. After the assault he interfered with her being able to report the DV assault to troopers. Ivanoff was arrested for one count of domestic assault in the fourth degree (DV) and one count of interfering with a report of a DV. He was transported to Unalakleet Police Department holding facility where he was held with no bail pending arraignment. The victim was scene by a local health aid for her injuries. Only Ivanoff had been consuming an alcoholic beverage to the point of intoxication. The victim was provided transport by the troopers to a safe location.

Seawall

02/13
Jennifer Russell, 31, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence; Resisting or Interfering with Arrest; Driving While License is Cancelled; Failure to Stop at the Direction of a Peace Officer in the 2nd Degree and Refusal to Submit to a Breathalyzer.

Preston Dixon, 27, was arrested and remanded to

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The University of Alaska Fairbanks Northwest Campus is located in Nome, Alaska, and is part of the UAF College of Rural and Community Development.

UAF Northwest Campus is recruiting for the position of Campus Director. The director serves as the chief academic and administrative officer of the Northwest Campus and is responsible for the academic integrity and management of all programs and day-to-day operations on the campus. Northwest Campus serves students living in the Bering Strait region and statewide through cross-regional course offerings. Major responsibilities of the Director will be to maintain and implement high quality, innovative occupational and higher education programs; address the changing role of career and technical education, the needs of the returning adult student and the concerns of a non-traditional population; address emerging technologies in distance delivery; assure a high level of flexibility and responsiveness to the local community's education and job training needs; and develop business relationships. Periodic travel will be required to represent NWC with the legislature, the university and the business community.

For a complete job description and to apply go to: www.uakjobs.com and reference posting #0063585.

Recruitment closing date: March 14, 2012

Contact information:

Phone: (907) 443-8428 Northwest Campus Personnel Office
Email: Gretchen Froehle at gmfroehle@alaska.edu

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Hours: Full Time - Exempt

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Closing Date: March 23, 2012

Visit www.nomealaska.org for a detailed job description or call 443-6600 for more information. Send completed cover letter with resume to Josie Bahnke, City Manager, at P.O. Box 281, Nome, AK 99762. The City of Nome is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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AMCC on a Warrant.

Aleksei Wilson was arrested and remanded to AMCC for three counts of Violation Conditions of Probation and two Arrest Warrants.

02/14
Jacob Bloodgood, 19, received a Citation for Expired Registration.

02/15
Ronna Engstrom, 43, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence.

Elmer Campbell, 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Wagner Wongtittlin, 52, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Duane Johnson, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

02/16
George Washington, 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC on an Arrest Warrant; Failure to Register as a Sex Offender and Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance, 6th degree.

Aloysius Muktoyuk, 40, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Drunk on Licensed Premise and Introduction of Alcohol into a License Premise.

Kirsten Iyatunguk, 20, received a citation for Driving in Violation of Instructional Permit and Driving With Expired License Less than A Year.

02/17/12
Max Iyapana, 19, received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

A Nome juvenile received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Michael Saclamana Jr., 49, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass and Disorderly Conduct.

02/18/12
George Olanna, 33, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Mischief in the 4th Degree and Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the 6th Degree.

02/19/12
Solomon Booshu Jr., 44, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Interfering with the Report of a Domestic Violence.

Kenneth Smith, 24, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 3rd Degree, Domestic Violence, and two counts of Violating Conditions of Probation.

02/20/12
Roberta Tokeinna, 31, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence.

Legals

CITY OF NOME
PUBLIC NOTICE

O-87-10-02 An Ordinance Establishing the Museum and Library Commission in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Nome, Alaska.
O-12-02-01 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10.30 of the Nome Code of Ordinances to Increase the Impound Fee for a Second Impound and to Allow for the Imposition of Fines on the Owner of an Animal Running at Large When the Animal Cannot Be Captured.
O-12-02-02 An Ordinance Adopting the Port of Nome Tariff No. 8 to Replace All Existing Tariffs of the Port of Nome.
O-12-01-03 An Ordinance Amending Title 12 of the Nome Code of Ordinances to Allow the City Council to Determine by Resolution Compensation for Members of the Port Commission, to Provide for the Possibility the Port Director Will Hold Another Position with the City, to Codify the Existing Harbormaster Position, to Make Optional Whether the Port Director is a Sworn Law Enforcement Officer, to Establish Procedures for Impounding Delinquent, Derelict and Abandoned Vessels, to Provide for Fines to be Set by Tariff and to Amend Definitions.
These ordinances had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on February 13th, 2012 at 7:00 PM and were passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for February 27th, 2012 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk.
2/16-23

PROPOSED ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (AAP)
& Emergency Solutions Grant Substantial Amendment

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The public is encouraged to provide comments on the State of Alaska (except Anchorage) Housing and Community Development Annual Action Plan for SFY2013 and on the ESG Substantial Amendment to the Annual Action Plan for SFY2012.

The Annual Action Plan is required to receive federal funds for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the Emergency Shelter/Solutions

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Grant (ESG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).

The Plan Draft includes general principles and priorities for use of these funds; description of the lead entity responsible for the Plan; citizen participation/consultation; housing needs assessment for the homeless, specific income groups, special needs groups, and lead-based paint hazards; housing market analysis including homeless facilities, special needs facilities and services, and barriers to fair housing. It also provides a strategy for meeting the identified needs, addressing barriers to fair housing and lead-based paint hazards; non-housing community development plan; anti-poverty strategy; analysis of institutional structure and its coordination; public housing resident initiatives; and low-income housing tax credit use.

The SFY2013 Annual Action Plan is the third annual implementation of the current 5-Year HCD Plan. The draft specifically details how CDBG, ESG and HOME annual funding allocations will be used to carry out the strategy of the HCD Plan. It includes information on state programs that enhance these HUD programs.

On November 15, 2011, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HUD) announced the interim regulations and amounts of the second allocation of FFY 2011 ESG for the areas of the state outside of Anchorage, effective January 4, 2012. Under this allocation, the State of Alaska would receive \$71,301 for the areas of the State excluding Anchorage.

To receive funds from the second allocation, the State of Alaska must prepare, and obtain HUD approval of a Substantial Amendment to its Fiscal

Year (SFY) 2012 Annual Action Plan. The draft Substantial Amendment presented for public comment includes summaries of the consultation and the citizen participation processes; information on match amounts, proposed activities, overall budget, funding priorities; discussions of standards for assistance, standard policies and procedures for evaluating eligibility and for coordination among providers. It highlights the relevant changes under the Interim Rule, and provides guidance on critical decisions to be made in the planning process.

The ESG program is designed to identify sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons, as well as those at risk of homelessness, and provide the services necessary to help those persons quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

BOTH the SFY2013 Annual Action Plan (draft) AND the ESG Substantial Amendment to the SFY2012 Annual Action Plan (draft) will be available for public comment from February 17, 2012 to the close of business (5:00 p.m. Alaska time) on March 20, 2012.

Submit comments in writing to Oscar Cedano at AHFC; PO Box 101020, Anchorage, AK, 99510-1020; by FAX at 1-907-338-2585; or by e-mail to ocedano@ahfc.us.

View the Plan and Substantial Amendment at www.ahfc.us by selecting "Reference," "Plans," and "Annual Action Plans" then clicking on links to the Plan and Substantial Amendment by name. These documents can also be reached by following this link: http://www.ahfc.us/grants/hcd_aap.cfm. Hard-copies may be downloaded or requested by contacting Oscar Cedano at 330-8417; outside of

Anchorage at 1-800-478-2432.

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

In the Matter of the Estate

of

YVONNE FAYE MARSHALL,

a/k/a Yvonne Marshall,

Deceased.

Case No. 2NO-12-03 PR/E.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that Catherine Evans has been appointed personal representative of the above-captioned estate. Persons having claims against the deceased must present their claims within four months of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred.

Claims may be presented to Catherine Evans, 690 E Coy Avenue, Hazel Park, Michigan 48030, or to the above-named court, Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762.

Dated February 17, 2012.

Barry Donnellan

Alaska Bar Association No. 7210045

Attorney for Catherine Evans

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Foster’s Report

By Rep. Neal Foster
House District 39

Greetings from Juneau!

We are into the fourth week of the legislative session, and things are in full swing. Along with attending House Floor Session, I am still Co-Chair of the House Special Committee on Energy, on the House Resources Committee, the House Community and Regional Affairs Committee, the House Finance Transportation Subcommittee, and the House Finance Public- Safety Subcommittee.

We have had several visitors from the House District and from other regions of the State. I would like to thank all of the people who have stopped by to say hello and discuss their needs and priorities.

Things are moving rapidly. Community requests for Capital Projects funding have been entered into the CAPSIS system where they can be reviewed and edited before being finalized for review by the House and Senate Finance Committees. Finance Subcommittees for the Operating Budget are currently meeting and should conclude their work within the month. If you have questions regarding either budget please contact my Juneau office.

Bills of potential interest to HD
39 communities:

Coastal Zone Management

As it now stands the initiative

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NOTICE OF
DECLARATION OF
CANDIDACY

Seven (7) seats are open on the Teller Native Corporation Board of Directors. Candidate qualifications:

- 1.) Eighteen (18) years of age or older
- 2.) Enrolled to the Teller Native Corporation
- 3.) Reside in Teller

Letters of Declaration of Candidacy must be sent or hand delivered to the office manager at the above mailing address and must be postmarked by **5:00 P.M. March 13, 2012**. Annual meeting date is tentatively set for April 21, 2012. If you have any questions, please call the office at (907) 642-6132.

TELLER NATIVE CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
P.O. BOX 649, TELLER, AK 99778
PH. 907-642-6132, FAX 907-642-6133

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TRANSFER WITH SECURITY AGREEMENT			
Estate of Stanley Sobocienski	/	Bering Sea Saloon	
(Present licensee(s))	d/b /a	(Name of Establishment)	
located at	Nome, Alaska 99762	(Premises Address and City)	
is applying for transfer of a		beverage dispensary license	
AS 04.11._____		(Type of License)	(Statute Reference)
liquor license to	T&C, Inc.	(New Licensee(s))	
d/b/a	Bering Sea Saloon	(Only if Different)	
located at	Nome, Alaska	(Only if Different)	
The transferor/lessor retains a security interest in the liquor license which is the subject of this conveyance under the terms of AS 04.11.360 (4)(B); AS 04.11.670 and 13 AAC 104.107 and may, as a result, be able to obtain a retransfer of the license without satisfaction of other creditors. 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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National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

PO Box 220
214 Front Street
Nome, AK 99762

907-443-6116 phone
907-443-6139 fax

Bering Land Bridge National Preserve
Grazing Enclosures

National Park Service (NPS) is considering establishing 18 fenced grazing enclosures to study lichen growth rates and ungulate (caribou, reindeer, muskox) grazing effects in Bering Land Bridge National Preserve (BELA), Alaska starting in the summer of 2012. Each enclosure fence would be 30 ft x 30 ft, 6 ft high, established for 30- 50 years, and accessed by helicopter for both construction and regular readings of vegetation plots. Reading of vegetation plots would be conducted once every 10 years. The project area is eligible for wilderness but is not designated as wilderness. The two primary purposes of the proposal are 1) to provide data for a scientifically-based reindeer grazing management plan, and 2) to provide long-term data on caribou habitat quality and forage quantity for the Western Arctic Caribou Herd’s winter range in BELA. A secondary objective of this 2nd purpose is to provide long-term data on climate-driven vegetation change in the absence of grazing.

To determine whether this project meets applicable environmental requirements, NPS has drafted an Environmental Assessment (EA). This EA is now available for public comment from February 7, 2012 until March 7, 2012. The EA is available online at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/projectHome.cfm?projectID=32156>. The document is approximately 880 kb.

Alternately, hard copies may be obtained upon request to Jeanette Pomrenke (Jeanette_Pomrenke@nps.gov or 907-443-6101).

There are several ways to send public comments:

- 1. The preferred mechanism is via the website above.
- 2. Comments may be made by email or mail to: Jeanette Pomrenke (Jeanette_Pomrenke@nps.gov, National Park Service, PO Box 220, Nome, AK 99762).
- 3. Comments may also be delivered to the NPS office in Nome in person (Sitnasauk Building, Front Street, Nome, Alaska), or faxed to 907-443-6139.

MORE INFORMATION:
(907) 443-2522 phone

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1-800-478-9355

Arctic ICANS —
A nonprofit cancer
survivor support group.

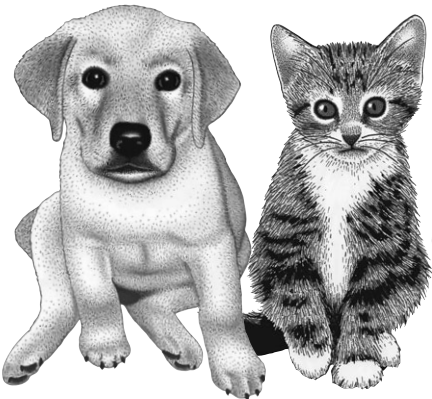
Arctic ICANS next meeting

The Nome Cancer support group will meet at the XYZ Center on

Thursday, March 1 • 7:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker
Rev. Julie Elmore

For more information call 443-5726.



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Nome Animal Control & Adopt-A-Pet
443-5212 or 443-5262

Court

Week ending 2/17
Civil
Tocktoo, Frieda vs. Walts, Kenny; Personal Injury Auto - Superior Court
Routh & Crabtree vs. Martin, Cody V.; Confession of Judgment - District Court
Routh & Crabtree vs. Komonaseak, Christine; Debt - District Court
Evans, Laura vs. Alaska Airlines, Inc.; Personal Injury Other - Superior Court
In the Matter of: Johnson, Carol M. and Johnson, Donald J.; Dissolution Without Children - Superior Court
Rural Credit Services vs. Olanna, Darin; District Court FED
Rose, Joel vs. State of Alaska Department of Administration Divis; DMV Appeal

Small Claims
Rural Credit Services vs. Okitkon, Deborah; Small Claims More than \$2500

Criminal
State of Alaska v. Adrian Ungott (7/21/66); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112400136; Defendant refuses probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time.
State of Alaska v. Katherine Iyapana (3/10/74); Violating Release Conditions; Date of violation: 1/21/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days with 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 45 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. Kelly Siwooko (6/9/78); Attempted Sexual Abuse of a Minor 3°; DV; Date of violation: 4/16/11; 120 days with 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Sex Offender Registration Requirement: Defendant given notice in open court 2/1/12 of Registration Requirement for 15 years; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. RaShawn Sagoonick (3/12/92); Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offenses: 2/7/12; Fined \$400 with \$200 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court by 7/1/12; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 2/8/12); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay fine as ordered; Other: Pay restitution \$50 to Gerald Ivanoff by 4/1/12.
State of Alaska v. Mark Henry (2/26/87); 2NO-12-69CR Count 003: DUI; Date of Offense: 2/7/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001, 002; 45 days, 0 days suspended; Report immediately to AMCC; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$3000 with \$0 suspended; \$3,000 due date: 11/15/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended; \$50 due; Cost of Imprisonment: \$1467 (2nd Off.) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: Contact other: NSBHS within 60 days; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; Program may include residential treatment plus required aftercare in addition to any jail time ordered above; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 7/1/12 that you received an assessment, and file

proof by 9/1/12 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license is revoked for 1 year; Concurrent with DMV action: Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 12 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before fine due date.
State of Alaska v. Mark Z. Henry (2/26/87); 2NO-12-69CR Information Adding Misdemeanor Count III to Complaint; DUI; The DA charges: That on or about the 7th day of February, 2012, at or near Gambell in the 2nd Judicial District, SOA, Mark Z. Henry drove or operated a motor vehicle while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, inhalant, or any controlled substance, singly or in combination; All of which is a class A misdemeanor offense being contrary to and in violation of AS 28.35.030(a)(1) and against the peace and dignity of the SOA; Dated at Nome, Alaska, this 9th day of February, 2012; Filed by the DAs Office 2/9/12.
State of Alaska v. Felicia Nicholi (4/23/92); Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 12/25/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/9/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.
State of Alaska v. Pamela T. Pete (8/14/78); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110828259; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Daniel Gilpin (3/4/69); 2NO-11-399CR Count 003: Violating Protective Order; Date of violation: 7/8/11; DV; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: counts 001, 002, (cts 1, 2); 60 days, 60 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/9/13; 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.
State of Alaska v. Daniel Gilpin (3/4/69); 2NO-11-582CR Count 001: Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 8/21/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: counts 002; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/9/13; 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.

State of Alaska v. Mary Iyakitani (4/17/90); Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 11/15/11; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 4/2/12 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/12; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/9/19; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 5/1/12;; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Up to 30 days residential treatment if recommended.
State of Alaska v. Jonathan Nashoanaki (4/23/82); Count 001: Assault 4° DV; Date of violation: 12/26/11; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: counts 002 and 003; 180 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 180 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. James Alvanna (8/14/84); 2NO-11-543CR Assault 4°; Date of violation: 12/26/11; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: counts 002 and 003; 180 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 180 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.
State of Alaska v. James Alvanna (8/14/84); 2NO-11-605CR Count 001: Assault 4°; Date of Violation: 9/20/11; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: counts 002, 003; 360 days, 240 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/2/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment within 30 days of release.
State of Alaska v. Harry Goldsberry (1/18/79); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation;

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dealing with Coastal Zone Management has been certified by the Lt. Governor and the Division of Elections. So it is headed for a vote in the 2012 election. If the legislature passes a bill that is *substantially similar* the initiative will not appear on the ballot. A Joint House and Senate Judiciary committee held a hearing on the issues. The biggest take away from the meeting was that the larger and more complex an initiative is, the more leeway courts would give the legislature in clearing the *substantially similar* bar. The flip side is that there is no litmus test that can be applied to legislation. In order to “test” whether or not language meets this requirement it would have to become law and go before the court (if challenged). They are available at the following link: <http://gavel.alaska.org/media/?media-id=JJUD120206A&type=audio>

House Joint Resolution No. 34

This Resolution asks the U.S. Congress to fund the facilities and vessels that will be necessary if the U.S. Coast Guard is to fulfill its mission in the Arctic. This will require additional vessels with icebreaking capability and an Arctic Coast Guard Base. As the Arctic is opened up to more shipping and mineral exploration there will be an increased need for Coast Guard support in that region.

House Concurrent Resolution 23

This Resolution also speaks to the anticipated expansion of activities in the Arctic related to mineral extraction, oil and gas development, fisheries, tourism and marine shipping. It establishes the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission which will consist of 16 members selected from various interest groups that are involved in, or who are affected by, increased Arctic development. The Commission will be comprised of three Senators, three House Members, a Federal Government representative,

a Tribal entity representative, a mining industry representative, a gas and oil representative, a University of Alaska representative, a fisheries representative, a local government representative, a coastal community representative, an international Arctic organization representative and one member representing the state appointed by the Governor.

Scholarship for juniors or seniors

The Alaska State Fair has announced a scholarship program. Check with your high school counselor or contact the Alaska State Fair at 907-746-7164 or

marketing@alaskastatefair.org, or Rep.Neal.Foster@legis.state.ak.us.

House District #39 Redistricting

The Superior Court has declared that the Legislative Redistricting for House Districts 1&2 and House Districts 37 & 38 are not constitutional. The Redistricting Board has decided not to appeal House Districts I & 2 but will appeal the House Districts 37 & 38 portion of the decision to the State Supreme Court. While there was considerable interest in the Superior Courts’ findings, not much has really changed. The changes in Districts 1&2 will be minor and

aren’t likely to effect the overall look of the map and Districts 37 and 38 were going to be decided by the Supreme Court regardless of the lower court’s decision. The Supreme Court’s decision on 37 and 38 is expected to determine the fate of the entire map. The general consensus is that if either district is ruled unconstitutional, the entire map will have to be redrawn.

My office is available to answer questions or to help with issues related to the state.

CALL FOR NEW INFORMATION

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas (DO&G), will offer all available state acreage in the Beaufort Sea, North Slope, and North Slope Foothills areawide oil and gas lease sales areas, tentatively scheduled for October 2012. DO&G requests substantial new information concerning these areas that has become available over the past year.

Based on the information received, DO&G will either issue supplements to its final best interest findings or decisions of no substantial new information for these lease sales areas (AS 38.05.035(e)(6)(F)).

The findings and supplements may be at your local library and are located at:

<http://dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Leasing/BestInterestFindings.htm>

If you cannot access the findings and supplements on the DO&G website, please contact Jennifer Haines at 907-375-8247 for assistance.

Send substantial new information to Kathleen King, Best Interest Finding Manager:

By mail: Alaska Dept. of Natural Resources
Division of Oil & Gas
550 W. 7th Ave., Suite 1100
Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3560

By fax: 907-269-8938

By e-mail: kathleen.king@alaska.gov

Substantial new information must be received by March 19, 2012, to be considered. Submit information only pertaining to the Beaufort Sea, North Slope, and North Slope Foothills lease sales areas. Please provide a copy of the referenced information or a complete reference citation.

A person is eligible to file a request for reconsideration of the commissioner’s decision and file any subsequent appeal to the Superior Court only if the person has meaningfully participated by submitting information during the period for receipt, and is affected by the final written best interest finding (AS 38.05.035(i)).



INVITATION TO BID
PORT OF NOME FLOAT ANCHOR
SYSTEM PROJECT
NOME, ALASKA

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

The City of Nome will receive sealed bids to replace the existing small boat harbor float anchoring system. Interested persons may receive a bid package by contacting the City Clerk by phone at 907-443-6663 or by fax at 907-443-5345. Contract Documents will be available February 6, 2012.

One complete set of Bid Documents will also be available for review at The Plans Room, 4831 Old Seward Hwy # 102, Anchorage, AK 99503, (907) 563-2029.

The deadline for submission of sealed proposals is March 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. local time and shortly thereafter the bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids must be submitted to the City Clerk at City Hall. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked clearly on the envelope as “Bid Enclosed Port of Nome – Float Anchor System Project” along with the name and address of the Bidder. Fax submissions are not allowed.

A five per cent bid bond is required. Payment and performance bonds will also be required. The contract will be awarded to the lowest qualified Bidder as determined by the City. The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive irregularities in the proposals.

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ATN: 112696182; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed; 90 days, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Kenneth R. Ivanoff (2/20/82); Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 11/24/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated upon reporting to serve sentence; 60 days, 57 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 2/29/12 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Recommend Seaside CRC; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/12; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/9/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 5/1/12; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare, up to 30 days residential treatment as recommended.

State of Alaska v. Andrew Suligak Kakoon (2/14/76); Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 9/16/11; 180 days, 160 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 3/19/12 for a remand hearing at 1:30 p.m.; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Fine: \$6000 with \$3000 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$3000 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 3/1/13; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 5 years, until 2/8/17; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/Substance abuse assessment by 5/1/12; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare, up to 30 days residential treatment; (Redistributed 2/10/12 (struck SIS).

State of Alaska v. Orlan Wongtittin (5/5/77); Count 001: Assault 4°; Police Officer; Date of Violation: 11/16/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: counts 002, 003; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 2/15/12 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/15/14; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer upon reasonable suspicion.

State of Alaska v. Lawrence Martin (10/2/57); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112704885; Defendant refuses probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time.

State of Alaska v. Allyn Woodard (8/9/82); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 1/18/12; (DOB corrected).

State of Alaska v. Galen Paul Milligrock (10/12/76); Order of Dismissal; CTN 001: Drive While License Cancelled/Suspended/Revoked/Limited; IT IS ORDERED that this case is dismissed; Other: Dismissal by Court without prejudice for lack of probable cause; 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. Monalisa Washington (4/4/57); Count 001: Criminal Trespass 2°; Date of violation: 8/9/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002: 15 days, 0 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; (Corrected DOV – Redistributing 2/15/12).

State of Alaska v. Joseph T. Snowball (11/1/83); Assault 4°; Date of violation: 12/29/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 90 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Concurrent to 3AN-10-6031CR Parole time; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; (Redistributed Corrected DOV date).

State of Alaska v. Floyd H. Crumbley (6/28/58); Assault 4°; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/14/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Aleksei Wilson (7/2/86); 2NO-09-821CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110012859; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-10-41CR and 2NO-11-165CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Aleksei Wilson (7/2/86); 2NO-10-41CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110007198; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-821CR and 2NO-11-165CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Aleksei Wilson (7/2/86); 2NO-11-165CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110007396; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: 30 days of jail time to be served immediately as a condition of remaining on the SIS; Consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-821CR and 2NO-11-165CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. William Alvanna (6/3/88); 2NO-11-674CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Drunk on Licensed Premises; Filed by the DAs Office 2/13/12.

State of Alaska v. William Alvanna (6/3/88); 2NO-12-24CR Count 002: Resisting Arrest; Date of violation: 1/24/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001 (ct 1); 45 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 45 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State if Alaska v. Dawn Oozevaseuk (8/30/83); 2NO-11-531CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112703103; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-11-775CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State if Alaska v. Dawn Oozevaseuk (8/30/83); 2NO-11-775CR Violating Protective Order; DV; Date of violation: 11/30/11; 270 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 90 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Recommend Seaside to assist in obtaining screening and treatment; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/10/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer upon reasonable suspicion; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment within 30 days of release; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.

State of Alaska v. Lesley Summer Ellanna (6/21/93); 2NO-11-777CR Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 11/26/11; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court, or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 6/1/12; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 2/9/12); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Lesley Summer Ellanna (6/21/93); 2NO-12-16CR Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 1/3/12; Fined \$400 with \$200 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court, or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 6/1/12; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 2/9/12); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Brandon M. Lancaster (1/5/92); Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 1/5/12; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court by 3/1/12; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 2/9/12); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Charles Merculief (11/29/91); Count 2: Repeat Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 10/12/11; Count 1: MICS6° dismissed by SOA; Fined \$1,000 with \$500 suspended; Shall pay \$500 to Nome Clerk of Court by 7/1/12; Shall complete 48 hours of community work and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's license or permit is hereby revoked for 90 days, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Such license shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 2/9/12); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license or permit, pay the fine, and show proof of community work service, as ordered; Other: Forfeit marijuana to State; Failure to comply with community work will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.

State of Alaska v. Chasta Wilson (11/30/87); Assault 4°; DV; Date of violation: 1/12/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 150 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, not to exceed time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 3 years, until 2/2/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Tony Danyell Martin (1/29/82); Dismissal; Count 1: Traffic in Alcohol w/o License – Local Option Area; Count II: Liquor Importation – Local Option Area; Filed by the DAs Office 2/9/12.

State of Alaska v. Jennifer E. Bradley (9/8/84); Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 1/7/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Fine: \$1500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/12; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year, until 1/23/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Victor Oozevaseuk; Amending Information; Count 001: Assault 3°; Count 1: That on or about 10/7/11 in Gambell in the 2nd Judicial District, Victor Oozevaseuk recklessly caused physical injury to another person by means of a dangerous instrument; All of which is a Class C felony offense, being contrary to and in violation of AS 11.41.210(a)(1)(B) and against the peace and dignity of the SOA; DATED at Nome, Alaska this 13 day of February 2012; Filed by the DAs Office 2/13/12.

State of Alaska v. Erik Milligrock (5/11/85); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 001: Assault 4° – Reckless Injury; Date of offense: 12/29/11; Count 002: Sell Alcohol w/o License – Dry Area; Date of offense: 12/28/11; Count 001: 60 days, 0 days suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with the Defendant remanded immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Count 002: 18 months, 12 months suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with the Defendant remanded immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Fined: Count 002: Fined \$10,000 with \$0 suspended; Proof of payment of any unsuspended fine is due to the court by 6 months before probation ends; Police Training Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: count 001: \$50; Count 002: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested

and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served AS 12.55.041(c); IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 3 years on CTN 002 under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Ward Kakoon (3/17/85); Judgment and Commitment; Count 001: Assault 3- Cause Injury w/Weap; Date of offense: 12/10/11; The following charges were dismissed: Count 002: Assault 4° – Reckless Injury; Date of offense: 12/10/11; Count 001: 2 years, 0 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately; Police Training Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: Count 001: \$100; Jail Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facility surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; DNA IDENTIFICATION: if this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on half of the state, and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h).

State of Alaska v. Kallie King (2/2/92); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Date of Offense: 2/12/12; 10 days, 8 days suspended; Unsuspended 2 days are to be served immediately; Initial Jail Surcharge (Habitual only): \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge (Habitual only): \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Surcharge must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Probation until 11/31/12; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated and no violations of law.

State of Alaska v. Derek Moses (8/8/89); 2NO-09-518CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110703195; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Derek Moses (8/8/89); 2NO-10-348CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110129022; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Derek Moses (8/8/89); 2NO-11-481CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Mischief 3°; Filed by the DAs Office 2/16/12.

State of Alaska v. Derek Moses (8/8/89); Count 002: Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 10/27/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: CTN 001; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant remanded; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/12; Forfeit alcohol and marijuana to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 2/16/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law pertaining to alcoholic beverages; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 30 days of release; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare, including up to 30 days residential treatment.

State of Alaska v. Frank Johnson (1/18/79); DUI; Date of Offense: 10/9/11; 3 days, 0 days suspended; Report immediately to AMCC; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; \$1,500 due date: 8/17/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended; \$50 due; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st Off.) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due.

State of Alaska v. Cassandra J. Johnson (3/6/92); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; First Offense; Date of offense: 1/22/12; Fine: \$300 with \$100 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court 9/1/12; Probation until 2/16/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Jenny E. Kuzugotk (10/20/76); Dismissal; Chg. Nbr. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5: Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor; Filed by the DAs Office 2/16/12.

State of Alaska v. Elmer Campbell (10/24/87); Corrected Judgment; Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 9/13/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated upon reporting to serve as ordered; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 1:30 pm 1/18/12 for a remand hearing; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/12; Forfeit alcohol and proceeds to State; Money proceeds are \$200 by 6/1/12; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 1/18/17; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in dry or damp community (corrected 2/16/12); Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Pauline Apasingok (7/14/84); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111030462; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 2 days on the Petition to Revoke Probation; Defendant is also remanded immediately to serve the original 3 days of unsuspended jail time required per the Judgment in this case; All other terms and conditions or probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Wagner B. Wongtittin (1/11/60); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110064726; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 60 days, remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Duane Johnson (12/22/89); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112704408; Violated conditions of probation; 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. Dannita Malewotkuk (2/18/86); Notice of Dismissal; PTR filed on 12/12/11; Filed by the DAs Office 2/16/12.

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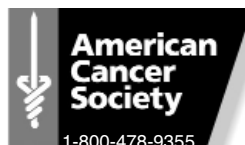
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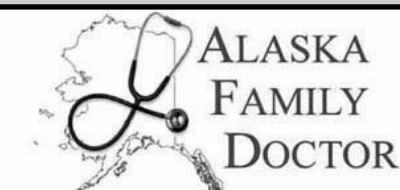
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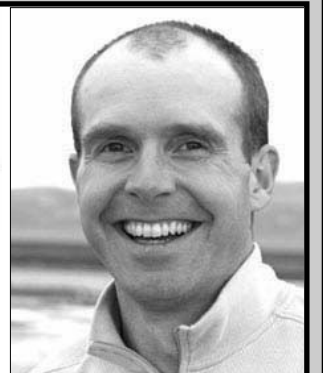




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SUSV—An Alaska Army National Guard Small Unit Support Vehicle backs out of a Wyoming Air National Guard C-130 in Point Hope Feb. 11. The SUSV is designed for small unit operations in arctic and alpine conditions.

Alaska National Guardsmen conduct exercise in Point Hope

By Major Guy Hayes

More than 30 Alaska Army National Guard members traveled to Point Hope Feb. 11 to conduct a joint exercise supporting the North Slope Borough. The exercise tested the

North Slope emergency response system and provided Guard members the opportunity to train with other local, state and federal agencies while simulating evacuation and search and rescue missions.

"Point Hope was exercising evacuation and emergency sheltering of citizens," said Capt. Doug Smith, A Troop commander, 1-297th Reconnaissance and Surveillance, Alaska Army National Guard. "We were

called in to support the community by providing Defense Support to Civil Authorities."

According to Smith, DSCA is critical to fostering relationships and being prepared for real world emergencies. He sent his executive officer, 1st Lt. Chris Dailey, to Point Hope ahead of time to plan for the arrival of the main body of Soldiers, while he traveled to Barrow to coordinate the response.

"I flew to Barrow and met with the city manager. We talked about the exercise and then we formulated a plan, which I sent to Dailey," Smith said. "Dailey ensured we supported the community, taking direction from North Slope emergency response coordinator, Frederick Brower, on where they needed our assistance. Dailey's leadership and planning were critical to our success during this exercise."

Receiving the call to support DSCA operations, A Troop soldiers loaded their gear and boarded a Wyoming Air National Guard C-130 in Anchorage with other members from the State of Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Stopping in Fairbanks to pick up additional soldiers and equipment, they arrived in Point Hope ready to participate in the exercise. Focused on

evacuation response, the Guard members were also tested in search and rescue operations when a lost hunter was reported as an exercise input.

"Each citizen carries an avalanche beacon when they are conducting activities outside of the village. When there's an incident the beacon sends out a signal, which is reported to the North Slope Borough emergency managers in Barrow," Smith said. "When the North Slope Borough received that signal, we supported the exercise by initializing rescue operations." Reflecting on A Troop's ability to support DSCA operations, Smith is happy with the results of the exercise and is even more pleased with the diligence of his soldiers who performed exceptional leading up to and during the exercise. "There is a lot of planning that goes in to an exercise like this," Smith said. "Sgt. 1st Class Jeff Alberts and Staff Sgt. Khrist White were critical to this mission. We would have never accomplished this much if these two didn't coordinate all the behind the scenes efforts in aircraft and logistical support. They were phenomenal, and I'm very pleased with the effort everyone put in during this exercise."



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ENLISTMENT—Alaska Army National Guard Spc. Christopher French (right) was re-enlisted in Point Hope Feb. 11 by 1st Lt. Rob Schneden while 1st Sgt. Jaime Nyquist stands at attention and community members look on.

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