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CLEAN UP CREW - Ravens at work cleaning up the goodies and leftovers at the Iditarod dog lot on River Street.

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HOME GONE—John Hager's house burned to the ground Sunday. Several agencies fought the blaze for hours on two occasions. Hager was at work when the fire started.

House fire hard to douse

By Sandra L. Medearis

John Hager lost his house and his dog Sunday morning when a fire leveled his two-story yellow house on Lester Bench Road in the vicinity of Anvil Mountain Correction

Nome Volunteer Fire Department, joined by state personnel providing water, fought the blaze for three hours Sunday, starting shortly after 11 a.m. according to a spectator. Firefighters, other crews and emergency responders

had to return 12 hours later when the fire, letting off a pillar of smoke and sparks, threatened to rekindle again around midnight.

The ashes and debris continued to smoke and smolder into Monday's mid-afternoon. Hager, who owns a janitorial business that has him working nights, came home Sunday morning and discovered the fire and his dog per-

Council wants bike path on Bypass Road

By Laurie McNicholas

The Nome Planning Commission has recommended that the General Permit issued to the City of Nome by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers be expanded to include land on the north side of the Nome Bypass Road corridor, the 21st Century Subdivision and along the Nome-Teller Highway corridor, City Manager Josie Bahnke reported to the Nome Common Council on Monday. Bahnke said the five-year permit will expire June 26, 2011.

The USACE issued the General Permit under the Clean Water Act to authorize the placement of dredged and/or fill material and structures into wetlands, for activities associated with residential, public and commercial development projects in Nome. Bahnke said the additions recommended by the planning commission and a map revised by the city engineer will be presented to the council for approval.

Councilwoman Mary Knodel said she had read with interest Bahnke's report to the Planning Commission on the Bypass Road upgrade project. Bahnke told commissioners on March 8 that the Alaska Dept. of Transportation has completed construction of the Bypass Road portion of the project except for final grading, delineators, signs and seeding. She said the current completion date for the portion from East N Street to the Nome-Council Highway is July 31, 2011

Knodel said when the city agreed to take ownership of the Bypass Road from the state, there was no Public Safety Building or hospital adjacent to the road, and trucks are still using the road. When construction of the new Norton Sound Regional Hospital is completed, hundreds of employees and patients will use the Bypass Road for access to the facility.

Bahnke's report notes that funding for the Bypass Road upgrade in 2006 included a pathway on the north side of the road. "The pedestrian/bike path was submitted by the City of Nome to be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) but did not score high enough for inclusion," Bahnke added. She said she is talking with DOT planner Alexa Greene about the STIP and will discuss other options with her.

In 2007 the city and DOT signed a memorandum of agreement stipulating that the city would own and maintain the Bypass Road, Bahnke

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Michael Brawner selected as Nome Public Schools' next superintendent

By Laurie McNicholas

The Nome Board of Education unanimously selected Michael Brawner as the next superintendent of Nome Public Schools on March 24. Brawner has served as middle school principal, activity director and assistant superintendent of the Petersburg School District since 2009. He has accepted a two-year

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contract as NPS superintendent to begin July 1, according to a press release from Bill Gartung, NPS human resources coordinator. Brawner will replace Jon Wehde, who has resigned as superintendent effective June 30.

Brawner and two other finalists for the position-Joe Banghart, Iditarod School District superintendent from 2004 to 2010, and Steven Gast, principal of Nome-Beltz Junior/Senior High School-presented brief presentations to about 50 Nome residents at a community forum March 23 at Nome Elementary School. Each candidate then met with a series of three smaller groups to answer questions from NPS school board members, faculty and the pub-

Raised in a farming area in Macon County, Tennessee, Brawner served for nine years in the U.S. Air Force, and he is a Gulf War veteran. He said he began to teach at the junior college level while in the military. He holds a Specialist in Education and Masters in Education from Tennessee State University and a Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts from Excelsior College.

Brawner taught computer science for seven years at Hendersonville High School in Hendersonville, TN. "The last three years I was also an Admin Designee," he wrote in an email to the Nugget. "My public school admin experience began at that time.'

Brawner's first administrative post was as principal of an elementary school in Carthage, TN, from 2005 to 2006. He served as principal of a school with 530 students in Kindergarten through 8th grade in Celina, TN from 2006 to 2009. Then he was looking for enrichment and was drawn to Alaska because he loves to hunt, fish and hike, he told the audience at the community forum.

Brawner said he became interested in NPS when Jenny Martens, a former business manager for NPS and for the Petersburg School District told him about the NPS Strategic "I thought the community, board and faculty must be a good team, so I want to join to help the team help the students," he added.

NPS reading initiative

During a group question and answer session with Brawner at the community forum, school board member Barb Nickels noted that NPS recently set a major goal for 90 percent of third graders to read at or above grade level by the end of the 2014 school year. "What do you think?" she asked.

"I implemented that goal five years ago in Tennessee," Brawner replied. "We followed a basic catchup growth plan. We took the philosophy and made it ours.... We started all the way back with the Imagination Library."

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Michael Brawner

Letters -

Dear Nancy,

I keep marveling at Nadja Roessek's remarkable photo of John Baker coming into Nome, which ran across the top of your front page. It's amazing. She's captured the entire team and musher, Cape Nome in the distant background and town in the near background, with the sun streaming through the team and across the ice. What a Great Race, a great town, and a great photo!

Sue Steinacher Nome, AK

Hi everyone,

I was sitting here talking to one of my buddies about how people are getting sick and dying. We-the-people need to be concerned enough about it to make them test our water, then our land, then our animals. If it is not our water, then it must be the land or the animals. To ensure that more of our family members are safer and quit dying from other things than old age and natural causes, then we should care enough to test the different places where people reside—even the places they do for the subsistence uses. After all people are precious.

I could not believe it. I went to the store to get chicken; not only did I have to buy two bags (because there was only four pieces in each), but it also cost me \$20. Oh, and I get 36 regular rolls of tissue for \$40. It was either that, or buy 24/18 pack of regular tissue for \$19 or 4 to 6 pack for \$10. Seriously, we used to have to use catalogs or something to wipe with. We get enough of those in our mail, is that what they want us to

My daughter and I were having an argument about why (even though there were a couple of days of spring break) she had to come back from Stebbins—"at least the kids/people don't judge you there for who your mother is," she said. Could almost make me ashamed to say I am from this beautiful, wonderful country of Unalakleet. Except that it has so much to offer. Shame on you for judging someone else just because their parents do this or say that. At least I can say that people thank me for being brave enough to speak out. You yourself are not blameless. All I could do is thank God that my kids turned out good and that they don't mind helping out people. And I think my father would be proud of me too. But shame on you. All people are different from one another. All people are beautiful.

While in Stebbins I was listening

to KNOM. They said anyone could call in and make a request, so I tried and they didn't answer and didn't answer. My friend says, "Yeah they say that, but they don't answer, or they try to rush your call!" Why bother if you're going to be that

I want to thank the people in Stebbins, and my cousins in Shaktoolik, for making my kids and I feel welcome while we are there. I sure appreciate it. I also really appreciate the Health Aides and PA as well as Anna, for being there for us. For caring enough for all of us and to go beyond their call of duty-thanks! I am only sorry that we have to bother them on weekends sometimes, but thanks a lot.

I was thinking of GCI again, because they charged me an extra \$180 for what? Maybe calling 800 or 866 numbers, or calling other phones not related (or maybe GCI is their parent company now). To GCI, whatever their reason, I disagree. First, you only get the different services (depending on how much you're willing to pay), then you get dropped calls, and I'd bet anything they are so money hungry they charge both phones for the call.

Guess I'd better quit for now. Happy spring everyone. Remember-stay safe and tell people where you're headed if you're traveling). Love you.

As always, Karen Nanouk Unalakleet, AK 99684

Dear Editor,

On March 22, 2011 at approximately 10:30 a.m. the Nome Police received a report that two "City of Nome" sponsorship banners were missing from the area around the Iditarod finish line. The banners are white with the city of Nome seal in blue/gold and the phrase, "Proud Sponsor of the Iditarod" affixed. Each banner measures approximately 8 feet long and 3 feet wide and has brass grommets in each corner for attachment and tie down.

The banners are valued at \$175 each for a total loss of \$350.

Due to the high winds experienced over the weekend, it is unclear whether the banners were stolen or may have come loose during the wind storm.

If you have any information as to the whereabouts of these items, please notify the Nome Police Department at (907) 443-5262. If found, the banners can be turned in to City Hall or the Nome Police Department.

J. Papasodora Chief of Police Nome

A Look at the Past



F.H. Nowell photo and caption courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum KIND OF LOOKS THE SAME, DOESN'T IT? - This is 1st Avenue looking west from Steadman in Nome on March 25, 1907. "Furnished Rooms" is on the extreme right with headquarters of the Nome News next

Weather Statistics 29° 3/23/11 High Temp **National Weather** Sunrise 03/30/11 08:26 a.m. Low Temp -7° 3/26/11 Service 04/06/11 08:01 a.m. 26 mph, E, 3/27/11 Peak Wind Nome, Alaska 03/30/11 09:48 p.m. Precip. to Date 2.63 (907) 443-2321 04/06/11 10:09 p.m. 1-800-472-0391 Normal 2.21" Seasonal snow fall total (data collected since 7/1/10): 80.2" Current Snow Cover: 37" varies with sublimation/melting/blowing of snow.

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Editorial

No Free Rides

A recent TV ad shows a few big name Alaskans with mad faces. They are claiming that oil and gas taxes are driving business out of Alaska. They say they are picking up their toys and taking their jobs to South Dakota. Somewhere in the message was a panic button.

Why are these political and business leaders so upset? Why do they think we should give away the store to big multinational conglomerates who could care less about Alaska? We need to have our politicians come to the understanding that resources on public lands in Alaska belong to Alaskans. We don't want to just give away our wealth. We should not hesitate one second to hold our ground and tax the folks who make big bucks off our resources.

We can't blink. We need to stare down the business and political bullies who would have us believe it is a good thing to give big oil and mineral development a free ride. -N.L.M.-

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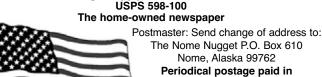
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Alaska State News

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State files suit over critical habitat designation

The State of Ālaska filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service over its designation of critical habitat for polar bears, which have been listed as "threatened" under the Endangered Species Act. In a separate suit, the state is challenging the decision to list these bears as threatened. The state maintains that the designation of 187,157 square miles of critical habitat for the polar bear would be unnecessary as the agency acknowledges that the designation will not provide substantial protection for the animals. In its lawsuit, the state also contends that the USFWS disregarded federal law by including geographical areas in the designation in which there is little or no evidence of physical or biological features that are essential to conservation of polar bears. The state's attorneys say that Norton Sound is included as critical sea ice habitat even though the mapping does not show the area even within the range of polar bears.

Four indicted for conspiracy to murder judge

Members of a Fairbanks militia group were indicted on an array of state and federal charges for conspiracy to murder a judge and his family as well as a federal IRS employee. The Peacemakers militia leader Francis Schaeffer Cox, 27, of Fairbanks, Coleman Barney, 36, of North Pole and Lonnie, 55, and Karen Vernon, 64, of Salcha were allegedly possessing machine guns, firearms with silencers and possessing unregistered destruction devices. According to the indictments, Lonnie Vernon and his wife Karen conspired to murder the district court judge who presided over a civil tax case against them and also conspired to kill a federal IRS employee. They have pleaded not guilty to any of the charges. Prior to their March 10 arrest, Schaeffer Cox was a fugitive, resisting a minor weapons charge. Trial dates are set

eat fresh.

Monday – Turkey/Ham

Tuesday – Meatball

Wednesday – Turkey

Breakfast is served 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. weekdays

8 a.m. - 11 a.m. weekends

Senate considers re-establishing Alaska Women's Commission

The Senate State Affairs committee considers Senate Bill 53 this week, which would reestablish the Alaska Commission on the Status of Women. The nine member commission would be tasked with conducting research, teaching women about available resources, and making recommendations on education, civil and legal rights, labor and employment and homemaking. The Alaska Commission on the Status of Women was originally created in 1978, and



then combined with the Alaska Human Relations Commission in 1993, which continues to exist in statute, but has never been funded and was declared inactive in 1996.

Anchorage Democrat Bettye Davis sponsored the bill and said that the statistics for women in Alaska show the need for a commission to focus on women's issues. For example. Alaska continues to have the highest rates of sexual assault and domestic violence in the nation and women still are not treated equally in the work place, not earning the same amount as their male counterparts.

First bill signed

Governor Sean Parnell on March 11 signed Senate Bill 33 into law, the first bill of the 27th Legislature. The bill was sponsored by Senator Bill Wielechowski and it allows members of the armed forces to designate which of their family members will act as next of kin in the event of their death while in duty status. Representative Bill Thomas carried the companion bill in the House and became a co-sponsor. Alaska currently does not allow service members to choose which family members will handle

Breakfast menu items,

BiscuitsCinnamon Rolls •Hashbowns •Biscuits & gravy

but not limited to:

their remains in the event of their predetermined by the military, to administer the disposition of remains.

House passes performance review bill

The Alaska State House of Representatives passed legislation to push for better accountability and review the performance and operations of state agencies. House Bill 166, sponsored by House Speaker Mike Chenault, R-Nikiski, re-institutes performance reviews for state departments and agencies, a practice ceased in the early 1980s.

The bill forces the legislature to refocus on each agency to decide which expenditures are necessary and required state services. Reviews under the bill would begin this July covering the Department of Corrections. The Legislature, Office of the Governor and Court System would follow. HB 166 passed by a vote of 36 to 1 and moved to the Alaska Senate for consideration.

Denali KidCare bill on the table again

A bill that would extend health care to about 1,300 more Alaskan children and 225 pregnant women is again before the Legislature. Senate Bill 5 is currently in the Senate's Health and Social Services committee. The bill would increase and restore income eligibility levels for the Denali KidCare program to 200 percent of the federal poverty level. The Kaiser Foundation estimates that there are 24,000 uninsured children with medical needs in Alaska. The Legislature overwhelmingly passed a similar bill last year, but Governor Parnell vetoed it over concerns that increased eligibility for the program would require the state to pay for more medically necessary abortions. The Alaska Department of Health and Social Services estimated the additional funding for Denali KidCare would result in no more than 22 more induced terminations. The governor said he doesn't support this bill in its current form.

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death. This can be problematic when the service member would like someone other than the default next of kin,

EVENT PLACE

Thursday, March 31

TIME

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 31 - April 6, 2011

*Open Gym *School lunch main dish: *NACTEC Swim Pool

*Feeding Your Child
*Knowing the Unborn
*Wiffleball (grades 3 - 6)
*Strength Training with Robin Pool

Open Cym
*Lap Swim
*Nome Food Bank
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.
*Water Aerobics
*World Dance with Seiji
*Thrift Shop

*Lap Swim

*Open Gym *Quiet Time

Nome Public Schools

Prematernal Home Prematernal Home Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center

Bering & Seppala Nome Rec Center Pool Nome Rec Center Methodist Church 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. 1 p.m. 4 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. 5 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday, April 1

April Fool's Day! Kegoayah Library 'School lunch main dish: Nome Public Schools Macaroni, cheese and ground turkey (or is it something

*Open Cym *NACTEC Swim *CAMP class Prematernal Home *Soccer (grades 1 *All About Babies Nome Ree Center Prematernal Home 'Zumba with Elizabeth M. Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center *Advanced Tae Kwon Do *Tae Kwon Do with Dan *AA Meeting Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center Lutheran Church (rear)

6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. 10 a.m. 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2:15 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. 4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Saturday, April 2

*UMW Thrift Shop "Open Gym *Circuit Training

Methodist Church Nome Rec Center

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. noon 8 p.m. 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 3

*Open Gym *Kickbox/Tone with Jennie *Open Swim *Relax *Family Swim *Lan Swim *Lap Swim *Water Polo

Pool Prematernal Home Nome Rec Center

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Monday, April 4

*Piek up B *Lap Swim 'Kindergym 'School lunch main dish:

Chicken nuggets *Open Gym *The Stages of Labor *Close to the Heart *Beginning Yoga with Kari *Zumba with Elizabeth M. Water Aerobics Advanced Tae Kwon Do Tae Kwon Do with Dan

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Tuesday, April 5

*Open Cym
*School lunch main dish:
Salisbury steak
*Lunch Laps
*Tennis

*Tennis*NACTEC Swim
*Open Gym
*Pediatric CPR
*Breastfeeding
*Team-Handball

*AA Meeting

*Strength Training with Robin "Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K. Nome Rec Center
"Nome Food Bank Bering & Seppala
"Open Swim Pool
"Kiekbox/Tone with Jennie Nome Rec Center
"AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396 (CODE: 3534534#)
"Thriff Shop Methodist Church
Nome Planning Commission
Regular meeting Work Session to follow

Nome Rec Center
Pool
Nome Rec Center
Prematernal Home
Prematernal Home

Nome Rec Center Bering & Seppala Pool

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m

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Wednesday, April 6

*Lap Swim Kindergym *School lunch main dish:

Open Gym

*Rotary Club Airport Pizza

*NACTEC Swim

*The New Mother: Putting it Together

*STD's: Grude to Prevention

*Gymnastics Grades 3+ with Kelly K.

Nome Rec Center

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*Night Owl Yoga with Kelly B.

Pool Nome Public Schools

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Community points of interest hours of operation: Carrie McLain Memorial Museum Front Street Additional hours by appointment

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Kegoayah Library Front Street Northwest Campus Center Street

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CANDIDATE MEETING — During a small group question and answer session at the Community Forum on March 23, Michael Brawner meets with Dr. Bob Lawrence (standing) and other Nomeites.

•New Nome Public Schools superintendent

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Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is an early childhood literacy program through which books are provided free to preschoolers, according to the program's web site. Parton launched the program in her home country in east Tennessee in 1996. Participating communities pay for the books and mailing, promote the program, register the children and enter the information into a database. The Dollywood Foundation delivers the books to the home of each child.

Brawner said he and a group of faculty and parents found out who was born when and contacted the parents of preschoolers. Noting that some parents are intimidated by schools, he said his group met with parents at a community center and explained why their participation in the program is important.

Kindergarteners need phonics, first and second graders need to develop fluency in vocabulary, and third graders delve into comprehension, Brawner continued. He said students who struggled were not grouped separately. The school used special education materials and found they worked, he added. He said teachers and teachers' aides received training, and data showed students really made improvements.

Parent/community involvement

Nickels said community and parent involvement underlie the NPS Strategic Plan. She asked Brawner whether he has experience in that area. He indicated that his work to earn a Masters in Education had included community and parent involvement in schools. He said the

Petersburg schools have hosted a regional wresting tournament and an art festival, among other activities. "If you want to have a lot of help you have to start planning in September and October," he added. He talked about making plans, getting supplies, setting timelines and holding regular meetings to facilitate parent involvement.

Other questions answered

Board President Gloria Karmun asked Brawner if he has experience in contract negotiations. He said the topic was included in his administrative training and he has collected information for negotiations, but has not been in the room when contract negotiations were conducted. He noted that training in that area is available.

Janeen Sullivan, NPS coordinator for curriculum and assessment asked Brawner about his background in funding for schools. He said his dissertation was on school finances. He provided additional information in an email to the Nugget. "I have completed all of my doctorate work except my dissertation," Brawner wrote. "I studied the subject of school finance and prepared my dissertation for that subject. My comwent different directions...which left me needing to alter my dissertation focus. I'm hoping to finish that work through the Alaska university system.'

Brawner also described his work with youth as a basketball coach in his email to the *Nugget*. "My most recent basketball coaching experience came while I was the principal at the Celina K-8 School in Celina, TN," he wrote. "The high school coach and I coached grades 7

through 12 together. There were a number of other mixed aged AAU teams we coached as well beginning with third grade kids; however, the main competitive teams were those I just mentioned. We had great teams. The last year those three teams played a combined total of 75 games. We won 64 of those. The varsity team went to the state tournament this year. Good group of kids."

During the community forum, Brawner was asked whether he has a family. He said he was married at one time, but currently is single.

Board members received comments about the candidates for superintendent from Nomeites who attended the forum, and then conducted final interviews with the candidates in a session closed to the public before selecting Brawner for the post.

• More State News

Boards of Fisheries, Game have new appointees

Governor Sean Parnell appointed Susan Jeffrey and reappointed Bill Brown of Juneau and John Jensen of Petersburg to the Board of Fisheries. He also appointed Nick Yurko of Juneau and reappointed Stanley "Stosh" Hoffman of Bethel and Ted Spraker of Soldotna to the Board of Game. All six of the governor's appointments are subject to confirmation by the Alaska State Legislature, and their terms of service begin July 1, 2011.

Legislators call for price gouging legislation

Six Democratic legislators were not happy about Governor Sean Parnell's statement last week that he had not heard any Democrats step forward to say they want relief for Alaskans at the gas pump. Senators Bill Wielechowski and Hollis French as well as Representatives Chris Tuck, Les Gara, Pete Petersen and Scott Kawasaki sent Governor Parnell a letter urging him to support two bills introduced to protect Alaskans against unscrupulous price gouging. They point out that they have been proposing legislation for years that would protect Alaskans from unjustified and exorbitant gasoline prices. Senate bill 28 would ban Alaskan refiners, distributors and retailers from selling motor oil, diesel or home heating oil at unconscionably and unjustifiably high prices. The companion bill in the House, HB 25, would provide protection for Alaskan communities, individuals, and businesses by prohibiting refineries from charging excessive or exorbitant prices for heating oil, diesel, and automobile and aircraft fuel.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

STILL SMOKING—More than 24 hours later, house fire that destroyed John Hager's home in "Springerville," off Center Creek Road, still smolders on Monday afternoon.

Correction

On page 4, March 24 *Nome Nugget*, the photo caption identified with Molly Kunnuk with the Girl Scouts pancake breakfast. It is Molly Kenick, not Kunnuk





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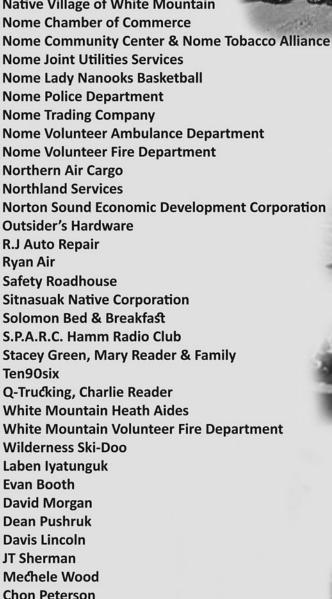
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Japan disasters could affect Alaska fish markets

By Diana Haecker

The triple disaster that hit Japan earlier this month with a 8.0 earth-quake, a tsunami and the failing cooling towers at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant may have ripple effects on Alaskan fisheries and the seafood market.

As the earthquake happened, Yahoo news reports that schools of fish were swept towards Chile and Alaska, and that Mexican fishermen reportedly had a boom day with full nets.

Back in Japan, before the tsunami hit, fish and other sea life was exposed as the water receded prior to the tsunami, which then ripped into the northeastern seaboard of the Japanese main island of Honshu. Videos posted on news sites showed fishing boats being ripped off their moorings and carried inland by the powerful surging tsunami, smashed into bridges and then ripped out to sea when the waters receded. Underwater, fish schools were ripped apart, reefs destroyed and pollution washed with the receding waters into the sea.

Parts of the Japanese fishing fleet were wiped out, boats and equipment destroyed. One of the most devastated fishing towns, Minamisanriku, was home to 17,000 people, but 10,000 are reported missing or dead.

The town has essentially disappeared.

Along with the destruction of Japan's ability to go fishing, fish processing and packaging facilities are destroyed and with the disruption of power, cold storages are dysfunctional.

Japan also is home to the largest chum salmon hatcheries and so far, there are no reports as to how badly the hatcheries were impacted. Most of the chum hatcheries are located offshore from Hokkaido and on north Honshu.

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation's fishery biologist Charlie Lean says that while it remains to be seen how badly the impact of the tsunami on the Japanese fisheries was, it could affect Alaska chums and the Alaskan market. Lean said that Japan has the world's largest chum salmon hatcheries, which at one point doubled the number of chum in the North Pacific. "There is a possibility that the impacts could be huge and that could have the effect of better chum returns to Alaska," said Lean. He said that salmon that spawned last year in Japan were likely wiped out and the same Alaskan cohorts could find more food and less competition once they reach the ocean feeding grounds

just north of the Aleutian Islands and south of the Bering Sea. In three or four years the return of the chum will hold the ultimate answer for how the tsunami disaster affected Western Alaska chums. Chum spend the first ten months in fresh water, then migrate out to sea. There, they stay three to four years feeding before they return to the rivers they were born in.

Asides from fisheries, the demand from Japanese buyers could impact the Alaska seafood market. Lean said that most Alaskan salmon are bound for Japan. "Now we could see an increased interest in our fish," Lean said. "There will be more demand for bread and butter fish like chums and pinks, but luxury seafood like king crab, or Tanner crab or king salmon may see a decrease."

Gunnar Knapp, a University of Alaska Anchorage economics professor and an expert on world seafood markets, said that he received an e-mail from the director of the International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade, which said that most of the coastal and fishing areas in the region around Sendai were completely destroyed and thousands are dead — the death toll will probably rise. Matsushima and Kamaishi [...] were largely destroyed.

He said that most of the effects on the Alaska seafood industry probably would derive from Japan's very important role as a market for Alaska seafood. The importance of Japan as a market varies widely depending on species and products. Japan is by far the most important market for sablefish, pollock surimi, pollock roe, salmon roe and herring roe.

Frozen salmon, king crab and opilio crab are not as important and Japan is not an important market for canned salmon and halibut.

"So different parts of the Alaska industry are likely to be affected to differing extents. My general instinct is that the events in Japan will be a significant disruption and will cause significant losses for some parts of the Alaska seafood industry, but that it will not be an economic catastrophe for the industry as a whole," said Knapp.

While at this point it is up to speculation as to how the Alaska seafood market would be affected, Knapp said that the first place to look for evidence is to observe the herring roe fishery that starts next week in Sitka. Another fishery and major market for Japan is pollock roe. "The CDQ groups get part of their income from the pollock roe fishery and that market has been disrupted because the

processing happens in Japan," said Knapp.

Knapp said that the biggest effects for Alaskan seafood sellers to Japan would be dealing with the disruption to get the fish to markets. Knapp points out that Japanese companies that buy Alaskan fish are having a lot going on. "Any Japanese companies that buy Alaska fish, or that are actively involved in Alaska, are likely to be, to put it mildly, distracted," Knapp wrote in an email. "They have a lot going on that will distract them from and interfere with normal import business. They may have employees and their family members who died or were injured; they may have facilities which were destroyed or damaged, and even companies a long way from the center of things are facing disruptions because people can't get to work. So hardly anyone is likely to be in a 'business as usual' mode."

After the tragedy, the Tsukiji Fish Market in Tokyo, the world's largest fish market, remained open but prices plunged to 50 percent as demand from restaurants and hotels evaporated, reports the seafood website Intrafish.

Iditarod teacher on the trail visits Nome Elementary



Photo Courtesy Nome Elementary School

TEACHER ON THE TRAIL—Martha Dobson, a sixth grade teacher in Mount Pleasant, NC, showed Nome Elementary School teachers and students how she uses the Iditarod as a teaching tool during a visit on March 30.

By Dave Keller, Principal Nome Elementary School

The 39th Iditarod officially ended on March 20, but the Target 2011 Iditarod Teacher on the Trail was still working in Nome visiting Nome Elementary School and the Head Start program. Martha Dobson spent Monday presenting to kindergarten through sixth grades at the elementary school, showing students and teachers the blog she has maintained this school year with lesson plans, messages and photographs to help classrooms around the world use the Iditarod as a teaching tool. http://itcteacheronthetrail.wordpress.com/

Students enthusiastically recognized the burled arch on Front Street and pictures of mushers as different teams arrived for the end of the race. Students also saw pictures and heard information about other villages and checkpoints in the race.

Dobson is a sixth grade middle

school teacher in Mount Pleasant, North Carolina.

For Dobson, a highlight of the visit was going outside at recess to watch Nome Elementary students play in the snow. In her home in North Carolina, there is little snowfall, so students don't have recess in the snow.

In 2005, Dobson traveled to the Iditarod race start to be an Idita-Rider in Phil Morgan's sled, sure that she'd never have a chance to return to The Last Frontier. That experience was the "coolest thing" she's ever done, she says, and the Iditarod bug

bit her, hard. Now she's been to four race starts, four Iditarod teachers' conferences, and enjoyed an Alaskan summer vacation.

Dobson says that the Iditarod appeals to her sense of adventure and her appreciation of the unique and challenging event. Her sixth grade students are intrigued by its uniqueness, and Martha has incorporated Iditarod in her classroom and school through lessons not only for her English classes, but classes in other grade levels and subject areas, including math, science and technology.

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Jesuits to pay abuse victims

By Diana Haecker

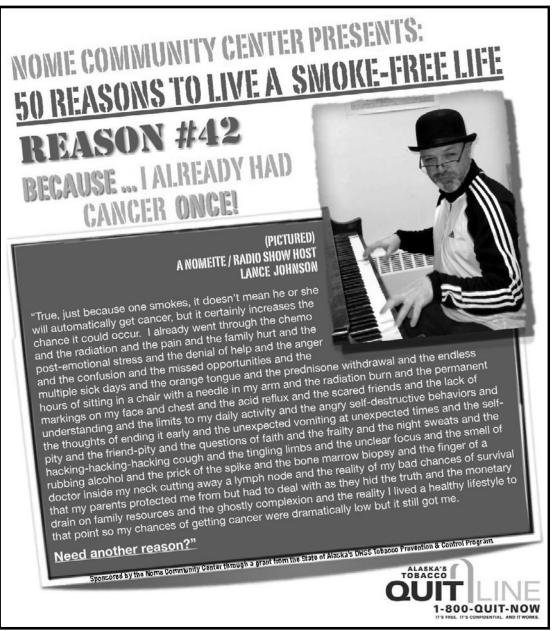
The Oregon Province of the Society of Jesus agreed to pay out \$118 million into a trust for survivors of sexual and physical abuse by 57 Jesuit workers and priests. With the payout, the Jesuits will resolve 524 abuse claims from Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho.

The Jesuits reached this bank-ruptcy settlement last Friday. Under the plan, the Oregon Province is going to pay \$48.1 million and the Province's insurance carriers will pay \$118 million. The plan document says that the total of \$166.1 million would be used to compensate the victims, minus bankruptcy administrative expenses. Part of the plan is also addressing non-monetary commitments to protect children in the future.

The attorneys for the victims in-

clude John Manly, who also represented Alaskan abuse victims settling with the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska. Before filing for bankruptcy in 2009, the Jesuits already had paid out \$50 million in settlements. The settlement does not include the Jesuit's prestigious schools including the Seattle University, Gonzaga University and three prep schools.

Decades of sexual and physical abuse of Alaska Natives and Indian children in Alaska villages, on Indian reservations and boarding schools came to light when in 2003 a former Nome woman settled with the Fairbanks Diocese for close to \$1 million after revealing abuse at the hand of Nome priest James Poole. A wave of claimants followed, eventually leading to the bankruptcy declarations of CBNA and the Jesuits.



Census figures will change some district boundaries

By Sandra L. Medearis

Census figures for 2010 released mid-month reveal that Nome has only 90 or so more people than the city had a decade ago in 2000. That's relatively few to help shoulder enormous increases in community-wide costs over the 10 years.

Alaska, as a state, had an overall increase of 13.3 percent in population, 83,299 people, since the 2000 Census. In 1959, when Alaska became a state, the Last Frontier had 210,000 people. That number has more than tripled to 710, 231 in 2010 according to latest census figures. Even so, the state still has 40 House districts, and some of those districts may have to change their shapes to accommodate population growth and recession by mid-June, according to state law. District 39, Nome's district, has lost population, and may be affected.

Now, dividing 710, 231 by 40 districts yields an ideal number of 17,755 per House district, according to a newsletter from Sen. Donald Olson. The Voting Rights Act in 1965 allowed a deviation of 5 percent plus or minus, which drops the ideal number to 16,868 people—but no fewer— for each district.

However, the 2010 Census shows that some districts have significantly fewer folks than the magic 17,755, while some have just too many, and some districts are just right. According to state law, this inequality in numbers has to be adjusted. In our back yard, Kotzebue's District 40 has 17,516 people, meaning Rep. Reggie Joule can probably expect his district to keep its same shape. However, District 39, represented by Neal Foster, has only 15,642, leaving Foster looking for 1,226 more people to keep his district intact. Yukon-

Kovukuk district lost almost 15 percent. Matanuska-Susitna Borough gained a whopping 50 percent in population.

Predictions are that Mat-Su will gain a seat and rural Alaska will lose a seat, according to Olson. Drawing new lines, required to fulfill the one person, one vote established by U.S. Supreme Court case law decades ago, will require negotiation among legislators. The Alaska Redistricting Board got its data from the U.S. Census Borough on March 15. According to the Alaska Constitution, the board has to come up with a redistricting draft plan within 30 days, by April 14. Sixty days after that, the Board will have to have a final plan ready to go. Litigation challenging the redistricting final plan can be filed by any qualified voter within 30 days of the final plan adoption.

"We like to have and keep people

who share the same culture and language in the same district," Loren Peterson, legislative aide, said Monday. The idea is to hang on to rural Alaska legislators. District 39 could patch its number with about 650 people from Reggie Joule's district 40 as a beginning. "We don't know where the 1,226 needed is, yet. It is up in the air, but we are punching in the numbers, and Sen. Olson will be negotiating," Peterson said. Olson's Senate district comprises Districts 39 and 40.

The redistricting board last week and this week was holding meetings in seven communities, but not in Nome, despite a letter from Nome's mayor, Denise Michels, asking that the Board meet in Nome so that people could become better informed on the issue. The Board is collecting ideas from folks in Bethel, Anchorage, Wasilla, Juneau, Kotzebue, Fairbanks and Ketchikan.

"We were disappointed there was no meeting scheduled in Nome, but people can e-mail their comments and ideas to the Alaska Redistricting Board: info@akredistricting.org or fax them to 907-269-6691. There will be a statewide teleconference March 31 from noon to 7 p.m. Those wanting to make comment can do so at their local Legislative Information Offices," Peterson said. In Nome, that office is on the east end of the State Building on the ground floor.

The five-member Board includes a rural Alaskan, Marie N. Greene of NANA Regional Corp. in Kotzebue.

Olson sponsored a bill during the last Legislature to expand the legislature, but after legislative approval, Ballot Measure 1 did not survive the November General Election.

Winter sea ice hits historic low



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ENJOYING THE VIEW-A flock of ravens sitting atop a telephone pole are seen here overlooking the sea ice.

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By Diana Haecker

The National Snow and Ice Data Center is reporting that the Arctic sea ice likely reached its maximum extent for the winter and measures 5.65 million square miles. This puts it equal to the year 2006 when the sea ice recorded the lowest maximum extent since the start of satellite recording in 1979. The average sea ice extent measured between 1979 and the year 2000 was 6.12 million square miles.

Arctic sea ice from December through February also reached record lows as winter temperatures across much of the Arctic were anomalously warm, reaching 4 to 11°F above normal in January.

The National Snow and Ice Data center reports that as of March 22, the ice extent has declined for five straight days. There is still a chance

that the ice extent could expand again. Sea ice in February and March tends to be quite variable, because ice near the edge is thin and shattered. The thin ice is very sensitive to weather, moving or melting quickly in response to changing winds and temperatures, and it often grows and recedes near the maximum extent for several days or weeks, as it has done this year. Since the start of the satellite record in 1979, the maximum Arctic sea ice extent has occurred as early as February 18 and as late as March 31, with an average date of March 6.

This news comes as Congress is about to go back to work after spring break and several attempts are underway to modify the federal Clean Air Act. This includes Fred Upton's (R-Mich.) legislation to repeal Clean Air Act protections aimed at slowing the

buildup of carbon dioxide pollution. The bill would allow unlimited carbon pollution from power plants and other industrial polluters, and it passed the House Energy and Commerce Committee last week. Senator Mitch McConnell (R-Ken.) introduced the same language as an amendment to an unrelated small business bill in the Senate. Senator Jay Rockefeller (D-W.Va.) is attempting to delay the Environmental Protection Agency's implementation of Clean Air Act protections to reduce carbon emissions by two years. Bloomberg reports that Rockefeller is leading other Senate Democrats to suspend EPA rules, which, he said, would burden businesses and hurt the economy. The Democrat has said the two-year delay is needed to give Congress time to craft a new energy bill.



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FAST START-Senior Sierra Corsetti of Unalakleet and freshman Rosa Schmidt of Nome lead a pack of high school girls in the 7.5-kilometer ski race at the 33rd Annual Bering Strait School District's Ski and Biathlon Championships in White Mountain. Schmidt would go on to win the ski race by 55 seconds, while Corsetti would come back to nip Schmidt the next

Corsetti outlasts Schmidt for top skier award at 33rd BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships

By NST ReportersThe 33rd annual Bering Strait School District Ski and Biathlon Championships held in White Mountain March 24-25 produced two exciting battles for top spots in both the high school boys and high school girls divisions.

The high school girls division featured a battle between former junior high girl Skimeisters (the award earned by the top skier in an age category) who were competing in their first BSSD high school races. Unalakleet senior Sierra Corsetti and Nome freshman Rosa Schmidt split results in the two-day event, with Schmidt winning gold in the 7.5kilometer ski race by a margin of 55 seconds on Thursday.

Corsetti, using her past international experience on Team Alaska's Arctic Winter Games biathlon team, was able to earn the gold medal in the biathlon race by outshooting Schmidt on the shooting range on Friday, hitting 7 shots to Schmidt's 5. Two, 65-meter penalty laps added too much to Schmidt's time, and resulted in Corsetti having an overall 21-second two-day advantage, giving her the coveted Skimeister award.

The high school division featured a pair of Corsetti's Arctic Winter Games 2010 teammates, senior Emerson Conger of Nome, and sophomore Asa Bergamaschi of White Mountain, both also former junior high Skimeisters. In one of the closest BSSD ski races in the last 10 years, Conger was able to fend off the hometown favorite by a scant three seconds on the 7.5-kilometer ski course.

On Friday, the two picked up where they left off, as each of the experienced biathletes knocked down 9 of 10 targets in the 5.4-kilometer biathlon race. For the second day in

a row, Conger was able to win by the narrowest of margins, topping Bergamaschi by 6 seconds, and captured his fifth consecutive BSSD Skimeis-

The efforts by Schmidt and Conger were enough to guide their respective high school squads to top team trophies. Schmidt used a double-bronze performance by junior Caity Tozier to capture Nome's third consecutive BSSD girl's high school trophy.

Conger used bronze medal efforts by two different senior teammates to bring the fourth consecutive BSSD boys high school trophy back to Nome. Sam Schmidt posted the third fastest time in the ski race, while first year skier Mark Schmidt used a perfect shooting performance to take third in the biathlon race.

Corsetti and teammate Katie Daniels took the second place trophy for Unalakleet, while Bergamaschi teamed up with Vincent Tomalonis to earn the second place high school boys trophy for White Mountain.

Both junior high divisions produced first-time BSSD Skimeisters. In the girls division, Unalakleet's Ally Daniels earned gold by beating White Mountain's Anna Prentice by 2 minutes 29 seconds in the 4-kilometer ski race on Thursday.

Even though Prentice hit all 10 of her shots in Friday's biathlon race, Daniel's five shots proved to be enough, as she was able to build a 2 minute, 17 second advantage. Daniel's and Prentice were followed each day by double bronze medalist Linda Kimoktoak of Unalakleet, who also earned the 2011 Most Improved Skier Award.

Daniels and Kimoktoak helped the Unalakleet squad earn its fourth consecutive junior high team trophy. Prentice, along with teammate Angel Agloinga, took home the second

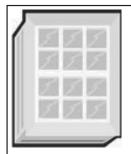
place trophy for White Mountain. Breane Hale and Alice Otten, who hit 9 out of 10, and 10 out of 10 respectively in the biathlon race, helped Stebbins win the third place junior high girls trophy.

Double gold medal winner, White Mountain's Isaac McElwee, became the second junior high boys athlete in as many years to win both the 2011 Skimeister award as well as the 2011 Most Improved Skier award. He was able to outlast silver medalist Cory Ningeulook of Shishmaref (the 2010 junior high Skimeister/Most Improved winner), by a margin of 35

seconds in the 4-kilometer ski race, and by 30 seconds in the biathlon.

The junior high bronze medal in the ski race went to White Mountain's Sigfred Brown, while Unalakleet's Sikulik Johnson's perfect 10 out of 10 shooting helped him earn the bronze medal in the biathlon.

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UPHILL CLIMB—Corey Ningeulook of Shishmaref leads a group of junior high skiers, including Unalakleet's Sikulik Johnson (147) and Nome's Liam Floyd (143), up the first hill in White Mountain at the 33rd Annual Bering Strait School District's Ski and Biathlon Championships. Ningeulook went on to take the silver medal behind gold medal winner Isaac McElwee of White Mountain.



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STRIDE FOR STRIDE-Alyeska Daniels of the Unalakleet Wolfpack earned a gold medal in the 4-kilometer ski race for the junior high girls division.



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Photo by Melanie Sagoonik

AND THEY'RE OFF-Unalakleet's Timmy Sagoonik (black and yellow) gets a slight head start against his fellow competitors.

• BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships

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2011 BSSD Ski and Biathlon Chamber's Johnson, Jayden Wilson, Kay-

Team Trophies for junior high boys would be earned by White Mountain, with Unalakleet taking second place, and Golovin taking third place.

The BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships also featured a marksmanship competition. The winners of respective age divisions were Hannah Tozier of Nome, high school girls, Jarad Billingsley of Saint Michael, high school boys, Kimoktoak, junior high girls, and Unalakleet's Talon Erickson, junior high boys.

The sportsmanship trophy for the

2011 BSSD Ski and Biathlon Championships was earned by the team from Nome.

Both the BSSD and Nome use the regional results from the BSSD Championships as qualifiers for the rural state meet, hosted by the Western Interior Ski Association, which will be held in White Mountain on March 31 – April 2.

Qualifiers for the BSSD are Saint Michael's Dominic Richardson, Billingsley, AJ Andrews, and John Washington, Shishmaref's Sam Tocktoo and Ningeulook, Unalkleet's Johnson, Jayden Wilson, Kayden Erickson, Kimoktoak, Ada Harvey, and Christa Eakon, Golovin's Hank Henry, Nathaniel Piscoya, and Emily Henry, Koyuk's Amanda Homekingkeo. Skiers from the host site automatically qualify.

State qualifers from the Nome Ski and Biathlon team are Conger, Sam Schmidt, Steiger, Quinn Tozier, Tim Schmidt, Rosa Schmidt, Caity Tozier, Hannah Tozier, Miranda Murphy, Lindsay Floyd, Jannelle Trowbridge, and Liam Floyd.



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Which medication should you take for flu pains?

By Bob Lawrence, MD **Alaska Family Doctor**

Several different viral illnesses have hit the region. People who have caught one of these versions of a "cold" often describe a deep ache in the muscles and joints, called myalgias. These aches may also be associated with a lowgrade fever and intermittent headache. Everything a person needs to treat these aches and pains can be purchased over the



counter. But a quick visit to the store for a simple medication is often made complex by an endless array of options on the medicine aisle with drugs packaged in colorful boxes printed with strange names followed by tantalizing claims of efficacy.

Perhaps a little guidance will go a long way in making the choice of medication easier to make.

If you look closely at the fine print on each of the boxes, you will notice that most of the medications contain the same basic ingredients. The goal is to find the ingredient that best treats your symptoms without interfering with your other medical conditions or medications you may be taking for these other conditions.

There are basically four options for treating the aches and pains that accompany the flu and other viral illnesses: acetaminophen (Tylenol); ibuprofen (Motrin or Advil); naproxen (Aleve); or aspirin (Bayer).

Your doctor may recommend one of these medications over another, but usually this has little to do with whether a medication works better than the others. Each medication provides about

the same level of relief as the others. However, in some cases a medication may be dangerous for certain patients.

Aspirin should not be given to children under age 18 because it may cause Reye's Syndrome, a rare disease affecting the liver and central nervous system.

Most pediatricians recommend ibuprofen for children because it reduces the inflammation that causes the symptoms of fever, aches, and fatigue without increasing the risk of Reye's syndrome.

Ibuprofen and naproxen both work well for adults, but should not be taken by people with severe asthma or peptic ulcer disease because these medications prevent the relaxation of airways and in-

crease acid production in the stomach.

Ibuprofen and naproxen also block an enzyme that controls blood pressure by changing blood flow through the kidneys. Therefore, these medications should be taken with caution by people with high blood pressure and people with underlying kidney disease, like those with advanced diabetes.

Of these four medications, acetaminophen is the safest to use durpregnancy. Ibuprofen, naproxen, and aspirin should be avoided during pregnancy, especially when the mother is close to term due to negative effects these medications may have on the baby's blood cells and heart ves-

Nursing mothers may use acetaminophen, ibuprofen, naproxen, but they should avoid aspirin which crosses into the breast milk and may cause problems in nursing infants.

Acetaminophen is a centrally acting medication. This means it primarily acts on the brain, particularly the parts that sense pain and control body temperature. Because it does not affect other parts of the body, it is a safer choice for people who cannot take an anti-inflammatory medication like ibuprofen, naproxen, or aspirin. There is one exception to this principle. Acetaminophen is processed by the liver and may be dangerous for people with underlying liver disease or those consuming excess amounts of alcohol.

The most concerning misuse of acetaminophen comes from the fact that it is found in many overthe-counter medications. People

who take several different medications in order to treat various symptoms may risk harming their liver by failing to notice that acetaminophen is a primary ingredient in several different medications. Reading labels is important.

Remember that all medications have side effects, and the fact that a medication is available "overthe-counter" does not guarantee

Also remember that good nutrition and relative rest go a long way in shortening the duration of an illness. Medications have a place in helping people through times of sickness, but the idea is to take the least amount of medication needed to reduce undesirable symptoms.

Contact your doctor if you have concerns about which medication is appropriate for you or a family



Photo by Peggy Fagertrom

AEROBATICS - Spring is in the air and the ravens are duking it out for Iditarod dog lot leftovers.



Bering Strait School District 2011 Activity Calendar

March 31 – April 2 Western/Interior **Cross Country** Ski/Biathlon Championships* **White Mountain**

April 2 Elementary South Ski Meet (Grades 1-5) Unalakleet

April 14-16 Regional Music Festival Dillingham



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Test the waters befo you dive in, Pisces. The more informed you are, the wiser choices you will make and the better

PISCES



Kinder words will never be spoken, Virgo, so go ahead and say what's on your mind. An organization reaches its goal with your help. Way to go!

VIRGO

September 22

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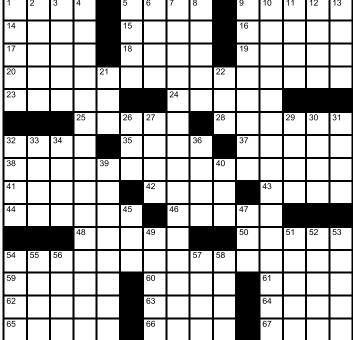
November 22-



A young friend becomes a loose cannon. Rein them in, Gemini, before they do something they will regret. A change in procedures at work

GEMINI

June 21



Down

1. Master 2. Cab (pl.)

6. Annul

3. Litmus reddeners

4. Hunting dog with a long,

silky coat "___ From Muskogee"

8. Choppers, so to speak

9. Form into a chain

surgery (pl.)

11. "My ____!" 12. Boat in "Jaws"

13. Checked out

26. Mail place: Abbr.

29. Ancient Andean

Carolina's motto)

33. Monetary unit of Ghana

36. Abominable Snowman 39. A furrow or groove, as in a

45. Anita Brookner's "Hotel du

47. Mozart's "L'___ del Cairo"

52. Freetown currency unit

53. Big Bertha's birthplace

54. A type of candy (British,

57. Ancient colonnade

30. Casting need

column (pl.) 40. Gun, as an engine

49. Stir up, in a way

21. Deception

27. Heads up

32. Check

51. Roar

abbrev.)

55. Chop finely

56. Hip bones

7. Acting in an assured manner

10. Where a patient lies during

Master's Voice

_quam videri" (North

Across

1. Alone Boot

9. Small salmon of northern Pacific coasts

14. 1993 standoff site "Trick" joint

16. Silly trick

17. Upper angle formed by a leaf and the stem from which it grows

18. Doing nothing

19. The third of seven canonical hours

20. Not extreme

23. Japanese immigrant 24. Fine dinnerware

25. The "N" of U.N.C.F.

28. "Animal Farm," e.g.

32. Cicatrix

35. Insignificant

37. Points at the dinner table

38. Meeting via phone or video

41. Writer Wharton

42. Locale

valve in the heart

46. A piece of turf torn up by a golf club

48. Candidate's concern

50. Monthly bill 54. Head of the police force

(British, pl.)

59. Bisect 60. "Beetle Bailey" dog

61. Golden Triangle country 62. Basket material

63. Hogwash

64. Coastal raptor

65. Scorches

66. A nestling hawk or falcon

67. Caught in the act

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Rep. Foster's Report from Juneau

By Rep. Neal Foster Greetings from Juneau!

After enjoying some time at home in Nome for the end of the Iditarod Sled Dog Race and seeing many of you, I returned to the state capital where the end of the regular session is rapidly approaching.

The Big Picture

It's unclear whether we'll pass some kind of oil tax change by the time the 90-day session ends on April 17, but we're likely to get done with basic things like the budget and extending the life of boards and commissions that would expire without legislative action – such as the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, which plays a key role in assuring consumers pay fair electric, heating, and telecommunications rates, and the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, which controls the sale and flow of beer, wine, and liquor.

Will we extend the life of the Alaska coastal management program?

continues to swirl around a system that once allowed coastal districts a greater role in the development of resources that affect subsistence, habitat, land, air, and water in those regions.

Without legislative action it

That's up in the air as controversy

Without legislative action, it comes to an end on July 1.

The governor wants to extend the current program by six years, but many rural legislators aren't ready to sign off on that until changes are made to allow greater local participation in state and federal coastal management decisions. Some are willing to let the state system die if the governor doesn't make some concessions on this. One option is to extend the program by a year to allow more time to craft a compromise

Meanwhile, the state continues to enjoy robust revenues, thanks to high

oil prices.

While that may hit us in the wallet at home when we pay our electric and heating bills, the state continues to enjoy budget surpluses.

In the works here in the Capitol are plans to add a billion dollars to a state budget reserve and \$400 million to the Power Cost Equalization Endowment, thus assuring funding security for a program that helps defray high energy costs in rural Alaska.

There's talk, too, of an energy package that will benefit the entire state. It might include more money for weatherization, energy rebates, low-income heating assistance, and the renewable energy fund.

We also expect to have a stronger capital budget than the one that the governor initially put forward.

What's not clear at this writing is whether we'll see an increase in

funding for education; although, funding for a pre-kindergarten pilot program has been restored by the Senate. It's also a bit fuzzy now whether the merit-based scholarship program that the governor wants will get the green light.

On the bright side, the legislature is on track forf supporting the governor's anti-domestic violence campaign and his commitment to fund an additional 15 village public safety officers.

Redistricting

Work is underway to redraw election boundaries based on new population numbers recently released by the U.S. Census.

Because of strong population gains in Anchorage and the Mat-Su, rural Alaska is expected to lose a

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saying it sincerely

By Pastor Mike Christian, River of Life Assembly of God for the Nome Ministerial Association

A sour grapes attitude

"What do you people mean by quoting this proverb about the land of Israel: 'The fathers eat sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?'" ~ Ezekiel 18:2 ~

Are you a victim of the "Sour Grape" mentality? Do you feel you're a victim of what your parents have done; that you're the product of a poor environment?

This is what the children of Israel were saying. The Living Bible describes it more literally, "Why do people use this (sour grape) proverb about the land of Israel: the children are punished for their father's sins? As I live, say the Lord God, you will not use this proverb any more . . . for all souls are mine to judge. . . and my rule is this: It is for man's own sins that he will die." Ezekiel 18:2-4

Many people were complaining to the prophet Ezekiel that they were being punished for their parents' sins; that they were victims of circumstances. But the Lord set them straight. He said, "Forget about your sour-grape philosophy – it's not worth anything."

Be careful you don't make the same mistake. Don't blame your folks for your present condition. Your school, church, friends, place of work, relatives, town, or other things are not to be blamed for your downfall or present condition.

Take responsibility for your own situation. If you don't like your life the way it is, remember these things:

- •Your personal commitment to God will change you spiritually.
- Your personal commitment to study will change you intellectually.

 Your personal commitment to work and study will change your situation.
- •Your personal commitment to work and study will change your situation financially.
- •Your personal commitment to others will change you socially.

Folks, the best way to improve your situation is to understand that you are responsible for the decisions you make in this life. The sooner you begin to accept responsibility for your situation, the sooner you will see the changes you need to make to improve your life. And the sooner you begin to seek God's will for your life and determine in your heart to make the changes that are necessary to fulfill his will, the happier and more content you will be! Remember—Stop living your life with a "Sour Grapes" attitude. You've got what it takes to be a winner!

Ulu News

By Senator Donald Olson District T

Barrow Dancers

Last weekend my family and I attended and very much enjoyed the world renowned Barrow Dancers at the Juneau Douglas High School Auditorium. It is always great to see dancers from the district, and I thank them very much for coming all the way down to Juneau and sharing their cultural traditions. My gratitude also goes out to the Juneau Arts and Humanities Council for sponsoring this special event.

Redistricting

During the 1960s, a series of Supreme Court cases established the idea of "One Person, One Vote" and further ruled the boundaries of Legislative Districts must be redrawn every ten years according to census population findings and each district must be as equal as possible.

In an effort to provide adequate representation to rural Alaska, I sponsored a bill last year which passed the legislature and was signed by the governor. The bill to expand the legislature became Ballot Measure 1 during the November General Eection. Unfortunately this measure did not pass even though Alaska's population has grown exponentially since statehood in 1959 from the estimated 210,000 to the most recent Census Bureau figures with totals of 710,231.

Since the measure did not pass, the number of legislators will remain the same, which I'm afraid will result in less rural representation. It is projected the Matsu-Bor-

ough, which grew by more than 50 percent since 2000, will gain at least a seat and rural Alaska will lose that seat. According to Census figures, the Yukon-Koyukuk region experienced the largest decline in population (14.7 percent, falling from 6,551 to 5,588).

On March 15, the Alaska Redistricting Board received its 2010 Census redistricting data from the U.S. Census Bureau. That data has been posted on the Board's website at http://www.akredistricting.org.

Taking the state's total population of 710,231 and dividing it by 40 house districts, each ideal district population figure is 17,755. With the Voting Rights Act of 1965, states are allowed a 5 percent deviation from that figure, requiring at least 16,868 people per district. Currently, my staff and I along with other legislators are researching the 2010 census data and will be negotiating the redistricting lines. According to the data provided by the Census Bureau, the total population for District 39, which is Rep. Foster's district, is 15,642 and Rep. Reggie Joule's District 40 population was 17,516. Foster's district is estimated to be short by approximately 1,226 people. I hope having Marie Greene of Kotzebue on the Redistricting Board will help ensure our rural communities have fair consideration in the redrawing of the district

According to Article VI of the Alaska Constitution, the Board must release a proposed redistricting plan or plans within 30 days of receipt of the census data, which will

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Bible Baptist Church Service Schedule, 443-2144 Sunday School 10 a.m./Worship Hour 11 a.m.

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

Community United Methodist
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Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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

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

Wednesday Youth Group 7 p.m. (call 443-7218 for location)
Friday Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Nome Presbyterian Church 405 E. 5th Ave. 443-5450

Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Praising & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church 5th & Bering, 443-5295 Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7 p.m.

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ration is currently recruiting for a Special Projects Coordinator.

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Legals

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

JAMES AND KATHLEEN HANSEN

HARRIET B. LIVERMORE her heirs, successors and assigns, and all other persons claiming a right, title or interest in the real estate described herein,

Case No. 2NO-11-68 Civil NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

HARRIET B. LIVERMORE, her unknown heirs, successors and assigns and all other persons claiming a right, title or interest in the real estate described herein,

You, the defendant in the above entitled action are hereby summoned and required to file with the court an answer to the complaint filed in this case. Your answer must be filed with the court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762 within 30 days after the last publication of this notice. In addition, a copy of your answer must be sent to the plain-tiff's attorney LEWIS & THOMAS, P.C., whose address is P.O. Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762. If you fail to file your answer within the required time a default judgment may be rendered against you for

the relief demanded in the complaint
This is an action to quiet title to Mineral Survey

Cape Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. The relief demanded is that the interests of de-fendants Harriet B. Livermore, her unknown heirs, successors and assigns be declared null and void and removed as a cloud on title and that any and all other persons claiming a right, title or interest in the real estate described herein on any basis be forever enjoined and barred from asserting any claim whatsoever in and to the real property that is or may be adverse to the plaintiff

You have been made a party to this action be-

3/10-17-24-31

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

THE ESTATE OF MARJORIE MALONEY, Plaintiff,

vs.
THE ESTATE OF EUGENE S. MINOR,
EUGENE W. MINOR, CHARLES J. MINOR,
JOHN A. MINOR, ARTHUR W. MINOR,
KAY MALONEY, EDNA CAMPBELL, and
JOHN DOES 1-X

Defendant. Case No. 2NO-10-257 CI NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES OF COM-PLAINT FOR QUIET TITLE

To Interested Persons: THE ESTATE OF EUGENE S. MINOR; EUGENE W. MINOR; CHARLES J. MINOR: JOHN A. MINOR:

ARTHUR W. MINOR EDNA CAMPBELL; AND JOHN DOES 1-X

You are hereby summonsed and required to file with the court an answer to the Complaint for Quiet Title, which was filed in the Superior Court of the State of Alaska, Second Judicial District at Nome, on October 6, 2010. In the Complaint for Quiet Title, Plaintiff, Marjorie Maloney, seeks to quiet title to the below described three (3) parcels of land and seeks to have title declared to rest solely with her. As a Defendant you may have interest in one or more of these parcels

an interested party and/or objects to the Complaint for Quiet Title, then you must bring your claim to the Court. Failure to do so prior to the deadline below will result in any rights you may have, to be forfeited and lost forever. You should immediately mail your claim or objection to the Court at Nome Court System, Box 1110, Nome, AK 99762-1110, and mail a copy to the Plaintiff's counsel, Clapp, Peterson, Tiemessen, Thorsness & Johnson, LLC Fourth Avenue, Suite 300, Fairbanks,

If Parties named herein and unknown interested parties fail to appear or answer or plead to the court no less than thirty (30) days after the last date of publication of this notice, the Court will proceed as if such party had been served with process within the state.

REAL PROPERTY

The land embraced within No. 12 Fraction Asso-ciation Placer Claim within U.S. Mineral Survey No. 1138, recorded in the Nome Recording Dis-trict, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Excepting the portion taken by the State of Alaska by Declaration of Taking recorded February 24, 1970 and amended by instrument recorded July 7, 1971, and excepting the portion that overlaps in to the Riverside Group Placer, U.S. Mineral Survey

Parcel 2 is described as follows

Parcel 2 is described as follows:
The land embraced within the Old Channel on
McDonald Guich Placer Claim within U.S. Mineral Survey No. 1138, recorded in the Nome
Recording District, Second Judicial District,
State of Alaska. Excepting the portion taken by
the State of Alaska by Declaration of Taking re-

coded February 24, 1970.
Parcel 3 is described as follows:
The land embraced within No. 13 Bench R.L. on
Otter Creek Placer Claim, No. 13 Above on Otter Creek Claim Placer Claim, Sideboard Bench Placer Claim, Fargo Bench Placer Claim and Owl Association Placer Claim, within U.S. Mineral Survey 1138, recorded in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of

Parcels 1, 2 and 3 are located in or near Nome, Alaska, and are not located on a named street or road and have no improvements.

DATED at Fairbanks, Alaska, this 11th day of March, 2011.
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Seawall

Zonna Kunnuk, 32, received a citation for Endangering the Welfare of a Child 2° 3/23

Cheri Apangalook, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Johnnie Ferreira, 31, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°. Fred Tocktoo, 44, was arrested and remanded to

Laura Gipson, 46, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Driving Under the Influence, Driving while License is Suspended/Revoked, Driving Without Insurance or Valid Registration, and

AMCC for Assault 4°, Domestic Violence

A Nome juvenile, 17, received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol. Daniel Ahmasuak, 28, was arrested and re-manded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Pro-

Olga Adams, 34, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, DV

Amos Slwooko, 27, was arrested and remanded Amos Siwooko, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation. Florence Habros, 39, was issued a Citation for Headlight Requirements. During this period we had three persons taken to the hospital/AMCC for Title 47 Hold.

Trooper Beat

On March 22, at approximately 7:30 p.m., Darrell Takak, 20, of Golovin, was arrested on an outstanding arrest warrant. Darrell Takak was also charged with Assault IV on a Police Officer and Resisting Arrest. Takak was transported to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center

On March 23, at approximately 11:15 a.m., Eric Amuktoolik, 32, of Golovin, was arrested on an outstanding warrant for failure to comply with sex offender registration. Amuktoolik was transported

On March 23, at 8:40 p.m., the Alaska State Troopers received a report of a domestic disturbance in Savoonga. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Thor Noongwook, 49, of

Alaska Wildlife Troopers conducted a patrol of the Norton Sound king crab fishery from March 18 through March 23. Several violations were discovered during the patrol which resulted in 15 pots being seized and 10 citations issued. Violations were for Failure to Obtain a Subsistence Permit, Failure to Mark Subsistence Pots, Failure to Properly Mark Commercial Pots, Improper Commercial Pots. cial Pot Configuration, and Inadequate Bio-Escape Mechanism. Citations were issued to Nome residents Caleb Weaver, Fred Tocktoo, Tony Shelp, and Obie Simonis. Anyone missing pots is encouraged to contact Alaska Wildlife Troopers to determine if any of the pots seized for being unmarked belong to them.

On March 23. Stebbins VPOs received a report of an assault in the village. They proceeded to arrest Michelle Demoski, 29, of Nulato for assaulting her girl friend, she did not require medical attention After Demoski was lodged at the Stebbins Jail to await transport to Nome, she was able to escape from the jail. On March 24, Demoski was located in St. Michael by the St. Michael VPOs and was re-arrested, she was transported to Nome and lodged at AMCC on charges of Assault in the Fourth Degree and Escape in the Fourth Degree Alcohol was involved

On March 23, Stebbins VPOs received a report of an assault in the village. Investigation revealed that John Martin, 19 of Stebbins had assaulted his girlfriend, she did not sustain any injuries. The VPOs have not been able to locate Martin yet, a warrant for Assault in the Fourth Degree has been obtained. Martin is on felony probation.

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Foster's report

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House seat or two. In House District 39 alone, we are nearly 12 percent below the ideal size of 17, 755 people per House seat; therefore, a new election district must expand to include more towns and villages.

The five-member Alaska Redistricting Board must come up with a new election map by April 14.

After that, it will hit the road to get public feedback on it before approving a final plan 60 days later on June

Unlike 10 years ago when election maps were last redrawn, the board plans to hold a public hearing in Nome. As soon as it nails down a date, I'll notify everyone.

For more information on this hugely important topic, go to www.akredistricting.org.

Radiation

As reported by The Nome Nugget on March 24, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has set up a monitor in Nome to track radioactive fallout from damaged nuclear reactors in Japan following the great Sendai earthquake and tsunami. In the legislature, state officials assured us that there is no anticipated threat of harmful levels of radiation to reach Alaska and that Alaska seafood is safe. They also remind all Alaskans to have home emergency kits and a family response plan in the event that we should suffer a disaster similar to that which afflicted

Energy potential and conservation

As co-chair of the House Special Committee on Energy, I have enjoyed learning more and more about the impressive work of people on energy, energy efficiency and conser-

On March 24, Bob Swenson of the Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys highlighted natural gas potential in Alaska that normally doesn't enjoy the attention that the rich fields in the North Slope and Cook Inlet do. The Norton Sound Basin alone may hold up to 2.7 trillion cubic feet of natural gas, he said. It appears to be too costly now to develop because of its remote location, but if it or other gas-rich basins such as those in the Navarin, Susitna, and Nenana areas were plopped down somewhere in the Lower 48, rest assured, they would be highly touted and highly developed fields.

Perhaps the best way to look at them now is to see them as though they were like having money in the bank – a vault to be tapped at a time

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when market forces are better aligned.

We also heard the good folks at the Rural Alaska Community Action Program describe the successes they're having promoting smarter energy use in villages through their Energy Wise program. Last year, they gave part-time jobs to 160 rural Alaskans and served 2,000 homes, providing each one \$300 in supplies such as weather stripping, compact fluorescent lights, pipe insulation, a water heater blanket, and more.

The result? People saved at least \$50 a month on electricity and heating – which adds up to \$600 a year.

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Constituent Meeting

I want to hear from you!

That's why I'm scheduling a constituent meeting at the Nome Legislative Information Office in the State Office Building at 103 Front Street on Monday, April 4, 2011, at 8:00 a.m.

If you can't make it at that time, you may reach me at the phone numbers and email address below.

Alaska State Capitol, Room 434 Juneau, Alaska 99801 Phone: 1-800-478-3789 1-907-465-3242 Email: Representative_Neal_Fos-

ter@legis.state.ak.us

Photo by Shannon Kuhn

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVISTS—Beverly Nakarak, 17, of Elim and Tracy Israelson, 15, of Yakutat embrace during the Alaskan Youth for **Environmental Action Civics and Conservation Summit held last week** in Juneau. The training recruits youth from very different corners of the state, building a statewide network of young environmental advocates.

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be April 14, 2011. The Redistricting Board recently met and finalized their public hearings schedule.

I strongly suggest my constituents participate in these opportunities to testify on our need for continued rural representation in the legislature. The next public hearing in Senate District T is scheduled for March 29 in Kotzebue. Public testimony must be in person at the Northwest Arctic Borough Chambers from 1 to 6 p.m. For my Lower Yukon constituents, the nearest hearing will be in Bethel on March 30th from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Yupiit Piciryarait Cultural Center. For those who cannot make it to the hearings in person, the

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Thursday, April 7 • 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Bob Lawrence will discuss, "The Challenge of Meeting Medical Needs in Haiti"

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More Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CONSTANCE DRAKE MADDEN

Case No. 2NO-11-10 PR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given Robert Madden, Jr. has been appointed personal representative of the been appointed personal representative of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Robert Madden, Jr., c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762. DATED this 17th day of March, 2011.

H. Conner Thomas, Attorney for Personal Representative, Box 6I, Nome, AK 99762 3/24-31-4/7

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

VINCENT OTTEN,

Case No. 2NO-11-6 PR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Susie Otten has been appointed personal representative of the abovenamed estate. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever

Claims must be presented to Susie Otten, Per-Sonal Representative of the Estate, in care of Cooke Roosa LLC, 3700 Jewel Lake Road, Anchorage, AK 99502, or filed with the Court. DATED at St. Michael, Alaska, this day of February, 2011.

Susie Otten Personal Representative of the Estate of Vincent Otten 3/31; 4/7-14

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 11-03-01
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS OF
THE NOME CODE OF ORDINANCES CONTAINING PENALTY PROVISIONS TO REFERENCE
THE STATE SURCHARGE PROVISION RE-

QUIRED UNDER AS 12.55.039.

This ordinance had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on March 28, 2011 at 7.30 PM and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a results meating the Council capital of meeting of the Council scheduled for April 11th, 2011 at 7:30 PM in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in Sincerely, Camille Ten Eyck

Acting City Clerk 3/31-4/7

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Bureau of Land Management F-22014 Alaska Native Claims Selection

Alaska Native Claims Selection
Notice of decision approving lands for
conveyance
As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby
given that the Bureau of Land Management will
issue an appealable decision to Bering Straits Native Corporation. The decision will approve the

conveyance of the surface and subsurface estates in certain lands pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. The lands are located north of Koyuk, Alaska, and aggregate 4.86 acres. Notice of the decision was published in the Federal Register on March 17, 2011.

Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by the decision may appeal the decision within the following time limits:

1. Unknown parties, parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, parties who fail or refuse to sign their return receipt and parties who receipts and convergence. return receipt, and parties who receive a copy of the decision by regular mail which is not ce

tified, return receipt requested, shall have until April 18, 2011 to file an appeal. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of re-ceipt to file an appeal.

cept to life an appeal.

3. Notices of appeal transmitted by electronic means, such as facsimile or e-mail, will not be accepted as timely filed.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Sub-

part E, shall be deemed to have waived their A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management Alaska State Office 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13

Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504

For further information, contact the Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907-271-5960, by e-mail at ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov, or by telecommunication device (TTD) through the Fed eral Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Dina L. Torres Land Transfer Resolution Specialist Branch of Preparation and Resolution Copy furnished to: Public Information Center (954C)

NOTICE OF SFY 2012 THHP PRELIMINARY APPLICATION

In July 2011, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) will announce the SFY 2012 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Housing Grant Program. Under this program, competitive funding is available for new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of rural rental housing. The program provides grant funding to fill the gap between a project's capacity to carry debt and the total development cost of the project, given reasonable expenses for the project.

Application for THHP funding is a three (3) step Application in rinnr lutiniting is a time (3) step process. Applicants must (1) register for the online application system, (2) submit a Pre-Application using the online application system and (3) submit a THHP Application using the online application system. This Notice contains requirements and decline for Strong (1) and (4) Applicants will and deadlines for Steps (1) and (2). Applicants will NOT be eligible to apply for THHP funding unless they meet both deadlines for Steps (1) and (2).

Step (1): Applicants must register to use the on-line application system. AHFC must receive a registration request for the online application system no later than 4:30 p.m. (Anchorage time) on May 3, 2011.

Step (2): On May 10, 2011, applicants who have successfully submitted a registration request for the online application system will be invited to submit the SFY2012 Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Housing Pre-application. The completed Pre-application must be submitted through the online applica-tion system no later than July 7, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. Anchorage time.

Step (3): The preliminary application will provide sufficient information for AHFC to determine if the project proposal is an eligible activity and can be invited forward into the full SFY 2012 Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Housing Grant Program compe

The deadline to register for access to the on-line application system is 4:30 p.m. (Anchor-age time) on May 3, 2010. All entities wishing to submit a Pre-Application must submit req istration requests for access to the online a plication system according to this deadline. For information on how to submit a registration request and submit a Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Housing preliminary application visit the AHFC website http://www.ahfc.state.ak.us/grants/thhp_down-loads.cfm/

Or contact:

James Wiedle Alaska Housing Finance Corporation P.O. Box 101020 Anchorage, Alaska 99510 907-330-8235 907-338-2585(FAX) 1-800-478-2432 jwiedle@ahfc.state.ak.us



Thanks to the following people for sponsoring me in the 2011 Nome-Golovin **Snowmachine Race:**

My little Brother Ross, Jimmy with Adams Northwest Driving Instruction, Tony Cox and Nate Perkins. Thank you Guys! From Slick Rick OUTH2O

Redistricting Board will hold a statewide teleconference to hear testimony. It is recommended that testifiers participate through their nearest Legislative Information Office or by calling 1-855-463-5009

The updated schedule and notice is available for public download at http://www.akredistricting.org/publichearings.

For further information, contact Redistricting Board staff by telephone at (907) 269-7402 or email at info@akredistricting.org.

The Alaska Redistricting Board is responsible for redrawing Alaska's legislative election districts every ten years after the federal Census. For more information about the redistricting process in Alaska, please visit http://www.akredistricting.org.

King Island 4 **Native**



The King Island Native Corporation will hold their Annual Meeting of Shareholders on

Saturday, April 16, 2011 at the Nome Mini Convention Center at 409 River Street at 1 p.m. for the following purpose: Election of four (4) directors and other

matters listed on the agenda.

3/31 - 4/7-14

We would like to express an enormous thank you to all who are Greg, Cheri and Katie's extended family, friends and acquaintances here in Nome and the surrounding commu-

This space you claim on the tundra is as welcoming as your hearts and hugs, happy as your stories and memories and gracious as all the open arms and gifts given to each other and to us during the past weeks. Our thank you is so BIG we can only shake our heads and smile, knowing that is how Greg was approached every day. His love and his families love for Nome, is our love for Nome-BIG! And all of you are part of that. We thank you.

Warmest regards, the Kruschek's, Bud, Rita, Mimi, Julie, Jason, Amy. And Wendy Li.

Fisheries Safety Orientation Class May 2 - 11, 2011

On behalf of the NSEDC Board of Directors, the NSEDC EET Department is happy to announce a fisheries safety orientation class at the Alaska Vocational Technical Center in Seward, Alaska on May 2 - 11, 2011. The class is limited to ten participants with a deadline of April 20, 2011. In compliance with the U.S. Coast Guard Zero Tolerance Law, each trainee must pass a drug screen urinalysis and stay off the alcohol during training and employment working on our trawler, crabbers, and longliner vessels on the Bering Sea. Required to work sixteen hours a day seven days a week upon successful completion of the training, each trainee must pass a physical examination and document a hearing test at the Norton Sound Regional Hospital. Applications can be received from your local NSEDC Community Liason or by calling Jerry at 907-624-3190. Toll free: 1-800-385-3190

All Around the Sound

Olivia Mary Harvey was born January 7, at 2:20 a.m. She weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and was 22 inches long at ANMC in Anchorage. Her parents are Nick and Michelle Harvey of Nome. Her mom's parents are Karol Olson of Anchorage and the late



David "Mo" Olson. Her dad's parents are Dennis and Sandy Harvey of

Shanna Waghiyi and Jason Iya of Savoonga announce the birth of their daughter Kyra Mae "Anaay" Iya, born March 9 2 at 7:04 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 7 pounds, 13.4 ounces and was 20.5" in length. Proud paternal grandparents are Fritz Waghiyi and Sally Okoomealingok, and proud maternal grandparents are the late Joseph Iya, Sr. and Jeanette

Kevin and Melanie Bahnke of Nome are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Ivy Rose

Olivia Mary Harvey

(right) Ivy Rose Bahnke Bahnke. Ivy's St. Lawrence Island Yupik name is "Siku," which means "Ice." Ivy was born on March 2 at 12:54 pm in Anchorage. She weighed 8 lbs, 6.8 oz and was 20.5 inches in length. She joins older brother Joshua Cannon,11, and older sister, Alicyn Bahnke, 8.





BOOSTER BUTTON WINNER-Fourth grader, Kiya Andrew of Shaktoolik was this year's winner of the Iditarod Booster Button Contest. Kiya, 9, came in second last year. Kiya, pictured with her parents Moses and Gloria Andrew, brother Gage and Teacher Lynda Bekoalok, was presented a plaque while the Serum Runners were in Shaktoolik last week. She also received a bag of the buttons that have her winning design on them. People all over the world can order Kiya's buttons on Iditarod.com.

Court

Week ending 3/23 Civil

Civil

Nanouk, Jeanette vs. Rodriguez, Kathleen et al; Real Estate Matter - Superior Court
State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD vs. Katchatag, Joseph W.; Petition for Order
re PFD or Native Dividend

State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD vs. Brown, Jimmy R.; Petition for Order re
PFD or Native Dividend

State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD vs. Kimoktoak, Dean E.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend

Capital One Bank (USA) NA vs. Savetilik, Luke W.; Debt - District Court
In the Matter of: Stotts, Preston L. and Stotts, Myra J.; Dissolution Without Children Superior Court

Small Claims

Small Claims

Rural Credit Services vs. Moto, Debra; Small Claims \$2500 or Less Criminal

State of Alaska v. Kevin Ozenna (3/26/92); 2NO-10-752CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: MCA; Filed by the DAs Office 3/17/11.

State of Alaska v. Kevin Ozenna (3/26/92); 2NO-10-772CR Count 1: Criminal Mischief 4°; DV; Date of offense: 12/23/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; If any Restitution: shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount to be determined within 30 days; Probation until 3/18/12; Shall comply with all count orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol. State of Alaska v. Kevin Ozenna (3/26/92); 2NO-10-772CR Count 2: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21; Habitual Offender: Date of of-

State of Alaska v. Kevin Ozenna (3/26/92); 2NO-10-772CR Count 2: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21; Habitual Offender; Date of offense: 12/23/10; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: (Habitual only): \$50 per case; Due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: (Habitual only): \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: (Habitual only): \$50 to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; License: Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 6 months; Community Work Service: within 120 days, complete 96 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 3/26/13; 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. Lenora D. Kulowiyi (11/13/78); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109418643; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked

ATN: 109418643; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 40 days, shall report to AMCC by 6/1/11; Subject to immediate remand for violations; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judg-

mand for violations; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Shantah Esparza (9/24/87); Harassment 2°; Date of offense: 3/4/11; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/18/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer; Other: Not consume alcohol to excess -.08 or greater.

State of Alaska v. Irene Malony (12/2/71); Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 3/6/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 160 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collection Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/17/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to war-

3/17/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to war-rantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Assessment for Anger Management by 4/15/11; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Other: Not possess or control firearms. State of Alaska v. Brad Apassingok (3/5/90); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN 110675421; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the

item revoked and imposed: 30 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Norma Ozenna (6/10/70); Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 11/28/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 7pm 3/17/11; Jail Surcharge; \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days. State of Alaska v. Johnee Lynn Seetot (10/27/55); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110128878; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, shall report to AMCC by 6:00 pm on 3/28/11; 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. Johna Aileen Ozenna (6/5/93); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21; First Offense; Date of offense: 2/11/11; Fine: \$300 with \$100 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court by 7/1/11 or show proof of completing 66 hours of work service; Probation until 3/17/12; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not con-

with \$100 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court by 7/1/11 or show proof of completing 66 hours of work service; Probation until 3/17/12; 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. Johnee Lynn Seetot (10/27/55); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110128878; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, shall report to AMCC by 6:00 pm on 3/28/11; 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. Logan Annoglyuk (7/6/90); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21; First Offense; Date of offense: 2/14/11; Fine: \$300 with \$100 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court by 7/31/11 Probation until 3/17/12; 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. Barbara Towarak (4/1/87); Criminal Trespass 2°; Date of offense: 3/19/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount to be determinted, if any, due within 30 days; Probation until 3/21/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of Criminal law; Shall not consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation

State of Alaska v. Helen Sockpick (2/15/66); 2NO-10-181CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: not to consume or possess alcohol; not to enter establishments where liquor is sold or served; not to be where alcohol is present; warrantless arrest; participate and complete anger management counseling and show proof to the court of enrollment or completion by 81/11; Probation extended to 2 years from today (3/22/11); 3/22/13; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-11-24CR; Shall report to AMCC by 3/26/11; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Helen Sockpick (2/15/66); 2NO-11-24CR Harassment 2°; Date of offense: 1/9/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served consecutive to 2NO-10-181CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Andrew Bekoalok (10/15/88); Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: not State of Alaska v. Helen Sockpick (2/15/66); 2NO-10-181CR Order to Modify or Re

recorded properly; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 300 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall not exceed time served; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$50 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/25/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law. Other: Take medication as prescribed

olations of law; Other: Take medication as prescribed.

State of Alaska v. Darin Slwooko (8/15/79); 2NO-10-526CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110009338; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: remaining time.

State of Alaska v. Darin Slwooko (8/15/79); 2NO-10-622CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110675412; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation; and the properties of probation of probation and the properties of probation.

Probation; ATN: 110675412; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: not remain in or return to Nome without written permission; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect. State of Alaska v. Arnold Ray Shinault, Jr. (4/21/85); Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 3/23/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Unsuspended 72 hours shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Fine: \$5000 with \$2000 suspended; Unsuspended \$3000 fine shall be paid by 3/25/12; Forfeit alcohol to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$50 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/25/14; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless aerest at any airport; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probations of

sume alcohoi; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation. State of Alaska v. Glenn Adams (12/29/54); Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 12/4/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/24/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol. State of Alaska v. Collin Noongwook (7/18/82); Harassment 2°; Date of offense: 1/8/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/23/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breat testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol. State of Alaska v. Dan Takak (6/94/1); Count z: Misconduct Involving Weapons 4°; Date of offense: 3/5/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State;

of offense: 3/5/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 150 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 3/23/13; Shall combustions of the surface of the surfac ply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breat testing at request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Other: Not have firearms in his residence.

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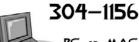


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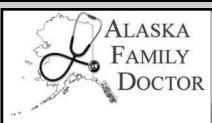
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noted. Mayor Denise Michaels said the bike path was a wish if there were enough dollars, and there weren't. She suggested the city ask DOT for the bike path plans to determine what the city can do to provide one.

Councilman Stan Andersen suggested naming the Bypass Road after Greg Kruschek, who worked for the city as a grader operator from 1995 until his sudden death on March 12. Bahnke's report to the council included this tribute to Kruschek: "Aside from being the Best Grader Operator in town, Greg also provided his expert advice on engineering projects, drainage issues, road construction and overall leadership for the Public Works Road Crew. The City of Nome will officially retire Greg's radio call sign—PW 4 in honor and remembrance. Our hearts and prayers go out to the Kruschek family for their loss."

Meetings still on Mondays

The council heard the second reading of a proposed ordinance to change the regular city council meetings to 5:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. For a number of years the council has held its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The council received a letter from Nancy McGuire, editor and publisher of *The Nome Nugget* regarding the proposed change.

"The proposed ordinance to move the Common Council meeting day to Wednesday is a move that ill serves the public," McGuire wrote. "I hope you take this into consideration. I have no problem with a move to 5:30 p.m. Citizens need time to absorb information prior to the city's actions." The weekly edition of the *Nugget* goes to press on Tuesdays and includes news of the council's meetings on Mondays.

Knodel moved to amend the proposed ordinance to read "the second and fourth Mondays." Councilman Randy Pomeranz seconded the motion. The council unanimously approved the amendment and then unanimously approved the main motion to hold regular meetings at 5:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

The council heard the first reading of an ordinance amending sections of the Nome Code of Ordinances containing penalty provisions to reference the state surcharge provision required under AS 12.55.039. A motion to put the ordinance into second reading at the next regular council meeting passed unanimously. "I have no clue what it is," Andersen told Bahnke. "Please explain it before the next meeting."

Resolutions adopted

Council members discussed a resolution recommending the adoption of fees for Moonlight Wells permit applications as follows: \$500 for major activity permits and \$300 for minor activity permits. In 2006 the city adopted a Potable Water Supply ordinance to protect is potable water supply including aquifers for Moonlight Springs and Moonlight Wells.

The city also has identified and adopted best management practices that include an application process and procedures for minor and major activity permitted within the Moonlight Wells Protection Area.

An example of a minor activity permit is the permit the city issued to Melvin L. Terry, dba Nome AK Gold Concentrates, LLC to operate a placer mine within the Moonlight Wells protection area in the 2011 mining season. Last month the council authorized the city to issue the permit.

Anderson said the proposed fees are not high enough for the city to recover the costs of processing permit applications. He said the city engineer reviews the application and conducts a site inspection and the city pays for a newspaper advertisement with information about the application. He moved to amend the resolution to charge \$1,000 for a major activity permit and \$500 for a minor

activity permit at Moonlight Wells. The council unanimously approved the amendment and then approved the resolution. Bahnke said the city has never received a Moonlight Wells major activity permit application during her tenure as city manager.

The council approved a resolution supporting a bill in the Alaska Legislature to end requirements that employers who terminate some or all participation in the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Alaska pay termination costs, and making the changes retroactive.

Andersen asked for a description of the lengthy resolution in layman's terms. "There is none," said Michels. Bahnke said the Alaska Municipal League is supporting SB 125 because cities are facing large financial costs under the current law. The following excerpt from the resolution illustrates the potential mag-

proved a motion by Knodel for at least two persons to attend the 2011 West Coast Pilot's Conference April 20-22 at the Hotel Captain Cook in Anchorage. Michels received a written invitation from Captain David Artz of the Alaska Marine Pilots to attend the conference with pilotage groups from Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii and Canada.

"...As a tireless advocate for Alaskans and your close relationship with our maritime community it would be a privilege to have you along with other members of our Alaska Delegation attend this event," Artz wrote.

The council discussed plans for the city's annual brunch for the Alaska Legislature. Utility Manager John Handeland said he, Bahnke, the city's lobbyist Wendy Chamberlain and others have scheduled the brunch for April 9 at a Juneau hotel. The city has hosted the brunch on

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nitude of the costs.

"Whereas, if a PERS employer reduces its employee count because it made a decision to alter or suspend one of its programs or services, per 2 AAC 35.235 PERS might send it three bills. The first bill will be for the cost of doing a termination study. The second bill will be what the study says you owe the System, due to the employees change(s) you made. The third bill, the big bill, is the one that will require the employer to pay the past service cost (PSC) on each position's salary PERS said needed to be opted out of PERS. The employer will be required to pay the PSC (currently 18.63%) on the salary(s) of the position(s) PERS said the employer needed to opt out, until the unfunded obligation is paid off, maybe 30 years from now. These three bills cumulatively can run from hundreds of thousands of dollars to several millions of dollars....'

The resolution says the City of Nome, while supporting a sustainable salary base to pay off the PERS unfunded obligation, believes that AS 39.35.625 and any other similar statues or regulations that require termination studies should be repealed. The resolution also supports adoption and passage of a bill removing termination study requirements from the law.

Foreclosure proceedings

Acting City Clerk Camille Ten Eyck informed the council by memorandum on March 24 that the Clerk's Office has completed foreclosure proceedings for the real property tax years of 2005-2006 and 2006-2007. Ten Eyck said the only property that was not redeemed was that of Tim Gologergen at 207 West D St., Block 26 Lot 19.

"I shall be presenting the Council with a resolution at the end of April to pursue another foreclosure lawsuit for the years 2006-2007 (to capture the remnant payments from the foreclosure years 2005-2005 properties which still accrued taxes) along with the tax years 2008, 2009, and 2010," she wrote.

Other council actions

The council reviewed notice of a liquor license renewal application from Tomter Enterprises LLC, dba Airport Pizza from the State Alcohol Beverage Control Board. The council received a report from the Nome Police Dept. that Airport Pizza has had no liquor law violations, nor has the department been called for any disturbances in the past year. The council found no reason to object to the renewal.

The council unanimously ap-

Easter Sunday or Mother's Day in the past, but this year the legislature will adjourn prior to those days on April 19. Bahnke noted that April 9

is the Nome's 110th birthday.

Handeland said legislators look forward to the brunch and it brings the city lots of goodwill. He said the brunch costs \$5,000 to \$7,000, and the goodwill it has generated over the years has translated to significant funding for Nome.

Last January Michels received an invitation to join a public policy tour of Norway planned by the Institute of the North and partners in Norway and Alaska. The tour extends from April 30 to May 7 and includes visits to several cities and meetings with heads of government and industry. Participants will examine the

Norway model in energy, natural resources, economic development, public finance and government.

On Monday Michels told the council her participation in the tour could enhance her ongoing efforts in the same policy areas on behalf of Nome. The council unanimously approved a motion by Knodel to approve funds for Michaels and a council member to participate in the Norway policy tour at a cost of about \$3,000 each.

The council will hold a work session on ordinances for sales tax, taxicabs, buses and vehicles for hire at 6 p.m. on Thursday.

Public comments

Mitch Erickson told the council he would like to see the kitchen at the Recreation Center upgraded to handle cooking for events such as the Iditarod banquet on site. He described the difficulties in preparing food for about 700 banquet guests at the Nome-Beltz High School kitchen, transporting it in challenging

weather conditions and carrying several hundred pounds of it into the center.

Erickson said he has assigned himself the task of seeking a \$25,000 grant from the Rasmuson Foundation to upgrade the Rec Center kitchen. Nome restaurant owner Matt Tomter and members of the Millennium Hotel crew who prepared food for the Iditarod banquet will provide advice on kitchen equipment such as refrigerators and freezers, he added.

Knodel told Erickson she appreciates his efforts, and she asked him to work with Bahnke on space needs for his project at the Rec Center. Andersen said a council work session and public discussion are needed for the proposal. Erickson said he will get advice from Tomter and the millennium crew, price items that are needed, consult with Rec Center Director Chip Leeper, continue if the projected cost is less than \$25,000, and if not, come back to the council and go from there.



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