



Photo by Joy Baker

NOME IS HOME— Crowley's Tug Sesok helps the 165-1 Barge to shift from the fuel dock to the barge ramp to load equipment inside Nome's harbor. The new double-hulled barge has a registered home-port of Nome.

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Photo by Diana Haecker

SPIRITED— Andrea Irrigoo won third place for her energetic hiphop dance performance during the Nome Summerfest talent competition held on July 31 at Anvil City Square. See story on page 20.

The gold rush is on – again

By Diana Haecker

An offshore minerals lease sale the Alaska Department of Natural Resources scheduled for September in Nome and the prospect that the Discovery Channel reality show “The Gold Rushers of the Bering Sea” may bring an onslaught of miners with dreams of striking it rich, are reasons for city officials to worry about the ramifications.

City manager Josie Bahnke said that the city is dealing already with impacts due to a noticeable jump in numbers of offshore dredge miners this year, but a lease sale and the TV show may intensify the situation. “The overall impact of the miners and the offshore lease is that there is going to be an increase in demand for city resources without the revenue to support it,” Bahnke said.

The death of an offshore miner has raised the concerns to a serious level for Bahnke. In the aftermath of the tragedy, the city met with DNR and

the federal mining and vocational safety regulating bodies MSHA and OSHA only to find out that the state's and federal definitions of recreational mining diverge and jurisdictions are unclear.

The port is a choke point, where the city feels the impact of an increasing mining fleet. Although the vessels pay for a season permit, an increase in the gold dredging fleet worries port and city officials.

The problem is overcrowding and harbormaster Joy Baker testifies to the fact that this summer oceangoing dredges outnumbered fishing boats 34 to 22. Baker said she does the best to accommodate them and to keep them safe in the small boat harbor when storms rage outside, but is uncertain how many more could be safely placed in the harbor.

Besides working on safely harboring offshore dredges, the city's vol-

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Port of Nome ripe for expansion

By Diana Haecker

Once the ice releases the port of Nome from its grip, the city-operated harbor becomes one of the busiest places in Nome. However, unless one is a fisherman, or gold dredger or the recipient of cargo to be offloaded from one of the many barges, the busy-ness of the port of Nome goes unnoticed by the regular Nome resident. With increased shipping traffic looming

due to the melting Arctic sea ice, the busy days at the Port of Nome may soon increase and intensify.

A mantra repeated by Nome's harbormaster Joy Baker – whether be it in front of the Northern Waters Task Force or port commission meetings at City Hall – is this: It's only getting busier, let's prepare for the onslaught of more traffic.

The Setup

Currently the harbor is divided in an outer harbor, where two docks can accommodate ships and barges, and the inside harbor for smaller vessels and barges. A few years back, the Army Corps of Engineers added on a 270-ft. spur to the 2,712-ft. causeway and built a 3,000-foot breakwater to the east to protect the vessels from the swells. At the causeway are

two docking spaces. The outer cell is referred to as the City Dock. It is 200 feet long and has a draft of 22.5 ft. The WestGold Dock, where the 11-story high gold dredge *BIMA* used to tie up, is the inner cell and has a 190-ft. face length with also 22.5 ft. draft. A solar-powered trailer with piping and meters stands next to the water hydrants to provide fresh water to ships, fuel

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Crashes claim lives of area teens

Nome teen dies in motorcycle accident

By Diana Haecker

In the early morning hours on Sunday, William Chase Booth, 19,

died in a motor vehicle collision on the Old Glacier Creek Road. According to Alaska State Trooper spokeswoman Beth Ipsen, Booth was riding his dirt bike with a friend on another dirt bike towards town on their way back from a party, when Booth collided with an oncoming Chevrolet pickup truck driven by Bryce Warnke-Green, 22.

Troopers say Booth was wearing a helmet, but was reportedly riding his bike on the wrong side of the curvy road. The dirt bikes were not equipped with headlights. Booth was taken to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Ipsen said the investigation is ongoing. The investigating troopers suspect that Booth was driving under the influence of alcohol and marijuana. Ipsen said that toxicology tests of both drivers involved in the accident were done, a standard procedure for motor vehicle collisions with fatalities.

Chase Booth is the son of Evan and Crystal Booth of Nome.

A memorial for Chase Booth will be held Saturday, August 13 at the Nome Armory at 4 p.m. There will be refreshments (no potluck). Please join friends and family to honor the life of Chase Booth.

Two die in Elim rollover

By Diana Haecker

Early Sunday morning a single vehicle crash caused the death of two teenagers in Elim. Heather Saccheus and Oscar Takak Jr., both 19 years old, died on the scene of the accident, about two miles north of Elim on Moses Point Road.

According to Alaska State Troopers spokesperson Beth Ipsen, Heather Saccheus was the driver of a stick-shift Ford Ranger and had four other passengers on board including the truck's owner, Arnold Saccheus, 23, Heather's cousin.

They were driving on Moses Point Road near Bald Head, heading down a slight decline and a left

curve. Ipsen said the vehicle was traveling at a high speed between 60 and 70 mph when it got out of control, left the roadway and rolled four times before it came to a stop.

All but April Daniels, 16, were thrown out of the vehicle. The driver and Oscar Takak Jr., who was sitting in the rear left passenger seat, died on scene. John Jemewouk Jr., 19, ran to get help.

Jemewouk and April Daniels were treated at the Elim clinic for minor injuries. Arnold Saccheus and Desiree Murray, 19, were flown to Anchorage for treatment of serious but non-life-threatening injuries,

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Letters

Dear Editor,

It seems law enforcement has no interest in the problem of double parking on Front Street in front of the Post Office. As a citizen of this community, I would like to point out the danger in such a practice. When driving a street-legal vehicle on Front Street, it is very hard to see pedestrians through double-parked vehicles.

Today I had a very close call when a bicycle came out into the street from in front of two vehicles parked side by side in the street. As much as we like to think that rules do not

apply to us in Nome, U-turns and double parking in front of our local courthouse/post office is not a safe practice.

Walking a block will not kill most of us. Running over someone because of illegal parking practices could. If you can't parallel park, use the lot by the BSNC building and take your chances crossing the street. The traffic enforcement in this town is the absolute worst of any place I have lived in my life.

Anthony C. Parsons
Nome, AK

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

Editorial

What's ahead of us?

Times are changing. That's good, but we have to stay a jump ahead so we don't get overwhelmed and crushed. We have current problems that will only get worse if we continue to do nothing. Are our City Planners up to the challenge? Do we have townspeople who are willing to make waves?

Are we doing anything to alleviate the chronic and worsening parking problem in town? Has the City thought about making the lot across from City Hall into a parking lot? Perhaps they could buy out the dilapidated structures east of the Visitor Center for parking? What are we doing about our bad intersections where everyone parks right up to the very edge of the corner? Why not invest in some yellow paint for the curb? How about a painted crosswalk or two? Then there's the problem of what to do now that the Discovery Channel has paved the way for every gold-seeking flimflam opportunist to flop their dredges on our beaches next year. What do we do with folks who fill their plastic buckets with sand on Middle Beach and haul them off to pan the gold elsewhere? What do we do about changing beach patterns? Now that we have reconfigured the port/causeway/jetty there is a different pattern to the deposition of sand. We have beaches where none existed before. There is sandy beach in front of town. Who owns that beach? Who can pan for gold on it? Who provides sanitation facilities for the influx of beach miners? Who cleans up the mess? Who issued the mining permits? Better yet, who pays for it?

We have a lot of hard-working, knowledgeable and experienced people in Nome and its surroundings. We can't let time get ahead of us. We need to get plans into effect now. Some of our problems can be solved with a simple phone call; others need plans and ordinances to keep Nome from being the victim of ignorance and greed. We need planners who can go beyond allowing variances that permit structures to be built into the street. We can't wait. Time is not in our favor. We need to get the ball rolling and not get stuck behind the eight ball.

— N.L.M. —

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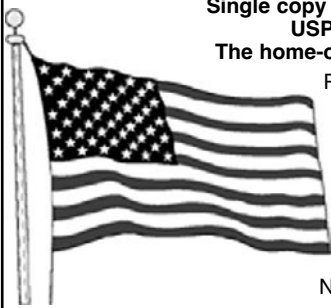
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Rep. Neal Foster's Report

Hello, it was so good to see all of you at the community meeting. I was happy to get your input and hope that those of you who couldn't make the meeting would like to follow up to contact either my Nome or Juneau office. I'd like to focus this newsletter of the subjects that came up at the meeting.

Bering Strait oil and gas development

During the three public meetings, this topic probably had more questions and input than any other. Between 1980 and 1985 ARCO and Exxon drilled eight wells in the Norton Sound basin approximately 30 miles offshore. Five of these wells showed moderate to strong "shows of gas" at varying depths. At the time the companies were looking for oil so the gas findings were not further investigated. Energy reports by the Department of Energy listed these quantities as most appropriate for local consumption, but further exploration could turn up commercially viable quantities. These test wells were in Fed-

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A Look at the Past



History and photo courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

FAREWELL TO OUR FRIENDS – As the many members of the Gold Prospectors Association of America leave their camp at Cripple River, Nome is reminded of the thousands of prospectors who preceded them in our history. In this photo passengers are going out the old way – lightering by barge out to the S. S. Victoria bound for Seattle and the "outside" on August 3, 1907.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — - August 11 - August 17, 2011

Date	Day	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
08/11	Th	05:11 a.m. LDT	1.1 H	08:50 a.m. LDT	1.0 L	03:04 p.m. LDT	1.4 H	10:40 p.m. LDT	-0.1 L
08/12	F	06:17 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	09:59 a.m. LDT	1.0 L	04:07 p.m. LDT	1.4 H	11:32 p.m. LDT	-0.1 L
08/13	Sa	07:05 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	11:06 a.m. LDT	0.9 L	05:05 p.m. LDT	1.4 H		
08/14	Su	12:16 a.m. LDT	-0.1 L	07:40 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	12:05 p.m. LDT	0.9 L	05:57 p.m. LDT	1.4 H
08/15	M	12:52 a.m. LDT	0.0 L	08:04 a.m. LDT	1.2 H	12:56 p.m. LDT	0.8 L	06:47 p.m. LDT	1.3 H
08/16	Tu	01:24 a.m. LDT	0.0 L	08:22 a.m. LDT	1.3 H	01:42 p.m. LDT	0.7 L	07:35 p.m. LDT	1.3 H
08/17	W	01:56 a.m. LDT	0.1 L	08:41 a.m. LDT	1.3 H	02:27 p.m. LDT	0.6 L	08:24 p.m. LDT	1.2 H

All times are listed in Local Standard Time(LST) or, Local Daylight Time (LDT) (when applicable). All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

Weather Statistics

Sunrise	08/11/11	06:37 a.m.	High Temp	57° 08/01/11	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	08/17/11	06:56 a.m.	Low Temp	35° 08/02/11	
			Peak Wind	36 mph, SE, 08/03/11	
			Precip. to Date	10.18"	
Sunset	08/11/11	11:34 a.m.	Normal	8.07"	
	08/17/11	11:13 a.m.			

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News from around the state

Compiled by Diana Haecker

Salazar visits Alaska again

Secretary of the Interior Department Ken Salazar and his deputy David Hayes are in Alaska this week. US Senator Lisa Murkowski requested their visit to assess resource development and public land issues. They are scheduled to visit the BLM Alaska Fire Center in Fort Wainright, do a BLM tour of the North Slope and visit Denali National Park. Salazar and Hayes plan to attend roundtable discussions with Alaska business and labor leaders with US Senator Mark Begich and Senator and chairman of the Senate Interior Appropriations Subcommittee Jack Reed, D-Rhode Island.

FAA shutdown ends

The partial shutdown of the Federal Aviation Administration ended when Congress reached an agreement on a temporary extension of the agency's operating authority through September 16, 2011. The FAA has been shut down since midnight on July 23 when the U.S. House of Representatives failed to pass a clean short-term extension of FAA programs. In Alaska 79 employees were laid off and the FAA issued stop work orders for airport improvement projects in Anchorage and Bethel.

Arne Fuglvog faces federal fishing violation charge, signs plea agreement

Arne Fuglvog resigned July 31 as fisheries aide to Sen. Lisa Murkowski, and on August 1 he was charged with a criminal fisheries violation in U.S. District Court in Anchorage. The charging document says Fuglvog submitted false statements on several occasions throughout 2005 about the location where he caught more than 30,000 pounds of sablefish valued at approximately \$100,000. The sablefish were then sent out of Alaska to be sold in interstate commerce in violation of the Lacey Act.

Fuglvog signed a plea agreement on April 8 agreeing to plead guilty in exchange for a recommended sentence of 10 months in prison, a \$50,000 fine and a \$100,000 community service payment.

The plea agreement says Fuglvog had an individual fishing quota permit for sablefish in the "Western Yakutat" area that allowed him to catch about 30,000 pounds of sablefish in the area in 2005. "...Fuglvog

actually caught approximately 63,000 pounds of sablefish in the Western Yakutat area in 2005," states the plea agreement. "Fuglvog covered up his illegal fishing by submitting false statements when he landed the fish indicating that over 30,000 pounds of sablefish were caught in the statistical area designated as "Central Gulf," when in fact the fish were caught in the Western Yakutat area..."

Fuglvog received press attention in 2009 as a leading candidate to head the National Marine Fisheries Service, but withdrew his name from consideration. He is a former member of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, which oversees management of fisheries in federal waters off Alaska.

On Aug. 2 Murkowski issued a statement noting that Fuglvog had violated the fishing regulation with which he is charged prior to joining her staff.

"Arne served Alaskans for the past five years on my staff and for over a decade before that in his public service work in fisheries," Murkowski said. "I thank him for his years of service, but he knows the importance and value of our fisheries, and he also knows what all fishermen understand: fishing laws and regulations must be followed."

"Arne has cooperated fully with the authorities, taken responsibility for his actions, and accepted the consequences," she added.

Shell gets BOEMRE permit

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement on Thursday issued conditional approval for a revised exploration plan submitted by Shell Offshore Inc. The plan outlines Shell's proposal to drill up to four shallow water exploration wells in Alaska's Beaufort Sea beginning in July 2012. Among the conditions of approval is the requirement that Shell obtain all necessary permits from other agencies, including the Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service. BOEMRE determined that there is no Environmental Impact State-



ment required and issued a finding of no significant impact.

K300 has new race manager

The 2012 Kuskokwim 300 sled dog race seems to be a 'go' with the hiring of a new race manager. The race was in danger of being canceled due to a lack of a race manager. Last week, the K-300 committee hired former Bethel resident Zach Fansler to do the job. Fansler was a K-300 volunteer in the past and had served as the Tuluksak checker and dropped dog coordinator. Fansler will start the job in August. Race chairman Myron Angstman said that once news broke that the 2012 race may be not happening, the race committee had a tremendous response and picked the person with previous volunteer experience.

In-state gas line goes forward

Plans for a 24-inch natural gas pipeline built from the North Slope to Southcentral are moving forward. Dan Fauske, president of the Alaska Gasline Development Corp. briefed legislators and said that a 430-mile state right-of-way was granted for the \$7.52 billion project on July 25. A draft environmental impact statement is due out in August.

Sen. French says lowered oil production tax unwarranted

During a tour of the Portland harbor, Sen. Hollis French, D-Anchorage, saw two new \$100 million drilling rigs headed for Alaska's North Slope. The rigs are part of BP's land-based drilling program and made news in Portland when they required a shutdown of interstate traffic during rush hour when they were transported down the Willamette River from the shipyard. French argued that the rigs are evidence that Governor Sean Parnell's proposal for lowered oil taxes is unwarranted.

NovaGold's Galore Creek Mine to cost \$5.2 billion

A preliminary study on NovaGold Resources Inc.'s Galore Creek copper-gold-silver project in British Columbia has set the price of developing and building the mine at \$5.2 billion. The project is owned by NovaGold and Teck Resources. The new prefeasibility study was released last week and put the cost of building the project 20 percent above prior estimates.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

August 11 - August 17, 2011

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, August 11		
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Medicaid/Denali Kid Care class	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Child Nutrition and Learning	Prematernal Home	3:30 p.m.
*Wiffleball (grades 3 - 6)	Nome Rec Center	Cancelled
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*World Dance with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Friday, August 12		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Quiet Time	Kegoayah Library	10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Farmer's Market	116 Front Street	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*CAMP class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Soccer (grades 1 - 2)	Nome Rec Center	2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Still Shining video 3 - 5)	Prematernal Home	3:30 p.m.
*Soccer (Grades 3 - 5)	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Zumba with Elizabeth M.	Nome Rec Center	4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Youth Climbing (8 & younger)	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Youth Climbing (9 & older)	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Advanced Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday, August 13		
Nome Rec Center closed on weekends during the summer.		
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Closed on weekends
*Circuit Training	Nome Rec Center	Closed on weekends
*Comforting Your Fussy Baby video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Best for Your Baby's Sake video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
USCG Cutter Spar Bremen Estimated 125	Port of Nome	
Sunday, August 14		
*Water Aerobics	Pool	Closed through July
*The Miracle of Life video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Relax video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
USCG Cutter Spar	Port of Nome	
Monday, August 15		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1:15 p.m.
*Baby Safety video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Infertility video	Prematernal Home	3 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 - 5:15
*Zumba with Elizabeth M.	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Advanced Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Lap swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Water Aerobics	Pool	Closed through July
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
USCG Cutter Spar	Port of Nome	
Tuesday, August 16		
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Lunch Laps	Pool	Closed through July
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*New Born Hearing video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*S.I.D.S. - Reducing Risks video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Nome Board of Education reg mtg	Nome Elementary Library	5:30 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Kickbox/Tone with Jennie	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Nome Joint Utility Syste reg mtg	Council Chambers	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 17		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1:15 p.m.
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*Sexually Transmitted Disease video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Ear Infections video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Gymnastics Grades 3+ with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Beginning Baton	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 5:30
*Intermediate Baton	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	Closed through July
*Advanced Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.
*Night Owl Yoga with Kelly B.	Nome Rec Center	9 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Community points of interest hours of operation:

Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (M-F)
*****		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa, Su)
Kegoayah Kozga Library	Front Street	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
*****		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
*****		10 a.m. (Tuesday)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	8 a.m. - 7 p.m. (M-F)
*****		10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Sa, Su)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th)
*****		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)
XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (M - F)

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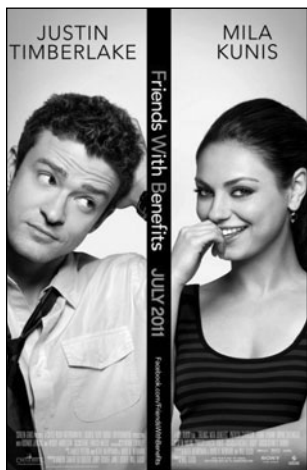
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DID THE RIGHT THING — Kevin Green and Antonio Spencer notified authorities when they found a gun under a building.

Kids find gun under Boys and Girls Club building

By Diana Haecker

Two boys made a curious find under the Boys and Girls Club building last Saturday and may have averted an accident waiting to happen by doing the right thing: they told an adult what they saw.

Antonio Spencer, 10, and Kevin Green, 12, walked past the Boys and Girls' Club when they noticed something sticking out of the grass under the building. "We saw something like a barrel sticking out and checked it out, and it was a gun," Kevin Green said. Antonio took a photo of the rusted barrel poking out of the grass, sitting under some torn down fencing.

The kids realized it was the rusty barrel of a shotgun. "Whoa, it's a gun, it's under the Boys and Girls Club, that's not right," said Antonio Spencer and they both decided to leave it alone and to get help.

Kevin wanted to get the police, so

they walked to the old cop shop, but found the doors locked there. They continued on to the hospital because Antonio remembered that a security guard works there. So to the hospital they went, notified the security guard who then called the Nome police.

NPD Sergeant Byron Redburn responded and was very pleased with the course of action those two youngsters took. "They minimized the handling of the item and told an adult," Redburn said. "Very well done. You couldn't ask for more." Redburn said that the 12-gauge shotgun was rusted and although it was missing its butt, it could have been a fatal find since a round of ammunition still could have been stuck in the chamber. It appeared to have been sitting under the building for a while, but has now been safely removed.

were factors in the crash. Nobody in the car was wearing a seat belt. The crash is still under investigation.

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Troopers say alcohol and speed

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unteer emergency services, the public works department for garbage pick up, police resources and even animal control services had to be called to West Beach. With the opening of West Beach as a recreational mining area, a tent city has gone up. The new landlords, Nome Gold Alaska Company, grant camping permits on West Beach to miners at \$200 per season with a \$200 deposit to assure cleanup is done after the campers leave.

While the camping arrangements are out of the city's jurisdiction, Bahnke said her concern is that when more dredges crowd the harbor, some miners may pull up their vessels on the beach, as happens already, and that they may become a floating environmental hazard in storm surges that frequently pummel the shores of Norton Sound.

The DNR has not quite finalized how many tracts are up for lease. In way of background, DNR's mineral manager Kerwin Krause said that the only offshore lease sales in the state of Alaska were in Nome and Goodnews Bay. "The Goodnews Bay lease sale never happened due to appeals and a State Supreme Court Ruling that required the State reevaluate the probable types of mining apparatus that would be used for mining and the potential environmental impacts from any mining. The DNR did not conduct this reevaluation, therefore the sale did not take place," Krause wrote in an email correspondence with *The Nome Nugget*.

Nome had two sales in past years. "In 1989 there were seven large lease tracts covering 23,850 acres between the Penny River and Cape Nome," Krause wrote. "In 1998, 12,292 acres were relinquished which were of-

fered in our last lease sale in 1999. During 2009 and 2010, DNR terminated over 20 of the lease tracts for lack of continuous production. Early this year in 2011, five lease tracts remain covering 4,400 acres. The lease sale will be for the acreage terminated in 2009 and 2010."

He said the final decision on how many tracts are going to be for lease is soon to be made.

Asked how DNR plans to administer the program, Krause wrote, "Hopefully we will have a seasonal position in Nome to monitor the mining activity on the mining leases next year as well as the two recreational mining areas."

He also has concerns regarding the Discovery reality show and wrote that if the price of gold remains high, out of town miners with gold fever may decide to give mining offshore of Nome a try. "This will be OK pro-

small tugs and barges, small tenders from Golovin and recreational boats that are en route to or from the Northwest Passage.

The small vessels and gold dredges not counting, Nome's port had approximately 300 dockings last year. With back-to-back storms that Nome saw this summer, a lot of dredges and smaller vessels had been holed up in the safety of the harbor, stretching the port at times to be bursting at its seams. "We haven't determined yet what the number [of the port's capacity] is, but we're getting close," Harbormaster Joy Baker said. With no barges in the inner harbor, Baker said, she can accommodate everybody there. But things get tight when the barges are coming in to offload their cargo or fuel, and other boats are tied up on the east wall. "Then we have to double up the small craft and make room for the barges," she said. "Right now,

we're managing it. But if either of the fleets, either the fishing or gold dredging fleet, continues to grow, it will become more and more difficult. At one point we will have to determine what the maximum number is for the local fleet," Baker said.

Except for a couple of days when everybody decided to arrive in Nome at the same time, Baker said the outer harbor has not been too busy. "But the small boat harbor has definitely been crowded since July," Baker said. "We spent most of our time managing the over-crowdedness in the small boat harbor, for sure."

Managing people on land and water

Baker has a Bluetooth device clamped to her right ear, a radio attached to her orange and yellow safety vest, a BlackBerry, which is

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Photo by Diana Haecker

DREDGING FLEET — Some smaller vessels of the ever-growing gold dredging fleet park at Belmont Point, not able to work outside due to stormy weather.

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lines are in place and the city also sees to it that ships can offload their garbage in Nome.

The transition to the inner harbor has a depth of minus 12 feet, and then inside the inner harbor, the turning basin and the barge ramp are at a depth of minus 10.5 feet. This is where the small vessels, the gold dredges, the fishing fleet and the transient vessels tie up and the barges offload fuel and cargo. In short, this is where it gets busy and crowded.

This year, there is a local fleet of 20 fishing boats. Last year, the city gave out 19 seasonal permits to fishing boats. The lure of gold and the \$1,600 per ounce price of gold drove the number of ocean-going gold dredges up from 22 last year to 34 this summer. Plus, there are cargo barges, fuel barges, a cruise ship, transient ships like research boats,

viding they have sufficient financial resources they don't mind losing. Obviously they will spend money with the local merchants. Hopefully they will know sooner than later if gold mining is not going to be profitable for them. The problem for the City of Nome will be if these people run out of money and they can't find a job or afford a ticket to get back where they came from."

Addressing the city's concerns regarding regulating and enforcing the safety of the gold dredges, Krause said he hopes that the Coast Guard would conduct yearly inspections of the dredges when they are in Nome. The Nome Volunteer Fire Department's Search and Rescue unit mans the small harbor vessel *Guardian* that responds to local nearshore and offshore calls. Asked about which agency DNR envisions to be in charge of SAR, Krause wrote, "Hopefully search and rescue opera-

tions will be jointly facilitated by the harbor master, AST and any offshore miners in close proximity to those who call for help." Joy Baker clarified that an actual SAR on the water would involve the port, the Nome Police Department, the Nome Volunteer Fire Department Search and Rescue unit, the US Coast Guard and the Alaska State Troopers and any local vessel in the immediate area of the call.

She adds that the distance from shore and the weather conditions would play a factor in whether the *Guardian* is used or whether it requires air support and larger vessels. However, she said this doesn't really impact the gold dredge miners as she doubts that any of them will ever go that far. The lease sale is to be held on September 28 at Old St. Joe's Hall in form of a sealed bid and an outcry auction.

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COMMUNICATING— Harbormaster Joy Baker is on the radio with *Pandalus* captain Mark Hottmann, acknowledging the trawler's arrival at the small boat harbor, on Friday, August 5.



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MULTI-TASKING— Harbormaster Joy Baker answers the phone on one of her many rounds of the harbor and port facilities.

• Nome port ripe for expansion

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used to write and receive emails on the go, and a cell phone that constantly rings. The port is a three-person operation with Baker, her assistant harbormaster Lucas Stotts and office manager Tim Shield. Sometimes the city's public works is called in for road maintenance, some repairs and when oil is transferred at the causeway or when large vessels need help with their shiplines.

While the harbormaster's office is not manned 24/7, either Baker or her assistant Lucas Stotts answer the port's cell phone or radio around the clock. During one of her many daily rounds of the port, Baker takes out the BlackBerry and frequently emails herself reminders to take care of this that and the other once back in the office. "If you don't take care of the little things right then and there, they pile up and you'll never get it done," she explains her constant multi-tasking actions.

Baker's day starts early at 6:30 a.m. when she begins the first of her approximately eight daily rounds of driving around the harbor to check on things. She drives from her home on Lomen Ave. — with a view of the harbor from her apartment — down to the east side of the port. There, she explains, she checks to see what the swells are doing and for surprise vessels that may have arrived unannounced overnight.

In order to manage the harbor and its limited sheetpile docking space smoothly, the port requires larger vessels and barges to call in and reserve a spot. "Surprise vessels that you find when you come in the morning really interfere with our scheduled operations here," said Baker. That means sometimes getting up in the middle of the night and telling boats to move out of a spot that another vessel had reserved. On dry dock is the dredge that just got finished dredging out the inner harbor for the annual removal of sand and silt.

The city also owns various pads around the harbor and the container yard, and Baker not only needs to manage what's going on in the water but also on land. She continues her drive-through to the south wall and checks on the dredges parked there. Nothing out of the ordinary here.

The round continues on to the causeway. Baker radios her assistant to pick up the battery from the water-piping trailer to recharge it. On this stormy and cloudy Friday morning, solar doesn't seem to do the job. Two piles of gravel are waiting there to be barged to Alakenuk.

At the causeway, the sunken vessel *Lulu* is in plain sight. What's the plan? "We're waiting for cost estimates to remove it," Baker said. "Then we'll take the numbers to the city council." Baker gets out of the truck and takes a few photos of the channel cut in the causeway and the current ripping through it. A few yards off the water seems to be boil-

ing, caused by the deposits of sand that make that area shallower.

On the way out, she closes the gate to the causeway and heads up to the city's port pad, the Northland and Alaska Logistics' container yards and the tank farms. Another pile of sand is sitting at the city's port pad, bound to go to Kotzebue. This, Baker explains, is the new staging area for gravel as the causeway gets too busy to also have gravel piles put there.

Up at the port pad, she cordially reminds a miner to please not park his equipment in the middle of where trucks need to be moving around and answers some questions about the city leasing out space to put one's "can" on — that's port lingo for sea container — and off she goes to continue her round.

Next is a stop at the barge pad, the west end of the harbor, where the barges offload their containers. She stops, picks up a piece of scrap lumber and puts it in the truck bed. Then she points to huge bags of "dirty dirt" — contaminated soil that was barged in from St. Lawrence Island, waiting to be shipped to Seattle and properly disposed off there.

Taking photos of containers stacked high, Baker explains that she's doing that to keep track of who's parking how many cans on city property for exact billing. Photos document how long what cans were stored when and where.

Baker is not only taking care of the day-to-day operations of the port but also deals with bureaucratic tasks. She rattles down the list: Reports, billing, collecting, spreadsheets to track what's going on, compliance issues to track and document, port security training, oil spill training for her and the crew, incident command training, project planning, design, projects — present and future — to consider, port commission meetings and documentation that goes with that.

What the future holds

The port has managed to pay for itself so far, the repairs, the maintenance, some studies and engineering designs. But when it comes to big-ticket items like fender repairs or an upcoming high mast lighting project, other entities are tapped to help out.

Baker said she just wrote a grant application for the State of Alaska's harbor program to help pay for the estimated \$2.9 million fender repairs. But the real 1,000 pound gorilla in the room is the question who will finance the infrastructure needed to deal with the inevitable growth when maritime shipping increases.

While the inside harbor was busy, the outside harbor hasn't been out of hand busy except for a few days. Baker attributes that to the fact that there were less outbound gravel barges scheduled. "There is also not a lot of research vessel traffic going on this year," she added. But this may change soon.

In the last week, Shell received a crucial Clean Air Act permit for its Beaufort Sea oil exploration project and a conditional permit from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement. When oil and gas companies are allowed to drill and explore, Baker says, the port of Nome will see a significant amount of traffic from their support vessels. "They stop by on the way up to fuel up, pick up some folks and then come down again to pick up fuel and take it to the larger vessels up there," Baker said.

Last year and in 2009, there was a

large amount of research and support vessels. "Typically we see them at the end of the season when things slow down, the harbor starts to freeze and then the support, seismic and research vessels come down from the Chukchi and the Beaufort [Seas] and definitely keep us rolling as if we were in the middle of September," Baker said. Since it is safe to assume that more maritime traffic is heading up the Bering Strait, and Nome is the closest harbor to the arctic, there will be more ship traffic calling on Nome's harbor. "I believe we can count on increased traffic," said

Baker. She said that this means that the city needs to continue with their ideas of port expansion. "We are looking at expanding the port to accommodate 35-ft. draft vessels, specifically to accommodate Coast Guard vessels," she explains. "As we speak, we're having a dock for the causeway designed by PND to be able to accommodate more than two vessels at once in the outer harbor," Baker continued. Although that is a good start, she said, more ideas are needed to get larger capacity.

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New ventures hike NSEDC's assets and liabilities

Revenues surge as pollock catch soars, crab prices rise

By Laurie McNicholas

Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. and its wholly owned, for-profit subsidiary Siu Alaska Corp. greatly expanded their investments in Bering Sea fisheries in the past year or so, acquiring valuable new assets and large bank loans to pay for them.

NSEDC's controller Rick Walicki reported net assets of \$153.3 million and total liabilities of \$27.2 million through June 30 at a board of directors meeting last week in Nome. Net assets have grown by \$17 million and total liabilities by \$15.1 million since June 30, 2010, when they totaled \$136.3 million and \$12.1 million, respectively.

In the first six months of this year, net assets rose by \$9.2 million and total liabilities increased by \$6.4 million. In the first six months of 2010, net assets rose by just \$1 million and total liabilities increased by \$5.8 million.

The companies' new ventures in Bering Sea pollock, crab and cod fisheries are timely. The total allowable catch (TAC) in the pollock fishery increased by 54 percent this year, and crab prices are higher than last year. Pollock prices are down 15 percent due to the increased supply, but prices are good for all other seafood, NSEDC Quota Manager Joel Cladouhos told the board.

Walicki said harvest royalties totaled \$10.6 million on June 30, up from \$5.9 million a year earlier. Crab income totaled nearly \$2.8 million on June 30 compared to \$2 million on June 30, 2010, he noted. He said the cod harvest produced a profit of \$1 million from revenues of \$4 million and expenses of \$3 million through June 30, versus zero in the first six months of last year.

Total revenues of \$21 million on June 30 are well ahead of last year's pace, and investment activities used about \$11.7 million of the funds, Walicki reports. He said net cash from operating activities is \$7 million. Cash assets totaled \$9.2 million on June 30, down from \$12.1 million on the same day last year.

Major new ventures

Siu Alaska Corp. partnered with Coastal Villages Pollock to acquire 2.9 percent of the annual Bering Sea pollock TAC, seven trawl vessels and one crab vessel from Wards Cove Packing Co. on Feb. 1. The pollock resource is owned by the vessels. Five of the trawlers harvest pollock. Siu and Coastal Villages Pollock formed BSAI Partners, LLC to buy the assets of Alaska Boat Co. in Unalaska from Wards Cove. Siu President John Eckels declined to reveal the price BSAI paid for the assets.

Eckels said NSEDC bought one million pounds of crab quota from Wards Cove. Walicki said the company financed the \$9.9 million crab quota purchase with a long-term loan of \$9 million. The purchase accounts for most of the increase in NSEDC's quota share unit investments, which totaled \$27.7 on June 30, up from \$17.3 million a year earlier. Last week Walicki said NSEDC's crab quota loan and a Siu loan for \$5.9

million are the bulk of long-term loans among total liabilities of \$27.2 million.

NSEDC receives an allocation of 2.2 percent of the annual Bering Sea pollock TAC through the Community Development Program. The company owns 37.5 percent of Glacier Fish Co., which harvests NSEDC's CDQ pollock allocation and pays royalties on the catch to NSEDC. GFC also harvests its holding of about 6.2 percent of the annual pollock TAC and pays distributions from the company's profits to NSEDC.

In the summer of 2010, Siu purchased GFC's 50 percent interest in the *C/P Glacier Bay's* fishing rights in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Pacific cod fishery under the federal License Limitation Program (LLP). Siu already owned the other 50 percent of the vessel's LLP. At that time Siu and GFC jointly owned the *Glacier Bay*.

Siu drew on its line of credit with Wells Fargo Bank for about \$8 million, invested more than \$2 million in the *Glacier Bay* for debt payment, and at the same time purchased \$6.1 million worth of cod LLP, Walicki reported in August 2010. Walicki said a Siu loan in the amount of \$8.45 million was included in NSEDC's total liabilities of \$12.1 million on June 30, 2010.

Walicki said Siu bought GFC's remaining interest in Glacier Bay Fisheries on Dec. 22. Eckels said the *Glacier Bay* is the only asset of Glacier Bay Fisheries, which is wholly owned by Siu. The purchase increased the value of NSEDC's property, plants and equipment to \$16.4 million on Dec. 31, 2010, up \$4.4 million from \$12 million on June 30, 2010, Walicki reported.

The NSEDC board reauthorized a guaranteed line of credit for Siu for \$6.7 million in July 2010 by a 14-1 vote. In November 2010 the board discussed a SIU business proposal in a session closed to the public and then voted 14-1 to authorize increasing Siu's line of credit for up to \$16 million and authorized Siu to purchase crab quota in an amount not to exceed \$11 million. Joe Garnie of Teller voted against both reauthorizations.

Siu activities update

On Aug. 3 Eckels told the NSEDC board the *C/P Glacier Bay* had to go to a shipyard in July following inspection by the U.S. Coast Guard, and he expects it back on the fishing grounds by mid-August. Cod prices are strong, he added. He said BSAI operations are going well in the pollock fishery, with the Alaska Boat Co. doing a great management job.

GFC expects to complete this year's pollock harvest by mid-September, Eckels reported. He said GFC's *Northern Glacier* is doing well in its new operation. Joel Cladouhos said this is the first year the vessel has harvested NSEDC's CDQ flatfish.

Eckels said the *Aleutian No. 1* is ready for the golden king crab season that starts this month. The price of crab is normal, although it was a

little depressed recently, so this should be another good year for the vessel, he added.

The *Pacific Star* is in the Aleutians doing a survey for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration until mid-September, Eckels reported. In response to a question from board chairman Dan Harrelson, Eckels said NOAA is paying \$150,000 to charter the vessel for the season. The vessel's expenses totaled \$250,000 last year, Harrelson noted. Eckels said attempts to sell the vessel at a price Siu can live with have not drawn much interest.

Eckels said operations at the Bering Star Fisheries processing plant in Dutch Harbor have been slow this summer, but he expects them to pick up when the crab season begins. He said the electrical

system and fire alarms have been headaches. "We're getting through it, but it's expensive," he added. He said dock repairs are scheduled this fall and it will take a lot of work to make it safe for workers and harvest deliveries.

In the summer of 2010, Siu and Western Alaska Ventures LLC formed Dutch Harbor Acquisitions LLC to acquire the assets of Harbor Crown Seafoods, a small, idle fish plant built in 2005. The plant is operated by Copper River Seafoods, which owns 60 percent of Western Alaska Ventures.

Eckels said an audit of Siu has been completed and is on file at NSEDC's headquarters in Anchorage. He asked the board to reauthorize an \$8 million line of credit for Siu. Garnie asked why Siu needs

that amount again. Eckels said Siu has no plans right now, but sometimes needs to act on something quickly. Garnie expressed reluctance to approve a line of credit without a business plan.

He said it seems every dime Siu makes gets eaten up by repairs and the plant is not functioning.

"Bering Fisheries is a small piece of our investment portfolio, but all the others are doing very well," replied Eckels. He said Glacier Bay Fisheries is very good, and BSAI has been financially sound since it was purchased. "Your comments are correct about Bering Fisheries, but it is a startup business in a worn down plant, but we don't expect to need much of any of this line of credit,"

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JOB WELL DONE— The crew at Nome's Norton Sound Seafood Products plant steadily processed large loads of red king crab throughout the 33-day season, keeping up with deliveries as high as 50,000 pounds of crab in one day.

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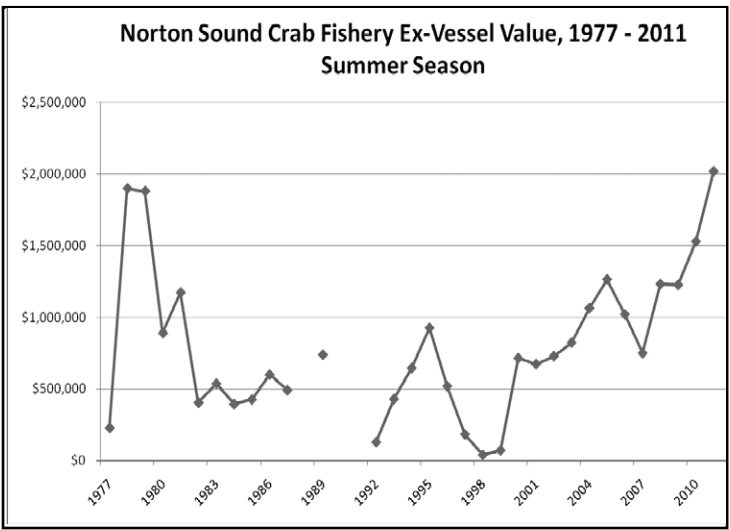
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HIGHEST CRAB VALUE— Norton Sound fishermen took home \$2 million for a harvest of 400,480 pounds of red king crab this summer. The chart shows the ex-vessel value of the crab topped that of 1979.

Fishermen earn \$2 million for red king crab harvest

By Laurie McNicholas

This summer's commercial red king crab fishery set a couple records: Fishermen received the most money ever for their catch, and Nome's Norton Sound Seafood Products plant received double the quantity of crab ever delivered there in one day—50,000 pounds. Some asked whether the plant should close to let processors catch up, but they said they could handle the mountain of crab that poured into the facility.

"They were tired, but they put their heads down and did the job," said NSSP manager Rich Ferry. "We have a great crew." Ferry said the fishery has more boats on line and more experienced fishermen. "The number of boats affect the rate of delivery," he noted. "The more boats, the shorter the season."

The board of directors of Norton Sound Economic Development Corp., which owns NSSP, heaped praise on Ferry and his crew at the board's quarterly meeting last week in Nome. So did Jim Menard, the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game area manager for Norton Sound and Kotzebue, and assistant area manager Scott Kent.

"Preliminary harvest figures are 400,840 pounds harvested by 25 permit holders with a value of \$2,015,705," Menard reported on Aug. 5. "The breakdown was 26,850 pounds harvested in the Community Development Quota fishery and 373,990 pounds harvested in the open access fishery. Prices paid for red king crab ranged from \$5.04 to [\$5.29] per pound. The record harvest of Norton Sound red king crab was in 1979 when

nearly 3 million pounds were caught, but the price paid then was only 75 cents per pound.

"The 2011 summer commercial crab season lasted 33 days and was the shortest season since the fishery went super-exclusive in 1994, effectively making it a local small boat fishery," Menard said.

The 2011 commercial harvest was 10.1 percent of the estimated legal biomass of 3.97 million pounds of red king crab and shot past the 9 percent guideline harvest level of 358,000 pounds in the last few days of the fishery. The fishery closed on July 30.

Chum harvest bountiful

The chum salmon harvest has topped 100,000 fish in both the Norton Sound and Kotzebue districts, reports Menard. He said this year's Norton Sound chum catch will fall short of last year's harvest of 117,743 chums, but the commercial catches of this year and 2010 are the best since 1988.

Menard said the cumulative harvest in the Kotzebue district totaled 135,000 chums for 78 permit holders last week. "The Kotzebue District commercial catch forecast is 230,000 to 260,000 chum salmon, but with additional runway closures [this] week, this season's catch will likely fall short of the forecast," he added.

Commercial fishermen in Norton Sound are now focusing on silver salmon. "Silver salmon runs continue to have a mediocre showing so far in Norton Sound when compared to the record runs in the last half of the previous decade," Menard noted.



Photo courtesy of Gay Sheffield, UAF Marine Advisory Program
TREASURE OF THE BERING SEA— During a recent trawl survey on the *Pandalus*, this handsome inhabitant of Norton Sound was captured. Wolffish have long bodies, strong jaws and sharp teeth. They also have strong molar teeth for crushing and eating the crabs, clams, snails, and other hard-food items they find on the seafloor. The Bering wolffish is an uncommon solitary fish that prefers living on boulder strewn, pebbly, or sandy seafloors on both sides of the Bering Sea and, though uncommon, are even found in the Arctic. In 1995, a 31-lb wolffish was caught off Barrow.



Photo by Jim Menard, ADF&G
CRAB RINSE—Ed Anasagak rinses freshly cooked red king crab with cold water at the Norton Sound Seafood Products plant last week as this year's harvest ended. The water removes any fat or oil that is clinging to the crabs' shells before they are frozen.

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Eckels added.

Harrelson said Garnie's concerns are valid. He said GFC always has a line of credit available, portions of which can be used to pay for fuel and mechanical breakdowns. "It's there in case you need it," he added. He asked Eckels if it is normal for a business to carry a line of credit.

"Absolutely," replied Eckels.

"The unexpected expenses," said Harrelson.

Eckels said the *Glacier Bay's* recent unexpected visit to a shipyard cost \$750,000 with only a week to plan. Harrelson said a line of credit is kind of like a credit card that you pay interest on.

The board reauthorized the \$8 million line of credit for Siu by a

vote of 13-1 with Garnie voting no. Orville Ahkinga of Diomedea was absent from the meeting.

NSEDC's annual report

Janis Ivanoff, NSEDC's president and chief executive officer, said the company's annual report for 2010 will be sent to every mailbox in 15 member communities by Sept. 30. The 2009 annual report was sent to mail boxes by July 31, 2009 under a rule established by the Western Alaska Community Development Association, composed of an NSEDC representative and a representative from each of five other CDQ groups in western Alaska. WACDA changed the rule and the due date for annual reports on Dec. 14, 2010.

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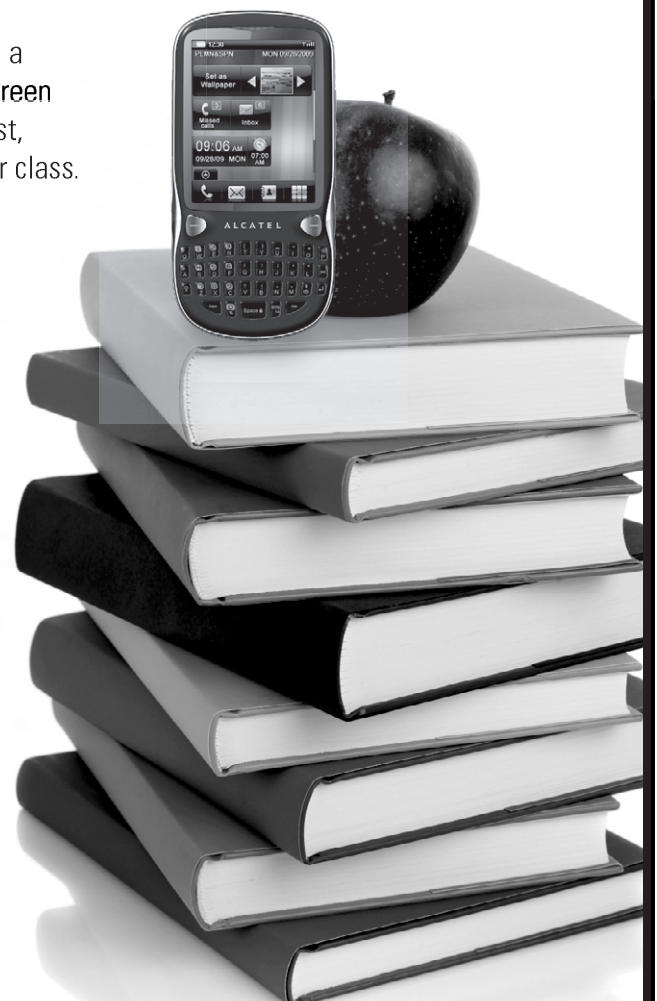
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Horn visits Nome on way through Northwest Passage

By Sandra L. Medearis

World adventurer Mike Horn picked up supplies in Gjoa Haven Sunday and was sailing north along the west side of the Boothia Peninsula. Horn is heading to Resolute in the Canadian Arctic, if ice doesn't block his way through the Northwest Passage. Resolute is a small Inuit village on Cornwallis Island in Nunavut, Canada.

Horn is navigating the 108-foot sailboat *Pangaea*, to meet a group of young adults in Resolute to provide them the kind of adventure he dreamed of as a boy in South Africa.

On July 18, Horn threw his lines onto the cleats at the Crowley Dock in Nome's Small Boat Harbor, for an overnight stay before leaving the next day for Barrow and ports of call eastward through the mythical passage from Alaska to Greenland across the top of the North American continent. The group he will meet are youth ages 15 to 20 years old, flown in by his Young Explorer's Program to embark on an adventure on Baffin Island to experience the natural world, identify challenges to the environment and propose solutions.

The kids will be working with a team environmental professor who will guide them in activities including taking permafrost measurements and conducting tests relative to the receding sea ice, according to Luke Johnson, a youth coordinator and EMT on the expedition. Johnson said study sessions would be broken up by adventure on a very big climbing wall on a steep cliff face.

Standing aboard the *Pangaea* at dockside, Horn said he has come to realize the future of the planet is in the hands of youth. His program aims to teach young people what his experience in many varieties of environments has taught him, to acquaint youth with the wonders of the environment while they are young, so that well-informed, they can save and sustain the world for generations to come.

Acknowledging human impact on environment is the idea behind the four-year *Pangaea* Expedition, as a means to advance the mission statement "to enhance a respect of the environment," Horn said.

Horn's cruise through the Northwest Passage and sojourn on Baffin Island is a small piece of his *Pangaea* Expedition 2008-2012. YEP expeditions have already involved ports of call in Antarctica, New Zealand ice fiords, Malaysia, India Andaman Islands, India, Himalayans, Mongolia, Gobi Desert, Russia, Kamchatka and North Pole. After the current Canada adventure, the list of diverse future segments holds Colorado River, Amazon River and Brazil, and ending a year from now in east Africa. Many groups of young guests will experience the adventure-based learning along the way.

Respect for the environment begins with the boat, on which the Brazilian teak deck is spotless. When the *Pangaea* stopped in Nome, visitors shed their shoes dockside.

Specially built in Brazil, where aluminum for her recyclable hull is plentiful, Horn had the exploration vessel built for research, environmental and educational projects at sea and at ports

of call along a four-year route. The boat's main motor is 600 square meters of sail to catch the wind, backed up by low-emission, twin diesel engines by Mercedes-Benz with state-of-the-art in electronic management for fuel injection and emission control, for optional use to get through ice of polar regions. The *Pangaea* has LED lighting and collects energy from many solar panels and a wind generator. Waste is compressed on board and offloaded at ports of call. The *Pangaea* shares its name with the hypothetical supercontinent that held all the landmass of the planet during the Triassic Period, during the Age of Reptiles 200-250 million years ago, after which it broke up into today's continents.

Horn, 45, knows adventure. He has tested his own mettle against lots of the adventures beyond his youthful fantasies. His wont is to travel solo without motorized transport. Rather, his vehicles of choice are the pirogue (swamp boat), bodyboard, shoe leather and sail. He has been awarded by the prestigious Laureus World Sports Academy of which he became a member in 2007.

Horn has lived through many record-setting adventures in remote and challenging parts of the planet. In 2002, Horn set out to cross the North Pole alone and unassisted, but was turned back 45 days into his journey by frost-bitten hands. After his hands healed, Horn went back out into the cold for Arktos, an expedition to follow the 12,427-mile route of the Arctic Circle without motorized transport or dogs. Horn shared some of that story with a dockside crowd in Nome.

"I experienced all kinds of weather in the two years and three months it took me to travel the Arctic Circle," Horn laughed, telling about temperatures in the -60° F range.

Horn stopped in Nome almost a decade ago on the Arktos expedition, where he became friends with locals Jeff and Peggy Darling. When Horn took off for Barrow on July 18, Jeff Darling rode along. Peggy did not go?

"Someone has to mind the auto parts store," she laughed.

Painted on the *Pangaea*'s hull is the name of the major sponsor of the *Pangaea* Expedition: Mercedes Benz. Having solid sponsors—about 20, including the Mayo Clinic and Mumm champagne—allows Horn to remove money as a block for carefully selected youths to have educational sailing adventures. A long list of his own adventure experiences allows Horn to secure funding to back the kids.

"One kid could cost me up to \$30,000 to finance. It's not me that pays, but I had to do 25 years of exploration to be able to find a sponsor willing to believe that I believe this kid's a good kid," Horn said. "No one goes around throwing \$25,000 at them if they are not able to share and do something in return, so that's why the follow-up program [to continue the student's contribution] is so important."

The YEP has been very successful in Europe, with young participants spreading the word themselves. Horn does not pass out fliers at high schools to fill out in study hall, for that might garner a lot of idle applications.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

LANDLUBBER—Jeff Darling gives Amber Ryan a beginning sailing lesson dockside on the *Pangaea*, a 30-berth exploration vessel used in adventurer Mike Horn's youth adventure voyages. Darling received and accepted an invitation to sail with Horn and crew to Barrow June 19 before the *Pangaea* headed for the Northwest Passage.

Horn seeks actively inquisitive, committed youths. Adventure is the bait. He would like to see some Alaskans apply.

"People have to find out about it. We don't paint the city red and say this is what we do because we get the wrong people," Horn explained. "We use media in a very subtle way, using adventure as a hook, 'Come out for the adventure of your life.' Then you get the right kind of child, inquisitive."

"He has to read about it in the newspaper or his mother and father have to read about it. If you find out about it that way, then you start looking into it," Horn said.

The application for the program is strenuous as is the training and actual adventure. "He has to send videos, write an application, so we can look at it. Then they've made the first step on their behalf. They go through a jury, then we decide who comes or not. It's not a complication, it's that we are looking for the right ambassador. We have to send them to a training camp; we have to determine this kid's character. It's not just physical strength," Horn continued.

The training camp in Switzerland selects from 100s of applications and ostensibly provides extensive physical exams, sports testing, agility tests and preparation for the tasks in the adventure, but also gives counselors an opportunity to study group dynamics, said Johnson. The expedition staff whittles

the candidates to eight to 10 persons.

"It's whether he is physically and mentally strong enough. Then once you have a kid selected, he must be able to speak, he must be able to communicate, to share," Horn said. "He might be outgoing but he's not the right kid. [He? — Young women also participate in the expeditions.] You may need leaders, you may need followers, and so the selection camp is just a way of selecting a group of kids. They have to be inter-

ested in what they do," Horn said. "We try to keep them involved in the project by doing the follow-up programs—cleanups of coral, deserts, trees, so forth. We've done nine expeditions with no problems but like a scratch or a bruise, and the kids come back and share the message. That's how the project grows."

For more information, check: www.mikehorn.com/en/pangaea

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Explorer Mike Horn: Hungry for very big challenges

By Sandra L. Medearis

If Mike Horn, 45, stood in the middle of the sailboat *Pangaea*, he could look at 50 feet of boat fore and aft. The 108-foot motorized *Pangaea* is different, and certainly much larger than the vehicles that have taken him to remote adventures all over the world. Currently Horn is on his way through the Northwest Passage to meet a youth group and lead them in adventure-based activities that respect the earth and environment. He passed through Nome in mid-July.

He has preferred to travel using modes powered by him, without motorized assistance, using shoe leather, riverboards, skis and swamp boats. He descended Mont Blanc using a bodyboard and ended up on the French Riviera.

Born in Johannesburg, Horn grew up there and attended Stellenbosch University to study human movement science. In 1990, he left for Europe where he was a ski instructor and canyon guide. In 1991, a paragliding and rafting expedition beckoned him to the Andes in South America.

In 1995, Horn broke the world record for going down the highest waterfall, 22 meters, or 72.2 feet, using a hydrospeed on the Pacuare River in Costa Rica. Hydrospeeding is running rivers and rapids lying stomach down on a molded flotation device known as a riverboard in the United States. From there, Horn set out to accomplish more astounding explorations and extreme adventures. These included circling the earth along the equator.

In 1997, Horn undertook his first

bigger than big, six-month expedition. He used shoes to get him from the Pacific Ocean to reach the headwaters of the Amazon River high in the Peruvian Andes. Then he picked up a hydrospeed, or riverboard, and laced through water creatures to travel the 4,350-mile length of the Amazon to the Atlantic Ocean. He slept where the jungle joins the banks of the river.

Doesn't Horn become frightened along the way? As when he was hurtling headfirst down the waterfall in Costa Rica? Scared? That makes it better, Horn said.

"I get frightened quite often, because if you don't get afraid, you should stop doing what you do, because you have no respect," he said, during a stop in Nome heading for the Northwest Passage. "The moment you become arrogant, and think you can push your way through everything, you're going to make the biggest mistake.

"I've been lucky in my life, but luck has two parts; it is the decision you made—right or wrong—that makes you lucky or unlucky. This leads to the experience and the knowledge you've acquired through 25 years of exploration," Horn said. "Either you die soon or you never die and you become very old. I've been very fortunate to go through the first 10 or 15 years where I was very lucky, and that's very normal, because if you're out there where you're freezing or you're drowning, you've got a risk which is human, then yes, you are afraid. I love being afraid. That can become your motivation where you overcome that little obstacle."

Following the Amazon expedition, the 1999 Latitude Zero expedition took Horn walking and sailing around the world under his own power, taking a small sailing trimaran from West Africa across the Atlantic, then going by foot and then by pirogue—a small flat-bottomed boat used in West Africa and Louisiana marshes as fishing boats—through the Amazon jungle to the west coast of South America. When he got there, he picked up his trimaran from his team to cross the Pacific and Indian oceans. Reaching the other side, he hopped on a bicycle to set out across Africa and finished up by foot and using a small boat.

His many adventures include reaching the summits of two Himalayan peaks over 24,000 feet high in 2007 without supplemental oxygen.

Horn has been awarded by the prestigious Laureus World Sports Academy of which he became a member in 2007. The 47 members include Nadia Comaneci, Boris Becker, Tiger Woods, Marvin Hagler, Jack Nicklaus, Mika Hakkinen and Bill Shoemaker.

How did Horn decide to leave a pat family business position and decide to become an explorer and extreme adventurer?

"I don't think you become an explorer. You get born to be an explorer. You have to be passionate about leaving home. You have to be passionate about risking, not risking your life, but taking risks in your life," Horn went on. "There's no difference in the risks we take or the commitment we put into it. I wanted to use exploration because as a kid I loved being outside. I always challenged other kids as a kid. I was sitting in the classroom looking through the window thinking I'd rather be outside. You have to go through the process of being educated and all that, but when you have the freedom, even if you don't have the money and the support, you can become what you want to become. A lot of people are afraid to step out of their comfort zone, simply because you might risk losing what you have. If you are afraid of losing you can never win."

So the day came when Horn threw all, including himself, to the four winds. Freedom seemed better than herding tomatoes.

"I was getting a masters in business economics. I was working for a family business importing and exporting fresh produce around the world out of South Africa. I was selling 100,000 tons of tomatoes to some place in the US or buying 10,000 pounds in Australia and selling it to New Zealand," Horn said. "It's like working in the stock exchange, except it's fresh produce. Everyday it comes and you have to sell it off the shelf because it's rotting. You have to move it.

"Very quickly I had what I needed; I thought that was what I wanted. The moment I had it, it tied me down. This isn't what I worked for—I wanted to be free. I had to get rid of what I thought was going to give me freedom in order to be free. I got rid of what I thought I wanted that I didn't need at the end of the day. I took a bag of clothes, left South Africa, and went to Switzerland. In a way, not a lot of people want that and most of us don't need that high adrenalin and emotions all the time because we're all different characters, but that's what I needed and that's what I

did for me. Other people in life have to find their own path. I am just trying to live the life that suits my life that I wanted to live. I consider myself very privileged that way.

Horn keeps going. "We fill up our day with this 'to-do' list, if someone calls and says let's go out and do something, you say 'I can't I have to do this,' so we don't have time. What's there on the to do list you'll never do anyhow. So instead of writing your time on the to-do list first, do what you want to do; that's going to give you more time to do what you are supposed to do. We just make believe that we don't have time. That's how our life is being consumed by all these to-dos that that society wants us to do. Everybody's in that groove and it's mainstream—going up stream. I don't want to go upstream; I'd rather go with the current."

When he is not testing himself on his travels, Horn hangs his various hats in Switzerland, joining wife Cathy and two teenaged daughters, Annika (1993) and Jessica (1994), who have gone with him on family expeditions.



Photos by Sandra L. Medearis

MIKE HORN—The world explorer and adventurer left his job in the vegetable import-export business in South Africa in 1990 and took off to Switzerland to seek the freedom he wanted in his life path. Horn, a member of the Laureus World Sports Academy, navigated the entire length of the Amazon River on a hydrospeed, a human-powered floating device. Horn accomplishes most of his feats without motorized assistance.



4X4 OF THE SEAS—The 108-foot sailing ship *Pangaea* carries explorer Mike Horn and youth adventure-based learning teams on the four-year *Pangaea* Expedition. The boat's construction jobs fed 200 Brazilian families for a year.

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Nome Elementary School 2011-2012 Class Supply List

Each Nome Elementary School student should bring these items on the first day of school. These are the requested supplies for the 2011-2012 school year.

Kindergarten

- 2 Boxes Kleenex
- 1 Box Crackers/Snack per month
- 1 Backpack (please label with child's name)

- ##### 1st Grade
- 2 Boxes Kleenex
 - 2 Large Pink Erasers
 - 2 Glue Sticks
 - 2 Pocket Folders
 - 1 Box Crackers/Snack per month

- ##### 2nd Grade
- 2 Boxes Kleenex
 - 2 Large Pink Erasers
 - 1 Box of 24 Crayons
 - 2 Glue Sticks
 - 1 Bottle of White Glue
 - 1 Box Crackers/Snack per month

- ##### 3rd Grade
- 2 Boxes Kleenex

- 1 Box of #2 Pencils
- 1 Box of 12 Colored Pencils
- 2 Glue Sticks
- 1 Box 24 Crayons
- 1 Bottle of White Glue
- 1 Pair of Scissors
- 1 Ruler
- 1 Box Crackers/Snack per month

- ##### 4th Grade
- 2 Boxes Kleenex
 - 1 Box of 12 #2 Pencils
 - 2 Pocket Folders
 - 1 Box of Colored Pencils
 - 12 Pencil Top Erasers
 - 1 Container of Cleaning Wipes

- ##### 5th Grade
- 2 Boxes Kleenex
 - 1 Box Colored Pencils
 - 1 Box of Crackers/Snack per month
 - 1 Container of Cleaning Wipes

- ##### 6th Grade
- 2 Boxes Kleenex
 - 1 Box of 12 #2 Pencils
 - 1 Box of 12 Colored Pencils
 - 1 Ruler
 - 4 Two-Pocket Folders
 - 2 Highlighters
 - 1 Box Crackers/Snack per month
 - 1 Container of Cleaning Wipes

Free & reduced lunch

Alaska Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free & Reduced Price Meals Effective from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Free Meals			Household Size	Reduced Priced Meals		
Yearly	Monthly	Weekly		Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
17,680	1,474	340	1	25,160	2,097	484
23,894	1,992	460	2	34,003	2,834	654
30,108	2,509	579	3	42,846	3,571	824
36,322	3,027	699	4	51,689	4,308	995
42,536	3,545	818	5	60,532	5,045	1,165
48,750	4,063	938	6	69,375	5,782	1,335
54,964	4,581	1,057	7	78,218	6,519	1,505
61,178	5,099	1,177	8	87,061	7,256	1,675
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Asbestos Update

The Elementary school was built with NO ASBESTOS products and this remains to be the case. Nome Beltz was built using Asbestos Products and over the years a majority of it has been removed and or encapsulated. We had an independent contractor do our required 3 Year re-inspection and he found all remaining Asbestos to be well maintained and in no danger of release. We will continue to do our in-house inspection every 6 months but again anticipate no problems. There is a copy of the inspection report maintained at the District Office available for review by the public. Bill Potter, Nome Public Schools, LEA

NOME PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC RELEASE FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS

Nome Public School District today announced its participation in the National School Lunch Program. Meals will be available to enrolled participants without regard to race, age, color, sex, disability, or national origin. Meals meet nutritional standard established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Households with incomes less than or equal to the following guidelines are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. These guidelines are effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Households with children who are currently approved for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Alaska Temporary Assistance Program (ATAP), or Native Family Assistance Program (NFAP) are automatically eligible for free school meals by completing an application that includes their assistance number from one of those programs. Students who are identified as migrant, homeless, or runaway are automatically eligible and do not need to fill out an application. Foster children are usually eligible for school meal benefits regardless of the income of the household with which they reside. Note: Medicaid and Denali Kid Care case numbers do not qualify for eligibility.

Application forms, application instructions, and a letter to parents/guardians will be available by August 15, 2011 at the schools for early pick up and will also be sent home with each student on the first day of school. To apply for free or reduced price meal benefits, households should fill out one application per family

or complete the Direct Certification Notification from Public Assistance and return it to the school.

For additional information, call the Nome Public Schools district office at (907) 443-2231.

Applications cannot be approved unless they contain complete information. Information provided on an application may be verified at any time. Households may apply for school meal benefits at any time during the school year if circumstances change. Children whose parents or guardians become unemployed may be eligible for school meal benefits based on their household income during the period of unemployment. A household whose application for school meal benefits is denied will be provided an opportunity to appeal the decision.

Please allow a period of up to 10 working days to process your application.

Students qualifying for meal benefits at the close of the 2010-2011 school year may continue to receive benefits for up to 30 operating days at the start of the 2011-2012 school year while a new application is being processed.

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General information

Kindergarten Students ONLY will be on a rolling start for the first week. The first day of classes for Kindergarten students will be Monday, August 29, 2011. The week before this, parents will be contacted by your child's teacher for an appointment for family interviews to be scheduled during the week of August 22 - 26, 2011. It is important that the child and the parent attend these meetings. Please make sure registration information is submitted to the Elementary Office during the week of August 8. Students in grades 1st through 6th will begin school on Monday August 22nd.

Registration for Nome Elementary School: The Nome Elementary School secretaries will be ready for parents to register their children starting on August 8, 2011. If your child attended school at NES last year, you do not need to fill out registration information. Call 443-5299 for more information on registering your

child for the elementary school.

Nome Elementary School Hours:
Grades K-2: 8 a.m. — 2 p.m.
Grades 3-6: 8 a.m. — 2:30 p.m.

Jr. High School Hours:
9:05 a.m. — 4 p.m.
First Day: Jr. High students report to the RC at 9:05 a.m.

Sr. High School Hours:
8:20 a.m. — 3:10 p.m.
First Day: Sr. High students report to the Gym at 8:20 a.m.

Anvil City Science Academy:
9:05 a.m. — 3:50 p.m.
Students enrolled in the academy report to the Anvil City Science Academy classrooms located on the Nome Beltz Campus at 9:05 a.m. Students should ride the Jr. High School Bus to school.

School Age Entrance/Immunizations: For a child to attend school, they must have reached age five (5) before September 1, 2010. Students who have not been immunized or exempted from immunization will be excluded from school until they are immunized or exempt, as ordered by Alaska State Law. For information on early admission to Kindergarten, please call the school principal.

School & Community photographs are tentatively scheduled for the end of September by local photographer Hugh Thomas.

Senior High Activity/Athletic Eligibility and Activity Fee:
Scholastic Eligibility: Scholastic Eligibility: In addition to ASAA eligibility requirements the following Nome-Beltz eligibility requirements have been established. Students must maintain a 2.0 Grade-Point-Average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale in order to participate in games, contests, productions, or scheduled travel. A student who falls below a 2.0 GPA on his/her quarterly report card or for their cumulative GPA will be ineligible for

the entire following quarter. That student will not be allowed to participate in games, contests, productions and scheduled travel during the period of ineligibility, but may continue to practice at the coach's/sponsor's discretion. Any student with two Fs on their report card will be ineligible for the following quarter regardless of GPA. Grade checks must be completed on the same schedule as Prearranged Absence Forms for each week in season. (Further details are available in the Student/Parent Handbook.)

Student Activity Fee: Students at Nome-Beltz must pay an activity fee of \$50 (twenty-five dollars) per extra/co-curricular activity. The activity fee will be paid in the main office. No student will be permitted to participate until the fee is paid in full. Students who are unable to pay the \$50 fee should speak to their individual coach or sponsor.

Staff Inservice/Workdays: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, August 17-19, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

School bus information

PICK UP	APPROXIMATE	BUS #1 (RED)	BUS #2 (GREEN)	BUS #3 (BLUE)
GRADE LEVEL	TIME	STOP #	STOP #	STOP #
Elementary	7:35 AM	2, 3, 4, 5	7a, 7, 8, 9, 10,	23, 22, 21, 20, 19,
Grades K-6	TO 7:45 AM	& 6	11 & 12	18, 17, 16 & 15
Senior High	7:55 AM	2, 3, 4, 5,	12, 11, 10,	14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19,
Grades 9-12	TO 8:05 AM	6 & 7	9 & 8	20, 21 & 22
Junior High/ACSA	8:35 AM	2, 3, 4, 5,	12, 11, 10, 9 & 8	17, 16, 15, 14, 18,
Grades 7 & 8	TO 8:50 AM	6, & 7		19, 20, 21 & 22

Pick up and delivery times are approximate. Students must dress according to weather conditions. A colored sheet of paper will be taped to the bus window near the door to help primary level students locate the correct bus.

DELIVERY	APPROXIMATE	BUS #1 (RED)	BUS #2 (GREEN)	BUS #3 (BLUE)
GRADE LEVEL	TIME	STOP #	STOP #	STOP #
Elementary	2:00 PM	26, 25, 6, 5, 4,	12, 11, 10, 9, 8,	15, 16, 17, 18, 19
Grades K-3	TO 2:20 PM	3 & 2	7 & 7a	20, 21, 22, 24 & 23
Elementary	2:30 PM	12, 11, 10, 9,		15, 16, 17, 18,
Grade 4-6	TO 2:50 PM	8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 & 2		19, 20, 21, 22, 24 & 23
				14 for K-3 after school programs
Senior High	3:00 PM	7, 6, 5, 4,	8, 9, 10, 11,	22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 17,
Grades 9-12	TO 3:20 PM	3 & 2	12 & 13	16, 15 & 14
Junior High/ACSA	4:00 PM	7, 6, 5, 4,	8, 9, 10, 11,	22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 17,
Grades 7 & 8	TO 4:20 PM	3 & 2	12 & 13	16, 15 & 14

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Medical experts question the public health assault on salt

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

There is an ongoing medical controversy regarding the health effects of dietary salt.

New research published this month in the *American Journal of Hypertension* suggests that restricting dietary salt makes no difference in a person's overall heart health. After reviewing multiple studies on the effects of low-salt diets, the researchers concluded, "We found no strong evidence that salt reduction reduced all-cause mortality or cardiovascular morbidity in normotensives or hypertensives."

Preventive-medicine experts immediately cried foul in a response published in the journal *Lancet*. "The totality of evidence, including epidemiological studies, animal studies, randomized trials, and now outcome studies all show the substantial benefits in reducing the average intake of salt."

In fact, only about half of the studies to date show a cardiovascular benefit to reducing salt in the diet. The other half demonstrates no effect or, worse, a harmful effect to restricting dietary salt.

The controversy is not new. The World Health Organization has

named salt reduction as a priority in treating non-communicable diseases worldwide. However, surveys from around the world show that, despite wide variations in diet and culture, most people consume the same amount of salt daily. This has led some researchers to hypothesize that humans have a hard-wired set point

in the brain for salt intake. This would theoretically make it very hard to reduce overall salt intake over time.

Furthermore, forced salt restriction may result in unintended consequences. Just as the "low-fat" diets of the 1980s caused people to eat more sugar, leading to obesity, people may consume larger portions of "low-salt" foods, and thereby more calories, in order to keep their sodium intake stable.

The key is balance. Dietary sodium is an essential part of the human diet. Added sodium, table salt, is rarely needed in a well-balanced healthy meal of vegetables, healthy meats, like fish, and healthy oils, like olive oil. We tend to add salt to otherwise unhealthy foods, like chips, fried foods, and red meats. In general, it is the food itself, not the salt content that is healthy or harmful.

So, how can people balance their

daily intake of sodium? Here are a few ideas:

First, read labels. Many foods like canned soups, fried foods, and processed meats are very high in hidden sodium. Select foods with a lower amount of sodium per serving, and rinse salt-preserved and canned foods.

Second, boost the amount of potassium in the diet to a healthy level. Foods rich in potassium are good for your heart and balance the effects of sodium. Potassium is best obtained from the diet. Foods rich in potassium include fruits, vegetables, whole grains, salmon, and beans. Potassium supplements can be dangerous and should only be taken under the direction of a physician. People with kidney disease should talk with a provider about the amount of daily potassium that is safe.

Third, make sure that foods you prepare pass the test of tears. That is, does the food taste saltier than tears? Interestingly, the concentration of sodium in human tears remains constant and roughly equals the concentration of sodium in the blood stream. Therefore, foods that taste less salty than tears are likely better for your heart. Consider using the lowest amount of salt necessary when preserving your own foods.

Finally, remember the colors of salt. Not all salt is white. Try to

limit added salt in its other colors, like red salt in ketchup or salsa, or yellow salt as with mustard. Perhaps limit green salts like pickles or relish. And go easy on brown salts like soy sauce, gravy, and steak sauce.

As a general rule, adding salt in any color to food is a red flag that the food itself may be unhealthy and

should be limited. Adjusting your diet to include more fruits, vegetables, herbs, and spices may be a challenge at first, but taste buds will easily accommodate a more balanced intake of salt, and your heart will appreciate your efforts to obtain sodium through a balance of these healthy foods.



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In Loving Memory of Daniel E. Toektoo

October 18, 1988 - August 15, 2009

*Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear.*
- Author unknown

*Remembering with you how
A life that was so dear*



In Loving Memory

of our son, brother, cousin, nephew and grandson Christopher James Apallak/Yamaani Kaningok who is missing since October 2, 2008.

May 18, 1987-October 2, 2008

Another year has gone by since you left us. We love, miss and will cherish the time you were with us. You are always in our thoughts and prayers. Parents: Merle and Jo Ann C. Kaningok; Sisters: Lida and Sophie; Brother: Sean; half brothers: Martin Komok and family and Erik Noongwook and family; Grandmother: Martha Kaningok and family; Grandpa: James Okpealuk and family; Uncles: Keith, Fenton, Gary, Byron, Vincent & Jason and Frank Kaningok Jr. and family; Fred Kaningok and family; Allan Okpealuk and family & Dale Okpealuk and son Kevin. Aunts: Trudy Apatiki and family, Mabeline James and family, Lydia Apatiki and family, Lucinda Henderson and family, Debbie Apatiki and family, Nita Boolowon and family, Mary Ann Noongwook and family, Liz Okpealuk and family, Lucy Trigg and family and Antonia Penayah and family. Also family, relatives and friends from villages who we haven't forgotten.

Obituaries

Thomas Gilbert Lopp

Thomas Gilbert Lopp died July 12, in Washington, D.C. at the age of 85. He was born on June 4, 1926 in Seattle to Dwight and Alice Lopp. He was the eldest of five children. After he graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1944, he was drafted into the U.S. Army infantry and served in the Guam/Saipan theater.

During his early years, his summers included frequent fishing and clamming adventures near Rolling Bay on Bainbridge Island and overnight hikes in the Cascade Mountains with his twin brothers. After WW2 he shifted his recreational fishing activities with his family to the Shaw Island area of the San Juan Islands.

He earned a BS Degree in Fisheries Science from the University of Washington. He then worked with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Alaska), the International Halibut Commission (N. Pacific), and then the International Tuna Commission (Central Pacific). He subsequently moved to Washington, D.C. where he worked for the U.S. Tariff Commission until his retirement in 1981.

Much of his vacation time was split between his property on Shaw Island and traveling to foreign lands, primarily from Egypt and Turkey to Asia and S.E. Asia and the Western Pacific Islands. He also included several visits to the Eskimo village of Wales, Alaska, where his father was born and raised. Tom's grandparents Tom and Ellen Lopp were teachers in Alaska.

Tom is survived by brothers Don (Joan) of Des Moines, WA and Ron (Elaine) of Purdy, sister Ann (Dick) Stemwell of Issaquah, and five nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by sister Kathleen (Verbeck) Smith.

There will be a family celebration of Tom's life at a future date.

Florence Tallagruk (Goong Goong) McComas

Florence Tallagruk (Goong Goong) McComas was born on July 12, 1957 in Nome to Frank and Edna Ahnangnatoguk. She was the youngest of three siblings: James Ahnangnatoguk (deceased as an infant), Alma Smithhisler and Ronald Ahnangnatoguk. She lived in Nome, Bethel and Barrow.

Florence was crowned Miss ANB in 1976. She came to marry Albert McComas and mothered two sons, Thomas and Joshua McComas. She loved spending time and picking berries at fish camp in Tukshuq and at Mary's Igloo and looked forward to spring and fall hunting. Most of all she loved and cherished her two sons and her many nieces and nephews. She gave everyone she knew a nick name.

She was an Inpatient secretary ward clerk for 13 years at Norton Sound Health Corporation. Florence greatly enjoyed her job and everyone she was able to help.

Goong loved showing her relatives' Native crafts and was always

proud to share their handiwork with everyone. She was a woman who truly loved the Lord and looked forward to attending church each Sun-

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Florence Tallagruk (Goong Goong) McComas



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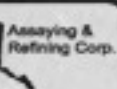
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day at Our Savior Lutheran Church with her parents and other loving family members.

As her mom and dad got older her priority was to make sure they were well taken care of; especially the past few months when she was ill with the effects of lymphoma treatment.

Florence died Tuesday, August 2, 2011. She was welcomed into Heaven by her sibling James and father Frank Ahnangnatoguk, along with her grandparents John and Lena Ahnangnatoguk, James and Eva Eyuk and brother-in-law Donald Smithhisler.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 20 years Albert McComas, children: Thomas and Joshua McComas, mother Edna Ahnangnatoguk, sister Alma Smithhisler and brother Ronald (wife Sarah) Ahnangnatoguk, nieces and nephews: John (wife Marilyn) Ahnangnatoguk, Gail Smithhisler, Donny, Tracy, Steven and Allen Ahnangnatoguk, grand-nephew and nieces Frank "Lil Papa", Piniak "Pin Pin" and Nutaasaq "Nut Nut" Ahnangnatoguk, as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

John Frame Toolie

John Frame Toolie (Taay Taay) of Savoonga died July 30, at the age of 22. He will be remembered by the people who loved him as an amazing young man, a good man, who had a heart the size of Alaska.

He was someone who loved endlessly and was always there for those who needed him. He had a great sense of humor, a driving will to always try to do the right thing and when things were hard he stood up for what he believed in.

He was someone who, in his short life, touched so many lives in a positive way that the world will forever now be a better place as a direct result of him being born. He could make folks laugh when they

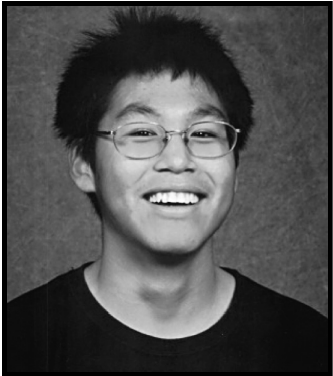


John Frame Toolie

were down, lift one up when they were sad, and truly cared about every person who was lucky enough to cross his path. He was a hero who gave hope to the hopeless, encouragement to the discouraged and strength to the weak. He was a strong leader, an excellent hunter, a dedicated teammate, a wise captain, a kind friend, a loving father and a very valued family member. To say he was deeply loved and will be sorely missed is an extreme understatement. As painful as his passing is we are so thankful he lived!

He is honored by his father John

Frame Kulowiya Jr. and mother Vina Jane Toolie of Savoonga, his son Donovan Angi of Gambell, his father Mark Vachavake of Elim and mother Kirsten Alburg of Sterling.



Christopher Adam Lockwood

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Christopher Adam Lockwood was born on March 26, 1994 in Nome, to Jerlyn Lockwood and

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Wes Perkins, 30+ years in service, Fire chief for seven years.

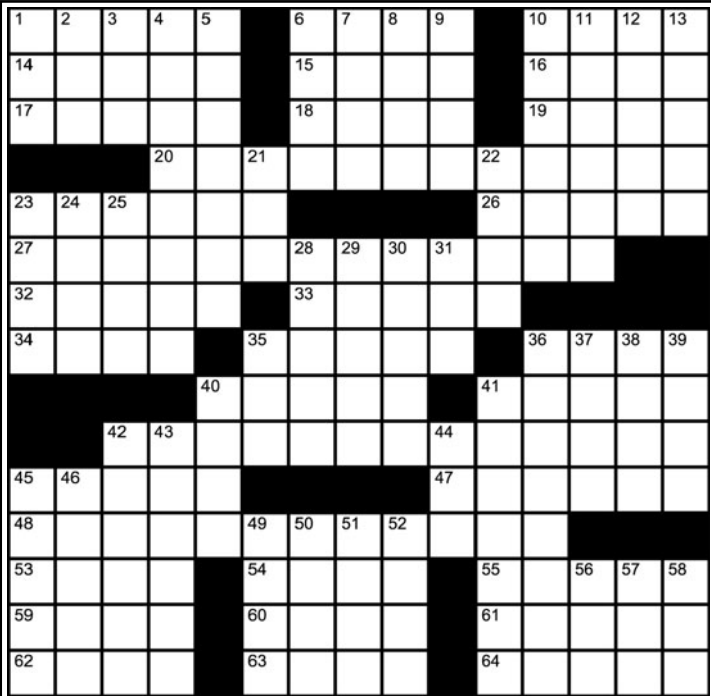
The Nome Vol. Fire Department has set up an account at Credit Union 1 for interested organizations/individuals that wish to make a donation to Wes Perkins and family to assist with expenses. Account name: Nome Volunteer Fire Department, Account # 514262, Routing # 325272063. This is a savings account (S1).

The Fire Department has also Firefighter Boots displayed all over town at local businesses. These boots are intended for a "fireman's fill the boot fund" to gather donations for Wes and his family. The Nome Volunteer Fire Department thanks each and every one of you for your support and sends thoughts and prayers to Wes and his family.

THANK YOU

The family of Florence Tallagruk McComas thanks the following people: Frank and Edna Ahnangnatoguk, John and Marilyn Ahnangnatoguk, Ronald and Sarah Ahnangnatoguk, Sarah and Chester Aubrey, Charlotte Flynn, Luella Iyatunguk, Donna and Brian James, Murrel and CeCe McComas, Sam and Lisa McComas, Melissa Morgan, Agnes Pagel, Emily and Doug Raper, Jaclyn "Dee Dee" Sallee and Tom Flynn, Johnner Sallee, Mary Sallee, Alma Smithhisler, Gail Smithhisler, Della Walluk. Terrel Adams, Kevin Ahl, Sherri Anderson, Doris Angusuc, Robert and Ramona Baty, Bering Straits Native Corporation, Annie Blandford, Devin and Salu Bodine, Sonja Callahan, Larry and Kay Carter, Cathy Chamberlain, Mike and Adrienne Christian III, Pastor Mike and Glennette Christian, Garrett and Renee Cooper, Covenant Church family in Nome, Pastor Brian Crockett, Wendy Deering, Daniel and Stellina Essim, Mike Evans, Chuck and Peggy Fagerstrom, Pastor Harvey and Nancy Fiskeaux, Ben and Freda Frantz, Gail and Joyce Gallaher, Janana Gilder, Tom and Lynn Gras, Stacey Green, Dana Handeland, John Handeland, Seiji Heck, Millie Hennings, Brant Herman, Nathaniel and Carlee Hobbs, Kelsey Holmes, Larry Howard, Wesley Ivory, Laban and Irene Iyatunguk, Jeff Juelson, Ed and Cathy Kakaruk, Dan and Ethel Karmun, Ian and Sara Koenig, Liz Kugzruk, Todd Langley, Dr. Alin Ledford, Brian Leonard, Ryan Letares, Tim Lilly, Dr. Sai-Ling Liu, Sue Luke, Jacob Martin, Rick and Jane McCafferty, Duke McGuffey, Niki McGuffey, Omie McGuffey, Dr. Moffat, Doug Norman, Norton Sound Health Corporation, Tanya Noyakuk, Dr. Karen O'Neill, Mel Ofarel, Nate Perkins, Franklin Peter, Carol Piscoya, Tom Powers, John and Melissa Quandiaz, Colleen Reynolds, CJ Rook, Monica Rose and Family, Christine Schultz, Nellie Scott, Dr. Shannon Smiley, Mel Smith, Tahsha Smith, Pastor Karen Sonray, Bruce Theche, Nikki Thomas, Marsha Tobuk, Melissa Verdin, Iris Warnke-Green, Sally Wilhelm.

There are so many people that have lent their support during Goong's battle with cancer over the last few months. Please forgive us if we haven't included your name, but know that we extend our gratitude to you.



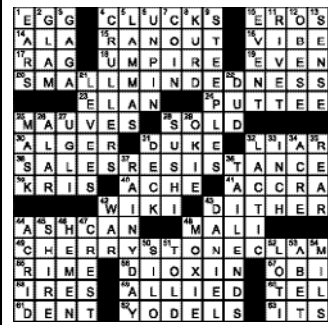
Across

- 1. White face paints
- 6. Flat floater
- 10. New news
- 14. "Farewell, mon ami"
- 15. 100 cents
- 16. Woman's dress, in India
- 17. Blow
- 18. Discontinue
- 19. Bluenose
- 20. U.S. citizens with African origins (2 wd)
- 23. Feeble
- 26. Range rovers
- 27. Funny stage play with songs
- 32. 747, e.g.
- 33. Female demon
- 34. Wallop
- 35. Electrical unit
- 36. ___ fruit
- 40. Chinese Empire official's residence
- 41. Deprive of courage
- 42. Punctuation preceding spoken text
- 45. Bake, as eggs
- 47. Fill in the ___ (pl.)
- 48. Preservation of the environment
- 53. The "A" of ABM
- 54. Part of BYO
- 55. Broadcasting (2 wd)
- 59. Aim
- 60. A chorus line
- 61. 1965 King arrest site
- 62. Combustible heap
- 63. House
- 64. Enlighten

Down

- 1. Cigarette
- 2. "Much ___ About Nothing"
- 3. "Flying Down to ___"
- 4. Maligning
- 5. ___ it to say
- 6. Change
- 7. Halo, e.g.
- 8. Gift tag word
- 9. Hit the bottle
- 10. Saw
- 11. It's a ___ from... (2 wd)
- 12. Simple chord
- 13. Indications
- 21. ___ Victor
- 22. Perlman of "Cheers"
- 23. Intensifies, with "up"
- 24. Nonexistent
- 25. Biblical birthright seller
- 28. Andean animal
- 29. Addition symbol
- 30. Certain Arab
- 31. ___-Atlantic
- 35. ___ Tuesday (Mardi Gras)
- 36. Without a crew
- 37. F.B.I. operative
- 38. Caper
- 39. Signs, as a contract
- 40. Auld lang syne
- 41. Set free
- 42. Albanian coin
- 43. Bearish
- 44. ___-Wan Kenobi
- 45. Little rascal
- 46. Dearest
- 49. Scandinavian pile rugs
- 50. Electric unit
- 51. Mercury, for one
- 52. Believe
- 56. "Aladdin" prince
- 57. International Monetary Fund (acronym)
- 58. ___ Charles, musician

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You're the toast of the town after a great save at work. Enjoy your time in the spotlight, Aries. It won't last long. A windfall fattens your bank account.



Financial concerns move front and center. Look to an old colleague for sage advice. Family clamors for your attention at home. Make time for them, Cancer.



You get sucked into something you wish you hadn't. Find a way out of it now, Libra, or prepare to be in it for the long haul. A fresh perspective is needed at home.



Summertime fun makes the week go by quickly. Be sure you bring an old friend along, Aquarius. The change in scenery will do them good.



Affairs of the heart demand your attention. Put everything else on hold, Taurus, and deal with them pronto. A young relative makes a startling announcement.



Gestures of kindness punctuate the week. If you want to continue to be on the receiving end, you will have to pay it forward, Leo. A deadline approaches.



Come on, Scorpio. You knew better than to act so quickly. Fess up and make amends before it's too late. Lawn and garden chores begin to pile up.



Window shopping results in an unusual find. Way to go, Pisces. Party invites flood your mailbox. You don't have the time for them all, so choose the top few.



Some secrets should not be kept. Time to blow the lid off the matter, Gemini. A crazy friend invites you on the adventure of a lifetime. Have fun!



A chance encounter with a business associate clues you in to an opportunity. Act quickly, Virgo. They are looking for a service you can provide.



Honestly, Sagittarius. Did you really think you had it in you? Sure you did, and someone is impressed with your efforts. A reward could be in order.

Credit Union One site stars in planning session

By Sandra L. Medearis

A representative from Boslaugh Construction, connected with overhauling a building to house Credit Union One, came before the Nome Planning Commission Aug. 2 to answer questions on a set-back variance for an access ramp that will be too close to Bering Street.

City law dictates a 10-foot setback on the street sides of a building. As it would be built, there would be less than 10 feet between the ramp and the street. The ramp is on the east side of the building next door to Airport Pizza, and accessible to cars driving up to the sidewalk curb

alongside Bering Street.

The south side of the building on Warren Place, formerly housing an Arctic Cat dealership, was reserved for handicap parking and the west side for drive through access.

City planners told Benjamin Head, representing the project, that the construction could go ahead, variance granted.

But in other news, the planning commission learned that the alley between the Credit Union building and the east side of the restaurant would have two-way traffic going in opposite directions when the bank opens next month. Cars on Warren

Place will be turning into the lane between the buildings from south to north to buy espresso drinks at the Airport Pizza window. At the same time, drivers wanting to do business at the credit union window will be turning from Fourth Avenue heading south, stopping at the window, and proceeding through the lane to turn onto Warren Place. At the same time, again, other cars may be turning onto Warren Place from Bering Street to visit Airport Pizza or Quality Auto Parts store. Yet, at the same time, cars may be coming out onto Warren

Place from the Bonanza Express filling station. The planning panel did not see a potential traffic free-for-all, as the lane measures the same as a city street. Head said there was no divider between the opposing traffic in the design.

In other business, the building and remodeling permit fees coming into City coffers for June came to \$6,907 for valuation of projects totaling \$521,067. The totals for the year to date are \$34,939 in fees for projects valued at \$5,160,974.

Coming up, the Nome Common

Council has put the extension of south-north-running Steadman Street further north to Bypass Road at the top of a priority list to facilitate meeting Nome's growth needs. The city manager has asked Alaska Gold Co. to look at selling the City an approximate 100 by 900-foot right-of-way easement located within the company's M.S. 1103 Commerce Bench Placer. Securing the property will allow the City to seek Denali Commission funds for the extension project.

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Saying it Sincerely

By Rev. Karen L. Sonray, Our Savior Lutheran Church Member, Nome Ministerial Association

"Now faith, hope and love abide, these three. But the greatest of these is love." 1st Corinthians 13: 13

These words come to us from Paul's first letter to the Christians in Corinth. Corinth in that day was a wild seaport town. The community of believers was often wracked with distractions, divisions and controversy.

I have officiated at many weddings where this scripture from Corinthians is quite popularly chosen. Ironically, though, Paul is not speaking here about the love between a man and a woman. He is specifically talking about community relationships and how Christians are called to strive toward "Agape" — God's love.

The Greeks had at least three words to delineate the nuances of love; eros for romantic desire; phyla for brotherly love; agape for divine love. God's love is "agape" — unconditional, giving of itself completely for the life of others.

Paul's chapter on love is addressed to the faith community in Corinth. His words are meant to call them to attention: away from pettiness, away from arguing over who is greatest and which skills and gifts are most important. Instead do all things in love.

It is easy for Christians to get caught up in comparing who is the best speaker, the most spiritually enthusiastic, the most learned of scripture, the most intense in their prayers. But Paul reminds us these things are nothing without love.

Love comes from God who first loved us. God's love is most fully revealed in Christ. This love is contagious. It is what bridges the gap between ourselves and others. It is what bridges the chasm between the living and the dead.

At the end of Norman Maclean's acclaimed novel *"A River Runs Through It"*, the father reflects on the untimely death of his son who struggled with addictions. "Each one of us here today will at one time in our lives look upon a loved one who is in need and ask the same question: We are willing to help, Lord, but what, if anything, is needed? For it is true we can seldom help those closest to us. Either we don't know what part of ourselves to give or, more often than not, the part we have to give is not wanted. And so it is those we live with and should know who elude us. But we can still love them — we can love completely without complete understanding."

In this life we require faith and hope to believe in things unseen. Not often do we see a full vision of God's kingdom. Not often do we see the fruits of our labors. In the end, however, we will see God face to face. Thus, we will no longer need faith or hope. We will see clearly that which we believed and that for which we hoped.

But we will still need love. Love is eternal.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

FREE FOR ALL—Motorists need to take care when doing business on Warren Place between C Street and Bering Street. Cars will be coming and going both ways in the lane between the new Credit Union One site and Airport Pizza. Credit union customers will be exiting the lane at the south end to meet cars turning into Warren Place to patronize Quality Auto Parts and Airport Pizza as other cars may exit the Bonanza Express filling station.

Obituaries

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Ronald Sagoonick. He and his brother, Troy, were adopted by George and Annie Woods in April 2003. His Eskimo name was Tupaum-nau-raq.

He was going to be a senior at the Unalakleet Schools. Chris was very athletic, and as a member of the Wolfpack team he joined cross-country running, wrestling, volleyball, basketball, cross-country skiing, and Native Youth Olympics. He was also very involved with the Covenant Church Youth group; he was confirmed in the Covenant Church along with Shyler Johnson in their eighth

grade year.

Christopher had a servant's heart and a gentle spirit. He had many friends, a big warm heart, and a big, beautiful smile. He lived his life for the Lord, and had strong faith in God. He was very athletic and joined all the sports in school. Chris won medals in wrestling and volleyball. He had a special place in his heart for people who lived with struggles, especially children of single parent families. It was his heart's desire to see more youth walk with the Lord.

Christopher is survived by his parents George and Annie Woods, brothers Andrew, Isaiah, Troy, and Chad,

his biological parents Jerlyn Lockwood and Ronald Sagoonick, his two half brothers Ethan and Nova Lockwood of Palmer, his grandfather Jack Koutchak, Jr., his grandmother Patricia Andrew of Levelock, many cousins, aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents George and Helen Lockwood, his grandmother Carol Lockwood, his uncles and aunts Gerald Lockwood, June Spencer, Patty Munn, Edward Lockwood, Gerald Sagoonick, Chad Apokedak and his grandfathers Andrew Woods, Jr., and Nick Apokedak of Levelock.

Church Services Directory

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
2nd Ave. West, 443-2865
—Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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

Nome Covenant Church
101 Bering St. 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey
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.
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side
River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527
Corner of Steadman & King Place
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 p.m.

Seventh-Day Adventist
(Icy View), 443-5137
Saturday Sabbath School 10 a.m.
Saturday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Nome Church of Nazarene
3rd & Division, 443-2805
Sunday Prayer Meeting 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. & Worship Service 11 a.m.

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Employment

Kawerak Community Services Division – Recruitment Notice – 7/27/11 until filled.
DIVISION: Community Services
DEPARTMENT: Community Planning and Development
JOB TITLE: **Program Director**
POSITION STATUS: Regular Full-Time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 14-15-16-17 (\$26.02-\$36.02)
REPORTS TO: Vice President – Community Service Division
QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Bachelors Degree in Rural Development, Economics, Public Administration, Business Management or related field. Supervisory work experience may be substituted for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.
2. Two years of management and supervisory experience preferred.
3. Must have strong oral and written communication skills, organizational and budgeting skills.
4. Knowledge of contemporary issues and current trends, law, policies and program of interest or otherwise affecting community development and tribal governments.
5. Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.
6. Must possess computer skills in Windows, Microsoft Word and Excel, e-mail and Internet usage. Also, prefer Microsoft Power Point skills.
7. Must be willing to travel.
8. Prefer knowledge of the Bering Straits Region and its people.
Native Preference per Public Law 93-638 Approved (8/25/10)
Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231.
Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at www.kawerak.org or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to hr.spec@kawerak.org.
8/4-11

Kawerak Children & Family Services Division – Recruitment Notice – 7/27/11 until filled.
DIVISION: Children & Family Services
DEPARTMENT: Head Start
JOB TITLE: **Administrative Assistant**
POSITION STATUS: Regular, Part-time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 10-11-12 (\$20.54-\$26.80)
REPORTS TO: Head Start Director
QUALIFICATIONS:
1. Associates Degree in Business Administration or Accounting, or two years responsible experience in comparable field.
2. Must possess knowledge of budget development.
3. Must possess strong research, writing and verbal communication skills. Strong organizational skills required.
4. Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.
5. Ability to work effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds.
6. Strong computer, keyboarding and office skills required.
7. No prior convictions of any form.
Native Preference per Public Law 93-638
Others are Equal Opportunity (Approved 9/11/09)
Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231.
Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at www.kawerak.org or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-

4443 or sent via email to personnel@kawerak.org.
8/4-11
Kawerak Administration – Recruitment Notice – 7/27/11 until filled.

DEPARTMENT: Administration, Information Systems
JOB TITLE: **Help Desk Technician**
POSITION STATUS: Regular Full Time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 8-9-10 (\$18.25-\$23.81)
REPORTS TO: Information Technology Manager
QUALIFICATIONS:
High school diploma or G.E.D. and at least one year of experience in a Help Desk related position. Microsoft Desktop Support Technician Certification and/or A+ Certifications a plus.
Proficiency in MS Office applications and Windows Operating Systems (XP, Windows 7) and the ability to operate/maintain other standard office equipment, including telephones, copiers, FAX machines, etc. is required.
Excellent written and verbal communication skills and strong problem solving and analytical skills. Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.
Must be able to maintain strict confidentiality.
Must be able to travel as needed. Travel may occur during evenings, weekends and holidays.
Ability to lift or move parcels of 40 pounds or less. The employee is occasionally required to climb, kneel, crouch or crawl.
Native Preference Per Public Law 96-638 (Approved 7-22-11)
Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231.
Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at www.kawerak.org or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to hr.spec@kawerak.org.
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**Deputy Clerk III
Alaska Court System**
Nome, Alaska
\$4,314.00 Monthly
Closing Date: August 17, 2011
The Alaska Court System (ACS) is recruiting for a Deputy Clerk III for the Nome Trial Courts. The selected applicant will process civil/small claims/probate paperwork, assist customers with questions, and record proceedings for the court. How to Apply / For More Information: Qualified applicants must submit an Applicant Profile and Job Qualification Summary Form through the State of Alaska's job posting system, Workplace Alaska at <http://workplace.alaska.gov>. For more information, contact the Alaska Court System Human Resources Department at recruitment@courts.state.ak.us or 907-264-8242. The Alaska Court System is an equal employment opportunity employer and supports workplace diversity.
8/11
Land & Resource Assistant
BSNC opening for Land & Resource Asst. Responsibilities include but not limited to working with BSNC Land Use Policy, regional land records, Shareholder Campsite Program, active participation with regional village corporations. Travel is essential and driver license required. Contact BSNC 443-5252, Larry Pederson for more information and application. Open until filled and wages DOE.
8/11

FOR SALE— Hitzer wood and/or coal burning stoves. Take advantage of low cost of water shipping rates (approximately 1/6 the cost of air freight). Located in Bethel. (907)543-2379. Jeefco2004@yahoo.com ask for Jeff. 7/28; 8/4-11-18

CHILD SUPPORT

If you have comments about the state's child support guidelines (Civil Rule 90.3), write to the following address by **September 15, 2011**:

D. Hawxhurst – Rule 90.3
Alaska Court System
820 W. 4th Avenue
Anchorage, AK 99501

Or email your comments to:
Rule90.3@courts.state.ak.us

You can get a copy of the rule at any state court clerk's office or at the court system's website:
<http://www.courts.alaska.gov/childcomment.htm>



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Photo by Sandra Medearis

CONFLICTING REQUIREMENTS—Nome Planning Commission has granted a variance on placement of an American Disabilities Act required access ramp that would violate Nome's property set-back law in being too close to Bering Street.



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

NSHC is currently recruiting for the following positions:

- Health Aide, ELI, GAM, GLV, KKA, SVA, SHH
- Itinerant Health Aide
- Village Based Counselor, KTS, GAM, SVA, WMO
- Eye Care Assistant
- Administrative Assistant
- Patient Accounts Representative
- Independent Living Specialist
- Computer Network Technician
- Education Coordinator
- Clinical Associate
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Registered Nurse

For a complete list of our vacancies and more information, please go to **www.nortonsoundhealth.org** or visit the NSHC Human Resources Department.

Norton Sound Health Corporation
NSHC Human Resources Department
306 W 5th Ave
Nome, AK 99762
907-443-4530

NSHC offers competitive wages and benefits. NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638), EEO, Veteran Preferences. To ensure consumers are protected to the degree prescribed under federal and state laws, all applicants are subject to a pre-employment background check and drug screen.

Seawall

8/3
Bertha Iya, 36, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for False Report.
Troy Weyiouanna, 27, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for 2counts of Assault 4°, Domestic Violence.
Katherine Punguk, 62, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Drunk on License Premises.
8/4
Vivian Washington, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.
Three Nome juveniles received a Minor Consuming Alcohol Citation.
Eric Nassuk, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, DV.
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Dannita Malewotkuk, 25, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release and Violating Conditions of Probation.
Doreen Lockwood, 35, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
8/6
Crystal Ozenna, 25, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
Daniel Ahmasuk, 28, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.
During this reporting period there were eight (8) persons taken to the hospital/AMCC for Title 47 Hold.



Applications are now available for the 2012 cycle of NSED's Outside Entity Funding program

Applications must be received / postmarked by Oct. 14, 2011 at 4 p.m. Faxed or e-mailed applications will not be accepted.

Norton Sound Economic Development Corp.'s Outside Entity Funding program provides economic support to programs, projects and activities in our 15 member communities. The majority of available funds are divided evenly among each community with 10 percent set aside for regional nonprofit entities. Municipal and tribal governments, nonprofit organizations and local, state and federal agencies located in NSED member communities are eligible for funding.

For more information and an application, visit **www.nsedc.com**.

Or contact: Roy Ashenfelter: roy@nsedc.com / 888-650-2477

• Galsy Ashenfelter: galsy@nsedc.com / 800-650-2248 • Paul Ivanoff III: pivanoff@nsedc.com / 800-385-3190

OEf funds have supported a wide variety of community programs and projects, including:



Regional Nursing Program



Cultural Programs



Rescue Boat



School Projects



Elder Lunches

Legals

Notice
Notice to Albert Komok and to whoever may know his location. In as much as Mr. Komok's vehicle, a 1986 Ford Bronco II, VIN 1FMCU14T9GUC93973, has been abandoned on our property and we have not been able to contact Mr. Komok, this publication is notice of our intention to file claim to this vehicle if it is not removed within 31 days of the first date of publication, 7/28/2011. Tim and Lorlie Shield, P.O. Box 1958 Nome, AK 99762, 907-443-2109. 7/28-8/4-11

INVITATION FOR BID
Port of Nome Harbor Improvements
Engineer: PND Engineers, Inc.
Pre-bid meeting: 2:00 pm August 12, 2011 at the Nome City Office
Bids Due: 2:00 pm October 7, 2011 at PND Engineers, Inc.
Final Completion: November 1, 2012
Work Scope:
Provide and install underground electrical nection to three high mast light locations, replacing existing service along the length of the Nome

Trooper Beat

On July 30, the Alaska State Troopers received a report from Gambell VPO Campbell of an assault that had taken place at a local residence. Investigation revealed that Brian Aningayou, 36, of Gambell had assaulted a local Gambell resident and further committed other offenses while at the Public Safety building. B. Aningayou was transported and remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

On July 30, at 1:08 a.m., AST received a report of a suicide in Savoonga. John Toolie, 22, of Savoonga, was found deceased in his friend's residence. No criminal activity is suspected.

On July 31, 6:00 p.m., AST was notified that Fredrick Kowchee, 76, of Nome had suffered a heart attack and died while boating to camp on the Niukluk River near Council with his family. Investigation showed the cause of death to be natural and non-criminal. F. Kowchee's remains were re-

leased to the family.

On August 1, Dylon Lott, 22, pleaded guilty in the Nome District Court to Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the second degree. Lott was ordered to serve 5 years in prison with 2 1/2 years suspended, 2 years probation, and ordered to pay restitution to the State of Alaska for \$345.00 dollars.

On August 2, at about 9:21 a.m., the Brevig Mission VPSO received a complaint from a female resident that she had been assaulted earlier in the morning. Investigation revealed Percy Olanna, 48, of Brevig Mission, assaulted the female between 3 and 5 a.m. on August 2. An arrest warrant charging Olanna with Assault IV was requested and on August 3, at about 11:45 a.m., Olanna was

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Causeway. Provide and install foundations for three high mast lights by driving groups of spin fin piles or installing and load testing grouted soil anchors. Construct concrete base for two light pole anchorages. Furnish, prepare and assemble two light poles and luminaires, install pole assemblies, switching and service panels, and luminaires, tighten bolted connections, test lights and raising system, and burn-in lights.
Bid Requirements:
Bidders must be licensed and bonded contractors with the State of AK and meet minimum experience requirements. The successful bidder shall sign a contract with the City of Nome. See Bid Documents for additional information. Bid documents are available for \$50 at PND Engineers, Inc. or at www.theplansroom.com. Pre-bid meeting in Nome may be attended by teleconference from the PND office.
Contact:
Sandra Morris, PND Engineers, Inc.
1506 West 36th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99503
Phone: (907) 561-1011, Fax: (907) 563-4220
Email: smorris@pndengineers.com
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME
CASE NO: 2NO-11-00177CI

ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING
In the Matter of a Change of Name for:
Kallen Christian William Ivanoff
Current name of Minor.
Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case #2NO-11-00177CI) requesting a name change from (current name) **Kallen Christian William Ivanoff** to **Kallen Christian William Johnson**. A hearing on this request will be held on **August 29, 2011 at 4:00 pm at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 110 Nome, AK.**
8/4-11-18-25

NSHC BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCIES
SEATS: COMMUNITY-AT-LARGE & REGION-AT-LARGE

The Norton Sound Health Corporation Board of Directors is in the process of accepting letters of interest to serve on the NSHC Board of Directors in the Community-At-Large seat and/or the Region-At-Large seat. Community-At-Large means the vicinity of Nome, Alaska. Region-At-Large means the area served by NSHC. The Board of Directors will hold elections at its annual meeting on September 19, 2011 to fill these seats for a three year term beginning in September 2011 and ending in September 2014. Any interested person should send a letter of interest with a brief resume by August 29, 2011 to:

Board of Directors
Attention: Board Secretary
Norton Sound Health Corporation
P.O. Box 966
Nome, AK 99762

Please write "At-Large Seat" on the outside of the envelope. In order to serve on the NSHC Board of Directors in one of the at-large seats, a person must not be an employee of NSHC. Former employees are not eligible for a period of one year after they stop working for NSHC, but the Board of Directors can waive this requirement. In addition, a director must pass a criminal background check. Details on these qualifications as well as information regarding director duties and responsibilities can be obtained from:



Balla Sobocienski, Admin Office Supervisor
Norton Sound Health Corporation
P.O. Box 966
Nome, AK 99762

7/7-14-21-28; 8/4-11-18-25

ARE YOU REGISTERED
TO VOTE?

If you plan to vote in the October 4, 2011 City of Nome Municipal Election, you must be registered to vote at a RESIDENCE ADDRESS IN NOME by **September 4, 2011**.

Contact the Office of Election in the State Office Building or contact the City Clerk at City Hall to register to vote or to change your address.

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Public Meeting

The House Finance Transportation Fund Subcommittee will be having a meeting on **Friday, August 19th from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at Old St. Joe's** to discuss the proposed legislation to create a dedicated transportation fund. There will be an opportunity for the public to testify on the proposed legislation. For more information you can contact the Nome LIO at **907-443-5555**.

8/4-11-18

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Nome Planning Commission has two seats up for appointment.

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

Application forms are available at City Hall or on the City of Nome website at:

WWW.NOMEALASKA.ORG

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY **MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2011 AT 5:00 P.M.** TO CITY HALL, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

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

7/21-28; 8/4-11

TERRA-Northwest Broadband
Telecommunications Project
Environmental Assessment
Town Hall Meeting Announcement



The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) invites the public to town hall meetings to discuss an environmental assessment of the TERRA-Northwest Broadband Telecommunications Project.

Unicom, Inc. (a subsidiary of GCI) has applied for Rights-of-Way permits from BLM to install microwave repeater towers and fiber optic cable on BLM-managed lands in Northwest Alaska. These meetings are an opportunity to express your views and identify issues to address during the environmental assessment process.

To learn more about the telecommunications system that TERRA-Northwest would connect to, please contact Tom Sparks, Natural Resource Program Coordinator/Nome Station Manager at **(907) 443-2177** or email: tsparks@blm.gov.

Golovin	Tues. Aug. 16, 2011	12 p.m. Golovin City Building
Nome	Tues. Aug. 16, 2011	7 p.m. Old St. Joe's Hall
Grayling	Tues. Aug. 17, 2011	12 p.m. Grayling Community Hall
Unalakleet	Tues. Aug. 17, 2011	TBA/Center/Memorial Hall

Meeting facilities are Americans with Disabilities Act compliant. We are able to offer, upon request, reasonable accommodations for special needs related to other disabilities. Please contact Kim Wetzal at (907) 261-9719 by August 8 to make a request.

Public comments may be submitted through **October 31, 2011** to either Tom Sparks or Stephen Fusilier by e-mail: SFusilie@blm.gov or mailed to: **4700 BLM Road, Anchorage, AK 99507-2599**.

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• More Letters

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Niukluk River counting tower are based on estimates, which I personally know is not 100 percent reliable. Don't get me wrong, it is a good way to estimate the salmon run, but these numbers determine whether or not the Golovin Bay fishermen put money in their pockets, and the way the economy is right now, for the Golovin Bay fishermen, it is vital to get these numbers correct. These numbers are based on a 15 minutes counting window out of an hour.

Let me say before I get any further that I have nothing against the State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game employees that work the rivers, counting our fish.

Out of an hour, they count for 15 minutes, getting paid for 8 hours. Now I know there are logs they keep for the fish escapement, but that's another five minutes at the most to write something down and add it up. Out of the 8 hours paid for by the State of Alaska, if I am correct, there is only an actual 2 hours and 40 minutes worked out of the 8 hours, given 15 minutes of counting and 5 minutes of writing down the logs out of each hour. It seems to me that if you are getting paid for 8 hours, you should work for 8 hours and should count every fish that is going up the river. I know that would be the longest 8 hours of work. At least we could get real numbers of salmon escapement. I am getting off point talking about this, but it seems rational.

OK, back to the subject. So we have the escapement numbers figured out for the Niukluk River, but there are five more rivers to count: the Fish River, Klokerblock River, Katchavik River, Cheenik Creek, and McKinley Creek and each have spawning grounds for salmon. I know the surrounding villages are wondering where I got a couple of these names and spellings from; it's right off of the map. But in order to get actual numbers to base the closure of the Golovin Bay commercial fishing, these five rivers should have been counted.

I know it is a little late for FY 2012 to seek money for counting towers, aerial surveys, or counting weirs to be put up on these rivers, but not too late for FY 2013. I think it is crucial to have one of these methods of fish counting on these five rivers for the purpose of salmon escapement. I think I am not the only one who wants to see action on this subject. I feel that this past year the Golovin Bay commercial fishermen have been cheated by an early closure of commercial salmon fishing. This may be true for much of the Norton Sound Fishermen and the State of Alaska fishermen. By the way, good job to the Golovin Bay and Norton Sound fishermen and keep it up.

Sincerely,
Henry Titus
White Mountain, AK 99784

Hi everyone,

It just saddens me to hear of all the bad things I supposedly do – hard to believe; yet they do. All I have ever done is try my best at the things I can do. I was taught to do the best I can and help out people.

I have gone to college, within my own community, and have gotten decent grades. And as old as I am, I still take courses. I just came back from taking an Ethno botany class in Kotzebue and I had a blast and a half. I got to go to their get together at the Friend's Church there. I got to learn the names of greens, and the flowers one could use for sore muscles. They had sour dock up the ying-yang.

At times I am sorry that I must say my piece, but I try to make it toward the betterment of things. I only just try to find ways to benefit our people, because they count. I can never stress enough how much each person counts in our world.

At least, since I can't seem to find a decent job here, since I guess I'm not smart enough, I may as well go elsewhere. Although I love my community very much, I think I may

feel a little too hurt at the moment to stay. At least I know I have other places I could pick and give away things.

But I still find it funny that for all these years there has been all these resources going out of Alaska, for them to say we were ever in the red on revenue. Much less to charge us these outrageous prices, being as we grossed \$4.2 billion in revenue in 2010. So, how did it help us?

And they are trying to take Social Security and a few other things away? People earned that right to have that money by paying into it for years. Just because the government thinks they can give away our money to other nations doesn't mean that they can take away what is rightfully ours. I thought that the government is supposed to help our people. What's up with that?

I am just thankful that Unalakleet does enforce the driving under 14 laws, along with the use of the helmet until they are 18, and the curfew law of kids under high school going in at midnight, and 2 a.m. for high schoolers. The tickets help pay for our policemen, among other things. My kids would get grounded and extra chores.

Yea, I am going to the Economic Summit meeting in Kotzebue next week. See what they could teach me, maybe tell them a little something, who knows, maybe even pick berries or go boating.

Anyway, you all take care and have a great rest of the summer. I know I intend to. And God really does help you out when you go to him in prayer. Prayer is a powerful thing. Stinkweed cures everything, and all you have to do is boil it and drink it, or you could wet it and place it on the part of the body that needs it. Some people chew a couple of the leaves, and some people put it on the rocks of the steam house, or use it as a switch. Easy to pick, easy to use, and it does a lot of good.

OK, I'll quit for now. Got to get up and do some paperwork in a few hours. Sometimes I get lucky and get to work for a few hours to help us get by.
God Bless you all.
As always,
Karen Nanouk
Unalakleet, AK 99684

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eral waters so the State has little or no control over their development. Exploration closer to shore and on shore could turn up deposits that are much easier to develop and could provide jobs and economic development for the region. I held an Energy Committee meeting on this topic last session and plan to keep my eye on the issue, to make sure our area doesn't get left behind.

Redistricting

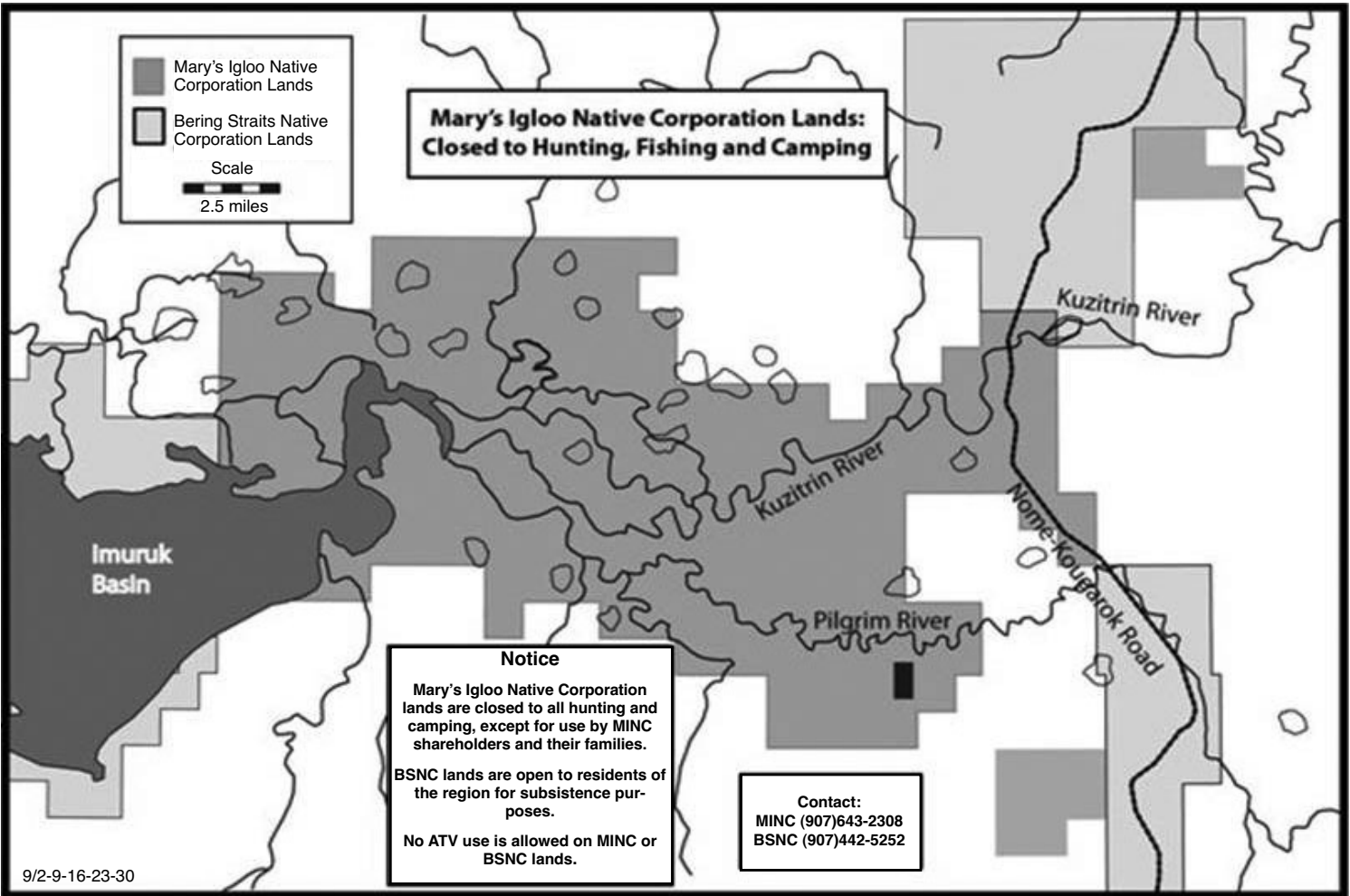
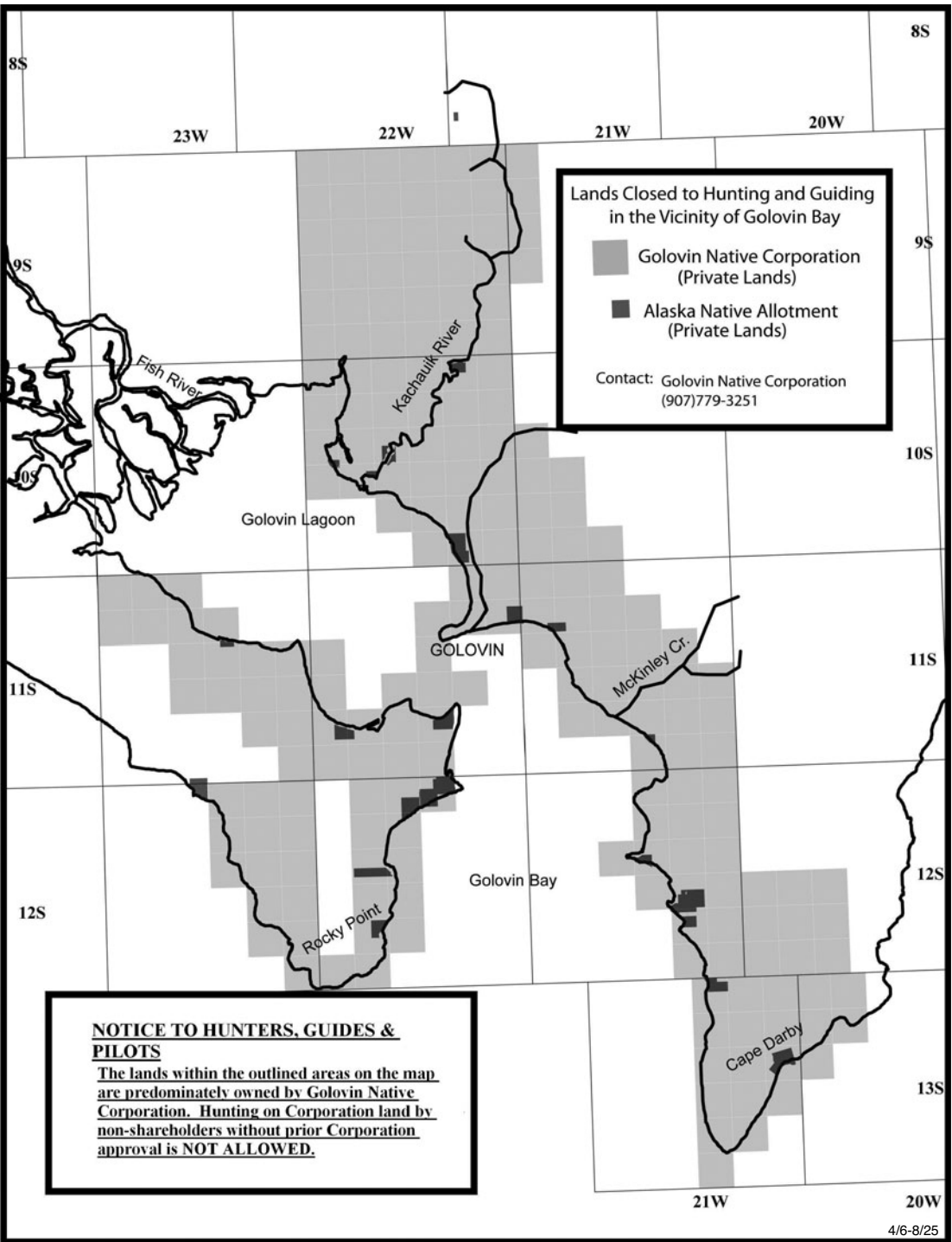
To see a copy of the map proposed by the redistricting board please go to their website <http://www.akredistricting.org/>. Right now we are waiting on the Supreme Court to take up lawsuits by Fairbanks and Petersburg.

We are also waiting for the Department of Justice (DOJ) to approve the plan. Either the DOJ and the Court accept the plan and the map goes into effect as is or the DOJ and/or the Court reject the plan and the map goes back to the Redistricting Board to be redrawn.

Nome DMV

There has been concern that Nome may be in danger of losing the DMV office. I've been in contact with the Department of Administration and have been assured that this is not going to happen. Additionally concern has been stated that the level of service provided by the DMV

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is inadequate. I have encouraged the division to work with NACTEC to make sure we are meeting not only the needs of the locals but also the regional needs of those who come to Nome for career training.

Compressed gas transportation

Federal regulations forbidding the transportation of compressed gases, like oxygen, had put rural Alaska in a tight spot, as often happens when decisions are made far from people they affect. Regulations coming out of Washington D.C. failed to recognize the unique logistical landscape of rural Alaska. Unlike the communities in the lower 48 we don't have trucking or rail as an alternative to air cargo. The Alaska Air Carriers Association has worked with our congressional delegation and received a waiver to this regulation. If you have any more questions please contact my office.

Transportation infrastructure fund

The House Finance Subcommittee will be having a hearing in Nome on Friday, August 19 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Old Saint Joseph Hall. They will be taking up House Bill 30, which would create a transportation infrastructure fund. Basically a large chunk of State savings would be placed in a dedicated account. The earnings of this fund would be used to fund transportation infrastructure projects.

To find out more contact our office or go to the web http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/get_bill.asp?session=27&bill=HB30. The committee will be taking public testimony and is eager to hear a rural perspective of this, so please attend and let them hear what you have to say.

These are a few of the many items brought up at the meeting. We also discussed issues associated with hydrofracking and its history in the Mat-Su Valley, the dwindling salmon runs in the northern Norton Sound and how a hatchery could help rebuild the stocks, net metering and its pros and cons for consumers and public utilities, suicide and other social issues. I would again like to thank everyone for their participation at the meetings and as always look forward to hearing from you.

• Planning

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The planners worked on the Nome Comprehensive Plan 2020 before and after the regular commission meeting, giving a total of over three hours to planning issues along with contract planner Eileen Bechtol. The commission has been involved in over eight years of planning activity beginning with a Phase I Comprehensive Plan adopted in February

• More Trooper Beat

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arrested in Brevig Mission. Olanna was telephonically arraigned.

On August 4, at 11:40 a.m., AST arrested Shelly Johnson, 26, of Nome, with an arrest warrant for failure to appear. Johnson's original charges were DUI and Driving While License Revoked. Johnson was remanded to AMCC with \$500 bail.

On August 4, at 12:50 p.m., AST received a request for assistance from the Nome adult probation office. Andy Penayah, 29, of Nome, was subsequently arrested for Felony Probation Violation and Resisting Arrest. Penayah was remanded to the AMCC without bail.

On August 4, at 2:20 p.m., AST arrested Lind-

sey Wells, 19, of Anchorage, with an arrest warrant for failure to appear at arraignment. Wells' original charge was Minor Consuming Alcohol. Wells was brought to arraignment with bail set at \$100.00.

On August 5, at about 8:36 p.m., the Saint Michael VPSO received a complaint that Andrew Lockwood Sr. had been drinking and was acting assaultive. Andrew Lockwood Sr., 59, of Saint Michael, was arrested for probation violation and Disorderly Conduct. Andrew was transported to Nome where he was lodged at AMCC.

At approximately 7:45 a.m. on August 7, AST in Nome were notified of a single-vehicle rollover on Moses Point Road two miles north of Elim near Bald Head. The initial investigation indicates that Heather Saccheus, 19, was driving a Ford Ranger with five other passengers on board including the vehicle owner, Arnold Saccheus, 23. H. Saccheus

the last three months of 2010. The plan responds to Nome residents' commentary that puts quality of life issues at the top of the list, with heavy emphasis on controlling the effects of the alcohol industry. Planners agreed with the public input that economic development follows a close second as being bound to quality of life.

lost control of the truck and it rolled approximately four times. All but one occupant, April Daniels, 16, was ejected from the vehicle. H. Saccheus and Oscar Takak Jr., 19, were declared deceased on scene. A. Saccheus and Desiree Murray, 19, were flown to Anchorage for treatment of serious, but non-life threatening injuries. John Jemewouk Jr., 19, and A. Daniels were treated at Nome Sound Regional Hospital for minor injuries. All occupants are from Elim. Alcohol and speed are factors in the crash. No one in the vehicle was wearing a seat belt. The crash is under investigation. Next of kin have been notified.

On August 7, at 11:38 a.m. AST arrested Benjamin Daniels, 26, of Elim, for Driving Under the Influence and Probation Violation. Daniels was remanded to AMCC.

Court

Week ending 8/5
Civil

Wentworth Originations, LLC vs. Bradley, Carolyn; Structured Settlement - Superior Court

Lockwood, Charles et al vs. Norton Sound Health Corp et al; Wrongful Death - Superior Court

Johnson, Albert J. vs. Oozevaseuk, Dawn E.; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children

Johnson, Albert vs. Walton, Demolo; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children

Small Claims

Credit Union 1 vs. Apatiki, Duane R.; Small Claims \$2500 or Less

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Tommy Dean Jones, Jr. (5/31/92); Habitual Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 3/12/11; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Community Work: Complete 96 hours of community work service and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's License or Permit: Revoked for 6 months, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Shall immediately surrender license/permit to court; Probation until his 21st birthday; Shall not consume inhalants, or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license/permit, pay surcharge, show proof of community service; Shall submit to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer and may be arrested without a warrant for probation violation; Failure to comply with community work will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.

State of Alaska v. Ryan Antoghome (10/16/76); 2NO-11-421CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112699836; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-11- 455CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Ryan Antoghome (10/16/76); 2NO-11-455CR Count 2: Attempt Theft 3°; Date of offense: 7/26/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 001; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served consecutive to 2NO-11- 421CR; 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. Jimmy Kiyutelluk (9/2/65); Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 7/ 28/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 5 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall not exceed time served; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Carson Oozeva (4/7/58); Criminal Trespass 2°; Date of offense: 7/26/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days with all but time served suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 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; Probation until 8/1/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Other: Do not return to the Polaris Hotel during probation.

State of Alaska v. Roger Siwooko (8/14/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110829573; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days.

State of Alaska v. Dawnelle Noongwook (8/30/88); Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 6/18/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 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; Probation until 8/2/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.

State of Alaska v. Nimeron George Mike (5/17/76); 2NO-10-543CR Amended Dismissal; Count II: Assault 4°; Count III: Harassment 2°; Count IV: Disorderly Conduct; Count V: Criminal Mischief 5°; Filed by the DAs Office 8/1/11.

State of Alaska v. Nimeron G. Mike (5/17/76); 2NO-10-643CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 003: Assault 1 – Serious Injury, Weapon; Count 007: Sex Assault 2- Contact w/o Consent; Date of offenses: 10/16/10; Count 003: 4 years, 2 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Count 007: 1 year, 1 year suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Under AS 33.16.090(a)(2) and AS 12.55.115, the defendant is not eligible to be considered for discretionary parole; Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court the following surcharge within 10 days: Count 003: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay an additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; DNA Identification: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035(j), or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state, and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole or peace officer; IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 3 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Must register as a Sex Offender.

State of Alaska v. Shelly Johnson (5/24/85); 2NO-10-397CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110129418; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 17 days.

State of Alaska v. Shelly Johnson (5/24/85); 2NO-11-281CR Count 1: Driving While License Canceled, Suspended or Revoked, or in Violation of Limitation; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Driver's License: Driver's license, privilege to obtain a license and to operate a motor vehicle are revoked for 30 days concurrent with DMV action; Any license or permit shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Probation until 8/4/12; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; No violations of law; Other: Complete 80 hours work service and show proof to court by 8/ 1/12.

State of Alaska v. Nolan James Ivanoff (7/23/90); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21, First Offense; Date of offense: 7/16/11; Fine: \$600 with \$200 suspended; Unsuspended \$400 to be paid to the court by 9/1/11; Alcohol Information School; Must attend the following alcohol information school: contact Fairbanks court for referral to AIS; Probation until 2/4/12; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcohol beverages.

State of Alaska v. Raleigh Iyapana (7/28/90); 2NO-11-412CR Count 001: DUI; Date of offense: 7/14/11; Plea Agreement; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Report immediately; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine \$1500 with \$0 suspended, due date: 8/1/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage: Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended; \$50 due; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended;

Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st offense) with \$0 suspended; Full amount ordered due; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: Contact other: NSRH within 1 month; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 9/15/11 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 12/1/11 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license is revoked for 90 days; Surrender license or I.D. card to court; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 6 months; Costs of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before dine due date; Probation for 1 year; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 1 year from date of this judgment (8/4/11).

State of Alaska v. Raleigh Iyapana (7/28/90); 2NO-11-412CR Count 002: Driving While License Canceled, Suspended or Revoke, or in violation of Limitation; Date of offense: 7/14/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by Court: 003; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Driver's License: Driver's license, privilege to obtain a license and to operate a motor vehicle are revoked for 30 days concurrent with DMV action; Any license or permit shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 8/4/11); Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; No violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Other: Complete and show proof of 80 hours of work service by 6/1/12.

State of Alaska v. Eddie Pete Sr. (3/15/72); Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 7/12/11; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 360 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 180 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, Seaside CRC recommended; 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 8/3/14; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Troy Weyiouanna (8/17/83); 2NO-11-471CR Count 1: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 8/3/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 75 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, consecutive to count 2; 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 8/3/16; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess 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 breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Not be where alcohol is present.

State of Alaska v. Troy Weyiouanna (8/17/83); 2NO-11-471CR Count 2: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 8/3/11; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 75 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 8/3/16, subject to the following conditions: same as count 1.

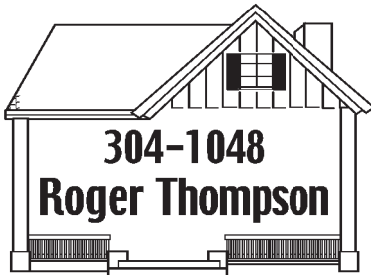
State of Alaska v. Jenna Toolie (5/3/89); Dismissal; Count 1: Assault 4°; Count 2: Assault 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 8/2/11.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Johnson (7/29/91); Corrected Dismissal; Violation of Conditions of Release From a Misdemeanor, Chg. Nbr.2; Filed by the DAs 8/2/11.

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Nome’s talent shows at 2011 Summerfest

Story and photos by Diana Haecker

Under sunny skies 10 of Nome’s talented youth demonstrated their skills at the Summerfest held at Anvil City Square on July 31.

The grassy area in front of Old St. Joe’s Hall filled up with Nomeites of all ages. The younger ones were drawn to a humongous bounce house that offered safe space for younger kids to go wild.

The local group “Monday in Cancun” with Kellen Baker, Brendan Wehde, Caleb Weaver and Miranda Murphy warmed up the crowd before the 10 talent contestants entertained them with rap performances, guitar and piano solos, trick bike stunts and hip-hop dancing. Judges Seiji Heck, Lance Cannon and Jeremy Master had a tough choice to make as all performers gave their best.

Eddie “Tater Tots” Tate as well as Matthew Medlin gave rap performances. Jason Glider soothed the audience with classical and saloon-style piano tunes. Christian and Isaac

Vasquez, two brothers visiting family in Nome from Los Angeles, performed a choreographed hip-hop dance. Andrew Cooper and Corey Reynolds let their guitars weep and Tammy Trent played classical guitar and performed original songs. David Immingan emceed the event and kept the audience entertained in between performances.

Loren Sands aka “Half-Smoked”, a rapper from Sitka, together with Nomeite Justin Bright, won the first place for his rap performance. Suicide prevention was the topic of his rap song, talking about the hurt suicide causes to the family and community. “Half-Smoked” won an iPad for first prize. Second place went to Dion Williams, who wowed the crowds with his stunning trick bike stunts. Spending most of his 10-minute performance airborne, he launched himself off a ramp on his trick bike to throw backward loops, vertical spins and spread eagle jumps. Williams received an iPod Touch for his well-deserved second

place. Third place and an iPod Touch went to Andrea Irrigoo, who jazzed up the crowd with a spirited hip-hop dance performance.

The judges rated the performances by confidence of the artist, appearance, quality of performance, difficulty, audience reaction and content.

The Summerfest is put on by the Youth Education Services, a newly formed non-profit 501c(3) organization. Bruce Klein is the president, with Janet Klein and Jeremy Master serving on the board of directors. The mission of the non-profit is to come

up with art-oriented youth and after-school programs. “We’re aiming more at the junior high and high school kids,” said Bruce Klein. “We try to have something for them to do and to be involved in, like the Summerfest.”

The Summerfest was also sponsored by the Nome Community Center and CHARR. The goal was to provide a smoke-free outside event for the community that focuses on healthy activities. Booths lining the perimeters included the National Park Service doing face painting, the

CAMP department, Kawerak’s Headstart program and Michele Ames’ food stand. Al Burgo, who originally came up with the idea and the first summer fest held in 2008, set up the sound system.

“We’ve had a blast with this, it’s been fun,” said Bruce Klein. But he also adds that the event grew so big, especially with the 33-foot long and 14-ft high bounce house, that they need at least eight more volunteers to put on the event next year.



LOCAL TALENT— Eddie “Tatertots” Tate performed a patriotic rap about the US armed forces fighting for our freedom.



RAMPING IT UP— Dion Williams captured second place and the audience’s attention with his bike tricks and stunts during the Summerfest Talent competition.



BEST IN SHOW— Loren Sands aka “Half-Smoked” from Sitka won first place at the Summerfest talent show.



ALMOST THERE— Kevin Keith approaches the finishline of the Wyatt Earp Dexter Challenge Race in Dexter, finishing in fourth place with a time of one hour, ten minutes and three seconds for the eight mile run.

Photo by Diana Haecker

2011 Wyatt Earp Dexter Challenge Race Results

Male Runners	Time (8 miles)	Female Walkers	Time
Nils Hahn	0:52:03	Jackie Henry	0:57:56
Tyler Rhodes	0:52:49	Alice Bioff	0:58:50
Josh Head	0:59:16	Lori Head	0:58:51
Kevin Keith	1:10:03	Hayden Inman	1:08:00
Lonny Booshu	1:19:37	Morgan Inman	1:08:05
David Booshu	1:22:16	Monica Inman	1:08:49
John Bioff	1:37:17	Dani Inman	1:08:49
Female Runners	Time	Weezer Walcott	1:11:29
Crystal Tobuk	0:59:09	Kelsey Holmes	1:14:32
Erika Rhodes	1:06:48	Melissa Holmes-Verdin	1:14:32
Jamie Burford	1:07:45	Tasha Smith	1:14:32
Megan Hahn	1:12:18	Bikers	Time (12 miles)
Christine Schultz	1:32:44	David Head	0:39:43
Rena Booshu	1:39:41	Ben Matheson	0:41:17
Male Walkers	Time (4 miles)	Wes Adkins	0:48:47
Daniel Head	0:57:39	Quenna Szafran	0:50:49
Dan Inman	1:08:49	Alyssa Mocan	0:52:38