



ON TOP OF THE WORLD— With winter arriving, musk oxen have retreated to higher ground, like this herd resting on top of Anvil Mountain.

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## Council mulls funding priorities, port at top of wish list

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Common Council met in a work session Monday evening before their regular meeting to comb over lists of funding priorities to hand over to the State Legislature and the delegation at the federal level.

Mayor Denise Michels and City Manager Josie Bahnke led the Council through a list of priorities drawn up at the first of the year so that the panel could rearrange and knock off the list those needs that had been

solved or lost emphasis.

Nome's port consultant, Paul Fuhs presented Port of Nome causeway extension into deep waters to make it competitive as an arctic port and advocated upgrades to the existing harbor infrastructure.

Port use is burgeoning, Fuhs said. Statistics show 436 dockings in the 2012 season compared to 271 last year.

Fuhs with the help of Joy Baker, harbormaster, is trying with the City to get port improvements into Gov.

Sean Parnell's budget before it comes out next month.

These priorities include \$200,000 for dredging to 8-foot depth a place for small dredges to hole up during bad weather. "You could use all local contractors," he said. "It would be work for them."

More immediately, the Port of Nome needs a new barge ramp at a cost of about \$17 million. Nine million dollars of the cost can come from \$10 million Nome received from a government obligation bond

the State's voters passed on Nov. 6.

The Council hopes the remainder can come out of the state budget. The remaining \$1 million will go to design work for the causeway extension.

The port is also looking for funding for a middle dock addition between cells along the causeway.

In the past, the City has pushed for \$150 million for causeway and other expansions. Now that figure has been cut to a more palatable \$50-70 million.

Fuhs told the Council he thought the port had a good chance for additional funding, because it already had operable infrastructure and could get onto the funding "thoroughfare" more easily compared to sites just starting the push without existing services.

The word from Paul LaBolle, legislative aide to Rep. Neal Fester, was that both sides of the Legislature were pushing fiscal restraint.

Laura Lawrence, aide to Sen. Donny Olson, said that since districts have been redrawn a factor in funding was not the increase in numbers of people, but the increase in numbers of communities represented by Olson—now 90 communities.

"The new district is larger than the State of Texas," Lawrence said. However, "we expect federal backing on all arctic issues. The port fits in."

The City's lobbyist at the federal level, Larry Markley, said that he feels there would be less than a 50 percent chance of money earmarked for special projects, although there was "growing pressure to do something about the earmarking moratorium."

Expansion of oil industry activity and other resource development in arctic waters cast Port of Nome

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Photo by Diana Haecker

**RIBBON CUTTING—** Indian Health Service director of Environmental Health and Engineering Rear Admiral Gary Hartz and NSHC board chairwoman Emily Hughes did the honors of cutting the ribbon during the Grand Opening ceremony of the new regional hospital on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012.

## New Regional hospital celebrated with ribbon cutting

By Diana Haecker

Tears of joy and overwhelming emotions streamed down Emily Hughes' face during last week's ribbon cutting ceremony of the new regional hospital.

Braving a stiff cold breeze on an otherwise sunny afternoon on Wednesday, Nov. 14, Norton Sound

Health Corporation's Board of Directors Chair Hughes, other NSHC board members, employees, federal dignitaries and a big crowd of regional and Nome residents were on hand to witness the ceremonial coming-to-life of the newly built facility on Greg Kruschek Avenue at the northeast end of Nome.

John Handeland was the master of ceremonies and welcomed the crowd. After an invocation by former Golovin Health Aide Irene Aukonak, Emily Hughes stepped to the microphone and, overcome with emotions, said that this new hospital is testament to all the hard work put in by the board and that it belongs to every single person in the region as a place of healing and wellness.

Hughes thanked the board of directors, past and present, for their vision to put in tireless work to make the new hospital a reality. She also

praised the collaboration it took between the board, regional, state and federal entities to cooperate on the project.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provided an investment of \$144 million, the lion's share of the funds needed for the \$168 million hospital. The Denali Commission contributed \$15 million, of which some dollars went towards building the adjacent Quyanna Care Center facility, and the Indian Health Service contributed \$9 million to the facility.

The Anchorage office of the engineering firm DOWL HKM functioned as the owner's representative and project manager. The architect firms handling the design were Kumin Associates of Anchorage and Mahlum of Seattle.

Hughes then asked Indian Health

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## Investigation into oiled wildlife continues

By Diana Haecker

The Coast Guard and the Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation are still investigating the occurrence of oiled wildlife seen near St. Lawrence Island and Shishmaref.

In addition to two spotted seals with oil stains on their bellies — one harvested in Shishmaref the first week of September and one harvested in Gambell on Oct. 16 — a sub-adult ringed seal was harvested near Gambell on Monday, Nov. 12.

The seal showed oil stains on its back as well as signs of hair loss and skin lesions between its flippers. The ringed seal, as well as the spotted seal harvested in Shishmaref, were sent to the North Slope Borough's wildlife veterinarian Raphaella Stimmelmayer for necropsy. Stimmelmayer said that the necropsy results are "very preliminary" and that more

samples are being sent out this week for tissue oil testing as well as histopathology.

Ty Keltorn, spokesman for the Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation said that so far, no results have been found as to the source of the oil spill, the nature of the product or date or location of the spill.

An ADEC situation report from last week said that samples collected from the seal harvested in Gambell on Oct. 16 indicate that the animal was affected by "heavier" petroleum product.

In addition to the seals, a crested auklet, and several common murres were observed with oily bellies near Gambell.

One bird was harvested, one was found alive and sent to an Anchorage rehab center, seven murres were

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Photo courtesy of Marine Advisory Program

**OILED—** A sub-adult spotted seal harvested near Shishmaref during the first week of September had come into contact with an oily substance. The seal was sent to ADF&G and is being analyzed.

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Chief's notes: NPD finds homes for strays— puppies easy, adults a challenge

**By NPD Chief John Papisodora**  
A few months ago, long-time Animal Control Officer Amy Smith-hisler decided it was time to retire and head off to golden pastures. Since that time, the entire Nome Police Department has been pitching-in to provide animal control support for the people of Nome. At times it has been quite the daunting challenge.

It doesn't seem like a week passes before we have a puppy show up at the shelter – sometimes barely weaned from its mother. Many times, the puppy was kenneled in dispatch where it could be cared for and many other times a member of the staff would take it home and care for it overnight rather than to leave it alone out in the shelter. We were fairly successful in finding homes for the puppies with two eventually adopted by staff members. But we haven't been quite so lucky with adult dogs.

We currently have four small to medium sized adult dogs out in the shelter, all of who need good homes. Though we have posted them on Nome Announce several times, there doesn't seem to be much interest and eventually, these dogs will have to be euthanized as we don't have the staff to care for them indefinitely. It's an unfortunate but true reality in the animal control business. So – if you feel like giving one of these convicts a new lease on life, please feel free to give Renee a call at 443-8517.

Some of the incidents we run into can be perplexing. We recently found a dog that was listed on Nome Announce as missing. An officer captured the shivering little dog and brought it to the shelter where it was cared for. We called the owner and told them that we found their dog and that they could come claim the cute little dog after paying the associated fine for having a dog running loose. We were promptly told (expletives deleted) that we could just go ahead and keep the dog – because the owner wasn't about to pay to get the dog back. I could only conclude that the cute little dog just didn't mean that much to the owner. Not only because they wouldn't pay the fees to claim the dog, but because they hadn't taken the time to make sure they were properly restrained in the first place.

On another day, we received a call from one of the local commuter airlines letting us know that there was a crate full of puppies at the airline

that had just arrived from the village – and – the crate was addressed to the Nome Animal Shelter. I was a bit confused as up to this point I thought that the shelter was for the City of Nome. Our Administrative Assistant (Renee) spent several hours that day working on that particular issue as the shipper wouldn't take the dogs back and the airlines obviously weren't in a position to run a kennel. It was finally arranged that the puppies would be shipped to another shelter (courtesy of donated services from NAC and ERA) where there was full-time staff to care for them. The puppies were eventually taken care of, but at the cost of nearly an entire day of time. We did learn a lesson however and will not be taking

possession of any more animals shipped to Nome from the villages.

Then there was the day that one of our officers rescued a tiny puppy from a dumpster where it had been discarded. Because it was so tiny and helpless, the puppy was brought to the office and cared for by a number of staff members. After a few days the person who called in the 'puppy in the dumpster' again called – this time to assuage their guilt. It seems they had put the puppy in the dumpster because they didn't want it anymore and knew that if it was in the dumpster then we would have to come get it. Unbelievably, the caller wanted the puppy back. Didn't happen.

And finally, last week we had a

woman suffer a serious dog bite while she was walking down 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. A request for information was posted on Nome Announce, but as yet we have received little information to help identify the offending animal. If you know anything about this incident, please give us a call. I fear the next event may involve a child or someone who is less able to defend themselves. As we did not find the animal, the victim in this case will have to receive a very painful series of shots. It just doesn't seem right that she should be victimized twice because someone didn't control their dog.

The City of Nome has fairly com-

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

Editorial

Who Has Our Back?

Western Alaskans like our seal oil, not oiled seal. We like our cranberries to give us vitamin C, not a radioactive Cesium glow. Salmon and moose are a mainstay on our tables. Mining politics, nuclear melt-down and increased ocean freighter traffic have put us on notice that our food supply is in danger.

We have no mechanism for monitoring and protecting our food resources. Who are our first responders? Who has oversight and the authority to police contamination in Alaska? Furthermore, who has international authority to punish polluters on the high seas? Global economic interests and lack of concern for the factors that contaminate the food we eat, water we drink and the air we breathe are stressing our once pristine oceans and tundra.

Our state and federal folks in charge need to pay attention to the safety of our food sources, the larger picture of global warming and the role of technology in the preservation of our planet. Trouble will come our way faster and faster as the sea ice disappears and the oceans get warmer, our glaciers slide into the sea, our permafrost melts and floods, heat and monster storms hold us in their grip. So who has our back? – N.L.M. –

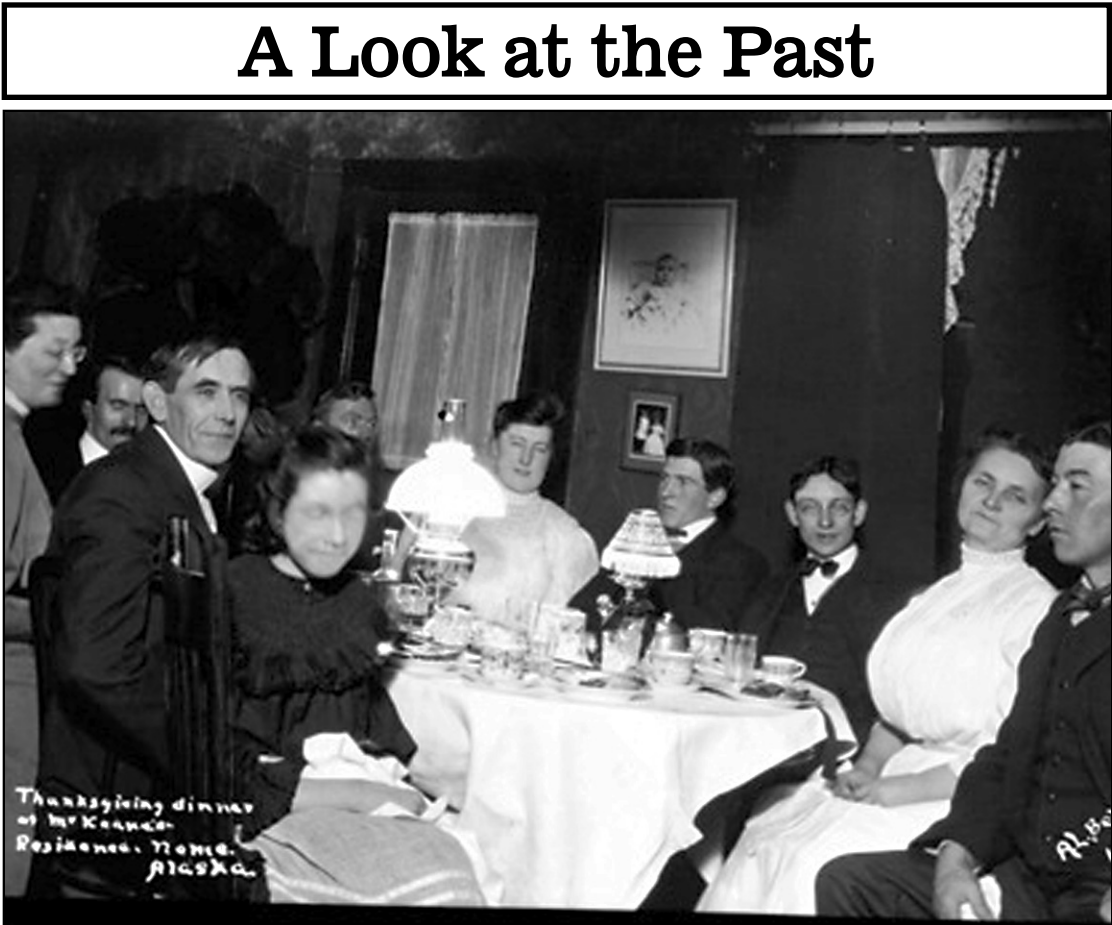


Photo and comment courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum  
MIND YOUR MANNERS! — The 1905 Thanksgiving celebration at the Victorian style home of the McKean family in Nome.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)									
Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
11/22	Th	12:02 a.m.	+1.4	11:49 a.m.	+1.3	5:54 a.m.	+0.6	6:01 p.m.	+0.1
11/23	Fr	12:51 a.m.	+1.4	1:01 p.m.	+1.2	7:04 a.m.	+0.5	6:52 p.m.	+0.3
11/24	Sa	1:33 a.m.	+1.3	2:12 p.m.	+1.2	8:03 a.m.	+0.4	7:41 p.m.	+0.4
11/25	Su	2:09 a.m.	+1.3	3:18 p.m.	+1.2	8:53 a.m.	+0.3	8:29 p.m.	+0.6
11/26	Mo	2:41 a.m.	+1.3	4:18 p.m.	+1.2	9:34 a.m.	+0.2	9:15 p.m.	+0.
11/27	Tu	3:12 a.m.	+1.2	5:13 p.m.	+1.2	10:11 a.m.	+0.2	10:00 p.m.	+0.8
11/28	We	3:43 a.m.	+1.2	6:02 p.m.	+1.3	10:49 a.m.	+0.1	10:43 p.m.	+0.9
Daily variations in sea level due to local meteorological conditions cannot be predicted and may significantly effect the observed tides in this area. All times are listed in Local Standard Time. All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).									

Weather Statistics			
Sunrise	11/22/12 11:00 a.m.	High Temp +30°	11/13-14/12
	11/29/12 11:22 a.m.	Low Temp - 02°	11/20/12
		Peak Wind 47mph, NE, 11/14/12	
Sunset	11/22/12 04:36 p.m.	Precip. to Date 18.13"	
	11/29/12 04:18 p.m.	Normal 15.32"	
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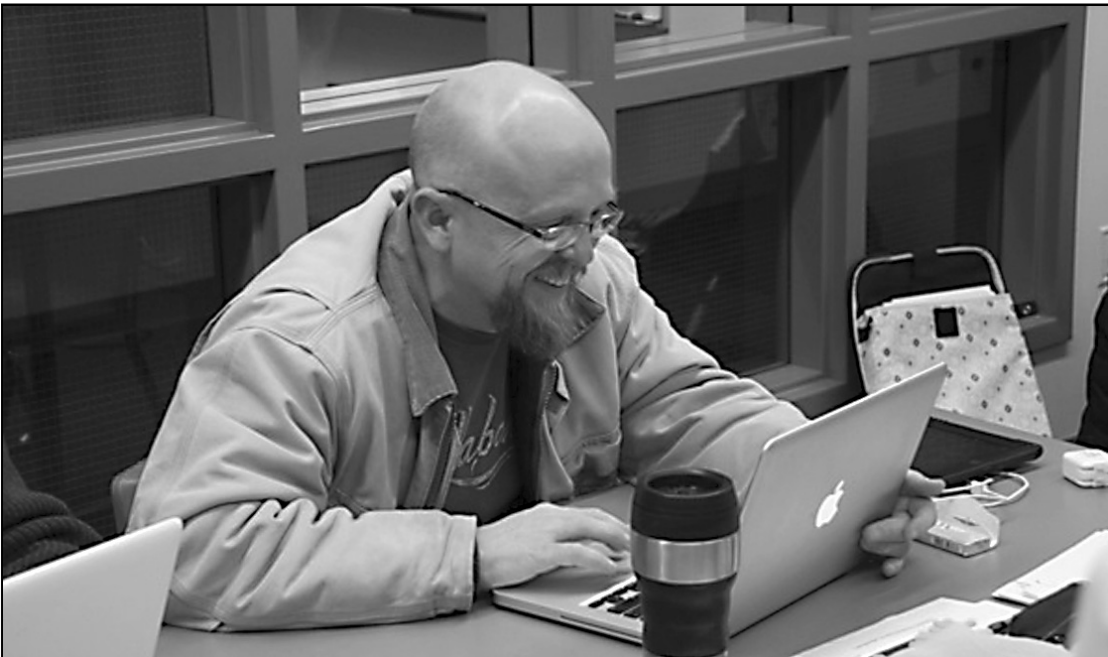
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**THIS IS FUN—** Nome Elementary School teacher Leonard Lastine enjoyed learning about iPads and Literacy Instruction from Apple specialist Sally Eberhart during a teacher training last Saturday.

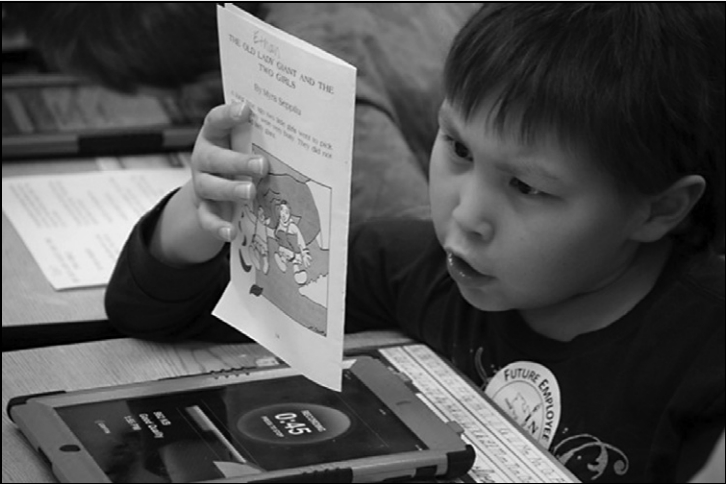
# Apple visits Nome Elementary

**By Robin Johnson**  
An Apple Professional Development Specialist, Sally Eberhart, visited Nome Elementary School to work with teachers and students on iPads and Literacy instruction. Mrs. Eberhart spent all day Friday in classrooms with students and teachers modeling instructional strategies for teachers while introducing students to systems and routines. Saturday was an optional training day for teachers. Twenty-two NPS teachers and administrators opted to attend this training on a Saturday. The training addressed Literacy in-

struction with iPads as well as classroom management and workflow techniques. Teachers, among other things, learned how to organize student audio work samples in iTunes wirelessly, and to access free books for their students.



**CONCENTRATION—** Keri-Ann Russell in Mrs. Korenek-Johnson's 3rd grade class names her reading recording on her iPad so that her teacher can wirelessly access it for evaluation or to save it to a digital reading portfolio.



**HOLY COW! —** Ethan George in Miss Bourdon's 3rd grade practices reading fluency by recording his story into the iPad. He will follow the 3 Rs process to improve his reading fluency and comprehension.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Thursday, November 22

Thanksgiving Community Dinner-XYZ Center		12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Crafts & Library Activities	Library	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Stages of Labor	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Tried & True: Recipes for the Holidays	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Water Polo	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

### Friday, November 23

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Nome Health Fair I	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Nome Health Fair II	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Breastfeeding	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Project Diabetes	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Tea Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*League/Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00 p.m.

### Saturday, November 24

*What You Should Know About RSV-Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.	
*Best For Babies Sake	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Teen Dance	Mini Convention	7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

### Sunday, November 25

*Veterans Day	Nome	12:00 a.m.
*After Pregnancy-A New Start	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*The Joy of Stress	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Adult Pool Time	Pool	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

### Monday, November 26

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8:00 p.m.
*Care of A Sick Child	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Pediatrics CPR: Life Saving Guide	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Zumba	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, November 27

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Library	10:30 a.m.
*Audiology Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Project Diabetes	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Volleyball/Gym	Nome Rec Center	4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Strength Train	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Intro Swing Dance	Nome Rec Center	8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, November 28

*Pickup bball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Birth Control: Myths & Methodes	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*All About Babies	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*League/Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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**WINTER HARBOR USERS**— The Nome small boat harbor was busy on Sunday, Nov. 18 as Nomeites took to the ice to jig for tomcod.

Photo by Diana Haecker

## • Council

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causeway extension and harbor improvements in starring roles on the City's community support wish list for the Legislature. Alongside came other transportation issues—money for running Steadman Street to Greg Kruschek Drive for community expansion. Additionally, the Council lodged its support for completing a feasibility study as foundation for building a road from Fairbanks to Nome to support resource and economic development by bringing materials to the Port of Nome for distribution and transshipments to the 30 or so communities served by the port.

The City is also petitioning the Legislature for money to build a multi-use sportsplex near the Nome Recreation Center to be used year around, especially for youth to use for activities during harsh weather.

The Council removed portable package gear for Nome Volunteer Fire Dept. to take to villages to assist in fighting fires. That need was met by Norton Sound Economic Development Corp., which funded the request with \$75,000.

In its place, the City and NVFD listed a new firefighting and rescue engine. The department's newest pumping engine is on a 1987 Boardman pumper with a capacity of 1,000 gallons per minute. Larger structures in Nome have outgrown this capacity and made the vehicle fall short of community insurance standards.

NVFD is eyeing a vehicle equipped with a 1,500 gallon per minute fire pump, 1,000 gallon water tank, water master stream, class A, class B foam systems, 10 kw generator, light tower, pre-connected rescue tools, ergonomically designed pump panel, hose bed and ladder to prevent injury during operations, as well as a full complement of rescue compartments. And there you have it, for an

estimated \$600,000 plus cost of shipping to Nome.

Supt. Mike Brawner put his best foot forward to prioritize legislative funding for a Nome Public Schools district office sprinkler in a building that also houses Anvil Science Academy (\$410,777), continuing upgrades of digital control system for heating and ventilation at the high school (\$614,261) and Nome-Beltz campus electrical service and generator system (\$650,000).

NJUS has a measure at the top of their priority list to get additional relief for high power costs by raising the Power Cost Equalization assistance to cover the first 700 kwh. Currently the assistance applies to only the first 500 kwh.

Another boost for lower fuel costs would result from raising the community population limit to let Nome participate in the State's Bulk Fuel Revolving Loan fund to assist in buying bulk fuel supplies. Currently eligibility suits communities with less than 2,000 residents with a loan amount capped at \$750,000.

The Council will take up the priority lists and make them final at its next regular meeting.

New hire at the Nome Police Dept., Officer Justin Timm took the oath of office administered by City Clerk Tom Moran.

The Council passed a resolution approving high bids in the sale of 14 surplus vehicles that brought \$39,000 into City coffers. Sales of other equipment—loader and snowblower—to Nome Joint Utility System raised the total to \$59,000.

Last and not least, vexing to the ears of all who attended the meeting and are paying high-energy costs: DNR biologist Bob Swenson delivered a report on energy sources for local use. After years of speculation on energy development, especially among the Nome Joint Utility System Board

of Directors, Swenson said there is no potential for deriving energy from oil, gas or coal on the Seward Peninsula.

"You mean we are SOL," Councilman Stan Andersen said.

Storied natural gas deposits in Norton Sound, turned out after exploration to be soda pop gas.

"We've talked about this for 20 years," John Handeland, utility manager observed. "Now we can move in another direction. Our windmill (turbine) project can be built this year."

In happier news, Michels presented a plaque to Vickie Erickson, noting a Governor's Award she received earlier this month for years of service on the Nome Volunteer Ambulance crew, which she currently heads.

## • Oiled wildlife

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observed with oiled feathers.

Gay Sheffield with the Nome UAF Marine Advisory Program along with ADEC, USCG and representatives from Gambell and Savoonga, searched the beaches to look for presence of an oil sheen or more oiled wildlife and debris, but didn't find any.

A flight took place with a Bering Air plane on Tuesday, to fly the perimeter of the island. The mission involves the Juneau office of the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game and the local MAP office, and is to document Steller Sea Lion haul outs.

"We'll additionally look for marine debris on those over flights, but this time, because of the oil spill, we'll fly a perimeter reconnaissance

to spot any kind of oily debris or animals," Sheffield said.

Through local channels, the Russians have been notified and made aware of the oiled wild life situation.

In an email exchange with the *Nome Nugget*, Eduard Zdor, the director of the Russian project "Haul out Keepers" walrus monitoring project in Chukotka, said that he talked with local hunters from Sireniki and New Chaplino in Chukotka.

According to the hunters, Zdor said, they did not observe any oiled sea life nor oil sheen on the water on their side of the Bering Strait.

If folks see oiled wild life, contact Gay Sheffield with MAP, 1-855-443-2397 or 434-1149; Eskimo Walrus Commission 1-877-277-4392; U.S. Coast Guard 1-866-396-1361.

The Nome Democratic Party is holding a planning and organizational meeting for the

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NSEDC

NSEDC hatchery study looks toward the long-term

**By Tyler Rhodes  
NSEDC  
Communications Director**

The recent Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation board meetings in Unalakleet produced some exciting news—an additional \$100,000 Community Benefit Share for each member community and a \$1 million Community Energy Fund project for Nome—but the decision receiving the most attention is that to investigate the feasibility of a salmon hatchery program for the Norton Sound region.

And rightfully so.

A regional hatchery program is a big and exciting idea. It's also a complex and long road ahead—if NSEDC and the region choose to follow it.

At this point, NSEDC's board has tasked its staff to outline a feasibility study that would start to answer numerous questions and guide foundational decisions. This is only the very start of a process that could easily take more than a decade to be fully realized. However, NSEDC recognizes the importance of making a long-term commitment to salmon restoration and enhancement.

At the outset of this study, the first and most important question is whether or not our residents want to see a hatchery program developed. NSEDC hopes to work closely with the Regional Planning Team in answering this question, as members of the team will soon be traveling to each of NSEDC's member communities to gather input for the update of the Comprehensive Salmon Plan. This will be an opportune time for residents to express their thoughts on whether a regional hatchery is desired and, if so, what species and locations they would like to see targeted. Dates, times and locations for each meeting will be posted in advance; NSEDC will also publicize the meeting schedules on our website.

Some of the big questions to be investigated involve:

- What type or types of salmon species could/should a regional hatchery potentially produce and at what quantity level? Pink and chum salmon are much simpler to raise in a hatchery since they can go to sea after hatching, where kings and silvers require a much more complex

facility in order to allow at least an additional year of growth before fish are released.

- Where would the hatchery or hatcheries be located?
- Where would hatchery stock(s) be taken and where would fish be released?
- Would a hatchery program's aim be more geared toward rehabilitating diminished runs or primarily producing more harvest opportunity?
- What permitting requirements will need to be satisfied for ADF&G? Permitting alone is a process that can be measured in years, and is a significant component of hatchery operations. Previous attempts by other entities to develop a hatchery in the Norton Sound region have faltered at the ADF&G permitting stage.
- Other areas to cover include costs, potential funding sources and partnering opportunities. Water also figures large in the issues to be studied. The temperature and amount of water available are critical factors in choosing a hatchery site. The ability to recycle water will also be important since recycling will likely be required to reduce energy costs and will help accelerate fish development. Developing a facility in the region that meets these water requirements will take significant work in terms of site selection and infrastructure.

Please note that this is not a commitment from NSEDC to build a hatchery. A hatchery program may or may not be right for the region. But NSEDC is excited to investigate the potential need and feasibility of constructing a viable operation. Where these initial efforts will lead is unknown at this point, but we can say with assurance that any progress toward the development of a hatchery program will need to be done with the support of the region's residents and entities.

Any hatchery plan will need to receive the support of the Northern Bering Sea Regional Aquaculture Association (NoBS RAA), an ADF&G-recognized group made up of representatives from throughout the region.

We look forward to the work ahead and the input from our member community residents and organizations.

NSEDC expands golden king crab holdings

**By Laurie McNicholas**

Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. has acquired 1.2 million pounds of Western Aleutian Islands golden king crab quota by purchasing KDS Inc., a Seattle-based fishing company that primarily harvests golden king crab in the Western Aleutian Islands fishery, according to an NSEDC press release issued Nov. 15. The release said KDS Inc. is now a wholly owned subsidiary of NSEDC.

The acquisition increases NSEDC's holdings of Individual Fishing Quota in the Western Aleutian Islands golden king crab fishery from 241,522 pounds to about 1.44 million pounds. The 2012 total allowable catch (TAC) of IFQ golden king crab in the Western Aleutian Islands fishery is approximately 2.68 million pounds.

"For well over a decade this fishery has proven itself exceptionally

stable in terms of commercial harvest levels," states the press release. "NSEDC also comes into the deal with extensive experience in the fishery through Siu Alaska Corp. and its ownership stake in the crabbing vessel Aleutian No. 1." Siu Alaska Corp. is NSEDC's wholly owned for-profit subsidiary. "The captains and crews of the Aleutian No. 1 have successfully fished the remote Western Aleutian Islands gold king crab fishery for years and will now be contracted to fish quota for KDS Inc.," adds the release.

The press release said smaller holdings of Bering Sea opilio crab quota and St. Matthew Island blue king crab quota are included in the KDS Inc. purchase, along with a significant portion of the TAC of Western Aleutian Islands red king crab, a fishery that currently is closed. The transaction also includes the F/V Patricia Lee, a catcher-processor that

KDS Inc. has sold to Siu Alaska Corp., the release added.

The Nome Nugget asked Tyler Rhodes, NSEDC communication director, what the company paid KDS Inc. for the crab quota and the Patricia Lee. "The value of the transaction is not being disclosed," he replied.

"Bringing KDS into the NSEDC family is a significant and positive move for both our organization and the 15 member communities we represent," said NSEDC board chairman Dan Harrelson of White Mountain. "When NSEDC expands into different fisheries, our corporation becomes more stable. The less dependent we are on any one fishery, the more we are able to assure that NSEDC can continue to provide benefits and economic development well into the future."

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# All Around the Sound

**New Arrivals**  
Bertha Ekick Barr and Randy Ray Huls of Brevig Mission announce the birth of their son **Max Lionel Huls**, born October 27, at 2:15 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces, and was 19.5" in length. Siblings are Shaylene R. Barr Komok of Brevig Mission, 9; Grace S.S. Tocktoo of Shishmaref, 8; all of Brevig Mission: John J.O. Komok, 7 years, 2 months; Stephaney J.E. Komok, 5; Melissa T.R. Barr, 2; Sean A. Huls, 14; and Hans A. Huls, 10. Maternal grandparents are Rita Kakoon of Shishmaref and Arthur K. Barr of Brevig Mission.

Alice Amaktoolik of Golovin announces the birth of her daughter **Audrey Lyn Amaktoolik**, born October 3, at 2:11 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 8 pounds, 1.5 ounces, and was 20.5" in length. Proud grandmother is Eleanor R. Amaktoolik of Golovin.



*Photo by Diana Haecker*  
The Governor's annual emergency medical services awards were announced last week and Nome Ambulance volunteer Vicky Erickson was honored with the EMS Administrator of the year award. The award recognizes Erickson's 18 years of service as a model for the spirit of volunteerism and improvement in the standard of care in her community. The awards were presented at the 37th annual Governor's EMS awards banquet at the Egan Convention Center on Nov. 10 in Anchorage.

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## Unalakleet honors Veterans



**By Denise Thomas, Unalakleet School**

Monday, November 12, 24 of the 56 Unalakleet Veterans attended a Veteran's Day lunch at the Unalakleet School. The school cooks prepared ham, pork loin, baked potatoes, corn and hot rolls. The FEA (Future Educators of

Alaska) Club provided desserts for the Veterans and the Unalakleet high school choir sang the National Anthem.

Also, the sixth grade students made invitations before the event and delivered them to the Veterans, baked cookies that were given to each Veteran and waited on the tables while the Veterans enjoyed

lunch. During lunch a slide show of the Veterans was playing. The slide show had pictures of Veterans during their military service or a current picture and told which branch of service he/she served in.

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# Nome wrestlers fight stiff competition in Palmer

**By Stephen Palmatier**  
For the fifth straight weekend, the Nome Nanooks wrestling squad went on the road to compete in a tournament outside of Nome.  
This time, it was in Palmer at the Lancer Smith Wrestling Tournament where the Nanooks saw very strong competition from teams at the 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A levels.  
Last weekend, the Nanooks did what they have been doing all season in tournaments, competing. The Nanooks finished with one second place finisher along with a fourth place and two fifth place finishers.  
Emery Booshu took the 2nd place finish for Nome, once again leading the team in the tournaments. How-

ever, it was a second place finish that was unfamiliar territory for Booshu this season, as he had rolled into championships for many of the tournaments thus far this year. Booshu lost to John Pounds of Service High School, the state champion last year in a tight 4-3 decision in the final.  
Another consistent high finisher for the Nanooks this season has been Alex Grey in the 98-pound weight class. Grey once again performed well, finishing 4th in the bracket. Grey unfortunately sustained an injury during the tournament, which prevented him from fighting in the third place match, which resulted in a fourth place finish.  
The fifth place finishers for Nome

came with the brothers Junyor and Lief Erikson in the 152- and 113-pound weight classes, respectively. Junyor Erikson won his fifth place match by getting a pin over Gabe McSharry in three minutes and 58 seconds.  
The Nanooks will now get a week off to prepare for the upcoming Northern Conference Regional Tournament in Kotzebue on November 30 and December 1. The top two wrestlers in each weight class at the Regionals will then qualify for the 1A2A3A State Wrestling Tournament in Nikiski.

**Championship Results:**

- 98- Greg Shack defeated Seth Hutchison
- 106- Darin Davis defeated Hope Steffenson
- 113- Andrew Caballa defeated Brennan Girard
- 120- Levi Fried defeated Dave Towne of Valdez
- 126- Daide Agnew defeated Josh Mendenhall of Bethel
- 132- John Pounds defeated Emery Booshu of Nome
- 138- Kraig Hammond defeated Spencer Adams
- 145- Austin Rake defeated Sam Zimmerman
- 152- Isaac Deaton defeated Josh Brown
- 160- Rilen Skieens defeated Trevour Chavez of Bethel
- 170- Josh Wiggins defeated Sawyer Root
- 182- Shyler Johnson of Unalakleet defeated Caleb Nielson of Palmer in a 7-0 decision
- 195- Lincoln Johnson defeated Dalton Sauder
- 220- Luke Wagner defeated Derek Zorea
- 285- Keanu King defeated Mitchell Daigle

# Workshop to present new research on Chinook salmon declines in AYK region

The Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Sustainable Salmon Initiative program has worked for a year to develop a new Chinook salmon research action plan to address steep declines in populations of Chinook salmon in the Yukon, Kuskokwim and Unalakleet rivers that are critical to subsistence communities.  
A workshop highlighting new research on causes of the Chinook population declines in the AYK region is scheduled Dec. 10 and 11 at the Sheraton Hotel in Anchorage. The workshop is designed for Alaska Native leaders, fishers and community members from the AYK region. It is open to the public free of charge. Scientists and staff from state and federal agencies and the salmon research community will participate in the event. The following informa-

tion is based on the workshop agenda posted on the AYK SSI website.  
Most presentations will focus on new research and analyses from the AYK SSI Chinook salmon expert panel process. Daniel Schindler of the University of Washington School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences and Chuck Krueger of the Great Lakes Fish Commission will describe the expert panel process, the development of the research action plan, and priorities of the draft action plan.  
Schindler also will present an overview of a multivariate model used to test freshwater and marine hypotheses. He will present the overview in place of Mark Scheuerell, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service.  
Matt Catalano of Auburn Univer-

sity will present an overview of evidence of Chinook population declines, and a comparative analysis of patterns of productivity between AYK and selected non-AYK Chinook salmon stocks.  
The title of a presentation by Kate Myers, University of Washington School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences (retired) has yet to be determined.  
Mike Bradford of the Simon Fraser University School of Resource and Environmental Management will explore changes in productivity of the freshwater life phase as a driver of Chinook salmon decline in the AYK region.  
Jim Murphy of the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, will discuss mortality during the early ocean life phase of Chinook in the

eastern Bering Sea.  
Diana Stram of the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council and Jim Ianelli of the Alaska Fisheries Science Center will address this question: Has marine fishery-caused mortality (bycatch) contributed significantly to the decline of AYK Chinook salmon stocks?  
Jeffrey Hard of the Northwest Fisheries Science Center will provide answers to the question: Have selective fishing and natural mortality altered the size, sex ratio and composition of life history types and contributed to the decline of AYK Chinook salmon stocks?  
Paul Hershberger, U.S. Geological Survey will assess the evidence of adult mortality from pathogens during upstream migration as a driver of declines in Yukon River

Chinook stocks.  
The workshop will conclude with a management strategy evaluation session on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 11. Mike Jones of the Michigan State University Quantitative Fisheries Center and Matt Catalano of Auburn University will describe an innovative approach to exploring management tradeoffs and creating dialogue between managers and stakeholders.  
Space on the agenda is reserved for speakers from the AYK region who have not yet been determined.  
For more information, contact Karen Gillis, AYK SSI Program Manager, phone 907-279-6519 extension 1, email karen.gillis@bs-faak.org



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JUST ONE MORE OUNCE OF GOLD— A lone gold dredge braved thin sea ice and cold diving conditions on November 19. Most of the gold dredge operators have pulled their dredges out of the water.



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# Health Fair took Nomeites to the “Wonderful World of Wellness”

Story and photos by  
Diana Haecker

The *Wizard of Oz* was the theme that guided this year’s Health Fair at the Nome Rec Center, sponsored by the Norton Sound Health Corporation’s CAMP department.

Megan Timm, Prevention Program coordinator with CAMP said that she got the idea to go with the *Wizard of Oz* theme from her mother in Wisconsin.

To the soundtrack of “Somewhere Over the Rainbow” 784 Nomeites visited the Health Fair, and 90 took advantage of the discounted blood draw and analysis for blood typing, Vitamin D analysis, a comprehensive blood test or thyroid, prostate or diabetes screening. Timm said that the blood work for Vitamin D was only \$50 compared to a “normal” price of approximately \$600.

This year, 26 booths participated in the Health Fair. There was the UAF Extension Service, displaying the stunning amount of sugar in one bottle of soda pop. The Nome Community Center spread the message of

quitting tobacco products.

The Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game educated fair goers on bear safety; Kawerak handed out materials on how to become a foster parent and how to teach children about good and bad touches.

New this year was the Alaska Tribal Health Consortium’s booth informing about their programs against sexual transmitted diseases, AIDS, a campaign to teach teens about healthy relationships and a suicide prevention program.

Dolores Guest, PhD, with the Parkinson’s Institute traveled all the way from California to educate people on Parkinson’s disease, its symptoms and treatment.

Further down the line of booths, the Nome Ministerial Association took prayer requests, Louis Murphy with NSHC’s infection control gave free flu shots, the Nome Literacy Council handed out free books and NSHC audiologist Samantha Kleindienst checked people’s hearing.

Murphy said that this year, there are enough free flu vaccines to go

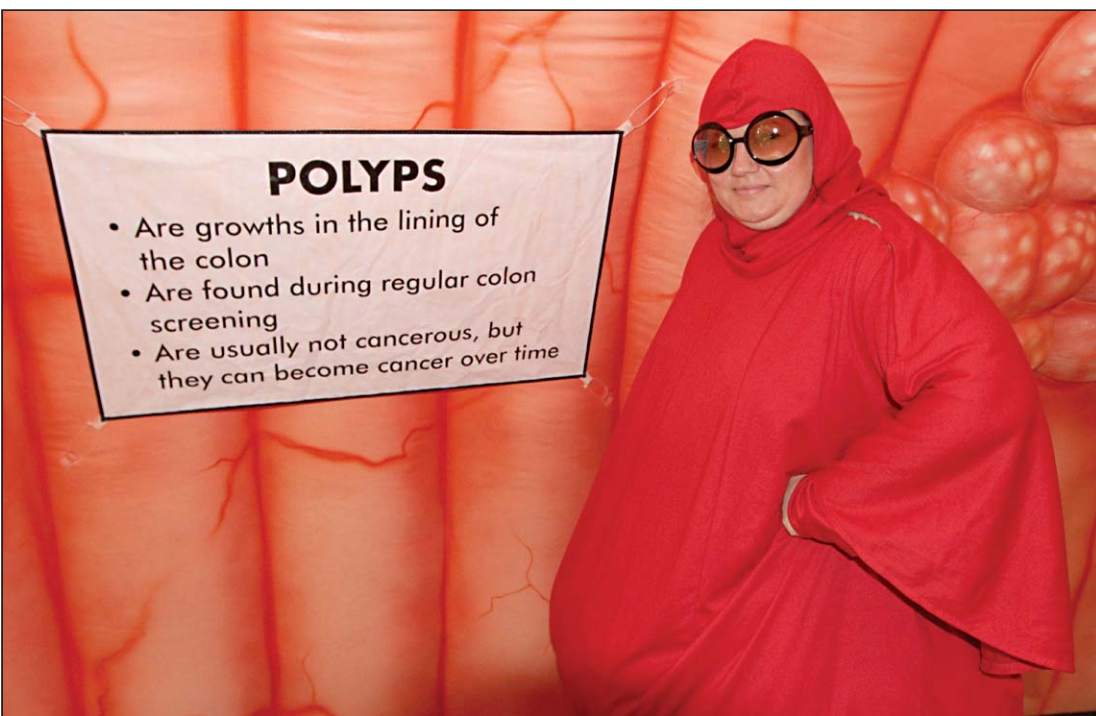
around for everybody. “The flu came around earlier this year than usual,” Murphy said. The peak is not expected until January or February but Murphy hopes that the so-called “herd immunity” prevents a large flu outbreak in the region. For the past six weeks, the infection control nurses at the hospital have administered about 700 flu shots to people in the community.

The biggest attraction at the Health Fair was Nolan, the Colon – a 209-pound inflatable, walk-through colon. Amie Haakenson with the Alaska Native Health Consortium, dressed as a red polyp, educated people on the risk factors that could lead to colorectal cancer: tobacco use, poor dietary choices and not enough exercise. Also, people with a family history of colon cancer should be screened starting at age 50.

After having done the rounds and collected answers for the quiz, people could collect their prizes at the Emerald City station, where the journey through the wonderful world of wellness ended.



**LOADED WITH SUGAR**— UAF Extension Service’s Kari Van Delden shows the amount of sugar in a soda pop during last week’s Health Fair.



**INSIDE NOLAN, THE COLON (top)**— Amie Haakenson with the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium dressed up as a polyp and brought Nolan the Colon to Nome to raise colon cancer awareness at the Health Fair.

**NO SMOKING (right)**— Fifth graders Kristin Daniel and Kylie Evans take a good look at the ugly side of smoking, an smelly aquarium full of cigarette butts at the Nome Community Center Tobacco Control booth.



## Correction BSSD 1st Quarter Honor Roll.

The highlighted sentence was missing in the November 15 edition of The Nome Nugget.

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Photos by Diana Haecker

**DANCING (top)**— Linda Kimoktoak, front, and the King Island Dancers and Drummers performed in honor of the new Norton Sound Health Corporation's regional hospital Grand Opening ceremony on Wed., Nov. 14.

**THE BUILDERS (left)**— Former NSHC CEO and President Carol Piscoya, left, stands with the hospital program manager Jay Farmwald, middle, and onsite project manager Nick Francis, during the Grand Opening celebrations of the newly built regional hospital. Farmwald and Francis are with DOWL HKM, the firm acting as the owner's representative and project manager of building the new hospital and Quyanna Care Center facilities. They saw to it that the complex project was done on time and on budget.

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Thanksgiving and the four levels of happiness

By Bob Lawrence, MD  
Alaska Family Doctor

Thanksgiving may be good for you, especially if the holiday gives you a reason to experience real happiness.

“Happiness,” the term used by ancient philosophers to describe mental well being, is an important part of overall health. And while there are many aspects of Thanksgiving that are unhealthy from a dietary point-of-view, the Thanksgiving holiday may be good for our mental health because it provides one of the best opportunities to experience higher levels of happiness.

There are basically four levels of happiness according to Robert Spitzer, philosopher, theologian, and former president of Gonzaga University.

It is interesting to think of these levels as they apply to the Thanksgiving holiday.

**Level one:** happiness in an object or feeling. This is the part of Thanksgiving most associated with the meal itself. “The food looks good.” “I eat the food.” “I feel happy.” This form of happiness is short-lived and most prone to leading to a basic form of unhappiness. “I ate too much.” “My stomach is unhappy.” or “I feel guilty for eating too much.” For this reason, Thanksgiving can be an unhealthy holiday for those who are merely pursuing this first level of happiness.

**Level two:** happiness by comparison. This form of happiness comes from winning a competition. During the holidays, it is often associated with shopping or sporting events. “I got a great price on this turkey.” “I caught the biggest goose.” Or “My

team won the game.” But seeking happiness of this sort often leads to a second level of unhappiness. “I miss being with family,” or “I cannot afford a nice meal.” Thanksgiving can be difficult, and a mentally unhealthy time, for people who are reminded of something lost or plans that have failed.

Negative thinking can have a profound impact on overall health. A Mayo Clinic study published in 2000 showed that pessimistic thinking increases a person’s risk of death from any cause by nearly 20 percent.

**Level three:** happiness through helping others. Many people find satisfaction in providing for others during the holidays: “I cooked a meal;” “I see people are happy eating the meal;” “Therefore, I am happy.” Communities, families, and organizations are healthier when individuals pursue this third level of

happiness because it is focused on service.

Research shows that whether the motive is altruism, religious conviction, tradition, or even compulsion, charitable giving and its counterpart volunteering, which are both so much a part of the holiday season, are consistently associated with improved health.

Helping others has been shown to strengthen the immune system and boost endorphins, the body’s natural pain-killers, and the social interactions associated with volunteering have long been recognized as having a protective effect on the cardiovascular system.

A study of elderly persons in California published in the *Journal of Health Psychology* in 1999 showed that regular volunteers lowered their risk of death by 63 percent. A similar study out of Michigan in the early 1990s suggested that doing volunteer work increased life expectancy more than any other activity.

fit of gratitude may outweigh the risk of any other aspect of holiday feasting.

“Thousands of years of literature talk about the benefits of cultivating gratefulness as a virtue,” says University of California Davis psychology professor Robert Emmons.

Dr. Emmons is a leading researcher in a field of positive psychology that investigates the effects of optimism on a person’s health. He states, “Research is beginning to suggest that feelings of thankfulness have tremendous positive value in helping people cope with daily problems, especially stress.”

Gratitude is a form of optimism. Optimistic people generally have better health outcomes. They are known to have a stronger immune system. They recover faster from serious illness. They have lower rates of cardiovascular disease. They cope better with mental stress and have lower levels of depression. Some research even shows that positive people live longer.

To be clear, exercise during the holidays is still important. And I encourage you to go heavy on the vegetables and light on the gravy. Savor the desserts, but consider half- portions. Limit the butter. Eat whole grains. Stop smoking. By all means be healthy.

But remember that Thanksgiving is about something more important than mere physical health. It is a time, traditionally following the harvest, when Americans pause with family and friends to reflect on things in our life that are good, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, or worthy of praise, and by doing so we reach for the highest and most healthy form of happiness.

Gratitude is a part of a well-rounded healthy life. If I have a prescriptive recommendation for you this season it is this: when sitting around the table this holiday, take time to be thankful.

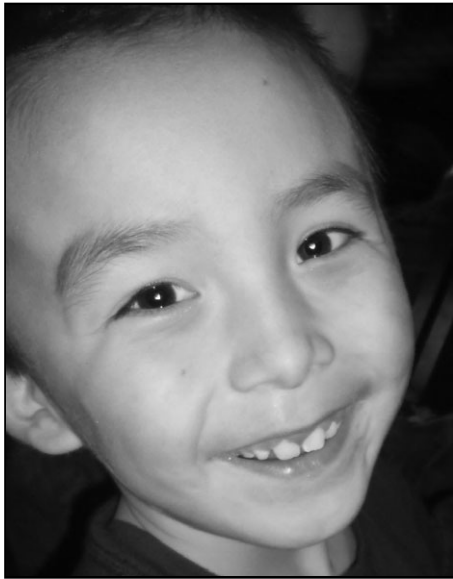
There is also an intrinsic reward to pursuing happiness by giving. According to a study published in the journal *Science* in 2007, charitable giving excites the same area of the brain known to process other pleasurable behaviors like eating food, tasting chocolate, sitting with a friend, or receiving gifts.

But even this more noble level of happiness has a limit. People cannot provide all the needs of others, and this can lead to a higher form of unhappiness. “I cannot feel happy when I still see others in need.”

**Level four:** happiness in experiencing the sublime. This is the part of Thanksgiving, and similar holidays, experienced when a person feels a desire to be thankful without necessarily knowing whom to thank. It is the inescapable recognition of things that are beautiful, true, lovely and good.

Herein lies the one aspect of the Thanksgiving holiday that may be good for you: recognizing a blessing and being thankful.

Research suggests that the bene-



Dwayne Lloyd Johnson Jr.

On behalf of the family of Dwayne Lloyd Johnson Jr, we would like to express our sincere gratitude for all the generous support, encouraging words, and thoughts and prayers during this sad time. A special heartfelt thanks to Pastor Joel Oyoumick, Linda Towarak, Gary Eckenweiler, LA Commack, and all the family and friends. We are so grateful for all you have done. The cards, letters, prayers, food and visits meant a great deal to us as we struggle with our heartbreaking loss. Please know that your generosity, thoughtfulness and emotional support have touched us deeply. Matthew 14:19

PIGSKIN PICKS 2012

Week Thirteen

Thursday, November 29th

( ) Saints ( ) at Falcons

Sunday, December 2nd

- ( ) Vikings ( ) at Packers
- ( ) Texans ( ) at Titans
- ( ) Patriots ( ) at Dolphins
- ( ) Jaguars ( ) at Bills
- ( ) Colts ( ) at Lions
- ( ) Panthers ( ) at Chiefs
- ( ) Seahawks ( ) at Bears
- ( ) 49ers ( ) at Rams
- ( ) Cardinals ( ) at Jets
- ( ) Buccaneers ( ) at Broncos
- ( ) Steelers ( ) at Ravens
- ( ) Bengals ( ) at Chargers
- ( ) Browns ( ) at Raiders
- ( ) Eagles ( ) at Cowboys

Monday, December 3rd

( ) Giants ( ) at Redskins

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One entry per person per week, please.  
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Sunday Small Group Bible Study: 10 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
- Community United Methodist Church**  
West 2nd Avenue & C Street • 443-2865  
Pastor Julie Yoder Elmore  
Sunday: Worship 11:00 am  
Monday: Bible Study 6:30 to 8:00 pm  
Tuesday & Thursday: Thrift Shop 7:00 to 8:30 pm  
Wednesday: Faith Followers 5:45 to 7:30 pm
- Nome Covenant Church**  
101 Bering Street • 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey  
Sunday: School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.  
Wednesday: Youth Group 6:30 p.m. (443-8063 for more info)  
Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
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Handicapped accessible ramp: North side
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Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
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- St. Joseph Catholic Church**  
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Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Patients going to ANMC and want to see a catholic priest please call Fr. Brunet, OMI: cell 907-441-2106 or Holy Family Cathedral (907) 276-3455
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Icy View • 443-5137  
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Saturday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
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### Available positions:

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**Description-** Responsible for billing, follow up and collection of patient accounts. Serve as a resource to patients and/or responsible parties regarding accounts.

Starting pay- \$18.80 + DOE

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Human Resources at 443-4530 or email  
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NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638), EEO, and Veteran Preferences. To ensure consumers are protected to the degree prescribed under federal and state laws, NSHC will initiate a criminal history and background check. NSHC is a drug free workplace and performs pre-employment drug screening. Candidates failing to pass a pre-employment drug screen will not be considered for employment.



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- Acts as first responder to any company oil spill incidents
- Other duties as assigned by supervisor

### Minimum Qualifications:

- Minimum one year experience driving straight trucks.

- High School Diploma or GED
- Valid State of Alaska driver's license
- Must possess an A/CDL with Hazmat Endorsements. Any serious moving violations such as reckless driving, DUI, hit and run, failure to report an accident or leaving the scene of an accident, and excessive speeding for at least the last three years is prohibited.
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## JOB OPENING

The City of Nome is accepting applications for:

**Position:** Assistant City Manager

**Salary:** Negotiated, DOE; attractive benefit package including insurance, personal leave accrual, PERS, etc.

**Hours:** Full Time - Exempt

**Qualifications:** Bachelor's degree in public administration, planning, management or related field; and/or four years of progressively responsible management experience to include supervision, budgeting, human resources, municipal operations/finance and public relations.

**Closing Date:** November 30, 2012

Contact City Manager Josie Bahnke  
for more information at 443-6600.

Deliver completed resume and cover letter to  
the City Manager's office at City Hall.

The City of Nome is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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### Bering Sea Women's Group

Bering Sea Women's Group: **Temporary Shelter Director**

Recruitment Opens: November 2, 2012  
Recruitment Closes: November 15, 2012  
\$26/hour DOE

To oversee shelter operations and staffing. Works closely with BSWG staff to ensure maximum service delivery for families in crisis in the Bering Strait Region.  
Required: Three years experience in supervisory and administrative positions; Knowledgeable about the issues of domestic violence and sexual assault; Familiarity with the Bering Strait Region and culture  
Preferred: BA Degree or equivalent experience; Knowledge of government grants and alternative funding sources; Skills in budgeting, bookkeeping and oral/written communications

For additional information or questions, please contact Samaria Ross at 443-5494. To apply, please pick up an application from the Nome Job Center. 11/22

### King Island Native Corporation

King Island Native Corporation  
PO Box 992  
Nome, Alaska 99762  
907-443-5494 tele  
907-443-5400 fax  
kingisland@gci.net

### JOB DESCRIPTION -General Manager

#### SUMMARY OF JOB RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsible for providing high level administrative support to the King Island Native Corporation of Directors and other duties assigned.

#### OUTLINE OF ESSENTIAL JOB RESPONSIBILITIES/FUNCTIONS TO INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO

Provide comprehensive administrative support to the KINC Board of Directors which involves the following: screens calls, manages schedule, makes travel and lodging arrangements, sorts mail and responds to general inquiries, forwards mail which requires President's attention to her/him, preparation of correspondence and reports, preparations of KINC Board of Directors meetings and KINC Annual Meeting of Shareholders and meeting coordination. Service and coordinates as administrative support for the President of the KINC Board of Directors.

Takes minutes of the meeting of the KINC Board of Directors and Committees.

Prepare monthly, quarterly, annually financial reports and budget(s) for the President and KINC Board of Directors, financial auditor and stock broker.

Maintain and reconcile all bank accounts and accounting registry.  
Maintains payroll and payroll liabilities.  
Prepare correspondence, maintains reports, inventory, sales, rents, taxes with KINC subsidiaries.  
Update KINC shareholder records per Bering Straits Native Corporation shareholder maintenance records.  
Supervises administrative support staff.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

High school diploma or GED required.  
BA/BS degree or equivalent academic training and/or work experience.  
Two (2) years demonstrated administrative assistant experience required.  
Supervisory experience preferred.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILL AND ABILITIES

Demonstrated ability to use advance word processing, spreadsheet, database, Quickbooks accounting software.  
Demonstrated exceptional customer service skills.  
Demonstrated ability to initiate solutions to identified issues independently.  
Demonstrated ability to provide administrative support in a timely and efficient manner with few errors.  
Demonstrated knowledge of and skill at the functions and responsibilities of the King Island Native Corporation.  
Demonstrated ability to manage multiple priorities and tasks concurrently and meet deadlines.  
Demonstrated computer skills.  
Demonstrated ability in meeting facilitation, problem solving and planning.  
Demonstrated ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with the KINC Board of Directors, staff members and shareholders.

#### COMPENSATION

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WANTED—Muskox horn, moose/caribou antler, old ivory. Call Roger 304-1048

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## • Employment

### Kawerak

Kawerak Recruitment Listing as of November 16, 2012:

#### Nome Based Positions:

Payroll Specialist  
BCCS Project Assistant  
Associate Director, CCS\*Wellness Coordinator  
Wellness Development Specialist  
Legal Advocate  
\*Teacher Aide/Janitor- Head Start Program -  
Nome based  
Probate Specialist – TEMP

#### Positions in surrounding villages:

Tribal Coordinator - Elim

#### VPSOs in several villages:

Diomed  
Elim  
Gambell  
Koyuk  
Savoonga

Shaktoolik  
Shishmaref  
Stebbins  
Saint Michael  
Teller  
Wales

#### ON CALL positions:

On Call Maintenance  
Alt. Tribal Coordinator – White Mountain  
Alt. Tribal Coordinator - Council  
\*Alt. Tribal Coordinator – Wales  
\*Alt. Tribal Coordinator- Unalakleet

\*New  
Interested individuals are encouraged to contact Human Resources with questions at (907)443-5231. Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at [www.kawerak.org](http://www.kawerak.org) or by contacting Human Resources. Applications can be faxed to (907)443-4443 or sent via email to [personnel@kawerak.org](mailto:personnel@kawerak.org).  
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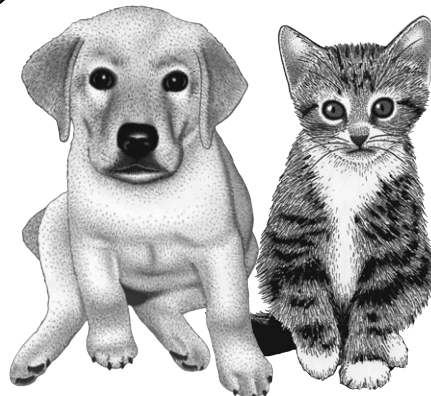
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## Trooper Beat

On November 6, investigators with the Anchorage WAANT unit and the US Postal Inspection Service interdicted a package addressed to a 46-year-old male from Little Diomed. The parcel was mailed from a herbal supply company out of Los Angeles, CA. The addressee was contacted and gave consent to have the parcel opened. The parcel was opened and located inside the parcel

were ten (10) 3-gram packets of suspected spice. The packets were marked and being marketed as Potpourri. The investigation is continuing by the WAANT unit and the US Postal Inspectors.

On November 10, the Alaska State Troopers received a report of a domestic disturbance in White Mountain. Gerald Ashenfelter, 59, of White

Mountain, was subsequently arrested for Assault 3. Ashenfelter was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

On November 10, at about 2:00 p.m., Nome WAANT received a complaint of a suspicious bag

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• Chief’s notes

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prehensive animal control ordinances. As the Police Department has been recently tasked with animal control, I am in the process of structuring our resources to provide for effective enforcement. Officers and Community Services Officers will be actively patrolling and taking ‘animals at large’ into custody. We will be actively enforcing the full scope of animal control regulations. And though this additional duty will make it a bit more difficult to respond to all calls in a timely manner,

it may prevent the next dog bite incident or something worse. Obviously the most desirable outcome is for all pet owners (or pet-parents per se) to follow the ordinances: license and secure your pet; clean up after it; keep it out of the areas where pets are prohibited (parks and play grounds); and if your animal does come into our custody – come and reclaim it. Being a responsible pet owner can be hard sometimes, but it is one of the many things that is required if you choose to have a pet. The Nome Police Department ex-

ists to serve the public safety needs of the community. If you have a question about services or want to make a comment about how we can better serve your needs, please feel free to call. If you have information about a crime and want to stay anonymous, please call the CRIME LINE at 443-8509. Be safe in all that you do and call if you need help.

• Seawall

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AMCC and remanded to custody. On 11-17 at 10:08 p.m., NPD responded to a disturbance on 2nd Avenue. After investigation, Malakye Viner, 18, was issued a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol. He was then transported to a safe residence and released to a responsible party. On 11-17 at 11:11 p.m., NPD responded to a disturbance at a residence on Front Street. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Rhonda Weyiouanna, 42, for Probation Violation (not to consume alcohol). She was transported to AMCC and remanded to custody. On 11-18 at 12:09 a.m., NPD responded to a report of a liquor law violation on 5th Avenue. Steven Gillette, 20, was issued a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol. An hour later, Gillette was arrested for Assault in the Fourth Degree DV. He was then transported to AMCC.

15th Annual Meeting  
Monday, November 26

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
Dena’ina Center  
Kahtnu Rooms 1 and 2  
Anchorage

Each day, ANTHC employees make life-changing and lifesaving impacts for Alaska Native people around our state. Please join ANTHC’s Board of Directors and leadership team to learn more about our work at the 15th Annual Meeting.

To help offset travel costs, a \$500 travel reimbursement will be issued to your tribal government.

For more information: Contact Monique Martin at (907) 729-1915 or mmartin@anthc.org.

Notice of Petition to Change Name

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-12-00301CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Tyler H S Levine to Andrew D Barr. A hearing on this request will be held on December 18, 2012 at 1:00 pm at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.

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King Island Native Community  
Annual Meeting and Election  
December 29, 2012

Seat up for Election: 3 Seats are up for election this year

Voting will take place at the Old St. Joseph Church from 12pm-4pm.

The POTLUCK will begin at 3pm with the ANNUAL MEETING following at 4pm. Please bring a dish or dessert to share.

PLEASE VOTE AND ATTEND OUR ANNUAL MEETING! We need your participation to make this election and annual meeting a success!

Please call Janice @ 443-2209 if you have any questions about the meeting, potluck, election, or rides for Elders.

11/8-15-22-29, 12/6-13-20



PUBLIC NOTICE  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
SEAT APPOINTMENTS

The Planning Commission has one seat open for appointment. Anyone interested in serving on the Planning Commission should submit an application to the City Clerk’s Office by Friday, November 30th, 2012 at 5:00 PM.

Applications are available at City Hall or at [www.nomealaska.org](http://www.nomealaska.org) Please call 443-6603 for more information.

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PUBLIC NOTICE  
Invitation for Bids

BSRHA intends to sell, a vacant house located in Shaktoolik Alaska, by sealed bid for the highest bid. The house will be sold as is, where is without warranty of any kind. Written offers to purchase (Bids) will be received at the offices of BSRHA until 3:00 PM on the 30th of November, 2012 at which time bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids must be on the forms provided by BSRHA and be accompanied by a refundable 1% Bid Deposit. BSRHA will provide either:  
a) 15% NAHASDA price advantage to verified Low-Income Alaska Native/American Indian bidder or  
b) 10% Community price advantage to individuals/families who reside in Shaktoolik or to Business, governments, Agencies, Organizations who are based in or provide service to Shaktoolik. All as more particularly described in the Bid Documents.

Bid packets are available at:  
1) the offices of BSRHA 415 E. 3rd Ave. Nome AK 99762 (907) 443-5256 phone/ 443-8652 fax  
2) BSRHA Website [www.bsrha.org](http://www.bsrha.org)  
3) Native Village of Shaktoolik (907) 955-3701

Questions shall be directed to: Paul Whipple VP/Contracting Office BSRHA (907) 443-8629 or [pwhipple@bsrha.org](mailto:pwhipple@bsrha.org)

11/1-8-15-22



Public Notice  
Serpentine Hot Springs Master  
Plan/EA

The National Park Service, based on community meetings and previous comments, has created draft alternatives for the Serpentine Hot Springs Master Plan/EA ready for public review until November 30.

Please stop by the NPS office at the Sitnasuak Building or go online at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/> to get a copy of the Alternatives Newsletter and Comment Form.

If you have any questions, please call Jeanette Pomrenke at (907) 443-2522. We welcome your comments and suggestions!

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Koyuk Native Corporation  
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Koyuk, ALASKA 99753  
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the annual meeting of the shareholders of Koyuk Native Corporation will be held on January 7, 2013, at 1:00 o’clock p.m., at City of Koyuk Community Hall for the following purposes:

1. Election of five (5) Board of Directors

and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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• More Trooper Beat

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at one of the commercial airlines in Nome. The bag was destined for the local option community of Saint Michael. Subsequent to investigation, four 750 ml bottles of Monarch Vodka were seized and charges are pending against a 23-year-old female resident of Nome.

On November 13, AST investigated a report of

sexual abuse of a minor that occurred in the Norton Sound area. A suspect has been identified. Investigation continues.

On November 13, at about 2:00 p.m., Nome WAANT was notified of a suspicious bag at one of the commercial airlines in Nome. The bag was checked for the local option community of Stebbins. Subsequent to investigation, one-750 ml bottle of Monarch Canadian Whisky was seized. Charges pending for Alcohol Importation against

a 52-year-old female resident of Stebbins.

On November 14, AST received a report of sexual abuse of a minor in the Norton Sound area. A suspect has been identified. Investigation continues.

On November 15, at 9:00 a.m., AST received a report of contraband inside of cargo at a local airline. Subsequent investigation led to the seizure of 3 grams of marijuana and one pint of liquor. The

parcel was destined for Golovin, a local option community that banned the sale and importation of alcohol. A suspect has been identified. Charges of Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance VI and Importation of Alcohol will be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office.

On November 17, AST responded to a local air taxi for a report of possible drug activity. A 43-year-old female from Brevig Mission was contacted as she waited for her flight. The female

made admissions to possessing marijuana, but decided not to further cooperate. Investigation determined there was 54 grams of marijuana in her luggage. The street value for the marijuana in Brevig Mission is approximately \$2,700. A charge of Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the 5th degree will be referred to the DA's Office.

Court

**Prior to 11/16 Civil**  
Minor Party v. Amaktoolik, Jack; Petition for Protective Order: Long Term  
**Small Claims**  
"No Matches Found" (Start 2NO-12-00050SC)  
**Criminal**  
State of Alaska v. Ronna Engstrom (3/16/68); 2NO-11-643CR Notice of Dismissal; PTR filed o 8/27/12; Filed by the DA's Office 11/15/12.  
State of Alaska v. Ronna Engstrom (3/16/68); 2NO-12-83CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112698576; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 6/13/14; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Ronna Engstrom (3/16/68); 2NO-12-429CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Reckless Endangerment; Charge 002: Criminal Trespass; Filed by the DA's Office 11/15/12.  
State of Alaska v. Ronna Engstrom (3/16/68); 2NO-12-616CR CTN 002: Violating Release Conditions; Date of violation: 8/25/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001; 7 days, 0 days suspended; Report to Nome Court on 11/15/12, 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AG's Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.  
State of Alaska v. Douglas Henry (6/4/78); Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 10/3/12; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/15/13; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.  
State of Alaska v. Rhonda Weyiouanna (11/9/70); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110704842; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 11/15/13; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 7 days, report to the Nome Court on 12/3/12 for a remand hearing, 1:30 p.m.; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Eric Pushruk (12/28/81); 2NO-11-54CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110670165; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-12-375CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Eric Pushruk (12/28/81); 2NO-12-375CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113288481; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-11-54CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Scott Slwooko (8/10/89); 2NO-12-324CR Furnishing Alcohol to Person Under 21 Years of Age; Date of violation: 1/2/12; 90 days, 30 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 3 years--to 11/8/15.  
State of Alaska v. Scott Slwooko (8/10/89); 2NO-12-717CR CTN 001: Assault 4°; Date of violation: 9/30/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002; 270 days, 150 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 11/8/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment within 45 days of release; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.  
State of Alaska v. Ramona Apassingok (12/16/68); 2NO-12-737CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4; Charge 002: Resisting Arrest; Filed by the DAs Office 11/8/12.  
State of Alaska v. Ramona Apassingok (12/16/68); 2NO-12-800CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of violation: 10/24/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 11/8/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.  
State of Alaska v. Rex Iyatunguk (4/8/81); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112698918; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days, not to exceed time served; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Roger Kunayak, Sr. (8/26/50); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Failure Register Sex Offender; Filed by the DAs Office 11/8/12.  
State of Alaska v. Wilfred Pete (10/25/87); 2UT-12-10OCR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111498327; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days; Recommended to ANSAT; Consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-12-687CR; Remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Wilfred Pete (10/25/87); 2NO-12-687CR CTN 002: Escape 4°; Date of violation: 9/18/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: CTN 001; 90 days, 45 days suspended; Unsuspended 45 days shall be served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 11/8/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law.  
State of Alaska v. Kelly Slwooko (6/9/78); CTN 002: Assault 4°; DV; Date of violation: 10/3/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: CTN 001, 003; 360 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 360 days shall be served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.  
State of Alaska v. Agnes Moses (11/27/1); 2NO-12-433CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Misconduct Involving Controlled Substance 5°; Filed by the DAs Office 11/8/12.  
State of Alaska v. Agnes Moses (11/27/1); 2NO-12-713CR Criminal Trespass 1°; Date of violation: 9/29/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 11/8/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not consume alcohol to excess (< .08% BRAC); Subject to warrantless breath testing

at the request of any peace officer upon reasonable suspicion.  
State of Alaska v. Wayne N. Reamer (1/16/81); 3AN-01-10090CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 107337942; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 23 months, consecutive to 3PA-04-2887CR; Remanded into custody.  
State of Alaska v. Wayne N. Reamer (1/16/81); 3PA-04-2887CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 108772416; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 months, consecutive to 3AN-01-10090CR; Remanded into custody.  
State of Alaska v. Elmer Campbell (10/24/87); Notice of Dismissal; PTR filed on 11/10/12; Filed by the DAs Office 11/14/12.  
State of Alaska v. Roderick Pete (9/30/73); CTN: 001: Disorderly Conduct; Date of violation: 11/6/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: CT 2; 1 day, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 1 day shall not exceed time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.  
State of Alaska v. Melcher Oozevaseuk (3/17/74); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days, remanded into custody.  
State of Alaska v. Orlan Wongititlin (5/5/77); 2NO-11-749CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112701114; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-12-702CR; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Orlan Wongititlin (5/5/77); 2NO-12-702CR Assault 4° DV; Date of violation: 9/22/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 270 days, 210 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 11/5/14; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence.  
State of Alaska, Nome Police Department Citation v. Darrell K. Williams (6/21/86); 2NO-12-375MO: Fail to Register Vehicle; Date: 10/22/12; Court Appearance: 11/6/12, 3pm; No Contest Plea; Date of judgment: 11/6/12; Fine: \$90; Statutory Surcharge: \$10; Due date: total \$100 due 1/15/13.  
State of Alaska v. Darrell K. Williams (6/21/86); 2NO-12-797CR; CTN 002: No Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance; Date of violation: 10/22/12; Fine: \$500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 1/15/13; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.  
State of Alaska v. Luther Komonaseak (6/9/54); 2NO-12-373CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112701267; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Luther Komonaseak (6/9/54); 2NO-12-816CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Trespass 1; Filed by the DAs Office 11/2/12.  
State of Alaska v. Magdelaine Omiak (11/19/87); 2NO-11-373CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111497958; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Magdelaine Clara Omiak (11/19/87); 3AN-11-1711CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112443525; Violated conditions of probation; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Charlene Saclamana (2/8/72); Dismissal; Chg. 1: Indecent Exposure 2°; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/12.  
State of Alaska v. Paula S. Myomick (2/7/70); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Assault 3- Cause Injury w/Weapon; Date of offense: 6/2/12; 24 months, 12 months suspended; Unsuspended 12 months are to be served immediately; Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court within 10 days: \$100 (Felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant was arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facility 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 2 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation, as stated in order.  
State of Alaska v. Arthur Johnson (11/25/65); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4 (DV); Charge 002: Resist/Interfere with arrest; Filed by the DAs Office 11/8/12.  
State of Alaska v. Leah Noyakuk (12/13/88); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Driving With Screen Device Operating/AS 28.35.161; Filed by the DAs Office 11/9/12.  
State of Alaska v. Harry Karmun III (12/14/93); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Minor Operating After Consuming; Charge 002: Minor Consuming Alcohol; Filed by the DAs Office 11/9/12.  
State of Alaska v. Louis A. Pete (3/15/84); Assault 4° DV; Date of violation: 9/1/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 270 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 90 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation to 11/1/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.  
State of Alaska v. Zachery Arthur Okitkon (9/26/94); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 9/22/12; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court by 4/1/13; Driver's License or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 90 days; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 10/19/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant may not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).  
State of Alaska v. Nathan Charles (5/9/87); 2NO-12-696CR Harassment 1°; Date of violation: 9/21/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.  
State of Alaska v. Nathan Charles (5/9/87); 2NO-12-697CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of violation: 9/22/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall

be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year( date of judgment: 11/1/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol.  
State of Alaska v. James K. Wilson (12/9/65); Dismissal; 2NO-12-621CR Driving While License Canceled, Suspended, Or Revoked; 2NO-12-618CR No Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance; 2NO-12-284MO Fail To Register Vehicle Minor; Filed by the DAs Office 10/31/12.  
State of Alaska v. George I. Dan, Jr. (6/14/86); Assault 4°; DV; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 120 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/1/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol.  
State of Alaska v. Sidney Kulowiyi (6/9/91); 2NO-12-166CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110829465; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-12-656CR All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Sidney Kulowiyi (6/9/91); 2NO-12-656CR Count 001: Escape 4°; Date of violation: 9/9/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002, 003; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/1/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.  
State of Alaska v. Brian O. Ayek (7/3/92); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 9/29/12; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court by 10/1/13; Driver's License or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 90 days; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 10/19/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant may not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages.  
State of Alaska v. Joeline S. Annogiuyuk (10/22/64); Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 7/9/12; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 1:30 p.m., 11/30/12 for a remand hearing; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 10/15/13; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 11/1/12); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.  
State of Alaska v. Brandon Boolowon (8/9/87); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111500946; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days, report to Nome Court on 11/30/12 for a remand hearing, 1:30 p.m.; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.  
State of Alaska v. Troy E. Weyiouanna (8/17/83); Importation of Alcohol; Date of violation: 3/21/12; 90 days, 87 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 12/3/12 for a remand hearing, 1:30 p.m.; Fine: \$3000 with \$1500 suspended; Unsuspended \$1500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 7/1/13; Forfeit alcohol to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/13/15; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol assessment by 1/15/13; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare, including up to 30 days in-patient treatment.  
State of Alaska v. Kevin Ozenna (3/26/92); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under the Age of 21; Habitual Offender; Date of offense: 10/11/12; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due not to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Surcharge must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 is to be paid to clerk of court within 10 days; Driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 6 months; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 96 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 11/15/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant may not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances, or alcoholic beverages prior to 3/26/13, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).  
State of Alaska v. Rebecca Carlisle (2/10/93); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; First Offense; Date of Offense: 10/14/12; Fine: \$300 with \$100 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court by 12/31/12; Probation until 11/15/13; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant may not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).  
State of Alaska, Alaska State Troopers/VPSO Citation v. Ryan Paul Nayokpuk (1/11/96); 2NO-12-351MO: Possession of Tobacco by a Minor; Date: 8/23/12; Court Appearance: 10/19/12, 3pm; Guilty Plea; Date of judgment: 11/15/12; Fine: \$50; Statutory Surcharge: \$10; Due date: 1/15/13.  
State of Alaska, Nome Police Department Citation v. Clay Jones Outwater (10/3/97); 2NO-12-311MO: Minor in Possession; Date: 9/6/12; Court Appearance: 10/19/12, 3pm; Guilty Plea; Date of judgment: 11/15/12; Fine: \$40; Statutory Surcharge: \$10; Due date: 12/3/12.  
State of Alaska, Nome Police Department Citation v. Eathen Ellanna (5/17/95); 2NO-12-359MO: Minor Possession of Tobacco; Date: 10/9/12; Court Appearance: 11/1/12, 3pm; No Contest Plea; Date of judgment: 11/15/12; Fine: \$50; Statutory Surcharge: \$10; Due date: 5/1/13.  
State of Alaska v. Kallie King (2/2/92); 2NO-12-78CR Notice to Withdraw Petition to Revoke Probation filed on 8/1/12; Comes now the SOA, by and through its attorney, withdraws the petition to revoke probation, in the above caption case, filed 8/1/12; Filed by the DAs Office 11/15/12.  
State of Alaska v. Kallie King (2/2/92); 2NO-12-544CR Dismissal; Count 001: Habitual Minor Consuming; Filed by the DAs Office 11/15/12.

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**GRAND OPENING**— Visitors were allowed the first peak into the new regional hospital during celebrations held on Nov. 14.



**BLESSING**— Pastor Julie Yoder Elmore with the United Methodist Church blessed the building and NSHC board and staff.

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Service director of Environmental Health and Engineering Rear Admiral Gary Hartz to join her to cut the blue ribbon to ceremonially open the facility.

Hartz delivered a short speech saying that not only is this health care facility designed and built to deliver health care to regional residents, but it is also good for the local economy by providing more jobs and more money for the community. Hartz also thanked other partners involved in building the hospital, the State of Alaska, the City of Nome, Nome Joint Utilities and the collaboration between all and the board.

And then the blue ribbon was cut and fell to the cheers of all.

Catholic priest Rev. Ross Tozzi blessed the building and sprinkled the audience as well as the facility with holy water.

Community United Methodist Church pastor Julie Yoder Elmore invoked the spirit to bless the doctors, physicians and nurses, health aides and staff to serve this community with wisdom and love. She prayed for healing that may come from this place.

Lutheran Church Rev. Karen Sonray touched on a different aspect. She prayed for the families that will be losing loved ones in the hospital, as it is in its nature that it's a passing place or a gateway. May the love of God bless and comfort us and gently wipe away their tears. "We ask that you grant whose life ends a kindly welcome and release of burdens life and entry into everlasting life," Sonray prayed.

After the blessing, the crowd moved out of the wind and inside the facility. The soft afternoon rays of sun streamed in through the big triple-pane windows, bathing the King Island Dancers and Drummers in warm light as they were welcoming the crowd. The Nome Beltz JROTC presented the colors and the Nome-Beltz Choir directed by Ron

Horner sang the National Anthem and the Alaska Flag Song.

Before more speeches were held, Emily Hughes recognized village health aides who have been working for NSHC for more than 20 years.

Then, the audience heard from former aide to the late U.S. Senator Ted Stevens, Liz Connell; Rep. Neal Foster, Senator Donny Olson, Bob Walsh from Sen. Lisa Murkowski's office and IHS Anchorage officer Chris Mandregan.

DOWL program manager Jay Farmwald described the Nome Hospital Project as "exciting" and "challenging" at the same time. "The tricky part was to get the funding," Farmwald said. But being at the right stage at the right time, the project qualified for federal stimulus dollars. Only one other hospital in the nation, in South Dakota, qualified for stimulus funds. Farmwald also said that it was a technically complicated project to build a first class facility in the sub-arctic on melting permafrost and having to have all materials shipped in by barge. It took 2,000 tons of steel to construct the structural frame for the building and it took 100 tractor-trailers to transport this steel from Montana to the dock in Seattle.

The main contractor was a joint venture between the Bering Straits Native Corporation's Inuit Services and Neeser Construction. About 21 subcontractors worked on the hospital at its different stages.

Staff will be slowly moving into the new facility starting on Nov. 28 through Dec. 7 with the departments of finance, administration, human resources, Women Infant and Children, the CAMP department, Infant Learning, audiology, Village Health Services, Eye Care and the Dental departments. Then follows the move of the Materials Management Office and Central Supply. The last departments to move are Primary Care and Inpatient, completing the move in the last week of January.



**NORTON SOUND REGIONAL HOSPITAL**— A crowd gathered around the entrance of the newly built hospital for a ribbon cutting ceremony on Nov. 14.



**HONORED HEALTH AIDES**— Long time health aides were honored during the opening celebrations of the new hospital, including (left to right) Henrietta Wilson, Harriett Penayah and Amelia Milligrock. Harriett Penayah of Savoonga, middle, put in 66 years of service as a health aide.



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