



FULL MOON SHINES ON MINERS— A dramatic full moon illuminated the sky over ice mining camps in front of Nome on the morning of March 28. Photo by Diana Haecker

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YARN BOMBED— Cucuaq Katcheak, left, and Queenie Seeganna investigate the Lucky Swedes' new clothing on Thursday, March 28. Four Nome women yarn-bombed the landmarks at Anvil City Square with knitted hats, face masks and leg warmers and crocheted blankets to raise awareness for the Choose Respect initiative to end domestic violence, sexual abuse and child abuse.

Photo by Diana Haecker

Council approves port expansion plan

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Common Council secured a unanimous vote March 27 to move ahead with the Port of Nome Strategic Development Plan while the dredging the west side of the Snake River mouth gets more scrutiny.

As part of a port expansion and upgrade design, the harbor administration wants to lower the depth of the west side of the river by minus four feet. They see a need to add to moorage available for the influx of added port business they see coming along with the offshore gold mining business, resource exploration in the Chukchi Sea and opening of northern shipping routes.

The Port of Nome plans to begin the dredging and high ramp construction this summer.

And a "high ramp" is what?

According to Joy Baker, harbor-master, "the existing barge ramp currently serves as both a vessel launching ramp and a loading and unloading ramp for barges and land-

ing crafts.

"The high ramp construction will build one C-cell sheet pile — similar to the causeway docks, just on a smaller scale — where the landing crafts and barges can lay their ramps down and drive equipment and cargo on or off in a more efficient and safe manner," Baker replied in an e-mail.

"This will open up the concrete ramp for launching and hauling out vessels, minimizing the waiting time experienced by fishermen and other small craft owners when they need to repair the boats. The effect will not only separate the different operations, but optimize efficiency by conducting multiple operations simultaneously and reduce the lengthy waiting times we've encountered in the last several years," Baker wrote.

The Council had already passed a resolution approving the expenditure of \$4 million out of the City's \$10 million from a governmental obligation bond for the dredging and high

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Yarn-bombing brings awareness to "Choose Respect" initiative

By Diana Haecker

The three Lucky Swedes and the famous gold pan at Anvil City Square have been yarn-bombed. The Swedes sport knitted leg warmers, hats, facemasks and even cozies for their shovels while the gold pan is covered in a giant crocheted blanket. According to yarn bomber Sara Koenig, the purpose of the installation is to bring awareness to the Choose Respect initiative to fight the epidemic of domestic violence, sexual abuse and child sexual abuse in Alaska.

The so-called yarn bombing —

decorating public landmarks with knitted or crocheted artwork — served a good cause and was blessed by Nome City Manager Josie Bahnke.

The pieces are allowed to cover up the Swedes and the Goldpan for seven days.

Governor Sean Parnell declared March as "Choose Respect" month and on March 28, more than 120 communities in Alaska held "Choose Respect" rallies.

In Nome, the Bering Sea Women's Group hosted a rally at the

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Commission finds Mike Brawner violated ethics code

By Diana Haecker

The Professional Teaching Practices Commission issued a severe reprimand to Mike Brawner, former Superintendent of the Nome Public Schools, after investigating unspecified complaints from NPS staff members.

The PTPC found that Brawner violated the Alaska Administrative Code of Ethics and Teaching Standards. In a brief statement, the PTPC referred to a section of the administrative code that says, "In fulfilling obligations to the profession, an educator may not sexually harass a fellow employee."

The commission did not specify

how many complaints they received or from how many complainants.

According to the Commissioner of Education's office, the Commissioner signed off on the recommendations of the commission to reprimand Brawner.

The disciplinary action notification was sent to the Nome Public Schools board president, the certification section of the Department of Education and Early Development to be placed in Brawner's file and to the national clearinghouse that maintains records of professional discipline against teaching professionals.

According to a short statement by the PTPC, the commission notified the complainants of the action of the

commission. The notification of a reprimand is limited to a summary of the action and the PTPC did not elaborate on specifics.

Brawner keeps his license and may continue to work within school districts but always will have to explain why he was severely reprimanded by the Alaska PTPC.

Brawner has left Nome and his post as Superintendent effective March 4. In a letter to the school board, he said that circumstances beyond his control forced him to resign and to be with family.

School Board President Betsy Brennan said the complaints were not brought to the school board. Instead, the complainants turned to the

Professional Teaching Practices Commission and submitted their grievances.

According to Brennan, the board learned that there was a problem from a staff member who shared the PTPC packet of complaints with a board member. Brennan said the board needs to take a look at the policies that deal with how complaints should be handled.

Usually, complaints of staff are brought to the immediate supervisor. "I can understand that staff are apprehensive to bring this to a supervisor and writing an anonymous letter doesn't work either," Brennan said. "This was an eye opener."

Brennan said the board would

have to take a look at formulating a policy that describes the process to file complaints.

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Letters

Dear Editor,

The death of VPSO Thomas Madole should be a wake up call to all villages. The brave men and women who do this job often not only have one of the most difficult positions ever invented but they often have homes and offices with no heat, jails that would not keep an angry bird captive and no snow-machine, car, or 4 -wheeler. My last home had fish guts plugging up all the plumbing. While being expected to be on call 24-7 and not only doing 5 times the work of a normal police officer they are expected to do it with a stick, spray and a tazer. It's time to rethink this.

My heart goes out to this man's family, friends and co -workers.

Many times in the village I was criticized by people who would not ever consider trying to do this type of work. They sure were TV experts on how it should be done, but when the poop hit the fan they were never there to help.

Let's take some of this mega public safety money and correct the jails, and housing for these people. I do not think having a warm home, jail and office is too much to ask for these brave men and women.

Former VPSO Sheila Higgins Nome, Alaska

To the People of Nome:

For the past 24 years I have spent a week in Nome as a volunteer with Iditarod. I love your city and the

people who live there. I had a great time and look forward to coming back next March. While at the Awards Banquet I lost or miss-placed my camera. It was a black CAN-NON with a zoom lens. I am hoping someone found it and I can get it back.

Because of a health issue, I was unable to attend the banquet here in Anchorage, and I missed the start of the race for the first time in 41 years. So, I have no pictures of Iditarod 41. I was thinking maybe the good people of Nome would be willing to share some of their pictures with me.

If so, it would be greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,
David Schwantes
8148 E. 4th Ave.
Anchorage, AK 99504-1526

Foster's Report

By Rep. Neal Foster
District 39

Hello everyone in the House District 39. The 28th Alaska Legislature is well underway and we are getting familiar with our new district boundaries as well. In addition to the new faces I met in the eastern part of the district, there are a lot of new faces in the Capitol as well. There are six new senators and 11 new representatives. The house majority has not changed much in structure with the leadership staying more or less the same. However, the members of the majority have changed. There are nine new members in the house majority with seven of them being new legislators. While it remains a bi-partisan coalition the overall make up is more conservative than it was in the previous legislature. The senate has had a sea change in both structure and membership. It too remains a bi-partisan coalition, but while it was previously dominated by Democrats it is now lead by Republicans. While some faces have changed, the issues remain largely the same. Oil Tax reform is still the Governor's top priority. In-state gas is making another appearance on two fronts: a gas line and gas trucking. Energy costs for all parts of the state will also continue to dominate discussions. Then there's the budget.

The Budget

The big issue that's an issue every year is the budget. The Governor's proposed operating budget is \$9.8 billion, which is \$240.9 million or 2.5 percent above last year's adjusted base. The House has cut that request by \$104.7 million. The Governor's requested capital budget is \$1.8 billion, which is \$1.5 billion down from last year (a decrease of 45 percent). "Fiscal responsibility" is the word de jour around the capitol these days. We have yet to see what will happen with the operating budgets on the senate side. Customarily budgets increase as they work their way through the legislature, but that has not been the case this year. The concern being voiced by some is there will only be \$263 million to \$360 million in capital and operating money available to add to the Governor's request based on revenue projections. According to the new Senate Finance Co-chair there is also \$100 million in outstanding partially funded projects that need to be completed. It has become common practice to fund projects in phases. This is good on the one hand because it relieves the pressure large projects put on the budget, but on the other hand it puts those projects at risk. This is because after the initial phase is funded and construction has begun there is no guarantee that the remaining phase(s) will be funded. The Senate Finance Co-Chair of Capital wants to retire this practice in favor of full project funding. He plans to focus on the projects already under construction first before considering new projects. This does not leave much on the table for new capital projects, especially when one considers there is a projected \$410 million deficit for FY 13. There is still the possibility of tapping savings in order to boost capital spending, but that is far from a foregone conclusion.

Redistricting

It turns out the redistricting saga is not over quite yet. The Alaska Supreme Court has ordered the Redistricting

Legislation

The Speaker of the House will be pushing HB 4, which is this year's version of an In-State Gas Line bill. The gas line bill is still a fundamental question of big line versus little line. The big line is the most economical option but it is also the most expensive and difficult to build. It also comes with various other hurdles that aren't faced by a line that is less than 500mcf. A smaller line is cheaper, but since less gas is coming down it the unit cost would be higher. The big question on a small line is if the unit cost would be less than the unit cost of importing LNG. While the Governor supports the concept of HB 4 he does not support it in its current form. The Governor wants more accountability to consumers then the current bill mandates.

Energy issues will focus on Fairbanks energy costs, Anchorage gas shortages, and what options we have for bush communities. Fairbanks is focusing on trucking LNG. Anchorage is expecting demand for gas to outstrip its supply in the next few years. The long- and mid-term solutions currently being considered are increased exploration/production in Cook Inlet and/or the aforementioned gas line(s). Rural options will run the gambit from propane subsidies to biomass. The problems we face in rural communities will not be solved with one silver bullet. We will have to employ multiple technologies and strategies to deal with our various challenges. Our biggest problem in the bush is a logistical one. While the price of a commodity is an important factor often the price of getting that commodity to our villages equals or exceeds its original cost. Where possible we need to focus on developing local resources to avoid that logistical cost.

Oil Taxes

Oil tax reform is taking place with a new back ground, and as such some new approaches are being proposed.

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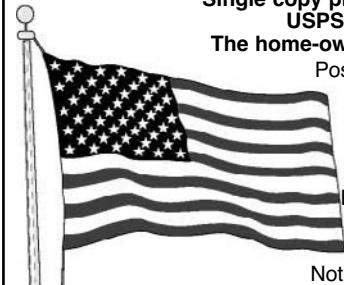
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Alaska Deep-Draft Arctic Port team to hold planning charrette in Nome

After the Alaska Deep Draft Arctic Port study recommended conducting feasibility studies of Nome and Port Clarence to enhance marine infrastructure, the U.S. Army Corps and the Dept. of Transportation have received more than 20 comment letters and emails from individuals, northwest Alaskan cities, government agencies and corporations.

The City of Nome and Kawerak Inc. also sent in comment letters.

The City supported the recommendation to move forward with the required studies and formation of public-private partnerships.

Mayor Michels wrote in the comment letter that investment in Nome’s port and harbor would provide a support base for response and enforcement vessels and that resource development could become more economical for the private sector. According to the document, the City also supports building a Road to Nome or a transportation corridor to connect Nome to the existing road system. “Extending the Nome Port Causeway would tie in the needed infrastructure to allow those resources to be stored in Nome and barged out,” the document reads.

Kawerak also supported the study’s findings and pointed out that without a port in Nome or Port Clarence, there would be a gap in adequate response time for environmental protection and search and rescue operations.

According to Lorraine Cordova with the USACE, the Alaska Deep-Draft Arctic Port team is going to hold a planning charette in Nome. Federal and state entities along with potential users of a deep-draft port are going to meet at Old St. Joe’s Hall, starting on April 15.

Cordova said the charette is open for the public to attend, but it is a planning meeting aimed at identifying data gaps and coming up with a plan to fill in the missing information. [Editor’s note: Charrettes take place in many disciplines, including land use planning, or urban planning. In planning, the charrette has become a technique for consulting with all stakeholders. This type of

charrette typically involves intense and possibly multi-day meetings, involving municipal, state or federal officials, developers and residents. A successful charrette promotes joint ownership of solutions and attempts to defuse typical confrontational attitudes between residents and developers. Charrettes tend to involve small groups, however the residents participating may not represent all the residents nor have the moral authority to represent them. (Source: Wikipedia)—N.L.M.—]

The timeline is to have a final report ready for the Corps Civil Works Review Board by December 2014, preceded by a draft to be issued around March 2014. The final report will identify if there is a federal interest in any of the proposed plans and recommend one to move forward with. Ultimately, it will be up to Congress to consider the plan and allocate funding.

The comments are available at <http://www.poa.usace.army.mil/Library/ReportsandStudies/AlaskaRegionalPortStudy.aspx> under A-6 Public Comments in the Deep Draft Arctic Port Study documents.

Alaska Arctic Policy Commission met in Juneau

The first meeting of the state’s Arctic Policy Commission took place on March 23 in Juneau; a year after the commission was created by the legislature following the recommendation of the Alaska Northern Waters Task Force.

Ten legislators and 16 public members were appointed by the Speaker of the House and the Senate President, with Senator Lesil McGuire of Anchorage and Rep. Bob Herron of Bethel serving as the co-chairs.

Nome Mayor Denise Michels was appointed to fill the seat of a coastal community representative.

Bob Herron told *The Nome Nugget* that it is imperative that Alaskans at every level stay involved with federal agencies, the State Department and the White House as they are formulating an Arctic policy.

“We need to be more proactive, they’re not gonna come knocking on our door and ask for our opinion. We need to engage our federal partners,” Herron said. “We need to have many conversations with many people so

they get the feedback from Alaskans. If we don’t offer our input, there will be a tendency not to ask us. We want to be involved.”

The commission began their work by creating work groups and assigning commission members to the groups. The groups are Oil and Gas Development, Resources, Mining; Science, Traditional Knowledge, Research, Climate Change and Energy; Governance Indigenous Issues, Arctic Council; Planning and Infrastructure Development; National/Homelands Security, Coast Guard and Marine Transportation, Fish and Wildlife.

Nome Mayor Denise Michels was assigned to the Planning and Infrastructure Development working group under team captain Wasilla Rep. Mark Neuman.

Senator Donny Olson co-chairs the working group for National/Homeland Security and Coast Guard.

The plan is to have a preliminary report out by June 2013 that outlines the highest priorities and an outlook of priorities that should be worked on in the next 18 months.

Herron said that the urgency to produce a report lies in the fact that the U.S.A. will assume chairmanship of the Arctic Council. In order to have a coherent Arctic Policy in place, Alaskans need to identify what the issues are, make recommendations and continue to engage with federal partners in the development of an Arctic policy.

The next Alaska Arctic Policy Commission meetings are scheduled for early June in Barrow, for August in Unalaska, and for October in Fairbanks.

Committee on Marine Transportation Systems issues priorities for action

The U.S. Committee on the Marine Transportation System issued an overview and priorities draft policy report concerning increased marine traffic in the Arctic and through the Bering Strait.

The City of Nome submitted comments and noted that it supports the report’s recommendation to press the U.S. Senate to ratify the Law of the Sea. The City added that infrastructure investment should be added to the short-term recommendations. The Port of Nome saw 435 port calls

and there were 50 vessels waiting at anchor for docking space.

Mayor Denise Michels commented that investments in the Nome Port and Harbor would help create a support base for response and enforcement vessels, that there should be a greater U.S. Coast Guard presence in the region to respond to national security and environmental issues that may arise due to increasing traffic by larger vessels.

Michels also commented that residents of the Nome area and the surrounding communities rely on subsistence foods harvested from the

sea and that NOAA as the U.S. steward of marine and coastal resources needs full support to map the region and improve weather forecasting. While other Arctic countries have invested in Arctic infrastructure, the City of Nome agrees with the Committee’s recommendations that the U.S. needs to act and invest now to protect U.S. interests in Arctic waters.

The CMTS draft paper is online at www.cmts.gov and is out for public comment until April 22.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, April 4

*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.
*Labor and Delivery for teens	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Welcome to the world	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday, April 5

*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.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Healthy Start Class	Prematernal Home	2:00 p.m.
*WIC Class	Prematernal Home	3:00 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.
*Men’s Hockey	Ice rink on West 3rd	7:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 6

*Special delivery	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Stages of Labor	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Women’s Hockey	Ice rink on West 3rd	7:00 p.m.
*Youth/Teen Dance	The Mini Center	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 7

*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
*Pregnant, Single, and Prepared	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*For babies sake	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.
*Vigorous Yoga:	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Monday, April 8

*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.
*Sacred trust	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Celebrate birth	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Fitness Fusion	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)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 9

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Library	10:30 a.m.
*Miracle of life	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*When to call the doctor	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Gym:	Nome Rec Center	4:00 p.m. - 5:15 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.
*NCC Reg Mtg	City of Nome	7:00 p.m.
*Men’s Hockey	Ice rink on West 3rd	7:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m..

Wednesday, April 10

*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
*Dental Class	Prematernal Home	10:00 a.m.
*Medicaid and Denali KidCare Class	Prematernal Home	2:00 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.
*Red Pin 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.
*Women’s Hockey	Ice rink on West 3rd	7:00 p.m.

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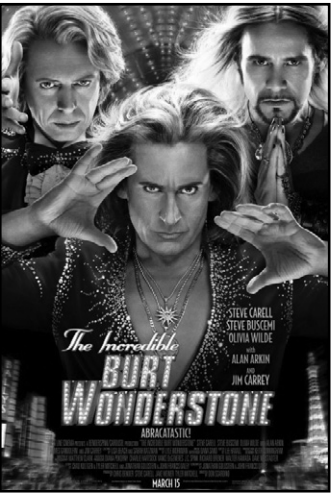


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• Port plan

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ramp.

The port and City administration have worked on the port expansion plan for around two years.

They want to have the plan OK'd by the Council as soon as possible in order to get the plan around for marketing and to convince the legislature to push more money Nome's way for infrastructure development.

The Nome Port Commission, an advisory group, has approved the plan while the City has had issues in getting enough votes to apply their approval. The Port of Nome has been under study by state and feds for several years, as has a site at Port Clarence to the north, to define port roles in the state's larger shipping access design for economic development.

Nome's port plan needs the community's stamp of approval, said Paul Fuhs, the City's port development consultant. Nome needs a plan to use for funding a deep-water port and extended causeway.

"Funders feel very secure knowing you have a well-thought-out plan and know where you are going down the road," Fuhs said.

With the port central to access to the Snake River for subsistence, fishing and mining activities, port alterations drew debate. Several port users showed up at a public comment session preceding the March 26 work session to communicate their concerns.

Fishermen have had to move over to make room for many small home-made mining rigs carrying the get-rich dreams of offshore recreation miners, they say.

"The community's fishermen are taking the hardest hit from this man-made gold rush," Bill Mathisen told the joint Council-Nome Port Commission work session March 26.

Fishermen brought in tens of millions of dollars and now they had been crowded down to one-fourth of the space in the harbor, he added.

"We live here, versus 150 gold dredgers."

The City was trying to separate harbor uses, Mayor Denise Michels said.

Fishermen had been hampered by port rearrangement that had caused a freshwater eddy in the harbor which froze, delaying the fishing season's start by three weeks, Mathisen said.

Gold miners brought in money too, Cliff Henry commented.

"It's short sighted to think people who come up here to mine don't benefit the community," he said.

None of the new moorage would have gold dredgers' names on it, Baker said. It would be open to other uses. The port also needs additional moorage for larger numbers of vessels and crafts seeking shelter from storms, she noted.

Another fisherman, Eric Osborne, cautioned about the potential cost of maintaining the dredged depth, "It may cost another million a year to keep it open," he said. That could come to \$5 million over the next decade, he said.

There were alternatives, Osborne said. It might be better to narrow the mouth to make it deeper, as has been done elsewhere. And in dealing with rising sea levels, storms that could overrun culverts, it might be an idea to dredge out the lowlands of Dry

Creek upland, Osborne suggested.

Laura and Gary Samuelson, who own property and a home on the west bank of the Snake River, have maintained an interest in the operation, fearing erosion stemming from the risk of altering the river channel. They have written letters and attended meetings to sound their concerns.

Port designers Peratrovich, Nottingham and Drage—under contract with the City—have studied the concerns and said they do not see major problems. Still, port planners have pulled the extent of the dredging to within two lots south of the Samuelsons' property for now based on funding plans. The dredging would not directly affect the northern end of the river mouth where the Samuelsons live. Dredging would occur farther south to allow construction of the high barge ramp, according to the current plan, said Joy Baker, harbor-master.

Samuelson told the joint meeting of the port panel and the Council that if the Snake River were dredged to minus four feet or minus eight feet, "the GCI satellite dishes and outland would slough into the river." Samuelson wants to see sheet piling and a revetment installed before dredging to protect the land from washing away.

"The concern from my letter of Jan. 10 still stands," Gary Samuelson said in a statement to City administration last week.

"The PND response to our letter addressed the effects of erosion caused by the river current not wave action. By dredging to minus 4 feet, wave action is a concern," he said.

"Wave heights will be higher with deeper water. The wave height is related to water depth. Dredging four feet will cause four foot waves in a storm. That will wipe out our property. Dredging eight feet will cause at least eight foot waves."

However, Sandy Morris, PND project engineer, said there had not been a hands-on study of the effects of dredging the west side of the river mouth to minus four feet. They had used notes in the office stemming from other issues, she said. A wave analysis had been done on the east side and PND had used that analysis to predict what could happen on the west side of the mouth stemming from dredging.

"There is more risk until there is a revetment," she said. "I can't say there isn't any risk."

"Just because there is deeper water, it doesn't mean waves will rise to the depth of the water," Morris said. She added that the waves did not come in directly up the Snake, but were bent by the contours of land.

Morris would make current wave information available to the port administration by request of Councilman Stan Andersen.

The port administration has looked at other alternatives, Baker said. Extending the moorage toward Seppala Drive would require a lot of environmental research. Digging up the old jetty parallel to River Street, filled in some years ago, could not occur. There is too much material buried in the jetty, Baker said—ar-

senic-contaminated material, old collapsed sheet pile, never to be exposed again.

There is a covenant placed on it by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the area never to be disturbed.

"The old jetty area has been filled and capped, never to be disturbed, with geotextile coverings," Paul Fuhs, port development consultant, piped up from the phone on the Council table. "It is a non-starter, you would never get a permit again."

The plan is a conceptual roadmap, according to port administrators.

"It is a living document," said Michels, mayor. Only the dredging and the high ramp were specific and ready to go out to bid, she said.

"It's just a concept."

"Approval of the strategic plan does not nail down development of the river," Michels said.

The Council unanimously approved the Port of Nome Strategic Development Plan at a special meeting at noon March 27.

Meanwhile, Fuhs and the City's lobbyists, along with state representatives, continued to try to get more funding through the legislature. The success of that endeavor depends on the money available for the governor's capital budget.

The City of Nome is seeking \$8 million to put with \$5 million from the \$10 million in proceeds to Nome from the government obligation bond approved by voters in November in order to fund an expansion and upgrade to the harbor causeway.

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House passes resolution calling for more Coast Guard cutters

The Alaska House of Representatives unanimously passed a resolution urging the U.S. Congress and the President to complete funding and the deployment of the U.S. Coast Guard's new "Legend-class" National Security Cutters, and base one of them in Kodiak.

House Joint Resolution 13, sponsored by Alaska House Finance Committee Co-Chair Alan Austerman, emphasizes Alaska's support for increasing the nation's maritime strength and presence in the Arctic.

"We must see forward progress on the Coast Guard's production schedule to complete funding, acquisition and delivery of the full fleet of eight NSC ships," Austerman, R-Kodiak, said. "As we transition to a time where world's attention is on the Arctic, it's even more important to base one of the NSC vessels in America's northern-most Coast Guard installation in Kodiak, while planning for a permanent presence in our northern waters." The U.S. Department of

Homeland Security has completed the acquisition of five NSC vessels, three of which are in service and based in California. A fourth is under construction and a contract has been awarded for a fifth vessel.

Kodiak's Coast Guard base is the largest in the USCG system and closest to the Arctic, yet is still more than 1,000 miles away from the Chukchi Sea. HJR 13 recognizes the NSC vessels as critical to our Arctic future, offering search and rescue, oil spill response preparedness, and patrol capabilities unmatched by modern technology. HJR 13 now moves to the Alaska Senate for consideration.

Begich holds hearing on increased marine traffic through the Arctic

Last week, Sen. Mark Begich, chair of the Senate Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard, held a field hearing at the University of Alaska Anchorage on increased Arctic marine activity. The list of witnesses testifying included federal oil and ocean management regulators with the US Dept. of the Interior, the Coast Guard, Shell Alaska, Marine Exchange of Alaska, the Pew Charita-

ble Trust and Matt Ganley, VP with Bering Straits Native Corporation. The U.S. Committee on the Marine Transportation System says diminished sea ice in the Arctic is creating a growing potential for commercial shipping, but new standards and infrastructure are needed.

"Those who testified today shared a common concern—the dramatic increase in shipping activity in the Arctic Ocean and the Bering Strait," said Sen. Begich. "Many people don't realize that more than 500 ships passed through those waters last year. Many of the vessels were from countries that don't abide by the same safety and environmental standards we do and that's a real problem."

The Coast Guard testified that many federal agencies had 'gang-tackled' the issue of oil and gas drilling safety paying less attention to maritime shipping, the more likely cause of a spill.

Sen. Begich supports Arctic development including OCS drilling, the need for infrastructure development to support increased Arctic drilling, and a strengthened Coast Guard presence in the Arctic.

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COVERED UP— Sara Koenig and friends redecorated Nome's Anvil City Square landmarks with several pieces of knitware and covered the gold pan with a crocheted blanket to raise awareness against domestic violence and sexual abuse.

• Choose Respect

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XYZ Center with Susan Bell, Commissioner for the Alaska Dept. of Commerce, Community and Economic Development present.

The packed room included domestic violence survivors, BSWG board members, law enforcement officers and the sexual assault response team of Norton Sound Health

Corporation and supporters to eradicate the ugly beast of domestic violence in all its expressions.

The most powerful testimony was brought forward by domestic violence survivor Dorcas Bloom. She stood up and told her story of having narrowly escaped a violent relationship with her life. She spoke of the horror of discovering that her young daughters were sexually molested by

their own father. Then she spoke of having been trapped in a small community where reporting of domestic violence crimes and child sexual abuse was not an option— where relatives made it impossible to be treated for broken bones at the hands of the spouse. The worst, Bloom said, was when she couldn't find help for her two-year-old daughter when she was sexually abused and torn by a male relative. Nobody would hear her out or help her. She ended up taking her girl to the school and a teacher gave her money to bring the child to Nome for an examination.

Back in her village, Bloom was beaten for 22 years, her kids molested, her spirit crushed.

But she found the strength to scheme an escape and managed to get her daughters out as well. However, that's not where the story ends and everybody lives happily ever after.

Her abusive husband took his own life. Family blamed her for his death and beat her and her children up when they went back to the village for the funeral.

The first place she landed when arriving in Nome was the Bering Sea Women's Group, who gave her a place to stay and helped her get on her feet, find a job and an apartment.

Bloom also shed light on the mindset of victims not reaching out for help and staying in abuse situations.

"In my village, the women's shelter in Nome is considered a place that breaks up homes," Bloom said. She explained that victims don't reach out, feel scared and alone. "In my culture, asking for help is considered weak. Us natives are afraid to ask for help. We don't know how to talk about this," she said.

Bloom said that she dedicates her



Photo by Diana Haecker

EMOTIONAL— Dorcas Bloom and Steven Anowlic share a hug after telling their stories during the Nome "Choose Respect" rally at the XYZ Center on March 28.

life to help others in whichever way she can to break the cycle of violence and despair that comes with domestic violence and sexual abuse.

Moved to tears, members of the audience felt compelled to tell their story, too. Steven Anowlic got up, wiped the tears from his face and purged a lifeline of pain. "I feel her pain," he said through tears. "I've been abused myself as a little boy. I've been an alcoholic for 35 years, and today is my 37th day of not having a drink," Anowlic said.

He said was born on King Island, was brought to Nome to attend school and the first thing a teacher did was to ask him his name. He gave his Eskimo name. "The teacher put soap in my mouth and scrubbed it out," Anowlic remembered, crying. "I've been to the lower 48, to Canada and to Mexico, trying to run away from all the pain," he said.

After a life of running, alcohol, drugs and being in and out of jail, Anowlic returned to Nome and looks

forward to better prospects. "I've been living on the streets for 35 years, but next Monday, for the first time, I'll live in an apartment," he said.

Anowlic announced that he put his foot forward to help organize a man's talking circle and support group.

Barbara Cromwell, Sexual Assault Response Team nurse, and Colleen Reynolds, SART community educator with the Norton Sound Regional Hospital spoke of the importance to form support groups where people can speak and break their silence. Reynolds organizes a women's support group that meets at the XYZ Center from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Cromwell presented facts on how alcohol can fuel domestic violence and how alcohol consumption decreases awareness in victims.

She reiterated that men, too, can

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Rising expenses float a port fee hike

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Port Commission likes a 10 percent across-the-board rate hike to increase port revenue to pay the bills, pay for repairs and maintain a reserve account. A recently contracted rate study suggested as high a jump as 75 percent. While some rates in the tariff had not been raised since the port opened in 1986, most port commissioners thought that figure out of the question. However, the study did point up the need for a significant increase now and periodic increases to keep up with costs and inflation, port commissioners agreed. The question was just how much of an increase.

Discussion last week settled on a five percent to seven percent raise across the board, after ideas came out on targeting just fuel and cargo for increases. The commission, an advisory group, was set to make a motion to that effect when Joy Baker, harbormaster, told the panel that a five percent to seven percent increase would not make a sufficient difference in revenue.

"If you're looking for a recommendation from me, I'd say 10 percent," she said. "We are spending all of our revenue and in some cases reaching into our reserve fund."

The Port Commission unanimously agreed to raise all port fees by 10 percent and to take another look at the end of the year to see if they needed to go up by more.

"Any increase will be passed on to the community," Jim West, Jr. said. "Fuel will go up, groceries will go up. It will make it tougher to stay here, but it is the cost of doing business, the cost of living here."

To aid discussion, the Port Commission poured over an analysis of proposed tariff increases that showed impact of a variety of percentages.

One idea is to have a five percent increases annually for the next three years to get to 15 percent.

Commissioner Iura Leahu brought out that a 15 percent in-

crease in tariff rate would not necessarily translate to 15 percent increase in retail price of goods.

Sitnasuak Native Corp.'s Bonanza Fuel manager, Scot Henderson, agreed. A 15 percent increase on rate to bring fuel in across the port, now three cents a gallon, would go up to 4.5 cents per gallon.

Whether this would cause a 15 percent increase in the retail cost of fuel, "I think not," Henderson said. All cost at the port, however, would be factored into the retail price, he added.

Commissioner Charlie Lean favored an across the board increase rather than "cherry picking" certain items for a rate increase.

In other business concerning the port tariff revision, the commission put in a requirement for companies filming in the port area to pay a license application of \$150 and pay \$250 a day while filming. Additionally, the tariff would require proof of insurance for \$1 million.

The port panel voted unanimously to forward the revised port tariff, including the rate increase and the film license package, to the Nome Common Council for approval.

Finally, the commission voted to approve the 100 percent design and cost estimate for a high ramp and for float work in the amount of \$3.8 million. The high ramp will comprise a C-cell in the mouth of the Snake River where barges can lay down their ramps and drive goods and equipment on and off in a safe manner.

This will reserve the existing concrete ramp for hauling vessels in and out, minimizing waiting time for fishermen and other harbor users.

Baker reported that a bill in the legislature, HB 131, dealing with derelict vessels would probably pass, giving municipalities the same powers to deal with problem vessels currently accorded to the state.

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Cody Farris
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Lewis Payne
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Jake Stettenbenz
Ashley Tobuk
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Tamaira Tocktoo
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Kemasuk Tungwenuk
Matthew Tunley
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Jenny Yi

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Jessica Gologergen
Dominique Hall
Diana Handeland
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DO YOUR BEST ON THE TEST— Nome Elementary School teacher aid Tiffany Rookok and students Sarah Bahnke, Avery Immingan, Kaitlyn Johnson, Ayla Knodel, Joe Martinson, Dalton Buffas, Amy Nguyen and Patrick Szygalski cheer on third through sixth graders to succeed during this week's SBA tests.



PROCLAMATION— During last week's NES assembly, Asaalluk Ireland presents the SBA proclamation.

Nome School Board looks at budget, tables naming library

By Kristine McRae

The Nome Board of Education met March 26 in a regular work session to begin budget discussions for the next fiscal year.

District Business Manager Paula Coffman presented the proposed budget for FY 14 as a platform for fine-tuning upcoming revenues and expenses.

The district is in the process of reviewing previous and current expenditures in order to create a realistic budget.

This year, as in others, factors such as city and state funding, salaries and benefits and capital projects will effect how the district is able to spend money.

Because bandwidth in Nome is expected to go from 3 Mbps to 11 Mbps next year, the cost for communications and internet could rise \$200,000.

The state E-Rate program currently covers 80 percent of these costs and is expected to do so again.

Other items like fuel costs and student travel will likely see the typical year-to-year percentage increases.

Another high dollar item for the district is a new loader. The current loader, which is used primarily for snow removal at the Nome-Beltz complex, is 15 years old.

Interim superintendent Steve Gast told the board that the district has waited as long as it could, but that the loader is a necessity.

District representatives will meet with the Nome City Council in May to discuss the city's contribution to the district.

The school board will meet again in a work session April 22 to discuss budget items in more detail.

Board members continued discussion regarding the request to name the elementary school library after long time librarian and educator Joy Hewitt, who died in February. Some initial discussion indicated that the proposal would need more

attention, including entertaining suggestions of other people for whom the library might be named.

Board member Barb Amarok told the board that she had been in contact with community members who had different suggestions for naming the library, and that she would like to see community input on the proposal.

Board member Paula Davis agreed, saying "Honoring Hewitt is a good idea, but naming it—we wouldn't want to leave anyone out who was here before."

Gast said he had not received any communication from the public regarding the request.

Board member Jennifer Reader was in favor of the naming.

Board president Betsy Brennan was not inclined to pursue that matter if it might become controversial.

Committee chair and fourth grade teacher Karen Mehl was at Tuesday night's meeting and told the board that she would also rather table or

withdraw the request than to have the issue create a controversy, which would not be in keeping with the original intention or Ms. Hewitt's memory. The board then discussed the possibility of honoring Hewitt with a plaque.

Board President Betsy Brennan presented a resolution opposing House Joint Resolution 1 (HJR1) and Senate Joint Resolution 9 (SJR9), which, if passed, would amend the state constitution for the public funding of private and secular schools. The joint resolutions would put before voters the possibility for state funding vouchers for students attending any private or parochial school.

Board members agreed that the public education system would suffer under the proposed voucher program. After brief discussion the board passed the resolution and will send it to Juneau.

BSSD board appoints new Superintendent

The Bering Strait School Board announced on Monday that the search for a replacement for superintendent Rob Picou was successful and that they hired Brett Agenbroad of Arizona to fill the job.

Picou resigned from the post in February and remains in office until the end of the school year.

The board reached their unanimous choice after having interviewed three finalists. According to BSSD Human Resources director Ted VanBronkhorst, Agenbroad has accepted the position and is scheduled to start on July 1, 2013.

Agenbroad is currently the superintendent of the Sierra Vista School District in Arizona. He was the superintendent of the Annette Island School District in Metlakatla prior to Sierra Vista.

He has also been the principal and superintendent of the Topak School District in Arizona. Agenbroad

earned a M. Ed. in Educational Leadership and a superintendent certificate from Northern Arizona University.

Agenbroad commented that he looks forward to serving the faculty, staff and board of the district and working with the community stakeholders who are involved in the education of all students.

He and his wife Maria are very happy to return to Alaska.

The Board conducted a nationwide search and used the services of the Association of Alaska School Boards to assist with the search. The position was advertised beginning in early February and closed on March 5, 2013. Three finalists, including Agenbroad, met with the board in Anchorage on March 19 for formal interviews after which the board chose to extend the job offer to Agenbroad.

2013 Iditarod Safety Patrol

Dear Community Members,
We at the Kawerak Wellness Program would like to thank all of our wonderful Safety Patrol volunteers for donating their time and energy to help keep the streets of Nome a safe place for everyone. Also a big thank you to the Nome Visitor Center for allowing us the use of their facilities as well as the great support from Norton Sound Health Corporation, Nome Community Center, and Kawerak! We apologize if anyone has been missed.



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Nome's Postmaster retires

By Diana Haecker

Nome's Postmaster Laura Barnhill retired from her post on Friday, March 29, after having served 30 years with the United States Postal Service. In her long career with USPS, she held Postmaster positions in Bethel, Rolling Bay, WA, Tahuya, WA and for the last three years in Nome.

Barnhill said she wasn't really ready yet to retire. "But family health issues demanded that I'm closer to medical facilities with cardio care units," Barnhill said.

Barnhill moved with her family last weekend to Poulsbo, Washington.

Sherrie Madden is appointed to

be officer in charge of the Nome Post Office. Barnhill told The Nome Nugget that Madden was in the southeast Alaska community of Hoonah for the better part of January to run the post office there. "That gave her the administrative training she needed to see if she liked that management-type of work," Barnhill said.

Barnhill explained that the USPS is first launching an Alaska-wide search among postmasters to fill the Nome position. If no applicants emerge, USPS will cast the net wider to include USPS supervisors and clerks until a suitable candidate is found and hired.



Photo by Bria Chimenti

GAMBELL CHOOSES RESPECT— Gambell middle school and high school students joined the Choose Respect campaign. Village organizations came together to speak out against sexual abuse and DV. Students invited elders into the classrooms and held discussions on what domestic violence is and how it can be stopped.

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be victims of sexual abuse and domestic violence. "A lot of men have been hurt by domestic violence in their homes when they were children," she said.

She expressed her hope to start a men's support group as well and found an ally in Steven Anowlic, who was willing to step forward and help out.

Alaska State Trooper Sergeant Charlie Cross said that choosing respect doesn't require perfection but it does require a concerted effort by a dedicated group and a society that demands change of habits.

Cross said that a mistake made twice is no mistake any longer, but becomes a habit and changing a habit then requires painful changes in lifestyle.

Yarn bomber Sara Koenig then

explained that the idea of yarn bombing the gold pan and the three Lucky Swedes was a collaborative effort by her, Erin Forton, Amy Russell-Jamgochian and Traci McGarry. Koenig spent two months and nine days crocheting about 25 skeins of yarn into the star pattern blanket. The color royal blue stands for the fight against child sexual abuse, purple against domestic violence and the color teal against sexual abuse.

Koenig challenged businesses and individuals in town to make donations for the Bering Sea Women's Group at local businesses. The business that makes the biggest donation to BSWG will be the proud new owner of the 220 inches wide star blanket. The hats, leg warmers and shovel cozies decorating the Swedes will be donated to the Nome Emergency Shelter Team.

2013 Iditarod Safety Patrol keeps streets safe

By Lisa Ellanna-Strickling

From March 8 to March 16, a pool of 65 local volunteers took turns patrolling Front Street during the early morning hours and helped to make sure Nome experienced Iditarod festivities safely.

Many passersby thanked patrollers and gave words of encouragement. "Thank you for what you're doing"... "You guys are awesome!"

Iditarod has historically been an exciting time for Nome. Each Iditarod, Nome is a flurry with social events and there are multitudes of new faces in town.

Nome bars remain open until 5 a.m. for a period of two weeks.

The Iditarod and PFD Season Safety Patrol was an effort pioneered by the Regional Wellness Forum back in 2004, and has been an important part of Iditarod and PFD season here in Nome since. Every year, agencies such as the Regional Wellness Forum, Kawerak, Norton Sound Health Corporation, Nome Police Department, Nome Community Center, and many concerned citizens join forces to help keep Nome safe during the most challenging times of the year.

On March 6, Kawerak Wellness Department hosted a Safety Patrol volunteer luncheon to go over important things for volunteers to remember during their shifts. Chief Papasodora shared a few pointers and some advice on identifying the seriousness of situations and instructions on maintaining personal safety.

Each 2.5-hour shift consisted of a team of four to six individuals. There were two shifts per night. Each team member donned their dapper safety patrol vests, carried hand-held radios, flashlights and fun glow sticks to hand out to race fans.



Photo courtesy Aprille Pitt

SAFETY PATROL— Safety patrol volunteers gather for a photo at the Kawerak staircase. They are (top to bottom, left to right) Marjorie Tahbone, Bridie Trainor, Aprille Pitt, Donna James, Loki Tobin, Mary David, Melanie Bahnke, Melissa Boeckmann, Alice Bioff, John Bioff, Chris Morgan, Amy Russell, Jolene Oleson, Pamela Cushman and Lisa Ellanna-Strickling.

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EAST MEETS WEST — Western Regional Champions Felicia Ione (66) of White Mountain, Mallory Conger (58) of Nome, Bianca Trowbridge (59) of Nome, and Summer Sagoonick (64) of Unalakleet take on Interior Champs Sarah Brown (53) and Jesslyn West (52) of Galena at the 2013 Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships in White Mountain.

Schmidt and Daniels turn WISA Ski and Biathlon Championship gold medals into Arctic Winter Games tickets

By Keith Conger

Being forced to use right handed rifles at three Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Association (WISA) championships, Nome high schooler Rosa Schmidt, a natural lefthander, had never hit more than four targets at one of the rural state biathlon races.

Schmidt attended the international Arctic Winter Games in Whitehorse last March in the sport of snowshoe racing, but wanted to attend next year's games as part of Team Alaska's biathlon team.

So, she decided to change her shooting luck by securing a right handed biathlon rifle from the club in Anchorage, and learned how to shoot right handed.

After testing her new technique during five biathlon races at Kincaid Park in Anchorage this winter, Schmidt found the target eight times out of 10 in the WISA biathlon race. The improvement not only led to her first WISA Championships biathlon gold medal, but also earned her a spot on the 2014 Arctic Winter Games ski biathlon team.

Being bested by Schmidt by seven seconds in the regional ski race the week before was all the motivation Unalakleet freshman Alyeska Daniels needed to put together a stunning victory over Schmidt in the 8-kilometer ski race on the first day of the competition.

The one minute 23 second margin of victory in the race, along with a blazing fast split in the team relay, not only helped Daniels earn her first high school girls Skimeister Award (skiing's equivalent of the MVP), but helped her secure a spot on Team Alaska's 2014 cross-country skiing team.

Alyeska's older sister Katie captured the bronze medal in each individual event, helping Unalakleet earn its first high school girls' WISA team trophy, while at the same time ending Nome's three-year run.

The efforts in the biathlon race also led the elder Daniels to a return trip to the Arctic Winter Games. She competed in Whitehorse on the ski biathlon team in 2012 and earned a spot on the snowshoe biathlon team for the 2014 games.

The high school boys' races were dominated by Kaleb Korta and his Galena teammates. Korta won all three races, earning him a history-making third straight WISA Skimeister. No skier in WISA's 27 years had earned more Skimeister Awards by the end of their freshman year.

Korta's total keeps the possibility alive that he will end up with six WISA Skimeister Awards, breaking the record of five currently held by Emerson Conger of Nome.

Similarly, Alyeska Daniels' second Skimeister award was historic as she finds herself one away from the most ever earned by a WISA girl. The record of three is currently held by Trish Gray of White Mountain, Nikki Fennimore of Galena, and Anjoli Guthrie of Tanana.

Korta used a double bronze medal effort by teammate Isaac McElwee to capture the team trophy, a first for a high school squad from Galena. McElwee's efforts earned him a spot on Team Alaska's snowshoe biathlon squad.

Both the girls' and boys' junior high (5th - 8th grade) Skimeister awards were determined by individual splits in the team relay.

Although Unalakleet's Sikulik Johnson easily won the ski race on the first day of the competition, Jacob Moos of Galena shot clean (10 out of 10) in the biathlon the next day, winning that event.

Johnson eventually outdid Moos in the relays and captured the Skimeister award, (and a trip to the 2014 Arctic Winter Games by virtue of his day one victory), but his team took second place to the boys from Galena.

Galena's junior high boys team victory was their fifth all-time, tying them for the record, which had been held by White Mountain.

In the junior high girls division, Galena teammates Jesslyn West and Sarah Brown traded victories in the first two races. Brown was able to best her teammate by a scant 4 seconds in the relay splits to capture her first Skimeister Award. The teammates helped guide Galena to the team trophy as well.

A young and inexperienced junior high girls squad from Nome fared

well at the state meet, taking a bronze medal in the team relays and second place in the team standings. The squad was lead by a fifth place finish in the biathlon by Bianca Trowbridge and a fifth best individual split in the relays by Mallory Conger.

Besides Moos, only two biathletes

shot clean during the biathlon competition. First year skier Shayna Warnke-Green of Nome used her fine shooting to post her best biathlon finish of the year, while Jennifer Hanson used her fine effort to help the White Mountain junior high girls to third place in the team standings.

The coveted Sportsmanship Trophy was earned by the team from Saint Michael.

Biathletes at WISA events stop to shoot twice around a course using .22 caliber rifles. During each shooting session, the athlete takes 5 shots

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Photo by Melanie Sagoonick

GETTIN' OUT FAST — 2013 WISA Skimeister Kaleb Korta of Galena (2) gets out ahead of 2012 WISA Skimeister Asa Bergamaschi of White Mountain (10) in the eight kilometer ski race at the Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships. Korta's teammate Isaac McElwee and Saint Michaels Dominic Richardson (6) are in pursuit.



Photo by Melanie Sagoonick

HEAVY MEDAL — Katie Daniels of Unalakleet leads Rosa Schmidt of Nome, and sister Aly Daniels, in the biathlon race at the 27th Annual Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships in White Mountain. Schmidt would go on to hit 8 of 10 shots and win the race. Her efforts would earn her a spot on Team Alaska's ski biathlon team at next year's Arctic Winter Games. Aly, who won the ski race the day before, earned a spot on Team Alaska's cross-country ski team. Katie's double bronze efforts earned her a spot on Team Alaska's snowshoe biathlon team.



Photo by Keith Conger

YOUNG SHARP SHOOTER — First year skier and biathlete Shayna Warnke-Green of Nome shoots clean (10 of 10) in the biathlon race at the 27th annual Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships in White Mountain. The sharp shooting helped the young athlete place 11th in the event.

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at 4.5 inch targets from a distance of 50 meters, and must learn to control their breathing which is obviously elevated due to the skiing or running. Missed shots result in short, but timeconsuming penalty loops.

Occurring every other year, the Arctic Winter Games is a high profile, circumpolar sports competition for northern and arctic athletes. The games celebrate sport and promote social and cultural exchange.

The Arctic Winter Games started in 1970 with just a handful of events, and only three contingencies (Yukon, Northwest Territories and Alaska). Last year over 2,000 ath-

letes gathered from nine northern “nations” to compete in 21 different sports.

Arctic Winter Games participation is limited to regions located north of the 55th parallel. Joining the three original members are Greenland, Russia, Northern Alberta, Nunavut (including Baffin Island), Nunavit (Northern Quebec), and the Sámpi Nation (northern Scandinavia).

The Nome Ski and Biathlon team thanks the Friends of the NRA and the Nome Sportsman Association for their support of rural biathlon.



Photo by Melanie Sagoonick

BIG FINISH— Nome's Anna Peterson catches White Mountain's Anjoli Agloinga just before the finish line.

WISA 2013 Team Results

High School BoysSki Race	Place Biathlon	PlaceTeam	Place Relay	Place Final
Galena	1	1	1	1
White Mountain	2	2	2	2
St. Michael	3	3	3	3
Teller	4	4	4	4
High School Girls				
Unalakleet	1	1	1	1
Nome	2	2	2	2
Nenana	3	3	3	3
Jr. High School Boys				
Galena	1	1	1	1
Unalakleet	2	2	2	2
White Mountain	3	3	3	3
Koyuk	4	4	4	4
Jr. High Girls				
Galena	1	1	1	1
Nome	2	2	3	2 (tie breaker)
White Mountain	2	3	2	3 (tie breaker)
Unalakleet	4	4	4	4

Nome Seniors named to the Alaska Basketball Coaches Associaton Senior All-Star Game

Nome Seniors Devynn Johnson and Dominique Hall have been named to the Alaska Basketball Coaches Association Senior All-Star Game. Games will take place in Anchorage and Wasilla on April 12-13. The Senior All-Star game was a fixture of Alaska Basketball in the 1980s, disappeared in the 1990s, and was re-instated beginning with the 2010-11 season. Past Nome basketball players that were selected to play in the Senior All-Star games include: Uly Hall (86-87), Tim Sullivan and Christian Leckband (10-11), and Nathan Blandford (11-12).

Dominique Hall is a four time Class 3A State Tournament participant. He has helped lead his teams to a combined 86-24 record over the last four years.

Senior year: He was the Nanooks leading scorer (16.6 ppg) and rebounder (8.4 rpg). He led the Nanooks to a win over Bonnie Lake (WA) with 25 points and 21 rebounds, setting a school record for total and offensive rebounds in a game. Hall recorded 10 “double-doubles” this season. He scored a career high 32 points vs Valdez in the championship game of the Valdez Elks Tournament. Hall then led the Nanooks to a 21-8 record and 4th place in the class 3A State Tournament. He was named 1st Team All-Western Conference and 2nd

Team All-State as a senior. Named to the All-Tournament teams in every tournament that he played in this season (Sitka, Monroe, Valdez, Nome, Western Conference, and Class 3A State Tournament.

Devynn Johnson averaged 14 points, 5 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 steals, and 2 blocks per game for the Lady Nanooks during her senior year. Devynn’s leadership on the floor was missed after a late season injury sidelined the 4 time team MVP. Her absence reiterated her importance to the team’s chemistry on both defense and offense. She helped lead the Nanooks to an 18-9 record. Congratulations to Lady Nanooks and Devynn Johnson for her selection to the AABC 2013 Senior All-Star Game.

SENIOR ALL-STAR GAME SCHEDULE

April 12 - Games at Grace Christian High School

Girls 5:30 p.m.
Boys 7:30 p.m.

April 13 - Games at Wasilla High School

Girls 6:00 p.m.
Boys 8:00 p.m.



Photo by Menanie Sagoonick

BRIGHT FUTURE ON A CLOUDY DAY — Young western Alaska skiers Mallory Conger (58) of Nome, Felicia Ione (66) of White Mountain, and Summer Sagoonick (64) of Unalakleet, chase Jesslyn West of Galena up the steep first hill in White Mountain at the 27th Annual Western Interior Ski and Biathlon Championships in White Mountain. Galena won the team competition while Nome, White Mountain and Unalakleet would take 2nd, 3rd, and 4th places.

WISA 2013 Individual Results

Name	Site	Race Time	Place
High School Boys			
Kaleb Kortá	Galena	0:25:09	1
Asa Bergamaschi	White Mt.	0:26:20	2
Isaac McElwee	Galena	0:28:34	3
Tim Schmidt	Nome	0:29:11	4
Dominic Richardson	St. Michaels	0:30:20	5
Joseph Apfelbeck	Galena	0:33:41	6
Aaron Bergamaschi	White Mt.	0:33:42	7
Ryan Topkok	Teller	0:37:15	8
John Washington	St. Michaels	0:38:57	9
Chester Topkok	Teller	0:41:43	10
High School Girls			
Alyeska Daniels	Unalakleet	0:28:15	1
Rosa Schmidt	Nome	0:30:46	2
Katie Daniels	Unalakleet	0:32:28	3
Carolyn Sam	Galena	0:32:45	4
Hannah Tozier	Nome	0:34:53	5
Jannelle Trowbridge	Nome	0:35:59	6
Rayna Buck-Nassuk	White Mt.	0:39:16	7
Alexis Hutson	Nome	0:47:57	8
Anika Mudge	Nenana	0:49:10	9
Patricia Alexia	Nenana	1:02:02	10
Jr. High Boys			
Sikulik Johnson	Unalakleet	0:11:29	1
Jacob Moos	Galena	0:12:26	2
Trenton Ambrose	Galena	0:13:51	3
Walter Lord	Galena	0:14:03	4
Joshua Prentice	White Mt.	0:14:45	5
Camden Bjorgen	Galena	0:15:39	6
Julius Ione	WMO	0:16:17	7
Aidan Ivanoff	Unalakleet	0:16:24	8
Jr. High Girls			
Jesslyn West	Galena	0:13:47	1
Sara Brown	Galena	0:14:16	2
Kiana Kortá	Galena	0:14:20	3
Felicia Ione	White Mt.	0:14:59	4
Summer Sagoonick	Unalakleet	0:15:28	5
Bianca Trowbridge	Nome	0:15:48	6
Mallory Conger	Nome	0:15:49	7
Julia Riddle	Galena	0:16:00	8
Jennifer Hanson	White Mt.	0:16:52	9
Kameron Reitan	Galena	0:18:19	10
Rhiannon Noyakuk	Nome	0:18:43	11
Shayna Warnke-Green	Nome	0:18:50	12
Karlee Katchatag	Unalakleet	0:19:21	13
Maya Kralik	Nome	0:20:04	14
Melody Bergamaschi	WMO/EXH	0:21:42	15
Julie Amaktoolik	Elim	0:22:21	16
Anna Peterson	Nome	0:23:08	17
Anjoli Agloinga	White Mt.	0:23:09	18
Jaiden Huntington	Galena	0:24:44	19
Yvette Barr-Apok	White Mt.	0:27:02	20

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Quitting smoking: Which therapy is most effective?

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

What would you do to stop a killer? Smoking is the number one cause of preventable premature death in the United States and a growing threat to rural Alaska where smoking rates remain over twice the national average.

Smoking cessation, literally never smoking again, is the only true prevention for many diseases. Of all the medication available to treat heart disease, hypertension, high cholesterol, emphysema, aortic aneurysm, acute myeloid leukemia, bladder cancer, pancreatic cancer, stomach cancer, stomach ulcers, and periodontal disease, no treatment is powerful enough to counteract the detrimental effects of smoking tobacco.

No one pretends that quitting tobacco use is easy. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has compared tobacco dependence to cocaine, amphetamine, or opiate addictions.

The addictive ingredient in tobacco is nicotine, a powerful stimulant that causes a different type of addiction by inducing a psychological as well as a physical dependence. Tobacco use increases a chemical in the brain normally associated with activities and relationships that are pleasant, healthy, and good. This association deceptively makes smoking feel beneficial when in reality it harms every organ in your body.

Successful treatment of tobacco use must address both sides of the addiction: physical dependence and psychological dependence. Some people are able to address both issues with a mere decision to quit. Others require a combination of supportive counseling, nicotine replacement, and medication that counteracts the craving for tobacco. Research suggests that successful cessation occurs in groups such as family members, friends, or co-workers who agree to quit together.

Nicotine replacement therapies (NRT) allay the physical symptoms of withdrawal and are available over-the-counter in the form of patches, gums, and lozenges. Many of the newer electronic cigarettes deliver a small dose of nicotine, though the FDA has questioned the safety of this form of NRT.

Two medications, bupropion (Zyban) and varenicline (Chantix) are approved by the FDA to block tobacco cravings. These medications are only available by prescription.

Studies sponsored by pharmaceutical companies show NRT can improve chances of stopping smoking by 50-70 percent, at least in the short term. However, real world experience shows that nicotine replacement or medication alone for smoking cessation only helps a few people in the long run. A large review published

in 2003 in the journal *Tobacco Control* showed that after six months only 7 percent of smokers who used a nicotine replacement therapy remained smoke-free, whereas 93 percent resumed smoking.

Interestingly, in studies that compare different NRT therapies 22 percent of people taking a placebo remain smoke free after six months, suggesting the mere decision to quit is a powerful step in smoking cessation.

This does not mean medical therapy for smoking cessation is unhelpful. Successful quitters, including those who use NRT or medication, just have one important component in common, namely a decision to quit. According to the CDC, if you ask a group of successful quitters what method they used to quit smoking, over 90 percent will say they quit "cold turkey" or slowly tapered their use without medication.

The point is worth repeating. No medication can replace the will of a

person motivated to stop using tobacco. Medical professionals know that successful smoking cessation always starts with a personal decision. No pill, patch, or therapy is as effective as a person simply making a decision to quit.

Once the decision is made, you have many resources available for information and trained guidance on available therapies.

Alaska's Tobacco Quit Line 1-800-QUIT-NOW (784-8669) is available from 4 a.m. - 11p.m. daily. Their website is www.alaskaquitline.com. The Norton Sound Regional Hospital CAMP department (907-443-3365) has a trained cessation counselor and information on NRT. The Nome Community Center Tobacco Cessation Coordinator (907-443-5259) is also available.

Patients should also discuss personal options for smoking cessation therapy with their doctor.

To a medical provider, it is heartbreaking to see the decision to quit postponed until a first heart attack, stroke, or suspicious lesion appears. Living in rural Alaska calls for a certain amount of toughness. It is difficult to watch tough people lose their

strength over the years due to a substance like tobacco. But the problem is entirely preventable with a firm

decision to quit. So when it comes to smoking cessation, don't just try. Decide.



Iditarod dog's death not deemed animal cruelty

By Diana Haecker

In response to the death of an Iditarod dog named Dorado from musher Paige Drobny's team, the animal rights group PETA sent out a letter to Nome prosecutor John Earthman, urging the DA to press cruelty to animals charges against "those whose negligence resulted in Dorado's death," a PETA letter reads.

The Nome District Attorney's of-

fice last week issued a press release saying that the DA won't press any charges. "While the Department of Law understands the reaction to Dorado's death and recognizes that people may have differing reactions to his death, "animal cruelty" does not apply to generally accepted dog mushing practices, nor does the law criminalize a tragic but accidental

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The house hasn't taken the lead on this issue, having already done so for the last two years. The senate passed a bill and now it will come to the house. The current version of the bill actually raises the base tax rate from 25 percent to 35 percent but it removes progressivity entirely, it gives oil companies a \$5 credit for every barrel of oil produced and a 20 percent "gross revenue exclusion" for oil produced in new fields and "new" oil from legacy fields [gross revenue exclusion is essentially a tax credit and "new" oil means oil that is above the amount in the current decline curve

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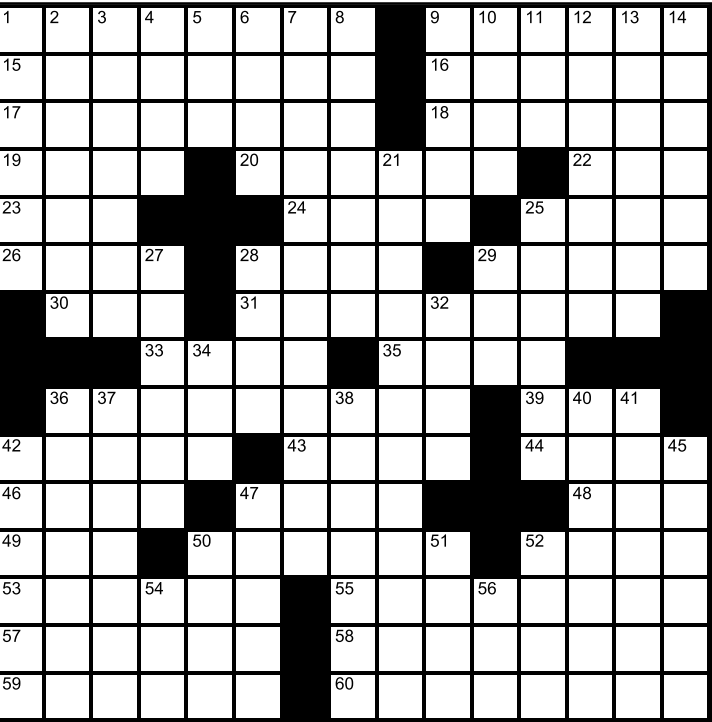
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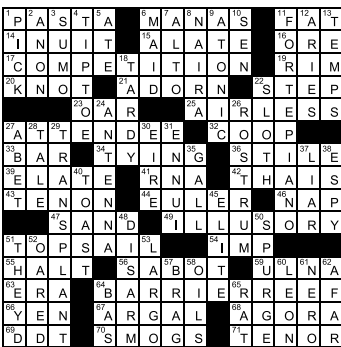
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- Carried luggage or supplies
- Chief Pontiac, e.g.
- Veto
- Blotto
- Potherb leaves
- Stifled, with "down"
- Deuce topper
- Cleared as profit
- "___ Maria"
- Afflict
- Appearance
- Beam
- Bottom of the barrel
- Princes, e.g.
- Produce
- Mr., in India
- Sleeping sickness transmitter (2 wds)
- Cut down
- Brewer's equipment
- Specializing physician
- Ring bearer, maybe
- Injured, in a way
- A chip, maybe
- Big bore
- Jewish month
- European language
- PC "brain" (acronym)
- "Dear" one
- City government heads

Down

- Bad way to go?
- Egg-producing organs
- Noisy partier
- "Iliad" city
- "To ___ is human ..."
- Archaeological site
- Charity dependent
- Preordain
- Ancient
- Contemptible one
- Actor Arnold
- Dress
- Having snout beetles
- Number next to a plus sign
- Male hormone
- Having natural talent
- Female sibling
- Antares, for one
- "Absolutely!"
- Fill
- ___ Zeppelin
- ___ Jones, of film fame
- Coming close
- To such an extent
- Precambrian time
- Comeback
- Baked buckwheat dishes
- Hit golf ball lightly toward hole on green
- Before the due date
- Breakfast, lunch or dinner
- Beach, basically
- Locale
- "Malcolm X" director
- ___ Squad, 1960s TV show

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It's the turtle that wins the race, not the hare. Remember, Capricorn? Slow down, else you will have to backtrack for mistakes. A compromise is reached at home.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Name-dropping at an event is ill advised, Aries. What you do is more important than who you know. A home improvement project hits a snag.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

The mystery at home thickens. You'll have to dig deep, and you'll have to do it fast. Cancer. A check of the finances reveals you're back in the black.

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

A friend hits rock bottom. Give them a guiding hand, but don't you dare rescue them, Libra. They made the mess. They should be the one to clean it up.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

Pride gets in the way of progress, and you must work hard to change that, Aquarius. A little known fact surfaces, igniting a slew of rumors. Keep your nose to the grindstone.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

To save green, you've got to go green. Get on the eco-friendly path, Taurus, and you will reap in more ways than one. A furry addition lightens the mood at home.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Party plans hit a snag. Relax, Leo. It will all work out in the end. The need for organization continues to elude a loved one. Be kind but direct.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

Get ready, Scorpio. Your moment in the spotlight is coming to an end. Bow out gracefully, and your star will continue to rise. The web of deceit builds at work.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Memory falters, and mistakes accrue. Don't play the blame game, Pisces. Accept what's happened and hunt for a resolution. Flowers bring cheer to a friend.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

A relationship hits the rocks. Take cover, Gemini. A broken promise turns out to be a blessing in disguise as travel plans begin to take shape.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Try, try and try again, Virgo. It may take several attempts, but eventually you will reach your goal. A news article points the way.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

The tide is turning at work. Time to bid adieu to the old and welcome the new. Go with the flow, Sagittarius, and you will land on your feet.

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Saying It Sincerely

By Fr. Ross Tozzi St. Joseph Catholic Church
Member of the Nome Ministerial Society
Choose Respect

Thank you to the Bering Sea Women’s Group for hosting the Choose Respect rally in Nome last Thursday to raise awareness in our community of the epidemic of domestic violence and sexual assault. The survivors of violence who spoke were both courageous and powerful witnesses. It was painful to hear their stories. It was also inspiring to hear how they have chosen respect and seek to help others in similar circumstances.

Violence against women, men or children inside or outside the home, is never justified. Violence, which takes many forms, —physical, sexual, psychological, or verbal—is sinful; often, it is a crime as well. Victims suffer not only from the one directly assaulting them but also from other community members who may blame them, who caution them to remain silent, who cover and make excuses for the abuser. All of us need to choose respect rather than silence.

Domestic violence is often shrouded in silence. People outside the family hesitate to interfere, even when they suspect abuse is occurring. Many times even extended family denies that abuse exists, out of loyalty to the abuser and in order to protect the image of the family. Some people still argue—mistakenly—that intervention by outside sources endangers the sanctity of the home. Yet abuse and assault are no less serious when they occur within a family. Even when domestic violence is reported, sometimes there are failures to protect victims adequately or to punish perpetrators. And this only makes it harder and harder for the victim to seek help.

Violence against another person in any form fails to treat that person as someone worthy of love. Instead, it treats the person as an object to be used. When violence occurs within a marriage, the abused spouse may question, “How do these violent acts relate to my promise to take my spouse for better or for worse?” The person being assaulted needs to know that acting to end the abuse does not violate the marriage promises. The choice to act in a positive and non-violent way shows great wisdom.

Violence has many forms, many causes, and many victims but a common theme in almost all cases of reported sexual assault is our community is alcohol or drugs. Alcohol and drugs are often associated with domestic violence, but they do not cause it. An abusive person who drinks or uses drugs has two distinct problems: substance abuse and violence. Both must be treated. A respectful choice is to seek help for both problems.

Untreated problems often get much worse. Children who grow up in violent homes are more likely to develop alcohol and drug addictions and to become abusers themselves. The stage is set for a cycle of violence that may continue from generation to generation. But bad cycles can be broken when we choose respect.

Religion can be either a resource or a roadblock for a battered person. As a resource, it encourages a person to resist mistreatment. As a roadblock, its misinterpretation can contribute to the victim’s self-blame and suffering and to the abuser’s rationalizations. A person might feel, “I can’t leave this relationship. The Bible says it would be wrong.” Abusive men often say, “The Bible says my wife should be submissive to me.” Those individuals take the biblical text and distort it to support their right to batter. It is a perversion of the truth to use the Bible to support abusive behavior in any form.

A correct reading of scripture leads people to an understanding of the equal dignity of men and women and to relationships based on mutuality and love. Beginning with Genesis, scripture teaches we are all created in God’s image. Jesus himself always respected the human dignity of each person he encountered. To paraphrase, the late John Paul II, “Christ’s way of acting, the Gospel of his words and deeds, is a consistent protest against whatever offends the dignity of the human person.”

• Iditarod dog

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the DA’s office considers the matter closed.

death,” the DA’s statement reads.

After having reviewed the issue,

The dog was found dead on March 15 in Unalakleet, where the

dropped animal awaited transport to Anchorage. The Iditarod Trail Com-

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Obituary

Glenn James “Beah” Katongan

Unalakleet resident, Mr. Glenn James “Beah” Katongan, 64, passed away on Saturday, March 23, 2013 surrounded by family at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage.

Funeral services were March 30 at the Unalakleet Covenant Church.

Beah was born with the Inupiat



Glenn James “Beah” Katongan

name Gunayugak on October 24, 1948 to Pete and Hannah Katongan in Unalakleet. When Beah was two-and-a-half years old he crawled and caught a sniper bird and held it so tight it died. His parents were so proud saying it showed he would one day become a good hunter, like his namesake Grandpa James “Gunayugak.” As he was growing up the family spent time camping at Spruce Creek in the spring and squirrel hunting in the mountains above Big Lake. His father taught him to hunt and at five years old he caught his first beaver. He graduated in 1969 from the Covenant High School and furthered his education in Lawrence, Kansas at the Haskell Institute from 1971 to 1973. Beah was a member and confirmed at the Unalakleet Covenant Church. Beah was a commercial fisherman, he worked for Atlantic Richfield Company, the

Unalakleet Police Department, BIA and Bering Strait School District where he retired in October 2010 after 38 years. He was chosen to represent the Unalakleet Elders at the AFN Elders and Youth Convention in 2012. He enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting and berry picking especially at Chirosky, Beason Creek, across the river and North River. He was a loyal supporter of Unalakleet basketball and he himself played as a Wolverine for Covenant High averaging 40 points per game. He loved outdoor gatherings, sharing stories and experiences with family, friends and students. He was always willing to chaperone students with any extracurricular activity such as the Dance Festival in Stebbins and State Volleyball.

The family wrote, “Dad was very proud of us children, and especially proud of delivering his youngest daughter and the arrival of his only son. He was also was a very proud Papa to nine grandchildren with the blessing of one on the way.”

Beah was preceded in death by his parents Pete and Hannah Katongan;

sisters Emma Ivanoff and the first Adeline J. Katongan; brothers Francis Katongan Sr., David Katongan Sr., Reginald Tungwenuk; granddaughter Erin Rita Fredericks; nieces and nephews Rita Johnson, Donna Koutchak, Paul Dennis Ivanoff, Francis Katongan Jr., David, Wesley and Dwayne Katongan. He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Lillian A. Katongan; children, Edith Janelle Katongan of Unalakleet, Hannah Katongan of Nome, Katherine Katongan of Bethel, Beatrice and Jeremy Sagoonick of Soldotna, Sarah Katongan of Anchorage and Pete Katongan of White Mountain; sister Adeline (Charles) Hopson of Point Barrow; sisters-in-law, Mabel and Mildred Katongan and Auntie Laura Paniptchuk; aunt Eliza Kotonagan; in-laws, Betty Nicholson, Bruce Tungwenuk, Thomas Tungwenuk Jr., and Karen Baxter.

Arrangements were cared for by the Anchorage Funeral Home. Please visit Glenn’s obituary and on-line guestbook at www.AlaskanFuneral.com

Mr. & Mrs. Jack and Tiny Carpenter were wed at the North Star Hotel in Nome, AK on April 6, 1963. Happy 50th Anniversary Mom and Dad! You are forever in our hearts.



Church Services Directory

- Bible Baptist Church**
443-2144
Sunday School: 10 a.m./Worship: 11 a.m.
- Community Baptist Church-SBC**
108 West 3rd Avenue • 443-5448 • Pastor Bruce Landry
Sunday Small Group Bible Study: 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
- Community United Methodist 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**
5th Avenue & Bering • 443-5295
Sunday: School 9:45 am/Worship 11 a.m.
Handicapped accessible ramp: North side
- River of Life Assembly of God**
405 W. Seppala • 443-5333 • Pastor Mike Christian Jr.
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Youth Meeting: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
(Ages: 6th grade thru 12th Grade)
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.
- St. Joseph Catholic Church**
Corner of Steadman & King Place • 443-5527
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Patients going to ANMC and want to see a catholic priest please call Fr. Brunet, OMI: cell 907-441-2106 or Holy Family Cathedral (907) 276-3455
- Seventh-Day Adventist**
Icy View • 443-5137
Saturday Sabbath School: 10 a.m.
Saturday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
- Nome Church of Nazarene**
3rd Avenue & Division Street • 443-2805
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Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m.

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NSSP CREWMEMBERS WANTED

Norton Sound Economic Development Corp./Norton Sound Seafood Products is seeking crew members to work on its tender vessels for in-region operations. The vessels transport salmon or crab from fishing grounds to the applicable processing plant (Unalakleet or Nome), and occasionally move freight between communities.

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- **Must be age 18 or older**
- **Must take direction well**
- **Must have high school diploma or GED**
- **Must be able to safely and competently work in extreme weather and sea conditions**
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- **Residents of NSEDC member communities preferred**



Applications available at www.nsedc.com.

Contact: Tiffany Martinson at tiffany@nsedc.com /888-650-2477



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

Available positions:

Community Health Aides needed in:

- Gambell
- White Mountain
- Golovin
- Savoonga

Purpose of Position:

Provide, at a level consistent with training/certification, acute, chronic, emergency and preventive care to village residents according to the CHA/P manual under the direct supervision of the NSHC medical staff and/or the standing orders authorized by medical staff.

Pay is \$17.38 + DOE

**For information please call
Human Resources at 443-4530 or email
recruiter@nshcorp.org.**

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

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Prepare for a career in the seafood industry

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) is sponsoring entry-level seafood processing training through the Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC) in Seward for Norton Sound residents. **NSEDC will pay tuition, employment documentation costs, transportation, food, and lodging expenses for selected applicants. Class size is limited to 10.**

Training dates: April 22 - May 1
Application deadline: April 9

Applications are available online at www.nsedc.com or by contacting Jerry Ivanoff. Completed applications should be returned to Ivanoff at the following address:

Jerry Ivanoff, NSEDC EET Director
PO Box 193
Unalakleet, AK 99684
tel. - (800) 385-3190
fax - (907) 624-3183

NSEDC DOES NOT GUARANTEE EMPLOYMENT FOR TRAINEES OR PLACE TRAINEES DIRECTLY INTO EMPLOYMENT. However, trainees who successfully complete the program will become certified seafood processors who are eligible for hire in onshore processing plants and on processor vessels. NSEDC works with its harvesting partners to obtain as many jobs for Norton Sound residents as possible. *During the training, Glacier Fish Company human resources personnel will be interviewing trainees for possible employment.*

www.nsedc.com

Employment

Kawerak Recruitment Notice as of April 1, 2013:
Nome Based Positions:
***EET – Vice President**
Payroll Specialist
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Stebbins
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Teller
Wales
ON CALL positions:
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Alt. Tribal Coordinator - Council, Solomon and KINC
Alt. Tribal Coordinator – Wales
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ple needed
*Recently Added
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 or by contacting Human Resources. Applications can be faxed to (907)443-4443 or sent via email to personnel@kawerak.org. Quyanna!
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Trooper Beat

On March 16, at approximately 1p.m., it was reported to the Alaska State Troopers that that Elim Water Plant STIHL brand chainsaw was stolen from their maintenance shop in Elim.
The chainsaw was fairly new with a 16" blade. The estimated cost to replace the chainsaw is \$300. If you have any information regarding this investigation, please call the Nome State Troopers at 1-800-443-2835.

On March 23, at about 3 p.m., Nome WAANT received information that a 19-year-old female would import alcohol to the local option community of Saint Michael. Nome WAANT contacted the female at a Nome based air carrier and subsequently seized one 750 ml bottle of distilled spirits. Charges are pending for Alcohol Importation.

On March 26, AST received a report of a probation violation in Gambell. Investigation determined that Darrell Apasingok, 31, was consuming alcohol in violation of his probation stemming from a felony assault conviction and his conditions of release from a recent assault. Apasingok has a third party custodian who was also consuming alcohol and failed to report that Apasingok was consuming alcohol. Della Campbell, 42, was arrested for Violation of Custodian's Duty. Both were transported to Nome where they were remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

On March 29, AST received a report of a probation violation in St. Michael. Investigation determined that Lily Tom, 30, of St. Michael was consuming alcohol in violation of her probation. Tom is on probation for an Assault 4 conviction. Tom was arrested and transported to Nome where she was remanded to AMCC.

On March 29, at about 2:15 p.m., Nome WAANT was contacted regarding a suspicious bag checked in by a 25-year-old female flying from Nome to the local option community of Stebbins. The female was contacted and twelve 750 ml bottles of distilled spirits were seized. Charges pending for Alcohol Importation.

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Legals

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME
CASE NO: 2NO-13-00097CI
ORDER FOR HEARING,
PUBLICATION AND POSTING
In the Matter of a Change of Name for
Elizabeth Chloe Steimel**

Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-13-00097CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Elizabeth Chloe Steimel to Elizabeth Chloe Steimel-Langley. A hearing on this request will be held on April 23, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.
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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME
CASE NO: 2NO-13-00053CI
ORDER FOR HEARING,
PUBLICATION AND POSTING
In the Matter of a Change of Name for
Maude Emily Panipchuk**

Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-13-00053CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Maude Emily Panipchuk to Maude Emily Moses. A hearing on this request will be held on April 26, 2013 at 11:30 a.m. at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.
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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
VICTOR WILLIAM GOLDSBERRY
Deceased. Case No. 2NO-13- 15 PR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given LieuDell Goldsberry has been appointed personal representative of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to LieuDell, c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762.
DATED this 1 day of April 2013.
H. Conner Thomas
Attorney for LieuDell Goldsberry
Personal Representative
P.O. Box 61,
Nome, AK 99762
4/4-11-18

Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT
Disclaimer: This is a record of activity. The issuance of citations or the act of arrest does not assign guilt to any identified party.

CORRECTION:
In last week's media release, we were in error for indicating the following: On March 19, 2013, NPD responded to a report of an assault on E 4th Avenue. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Robert Tokeinna, age 30 of Nome for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Tokeinna was taken to AMCC and remanded. There was no bail for this DV offense.

Mr. Tokeinna was not the arrested party and had no part in this event. The media release should have read:

On March 19, 2013, NPD responded to a report of an assault on E 4th Avenue. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Johnny Weyiouanna, age 40 of Nome for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Weyiouanna was taken to AMCC and remanded. There was no bail for this DV offense.

We apologize to Mr. Tokeinna for our mistake and encourage the public to promptly advise us of any errors in releases issued to the media. We will do our best to promptly correct the information.

MEDIA RELEASES 03-25-13 through 03-31-2013

On 3-25 at 1:31 p.m. NPD investigated a report of an assault. An eleven year old reported that his father had beaten him at home after he got in trouble at the school. This report was referred to the Office of Children Services. There was no indication of an assault.

On 03-26 at 1:24 a.m. Nome Police Officers responded to a residence on E 5th Ave for a 911 hang-up. Investigation revealed that there was a physical altercation in the residence but the victim would not make statements about the assault. Roland Lockwood, 22, was remanded to AMCC for VOCR and Probation Violation. Roland was held without bail.

On 03-28 at 2:11 a.m. NPD was dispatched to Bering Sea Apartments for a disturbance. Officers contacted Lenora Kulowiyi, 34, who was yelling and waking up the landlord and other tenants. Lenora was intoxicated, uncooperative, yelling, and swinging her fists. Lenora was placed under arrest for Disorderly Conduct and remanded to AMCC. Bail was set at \$250.00.

On 3-28 at 2:50 a.m. the Nome Police Department responded to a noise complaint on the west

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Nome Eskimo Community
P.O. Box 1090
Nome, Alaska 99762
Phone: 907.443.2246
Fax: 907.443.3539
www.necalaska.org



RECRUITMENT NOTICE

Nome Eskimo Community is recruiting for one (1) position located in **Nome, AK:**

ICWA Specialist position which is **non-exempt, regular, full-time.**
The pay range of **\$22.43/hour - \$25.24/hour (DOE).**
The application deadline for the recruitment period is
Friday, April 5, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. or until filled.

To ensure the safety of children who receive services, Nome Eskimo Community will complete a Criminal History Background Check on all applicants considered for the positions listed.

To be considered for employment, the report must be free of crimes involving sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor, unlawful exploitation of a minor indecent exposure, crimes of violence against persons, and must show that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony within the past ten years.

Native preference per Public Law 93-638

A full copy of the job descriptions and an employment application can be obtained from the Nome Eskimo Community Website www.necalaska.org or from the Nome Eskimo Community Office at 200 West 5th Avenue.

For any questions, please contact the Human Resources Manager, Emma Pate, at 907-443-9125 or by email to emmapate@gci.net.

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side of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Richard Titus, 37, for Violation of Conditions of Release. Titus was remanded at the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center with no bail amount set.

On 3-28 at 7:26 a.m. the Nome Volunteer Fire Department, Nome Ambulance Department and Nome Police Department responded to a person in distress on the ice off West Beach. Investigation indicates Henry Kakaruk, 25, of Nome decided to go for a walk out on the ice, became fatigued and could not return to town. Nome Volunteer Fire personnel picked up Kakaruk with an ATV and transported him to NPD, who then took him to a waiting ambulance for medical evaluation. No injuries were reported. Citizens are cautioned that it is prudent to know your physical limits and boundaries for cell phone coverage. It was fortunate Mr. Kakaruk was able to call a friend who notified public safety of his dilemma.

On 3-28 at 2:53 p.m. NPD Officers responded

to the report of an unidentified person kicking in a door at an apartment on 1st Ave. Further investigation revealed that John Erlich Jr, 28, had been the person that kicked in the door of the apartment and refused to leave the premises when asked by another tenant. John was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the 1st Degree and Criminal Mischief in the 2nd Degree and was held on \$750 bail.

On 3-28 at 3:15 p.m. NPD responded to the high school where a student was issued a citation for possession of tobacco. The student was released to their parent.

On 3-28 at 5:25 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to the report of Domestic Violence on the east side of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Charles Kowchee Jr., 22, of Nome for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). Kowchee was remanded to the Anvil Mountain Correctional Center with no bail amount set as this was a domestic violence offense.

On 3-30 at 12:40 a.m., Nome Police were dis-

patched to a Front Street Business on a report of a trespass. Officers arrived and made contact with Tia Katcheak, 26, who was refusing to leave the establishment. Katcheak was arrested for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree and remanded to AMCC. Bail was set at \$250.

On 3-30 at 2:27 a.m. Nome Police Officers went to a Front Street residence to conduct a welfare check. Investigations lead to the arrest of Dion Williams, 21 of Nome for Misconduct Involving Weapons in the Fourth Degree. Bail was set at \$500.

On 3-30 at 12:23 a.m. Nome Police Officers were dispatched to a Front Street business for a trespass call. Investigations lead to the arrest of George Minix, 53, of Nome for Assault in the Fourth Degree D.V. and Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree. There was no bail set for this domestic violence offense.

On 3-30 at 6:24 p.m., Nome Police Officers were informed Jennifer Russell, 32, was intoxicated and causing a disturbance. Investigation

revealed J. Russell was in violation of her probation by consuming alcohol; was intoxicated and in possession of a firearm; and had placed a family member in fear of being physical assaulted. Russell was remanded to AMCC without bail for Assault in the Fourth Degree, Misconduct Involving Weapons IV and Probation Violation. No bail was set as this was a domestic violence offense.

On 3-30 at 9:40 p.m. NPD responded to a residence on Front Street to a report of an individual who was drunk and refusing to leave. Gerald Ozenna, 40, of Nome was arrested for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree and taken to AMCC where he was remanded. Bail was set at \$250.

On 3-31 at 1:40 a.m. NPD received a report of a person violating conditions of release. Investigation resulted in the arrest of John Nattanguk, 40, of Nome for Violating Conditions of Release. As a result of this call, Nattanguk and Rachel Kiyutelluk, 35, were both issued summonses for Endangering the Welfare of a Child in the Second Degree. Nattanguk was remanded to AMCC with no bail set.

On March 31, at 2:16 a.m., Nome Police Officers were dispatched to a business on Bering Street for a reported criminal trespass of a residence. Investigation led to the arrest of Christopher Nassuk, 38 for Criminal Trespass I and

Failure to Register as a Sex Offender II. C. Nassuk was remanded to AMCC and bail was posted at \$1,000.

On March 31, at 3:18 a.m. Nome Police Officers were dispatched to a residence on W Third Ave for a reported domestic disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of Percy Downey for Assault III. P. Downey was remanded to AMCC and held there without bail as this was a Domestic Violence offense.

On 3-31 at 6:08 p.m., NPD responded to a residence on E Fourth Avenue to a report of a person who was refusing to leave the residence. Carl Topkok, 27 of Nome was arrested for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree and remanded to AMCC. Bail was set at \$500.

During this reported period, NPD responded to 13 Animal related complaints; 22 calls where the person was intoxicated and in need of assistance; and 15 cases where persons were intoxicated and causing a disturbance but where no arrests were made.

On the 122 calls for service logged through the communications center, 60 (49 percent) had some level of alcohol involvement with 100 percent of all arrests involving alcohol.

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mittee said in a press release that Unalakleet was experiencing high ground winds on March 14 which restricted commercial aviation. Scheduled flights were unable to land and over 130 dogs were awaiting flights out of Unalakleet. Volunteers and locals moved more than 100 dogs into an available hangar, but due to lack of space, 30 dogs stayed outside. A veterinarian checked on the dogs at about 3 a.m. on March 15 and the next check was at about 8:30 a.m. that day. Eight

dogs were found covered by snow but survived, but Dorado had died. The preliminary necropsy indicated that the cause of death to be asphyxiation. ITC officials say that further necropsy studies are conducted.

ITC board and officials decided to construct dog boxes at McGrath and Unalakleet and to arrange for more flights to move dogs out of checkpoints and the hubs such as McGrath and Unalakleet. They also decided to conduct even more frequent patrols of the dropped dog lots.

ICANS will not hold a meeting in April.

The next meeting will be Thursday May 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the XYZ Hall

Shareholder Notice

ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING

Saturday, April 20, 2013 - 1:00 p.m. at the Teller Community Hall or wherever designated by the Board of Directors of Teller Native Corporation and any adjournments thereof.

BUSINESS CONDUCTED WILL INCLUDE:

- *election of seven (7) directors
- * other shareholder business

For more information, write or call:

Teller Native Corporation
PO Box 649
Teller, AK 99778
Telephone: (907) 642-6132
Fax: (907) 642-6133

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CALL FOR SUBSTANTIAL NEW INFORMATION
State of Alaska

2013 Beaufort Sea, North Slope, and North Slope Foothills Areawide Oil & Gas Lease Sales

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas (DO&G), will offer all available state acreage in the Beaufort Sea Areawide, North Slope Areawide, and North Slope Foothills Areawide oil and gas lease sales areas, tentatively scheduled for Fall 2013.

DO&G requests substantial new information that has become available over the past year concerning these areas. Based on the information received, DO&G will either issue supplements to the findings or decisions of no substantial new information for these lease sales (AS 38.05.035(e)(6)(F)).

The most recent Beaufort Sea Areawide final best interest finding was issued in 2009. The most recent North Slope Areawide final best interest finding was issued in 2008. The most recent North Slope Foothills Areawide final best interest finding was issued in 2011. The latest supplement to the Beaufort Sea Areawide and the North Slope Areawide findings was issued July 14, 2011. The findings and supplements are located at:

dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Leasing/BestInterestFindings.htm

DO&G generally considers “substantial new” information to be published research, studies, or data directly relevant to the matters listed in AS 38.05.035(g) that have become publically available over the last year.

How to Submit Information to DO&G

Please refer to the Online Public Notice website located here: <http://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/> for more information and maps. Send substantial new information to:

Kathleen King
Natural Resource Specialist
550 W. 7th Ave., Suite 1100
Anchorage, AK 99501

or by e-mail: dog.bif@alaska.gov

Information must be received by 5:00 pm April 22, 2013

The DO&G complies with Title II of the American with Disabilities Act of 1990. On request, this announcement will be made in alternative communication formats.

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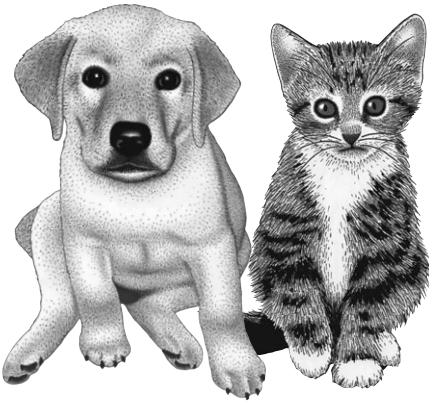


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Nome Eskimo Community
Vacant Tribal Council Seat

Nome Eskimo Community currently has one (1) vacant Tribal Council seat. The seat will expire in November 2013. Candidates must be a Tribal member of Nome Eskimo Community, live in Nome, be 21 years or older to serve.

Applications and a Letter of Intent
will be accepted until
Friday, April 5, 2013 @ 5:00 p.m.

Interested members may pick up an
application at the NEC office building at:
200 W. 5th Avenue.

If you have any questions, you may contact Brenna at
443-2246 or email nomeeskimo@gci.net.
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3/28, 4/4

Chief’s Notes

By Nome Police Chief John Papasodora

I hope that everyone is enjoying the warmer weather and the longer daylight hours. Though it has been a long winter, there are those among us that pray for ‘one more good snow fall’ or for the ice at the ice rink to last for a few more weeks. Alas, winter will come to an end and the ice and snow will be gone for a few months surrendering to the ides of summer.

Since Renee is gone for another week - though I can’t understand why she would rather be in Hawaii rather than enjoying this balmy spring weather – I have had a chance to again look over the week of activity. I added a few statistics towards the end of the Seawall to illustrate some of the activity in the community. These are very basic, but do show trends.

Last week, the Communications Center logged 122 calls for service. This means that each time there was an incident that required the dispatch of public safety personnel (fire, ambulance, or police) that a call for service was generated and a number assigned to that incident. Calls for service capture the general information about an incident, but not the specifics. It is from the calls for service log for the week that the media releases are constructed.

First in the list is the number of animal related complaints. Thirteen calls (including one eliciting a ‘rant’ on Nome Announce) were received by the Nome Police Department. Nearly all calls received these days, involve dogs. Our Community Services Officer/Animal Control Officer Jacob Weatherby responds to many of these calls; with others handled by the officer on duty. Unfortunately, many of the citizens who are contacted by the police or CSO Weatherby tend to point the finger at others with the common statement of, ‘I see everyone else’s (insert animal type) running around loose – why are you picking on me?’ The reality is that we respond to complaints received or take action when we see an animal running loose. There is no intent to single out any person.

It is the responsibility of every animal owner to take care of their animal properly and within com-

munity expectations; as expressed in the Nome Code of Ordinances. If your animal comes into our possession or we contact you in relation to an animal issue; it was because the animal was found in violation of the code and came to our attention through personal observation or from a citizen call.

The common refrain of, ‘why me?’ can be answered simply: It is impossible to be all places at all times. As in traffic enforcement, contacts are based on chance – being in the right (or wrong) place at the right (or wrong) time. Similarly, the question of, ‘Don’t you have better things to do?’ is a frequent refrain. The truth is that usually there are other matters to be dealt with, but at that point in time, there is nothing more important than professionally enforcing community standards.

However, it is equally as true that if nothing is being done to attract the attention of those who enforce the law, then the chances diminish exponentially when it comes to the possibility of contact with these same officials. The message – abide by the rules and there will be no reason for contact. We in public safety have innumerable tasks to complete and voluntary compliance with codes would eliminate the need for enforcement.

The second issue is the incidence of alcohol involvement in public safety calls. Nearly **50 percent** of **all** calls (includes everything from ambulance calls; requests for information; and to significantly violent events) involve alcohol; and **100 percent** of all cases resulting in arrest involve alcohol to some degree. Those numbers speak for themselves.

The facts are that few sober people make choices that result in police contact. As we have not received any reports that people are being forced to drink alcohol, I have to deduce that these folks are drinking voluntarily which leads to many negative behaviors. Those who choose to drink should do so responsibly and under full realization that they are accountable for their behavior whether intoxicated or sober.

Finally, the number of ‘drunk down’ calls is increasing at a steady rate. The unfortunate part is that of the 22 calls for service, the actual number of indi-

viduals involved is relatively small. There is a group of 12-15 individuals that are repeatedly involved in these calls. The police, ambulance, medical staff, corrections staff and public service agencies (NEST) expend significant resources managing these endangered individuals to insure that they are safe.

Over the years, public drunkenness has been a significant issue in Nome. The average cost to pick up one intoxicated person and hold them for 12-hours at a correctional facility to sober up includes the officer’s time; the cost of a medical evaluation to insure the person is not in medical danger; and the costs at the correctional center to monitor the person and provide care. In most instances, the cost for this care is nearly \$1,500 per incident. The Nome Emergency Shelter Team (NEST) has done a fantastic job of providing an alternative for housing and care, however the NEST is only open during the winter months. When the NEST closes for the season, public inebriates will be taken to AMCC if no other responsible and sober adult is willing to care for them.

Last calendar year (Jan 1, 2012 to Dec 31, 2012), NPD responded to 305 ‘Drunk Down’ calls. For the first three months of 2013 (Jan 1, 2013 to Apr 1, 2013), NPD has responded to 118, which is a **156 percent increase** over the number of calls received during the same period in 2012. It is anticipated that as summer approaches the number and frequency of these calls will increase and from the numbers projected this is a significant public safety concern.

From observed behavior, the tendency is to tolerate public inebriates on Front Street. From what I have been told, ‘there have always been drunks on Front Street.’ However the following questions are relevant: ‘Is this the standard that the community accepts for behavior’ and; ‘Is Front Street the kind of place where you want to take your family?’ If the answer to these questions is ‘no’, then you can help be part of the solution.

The solution will require the community to become engaged.

- If you see an intoxicated person coming out of a liquor store, then give us a call. The sale of alcohol

to intoxicated persons is unlawful. Vendors who sell to intoxicated persons endanger their liquor license.

- If you see a group of persons ‘passing a bottle around’, then give us a call. It is against the code of ordinances to have an open container in any public place. We can seize the alcohol and cite the offender.
- If you have a friend or relative who is getting intoxicated, intervene and get them away from the alcohol and somewhere safe where they can sober up.

Perhaps by reducing the amount of alcohol available, we can in some way reduce the level consumed. But it will take the conviction of the community and commitment to community values to do so. Since the police can’t be all places at all times; we need your help in dealing with issues that are of public concern.

Each citizen can take an active part in helping by immediately calling 443-5262 when they see something that is a public safety concern. They will be asked to give their name and contact information; the location of the event; a description of what is happening; and a description of the people that are engaged in the event. We will do everything we can to maintain confidentiality when reporting an event. Due to call volume, we may not be available to respond immediately, but will act on the information as soon as we can. Your help is critical in maintaining public safety.

For cases where folks want to remain anonymous while providing information about activity or about a crime that has occurred, please call the crime line at 443-8509. Please do not use this line for ongoing events or life threatening events as it is checked once or twice daily.

If you have an emergency or see someone who requires emergency help, call 9-1-1.

The Nome Public Safety Community is here to help. With the assistance of the community, we can all make Nome a safer and more secure place to live.

Court

Prior to 3/29 Civil

Kinneen, Simon – Petitioner, Kinneen, Jennifer L - Co-Petitioner; Dissolution with Children
Skains, Nathan’ C. – Petitioner, Forton, Erin M. - Co-Petitioner; Dissolution w/out Children

Small Claims

Cornerstone Credit Services, LLC v. Mike, Marian E.; Small Claims Less Than \$2500
Rural Credit Services v. Bell, John C.; Small Claims Less Than \$2500
Rural Credit Services v. Anowick, Clarissa; Small Claims Less Than \$2500

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Tim G. Brown (12/22/83); CTN 001: Attempted Misconduct Inv. Controlled Substance IV; Date of violation: 12/11/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Forfeit drugs, any drug paraphernalia to State; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 3/26/13); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess/consume controlled substance without RX, inc. marijuana.

State of Alaska v. Cheri Apangalook (3/14/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111034827; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Wagner Mokiyuk (4/25/94); 2NO-12-449CR CTN 001: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21; Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 6/30/12; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court within one year; Driver’s License or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with 6 months suspended; Community Work Service: Within 1 year, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation for one year (date of judgment: 3/22/13); Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant must enroll in and pay for the following juvenile alcohol safety action program: JASAP or Prime of Life (if available within 120 days of judgment in comm.. of residence); May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substance or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Wagner Mokiyuk (4/25/94); 2NO-12-478CR CTN 001: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21; Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 7/4/12; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court within one year; Driver’s License or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with 6 months suspended; Community Work Service: Within 1 year, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation for one year (date of judgment: 3/22/13); Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant must enroll in and pay for the following juvenile alcohol safety action program: or Prime of Life (if available within 120 days of judgment); May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substance or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Wagner Mokiyuk (4/25/94); 2NO-12-588CR Notice of Dismissal;

Charge 001: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under the Age of 21; Filed by the DAs Office 3/22/13.

State of Alaska v. Foster Olanna (10/1/65); Criminal Trespass 2°; 2 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 2 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC immediately; 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. Kevin Kavairlook (2/19/84); 2NO-12-794CR Assault 4°; DV; Date of violation: 10/23/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002; 90 days, 70 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 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: 3/22/13); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to PBT on officer request.

State of Alaska v. Kevin Kavairlook (2/19/84); 2NO-13-127CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violate Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 3/22/13.

State of Alaska v. Kevin Kavairlook (2/19/84); 2NO-13-216CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of violation: 3/17/13; 5 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant remanded immediately 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; Consecutive to 2NO-12-794CR.

State of Alaska v. Aaron Tom, Sr. (2/15/78); 2NO-11-810CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111498264; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 60 days.

State of Alaska v. Aaron Tom, Sr. (2/15/78); 2NO-12-926CR CTN 002: Assault 4°; Date of violation: 12/17/12; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001, 003; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 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 2 years (date of judgment: 3/21/13); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Aaron Tom, Sr. (2/15/78); 2NO-13-190CR CTN 001: Assault 4°; Date of violation: 3/12/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002, 003; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 3/21/13); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any viola-

tion of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Derek D. Angi (3/14/89); CTN 002: Assault 4°; Other: Criminal Trespass 2°; Remaining CTS Dismissed; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: CTN 001, 003, 004; 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. James “Jimmy” Dexter (5/8/96); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under 21; Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 11/3/12; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court within one year; Driver’s License or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 3 months; Community Work Service: Within 6 months, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 3/22/14; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substance or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Raymond J. Larsen (8/27/63); 2NO-12-243CR Notice of Dismissal – PTRP; PTR filed on 1/28/13; Filed by the DAs Office 3/22/13.

State of Alaska v. Raymond Larsen (8/27/63); 2NO-12-704CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113290146; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 85 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. Rosealee Quanlin (3/25/80); Harassment 2°; Date of violation: 10/27/12; 30 days, 25 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 5/31/13 for a remand hearing/Status Hearing at 1:30 p.m.; 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: 3/27/13); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of James Barefoot expect to discuss child’s needs/visitation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Richard Okinello (9/12/62); Harassment 2°; Date of violation: 12/20/12; 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: 3/27/13); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses.

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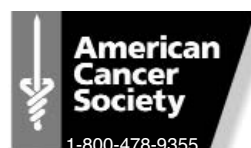
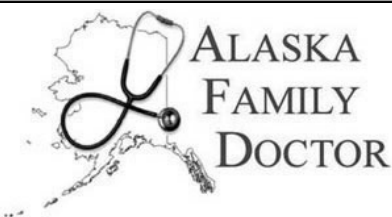
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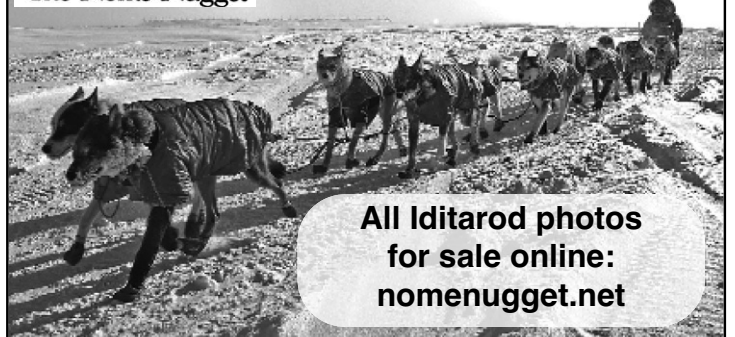
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Dance Schedule

Tuesday April 9	Wednesday April 10	Thursday April 11
Masters of Ceremony: Sterling Gologergen Marjorie Tahbone	Masters of Ceremony: Bernadette Alvanna-Stimpfle Marilyn Koezuna-Irelan	Masters of Ceremony: Roy Ashenfelter Mattox Metcalf
6:30 Welcome: Robert Keith	6:30 Welcome: Melanie Bahnke	6:30 Blessing: Mary David (Reindeer Stew Feast)
6:35 King Island Dancers	6:35 Darryl Tonemah	7:30 Welcome: Mary David
7:15 Alaska Pride w/Mao Tosi	7:00 Sivuqaq Dance Group	7:35 Qughsatkut Dancers
7:55 40th Anniversary DVD	7:40 40th Anniversary Awards <small>presented by: Melanie Bahnke & Robert Keith</small>	8:15 Sivuqaq Dance Group
8:30 Sivuqaq Dance Group	8:40 Iñjalit Dancers - Diomedé	8:55 Iñjalit Dancers - Diomedé
9:10 Qughsatkut Dancers	9:20 Closing remarks	9:35 King Island Dancers
9:50 Closing remarks		10:15 All dance groups 10:35 Closing remarks

Please keep your children near and quiet so friends can enjoy the entertainment.
*Donations will be accepted for the Nome Emergency Shelter Team (NEST) & Norton Sound Health Corporation's Make a Patient Smile Fund.

TUESDAY APRIL 9		
TIME	EVENT	
8:00am – 8:30am	Registration & Breakfast	
8:30am – 8:35am	Posting of Colors – Nome-Beltz JROTC Color Guard	
8:35am – 8:50am	Masters of Ceremony – Cheri McConnell/Kimberly Carter Opening Remarks – Robert Keith Welcome to Nome – Mayor Michels Conference Overview - Melanie Bahnke Opening Prayer	
8:50am – 9:00am	Head Start Students Performance	
9:00am – 9:45am	Keynote Speaker – Joan Naviyuk Kane Iññiñagnikun Apquisiuqtit - People who break trail for learning	
TIME	MAIN FLOOR	AEROBICS ROOM
9:45am – 10:30am	Rural Energy Solutions for Alaska	Photo Identification Nome Eskimo/Eskimo Heritage Program
10:30am – 10:45am	B R E A K	
10:45am – 11:50am	Arctic Policy/Inuit Circumpolar Council/Lt. Governor Treadwell	Photo Identification Nome Eskimo/Eskimo Heritage Program
11:50am - Noon	Equal Transportation Access Work Group – Prize Drawing	
Noon – 1:30pm	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN	
1:30pm – 2:15pm	Arctic Shipping, Ice Breakers and Drilling	Recycling in the Region
2:15pm - 3:00pm	Clandestine Methamphetamine Laboratory Awareness	State of Alaska Off-Shore Mining
3:00pm – 3:15pm	B R E A K	
3:15pm – 4:15pm	Cold Water Boating Injury Prevention	Shared Beringian Heritage Grant Assistance
4:15pm – 5:00pm	Institute of the North	Shared Beringian Heritage Grant Assistance
5:00pm – 6:30pm	DINNER ON YOUR OWN	

WEDNESDAY APRIL 10		
TIME	EVENT	
8:00am – 8:30am	Registration & Breakfast	
8:30am – 8:40am	Master of Ceremony – Marjorie Tahbone Conference Overview – Mary David Opening Prayer	
8:40am – 9:00am	Nome-Beltz Choir	
9:00am – 9:45am	Keynote Speaker – Darryl Tonemah	
TIME	MAIN FLOOR	AEROBICS ROOM
9:45am – 10:15am	Mao Tosi AK Pride Performance	
10:15am – 10:30am	BREAK	
10:30am – 11:30am	Housing/Dome Shelters	Research Needs for Managing Marine Subsistence Resources
11:30am – Noon	Rep. Neal Foster Address Senator Murkowski Address	
Noon – 1:30pm	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN (Elders – Please See Below)	
1:30pm – 2:15pm	Bering Strait Messenger Service	Community Conversation on Mental Wellness
2:15pm - 3:00pm	A Partnership in Innovation: TelAlaska and Quintillion Networks	Tank Demolition and New EPA SPCC Regulations
3:00pm – 3:15pm	BREAK	
3:15pm – 5:00pm	Round Tables – See Program for Topics	Native Language Planning for the Bering Strait Region
5:00pm – 6:30pm	DINNER ON YOUR OWN	
NOON – 3:00pm Transportation Provided – See Registration Desk		Elders Lunch & General Assembly Hosted by the Kawerak Elders Advisory Committee @ Old St. Joe’s

THURSDAY APRIL 11		
TIME	EVENT	
8:00am – 8:30am	Registration & Breakfast	
8:30am – 8:35am	Master of Ceremony – Mattox Metcalf	
8:35am – 8:40am	Conference Overview - Melanie Bahnke	
8:40am – 9:00am	Opening Prayer	
8:40am – 9:00am	Nome Preschool Students	
9:00am – 9:45am	Keynote Speaker – John Baker	
	MAIN FLOOR	AEROBICS ROOM
9:45am – 10:30am	Liitfik Center - Regional Wellness Center	“Tips for Effective Leadership”
10:30 am – 10:45 am	BREAK	
10:45am – 11:00am	Nome Native Youth Leadership Organization (NNYLO) Presentation	
11:00am - Noon	GCI –Regional Projects Updates	Elder & Youth Corner Sharing Youth Education Goals with Elder Input
Noon – 1:30pm	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN	
1:30pm – 2:45pm	Traditional Knowledge Exchange: Safety & Respect	Small Community Emergency Response Plan
2:45pm – 3:00pm	BREAK	
3:00pm – 4:00pm	Cultural Hands-on Skills Training - See Program for Details	Updates on Board of Fish, North Pacific Fisheries Management Council, Northern Bering Sea Regional Aquaculture Association, AYK SSI Research
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Cultural Hands-on Skills Training, continued	Community Action on Toxins
6:30pm – 7:30pm	REINDEER STEW AND ROLLS	

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