

ENDLESS SUMMER? - Norton Sound shows no signs of freezing up. Phoenix Marine's two mechanical dredges are still at work, on Sunday, Nov. 16.

Photo by Diana Haecker

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Council issues demands for \$2.2 million NJUS bailout

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Common Council approved conditions for extending a line of credit to Nome Joint Utility Systems to the tune of \$2.2 million at a special meeting Nov. 14.

NJUS is an enterprise of City of

The money will provide interim

grant and loan anticipation funds for financing utility projects. That means NJUS has money coming from grants and loans provided by state and federal agencies for utility projects. The rub is that, according to terms of the grants and loan packages, NJUS must hire contractors for the projects, pay for labor and sup-

plies, then apply to the approved grant and loan pot for reimburse-

NJUS must front the money and then collect. NJUS has dipped into operations money to pay project costs, but still has money owed to vendors that must be paid to get reimbursements.

There must be interim financing available in coffers to meet cash flow requirements. That interim financing has not been available for several reasons—reimbursement paperwork not timely filed, power generators using more fuel than expected, and, according to utility manager John K. Handeland, a shortage of revenues from sales of services and electrical power.

The utility recently raised water and sewer rates, but the charge for electricity has not been changed since 1995, 20 years ago.

Because NJUS had too little money rattling in the piggy bank to cover cash flow demands, it went for

bank line of credit. NJUS got caught in a bind when its usual bank, Wells Fargo, refused to extend a line of credit without collateral. NJUS still had a fuel loan from Wells Fargo with a balance of \$574,000, confirmed by Handeland, still owing and delayed by assigning operating cash flow to reimbursable vendor and contractor payments.

Additionally, bank staff knew the issue of NJUS needing a rate in-

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Photo by Peggy Fagerstrom

NOVEMBER FINDS- Warm weather allowed beach combers like Theresa Muktoyuk to find more treasures on Nome's beaches.

Nome Gold Alaska to begin blasting near Nome airport

By Diana Haecker

Last week, the Alaska Dept. of Transportation sent out a press release announcing daily closure of the Nome International Airport from 6 a.m. until 7 a.m. due to blasting activities on adjacent Nome Gold Alaska Corp. land. The closures are scheduled from Nov. 15 until June 1,

"We haven't done a lot of local announcements because we still don't have the final official document of approval," said Nome Gold Alaska general manager Randy Powelson on Monday. The company is waiting on final approval from the Federal Aviation Administration. The company has secured approval of their drilling and blasting program from the federal Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Administration, the Army Corps of Engineers and the Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation, according to a Nome Gold Alaska Corp. press release. Powelson told the Nome Nugget in a phone conversation that he expects the FAA's approval to come soon. Blasting will begin either the end of this week or beginning of the week of

The company asked the agencies

for permission to set off explosions seven days a week, but currently only has permits to do so five days a week, Monday through Friday. The blasting location is north of the main runway and west of the North-South runway, according to a map sent by Nome Gold to the Nome Nugget.

Timing for explosions between 6 a.m. and 7 a.m. was coordinated with flight services and the aviation department at DOT to minimize impact to air travel.

Typically, the Nome airport does not have scheduled air traffic this early in the morning, DOT Aviation Manager Jeremy Worrall said. He said just to be on the safe side, the airport closure is in effect during the set times. Worrall said that after the blasting operations are finished, an airport crew will conduct a Foreign Object Debris inspection of the runways to ensure the airport is safe for aircraft operations.

Worrall said in case of a medivac or other aircraft emergency that may occur during the closure times, that the airport, FAA Flight Service Station and Nome Gold will be in close contact to suspend any blasting to minimize potential impacts to

The blasting operations will allow continued placer mining activities throughout the winter. Once the blasts break up the frozen overburden and soil, the paydirt will be loaded on trucks and transported to the company's wash plant. Powelson said the Nome Police Department and the fire department were informed of their plans.

Nome Volunteer Fire Department Chief Jim West Jr. confirmed that the fire department was made aware of the blasting. "We knew that something was coming down the pike because they brought in 20 containers of ammonium nitrate on the last barge," West said. West met with Powelson and was given the "rundown" of the operation.

The Local Emergency Planning Committee was not informed. LEPC chairman Tom Vaden said mining operations, even those that include explosive work, don't have to inform local emergency planners about their

However, if anything goes wrong and emergency service responders are needed. Vaden said, it would be good to know what kind of situation

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BSSD Board puts Superintendent on administrative leave

By Diana Haecker

For undisclosed reasons, the Bering Strait School Board put BSSD Superintendent Brett Agenbroad on administrative leave until his contract expires in June 2015. The decision was made during last

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week's BSSD board meeting, board president Aurora Johnson said. Johnson declined to comment on the reasons and circumstances that led to the board's decision. "All I can say is that he's on administrative leave until his contract is over by the end of June 2015," she said. There are no investigations pending. It appears that philosophical differences may have been the reason for cutting Agenbroad's time at BSSD short.

Dr. Bobby Bolen was named as interim Superintendent. Bolen has been in the region for several years as the principal of the Hogarth Kingeekuk Sr. Memorial School in Savoonga and was most recently the principal of the Anthony A. Andrews school in St. Michael. Dr. Bolen was also the coordinator for federal programs and professional development

for the Bering Strait School District in Unalakleet from 2008 to 2011. Before moving to Alaska, he worked as an administrative dean and teacher in Florida. He holds an Ed D and M Ed in Educational Leadership from the University of Central Florida. Dr. Bolen completed his superintendent endorsement at the University of Alaska in May 2013. Bolen was one of the three final candidates who applied for the Nome School District superintendent's job

Brett Agenbroad came to BSSD from the Sierra Vista School District in Arizona in July 2013. 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.



ON LEAVE — Brett Agenbroad was put on administrative leave.

Letters –

It has been three agonizing months since the passing our son Waylon Z. Okpealuk. The thing is, he was taken from us deliberately. We knew him, and you didn't. He was taught not to be suicidal, every time we hear of one, we would talk to him and tell him it is not the way out. We would tell him not to do that to himself. We could pull together and work it out. We know he never would do that to himself. He promised his mom he never would go out like that.

Losing our son is very personal. Something happened that fateful night August 13, 2014; we already know. To enlighten you, he was [attacked] by a jealous ex-boyfriend in his own room. One, who barged into our home, went straight to his room and assaulted him. After his mom settled it down, we asked him to leave but he didn't. He sat in his room crying, so we left him alone. We were too nice we should have reported the assault. Now look where our son is, gone from us forever. Our mistake was we didn't report the as-This jealous ex-boyfriend could not have done it himself, he

had help, it took more than two to take out our son (illegible) shot to the chest near the heart.

Even troopers' theories we're not accepting, it was not suicide I tell you it was homicide. Did you know if the long arm of the law don't get you KARMA will. It already started with that. We cannot help but hope for the worst for you and everything will be fruitless in the end. One mother said, "I'm glad your son is dead." Now that really brought attention to us that you, your spouse and family know something. What kind of person are you to say that? Another mother acts up at the mention of our son's name. And still another mother jumps to conclusion at the mention of our son's name. To us those are signs guilt of knowing something about Waylon Zachary Okpealuk, our son, our good son who never meant harm to anyone not even himself. How blind can you be? We know our son, he would never suicide, ... he loved life and lived it to the fullest, helping others. Of course we can't ask you to do the right thing, being that you are cold, cold hearted.

Since our son's passing we are

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Editorial

address and phone number. Thank you notes and

political endorsements are considered ads.

PAC It In

We need to send 'em packing. The election is over and thankfully we are spared from the political attack ads. The ugly boogieman, pants-on-fire and too darn repetitive television ads are over. What's even scarier is that they seem to have worked. Look what happened. Now that the election is over we have to get rid of this means of political horsepucky.

Problem of the Political Action Committees, better known as PACs, needs to be taken to the Supreme Court by independent citizens. We can't rely on our Congress to outlaw the practice of big money buying into campaign advertising. Too many of our senators and congressmen have benefited from PACs' powerful money. PACs wallow in big bucks and they can sway political influence merely because they can and they are legal.

The poison PACs put into politics has fueled divisive government. Why is our Congress known as the "No" Congress? We don't need divisiveness in government; we need to be freed from the claws of PACs. We need a Supreme Court decision to control political spending that allows the super wealthy to skew the votes. We know that big money talks and it screams over the voice of reason and the little guys. Let's turn down its volume and outlaw the PACs. — N.L.M.—

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blessed to know he did not die in vain. He's come to his mother in her dream with the biggest brightest smile and told her "I'm home now, mom." That got her up to deal with his death better. His sister-in-law told us her dream was he was telling his brother he can hear now. He had ear surgery and was hard of hearing. A little boy came up to us and asked if we were Waylon's parents, we said yes. He told us his brother was in a hard situation and said Waylon came to him and told him not to take it too hard, all dressed in white. Another told us she had dreams of those who suicide were all in black, with our son was different, all good, all in all with Jesus in heaven. With this we know he did not die in vain and is now with the good Lord in Heaven and God has blessed him.

Even there, he is still trying to help just as he did when he was alive. If you asked him to even take a nature hike he would take up on it.

Our son, he did not have to compete, he was just outgoing, talented and athletic. We have to wonder, who are you boys going to complete against and be jealous of? We pity you boy, you boys succeeded in taking our precious son. But guess what? Our son already won. You want to know why? Our son is with God. How do we know this? He was innocent, kind, considerate, helpful and pure at heart. Never wish no harm or bad things to happen to others. All those who knew him greatly appreciate meeting up with him and enjoyed his company and will be by all that knew who he really was. A loving caring person, we love you Waylon Zachary, we thank the good Lord for giving you to us and know we too must give him to the good Lord for he is in good hands.

Thank you, Allan and Sally Okpealuk P.O. Box 85081 Brevig Mission, AK 99785 643-1156 or 643-1332/1184 mes-

Dear Nancy.

My name is Reggie Barr. I am the

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Sound Off

Arctic Circle By U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski

As Alaskans and the rest of America emerge from their election bunkers and turn on their televisions again, we are faced with another pressing issue of lasting importance: making the Arctic a national and international priority in a manner that benefits those who live in the far north. Five months from now, in April 2015, the United States will assume the chair of the Arctic Council, the intergovernmental forum among the eight nations with territory inside the Arctic Circle and that includes active participation of the Arctic indigenous groups, with 'observer nations' that range from Italy to South Korea. Having the Chair through 2017 means that the United States will have the opportunity to focus the world's attention on our priorities for the

As evidenced by the 1,400 plus participants at the recent 2014 Arctic Circle Assembly in Reykjavik, Iceland, it is clear that the Arctic conversation has gained momentum. Not only did the U.S. Special Representative for the Arctic, Admiral Papp, and I attend and speak, but so did the Chancellor of Germany and a senior Minister from Singapore. While many around the world are making the Arctic a priority, I left Reykjavik concerned that there is limited recognition by the international community of the needs of those who live in the Arctic.

For many non-Arctic residents, the Arctic is a pristine, untouched environment that, like a snow globe on a shelf, must not be disturbed. It may come to news to some, but the Arctic is home to approximately four million people, and humans have been living, hunting, and working in the Arctic for thousands of years - since before the term "Arctic" was even coined to describe the region - harvesting the natural resources of the region and developing the land. A focus on climate change and its impact on the Arctic is certainly warranted, but it cannot be our sole focus, and it should not prevent those who live in the Arctic from developing the resources that are available within their region in order to create a better standard of living.

As I noted in my remarks to the conference, as similar as the people of the Arctic are, there are really two different Arctics with different sets of needs. There is the Nordic Arctic of Norway, Sweden, Finland and Iceland where the infrastructure is developed, multiple transportation options exist, and reliable telecommunications and internet access is commonplace. Then there is the Arctic in Alaska, Canada, Greenland, and parts Russia that still struggle to access clean drinking water, affordable energy, and essential services. In those areas, expansion of existing and new economic development remains the highest priority in order to provide hope for the sustainability of our communities, to retain the best and the brightest in our remote villages, and to help counter the high suicide and domestic abuse rates we experience

When the United States takes over as chair of the Arctic Council, I am hopeful that our agenda will include support for the newly established Arctic Economic Council (AEC) that seeks to bring businesses together with Arctic communities to promote economic investment and benefit those who live in the Arctic. Helping raise awareness of the AEC within the United States, perhaps through interactions with chambers of commerce across the country, will help increase our collective knowledge and interest - and investment – in the Arctic as a nation.

Next year we will be in the driver's seat on policies, both nationally and internationally, that impact the Arctic. Let's recognize the benefits as well as the challenges that come from being an Arctic nation and remember our responsibility to those who live in the region. After all, access to clean drinking water should not be too much to ask for in the 21st century.

Alaskans are by nature (and temperament) pioneering types, drawn to opportunity and adventure. Let's not let the rest of the world rush to the Arctic

	Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)											
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21	Fr	306am	+1.2	436pm	+1.1	954am	+0.3	940pm	+0.7			
22	Sa	330am	+1.2	520pm	+1.2	1030am	+0.2	1017pm	+0.7			
23	Su	354am	+1.3	603pm	+1.2	1109am	+0.1	1057pm	+0.8			
24	Mo	425am	+1.3	649pm	+1.2	1152am	0.0	1142pm	+0.8			
25	Tu	505am	+1.4	737pm	+1.3	1238pm	-0.1	_				
26	We	556am	+1.4	826pm	+1.3	1232am	+0.8	128pm	-0.1			
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Daily variations in sea level due to local meteorological conditions cannot be predicted and may significantly effect the observed tides in this area. All times are listed in Local Standard Time. All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

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Strait action

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NOAA's releases state-wide Alaska Oil Spill Risk Analy-

On Tuesday, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration released an Alaska Oil Spill Risk Analysis, which is a screening tool for fuel spill response planning. It identifies locations and species at risk so that local, state and federal planners can assess risks and consider restoration actions that may be required or in the event of a fuel spill.

In the Alaska Oil Spill Risk Analysis, NOAA developed a picture of fuel spill risk using past vessel and facility spill data, spill planning scenarios and impacts to habitat and wildlife. The analysis examines the full spectrum of fuel spill scenarios—from the high probability-low consequence incident involving less than one barrel of oil, to the low probability-high consequence incident that a major spill would present. NOAA's Alaska Oil Spill Risk Analysis model assesses and considers the following: Current and future out to the year 2025, 14 geographic zones, based on current Contingency Planning Regions for the state; three habitat types: shoreline, seafloor, and sea ice; 36 species, including marine mammals, birds, fish, and invertebrates; various types of oil: crude oils, heavy oils, light oils, and distillates and seasonal differences.

Jeanne Hanson, the Assistant Regional Administrator for NOAA Fisheries Alaska Regional Office of Habitat Conservation explains. "Working with a variety of experts on oil spill impacts, NOAA developed this risk analysis to ensure that we and our partners act strategically and effectively to respond to oil spills, to assess damage to natural resources, and to plan for the restoration of damaged resources." NOAA's first ever state-wide Alaska Oil Spill Risk Analysis can be accessed at www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/oilspill/risk.htm

Coalition challenges U.S. Fish and Wildlife rule

Last week, a coalition of conservation organizations filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, challenging a rule that permits oil companies, to harm Pacific walruses during oil drilling beginning as early as next year in key walrus feeding areas.

The lawsuit asserts that due to climate change-induced decrease of sea ice, Chukchi Sea walruses are at peril. Walruses depend on the ice for resting, raising their young, feeding and avoiding predators. As a result of this melting, the walruses have been forced ashore in recent years. Just a few weeks ago, 35,000 walruses hauled out on the Alaskan Arctic coast.

The Fish and Wildlife Service adopted regulations that allow for "the incidental take of walruses in connection with oil and gas activities." The agency also acknowledged that walruses could be affected adversely in large numbers in crucial habitat areas like the Hanna Shoal. Shell Oil intends to drill as early as 2015

Oil operations have the potential to chase walruses away from foodrich foraging areas, trigger stampedes and harm the animals with deafeningly loud seismic blasts. The conservation groups maintain that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife rule puts the mammals in harm's way by allowing oil company operations in key walrus foraging areas in the Chukchi Sea. Earthjustice, on behalf of Alaska Wilderness League, the Center for Biological Diversity, Greenpeace, Resisting Environmental Destruction on Indigenous Lands, Sierra Club and the Natural Resources Defense Council are plaintiffs in the lawsuit.

"The Fish and Wildlife Service needs to do a much better job of protecting walrus mothers and calves struggling to survive in the dramatically changing Chukchi Sea," said Earthjustice Attorney Erik Grafe. "The challenge seeks to protect walruses from suffering potential serious harm and harassment at the hands of companies like Shell Oil, which crashed and burned during its Arctic Ocean drilling efforts in 2012. Walruses are already under tremendous stress from climate change - their sea ice home is literally melting away. Without adequate analysis, the challenged rules would add to walruses' woes by allowing drilling and risking oil spills in the areas most important for food and resting. What's more, drilling would accelerate the climate change already causing so much trouble for walruses.'

New study found Alaskan Polar Bear population dropped

A study published in the journal Ecological Applications found that Arctic warming has driven a 40-percent decline in the number of polar bears in eastern Alaska and western Canada. The Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population has dropped to 900 bears, a severe decline since the last estimate in 2006 that documented more than 1,500 bears. The Southern Beaufort Sea polar bears live in eastern Alaska and western Canada and are one of only two polar bear populations in the United States.

Polar bears suffered low survival between 2004 and 2006, when unfavorable ice conditions limited the polar bears' access to ice seals. Polar bear cubs were hit especially hard; only two of the 80 cubs observed in Alaska between 2003 and 2007 are known to have survived.

The Southern Beaufort Sea population appears to have stabilized between 2008 and 2010, possibly due to unusual oceanographic conditions, less competition, or because some polar bears stayed on land during the summer, feeding on subsistencehunted bowhead whale carcasses. But the study's authors cautioned that given projections for continued climate warming these changes are unlikely to counterbalance the extensive habitat degradation projected to occur over the long term.

In 2008 the United States protected polar bears as threatened under the Endangered Species Act.

stamp legislation passes house

Legislation to address the price of federal duck stamps - a permit required to hunt migratory waterfowl passed the House of Representatives with an amendment included by Alaskan Congressman Don Young to exempt Alaskan subsistence hunters from being required to purchase the annual permit. The bill passed the House by voice vote. It would increase the price of a federal duck stamp from \$15 to \$25.

Congressman Young's amendment applies to Alaskan subsistence hunters residing in rural areas. It would effectively reverse a 2001 policy decision by the Department of Interior Regional Solicitor that requires all subsistence duck hunters to purchase federal duck stamps.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, November 20

Cancelled Until 12/4 Prematernal Home 11:45a.m. - 1:15 p.m. 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. *Lunch Laps Weekly Women's Circle *PM Lap Swim Pool 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m *Open Gym *Wiffleball (grades 3-6) 5:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. 3:15 p.m. - 4:14 p.m. Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center (grades 5-8)
*League Basketball 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. 5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center *Strength Training Nome Rec Center 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. *Vinyasa Yoga Nome Rec Center * Zumba Fitness *Nome Food Bank Nome Rec Center Bering & Seppala *Open Bowling Nome Rec Center 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. *Thrift Shop Methodist Church

Friday, November 21

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*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m 7:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7:00 a.m 10:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m Noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Noon - 8:00 p.m.
*AM Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m 7:30 a.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m 10:00 p.m.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m 10:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m 6:15 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 22

Noon - 8:00 p.m. Nome Rec Center *Open Gym *Open Bowling 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. Nome Rec Center *AA Meeting Airport Pizza (upstairs) 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 23

*Open Gym *AA Meeting 2:00 - 10:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Nome Rec Center Airport Pizza (upstairs) *Open Swim Pool 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. *Family Swim Pool *PM Laps Pool 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m

Monday, November 24

*Pick-up Basketball Nome Rec Center 5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. - noon *Open Gym *AM Lap Swim Nome Rec Center Pool Nome Rec Center *Kindergym Noon - 3:00 p.m. 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Nome Rec Center *Floor Hockey (grades 3-6) Nome Rec Center (grades 5-8) Nome Rec Center 5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. *League Basketball Nome Rec Center *Zumba Fitness *Tae Kwon Do Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center **7:00 p.m.** 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. *Nome Common Council City Hall *AA Meeting Lutheran Church(rear)

Tuesday, November 25

Cancelled Until 12/4 11:45a.m. - 1:15 p.m. 5:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. *Lunch Laps *Open Gym *Volleyball (grades 3-8) Nome Rec Center *League Basketball
*Strength Training
*PM Laps
*Vinyasa Yoga
*Zumba Step
*Nome Food Bank
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Wednesday, November 26

*Pick-up Basketball Nome Rec Center 5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. *Open Gym *AM Lap S Nome Rec Center Cancelled Until 12/4 10:00 a.m. - noon Noon - 3:00 p.m. Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center *Kindergym *Open Gym 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. 5:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. *Team Handball (grades 3-6) Nome Rec Center Nome Rec Center *Open Gym Nome Rec Center 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. *Nome Food Bank Bering & Seppala Nome Rec Center *Zumba Fitnes Cancelled for Holiday *Family Swim

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Nome Rec Center

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m

XYZ Center: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (M-F)



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John Wick 4:00 p.m.



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NJUS bailout

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crease that was eroding balances, he said Monday.

"I've done as much as I humanly could do, every day of the week, and there are things I was not able to do," Handeland said. "I've just been stretched too thin in the process."

The City was willing to cover the temporary bailout, but as the bank, the Council wanted to see some books, some collateral and security for the \$2.2 million line of credit. The money it is making available to NJUS on a loan basis comes from the City's self-insurance and Public Employees Retirement System backup savings account.

The NJUS Board of Directors is slated to meet Nov. 18 and vote on a resolution accepting the disbursement and security agreements with City of Nome underlying the line of

The Council and the City's Diretor of Finances Julie Liew wants the NJUS books to open for review with keystrokes from Liew's computer.

The City also wants dibs on money due back from grant agencies as guaranteed payback for the \$2.2 million.

Handeland agreed the books should be open. He said that Liew would have access from her computer within a week—it would just take some adjustment in technology.

However, Handeland made clear that there needs to be a spirit of cooperation. "I need to feel that we are working together in this process. The NJUS employees need to feel that we are working in a cooperative manner," Handeland said.

Tuesday, he noted that the Council had asked for books to be fully accessible to Liew three weeks ago, but that had not happened.

Councilman Jerald Brown said he could approve the line of credit, but with rules:

The \$2.2 million was to be used only for paying positions that would get grant reimbursement. Second, the reimbursements from the agencies are to go directly back to City of Nome. Third, NJUS would retain a rate consultant who would directly report to the City. Fourth, the city finance director, currently Julie Liew, would have full access to the NJUS accounting and grant system records.

Handeland agreed.

Liew said she had concerns about NJUS accounting. She wasn't 100 percent comfortable but, on the positive side, the situation could be improved.

The \$2.2 million do not address the pay off costs and debt costs down the road, she said. The City needs to look at how changes could be implemented internally and procedure-"I am comfortable if the money goes our way [City], not NJUS," she said.

Bumping up utility rates is included in a package of agreements put to NJUS by the City of Nome incuding hiring a rate consultant. Handeland has maintained the intention throughout the crisis to have a rate

consultant on the job by Dec. 1

Good idea, Brown agreed. "Looks to me that the current state of NJUS and its accounting and finances are a mess. I'm really nervous about that, but that needs to be addressed. I think a rate consultant is a step in the right direction," he said. "I want the rate consultant to report directly to the City, not just NJUS. I want him to report directly to the Council without any appearance of interference not that this is going to happen – but without leaving any appearance of influence by NJUS.

Handeland replied that he did not know whether the rate consultant could be influenced by NJUS. The utility has to input number of kwh use anticipated, the number of customers and so forth. Then the report would go to the NJUS Board of Directors, who would advise the NJUS administration and the Council.

Brown wanted the report to also go directly to the Council.

In the security, pledge and disbursement agreement between the utility and City of Nome, NJUS is putting up as collateral reimbursements due from Alaska Energy Authority wind farm construction, \$863,392; state Dept. of Environmental Conservation, federal USDA Rural Utility Service, a total of \$3,591,807 in grants; plus \$1,608,000 in loans for water and sewer projects: a security package worth about \$6 million.

Additionally, NJUS pledged all revenue received from water, sewer and electrical services. NJUS agreed to perform all tasks related to getting reimbursement from the agencies and to allow City of Nome oversee management of the collateral. Additionally NJUS must give City of Nome prior notification of any proposed disposition of the collateral. NJUS must consult a financial advisor by the end of the year and implement all suggestions received or offer explanation as to why not.

In the agreement the City nailed down payments from the line of credit for documentation and timeli-

Advances will be made directly from the City to Wells Fargo for fuel loan payments to avoid late fees, and to vendors, consultants and contractors upon invoices. NJUS will provide supporting documentation that the vendors and contractors' invoices will be reimbursed by DEC or USDA.

NJUS will make requests for advances from the line of credit directly to the city manager, currently Josie Bahnke, for approval.

NJUS must provide verification to the City that each check has cleared Wells Fargo

Councilman Randy Pomeranz wanted to know the immediate status of the utility's finances with receipt of the \$2.2 million. Finances would still be thin, Handeland replied. "We have decreased sales. more costs, burned more fuel than we expected, lagging behind in water and sewer projects and more depreciation issues. Since 1995 rates have stayed the same. Over time, fuel prices and wages have gone up and this was not addressed in rates," he said. "We pared back on personnel. We need to determine how to address operational issues and how to spread the work load."

The vote on the line of credit went 4 to 1; yesses from Councilmen Pomeranz, Andersen, Green and Brown; a no vote from Councilman Culley. Councilman Tom Sparks did not attend.

"I voted no because there are too many unanswered questions," Culley said Monday. "When this funding was first asked of the City, there was no mention of the need for the fuel bill. After time, that surfaced. What else don't we know about?"

At a prior work session, a report from Handeland on NJUS finances dated Oct. 29 did mention that extensions had been sought on making fuel payments to the bank, but did not name the amount owed.

He has confirmed the figure at \$574,000.



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Middle Beach could become Ada Blackjack Park

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Nome Planning Commission continues to work on turning Middle Beach into a multi-use family park with an amphitheater, picnic area, sports courts and play equipment.

During a work session Nov. 11, the panel discussed how to keep Nome's small but active chronic drunk population from turning the park into a booze-fueled flophouse, profanity auditorium and *pissoir*.

The consensus was that designs must deal with the issue of drunks in the park, so that the community can enjoy the use of the facility.

Middle Beach lies off River Street west of the Mini Convention Center and the sewer and water treatment facility

Commissioner Sara Lizak suggested a proactive solution—to check into organizing a day shelter for inebriates who are also homeless.

Other commissioners and members of the public stated: Let's just enforce the laws or make stiffer laws on public intoxication.

On a positive note, Nome-promoter and history buff Leonard Boardway proposed that the park honor Ada Blackjack as Ada Blackjack Golden Beaches Park. Commissioners put the idea on the list of proposed names, but thought that the name could be shortened to Ada Blackjack Park.

Ada Blackjack? "Ada Blackjack is a true story of survival," Boardway explained. As a young woman, she signed on to cook for a group of explorers who crossed the Chukchi Sea in 1921 to the uninhabited Wrangel Island in northern Siberia to plant the Canadian flag and claim it for Canada.

Blackjack, 23, took the assignment to meet medical expenses for

her son who had tuberculosis.

The men, three Americans and one Canadian, met their demise, but Ada Blackjack survived alone except for the expedition cat "Vic." In the wilderness she used subsistence skills and her wits until the crew of the *Donaldson* brought her back to Nome in August 1923. Blackjack, an Inupiat, grew up in Spring Creek and Solomon but moved to Nome. Allan Crawford, a Canadian, led the expedition that was financed and backed by Vilhjalmur Stefansson, arctic explorer.

"If you don't show your history, you lose your history," Boardway said, speaking for his naming proposal. Much of the information about Blackjack comes from the 2003 book, Ada Blackjack: A True Story of Survival in The Arctic by Jennifer Niven.

In other action, the commission reviewed and tossed a proposed draft nonconforming use ordinance back to the administration. The ordinance deals with a zoning issue, in which land use prior to the 2008 zoning code would be "grandfathered in."

The ordinance came out of the city attorney's office and said that a preexisting use had to be a commercial use with the proprietor having possessed a business license for the activity and paid City sales tax prior to 2008.

"Nah. Foul, Ixnay, Tilt!, " cried the commissioners. The City cannot apply requirements retroactively, they said. It cannot pass a law in 2014 to be in effect in the past.

There is no requirement that a use be commercial and licensed from 2008 until 2014 when zoning went into law, Lizak pointed out.

"Essentially, as is, the ordinance is going to punish citizens for not following a law that was not a law in the past," she said.

"It's goofily written, at best," Commissioner John Odden added.

The ordinance, sought by Nome Councilmen Stan Andersen and Tom Sparks, harkens back to a recent case in which a disputed bid for mechanical work for the City was awarded to Rolland Trowbridge, Trinity Sails Repair, who had leased a property that Sparks and Andersen noted had not been in use as an auto repair shop for the prior 24 months, and therefore such use fell under "sunset" according to the 2008 zoning code. Trowbridge was able to present evidence that the property had been borrowed and used for vehicle repair, although it was not open for commercial business.

In other business, the commission discussed an informal request by Dan Walsh to rezone the area where Big Jim's auto repair stands at 300 East K Street from Residential to General Use. The commission may not "spot zone" a specific property, but could alter a larger piece of the zone. City Planner Eileen Bechtol advised the panel that there are other properties adjacent that "probably should have been zoned General Use."

Such action would remove the two-year business sunset clause from the property that was in commercial use. The 2008 Zoning Code makes the property residential. The property has always been in commercial use, Walsh said in an e-mail to the NPC.

When he built it 30 years ago, there were no residences around it—just swamp and tundra.

Changing the zoning according to law, requires a public hearing and notification of all owners of property in the area to be rezoned, as well as an application, fee and fee agree-

Commission Chairman Larry Pederson suggested that the surrounding property owners be polled to see if there was strong opposition before the Commission went through all the formal procedures for naught.

"If the majority are against it or there is something we haven't looked at, we don't have to go through the whole process," he said.

Finally, the Commission asked Bechtol to draft an ordinance for its consideration that would require more substantial survey monuments.

Rebar markers are easily destroyed, Building Inspector Greg Smith said, and that puts property into limbo at a significant cost to the property owner for a fresh survey.

The Nome Planning Commission will have its next regular meeting on Dec. 9.

Nome man found dead in his home

By Diana Haecker

In the early morning at 6:45 a.m on November 13, Nome Police responded to a report of an unresponsive person inside a residence on the west side of Nome.

The responding police officer looked through an outside window and saw that the person in medical distress. The person, Wesley Register, was not responding to all attempts to make contact.

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According to NPD Chief John Papasodora, Register was alone inside a locked apartment and the door had to be forcibly opened. Police found Register dead.

Wesley Register's body was transported to the Medical examiner's office in Anchorage for an autopsy to determine cause and manner of death. NPD suspects no foul play and completed its investigation. Next of kin were notified.





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Board returns from conference with school priorities

By Kristine McRae

Fresh from the 2014 Alaska Association of School Board's annual conference, members of the Nome Board of Education reported "information and inspiration" as their takeaway from this year's gathering. "The conference fills our heads," said board member Jennifer Reader. "We are reenergized to come back and keep moving forward. It's frustrating that the legislature doesn't want to fund schools, but with the new information we will be better equipped to meet those challenges."

One of the challenges the board undertook at last week's meeting was

to review the district's list of legislative priorities. Most of the 20 items on the list are statements put forth by the AASB and are applicable to districts statewide, but Nome's first three priorities are for Capital Improvement Projects. The district hopes to be reimbursed by the state for the new LED lighting installation and a new gym floor, as well as to be approved for monies to upgrade the electrical equipment, which brings electricity from the city-maintained poles into the school. The current system is 37 years old, and will cost an estimated \$650,000 to replace.

Board president Betsy Brennan



VACCINATIONS - Amy Gusty and Brian Volk comfort their two-year old son Maximus as vaccinator Amber Ryan administers the influenza vaccine. Children are encouraged to bring in their favorite stuffed animal and together they will be vaccinated. During the clinics, the influenza shot or nasal mist is offered. NSHC offers free influenza vaccine clinics at the NSHC Pharmacy on Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. through November 26, 2014.

asked that the list include an opposition to the joint resolution that would introduce a voucher system for education in Alaska. The implication is that families could use their education dollars at institutions other than public schools. "Last year we wrote a resolution against it. We have a lot at stake as a public school system," Brennan said. "Plus, using public money for private schools will take monies away from our public schools." The board added the resolution then looked at another measure, which would direct student learning data to account for 50 percent of teacher evaluation scores. The Nome School Board thinks this percentage is too high, and they are recommending a percentage of no more than 20 for evaluative marks.

As the board discussed Nome's potential for legislative funding, Superintendent Steve Gast acknowledged that funding was far from guaranteed, especially to rural districts. "It's frustrating," Gast said. "They suggested the rural schools do innovative things [to compete for funding], and we are doing innovative things. We have a five-star charter school, we have a five-star extension school, we've got an elementary school that's moved up to a 4-star school, we've got distance learning. We've got all these different things. Those are innovative. And they say it's not enough." Gast reported that other rural districts he's talked with are feeling the same frustration of not being "innovative" enough to secure adequate funding. At the end of the evening the board was ready to approve the resolutions, which included a couple of changes and additions. They were also eager to approve the recent audit report, but Betsy Brennan noticed a word change in the final version that would significantly change the meaning of the intended sentiment. After changes are made, the board will again review the audit for ap-

Nome-Beltz principal Harlan Heinrich reported a busy October, which included his attendance at the Alaska Association of Secondary School Principals Conference. "The theme was 'Telling Our Stories'," Heinrich said. "And they had excellent keynote speakers." Heinrich also shared that a number of Beltz students are struggling academically. "It's the end of the quarter," he explained, "and I am meeting with the teachers to see what we can do to enable students to be more successful." Heinrich said the school is working toward after school tutoring for senior high students in addition to the tutoring offered through Nome Eskimo Community for junior high students from 4:10-5:00. Mr. Heinrich was pleased to announce the student of the month for the junior high was Ayomide Ayowole-Obi. Cross was chosen for the high school. In his report, student repre-Oliver Hoogendorn sentative brought the board up to speed on recent sporting events and student clubs. He also told the board that, in lieu of a parade for Veteran's Day this year, the JROTC retired the flag at Nome-Beltz.

In his update, Nome Elementary Principal Paul Clark reported that the reading intervention classes were going well. An instructor from SRA, the publishing company that prints both the Corrective Reading (used in the fifth and sixth grade classes) and Reading Mastery (which is designed for kindergarten through fourth graders), recently visited Nome to assist teachers in using the programs. Board members elected to reschedule their annual board retreat from November 14 and 15 to December 5 and 6 because of scheduling conflicts. Joseph Reeves with the Alaska Association of School Boards will travel to Nome to facilitate a two-day encounter at which the board will conduct an internal evaluation and talk about their goals and priorities for the coming year.

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EDUCATION



Photo by Josie Bourdon

BECOMING LEADERS — Nome-Beltz students Kelsie Crisci, left, and Julie Jackson, right, work to complete an assigned task at the 2014 Youth Leadership Institute in Anchorage.

Two Nome students attend Youth Leader-ship Institute

By Josie Bourdon

Nome-Beltz students Julie Jackson and Kelsie Crisci recently attended the Youth Leadership Institute (YLI) in Anchorage. YLI was held in conjunction with the Association of Alaska School Board's (AASB) annual conference November 6-9. Over 70 students participated in this annual event, which was sponsored by the AASB.

Julie and Kelsie attended workshops that fostered team-building and communication. They learned and practiced leadership skills while interacting with peers from across the state of Alaska.

The attendees had the opportunity to hear many inspirational speeches. Loren Anderson, from the Alaska Native Heritage Center, spoke about cultural awareness and goal setting. Liz Medicine Crow and her colleagues from First Alaskans Institute lead a discussion about the social, economic and educational challenges of youth and how to positively address the is-

sues

Julie and Kelsie, along with their peers, had several opportunities to meet with statewide school board members to discuss educational matters. They met in roundtable format to voice school and community issues such as grades, sports, bullying, school climate, activities for youth (or lack thereof), among others. YLI participants presented skits depicting lessons learned during the institute at banquet. The skits were well received by the AASB attendees.

Sunday was the final morning of the institute. The youth were charged to transform what they learned into an action plan for each of their respective schools. Julie and Kelsie thought cyber bullying needed to be addressed. They thought a poster-making session with NBHS students would be one way to address the issue. Ample time to reflect and say their goodbyes to friends culminated the fourday event.

NEA helps Food Bank

Courtesy of Lisa Leeper

Every school year provides students and teachers a chance to start fresh and try something new.

Members of the Nome Education Association decided that one of our new goals for the year would be to connect and collaborate more with organizations and groups within the community.

With Thanksgiving right around the corner, Nome EA wanted to thank the Food Bank for all the work it does to provide food to families in need.

On Saturday, November 1, ten volunteers came to help get the Food Bank in order. For three hours, NPS employees swept and mopped the floor, wiped down the shelves, and organized the items in the pantry.

They even had time to get into the back rooms to unpack some of the donations that had not yet been put on shelves

Prior to the Food Bank event, they participated in the NPS Community Engagement Night.

They were also at the Health Fair teaching visitors how healthy habits, like a good night's sleep, leads to successful students at school.

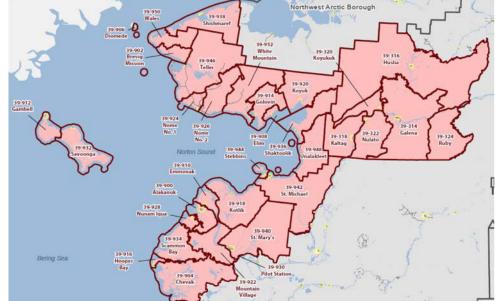
Nome EA hopes to progress with its involvement in many of the amazing organizations that make Nome a wonderful place to live, and that NPS staff will continue to be active and engaged members of the community.



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PERFECT ATTENDANCE— Last week, Nome Elementary School student Alayah Kunnuk got a high five from her teacher Ms. Shreve. In all, 73 NES students were recognized for perfect attendance: Kendra Ahvaluk, Aidan Alvanna, Angel Ambrose, Kaylynn Ambrose, Sherilyn Anderson, Dawnelle Andrews, Alicyn Bahnke, Audrey Bahnke, Sarah Bahnke, Daniel Buffas, Bristol Burress, Hanalori Callahan, David Contreras, Danika Craft, Brandon Dickson Penetac, Jayda Dickson-Tucker, Morgan Eggart, Mercedes Ellison, Trenten Ellison, Son Erickson, Young Erickson, Jayden Goldsberry, Samantha Gologergen, Tiana Gologergen-Brown, Hailey Goodwin, Colton Gorn, Taylor Gorn, Lizzy Hahn, Asa Hukill, Kara Johanson, Owen Johanson, Kaitlyn Johnson, Lyndsay Johnson, Talan Johnson, Ayla Kavairlook, Addison Knudsen, Aiden Knudsen, Reese Knudsen, Cheryl Kokuluk, John Kokuluk Jr., Alyssa Kristiansen, Alayah Kunnuk, Hayden Leeper, Aralye Lie, Nercyn Lie, Rueben Lockwood, Kyle Martin, Duke McGuffey, Della Medlin, Harmony Michael, Holly Michael, Ethan Moore, Erica Nattanguk, Hattie Nattanguk, Kurt Nattanguk, Couier Nichols, Jocelyn Nichols-Takak, Shirley Noyakuk, Laraine Olanna, Mason Omiak, Kailey Ongtowasruk, Kael Osborne, Brandon Rose, Keri-Ann Russell and Julia Sinnok.

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Nome, Barrow tie for 7th at state volleyball tourney

By Keith Conger

The Nome-Beltz girls volleyball season came to a conclusion last weekend at the 3A state championships in Anchorage. Nanooks had qualified for the tournament as the number two team from the Western Conference. They drew Homer, the number one team from the Southcentral Conference, on Thursday as their first opponent. The Nanooks fell to Homer 25-10, 25-11, 25-12.

Nome was eliminated from the tournament on Friday by Grace Christian, the second ranked team from the Southcentral conference. Nome lost to Grace in straight sets 25-8, 25-11, 25-5.

Barrow, the number one team from the Western Conference, met up with Valdez, the number two team from the Aurora Conference in the first round, losing three sets to one. They lost to Nikiski, the number three team from the Southcentral Conference, by the same Barrow's second loss dropped them into a tie for seventh place with Nome.

The standings were filled out with Grace Christian in third place, Nikiski in fourth, Valdez in fifth, and Homer in sixth.

Three Nanooks received individual honors. Kailey Witrosky was voted Player of the Game for Nome in its match against Homer. Rene Merchant received that distinction for the Grace Christian match. Jane Tidwell and Kim Clark were recognized as members of the tournament's Good Sport

Coach Lucas Frost said that he was pleased at how well the girls came together this year as a team. "This is one of the nicest crews I've ever had," said Frost after the tournament. One of the most positive points in the season, said Frost, is that the team set a record as the first Nanooks volleyball team to qualify for the state tournament for three consecutive years.

With the tournament complete, Frost's thoughts started to look toward next season. He, and assistant coach Bill Magness will have three starting seniors to replace. Two of the players, Alyssa Bushey and Tidwell played as middle hitters. The biggest transition, however, for the Nanooks might be replacing Rene Merchant at the setter position.



Photo by Rochelle Bushey

HAND SHAKE LINE - The Nome-Beltz volleyball team concluded its season last weekend with a third consecutive trip to the state tournament. The Nanooks congratulate the girls from Grace Christian at the net after their match at the new Alaska Airlines Center.

Volleyballers from Bering Straits Region help Mt. Edgecumbe win state title

by Keith Conger

Five girls from Nome and another from Golovin helped their Mount Edgecumbe High School Braves volleyball team win the 3A state volleyball title this past weekend. The championship matches were held at the Alaska Airlines Center on the campus of the University of Alaska – Anchorage.

Senior Kathy Holly of Nome was one of the main contributors for the Braves during the season. According to the Mount Edgecumbe website, she ranked first on the team in assists with 332, first on the team in service aces with 71, and second on the team in kill shots with 154.

Senior Renatta Olson of Golovin led the team in defense for

the year with 253 digs. She was fourth on the team in service percentage, making over 93% of her serves

Other girls from Nome playing for the 2014 Mount Edgecumbe squad were senior Caitlyn Luce, junior Tori Thomas, and freshman Kerry Ahmasuk. Kevynn Ann Cox, also from Nome, served as the team man-

According to the ASAA website, the Braves beat the team from Nikiski in straight sets in their opening match of the state tournament. They followed that up with a four set victory over Valdez. The Braves advanced to the championship match by beating Monroe Catholic 3 - 1.

Since the state tournament has a true double elimination format, Monroe was able to work its way back up through the loser bracket to play Mount Edgecumbe in the championship match. Monroe edged Mount Edgecumbe 3 -2, thus setting up a winner-take-all set to 30 points. The Braves were able to secure first place by beating Monroe 33 - 31. According to an article by Alaska Dispatch

News, the championship match had 42 tied scores and 28 lead changes.

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JROTC retires flags and honors vets

By Jannelle Trowbridge

On November 11, the Nome-Beltz H.S. Army JROTC conducted it's annual Veterans Day and Flag Retirement Ceremony. They held formation at the high school flagpole and rendered honors to the U.S. and Alaska flags.

After hearing several patriotic speeches, they ceremoniously retired and destroyed the U.S. and Alaska flags from the Nome community which had outlived their usefulness.

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Hunter Bellamy, battalion commander, spoke about the flag and what it represents. He described how the white colors symbolize purity, the red symbolizes sacrifice and honor, and blue is unity. He also spoke to the importance of properly retiring worn out

Lieutenant Colonel Bob Blake told everyone that the first things that come to most people's minds when they think of our country is those serving in uniform and the U.S. flag. It is very fitting to remember the U.S. flag as well as the Veterans of all services on this holi-

Servicemen and women wear the flag on the upper right sleeve of their uniform with the union and the stars to the front like a flag being carried on a staff into battle with the white and red stripes flowing behind.

There were about 45 cadets in the JROTC who participated in the ceremony. Every year, the JROTC conducts a flag retirement ceremony to meet the Army Cadet Command requirements for service learning.



Photo by Jannelle Trowbridge

Nanook Battalion Cadets wait to retire flags that have outlived their use-



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Nome Wrestlers take 3rd in Chugiak

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wrestlers win their respective third

place matches. Joe Cross worked his

way through the consolation

matches with three straight falls in

the 160 pound classification. He

added a fourth fall by beating Riley Martin of Grace Christian in his final

match. Oliver Hoogendorn won three matches, one by pin, in the 182

pound class prior to beating Palmer's Austin Farris in a 4-2 decision in

place in the 195 pound division, los-

ing a 9 - 5 decision to Chase Minnick of Wasilla High School.

Nolan's brother James was unable to

wrestle in the Bob Bailey Tourna-

ment after sustaining a cut chin the

competed in the varsity meet at the

138 pound classification. Compet-

ing in the junior varsity division

were Sam Cross and Orlin Gologer-

gen, wrestling in the 132 pound and

The Nanooks' varsity team will complete next weekend in Palmer.

126 pound classes respectively.

Nome-Beltz wrestler Jason Gilder

Nome's Nolan Horner took fourth

his third place match.

day before the event.

by Keith Conger

The Nome-Beltz wresting team posted a third place finish out of 13 teams at the Bob Bailey Wrestling Tournament on Saturday at Chugiak High School. The Nanooks trailed only 4A teams from South Anchorage High School and Wasilla High School in the meet standings. Nome was the lone 3A team in the top 9. They were able to outscore 4A high school squads from East Anchorage, Chugiak, Bartlett, Service, Palmer, and Eagle River. The wrestlers from 3A Barrow rounded out the top 10.

Coach Dudley Homelvig explained his team did not wrestle their best in the two duel meets against Eagle River and Chugiak earlier in the weekend. In those contests Emery Booshu, and Nolan Horner each beat their opponents. Leif Erikson beat the Chugiak wrestler in a fall, and went unopposed against Eagle River. Joe Cross was able to pin his opponent from Eagle River.

In the head-to-head matches against Chugiak and Eagle River, Nome was only able to send one person from each weight class to score points. According to Homelvig, since the Nanooks do not have wrestlers at each classification, they were at a distinct disadvantage. Nome lost to Chugiak 43 – 30, and to Eagle River 60 – 18.

"The team wrestled really well on Saturday, however," said Homelvig. Nome had a more level playing field in the Bob Bailey tournament format; two wresters per team could participate in each weight class. The Nanooks took advantage of this by entering Gabe Smith as their second wrestler in the 145 pound classification. According to the website Trackwrestling.com, Smith helped his team by winning three matches and scoring 11 points. He made it to the third place match, where he lost by an 8 - 6 decision against Logan Nerland of South Anchorage. Without Smith's points, the Nanooks might have taken sixth.

The Nanooks number one wrestler at the 145 pound weight class was Emery Booshu. Booshu met up with 2014 4A state champ Rami Pellumbi of South Anchorage in the championship match, winning a 3 – 1 decision. Booshu was voted the meet's Outstanding Wrestler.

Nome's Leif Erikson took first place in the 138 pound division, eeking out a narrow 4 - 3 decision over Noah Ottum of South Anchorage in the championship match. Two of Erikson's four match victories were

Volleyball

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The championship is the third in four years for Mount Edgecumbe. The Braves have placed either first or second in each of the last five years.

Mount Edgecumbe High School is a member of the Southeast Volleyball Conference, which has one berth for the state tournament. The Braves qualified for the spot by beating both their neighbors - the Sitka Wolves and the Petersburg Vikings. Mount Edgecumbe entered the state tournament with an 17 -0 record in match play. Four of their victories came over 4A schools Juneau-Douglas and Thunder Mountain.

The state tournament is coordinated by the ASAA, the Alaska School Activities Association. The 3A tournament is designed for schools that have populations between 150 and 500 students.

The Alaska Airlines Center, which lies adjacent to the Providence Medical Center had its grand opening on September 5th, 2014. It is a multi-purpose arena that seats 5000.

Paul Johnson Memorial 450 sled dog race a go Last week the Norton Sound Sled and payouts going to 12th place.

Dog Club in Unalakleet announced that the biennial Paul Johnson Memorial/Norton Sound 450 sled dog race will begin February 11, 2015. The entry fee will be \$250 and is due by January 30, 2015. The purse has been announced at \$30,000, with the winning team taking home \$7,500

The race has become an attractive option for mushers planning to run the Iditarod. Not only is it an official Iditarod qualifier, but also offers the drivers a first hand look at the often very difficult coastal portion of the famous trail. Teams that never train in the wind or have not driven up

Front Street to the finish line gain valuable experience.

The race application, race rules and more information is available at http://nortonsound450.com. Contact can also be made at the Norton Sound Sled Dog club's Facebook



Photo by Jeff Erickson

RACING SEASON - A team runs past a cabin along the trail. The Paul Johnson Memorial 450 runs from Unalakleet to Kaltag, back to Unalakleet and on up the coast to the finish line in Nome.

Do you want health insurance paid for you?

Find out about the new Tribally Sponsored Health Insurance Program



What is Tribally Sponsored Health Insurance?

Tribes and Tribal health organizations may now pay for health insurance for Alaska Native and American Indian people who qualify. The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC) is offering Tribally Sponsored Health Insurance in Alaska on a limited trial basis.

Will Tribally Sponsored Health Insurance cost me anything?

No. ANTHC pays the insurance premium cost. Alaska Native and American Indian people also do not have to provide any co-payments or deductibles when you are seen or referred by Tribal health facilities.

Why should I have Tribally Sponsored Health Insurance?

Health insurance can help make more services available for you and all Alaska Native and American Indian people. Health insurance can also help you receive medical care when you are traveling or away from Tribal health facilities.

How do I qualify?

You and your family can get Tribally Sponsored Health Insurance if you:

• Are eligible for Alaska Native Health Services

- · Meet the income guidelines in the chart below,
- · Are not covered by or eligible for Medicare, Medicaid (Denali Care), Denali KidCare, Veterans Health, or health insurance through an employer.

Income chart for 2015 coverage:

In 2015, for	income is above	and below this
family of:	this amount	amount.
1 person	\$14,580 a year	\$43,740 a year
2 people	\$19,660 a year	\$58,980 a year
3 people	\$24,740 a year	\$74,220 a year
4 people	\$29,820 a year	\$89,460 a year
5 people	\$34,900 a year	\$104,700 a year
6 people	\$39,980 a year	\$119,940 a year
7 people	\$45,060 a year	\$135,180 a year
8 people	\$50,140 a year	\$150,420 a year

How and when do I sign up?

Contact Norton Sound Health Corporation's Patient Benefits Team Leader, Brenda Adams at (907) 443-6408 or <u>bradams@nshcorp.org</u> to see if you are eligible and to receive help with enrollment.

Does this affect my current Alaska Native Health benefits?

No. You still get receive services at Indian Health Service and Tribal hospitals and health clinics throughout Alaska and the United States. We want you to keep using our hospitals and health clinics wherever and whenever possible!

Where can I get more Information?

Contact Norton Sound Health Corporation's Patient Benefits Team Leader, Brenda Adams at (907) 443-6408 or <u>bradams@nshcorp.org</u>. You can also contact the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium at (907) 729-7777 or (855) 882-6842, sponsorship@anthc.org or www.anthc.org/aca.





YWCA Women of Achievement announced: Includes two from region

The 2014 Women of Achievement Event's theme: Honoring the Past and Inspiring the Future will weave together the first 25 years of YWCA Alaska's accomplishments while looking forward to another 25 years of success.

I am proud to announce the 2014 Women of Achievement:

Belinda Breaux, President, **Breaux Leadership Solutions**

· Karen Cowart, Retired, Director Community and Public Affairs, **BP** Alaska

Diane DiSanto, Senior Legislative Aide, Office of Senator Mark Begich

Elvi Gray-Jackson, Anchorage Assembly Member, Anchorage As-

Aurora Johnson, Dental Therapist, Norton Sound Health Corporation - Unalakleet



Aurora Johnson

· Dr. Natasa Masanovic, Chair of the Department of Languages, University of Alaska, Anchorage

Senator Lisa Murkowski, United States Senator for Alaska, United States Senate

· Phyllis Rhodes, Retired, Executive Director, Identity, Inc.

Gail Schubert, President/CEO, Bering Straits Native Corporation Kate Slyker, Executive Vice

President, Spawn Ideas 2014 Arliss Sturgulewski Award

Broccoli Salad

Makes 12 servings Preparation Time: 1 hour and

Difficulty Level: Easy

4 c Fresh broccoli, chopped 8 slices, Lean bacon 1 c Golden raisins l medium Red onion ½ c Slivered almonds 1/4 c Sunflower seeds

l c Plain yogurt, non-fat

2 Tbsp. Sugar 2 Tbsp. Red wine vinegar

ingredients.

and serve.

1. Mix all the salad ingredients in a

3. Toss the dressing with the salad

medium bowl. Set in the

refrigerator for one hour.

Stir together the dressing

* Rather than raisins and almonds,

15 minutes

Ingredients:

Dressing:

Recipe by Miller Health Consulting, LLC

Winner:

· Ruth Sheridan, Retired/Founding Member of Alaskans Concerned About Latin America

The YWCA Alaska's Five New Initiatives:

1. Eliminate the Gender Pay Gap (GPG) in Alaska by 2025 Paying women in Alaska 67¢ for

every \$1 earned by a man is unacceptable. YWCA Alaska has chosen to act now because the gender pay gap in Alaska has decreased by only

Nutrition Facts

1/2 cup

126

104

17

2.5

47

Serving Size

Total Fat (g) Saturated Fat (g)

Amount Per Serving

Cholesterol (mg)

Total Carbohydrate (g)

Sodium (mg)

Fiber (g)

Protein (g)

Vitamin A (%)

Vitamin C (%)

Calcium (%)

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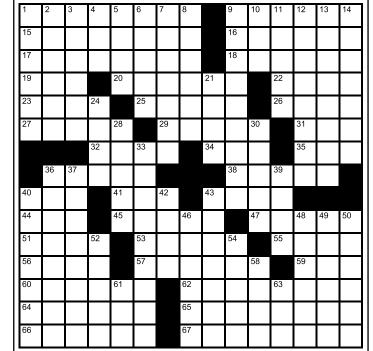
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try adding other combinations such as cranberries and walnuts

5¢ in the last 20 years. Without intervention, at that rate, women will not achieve pay equality until the year 2142, making 4 generations of

women wait. YWCA Alaska's Board of Directors has passed a resolution continued on page 14



Across

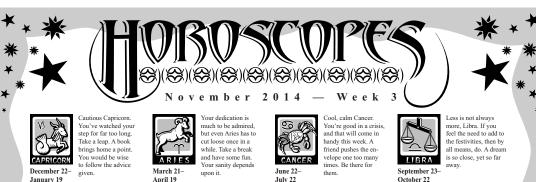
- 1. Eating ____, e.g forks 9. Runs off (with)
- 15. Guard
- 16. Appetizer
- 17. Not morally pure
- 18. One who works strenuously 19. "Much _ __ About Nothing"
- 20. Physician
- 22. Be a kvetch _ of the Flies"
- 25. Deck out (2 wds)
- 26. Halftime lead, e.g. 27. Contemptuous look
- 29. Young seal
- 31. Setting for TV's "Newhart"
- 32. Economical 34. Ed.'s request (acronym)
- 35. After expenses
- 36. Plagiarizes
- 38. Cheese choice
- 40. Formerly known as 41. "C'_ _ la vie!"
- 43. "Absolutely!"
- 44. C.S.A. state
- 45. 200 milligrams 47. Character
- 51. O. Henry's "The Gift of the _
- 53. Examines closely
- 55. "That hurt!"
- 56. Bad day for Caesar
- 57. Wet slapping sounds
- 59. Drone, e.g.
- 60. Dwarfed, ornamental tree 62. Capable of being reduced
- 64. Sequentially (2 wds)
- 65. Sour cherry trees

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66. Holdings 67. Cuspids

- 1. Customary things 2. Sinew
- 3. "More!"
- _ power
- 5. Thailand, once
- 6. Atlas enlargement
- 7. Anticlimax 8. Santa's conveyance
- 9. Substance emanating from medium during trance
- 11. Chilled (2 wds)
- 12. Defenders of causes
- 13. Large table centerpiece with branching holders
- 14. Snake
- 21. Hints
- 24. Kosher
- 28. Renaissance fiddle
- 30. N. Am. flycatcher
- 33. Murderers 36. Pale green-glazed Chinese
- porcelains
- 37. Substances used in chemical reactions
- 39. "What's gotten ____ you?"
- 40. African country whose capital is
- Windhoek
- 42. Excursion 43. "Way to go!"
- 46. Burning
- _ Space Telescope
- 49. Feral feline
 50. Expression of mild annoyance
- 52. Any Time 54. Gawk
- 58. "Let it stand"
- 61. "A jealous mistress": Emerson
- 63. A pint, maybe



and planning

· Financial statements



PISCES

February 19-March 20

Yeah, yeah, Aquarius. You may feel you're destined for a job, but that doesn't mean

Gail Schubert

others will. You will

Some opportunities knock only once. Don't miss out, Pisces. Passion ignites and love blooms. A financial snafu turns out to be in your favor.



GEMINI

May 21– June 21

March 21-

Phooey, Taurus. You've heard it all before. Take a pass. New revenue opens up old avenues. Explore all of the ptions before you take a bite.

The stage is set for victory. Make sure

you're onboard, Gemini. A gift gets

June 22-





regarding your finances. Do your homework.



SCORPIO

Silliness is encouraged this week, Sagittarius. Invite the gang over and have a few laughs. The to-do list grows. Choose your helpers carefully.

You're no scrooge, Scorpio, but you know how to save. A friend could use some help in

that area. Show them

November 22-





August 23-

Obituary

Harold George Charles Jr.

Harold George Charles Jr. "**Hoss**" was born to Harold and Frances Charles the evening of February 22, 1955 at their home in Un-



Harold George Charles Jr.

alakleet. He joined his two older sisters, Iris and Anna, and was followed by two more sisters Maggie and Alice and foster brother Danny. Hoss had four children Jason, Carol, Jalene and Renée. He was a proud grandfather and cared deeply for each of his 13 grandchildren and was especially excited to meet his great granddaughter Alayna the week before he died. He died June 25.

He attended the Unalakleet Elementary School and graduated from the Covenant High School on May 23 of 1973. He attended the Wyoming Technical Institute in Laramie, Wyoming and studied Automotive Mechanics. Harold worked for the City of Unalakleet as the Water Plant Operator for several years and most recently worked for the Unalakleet Native Corporation in Building Maintenance. He was what they call a "Jack of All Trades!" He was a skilled boiler mechanic and was a phone call away to anyone who needed his services. Many times he did not charge people for his work and would not hesitate when elders and children were in a home that needed heat.

Hoss loved the outdoors, boating, commercial fishing, truck rides, icecream with his grandkids and he always had a pot of coffee ready to drink with friends and visitors. He really enjoyed the view from his beachfront home. He watched the birds, sea mammals, fish and wildlife as the view changed with the seasons. He was knowledgeable about many things and was the one that we turned to for advice. He loved to eat a good meal and was often the last person at the dinner table. He enjoyed the treats made by his daughters during Christmas and carefully guarded Renee's homemade Almond Roca and enjoyed chocolate covered cherries. He had dreams to travel after several road trips with his daughter Jalene and granddaughter

Every spring commercial fishing was on his mind. He would get his nets ready and during the season he made sure his nets were clean when the tide went down and in line when the tide came up. Commercial fishing was his passion. The second week that in Anchorage, after his diagnosis, he was planning his treatments around his fishing schedule.

Harold was preceded in death by his father Harold Charles Sr., his wife Doreen Charles, his sister Maggie Ferry and his grandson Dwayne Johnson Jr. He is survived by his mother Frances Charles, whom he loved and cared for deeply. He was her neighbor, her provider, her only son. He is survived by his sisters, brother, children, grandchildren, great-granddaughter, many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. His gentle demeanor and kind smile will be deeply missed by our family. He was our "go to guy" for many things. Peace to his memory.

Saying it Sincerely

Pastor Wendell Downs From the Seventh-day Adventist Church A member of the Nome Ministerial Association "Victimless" Crimes

"I'm Opposed to Enforcement of Victimless Crimes"

I read that on a campaign statement recently.

That's also what a friend of mine once told me. No matter that my friend is also opposed to most every form of modern law and order – especially taxes, but also drivers' licensing, car licensing, and many other signs that we live in an ordered society.

So I asked him, "OK, what do you mean by a "Victimless Crime"? He was specifically talking about enforcement of marijuana laws and possession of alcohol without evidence of use by certain people.

Without getting into a long argument about whether possession leads to use, or whether or not both should be criminalized, let me say that from a Christian standpoint, I accept that my body is a temple that belongs to God. I also acknowledge that keeping a temple holy demands keeping out anything which defiles, in this case impairs judgment, or could shorten life. By accepted medical standards these and many other controlled substances fall into that camp.

On a personal level I react to the claim of "victimless crime." Back in 1989 my niece, Vonnie, then just 20 years old and engaged to be married, was smashed into by a driver intoxicated well beyond the legal limit. Vonnie, a beautiful girl with long blond hair, remained conscious at the scene of the accident for about 30 minutes, then died at the hospital. The offending soused female driver suffered not a scratch, nor was she ever charged with a crime. I ask, "Is that a victimless crime?"

Possession does lead to use either by that person or by others, and many times this leads to illegal actions which affect others for life. I, for one, will never buy the statement, "It is a victimless crime." Neither will I knowingly vote for somebody who expresses those views.

More Letters

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uncle of Waylon Okpealuk who was unexpectedly taken from us.

unexpectedly taken from us.

I would like to send a clear message to the Alaska State Troopers and the people of Brevig Mission that our family is not giving up finding out what really happened to Waylon. There are too many unanswered questions, especially the call that was made to Waylon's parents apologizing for his death before his body was found.

I know the troopers can do more in their investigation, like tracking where that call came from. Most likely, the troopers are afraid to admit that their initial investigation was carried out hurriedly and their reasoning that it was suicide is wrong. They need to do more to find the real cause in order to help end the mental anguish their mistake has caused

Someone is being quite like they are when things happen in Brevig that should not have. I urge the Alaska State Troopers to admit their mistake and reopen their investiga-

tion and dig deeper into the real cause of Waylon's death.

Quianna, Reggie K. Barr Brevig Mission, AK 99785

Dear Editor:

We don't want this to happen to anyone else. My wife went to town (Anchorage) yesterday for her appointments and we thought every thing was in order but it was not.

Our youngest is three and was going to get her teeth looked at while Shirley was waiting for her checkup. Shirley and Lydia went to Anchorage yesterday and went to the [ANMC] hospital to the Quyana House just to find out they would not let her stay their because she had our three-year-old. We live in a small Village and don't know if hospitals change policy or not but we found out after she was in town that they could not help. My wife survived Type A Influenza and was under forced Coma for two months and the first month we lost our oldest to a car crash while Shirley was still in hospital. Shirley, from what we were told, lost most of her lung tissue and her cough was getting worse and had appointments but did not make because of weather or some thing important would come up but she made it into town and had nowhere to stay but luckily last night she was able to contact one of my cousins so she and my daughter had a place to stay last

The hospital should be able to make exceptions for people who do not know if information has changed. My wife told them she did not know about their rules because it was not like that before because I guess it just changed not too long ago.

Stony River is about 250 miles west of Anchorage over the Alaska Range and it is hard to get into town and we had to pay our own way the hospital they should have tried to help or put her up in a hotel or some thing but they did not.

Kevin and Shirley Ann Gusty Stony River, AK 99557

Wake Up To The Breakfast Club!

Join Lon Swanson on the Breakfast Club for News, Weather and Sports each weekday morning from 7 to 9. On Wednesdays, play Bible Trivia. On Fridays, listen for the Riddle Machine for a chance to win a solar powered radio. Find out what happened in our world overnight...and what's coming up for the day. It's like a fresh, hot cup of coffee with The Breakfast Club!



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 Charles Brower

Sunday: Worship 11:00 am Monday: Thrift Shop 4:00 to 5:00 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: Worship 11 a.m.. Handicapped accessible ramp: North side

River of Life Assembly of God 405 W. Seppala • 443-5333 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. For more information contact Bob Blake 434-1966

St. Joseph Catholic Church Corner of Steadman & W. King Place • 443-5527 Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m. Weekday Masses: Mon. & Tue. 9:00 a.m., Thur. 12:10 p.m. Friday Hospital Mass: 12:10 p.m. (NSRH Meditation Room)

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 the Nazarene 3rd Avenue & Division Street • 443-2805

Pastor Dan Ward • 252-5773 Sunday Prayer 9:30 a.m. • Sunday School: 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

10/16/1

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Employment -

School District Electrician
The Bering Strait School district is searching for a school district Journeyman Maintenance Electrician. This person will serve the 15 schools and teacher housing within the Bering Strait School District. The job is based out of Unalakleet, Alaska

and is full-time. Posted until filled. For the complete job posting and more information please contact Sony Mashiana at 907 624-4249 11/20-27



Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC)

is committed to providing quality health services and promoting wellness within our people and environment.

Available position:

Community Health aides in the following villages: Elim, Diomede, and Koyuk

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.

EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE and CREDENTIALS:

Education Degree

High School Diploma or Equivalent.

Program

Pass Kawerak TABE language, reading and math tests at 8th grade level or higher.

Experience General (Non-supervisory):

0 year(s).

Supervisory:

0 year(s)

Credentials Licensure, Certification, Etc.

Complete and pass Emergency Trauma training CETT. Must obtain CHP certification within three years of hire. Must be eligible for Community Health Aide Program Certification Board at the end of Session III Training

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Please contact Jeanette Evan at 907-443-4530 or email her at jevan@nshcorp.org to receive an application.

NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638), EEO, and Veterar 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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Trooper Beat

C Detachment (Nome Post)...No news reported.

Construction Equip in Nome for Sale:

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Call KAREN 907-229-0412 or FREEMAN 907-

Legals

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE O-14-10-01 An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Real Property Owned by the City of Nome

Nome
This ordinance had first reading at the regular meeting of the City Council on October 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for November 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinance are available in the Office of the City 10/16-23-30-11/6-13-20

The following described vehicle has been abandoned on my property for in excess of six months: 1977 Ford Truck Blu VIN#F70FVZ06431

Intend to file a claim of ownership with the Alaska Division of Motor Vehicles within 30 days under the provisions of AS 28.11.025.

Legal Notice

Koyuk Native Corporation has begun its recon 18, 1971 as either: (1) a primary place of residence; (2) primary place of business; (3) subsistence campsite; (4) headquarters for reindeer husbandry; or (5) site of a nonprofit organization.

Application forms and further information are

available from: Lauren E. Sommer Telephone: (907) 276-5152 Email: Koyuk.14.c@gmail.com Starting Friday, October 10, 2014, applications will be accepted until December 31, 2014. 11/13-20-27-12/4
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE

OF ALASKA

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME CASE NO: 2NO-14-00308CI ORDER FOR HEARING, POSTING AND ADDITIONAL SERVICE

In the Matter of a Change of Nome for Diane Marie Sirlook,

Ourrent name of Adult
Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court
(Case # 2NO-14-00308CI) requesting a name
change from (current name) Diane Marie Sirlook to Diane Marie Scott. A hearing on this request will be held on December 17. 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK. 11/20-27-12/4-11

Legal Notice
AT&T Mobility Services, LLC proposes to construct a 150-foot (overall height) lattice telecommunications tower. The tower would be located at 105 Front Street, Nome, AK (64-29-48, 4N, 165-24-12 7M). The tower FCC Form 854 File Number is A0926876. Inter ested persons may review the application by going to www.fcc.gov/asr/applications and enter-ing the Form 854 File Number. Interested parties may raise environmental concerns about the pro posed structure by filing a Request for Environmental Review (RER) with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The FCC strongly encourages interested parties to file RER online; instructions can be found at www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest. However, if an online request is not possible, interested parwww.tcc.gov/asr/en/ironmentairequest. However, if an online request is not possible, interested parties may mail their request to: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 445-21th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. Additionally, AT&T invites comments on the impact the proposed tower may have on Historic Properties. Comments may be sent to Mary Seagrave of Sims & Associates, LLC. Written comments can be cent to many@cimeseconicte. be sent to mary@simsassociates.net or 201 S. Lakeline Blvd, Suite, 402, Cedar Park, TX. Ms. Seagrave can be reached at 770-547-5255.

PUBLIC NOTICE
STATE OF ALASKA – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION CITY OF SAINT MICHAEL, CLASS III MUNICI-PAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) proposes to issue Solid Waste Disposal Permit No. SW3A137-19, to the City of Saint Michael, to operate a Class III Community Municipal Solid Waste Landfill.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Location: Saint Michael is located on the east coast of St. Michael Island in Norton Sound. It lies 125 miles southeast of Nome and 48 miles south-west of Unalakleet. The legal description of the

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NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASES 11/10/2014 through

Disclaimer: This is a record of activity. The not assign guilt to any identified party.

During this period there were 127 calls for service received at the Nome Police Commu-nications Center. 42 (33%) involved alcohol.

There were 11 arrests made with 10 (90%)

NPD responded to 6 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. 0 were re-manded to AMCC as protective holds; and 1 remained at the hospital for medical evalua-

There were 15 ambulance calls and 0 fire calls during this period.
On 11-10 at 7:01 a.m., Nome Police Depart-

ment conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on the Nome-Teller Hwy. The driver was warned to fix their rear taillight.

On 11-10 at 7:51 a.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on the east side of town. The driver was given a warning frame to the conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on the east side of town. The driver was given a warning the proceedings to a penalter date at the size of the state of the size of the size

for not coming to a complete stop at a stop sign. On 11-10 at 8:03 a.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on the east side of town. The driver was given a warning

for not coming to a complete stop at a stop sign On 11-10 at 8:15 a.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on the east side of town. Juan Brizuela was issued a ci-

given a warning to fix a broken taillight.
On 11-10 at 7:48 p.m. Nome Police Department responded to a report of an intoxicated individual on Front St who was reportedly incapacitated. The person was found not to be in-capacitated and able to walk away on his own power. He was warned for disorderly conduct and drunk on licensed premises. No further action was

On 11-10 at 8:40 p.m. Nome Police Depart-On 11-10 at 8:40 p.m. Nome Police Depart-ment received a report of a female with medical needs. The female was contacted by Nome Vol-unteer Ambulance Department and transported to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for treatment. On 11-10 at 10:21 p.m. Nome Police Depart-

ment received a report of a lost phone with an ID and credit card inside the phone. If anyone has information about a lost phone found on Front St with an ID and credit cards inside please contact the Nome Police Department at (907) 443-5262.

On 11-11 at 12:41 a.m. Nome Police Department received a report of a possible assault be-tween a male and female. Search of the area revealed that both parties had left the scene. At 0343 hours, a separate call was received about a disturbance at a residence on Front St involving the same two parties. The parties were contacted and after investigation, the original assault was found to have been unfounded. The female was intoxicated, and in violation of her Conditions of Release. Katilin Ivanoff was medically cleared at Norton Sound Regional Hospital for alleged in Norron Sound Regional nospital for alleged in-gestion of medications and remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Facility for VOCR and sui-cide watch. Her bail was posted at \$1, 000.00. On 11-11 at 1:23 a.m., Nome Police Depart-ment responded to a residence on the north side

of Nome for a reported domestic dispute. Investigation revealed verbal altercation between the involved parties only, and the situation was resolved

On 11-11 at 9:05 a.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on the west side of Nome. The driver was able to provide current vehicle and insurance information and was given a warning for their front headlight being

On 11-11 at 10:34 a.m., Nome Police Department received a report that Otto Soolook had vio-lated a protective order. Otto had been to the victim's residence and was not supposed to be within 100 feet of it. Otto was also found to be probation and was not to consume alcohol. Otto was taken to AMCC and remanded for probation viola-

tion and for violating a protective order. Otto is being held with no bail.

On 11-11 at 1:53 p.m., Nome Police Department received a report of a juvenile in possession of tobacco. The juvenile was issued a citation for Minor in Possession of Tobacco.

On 11-11 at 4:10 p.m., Nome Police Department was dispatched to Front St for a report of a highly intoxicated male passed out. The male was contacted and taken to his cousin's residence and left in his cousin's care.
On 11-11 at 4:35 p.m., Nome Police Depart-

ment received a report of a suicidal male. The Nome Police Department and Search and Rescue searched for the male. He was located and was reported to be in good health. He was later transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital and was referred to BHS. On 11-12 at 1:28 a.m. Nome Police Depart-

On 11-12 at 1:28 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to a residence on the east side of town on a welfare check. Investigation led to the arrest of Robert Norris for two counts of Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence. He was transported to AMCC and he was held without bail. On 11-12 at 7:59 a.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on the east side of

tation for No Proof of Insurance and Driving without a Valid Driver's License. On 11-12 at 2:36 p.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on the east end of town. The driver, Jacob Soolook, received a cita-

tion for Expired Registration.

On 11-12 at 4:13 p.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a maroon van with expired tags. The driver, Andrew Maurer, was given a citation for having an expired driver's liense and for failure to exhibit insurance on de-

On 11-12 at 6:49 p.m. Nome Police Department pulled over a blue Explorer with expired tags. The driver David O'Connor, was given a citation

for failure to carry insurance.

On 11-12 9:36 p.m. Nome Police Department received a report of an assault. The investigation led to the arrest of David Gadomski for one count of Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence. He was transported to AMCC and he was held without hell.

On 11-13 at 12:54 a.m. Nome Police Department received a report of a disturbance on the west side of town. Investigation led to the arrest of Mary Ahnangnatoguk for Disorderly Conduct. She was transported to AMCC, bail was set to \$250.

On 11-13 at 6:45 a.m. NPD responded to a residence on the west side of Nome to a report of an unresponsive person inside a residence. Upon officer's arrival, the victim was viewed through an outside window and was unresponsive to all attempts to elicit contact. The person appeared to be in medical distress and the residence was forcibly entered. Officer determined the victim was deceased which was confirmed by responding medical personnel. The identity of the victim is withheld pending notification of next of kin. The Medical Examiner was contacted and requested the victim be transported to Anchorage for autopsy where cause and manner of death will be deter-

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landfill is: Section 24, Township 23 South, Range 18 West, Kateel River Meridian.

Landowner: Saint Michael Native Corporation Landfill Operator: City of Saint Michael

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This public notice is for an existing landfill that has operated as an un-permitted facility since their original permit expired in 1992. This will be the first permit issued for the landfill after significant improvements were com-pleted at the facility. The landfill currently serves the 401 residents of Saint Michael. It is estimated that the community produces 512 tons of solid waste per year. The 0.5 acre site includes a solid waste disposal cell, a storage area for used appliances, and a fabricated burn unit, within a se-

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For information regarding this Solid Waste Disposal Permit, please contact Trisha Bower at (907) 451-2174 or by e-mail at

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: ADEC is seeking comment regarding the proposed Permit only. Notice is given that any person interested may present written comments relevant to the proposed Permit to ADEC. Written comments will be included in the record if received before 5:00 p.m. on December 26, 2014. Submit written comments regarding the project of the proposed permit of the project of Submit written comments regarding the project to Trisha Bower, ADEC Division of Environmental Health, Solid Waste Program, 610 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709, Fax: (907) 451-2188, email: trisha.bower@alaska.gov.

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11/10/2014, dated at Fairbanks, Alaska.

Douglas Buteyn Solid Waste Program Coordinator 11/20-26

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ALASKA – DEPARTMENT OF EN-VIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION CITY OF SHISHMAREF, CLASS III MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) proposes to issue Solid Waste Disposal Permit No. SW3A136-19, to the City of Shishmaref, to operate a Class III Community Mu Solid Waste

INFORMATION: Location: Shishmaref is located on Sarichef Is-land, in the Chukchi Sea, just north of the Bering Strait. Shishmaref is 5 miles from the mainland, 126 miles north of Nome, and 100 miles southwest of Kotzebue. The legal description of the landfill is: Section 23, Township 10 North, Range 35 West, Kateel River Meridian.

Landowner: Shishmaref Native Corporation Landfill Operator: City of Shishmaref

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This public notice is for an existing landfill that has operated as an un-permitted facility since it was constructed. This will be the first permit issued for the landfill. The landfill currently serves the 598 residents of Shishmaref. It is estimated that the community produces 763 tons of solid waste per year. The 1.5 acre site includes a solid waste disposal cell, a storage area for used appliances, and two fab ricated burn units, within a secured area.

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Brett S and Kade Solomon Madsen

All Around the Sound

New Arrivals

Jody and Naomi Madsen are proud to announce the birth of their sons; Brett S. Madsen born on October 2, at 6:36 p.m. at 6 lbs and 18.5 inches, and brother Kade Solomon Madsen born at 6:40 p.m. at 5 lbs and 18 inches. Proud big sisters are Delilah 7, and Keiralyn 4. Proudest grandparents are Wayne and Marcy Booshu of Gambell, and great-greatgrandma Mary Ann Wongittilin of Savoonga.

Melody Rookok and

Brandon T. Waghiyi, of Savoonga, announce the birth of their daughter Rose Paris Waghiyi, born October 26, at 9:14 She weighed 7 p.m. pounds, 3 ounce, and was 20 ¼ " in length. Siblings are Amber Rookok, 16, and Harper Waghiyi, 11 months. Maternal grandparents are Paul and Bernice Rookok of Savoonga and paternal grandfather is Clarence Waghiyi of Savoonga.

Krista L. Akeya and Tarik C.R. Toolie of Savoonga announce the

birth of their son Jami Lee Morris Toolie, born October 31, at 3:30 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 19" in length. His brother is Douglas Ray Akeya, 3. Maternal grandparents are Norman and Peggy Akeya of Savoonga. His great-grandparents the late Alex Akeya and Lydia Akeya; and paternal grandparents are Orville and Filma Toolie of Savoonga; and greatgrandparents the late Morris Toolie, Sr. and Gertrude Toolie.

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mined. No foul play is suspected.
On 11-13 at 8:55 p.m. the Nome Police Department received a report of a fight inside a bar in Nome, Alaska. Investigation later led to the arrest of Gina Larsen,25, for Assault in the Fourth Deree. Larsen was remanded at the Anvil Mountain

gree. Larsen was remanded at the Anvii Mountain Correctional Center and no bail was set as the assault was a domestic violence crime.

On 11-14 at 9:38 p.m. Nome Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a blue truck with expired license plates. The driver, Benny Piscoya, was given a citation for expired registration and for

was given a citation for expired registration and for failure to carry insurance.

On 11-15 at 1:01 a.m. Nome Police responded to a residence for a reported assault on the east side of Nome. Upon arrival officers contacted Leslie Ellanna inside the residence and she was found to be in violation of her Conditions of Release. Leslie was taken to AMCC for violating her Conditions of Release. Leslie is being held on \$1,000 bail. The original suspect for the incident was identified and had already fled the scene. Investigation was conducted and report will be for-warded to the District Attorney for prosecution. On 11-15 at 2:53 a.m. Nome Police responded

Upon arrival officers found that Doreen Lockwood had assaulted her significant other. Doreen was had assaulted ner significant order. Doren was taken to AMCC for DV Assault in the 4th degree and held without bail. Also at the residence was Barbara Waskey, Investigation led to the arrest of Barbara Waskey for Disorderly Conduct. Waskey was taken to AMCC and was held on \$250 bail.

On 11-15 at 7:37 a.m., Nome Police Depart

ment responded to a residence on the west side of Nome for a disturbance. Investigation revealed verbal altercation between the parties involved

and was resolved by separation. On 11-15 at 5:27 p.m. Nome Police Department responded to a residence on the east side of Nome for a possible sexual assault. Suspect and Victim were identified and investigation is on-

going.
On 11-15 at 5:48 p.m. Nome Police Department responded to a residence on the east side ment responded to a residence on the east side of Nome for a domestic dispute. Becky Rietheimer was arrested for DV Assault IV and remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Facility without bail.

On 11-15 at 7:28 p.m. Nome Police Department was dispetched to a society for police Department was dispetched to a society for police.

ment was dispatched to a residence for a child custody dispute. The child was given to the custody of the parent with current court documents and both parties were instructed to take further action with the Nome Courts to resolve their dispute. On 11-15 at 9:33 p.m., Nome Police Department was dispatched to a residence on the east side of Nome for a domestic dispute. Investiga-

side or Nome for a comessic cispute. Investiga-tion revealed verbal altercation only between both parties involved. Situation was resolved by sepa-ration prior to police arrival. On 11-15 at 10:14 p.m. Nome Police Depart-ment conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle without taillights on Bering and Nome-Teller Hwy. The driver, lan McRae, was issued a citation for failure to provide insurance and warned to fix his tail-

On 11-15 at 11:21 p.m. Nome Police Department responded to an establishment on Bering St from the sponded to an establishment on Berning of for a person allegedly having a seizure. The per-son was identified and found to have had a possi-ble seizure. The Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department transported the female to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical evaluation.

On 11-16 at 2:13 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to an establishment on Front St for a reported assault. Investigation revealed that both parties had already separated and left the

scene. Investigation is on-going. On 11-16 at 2:55 a.m. Nome Police Department was conducting a patrol and observed a four-wheeler run through a stop sign at a high rate of speed. Investigation led to the arrest of Adam lyapana, 21, for DUI and Driving Without a Valid License. Adam was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Facility for DUI and Driving without a Valid License. Also he will be a content of the St. For

Valid License. His bail was posted at \$1, 500.
On 11-16 at 3:24 a.m. Nome Police Department was dispatched to a residence on the west

side of town for a highly intoxicated person who was unable to care for himself. Tristan Sahlin was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical assistance due to his level of intoxication. medical assistance due to nis level of intoxication. While at Norton Sound Regional Hospital, Tristan became combative and disorderly by punching an ER Nurse several times in the stomach and refusing to stop yelling and disturbing other patients receiving care. Tristan had to be physically restrained in order to provide care, and was later charged with Assault IV and Disorderly Conduct. Tristan was remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Facility with a \$750 bail.

On 11-16 at 3:32 a.m. Nome Police Department responded to Front St for a reported assault.

Both parties involved were identified, had already

Both parties involved were identified, had already separated, and report was taken for assault.

On 11-16 at 3:46 a.m. Nome Police Department received a report of an assault on the east side of town. Both parties had separated, were identified, and report was taken for assault.

identified, and report was taken for assault.

On 11-16 at 3:50 a.m. a female was dropped off at Nome Police Department who was highly intoxicated and unable to care for herself. The female didn't have a safe place to go for the evening and was transported to Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical constants in the hospital for medical constants. Hospital for medical assistance due to her level of intoxication. While at Norton Sound Regional Hospital, the female indicated that she had taken an unknown quantity of pills in an effort to kill herself. The female was left at Norton Sound Regional Hospital for medical assistance and suicide

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NORTON SOUND/BERING STRAIT REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM MEETING

Friday, November 21, 2014 (1:00 p.m.) **City Council Chambers** Nome

The ADF&G announces the Norton Sound/Bering Strait Regional Planning Team (NSBS RPT) will meet Friday, November 21, 2014, at 1:00 pm in Nome at the City Council Chambers. The topic of the meeting will be continuing the update of the regional comprehensive salmon plan. The meeting is open to public attendance and participation.

For additional information please call 907-465-4235 or email samuel.rabung@alaska.gov

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the annual meeting of the shareholders of Koyuk Native Corporation, will be held on January 7, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., at the Koyuk Community Hall, for the following purposes:

1. Election of four(4) Directors

And the transactions of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Shaktoolik Native Corporation

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

As designated in their by-laws, the Shaktoolik Native Corporation will hold its' annual meeting of shareholders on Saturday, December 13, 2104 at the SNC Armory. Doors open at 9:30 AM and call to order at 10:00 AM or upon establishment of quorum. This year shareholders will be electing 3 (three) directors. Shareholders are encouraged to send their proxies to be received at 4:30 PM, Friday, November 28, 2014 for early bird and December 12, 2014 close of business for all other proxies.

For more information please contact:



Shaktoolik Native Corporation P.O. Box 46 Shaktoolik, AK 99771 Ph. 907-955-3241 Fax. 907-955-3243 e-mail: fnsago@yahoo.com

-13-20-27, 12/4-11



Vacant Tribal Council Seat

Nome Eskimo Community currently has one (1) vacant Tribal Council seat. The seat will expire in November 2017. Candidates must be a Tribal member of Nome Eskimo Community, live in Nome, and be 21 years of age or older to serve.

Applications and a Letter of Intent will be accepted until Wednesday, November 26th, 2014 at 12:00PM.

Interested members may pick up an application at the NEC office building at:

200 W. 5th Avenue.

For more information, contact Daisy at (907) 443-2246; email at nomeeskimo@gci.net visit our website: www.necalaska.org

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Women of Achievement

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to eliminate GPG by 2025.

Implement Academy of Women Achievers Aurora Program

The Women of Achievement Mentorship Program connects YWCA Alaska's Academy of Women Achievers to the community through offering the insight, skills and wisdom of Women of Achievement in a mentorship program.

Expand Girl's Circle into Rural Alaska

YWCA Alaska's Youth Empowerment Circles into Rural Alaska where the needs are great, and unique. Expansion of our Girl's Circles will help young women address challenges affecting their long-term self-worth - issues like physical and emotional abuse - or worse yet, human trafficking. These young women can share their personal strengths and gain the skills necessary to build self-confidence and make healthy choices.

Increase Economic Justice Project Clients by 25%

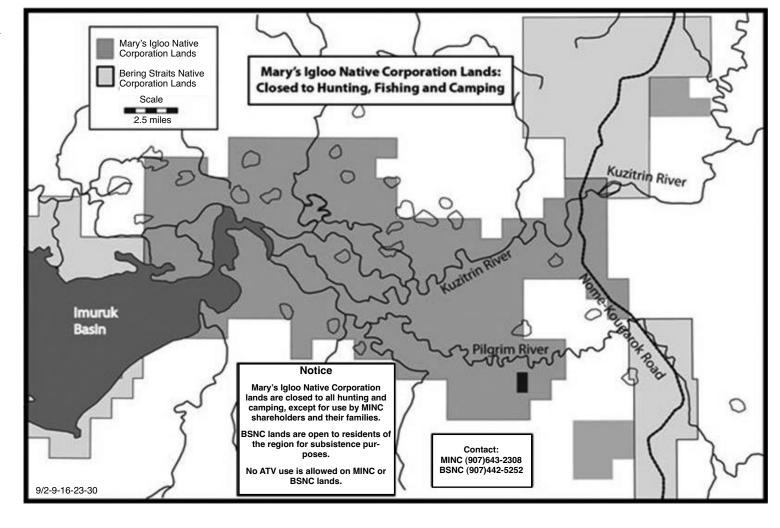
Our Economic Justice Project will increase access to financial and career building skills for disadvantaged individuals by partnering with organizations and agencies to identify high-risk clients and provide them with the economic training, money management skills and a financial management skills to estab-

lish healthy money relationships therefore, getting these women back on their feet.

Create Women's Wellness

Outreach Toolkit Alaska has one of the highest rates

of breast cancer mortality per capita in the Nation. Kodiak has the highest rate of Stage 4 breast cancer detection in the state. Our goal is to provide an Outreach Toolkit to rural Alaska, which will provide education on early detection to bring earlier and better treatment options, therefore, saving lives.



Court

Week ending 11/14

Civil

Green Spring Funding, LLC v. Ahkinga, Lenora; Superior Court Misc Petition Hudson, Trevor D. v. Johnson, Deilah R.; Div or Cust w/Children Minor Party v. Johnson, Amy; Civil Protective Order Alaska Prepaid Card, LLC v. Paniptchuk, Calvin; Small Claims Less Than \$2500

Small Claims

Leon, Jorge and Leon, Elizabeth v. Rietheimer, Jason and JBR Construction; Small

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Mary lyakitan (4/17/90); 2NO-14-364CR Corrected Judgment; Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 67/714; 60 days, 0 days suspended; 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. Mary lyakitan (4/17/90); 2NO-14-682CR Notice of Dismissal; 001: VCR; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/14.

State of Alaska v. Autumn M. Day-Tocktoo (8/31/95); 2NO-14-594CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114196068; Violated conditions of probation; No action State of Alaska v. Autumn M. Day-Tocktoo (8/31/95); 2NO-14-630CR CTN 001: Ha-

rassment 2; DV; Date of Violation: 9/25/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/13/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol, and any state ID issued under AS 18.65.310 must list the buying restriction until the restriction expires; Shall not have alcohol in her residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer based on probable cause.

State of Alaska v. Autumn Day-Tocktoo (8/31/95); 2NO-14-681CR CTN 001: Violate Condition of Release; Date of Violation: 10/25/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served; Report to Nome Court on 12/1/14, 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; 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 Kava (12/21/65); 2NO-14-581CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114799941; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Kevin Kava (12/21/65); 2NO-14-695CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge

led by t State of Alaska v. Harry R. Olanna (12/4/89); Misconduct w/Weapons 4; Date of Violation: 8/23/14); 120 days, 120 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/13/14); Shall commit no violations of law; Possess no firearms while any alcohol in defendant's system.

State of Alaska v. Emmanuel lyakitan (1/7/65); 2NO-14-273CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114190686; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 57 days; Must pay suspended jail \$100 jail surcharge

to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Emmanuel lyakitan (1/7/65); 2NO-14-629CR CTN 003: Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 9/24/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001, 002; 360 days, 330 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served consecutive to 2NO-14-273CR: 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: 11/13/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or do mestic violence; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer with probable cause to believe he has consumed alcohol; Subject to warrantless search

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State of Alaska v. Otto Soolook (8/6/71); 2NO-14-350CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114798267; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 180 days (balance of sentence); Must pay suspended jail \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage

State of Alaska v. Otto Soolook (8/6/71); 2NO-14-719CR Violate Protective Order; Date of Violation: 11/11/14; 180 days, 180 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/13/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation: Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of with M.T. without consent.

State of Alaska v. Yvonne A. Evan (10/15/77); Dismissal; Count I: Criminal Mischief 4°, Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 11/14/14.
State of Alaska v. Mary Ahnangnatoguk (12/16/85); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001:

Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/14.
State of Alaska v. Ethan T. Shayen (5/8/96); 2UT-14-67CR CTN 002: Theft 3; Date of Violation: 5/27/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 90 days, 85 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days have been 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; Restitution: Defendant shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); The State will provide proof within 30 days and of any loses to Defendant's counsel; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/13/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law.

State of Alaska v. Ethan T. Shayen (5/8/96); 2UT-14-68CR CTN 002: Theft by Receiving 3; Date of Violation: 5/11/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 90 days, 85 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days have been served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/13/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation: Shall commit no violations of law.

State of Alaska v. Denny Martin (9/30/81); 2NO-14-584CR CTN 002: Resisting or In terfering With Arrest; Date of Violation: 8/31/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001, 003; 75 days, 75 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/13/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall not possess, consume or buy alcohol; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Denny Martin (9/30/81); 2NO-14-625CR Violate Conditions of Re lease; Date of Violation: 9/22/14; 3 days, 0 days suspended; Time has been served;

Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Frederick D. Pete (4/30/77); 2NO-12-792CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 111500532; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; Must pay suspended jail \$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. Frederick Pete (4/30/77): 2NO-13-112CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113671917; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days: Must pay suspended iail \$100 iail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original

State of Alaska v. Fred Pete (4/30/77); 2UT-14-143CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge

001: Assault 3; Charge 002: DUI; Filed by the DAs Office 11/12/14.
State of Alaska v. Doreen Lockwood (8/10/75); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114195051; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days; Must pay suspended jail \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Of fice, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Kaylene Dawnelle Washington (12/21/92); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112930092; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 days; Must pay suspended jail \$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. Marvin Okleasik (11/25/57); Dismissal; Count I: Drunken Person On Licensed Premises; Chg. Nbr. 1; Filed by the DAs Office 11/10/14.

State of Alaska v. Derak Otton (10/28/89): 2NO-14-240CB Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 114796395; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 1 day, time served: All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect. State of Alaska v. Derak Otton (10/28/89); 2NO-14-277CR Order to Modify or Revoke

Probation; ATN: 114796656; Violated conditions of probation; No action taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect. State of Alaska v. Swenson Tocktoo (2/26/92): 2NO-13-655CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; Violated conditions of probation; No action taken; All other terms

and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect. State of Alaska v. Swenson Tocktoo (2/26/92): 2NO-14-671CR CTN 001: Assault 4: DV: Date of Violation: 10/19/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 002; 180 days, 150 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/10/14); Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not posse consume or buy alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Swenson Tocktoo (2/26/92); 2NO-14-686CR Notice of Dismissal Charge 001: VCR; Filed by the DAs Office 11/10/14.
State of Alaska v. Ned Ahgupuk (11/17/95); CTN 1: Criminal Trespass 1; Date of Vio-

lation: 9/12/14; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; Suspended Imposition of Sentence: Imposition of sentence is suspended; The defendant is placed on probation subject to the terms, orders, and conditions listed below; 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; Restitution: Defendant shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); 60 days for restitution hearing if matter not resolved 1/16/15, 1:30 p.m.; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/6/14); Shall commit no violations of law.

the of Alaska v. Francis E. Rookok (6/19/86); Criminal Mischief 1; Date of Violation: 10/19/13; 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; Restitution: Defendant shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); DAs Office will provide within 30 days a restitution; 60 days (illegible) will place on calendar if disagree; Probation for 1 year; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law.

State of Alaska v. Tenadore Oozeva (6/22/75); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113672925; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 25 days.

anto imposed: 25 days.

State of Alaska v. Kara Miklahook (6/21/90) Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 11/10/14.

State of Alaska v. Larry M. Ivanoff Jr. (12/29/87); 3AN-11-12029CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 107480403; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended iail term revoked and imposed: 75 days

ate of Alaska v. Larry Ivanoff (12/29/87); 2UT-14-89CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: DUI; Filed by the DAs Office 11/10/14.

ate of Alaska v. George Olanna Jr. (4/11/78); Amended Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113291163; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days, report to Nome Court on 7/23/14 for a remand hearing; May smoke marijuana in accord with his medical marijuana card.
State of Alaska v. Jason Annogiyuk (3/19/79); 2NO-14-225CR Order to Modify or Re-

voke Probation; ATN: 114193422; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Jason Annogiyuk (3/19/79); 2NO-14-514CR Order to Modify or Re-

term revoked and imposed: 10 days; Must pay suspended jail \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage

State of Alaska v. Trevor H. Miller (8/31/81); Criminal Nonsupport; Offense Date 9/14/2012; Any appearance or performance bond in this case is exonerated; 12 months, 12 months 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; Probation for 5 years, 11/7/19; Other: See Attached Special Conditions: Special Conditions of Probation-Misdemeanor

State of Alaska v. Tahnee Esparza (4/20/95); 2UT-14-99CR CTN 001: Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21 Repeat Offense: Date of Offense: 8/8/13; Fine: \$1,000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court 12/1/14: License: Defendant's driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 9 months with 6 months suspended; Community Work Serv ice: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of completion on the form provided by the clerk; Probation until 11/10/15; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).
State of Alaska v. Tahnee Esparza (4/20/95); 2UT-14-99CR CTN 003: Driving without

a Valid Driver's License; Date of Offense: 8/8/13; CTN Charges Dismissed: 002; SIS; Imposition of sentence is suspended and the defendant is placed on probation: Any restitution ordered below will continue to be civilly enforceable after probation expires; Probation until 11/10/15; No new criminal charges; Do not consume or buy alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Austin Noongwook (4/14/99); Possession, Control, or Consumption Alcohol by Person Under Age 21 First Offense; Date of Offense: 6/9/14; \$200 with \$0 suspended; Unsuspended \$200 is to be paid to the court by 6/1/15; Alcohol Information School: Defendant must attend the following alcohol information school: at Sayoonga [if none in Sayoonga, tell the court by 1/1/15]: Probation until age 21; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, except as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

ate of Alaska v. Timothy Stephan Katchatag (4/7/56); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110677248; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 15 days.

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Parnell concedes Governor's race

By Diana Haecker

On Saturday evening, Nov. 15, Governor Sean Parnell sent a message on Facebook conceding the governor's race to Bill Walker. The Division of Elections had resumed counting 48,000 outstanding ballots and results posted on Friday showed that independent candidate Bill Walker had the lead. Walker and running mate Democrat Byron Mallot had 129,097 or 47.86 percent of the vote, Parnell and running mate Anchorage Mayor Dan Sullivan garnered 124,463 votes (46.14 percent).

Parnell began his Facebook post saying, "It has been an honor to serve as Governor of Alaska for more than five years." He wrote that, after Friday's vote counting, it became clear that, while a win for the Parnell-Sullivan ticket was numerically possible, it was highly improbable.

Parnell said that because the swearing-in date for governor-elect is December 1 and in the event the count percentages held, he deemed it in the best interest of Alaskans to begin coordinating transition activities now with the Walker-Mallott ticket. Parnell met with Walker on Saturday morning and pledged an orderly transition.

Bill Walker has not yet claimed victory, but confirmed in a press release that he met with Governor Parnell on Saturday morning. "We recognized the dedicated effort of

our respective campaigns and expressed tremendous gratitude for our families and volunteers. This evening, Governor Parnell graciously conceded the race in order to facilitate a smooth and efficient transition process," Walker wrote. Lt. Governor-elect Byron Mallott added he was grateful to Governor Parnell and Mayor Sullivan for allowing the transition process to proceed. "Bill and I have a lot of work ahead of us. The graceful gesture of the Parnell Sullivan team signals to all Alaskans that it is time to rise together and work as one toward a vibrant and productive future for our state."

On Nov. 12, Walker announced steps taken toward the organization of a transition team. The co-chairs are Ana Hoffman of Bethel and Rick Halford of Chugiak. Hoffman graduated from Stanford University and the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. She is the president and CEO of the Bethel Native Corporation, co-chair of the Alaska Federation of Natives and serves on the Alaska Native Village CEO's Association Board. Halford lives in Chugiak and Aleknakik. He served in the Alaska legislature for over 20 years, with multiple terms as Senate President and Senate Majority leader. Halford is a for-Republican mer National Committeeman for Alaska (2000-2004).

The transition team co-chairs announced topics that will be dealt

with by subcommittee members yet to be named.

First on the list is economic development followed by infrastructure. The third item on the list is subsistence. These categories will become subcommittees within the

On Monday, the Alaska State Senate Majority congratulated Governor-elect Bill Walker and Lt. Governor-Elect Byron Mallott on their victory in the race for Alaska's top two administrative seats.

Incoming Senate President Kevin Meyer, R-Anchorage said he is looking forward to working with the administration on issues that are vital to Alaskans and the future of our state. "Alaska has immense potential, from the bounty of our resources to the industriousness of our people. Working together, we can achieve that potential, creating opportunities for Alaskans and setting our state on a course that will secure our future," Meyer said. The 29th Legislature convenes on January 20, 2015.

"It is my fervent hope that Alaska's trajectory for economic growth and individual safety and opportunity will be maintained," Parnell wrote.

'We respect the will of the voters, and offer Bill Walker, Byron Mallott and their families our sincere congratulations.'

Begich congratulates Sullivan

ANCHORAGE - On Monday, November 17, U.S. Senator Mark Begich released the following statement on the result of Alaska's U.S. Senate election after calling to congratulate Dan Sulli-

"Alaska is a place unmatched by any other, and the opportunity to represent Alaskans and all of Alaska's communities in the U.S. Senate has been a tremendous honor for which I am eternally grateful. Alaska deserves a bright future with expanded economic opportunity, equality for all Alaskans under the law, and a strong and prosperous rural Alaska. As a born and raised Alaskan, I will always be involved in my community, and the results of an election have never diminished my desire or passion to achieve these goals.

"I'm proud of the work my team and I accomplished to open the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska to development, to move forward Arctic oil exploration, and to protect Alaska's postal service. Saving the F-16's in Fairbanks, protecting missile defense at Fort Greely, and securing two new squadrons of F-35's for Eielson Air Force Base will spur the largest economic investment in Interior Alaska since the construction of TAPS.

"I consider one of my most significant accomplishments to be the new national model of caring for our veterans, allowing the men and women who served our nation to receive health care at local health clinics and hospitals without traveling to VA facilities. This accomplishment proves that Alaska is a place of unbelievable possibilities and that we never shy away from a challenge.

"During this campaign, I put my record of delivering for Alaska front and center, and it's why this election was one of the closest races in the country despite over ten million dollars of attacks from Outside groups and their partisan narrative. These accomplishments are not red or blue results, they're Alaska results, and the final margin of this election and the clear support I received from independent voters affirms that.

"When I spoke with Dan Sullivan today, I encouraged him to adopt a bipartisan resolve in the Senate. Alaska is ill-served by the partisan fights that don't reflect our state's unique needs and priorities.

"Rural Alaska made its voice heard loud and clear in the election, and I am overwhelmed by the record levels of support I received from villages and hubs across the state. It has been an honor to travel Alaska to meet with Alaskans in their homes, tribal halls and businesses to hear their needs and concerns. Being born and raised in Anchorage, I'm also proud to have won ten of Anchorage's 16 legislative districts, a testament to my past and present service to my community.'

Last election results as of Friday, Nov. 14, showed that Mark Begich had 123,657 votes (45.47 percent) and Republican Dan Sullivan garnered 131,375 votes (48.31 percent).



Photo courtesy Randy Powelson

READY FOR BLASTING — The site at Nome Gold land has been prepared to be mined with explosives this week.



Graphic courtesy of Nome Gold Alaska Corp.

BLASTING SITE — The red square marks the location of the blasting site where Nome Gold Alaska proposes to set off explosions for the purpose of continued winter mining activities.

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volunteers will be sent into.

Powelson described the procedure for setting off the explosions. Guards will secure the area and check that nobody is in the vicinity of the blasting. Explosion professionals will drill holes 40 feet into the ground, bury the explosives and cap the hole with overburden and gravel. Five minutes prior to the explosion, a horn will be sounded.

The same will be done one minute before the blast.

Powelson said he expects only one explosion to occur per morning. Asked about the noise level, he described the sound. "It will be more like a dull thump than a loud crash," he said. He doesn't expect the explosions to affect the area's water table or any water wells. The closest residents live at Lester Bench and at the FAA housing.

Powelson said the same kind of blasting was conducted by the Alaska Gold Co. in the same area in

The press release from Nome Gold Alaska states that the company has 43 employees working at their placer operations.

Out of these 43 workers, 18 are from Nome and 16 are from across the state.



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A DAY AT THE BEACH - Toni Smith shows off the treasures found after combing the beach.

Nome sees four days of record warmth

By Diana Haecker

After a somewhat normal start, Nome's November temperatures, temperatures soared to unseasonal warmth, which melted snow and left roadways icy and coated with a thin layer of standing water.

The remnants of super typhoon Nuri brought warm air to the region. Jerry Steiger, meteorologist-incharge at the Nome post of the National Weather Service, said on Thursday, November 13, a measured temperature of 40°F in Nome tied a previously set record in 1976. It broke the highest minimum temperature of 34°F by one degree: 35 de-

The following day, Nome broke the record high set in 1976 (37°F) when the mercury rose to 39°F. The next day, temperatures rose even higher. On Nov. 15, it reached 43°F, besting the record set at 39°F in 1907. On Sunday, Nov. 16, the thermometer rose to 41°F, breaking the

record of 36°F set in the year 2000. On Tuesday, Nome broke the record set in 1977 (35°F) with a tem-

High temperature norms for November generally hover around the 20°F mark. "We are about 10°F warmer than normal," Steiger said.

perature of 43°F.

He pointed out the unusual occurrence of clear and sunny skies. At this time of year, clear weather in these latitudes usually coincide with cold temperatures. Steiger expects temperatures to slowly cool down.

Nome and the immediate surroundings show only small remnants of snow on the ground. Steiger said the normal for this time of the year snow accumulated from July until now – should be 11.4 inches.

However, this fall, Nome experienced only two snow events totaling 6.4 inches. "It is definitely unusual that we break three records in a row," said Steiger.