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By Diana Haecker

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Gold diver
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Toroers ruled out food foul.
The U.S. Coast Guard was noti-
fied and responded. U.S. Coast
Guard spokesman Grant Devyat said that the Coast
Guard Sector Anchorage sent a ma-
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gate the cause of the incident.
While the State Medical Exam-
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ner of Beals' death, the Coast
Guard's job is to determine what led
to his death.
"Our end is to determine how the incident happened and what we can do to mitigate," Devyat said.
Sean Beals was diving for the
company Pacifica.
Pacifica owns the dredge Argo.
Its other gold dredge Persistence is not
in Nome conducting gold dredging operations this summer.
Harbormaster Lucas Slott reports
a busy week at the Port of Nome and
the small boat harbor.
On August 12, Ridge construc-
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loaded freight and left.
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er Discoverer arrived for the day
and departed. The Arctic Bear de-
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Diade H/Komax arrived and loaded
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The motor yacht Triton anchored
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ing to sail through the Northwest Passage.
On August 15, the motor yacht
Troye came to the dock to fuel. Then
it returned to the roadsate to anchor.
The Diane H/Komax departed.
On August 16, Alaska Logistic’s
tug and barge Fish Hawk Logistics
Provider arrived with cargo.
The Capt. Frank Moody departed after
repairs were completed.
On August 17, Alaska Logistic’s
tug Fish Hawk departed for Seward.

Photo by Sandra L. Medrado
FULL STEAM AHEAD—Ridge Contracting crews work to extend city water and sewer services to Nome’s
Richard Foster Building site at the north end of Steadman Street. The City received a $1.5 million grant from
Nome Sound Economic Development Corp. to extend utility services to the complex.
"We have now the money to complete the building with a few needs still on the list, for example, land-
scaping items before ribbon-cutting day," John K. Handland, of the City’s museum and library commission, said.

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COMMANDANT— US Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft addressed the role the Coast Guard plays as the Arctic gets

Begich, U.S. DOT Secretary and Coast Guard Commandant visit Nome and Unalakleet on whirlwind tour

By Diana Haecker

U.S. Senator Mark Begich, the U.S. Secretary of the Dept. of Transportation Anthony Foxx and the new Commandant for the U.S. Coast Guard Paul Zukunft arrived in Nome on Friday morning for a tour of Nome and Unalakleet to learn about air and maritime transportation issues affecting the region.

The Alaska Municipal League hosted a question and answer period with the guests from Washington D.C. in the morning, before the dignitaries toured the port and harbor facilities in Nome. Then they left for Unalakleet for a roundtable discussion on the community’s infrastructure needs.

The purpose of the trip was to learn about the needs of coastal Alaska as the state faces an increase in maritime traffic through the Bering Strait, the lack of emergency response capabilities and the sparse infrastructure in place to connect communities.

Begich’s press secretary said the Senator wanted the DOT Secretary to see first hand transportation realities in Alaska and to understand the complexity of transportation logistics of the largest state in the union.

Senator Begich is a member of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, which deals with investments to airport safety and FAA policies. The U.S. Maritime Administration and the Federal Aviation Administration are under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the U.S. DOT.

The tour marked Sec. Foxx’s first visit to Alaska.

In an address to city managers and mayors at the Alaska Municipal League meeting at the Rec Center on Friday morning, Sec. Foxx pointed out that there is an intense debate going on about the future of the U.S. transportation system in Washington D.C.

He seemed concerned about the fact that there has not been a long-term transportation plan formulated in the past six years.

“We already know today that the country has almost double the need to move freight around and double the demand on our system over the next 35 years for freight,” said Foxx to Nome media outlets after the event.

“If you can imagine, doubling the amount of maritime traffic, doubling the amount of freight rail traffic, doubling the amount of aviation traffic, it’s gonna strain our system if we don’t have the infrastructure in place. The goal right now is to design a system based on how freight actually moves, to be able to delineate projects that will contribute to continued on page 6

GOLD PANS— U.S. Senator Mark Begich, U.S. DOT Secretary Anthony Foxx and US Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft received commemorative gold pans from Nome Mayor Denise Michels as a gift from the City of Nome.

MINGLING— US Senator Mark Begich chats with Manokotak Mayor Melvin Andrew and his wife Sally at the Nome Rec Center following a panel discussion with Secretary Foxx and Admiral Zukunft.

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Foxx said under the Act, an additional $30 million would flow to Alaska just for transit systems.

...to service their ships.”

...the region first hand brought the realization to Foxx that people, no matter how challenged by transportation gaps, need to get up in the morning, get their kids to school and themselves to work. But can he help the region with keeping the dust from gravel roads down? As an answer, Foxx laughed, saying, “Ah, you know, we need to make sure we do everything we can to get roads built. To get bridges built, to get the airport infrastructure you need. If you need to help with the dust, we try to help you, but we want to make sure we are prioritizing the needs.”

U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Zukunft said that it takes 10 years for the government to react to changes that are happening and that prompter action is necessary. He said that Alaska is the only state with a U.S. Coast Guard growth portfolio, meaning that there is an understanding of the crucial role the Coast Guard has to play here. The state of Alaska makes the USA an Arctic nation. Thus, the Coast Guard needs to be equipped with the tools to fulfill their mission. Zukunft said, “We’re all-in in the State of Alaska.”

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HOW DO WE KNOW?—St. Michael Mayor Bobbi Ann Andrews asked the panel, especially Admiral Zukunft, how small coastal communities can stay informed about transiting ships and vessels that are anchoring offshore in the summer time.

...the Marine Advisory Program at the Northwest Campus offers on its website an Automated Identification System that tracks vessels at sea near Nome, ships up but where to maintain them,” he said. “Where do we bring them into ports, the logistics?” He said the Coast Guard finds it more cost effective to have a larger clustering of Guard presence. “For now the best economy of scale is when we cluster these and maybe a few other locations, but not in multiple locations.” Senator Begich pointed to the net yet released Army Corps of Engineers study, which created a short list of potential candidate sites for an Arctic deep-draft port. Those sites were Nome and Port Clarence.

As the Coast Guard goes into missions further north, Begich said, they will need access to deep-water ports. “So you may not have a station for all seasons that they’re working from,” Begich said. “But there is a critical need that they have access points to service their ships.”

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Alaska’s Gold Refining Leader
By Diana Haecker

Last week, the Alaska Municipal League held its summer conference in Nome. Among the many Alaska mayors, city managers and AML directors to the Gold Rush city, but also gubernatorial candidates and federal politicians.

On Thursday, the AML conference hosted a two-hour gubernatorial debate at the Rec Center.

The debate took place between Democrat Byron Mallott and independent candidate Bill Walker.

Incumbent Governor Sean Parnell was invited but was not present to participate in the debate, an absence noted by both Mallott and Walker as frequently occurring. “Only twice has the incumbent governor joined us, and we’ve done maybe 10 debates,” said Mallott.

“Shame on him for not being here,” commented Bill Walker.

The debate took place with a civil tone and calm manner. The election drama plays out in the Republican primary race for the U.S. Senate seat.

Bill Walker of Anchorage introduced himself to the forum. “I’m not running because I’m looking for a career or because I want to become a politician,” he said. “I’m running because Alaska is in trouble.”

Walker, a lawyer operating his own law firm specializing in municipal and Regional Affairs under Governor Bill Egan and worked for Governor Jay Hammond’s administration. In 1994 Mallott won the Mayoral election in Juneau. He most recently returned as the President and CEO of First Alaskans Institute.

Mallott’s opening statement to the AML convention included the assertion that the Alaska Constitution calls for a maximum of local self-government and that cabinet leaders should have a relationship with local governments.

The debate then turned to questions from the audience to be answered by both candidates. The controversy about Secretary Jewell’s refusal to allow building a road through Izembek National Park. A symbol of the broken relationship between state and federal governments, both candidates agreed.

While Walker pushed for building more infrastructure, roads, bridges, gas pipelines, Mallott focused in his answer on community consultation and the careful weighing of costs and benefits to those involved.

“Women’s right to choose?”

Walker said he would vote Yes on ballot measure 1 that seeks to repeal SB 21. “The lack of oil coming through the pipeline is not a tax issue. We need more companies to develop oil fields and we need to incentivize exploration for smaller companies. We incentivize the wrong activity,” said Walker. Byron Mallott kept his answer to the process of how SB 21 was presented and pushed through. The bill was introduced by Governor Sean Parnell. “A governor should always act and clearly articulate the benefits to Alaskans,” Mallott said. Mallott said he has no problem with oil and gas companies acting to further their interests. “But I have huge difficulty accepting that decisions they argue for are the result of our own doing without the state making counter arguments. Decisions should be made for the good of all of Alaska,” he said.

Another question addressed the energy crisis in rural Alaska. Walker: “Stop studying and start building. We need to treat energy as a crisis and the current administration dipping into the savings account to pay for government services. ‘I don’t like the Alaska we’re in now,’” he said. “I want to fix Alaska.” He proposed to quit studying problems and begin building infrastructure.

CIVIL DEBATE— Independent gubernatorial candidate Bill Walker, right, debated Democrat Byron Mallott on Thursday afternoon in Nome.

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TAKING QUESTIONS— Democratic candidate Byron Mallott and Independent candidate Bill Walker took questions from Nome citizens and members of the Alaska Municipal League which hosted the forum during the summer conference in Nome last week.

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“Women’s right to choose?”

Walker said he would vote Yes on ballot measure 1 that seeks to repeal SB 21. “The lack of oil coming through the pipeline is not a tax issue. We need more companies to develop oil fields and we need to incentivize exploration for smaller companies. We incentivize the wrong activity,” said Walker. Byron Mallott kept his answer to the process of how SB 21 was presented and pushed through. The bill was introduced by Governor Sean Parnell. “A governor should always act and clearly articulate the benefits to Alaskans,” Mallott said. Mallott said he has no problem with oil and gas companies acting to further their interests. “But I have huge difficulty accepting that decisions they argue for are the result of our own doing without the state making counter arguments. Decisions should be made for the good of all of Alaska,” he said.

Another question addressed the energy crisis in rural Alaska. Walker: “Stop studying and start building. We need to treat energy as a crisis and the current administration dipping into the savings account to pay for government services. ‘I don’t like the Alaska we’re in now,’” he said. “I want to fix Alaska.” He proposed to quit studying problems and begin building infrastructure.

Bill Walker said he would focus on fixing the economy first. “I can’t say it is a priority of mine, we need to fix our economy first,” Walker said.
Norton Sound and Kotzebue river report for mid-August

CRAB: The tower summer season red king crab fishery has ended and 33 vessels harvested 1,070,000 red king crab. The record harvest was over 50,000 fish. Crab and projections show that the upper end of the range should nearly be reached and may be exceeded.

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Shaktolik Subdistrict Commercial harvest through mid-August was 16 kings, 40 reds, 28,400 chums, 33,000 pinks and 12,900 silvers. All kings harvested were not sold, but kept for personal use. The silver harverst is on track for a top 10 finish.

Nome River Subdistrict Commercial harvest through mid-August was 17 kings, 20 reds, 40,000 chums, 53,000 pinks, 7,000 silvers and 2,000 fish. The average harvest for the season is over 300 fish per day. Silver salmon is on track to pass the tower and the number of test fish drifts completed this year was less than 24. The Nome board of directors met in Nome on Monday and Tuesday, August 10 and 11, for the second quarter committee and full board meetings. The board and district offices are on Facebook. The board also granted the City of Elim’s request for $1.5 million for Kawerak, Inc., the NSEDC’s Beringia Science and Cultural Center. The board also voted to grant the City of Nome’s request to purchase for crab.

The board of directors took up several applications for grants. They voted to fund $6,700 to the City of Nome’s request for $5 million for Kawerak, Inc. The board also granted the City of Elim’s request for $375,605 for the Community Energy Fund to go towards the community’s meter base replacement project. The board denied a request from Norton Sound Health Corporation for $400,000 for the planned water treatment facility.

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By Keith Conger

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Nome's schools gear up for another great year

By Kristine McRae

Nome Public Schools’ business manager Paula Coffman has been working for the last year to introduce a new food service provider to Nome Public Schools. Recently the district signed a contract with Nome Marine Services (NMS) to provide breakfast and lunch programs for Nome’s pre-K to senior high schools. Some existing staff will stay on as NPS employees; NMS is also hiring local employees who will work directly for the company. Earlier this summer the board voted to accept the contract with NMS, which will result in two full-time positions for employees who provides meals to several districts around the town.

At last Tuesday’s meeting Coffman explained that the meals would be free for Nome’s students. NPS is now participating in both the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program, and because a certain percentage of students qualify for free lunches, Nome’s students will be eligible for the School Breakfast Program, and be eligible for all Nome’s students. Because the board voted to accept the contract employees who will work directly for the last year to introduce

New Faces to Nome Schools

Ten new students have enrolled in Nome’s schools for the fall. The district welcomes Misty Lewis, the new teacher at Anvil City Elementary. Aisha Talburt is the new Pre-K teacher; she will work at the Marzano Center to build the new teacher evaluation model included teachers.” Gast said, “and we will continue to work with the union on the evaluation tool. We are looking forward to measuring the progress of our kids.”

Gast reported that the district is still in search of two special education teachers. “There are 40 openings in special ed across the state,” Gast said, “and we’ve been looking all summer long. Sandy Harvey [Special Education director] is working on a plan B so we can service our kids until we find someone.”

In a brief address to the board, Nome-Beltz teacher Susanne Thomas thanked the board and administration for supporting the artist in residency last April and announced her intent to “keep the spirit alive” throughout the upcoming year.

Board member Barb Amickard inquired whether the district knew how many Nome students have or are going to transfer to Mt. Edgcumbe High School in Sitka. “We don’t know until we get the request for transcripts [from Edgcumbe],” Gast replied, “but we’ll work more next meeting.”

The school board is scheduled to meet again August 26 for a work session and again on September 9 for their regular meeting.

“Marijuana debate needs facts not propaganda...”

By The Alaska Association of Chiefs of Police

In popular culture legalization proponents have blithely told the public that while Alaska already has the highest rate of marijuana use in the country “there is no problem” on the roads because of it. We call that whistling in the graveyard. First, the law enforcement community believes that the 50 in 100 drivers and the hundreds of people injured in motor vehicle crashes during 2013 in Alaska are attributed to legal marijuana and the friends and families of those killed and maimed would agree. Second, while the proponents’ statements are presented as if it is an incontrovertible fact, the truth is they are generally unsupported opinion not challenged by the press. Toxicology (testing of blood) is the only scientific test of driver impairment in a crash. Since toxicology is not universally required it is impossible to know what percentage of current Alaskan crashes are marijuana related, but a study cited below involving drivers admitted to a major trauma center in Maryland showed more than 1 in 4 to be under the influence of marijuana and alcohol.

Similarly, statements being made about crash experience being significantly reduced in Washington State have not been legal problems here in Alaska.

However, the death count is relatively certain, injury counts are not yet completely tabulated and must be projected based on prior year data. While contemporaneous crash data contains uncertainties and can’t provide a bushel of data for conclusion, we feel recent studies from around the country paint a clear picture of what we can expect if marijuana is legalized in Alaska.

• Drugs that may affect driving were detected in one in every seven weekend nighttime drivers in California during the summer of 2012. In that first California statewide roadside survey of alcohol and drug use by drivers 14 percent of drivers tested positive for drugs, 7.4 percent of drivers tested positive for alcohol, and just as many tested positive for both. The findings included drivers with blood alcohol concentrations 2.2 percent of drivers with blood alcohol concentrations above 0.08. The study was sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the California Office of Alcohol and other Drugs Programs.

• In a 2007 National Roadside Survey of alcohol and drug use by drivers, a random sample of weekend nighttime drivers across the United States found that 16.3 percent of drivers tested positive for alcohol compared to 2.2 percent of drivers with blood alcohol concentrations above 0.08. The legal limit for a driver charged with driving under the influence is 8 times more frequently than alcohol. (DuPont, Robert. “National Survey Confirms that Drugged Driving is Significantly More Common Than Drunk Driving.” Commentary, Institute for Behavior and Health, July 17, 2009. p. 1. [http://www.cesarmd.com])

• In states where there has been a large increase in “medical marijuana cafes” DUI are involving marijuana skyrocketed, as there were traffic fatalities where marijuana was found in the system of one of the drivers. (South Dakota Medical marijuana通车 backlink. “http://www.mdbw.mshc.com/id/375284/6)
Across
1. Doctor's order 6. Follower of Mary
15. Apple spray 17. Kind of jar
18. Foul 19. “Ars amatoria” poet
20. Battery terminal (2 wds) 23. Cloudless
30. Family head 31. Blah (2 wds)
32. Club used by India’s police 36. Maple genus
38. Bush-league 40. Bad look
41. One who goes for the gold? 43. Like composition paper
45. Ace 46. Message-carrying bird (2 wds)
49. Unfaltering 52. Bloodless
53. “Mary Had a Little Lamb,” for one 57. Asian nurse
59. Agenda entries 63. Automatic
65. Brown emuine

66. “Aeneid” figure
67. Abscisic, with “up”
68. Chöa’s singing partner

Down
1. Backboard attachment 2. Victorian, for one
3. Consumes 4. Is repentant
5. Below 6. lamp
7. Came down 8. French Sudan, today
9. Officer promotion without pay increase
10. Hot and humid 11. Devastation
12. Inclined 13. Walk in water
14. Small, bulbous plants with showy spring flowers
17. Kind of dog 18. Altercation (hyphenated)
19. ___ friends 20. ___ friends

21. Clean and brush a horse 22. Morally wrong
23. Small, bulbous plants with showy spring flowers
24. Flax fabric
25. “Pumping ___”
26. Goes back over
27. Abnormal tissue growth
28. Chester White’s home
29. Animal catcher
30. Subsistence-Sport-Commercial
31. Dog life jackets
32. Bird dog training dummies
33. Wild bird seed
34. Bird feeders & bird houses
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For more information contact:
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Charlotte Rain Egrass

New arrivals
Robert Egrass and Jenelle Johnson are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Charlotte Rain Egrass. Charlotte (Letty) was born on July 9, 2014 at 10:58 a.m. She weighed in at a healthy 8 pounds, 10 ounces and was 22 inches long. Big brother Wyatt helped welcome her home. Maternal grandparents are Doug and Robin Johnson of Nome. Paternal grandparents are Lewis (Lucky) Egrass of McGrath and Marjorie Vanderpool of Anchorage.

Senator Donny and Willow Olson would like to introduce you to their son Solomon Seay Olson. He was born Monday, August 11, at 5:59 a.m. weighing 7 pounds 10 ounces. Solomon was born at Alaska Native Medical Center and has since returned home to Golovin. He joins his siblings Colby, Martin, Donald Jr. and Maggie. His maternal grandparents are Gary Seay of Fairbanks and Sydney Seay of Anchorage and his paternal grandmother is Maggie Olson of Golovin.

Fishing Reports.
Hear the latest fishing information from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game as well as local tides and marine weather: Monday through Sunday at 9:20 AM, 12:20 PM and 6:20 PM

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All Along the Sound

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT

On 08/12 at 10:09 p.m. NPD responded to a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of residence on the west side of Nome on a report of assault behind an establishment on Front Street.

On 08/13 at 10:41 p.m., troopers in Nome were dispatched for a report of a man in the water off of the beach in Old Town Nome. The man was located at the residence and transported to the Nome Southside Hospital where he was declared deceased. Next of kin was notified. The Homer-based Oregonian Dive Team was dispatched to Nome to assist in the recovery of the body.

On 08/14 at 10:17 p.m. NPD responded to a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of residence on a report of sexual abuse of a minor.

On 08/15 at 10:23 a.m. NPD conducted a traffic stop on Seppala and Lower Belmont on a yellow four-wheeler that was observed traveling east toward the airport.

On 08/17 at 8:02 p.m. the Nome Police Department responded to a disturbance. Investigation led to the arrest of residence on a report of a sexual assault.

On 08/17 at 2:29 p.m. NPD was dispatched for a traffic stop on 4th Street and Lower Belmont. Investigation led to the arrest of residence on a report of a sexual assault.

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part is responding to this violence here in Alaska. I have been writing about this and speaking out for years, and I would like to see justice for my family.

We need to address the problem when our own systems continue to cause harm against our own people. Why are our courts continuing to commit charges and covering it up using the whole system.

We have people getting away with murder and everything else and our system also is doing nothing to help or protect us. Our court system, Family and Children Services, Public Assistance, Child Support, the Ombudsman, Civil Rights and Law Enforcement is a big mess.

We have Tribal Leaders who get away with corruption and Bureau of Indian Affairs who get away with corruption.

Also The Alaska Native Medical Center and The Yukon Klukwan need to start respecting our people living away from the city. Other hospitals serving a whole bunch of people and patients are seen in 15 minutes or less in the emergency room, please see what we are doing the same way. Let’s wait for hours in the emergency room.

I love the State of Alaska and our Tribal Villages, as do you all. Let’s stop the violence and start working together.

Situasak Native Corporation has begun the process of selling some of its real estate holdings in Nome.

Places include the Country Store / Nome Trading Company building on Front Street and potentially apartment buildings.

SNC is open to discussions with qualified buyers.

Please contact Charlie Sassara at 907-929-7029 or cssassara@snc.net
those of us who grew up in small rural communities know the intricacies of relationships. It is no laughing matter that half of all marriages in the church are ending in divorce. This message is not just about marriage relationships, but all relationships. The life of Joseph gives us an excellent example in the dos and don’ts of restoring relationships. Learning and applying relational skills is vitally important because God made us to live in relationships with others. When Adam was alone in the garden God saw that it was not good for him to be alone. We can only live in relationships. We need each other.

During this very emotional time Joseph called his brothers to come close to him rather than pushing them away. Too often when people wrong us we respond by pushing them away. Surely you can see that we will never have a relationship with someone we are pushing away. If we are to restore relationships, we must begin drawing close to those who have hurt us. Healthy relationships are vital to our very lives. When Joseph decided to reveal his true identity to his brothers after they sold him into slavery, he first cleared the room so that it could be done in private. There was a great deal of wisdom in that move. If someone has wronged you in some way the last thing that you should do is broadcast that everywhere.

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Because toxicity results are not universally reported for Alaskan crashes, no empirical data exists which would lead us to expect a different result here.

- In a study of seriously injured drivers admitted to a Maryland Level-I trauma-center, 45.7% were found to have positive toxicology results for alcohol and/or drugs. Almost 51 percent of the total tested positive for illegal drugs. A total of 26.9 percent of those drivers tested positive for marijuana. (DuPont, Robert. “National Survey Confirms that Drugged Driving is Significantly More Widespread than Drunk Driving.” Commentary, Institute for Behavior and Health, July 17, 2009. page 1. http://www.norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=7475 for article and http://normal.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=7459 for the full report)

- The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) has called for a science-based educational campaign targeting drugged driving behavior. In a January 2008 report titled, Cannabis and Driving, it is noted that motorists should be discouraged from driving if they have recently smoked cannabis and should never operate a motor vehicle after having consumed both marijuana and alcohol. The report also calls for the development of roadside, cannabis-sensitive technology to detect drugged driving behavior. In a January 2008 report titled, (NORML) Cannabis and Driving: A Scientific and Rational Review.”


- “... of Alaska’s streets and highways is at stake. Drugged driving is a public health concern because it impairs motor skills, reaction time, and judgment, and it puts not only the driver at risk, but also passengers and others who share the road. Even low doses of marijuana moderately impair cognitive and psychomotor tasks associated with driving, while severe driving impairment is observed with high doses, chronic use and use in combination with low doses of alcohol. The more difficult and unpredictable the task, the more likely marijuana will impair performance. The Alaska Association of Chiefs of Police hopes the people of Alaska will base their opinion on well researched, science-based facts about marijuana, and not rely on anecdotal evidence and biased propaganda. The safety of Alaska’s streets and highways is at stake.

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**Beverage Dispensary License Regular Transfer**

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State of Alaska v. Gene Oxereok (1/26/52); 2NO-14-458CR CTN 001: Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 8/25/14; Probation: After serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 8/13/14); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation. Small cold weapon allowed only if further supervised by a local law enforcement agency. Shall not reside or enter on premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer. Must pay $500 fine to the AGs Office, Anchorage. All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

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FAREWELL—Magistrate Judge Brooke Alowa is moving on to Anchorage to serve at the Alaska State Commission on Human Rights.

By Diana Haecker

The Alaska Court system is looking for a new magistrate in Nome as current Magistrate Judge and Standing Master Brooke Alowa is set to leave Nome by the end of this month. “I had the opportunity to take a position as chief of enforcement for the Alaska State Commission on Human Rights,” Alowa told the Nome Nugget. The Commission is tasked to identify and eradicate instances of discrimination in Alaska. Although sad to leave Nome for the big city of Anchorage, Alowa said she is proud to be going to work for the commission and being part of a team dedicated to ensure equality and justice in Alaska.

Alowa worked as an attorney for the Nome Law firm Lewis & Thomas between 2007 and 2010. She then worked for ten months as supervising attorney of the Office of Public Advocacy in Bethel. From 2010 until Dec. 2012 Alowa was the Magistrate Judge in Kotzebue.

The Alaska Court System began recruiting for the position of Magistrate Judge.

A magistrate serves under the presiding judge of the judicial district and area court administrator and is tasked to set bail, conduct small claims trials and misdemeanor and minor offense arraignments and tri- als, issue warrants, emergency child proceedings and DV matters.

According to Area Court Administrator Tracey Buie, a recruitment bulletin has been issued and is posted on the State of Alaska website, the Court System’s website and the Alaska Bar Association’s website. The deadline for applications closes on August 18.

Presiding Judge Michael Jeffery will hire Alowa’s successor. A hiring team is part of the process to narrow the field of candidates and to aid Judge Jeffery in making a final selection.

In the meantime, local Superior Court Judge Timothy Doolley will absorb some of the workload. Doolley’s predecessor Judge Ben Esch will fill in for a short time. Other judi- cial officers in courts in Unalak- teq, Barrow and Kotzebue also will help out.

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