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WARM LIGHT—The mountains along the Bering Sea coast between Nome and Teller soak up the sun during the few hours when it makes its presence known Dec. 3.

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MONKEY BUSINESS—Wes Perkins is surrounded by furry friends as he works the children's booth at the Fireman's Carnival Saturday night at the Nome Recreation Center. For more on the event, see page 8.

Chief Burke to bid Nome adieu

Strain and expense of separation from family takes too large a toll for Nome's police chief

By Laurie McNicholas

Police Chief Paul Burke submitted a letter of resignation to City Manager Josie Bahnke Dec. 5 and said he expects to move to Reno, Nev., no later than Dec. 27.

The news that he has resigned became evident near the end of the Nome Common Council meeting Monday when Councilmen Randy Pomeranz, Jerald Brown and Neal Foster expressed appreciation to Burke for his service to the community and told him he would be missed.

In a brief interview following the meeting, Burke said he resigned because his wife is in Reno providing extended care for their daughter, Karen, 24, who was severely injured in a head-on automobile collision Oct. 10 in Grass Valley, Calif. Karen had traveled from Nome to Grass Valley to receive training in her new position as a paramedic with Norton Sound Health Corp.,



Archive photo by Diana Haecker

Nome Police Chief Paul Burke

Burke said. "It will be six months before she will be able to walk to any degree," he said.

He noted the strain of a 5,000-

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Once-tight rental market now flooded with empty units

By Tyler Rhodes

"One bedroom for rent."

"Healthy Home Living Houses/Apts for Rent."

"One bedroom house for rent."

So went the subjects of three e-mails sent within a span of 20 minutes last Thursday to a popular online message board in Nome.

A year ago, all six rental units advertised in the three e-mail messages would have likely been scooped up

by the end of the day. At that time, Nome's housing market was tight with open rentals often filled by word of mouth and rarely advertised.

In the last couple of weeks, Nome's bulletin boards—both on the web and outside of the grocery stores—have sported an increasing number of postings for available rental units.

Nome real estate agent Melissa Ford confirms what the message

boards seemed to be saying. "There are definitely more rentals available now," she said.

The loosening of housing space can largely be attributed to fewer jobs in town. Part of that is the normal seasonal nature of work in Nome, since most large-scale construction work is conducted in the summer months here. "A lot of our renters were construction crews," Ford said. "They filled up the hotels.

Every summer Nome fills up, even before the mine was in existence."

The other half of the equation can be traced to the loss of 75 jobs at the Rock Creek Mine on Nov. 28 as its owner, NovaGold Resources, suspended operations at the site. Citing several factors, including the worldwide credit crunch, NovaGold shut down the open-pit gold mine just as it was moving toward full production. It is uncertain when or if the

mine will resume operations.

Many who worked at the mine just a few miles outside of Nome had moved to the area for the job. When the jobs went away, so did many of the employees. Judy Martinson, who owns several rental units in Nome, said she will see some turnover in her properties as a result.

NovaGold rents five of her units

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New CEOs named for NSEDC and subsidiary Siu Alaska

By Laurie McNicholas

The board of directors of Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. unanimously selected Janis Ivanoff as chief executive officer at a special meeting Dec. 2 in Anchorage, reports Dan Harrelson, NSEDC's president and board chairman.

Ivanoff, who is vice president of the corporation, succeeds Bob Walsh, who served as CEO from May until November of this year. She will continue to be based at the corporation's headquarters in Anchorage.

Ivanoff began her career with NSEDC as an intern in 1998 and has served for the past six years as the community benefits director, according to a press release from the company. She received a bachelor's degree in business administration with a focus on economics from the University of Alaska Anchorage in 1997.

She received NSEDC scholarship funds as she attained her education.

Born and raised in Nome, Ivanoff is a graduate of Nome-Beltz High School. She is married to Kevin Ivanoff from Unalakleet. They have three sons, Glenn, age 9, Reece, 6, and Luke, 5.

Kineen named Siu Alaska CEO

The board of directors of Siu Alaska Corp., a wholly owned for-profit subsidiary of NSEDC, has offered a new CEO position to Nomeite Simon Kineen following interviews on Dec. 1, Harrelson reports. "Final contract negotiations are now in process," he added.

Kineen succeeded Jon Zuck as NSEDC's community development quota manager early this year. Previously he had served the corporation as fisheries research and devel-

opment director.

NSEDC established Siu Alaska this year to handle the parent corporation's taxable assets in response to an Internal Revenue Service determination that income from some of the company's investments is taxable.

NSEDC is one of six Community Development Quota groups in western Alaska that receive annual quotas of the total allowable catch of pollock and other fish species in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands area. The company has a nonprofit tax-exempt status as a social welfare organization under 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Royalties from NSEDC's CDQ fisheries harvests are not taxable, nor is income from the company's stock market investments.

Such organizations annually file a Form 990 informational return with the IRS. Gross

income from a business reported on the return that is not substantially related to the tax-exempt purpose of the organization, other than the need for funds, is subject to unrelated business income tax (UBIT). For example, NSEDC reported income derived from its ownership interest in Glacier Fish Co. as unrelated business income on its 2006 Form 990 return, filed Nov. 12, 2007. In mid-2007 NSEDC selected an international law firm, Latham & Watkins, as tax consultants for UBIT issues.

Don Stiles, who represents Nome on the NSEDC board, was elected chairman of the seven-member Siu Alaska board at its first meeting on Oct. 9.

Candidates for the Siu Alaska and NSEDC CEO positions were recruited exclusively from within NSEDC's ranks.

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Letters

Dear Editor,

This letter is actually to the person(s) who put the five little black puppies into the Dumpster near the Augdahl Apartments Tuesday night of last week.

SHAME ON YOU!

Thanks to some children playing nearby who heard the puppies whining, they are all now warm and healthy, and will grow up to be adult dogs that will get good, loving homes.

To the citizens of Nome: if you need assistance or help with an animal situation that seems overwhelming or just too much, please call me and let me try to help. Throwing away puppies or kittens that you don't want is not the answer, and is also legally considered animal abuse.

Amy Smithhisler
Nome Animal Control Officer
443-5212 or 443-2336

Dear Nancy,

I was born in White Mountain and raised traditionally by my grandpar-

ents, Tom and Esther Brown. I am a woman, but grew up in a household of men and have a natural affinity for hunting and fishing. Teachers and learners into their old age, my grandparents burned the midnight oil with the Bible and novels. I believe I will not know better examples of a natural, holistic education than that which was provided for me through them, my family, community and other elders of the region.

In contrast, Eric Morris arrived in the aftermath of a lawsuit spurred by a young Yupik, Molly Hootch, which brought public high schools to all the villages. When the new teachers arrived, our language was spoken on the roads here, along the rivers and on the tundra. In my memory as a student, I do not recall Morris expressing a respect for our culture to augment his teaching in any way. This is behavior and values grounded in assimilation, the core of policies and practices regarding Indian and Alaska Native education, since the Russians built their first school 224

years ago. These policies have had a profound, far reaching impact on indigenous peoples of Alaska.

One teacher who is no longer here, summed up her observations, "White Mountain is the most assimilated village in the region." One elder was keenly aware of the effect, and said of Morris, "He's been here too long." Morris has also been openly condemning of Native culture, stating to his students, "Your culture is dead." Why live among us if he feels this way?

Morris is employed by the IRA. This summer at an IRA meeting, he suggested that the IRA and City of White Mountain get together to raise money, \$550,000 or so, to build a new public safety building, that he and Dan Harrelson would control. Sounded like a cultural center to me. If the proposal is not from the think tank of Eskimos, then who is the new center for?

With Dan Harrelson as Chairman of NSEDC, it is not an accident that Morris's name appeared in the selection process for the Education Endowment NSEDC recently created. Without community input for something as important as a \$15 million Education Endowment in behalf of many villages, there is no assurance it will be managed with sensitivity to their cultures and with respect for their intelligence. A teacher who has lived at a rural site for "a long time" does not demonstrate they have embraced the community's culture in their teaching, or acknowledged another world beyond their own, in a genuine way.

People within the Bering Strait indigenous community hold degrees in engineering, law, medicine, business and education. It is without question, they be recruited to submit their names to chair this endowment through a transparent process. Without such a process, I can only conclude that millions of dollars will remain in the hands of a facilitator to a patriarchal system. With a demonstrated record of an extremely high cost/low benefit ratio for communi-

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

Editorial

We're Tougher in Alaska

The recent presidential campaign with Alaska Governor Sarah Palin personified as a gun toting, moose munching, bear hugging hockey mom made us all look kind of silly. Thankfully the campaign is over and sensibility prevails, well, sort of.

The campaign was successful to a certain extent. You betcha! It drew attention to Alaska and the weird things about us stuck in the nation's mind. The rest of the country thinks we are all a bunch of mighty moose hunters and macho snowmachine racers. Sure we hunt and use ATVs. We pay upward of \$5 for a gallon of gas and our version of an Interstate highway is a gravel road to Teller. We are tough and enduring because we stand in the world's longest lines at the Post Office and build bulging biceps from hauling home all those catalogs from Cabella's, L.L. Bean and Frederick's of Hollywood. We are well versed in literacy. Doesn't the Alaska section of our libraries have the biggest books?

We're conservationists, too. Why, at the drop of a scanner tone we will jump into our pick-up trucks with a big black lab in the back and roar around town in the middle of the night to safely escort polar bears from our back yards. We are proud folks here. We enjoy a good story and we are gifted at embellishment. Don't ya love it? — N.L.M. —

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A Look at the Past



Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

ARE YOU READY, DEER? — A herder dressed in reindeer gear is ready to show his prized reindeer, most likely at an Annual Reindeer Fair. Circa 1910.

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DELIVERING THE NEWS—Employees at the Rock Creek Mine gather to listen Nov. 28 as the mine’s general manager, Jim Mallory, outlines the process by which NovaGold will shut down the facility and eliminate jobs.

Rock Creek crew to be whittled to 14

Staff of 60 on hand to prepare mine for prolonged inactivity

By Tyler Rhodes

After the initial jolt of cutting 75 jobs, the manager of NovaGold’s Rock Creek Mine said additional layoffs will be gradually executed before reaching the target number of workers to monitor and maintain the site during its closure.

According to Rock Creek General Manager Jim Mallory, the current staff of 60 left on hand to prepare the mine for what they are calling “care and maintenance” will eventually be whittled down to 14.

Mallory said the plan to winterize and prepare the mine for an extended shutdown should take 45 to 60 days to accomplish. Under the plan, mine equipment used to drill, excavate and haul ore will be winterized. The processing plant will be drained and cleaned, and any recoverable gold

will be collected for refining. The water in the mill and other facilities will be shut off, and lines will be drained. All the buildings on the site are to be winterized and closed up.


Mallory said the skeleton crew remaining on site will continue to inspect and monitor buildings, and technicians will continue an environmental monitoring program. Access to the pit will be blocked off to prevent unexpected traffic in the area.

When questioned if additional work will be required in the spring when runoff water will flow, Mallory said the groundwork to deal with the issue has already been accomplished. “We’ve been working all this year on additional storm water diversion channels, and these structures, including outflows into Lindblom and Rock Creek, have

been installed,” he said via an e-mail to *The Nome Nugget*.

Any other work to deal with runoff should be minimal in nature, he said. “I expect that there will be some minor work needed before spring to move the snow around the settling ponds and channels to make sure they’re operable,” Mallory wrote. “The equipment to do that is on site and the care and maintenance team will be watching this closely to plan and schedule any work that might be required.”

Runoff water created a problem for the mine last year, prompting federal regulators to send notices of violation to NovaGold. The company responded with an improved stormwater prevention plan that drew accolades from some regulators.



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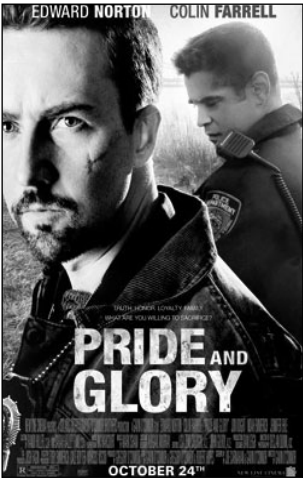
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December 11 - December 17, 2008

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, December 11		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Animal Vaccination Clinic	Public Works Building	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m.
*Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 5:45 p.m.
*Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Infertility a New Soloution	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Smoke Free class	Prematernal Home	3:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6:15, 7:30 & 8:45 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Swing Dancing	Nome Rec Center	7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Narcotics Anonymous	Behavioral Health Bldg.	7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Friday, December 12		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Animal Vaccination Clinic	Public Works Building	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m.
*Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 6 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 4 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	12:05 p.m. - 12:50
*SIDS Awareness Project video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Nutrition class with Shana	Prematernal Home	3 p.m.
*Kids Soccer K - 3rd grades	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*P90x videos	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Kids Soccer 4th - 7th grades	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Cardio Kick Boxing	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
Saturday, December 13		
*Pool		Closed
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Animal Vaccination Clinic	Public Works Building	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Mini Island IRA Elections	Mini Conventions	10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
*Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m.
*Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 6 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
*Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Care of the Sick Child video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
Yoga Workshop w/Kelly today only	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Lamaze-Your Baby & You video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	BHS Bldg. 2nd floor	8 p.m.
Sunday, December 14		
*Pool		Closed
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*Making a Difference: A Mother's Guide to Prenatal Care video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*The Joy of Stress video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Beginning Baton with Jay	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*AA: Big Book Study	HR Conf. Room, NSHC	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Monday, December 15		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 5:45 p.m.
*Strength Training with Jennie	Nome Rec Center	12:05 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.
*Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Social Services Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Pregnancy-Nine Special Months video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Cardio Kick Boxing with Jennie	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6:15, 7:30 & 8:45 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Drop-in Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
Tuesday, December 16		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*Summer Reading Program	Kegoayah Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1 p.m.
*Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
*Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*WIC class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Who's Watching Your Kids video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6:15, 7:30 & 8:45 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	Methodist Church	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Nome Joint Utility Sys Reg Mtg	Council Chambers	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 17		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
Animal Vaccination Clinic	Public Works Building	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m.
*Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Strength Training with Jennie	Nome Rec Center	12:05 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.
*Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Feeding Your Child video	Prematernal Home	1 p.m.
*Breast Self Exam... video	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Nome Kennel Club Annual Mtg	Council Chambers	6 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	BHS Bldg. 2nd floor	8 p.m.



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Council OKs grant application for NJUS storage building

Nome Common Council questioned on fairness and effectiveness of City's animal control ordinance

By Laurie McNicholas

Nome Joint Utility System Manager John Handeland received permission from the Nome Common Council to apply for a Community Development Block Grant to fund design of a new Nome Joint Utility System facility for equipment storage and other uses at a special Council meeting Dec. 3.

The CDBG program is administered by the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development.

The Council approved a resolution authorizing the City of Nome through NJUS to participate in the FY2008 CDBG program following a public hearing at which Handeland invited suggestions for a grant application project.

He reported that an application by NJUS for an FY2007 CDBG grant to reconstruct and relocate overhead distribution feeders spanning the Snake River had been turned down because the City's planning grant for the Public Safety Building was not fully expended at that time. He said the Federal Emergency Management Agency is a potential source of funding for reconstruction and relocation of the distribution feeders.

Handeland distributed conceptual drawings and diagrams for a two-story, five-bay building with a vehicle garage, storage rooms and office space. He suggested submitting a

planning grant application for the proposed project to the CDBG program by the Dec. 5 deadline.

The Council also adopted a resolution to dispose of the City of Nome's right of reverter and reversionary interest in Lot 11A, Block 74A.

Animal control ordinance questioned

Reginald Bright told Council members that a City animal control ordinance has proved inadequate to protect his pedigreed female dog from becoming impregnated for the second time by an unleashed dog in his Martinson subdivision neighborhood.

"If an animal is loose or a menace, it does not protect me, but sort of protects the [loose] animal's owner," Bright said. He cited Ordinance No. 10.30.020, "Unattended animals prohibited", which reads:

"(a) No animal may run at large within the city. No person having charge or control of an animal may permit the animal to run at large within the city.

"(b) Female in Heat—Confinement. Every female "in heat" shall be kept confined in such a manner that such female animal cannot come in contact with a male animal except for planned breeding purposes."

Mayor Denise Michels told Bright a revised draft of the ordinance has

been prepared and a copy is available from the City Manager. She said the Council will schedule a work session to discuss a new draft ordinance during which Bright may comment on the draft.

Bright said he has dealt with problems with his neighbor's dog for three years and has been told by his attorney and Pete Halgren, former interim City Manager, that Ordinance 10.30.020 needs revision.

Job description discussed

Council members discussed a draft job description for a new public works director position at a work session immediately following the special meeting. Councilman Randy Pomeranz suggested changing the position title to assistant [City] manager. "It's the kind of role Randy Romanesko had when he was [City] manager," he said, explaining that if the new City Manager Josie Bahnke should ever decide to leave, an assistant manager would be prepared to replace her.

The Council was unable to find a replacement for Romanesko for a lengthy period during which the City contracted with two successive interim city managers before hiring Bahnke.

The job description summary for public works director reads: "Supervise the maintenance and inspection of City owned buildings,

grounds, streets, port and harbor facilities. Supervise the procurement, maintenance and operation of City owned vehicles and equipment to include the equipment and facilities used at the City port and harbor. Provide engineering services, either directly [through] contract services, for Public Works, Building Maintenance, Port and other City departments."

"Every other city has this talent," said Councilman Stan Andersen. "Whoever this is would be like a Randy. I envision this thing taking over sewer and water, digging up and putting back..."

Councilwoman Mary Knodel wondered whether building inspection should be among the duties of public works director. Bahnke and Councilman Jon Larson suggested including zoning enforcement duties in the job description.

Andersen noted that "other duties as assigned" is a catchall phrase in the job description. "Get a guy on board and work it out," he suggested.

Bahnke said that changing the job title to assistant city manager may widen the pool of applicants.

Andersen asked whether Bahnke had looked at a wage range for the position and whether a salary of \$90,000 is in order.

"I think so," Bahnke replied.

Knodel indicated that salary would be appropriate if the person

selected for the position has an engineering degree.

Grocery sales tax exemption?

Larson suggested temporarily exempting groceries from the City sales tax in the early months of 2009.

Bahnke distributed a list of City sales tax revenues by month over the past decade with highlighted figures for the early months of 2006 and 2008 when grocery sales tax exceptions were in place. The list includes sales tax revenues from July through October of this year.

Michaels noted that the recent Rock Creek Mine closure has resulted in layoff of 70 employees with more to follow until 16 staff members remain.

Larson pointed out that large increases in the costs of heating oil and gasoline are generating more sales tax revenues this year. He said he agrees with Pomeranz's suggestion to set the grocery sales tax exemption period from Jan. 15 to April 30, 2009. After Council members mulled various aspects of the City's current budget, Andersen suggested they rely on City Controller Cussie Kauer to determine whether funds are available for a grocery tax exemption this winter.

All Council members except Neal Foster attended the special meeting and work session.

Rentals

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directly, while some employees and others associated with the mine were Martinson's tenants of their own accord. She said the gold company has released three units, but would hold on to the two others for the time being, but she has received notice for at least two individual renters.

"It definitely has an impact," Martinson said of the mine's indefinite closure. "[The tenants] were very good people. We enjoyed them."

Despite having fewer potential tenants in town and more housing options for those who remain, Martinson is not worried about filling her units. "We have pretty decent rentals, they're going to rent," she said. Offering comfortable, well-maintained houses and apartments with plenty of amenities, Martinson believes people will "move up" to the nicer units in town after perhaps being forced into choosing less desirable housing when the market was tight.

Her outlook for Nome as a whole, however, is not so optimistic in light of a shut-down mine.

"I have seen Nome when Alaska Gold was shut down, and it is a ghost town. It was not good for anyone," she said. "We just need to pray to God that the mine starts back up. That's not just for us, but for everyone—the schools, the library, the bars, the churches, the housing, anyone who owns a house or is thinking of owning a house that might sell some day. This

"We just need to pray to God that the mine starts back up. That's not just for us, but for everyone—the schools, the library, the bars, the churches, the housing, anyone who owns a house or is thinking of owning a house that might sell some day."

— Judy Martinson, landlord

mine kept this community stable while all the rest the world was taking a nose dive."

Like Ford, Martinson said she saw the rental market opening up even before the mine announced its suspension. She said she saw the

rising availability of units as a natural occurrence as the mine moved from its construction phase to production. "There's been a few people running around creating verbal hysteria that the mine was ruining Nome and taking up all

the housing. That was a very short period. It was short-sighted to say that," she said.

Following the law of supply and demand, Ford said she noticed rents being charged for some units are dropping as landlords are looking to fill the empty space. Martinson said, however, her rates have remained steady—even when space was at a premium. "Yeah, we had a tight time. We didn't run around jacking our rates up because of it," she said. "We covered our fuel [cost] increase, but we did not do anything else."

Martinson said she did levy a surcharge to the gold company for units that were used for housing itinerant workers who were not in Nome long-term for the project. She said she did not differentiate her rates for those who lived here on a more permanent basis.

Ford said she believed with more rentals available at better prices, Nome's house buying market could slow a bit. "If people can find quality rental prices, they're not going to be as inclined to purchase," she said. "The [rental] shortage did kind of encourage people to buy."

Even so, Ford said single family homes are still selling well in Nome. She knows of only a small number of miners who purchased homes in town. Multi-family properties, such as duplexes and triplexes, however, are not selling as strong, she said. "Prior to the mine shut-down, there was a lot of interest in multi-family homes...Now homebuyers are more interested in single-family homes," she said.

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Conservation group sues government over walrus listing

By Diana Haecker

The environmental conservation group Center for Biological Diversity last week sued the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne for failing to respond to its petition to list the Pacific walrus as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

The group filed the petition on Feb. 8, saying that climate change, shrinking sea ice and further oil and gas exploration in the Chukchi and Bering seas are pushing the ice-dependent animals to the brink of extinction.

Under the ESA, the government has a window of 90 days to determine whether or not a petition warrants further study. As FWS and Kempthorne had not issued a response well past the May 8 deadline, the center filed the civil action on Dec. 3 in federal district court in Anchorage.

"Because the Secretary has had the Petition for nearly one year and has still failed to act, Plaintiff now seeks judicial relief declaring that the Secretary has violated the ESA and the Administrative Procedures Act [...] by failing to process the Petition and issue the required 90-day finding. Plaintiff also asks the Court to order the Secretary to make the required finding on the Petition by a date certain," reads the complaint.

"The Arctic ecosystem is in crisis from global warming," said Shaye Wolf, a biologist with the center and lead author of the original petition to list the Pacific walrus. "The Pacific walrus, like the polar bear, is an early victim of our failure to address global warming. Every day we fail to act, the Pacific walrus's chance of survival shrinks with the retreating sea ice."

In May, Kempthorne listed polar bears as a threatened species under the ESA, after a court-ordered deadline when the Interior Department also failed to adhere to ESA deadlines. In addition to petitions for the polar bear and the walrus, the center has filed ESA petitions for other

Alaska species such as the Kittlitz's murrelet in 2001, the ribbon seal in 2007 and bearded, spotted and ringed seals in 2008.

The federal Fish and Wildlife Service is charged with the task to see if there is any merit to the claim that walrus are eligible for the threatened listing under the endangered species act. "We first need to see if the petition presented sufficient scientific and commercial evidence," said Anchorage FWS spokesman Bruce Woods. If the evidence supports that the animals' existence is threatened, the agencies conduct further studies, issuing a ruling after one year. "After the end of the year of study, we either propose to list the species under the ESA and then go through the public comment process, or we don't think a listing is warranted and the petition is denied," said Woods.

Woods cited budget constraints as a reason why the FWS did not stick to the mandatory 90-day deadline to respond to the center's petition. "We have to prioritize our available staff time and funding based on court-ordered actions and ongoing work to be completed," Wood said. "While the ESA listing review is going on, we still need to fund our ongoing programs and biological studies." Ongoing programs include oversight over the oil and gas exploration industry to adhere to restrictions concerning seismic activity and to have observers on board exploration vessels.

Woods said that the FWS is working on a response to the petition. "We budgeted a response for the fiscal year 2009," he said.

However, the center thinks time is of the essence. "The Secretary's failure to comply with the ESA's nondiscretionary deadlines for processing the Center's petition to list the Pacific walrus deprives these walruses of statutorily mandated protection vitally necessary for their survival," said Center for Biological Diversity attorney Rebecca Noblin from the Center's new office in Anchorage.

"Any further delay by the Secretary in response to the petition frustrates the intent of the Endangered Species Act by reducing the likelihood of survival and recovery of the species due to continued harm from global warming, oil and gas development and other threats."

Noblin said that the government now has to respond within 60 days to the center's complaint or as a more cooperative alternative, the government agencies work with the Center to figure out a schedule on how progress over the petition will be achieved.

With the change in occupants of the White House, Noblin said, "We're hopeful that the new administration will end the Bush administration's oppression of the Endangered Species Act."

A press release by the Center said that oil and gas development, shipping and greenhouse gas emissions affecting the arctic would be subject to greater regulation under the Endangered Species Act if the Pacific walrus were listed.

Asked if the listing would affect the subsistence harvest, Noblin said it wouldn't, as the ESA law exempts subsistence practices from

the law's prohibitions.

The ESA was passed in 1973 to protect plant and animal species that are at risk of becoming extinct. Species that receive protection under the ESA are classified into endangered or threatened, depending on how many are left in the wild and how severely their survival is threatened. A species listed as endangered is in danger of becoming extinct throughout all or a significant portion of its range. A threatened species is one that is likely to become endangered in the foreseeable future.

The ESA allows the taking of protected species by Alaska Natives for subsistence purposes if it is not done in a wasteful manner. Edible portions of ESA-protected animals harvested for subsistence purposes may be sold in Alaska Native villages for Native consumption. Non-edible by-products of ESA-protected species harvested for subsistence may be sold in interstate commerce when made into authentic Native articles of handicrafts and clothing.

While the issue is in the hands of courts and discussions are among lawyers, scientists and politicians, the people with the most intimate

knowledge of walrus are wondering what the fuss is all about.

Clarence Waghiyi, the 76-year old Savoonga representative to the Eskimo Walrus Commission and a walrus hunter since age 14, said in a phone interview with *The Nome Nugget* that white people should quit worrying about the walrus because nothing can be done anyway. While he shared the Center's concern about oil and gas development, and how increased industrial activity could affect the walrus' migration routes, Waghiyi takes a religious approach and said, "Only the Maker can do something about it. He will not let them suffer."

Waghiyi also expressed frustration about decisions made in far-flung places without taking into the equation what local, Alaskan Natives and Elders have to say, who truly know the animals habitat, behavior and real or perceived plight intimately. "They should just pay for Alaskan Elders to travel to Washington, D.C., and tell them how we use the sea mammals, the seals and walrus and whales for our subsistence lifestyle."

The director of the Eskimo Walrus Commission could not be reached for comment.

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Lady Whaler netters leave Nome with hardware

Barrow takes regional tourney, Nome finishes fourth

Story by Tyler Rhodes

It was win or stay home for the Lady Nanooks last Saturday night.

Unfortunately for Nome, the last match of the Region I tournament on their home court would also be the team's final game of the season.

The Lady Nanooks made it as far as the consolation round, the last match of the three-day tournament. With two of the three berths to the state tournament already secured by regional champions Barrow and runners-up Kotzebue, Nome needed a win to continue their season the next weekend in Anchorage. Despite having fallen to Nome in three straight games earlier in the season, Dilling-

ham had the upper hand Saturday night, taking third place in the region.

Nome started the tourney strong, dispatching Bethel in three games on Friday afternoon. Friday evening wasn't as kind to the Lady Nanooks as Kotzebue emerged the winner of Nome's second match of the tournament. Nome beat Unalaska early Saturday evening to advance to the consolation match.

Despite just missing out on a state tournament berth in Anchorage, the Lady Nanooks capped a strong season Saturday, finishing with a 14-7 overall record.

Region I Volleyball Tournament Awards

Team results 1. Barrow, 2. Kotzebue, 3. Dillingham, 4. Nome.

Small Schools Champion (highest placing Class 1A/2A school): Togiak Sportsmanship Award: Bethel Warriors

Highest Team GPA Award: Barrow, 3.78.

All-Tournament Team

Ariel Ramadnovik, Kalskag; Rachel Bauman, Nome; Ginny Bobbitt, Dillingham; Nina Pili, Barrow; Meta Mendenhall, Unalaska; Selma

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Photo by Peggy Fagerstrom

NANOOK SPIRIT (above)—(left to right) Taylor Romenesko, Kellen Baker, John Trigg, Jeremiah Johnson and Chad (Bubba) Callahan show their support for the Lady Nanooks at the regional volleyball tournament in Nome last weekend.

UP AND AWAY (right)—Lady Nanook Rachael Bauman sets up for another deadly spike in Saturday's match against Unalaska in the regional tournament at Nome. Nome won the match in three straight games.



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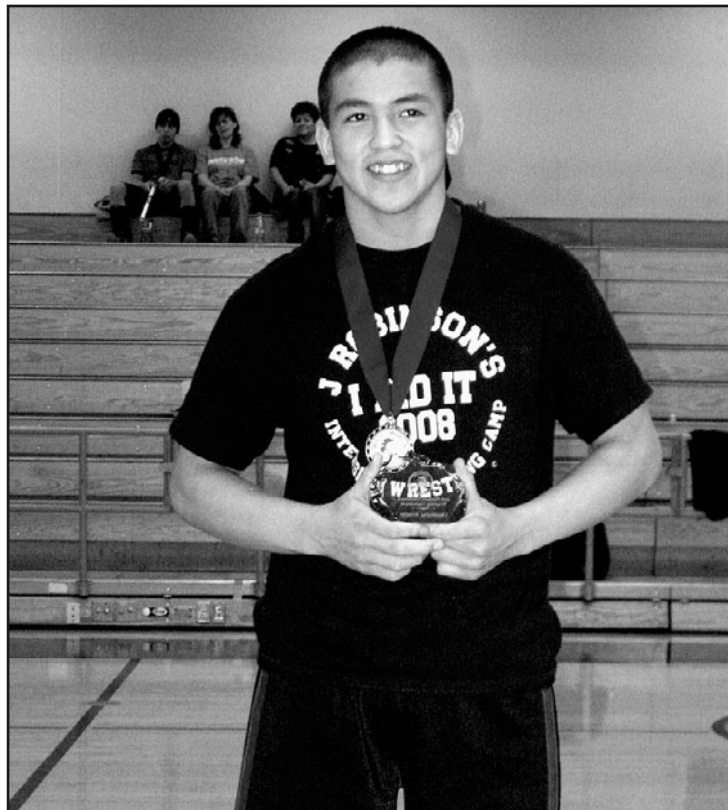
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TOUGH GUYS (above)—The Nanook wrestling squad grappled its way to second place last weekend at the Northern Conference Wrestling Meet in Barrow. Many of Nome's wrestlers will compete next weekend at the state meet in Anchorage.

OUTSTANDING (right)—In addition to being named the Northern Conference champion in the 152-pound weight class, Alberto Cabrera was named the conference tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler last weekend in Barrow.



Nome takes second at conference meet

Alberto Cabrera was named 'Tournaments Most Outstanding Wrestler'

Story by Tyler Rhodes

Several of Nome-Beltz High School's wrestlers will be on their way to Anchorage this weekend in search of some hardware as they compete in the state wrestling meet.

Stand-out performances by many of the Nanook grapplers earned them the trip to state while delivering Nome a second-place trophy at the Northern Conference Wrestling Meet in Barrow last weekend.

Kotzebue took the title with 211 points, followed by Nome with 148. Host Barrow and Unalakleet rounded out the top four, each earning 88 points.

Five Nanooks—Gabe Cabrera, Lonny Booshu, Zac Bourdon, Alberto Cabrera and Derek Wieler—were named conference champions in their weight classes. Alberto Cabrera garnered additional recognition being named the tournament's Most

Outstanding Wrestler.

The state meet will be held at Anchorage's Bartlett High School this Friday and Saturday. Details on the meet can be found online at www.asaa.org/sportsactivities/wrestling/index.html. Additional coverage of both the northern conference wrestling meet and the state meet can be found at www.akmat.org (registration required).

Team results

1. Kotzebue 211, 2. Nome 148, 3. Barrow 88, 4. Unalakleet 88, 5. Selawik 39, 6. Noorvik 24, 7. Elim 23, 8. Shishmaref 23, 9. Buckland 21, 10. St. Michael 14, 11. Stebbins 11, 12. Shaktoolik 0, 13. Koyuk 1.

Individual results (1st-3rd place wrestlers advance to state):

Champions: Gabe Cabrera, 103 lbs; Lonny Booshu, 125 lbs; Zac

Bourdon, 130 lbs; Alberto Cabrera, 152 lbs (Tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler); Derek Wieler, 215 lbs.

Second place: Dion Williams, 112 lbs; Michael Hawkins, 160 lbs.

Third place: David Stickel, 130 lbs; Roger Ozenna, 135 lbs.

Fourth place: Kaly Booshu, 103 lbs; Harley Johnson, 160 lbs.

Defaulted due to injury: Eric Odden, 152 lbs.

• Volleyball

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Newlin, Kotzebue; Charlotte Mattheis, Nome; Alexis Siefert, Barrow; Stephanie Sampson, Kotzebue; Renee Lammer, Nome; Melissa Gerke, Barrow; Eryn Schaeffer, Kotzebue.

2008 All-Conference Team (selected prior to the conference tournament and based on performance over

the regular season)

Nina Pilli, Barrow; Charlotte Mattheis, Nome; Nicole Smith, Kotzebue; Selma Newlin, Kotzebue; Ginny Bobbitt, Barrow; Renee Lammer, Nome.

2008-09 Nome volleyball re-cap

The NBHS volleyball team concludes its season with a 14-7 record in best-of-5 games. Season results are as follows:

Nome (14-7)

Barrow def. Nome 3-0 (17-25, 10-25, 15-25)

Barrow def. Nome 3-0 (21-25, 15-25, 15-25)

Nome def. Kotz 3-2

Nome def. Kotz 3-1

Grace def. Nome 3-0 (25-11, 25-11, 25-9)

Grace def. Nome 3-0 (25-11, 25-11, 25-9)

Nome def. Ninilchik 3-0 (25-23, 25-17, 25-20)

Seward def. Nome 3-0 (25-20, 27-25, 26-24)

Nome def. Dillingham 3-0 (25-20, 25-18, 25-19)

Nome def. Bethel 3-0 (27-25, 25-22, 25-16)

Nome def. Akaitchak 3-0 (27-25, 25-8, 25-16)

Nome def. Bethel 3-1 (25-23, 25-17, 16-25, 25-21)

Nome def. Ninilchik 3-0 (25-16, 25-9, 25-23)

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Nome def. Ninilchik 3-2 (24-26, 25-10, 25-11, 18-25, 15-4)

Nome def. Bethel 3-0 (25-21, 25-23, 25-20)

Nome def. Hooper Bay 3-0 (25-8, 25-9, 25-13)

Nome def. Kotzebue 3-2 (19-25, 25-14, 25-17, 15-25, 16-14)

Nome def. Bethel

Kotzebue def. Nome

Nome def. Unalaska

Dillingham def. Nome



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LUCKY HAT (above)—Kalani Paklieata holds onto a ticket in hopes of winning a turkey at the 2008 Fireman's Carnival at the Nome Recreation Center Saturday night. Paklieata was visiting Nome from Anchorage.

SPINNING FOR A WINNER (above right)—Fireman Pat Johanson gives the wheel a spin while anxious ticket-holders wait to see if they will walk away with a prize turkey or ham.

BINGO-MANIA (right)—The seats at the bingo table at the Fireman's Carnival Saturday night are filled as players vie for prizes ranging from huge boxes of laundry detergent to brand new television sets.



Photo by Tyler Rhodes



Photo by Denise Olin

Big prizes, big turnout mark 2008 Fireman's Carnival

Tickets of all shades of color littered the floor. Kids wearing goofy hats pushed their way past adults with turkeys tucked under their arms. Balloons attached to the wrists of youngsters bobbed throughout the mass of people slowly circling the Nome Recreation Center Saturday evening, with one or two of the helium-filled vessels escaping and floating to the high ceiling every couple of minutes.

It all could only mean one thing—it's Firemen's Carnival time in Nome again.

Ribs, duck races, spinning wheels, cake walks, bingo and big prizes—all the favorites were back this year as Nomeites and visitors from surrounding villages tested their luck and filled their bellies.

Once the last turkey or ham has been claimed and the final bingo called, the attention turns to the annual raffle. Drawn at midnight on the night of the carnival, the tickets can win their holders big prizes like snowmachines or airline tickets. Firefighter Jerry Steiger said this year's list of winners came with some surprises.

Out of an approximate 33,000 tickets in the hopper from which to choose, Bruce Kittess had two of his tickets drawn, one right after the other, for the last two prizes. With each ticket drawn by a separate individual, Kittess' win defied staggering odds.

Another surprise was a little more personal in nature for Steiger—the ticket drawn for the widescreen TV bore his fire department call number. He said after years of buying tickets, it

was the first time he had won.

Steiger said he was again humbled by all the support the carnival receives. "It was quite remarkably another successful carnival," he said. "We are very pleased that people are still willing to come out and support the firemen."

2009 raffle winners:

- 2009 Polaris 550 Trail Touring HD Snowmachine: **Bill Thompson**
- Two Alaska Airlines tickets: **Amelia Milligrock**

- Widescreen Flat-panel TV and Nintendo Wii: **Jerry Steiger**
- 2009 Polaris 120 Dragon Snow-machine: **Lisa Leeper**
- Yamaha EF2600 Generator: **Lillian Rose**
- Siglin Cross Fox Freight Sled: **Michelle Craft**
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~ Arctic Pinkies ~



Photos by Tyler Rhodes

GIVE ME FIVE (above)—Santa Claus greets the kindergarten and first grade students of the Brevig Mission School as they file into the school's gym last Wednesday to meet the jolly old elf and receive presents. Santa came to the school as part of the Alaska National Guard's Operation Santa Claus.

A HAPPY ENCOUNTER (above right)—Ernest Weyanna gives a hearty laugh while sitting on Santa's knee at the Brevig Mission School Dec. 3.

ALL ABOARD (right)—Santa gives a final wave to the residents of Brevig Mission before jumping on his "sleigh" for a trip back home. With the help of the Alaska Army National Guard, Santa traveled to Brevig Mission in style on a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter.



Santa hops a helicopter for an early visit to Brevig Mission

Alaska National Guard's Operation Santa Claus delivers Kris Kringle and presents to villages year after year

By Tyler Rhodes

BREVIG MISSION—It didn't matter if they were 18 months or 18 years old; no young person at the Brevig Mission School last Wednesday was going to escape sitting on Santa's lap.

Even as the successive groups of children sitting at his feet approached—and then surpassed—the age when kids stop believing in the jolly old elf, Santa cajoled and joked with the students until they were convinced to take a seat on his knee, even as their classmates roared in laughter.

Whether or not they liked it—some of the littler ones to approach Santa wailed in fear while some of the older ones blushed with embarrassment—all were rewarded after their brief chat with the man in red. Santa had come bearing gifts for each and every child in the village.

Giving his fleet of reindeer a rest for the day, Santa opted to arrive a bit early this year in Brevig Mission via a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter. The men and women of the Alaska Army National Guard were kind enough to offer their services for Santa and his crew of helpers, picking them up in Nome and ferrying them to Brevig Mission in two helicopters.

The festivities were all part of Operation Santa Claus, the Alaska National Guard's yearly mission to provide gifts to a number of villages throughout the state. In its 52nd year, Operation Santa Claus this year visited Kivalina, Ruby, Newtok, Stebbins, Teller, Brevig Mission, Chalkyitsik and Metlakatla.

The charitable tradition started in

1956 when the Alaska Air National Guard's 144th Airlift Squadron in Anchorage received a letter from a nun in St. Mary's. The letter detailed how spring floods and a subsequent drought made for poor fishing and hunting that year. Required to ship in food for the orphanage, the nun worried that there was no money left with which to buy gifts for the children. The Guard responded, and Operation Santa Claus was born.

In its current form, the Alaska Air National Guard flies giant C-130 Hercules aircraft from Anchorage to numerous villages. The Alaska Army National Guard also participates, utilizing the Black Hawk helicopters to reach villages that do not have runways large enough to accommodate

the large planes.

The gifts are collected throughout the year and are sorted and wrapped by an army of volunteers. In addition to toys, clothing, books and school supplies are also assembled and delivered to the villages selected for the program.

Villages request to be chosen for the program, and the National Guard makes sure to select different villages each year.

As the children entered the school gym in Brevig Mission last Wednesday, they saw rows of packages wrapped in brightly colored paper. Santa's helpers had strategically organized the gifts by gender and age group before his arrival. As the groups of children cycled

through the gym, new basketballs, footballs, flashy watches and dolls emerged from the now-crumpled wrapping paper.

Brevig Mission School Principal Robin Gray said the visit by Operation Santa Claus was a welcomed pick-me-up for the village, especially in light of hard economic times. "It's a real shot in the arm for the village and the kids," Gray said.

The trip to Brevig Mission also appeared to be uplifting for those on Santa's team. Jake Kenick—who, we'll say, worked very closely with Santa for the day—was on his third mission in as many years for Operation Santa Claus. With his eyebrows grease-painted white for the occasion and a belly laugh and ho-ho-ho that

sounds about as authentic as you can get, Kenick appeared born to play the part.

A veteran, Kenick said he was recruited through the VFW to help with the program. Two years ago, he went with Operation Santa Claus to Little Diomede. Last year it was Buckland. "I'll keep coming back as long as they keep calling me," Kenick said.

Watching him in the Santa suit, it's apparent that Kenick enjoys playing the part of the jolly old elf. But when asked what his favorite aspect of the program is, he doesn't hesitate to say it's the helicopter flight. "We've got some very skilled pilots working here, and they know the capability of their machinery," he said.



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Saying it Sincerely

By Pastor David Elmore

Community United Methodist Church for the Nome Ministerial Association

Advent is a holiday that is distinctly un-American, or at least un-Western. We do not like to wait. We have to wait in lines when we go to the bank. We have to wait to see our doctor. We wait for berries to ripen so we can pick them. And now we talk about a season of waiting and preparing which we call advent, and we're supposed to get excited?

Mark begins this Gospel with an announcement that combines bits from the prophets of Malachi and Isaiah:

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
"who will prepare your way;

"the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

"Prepare the way of the Lord,

"make his paths straight" (Mark 1: 2-3, NRSV)

John the Baptist was a long-awaited prophet, and he was preparing the way for the one to come, one for whom he was unworthy to even untie their sandals. And if John is here to prepare the way, then it must not be too big a stretch to believe that the messiah was coming soon. The Hebrews expected that Christ would come soon. We should be waiting expectantly not only as we remember Christ's coming but also as we prepare. We don't just remember; we remember in such a way that it becomes real. The term theologians use for this is *anamnesis*. We should expect to experience God's presence among us this Advent and Christmas season.

Now John did more than just announce the coming of the Messiah. He told them to prepare. Even as we are called to prepare for Christ's coming with a baptism of repentance, John reminds us that the coming one will baptize with the Holy Spirit. Repentance seems to entail recognizing one's sins, confessing them, and then changing one's life so that they cease to do these things. While anytime is a good time for repentance, it is especially appropriate during the advent season as we await and prepare for the coming of the one who is able to forgive our sins and reconcile us to God.

Now the third point from this passage tells us a bit more about the one for whom we are waiting. We are given a hint in the very first line: Jesus Christ, the Son of God. We learn that this coming one is so much greater than John, that John is not even worthy to untie his sandals. We also learn that this coming one will baptize with the Holy Spirit, though Mark does not tell us the significance of this.

Our announcement today is an invitation to join John and those who went to listen to him in the wilderness. Let us go to the wilderness, and repent of those things standing between us and God, that we might hear God calling us to more faithful discipleship, as we prepare, both to remember Christ's coming and preparing for Christ's return!

Obituaries

Hans Roald Amundsen

Hans Roald Amundsen was born in Crookston, MN to Jonas and Thora Amundsen on October 7, 1914. He peacefully went to be with his Lord that he loved and served throughout his entire life. He died December 4, 2008 at Heritage Place in Soldotna.

He was named after the famous Norwegian explorer, Roald Amundsen and shook his hand at age 4. He also dated age 4 as when he accepted the Lord as his savior. These two experiences impacted the rest of his life. He took after the explorer with his quest for adventure and willingness to accept new challenges. He was proud of his Norwegian ancestry and always willing to share what the Lord had done in his life. He was a humble man who gave God the credit for things that he had done in his life. He lived the life of "To God be the Glory".

Raised in the Seattle area, Roald arrived in Alaska at Seward by steamer in 1936, riding the railroad to Anchorage. He spent time helping his father do evangelistic work in the Anchorage and Mat-Su area. He worked in the Palmer area helping the early homesteaders clear and improve their land.

After tasting the adventures of life on the Last Frontier, he returned to Seattle to attend Seattle Pacific College, graduating with a BA in Education. While attending college, he sang in a male quartet. During the summer the quartet traveled the US providing support for Roald's father as he conducted evangelistic services. Subsequent to his graduation from college, he attended North Park Seminary (Chicago) and was or-

dained as a minister in the Evangelical Covenant Church.

While singing in a church, he met his wife to be, Harriett Swanson. They were married on July 26, 1944 and in August of 1945 went to Nome as missionaries. They lived in Nome and Unalakleet during the next 20 years. Roald was a pastor, pilot, and mechanic, serving the various villages throughout western Alaska. While in Nome, he helped work toward the establishment of the radio station KICY, also based in Nome. His dream was to provide Christian broadcasting to the villages of western Alaska as well as the east coast of Russia.

In 1964, he moved his family to the Kenai Peninsula where he had a vision to start a nonprofit flying support for all Alaskan churches as well as providing mechanical support for those missionaries who were using airplanes in their ministries. Missionary Aviation and Repair Center (MARC) continues to operate at the Soldotna Airport.

During Alaska's early development, Roald was appointed to the airport commission which formulated plans for the airport systems throughout the Territory. He has

been recognized by his peers for his contributions to flying in Alaska.

When in his 80s he saw another dream fulfilled, that of the forming of a Christian based vocation school.

This certificated school provides youth from rural Alaska career skills that they can bring back to their communities. He served as Bible teacher and chaplain for Amundsen Educational Center until his health failed in 2007 when he moved to Heritage Place.

His family says, "Dad loved his wife, his family, Alaska, ham radio (AL7BU), encouraging people toward their full potential, and to pursue their ideas. He lived his life to the fullest, trusting his God, whom he called his Boss, to lead him each step of the way. His God never failed him. This legacy we cherish."

He was preceded in death by his parents, all of his siblings, and his wife of 58 years. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Jeanette and Gary Klodt, son and daughter-in-law John and Susan Amundsen, son Tim Amundsen, granddaughter Amber Klodt, grandson and wife Hans and Misty Klodt, beloved great-granddaughter Krysta, and a

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Community Baptist Church-SBC
108 West Third, 443-5448

Small Group Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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Wednesday: Fellowship Meal 5:30 p.m./Ladies' Bible Study, Mens' Fraternity & Children's Choir 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Youth Group 7 p.m. (call 443-7218 for location)

Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 - 7 p.m.

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5th & Bering, 443-5295

Sunday School 10:30 a.m./Morning Worship 11 a.m.

River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333

Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Service 6:30 p.m.

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Seventh-Day Adventist (Icy View), 443-5137

Saturday Sabbath School 10 a.m.

Saturday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Christian School

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host of friends.

A memorial service will be held at the Soldotna Bible Chapel in Soldotna, AK on December 16th at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that tax deductible donations be made in Roald Amundsen's name to Missionary Aviation Repair Center, PO Box 511, Soldotna, AK 99669 www.marcalaska.org or Amundsen Educational Center, PO Box 4006, Soldotna, AK 99669 www.aecak.org



Donald Eugene Liston

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Donald Eugene Liston was born on February 11, 1938 in Mitchell, South Dakota. Don was the oldest of three boys, and his fondest memories as a child were spent hunting with his father, Fred.

In 1955 Don joined the Air Force and served his country in the last part of the Korean War. He remained in

the military until 1959.

He had a great love for the outdoors and in the mid '60s traveled to Alaska to pursue his passion for hunting and fishing. He lived in Juneau, Anchorage and then in the '70s moved to Nome. In Nome heran a pawnshop and also met his future wife, Genevieve "Genna" Evan. On February 1, 1978, their daughter Cherie Lynn was born and was their pride and joy. Unfortunately, soon after Cherie was born, Genna got very sick and was late diagnosed with lupus.

Dan moved his family to South Dakota in 1981 and they settled in the small town of Dupree, where he leased a bar over the next several years. In Dupree, he was an active member of the American Legion and he met many lifelong friends that became dear to him. He continued to be active outdoors and enjoyed hunting for grouse, pheasants, ducks, deer and elk. His wife Genna shared Don's love for fishing, and the family often vacationed in the Black Hills with their camper and boat.

Upon returning to Nome in the 90s, Don bartended at the Gold Dust Saloon, volunteered at the VFW Post 9569, and most recently bartended at the Polar Bar, where he had gone into business with his long-time friend Tony Krier.

Don was always a true gentleman, and his welcoming smile will be greatly missed, as well as his sense of humor, quick wit, his kindness and his generosity. He was a very

loving husband, father and friend.

Don is survived by his daughter, Cherie Lynn Liston of Nome, his brother Doyce Liston of Illinois, and other family in South Dakota. Don was preceded in death by his wife Genna Liston, his parents Fred and Norma Liston, and his brother Dennis Liston.

Job Kokochuruk
NuG-Ga-chaq

April 8, 1917—December 1, 2008

Born on April 8, 1917 at Cape Darby in Golovin Bay, Job with his siblings and his parents spent the early days of his life in and along the Fish River drainage. There he learned to hunt, fish, and live the traditional subsistence lifestyle of the Fish River people; a skill he retained throughout the remainder of his life.

He served his country during World War II and was stationed at Adak, where he was a heavy equipment operator. After discharge, Job attended a seminary school in Winnipeg, Canada which prepared him for serving the ministry with his wife, Mary, who was a licensed practical nurse.

Upon returning to Alaska, he served as a pastor for the Evangelical Mission Covenant Church in Hooper Bay and several other villages. Though he and his wife had no biological children, they opened their hearts and their home to two daughters, Alice Kokochuruk now of Colorado, and Margaret (Kokochuruk) Noatak of Southwest Alaska.

Job was involved with the Senior Citizens Center of Nome until health issues forced him to retire. He was also a very articulate interviewer of elders from the Kawerak region in a project to document and preserve the oral history and stories of the region

before it was lost to posterity. Job also served on the Kawerak Elder's Advisory Committee for a number of years.

Throughout Job's life he reminded faithful to his religious beliefs in practice as well as in the spoken word. He could be called upon during times of hardship and in joyful occasions to offer up prayers, which were at once moving, and a source of inspiration.

When his wife Mary became too ill to care for herself, Job quietly and with much compassion for her, provided care for her at home until her passing.

Job is survived by his sister, Mrs. Frances Johnson, of Nome; his daughters, Margaret Noatak and Alice Kokochuruk, as well as many nieces and nephews and extended relatives throughout Alaska. In addition to his wife, Mary, he was preceded in death by his parents

Matthew and Eunice Kokochuruk; and his siblings Bertha, Charley, Everett, Edwin, Belinda and Rosa.

Job died quietly at 6:39 a.m. on December 1, at the Qujana Care facility in Nome.

Dale Robert Blatchford

Anchorage resident Dale Robert Blatchford, 45, died Nov. 30 at Alaska Regional Hospital.

Service was at the Palmer Moose Lodge with the Rev. Rocky from St. John's Lutheran Church officiating.

Dale was born Dec. 8, 1962 in Palmer to Henry "Doc" Blatchford and Irene "Jean" Irons.

His employment brought him to many communities within Alaska. He married Effie "Jeanie" Wassillie on Aug. 4, 1996. He lived in Palmer, Delta Junction, South Naknek, Dillingham, Nome and Anchorage.

Dale was a lifelong Alaska resi-

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Horoscope
Dec. 11 - Dec. 17

All Signs: There is a growing influence in Capricorn and by Sunday the 21st there's a gaggle of planets in this sign: the Sun, Mercury, Jupiter and Pluto. Pluto will be there until 2024; whereas Mercury, Jupiter and the Sun will have an influence of about six weeks. This means we're all more focused on traditional, family-oriented events and values that give us a sense of security and respectability. We like to be reassured that the wheels are well-oiled and everything is running as it should. The return of Pluto to Capricorn (for the first time in 250 years) heralds a new spin on governments all over the world. Suggestions are welcome. One planet is all we have.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

This gaggle of planets mentioned in All Signs above is actually at high noon in your chart, which is very high viz! In the next several months, people will notice you more than usual, especially bosses, parents, teachers and VIPs and the police. Mostly this is good. (However, if you drive with a heavy foot, slow down.) The reason it's good is that the positioning of these planets casts you in a favourable light. Even if you don't do anything different than what you're doing now, people in authority will think you're fabulous, competent, capable and attractive. Expect to be approached to take on special projects or assume more responsibility for something. Say yes! You can do it.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

There's an increasingly strong influence making you want to travel in the next six weeks, especially to new places you've never been to before. You're eager to explore and discover anything new and fresh. You want adventure! You also want to learn more about everything. Therefore, go anywhere different if you can because you'll love the stimulation of a change of scenery. This same influence also boosts everything related to publishing, the media, higher education, medicine and the law. Sign up for a course. Begin to learn a new language. Explore other cultures and talk to people from different backgrounds. You'll find it's gratifying, rewarding and exciting. (And maybe romantic.)

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You're increasingly absorbed with the wealth and resources of others. This could be about inheritances, insurance matters, taxes, debt or shared property. You're sorting stuff out about all this. But this also means you're on the receiving end of the generosity of others. The stars are stimulating "shared" property for you so this is the time to settle details and decide the terms of accepting the generosity of others. Ironically, this same area relates to sex. (Funny how other people's money and sex are tied up.) Therefore, your sex drive is amped! Hopefully, you'll have opportunities to prove this. (Never resist temptation because it might not come your way again.)

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

This growing concentration of planets in Capricorn is interesting because they're all directly 180 degrees opposite you. What does this mean? It means your focus on partnerships (both intimate and professional) as well as important customers and clients and even the general public will become increasingly important to you. Because astrology is all about mathematics, the opposition of anything is significant. Therefore, this also means some major aspects of your life are coming to a culmination. For example, it's been about six months since your birthday. Success in many areas is likely. However, opposition from others is also likely. Oops. Don't provoke this. Just accept what isn't working, and rejoice about what is.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Your focus on your job and your work and even on your health is growing now. It's time to hustle thy buns! Fortunately, it will be easy to do this because the events of your life are conspiring to make you focus on your work (probably because you have no choice). Since motivation is the basis of all effort, you'll achieve a lot in the next few months. You'll find it easy to work. You'll want to do your best. You'll want to be productive, efficient and effective in everything you do. These same high standards will apply to your notion of your health. Many of you will be exercising more and eating with more awareness. ("Hmmm, I never really noticed how delicious these jelly donuts were before!") It's all good.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Lucky you! You're the only sign that is getting a huge boost to all the fun stuff in life. Romance, love affairs, vacations, sports, creative activities, playful times with children plus opportunities to express your talents-these are the areas that are getting increasing

attention and focus right now. Get out and party! Enjoy flirtations. Accept invitations. Make plans to entertain friends. Get away on a vacation if you can (especially if you look like your passport photo). Enjoy precious moments with children. Sports will be highly charged. But underlying these activities is a sense that it's perfectly OK to just be yourself. It's Popeye time: "I yam what I yam!"

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Because home and family are important you, and because the holiday season is approaching, it's no surprise this gaggle of planets focuses you on home, family and your real-estate scene. Suddenly, you're hands-on making repairs and talking to family members about home improvements. You're also making plans for entertaining at home, seeing family members, and enriching your life with events taking place at home. You love decorating your home. You have excellent taste and a marvellous sense of colour, composition and texture. Some of the most beautiful homes in the world have a Libran touch. (That's because you know that home is where the art is.)

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

The daily tempo of your life is accelerating. The reasons for this faster pace will vary according to the details of your life, but your pace will quicken! Short trips, increased errands, more time spent with siblings, more frequent discussions with neighbours and relatives, plus buying and selling, wheeling and dealing and more writing or reading and studying (for some) are just some of the reasons you're flat-out busy. Just accept this. Get more rest, and don't abuse yourself. Life will make demands on you. You're also eager to communicate to others. You want to enlighten people about something. This can be a happy time for you. (Two is company, three is an orgy.)

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Suddenly, your focus is shifting to money, cash flow, earnings, major expenditures and details dealing with your possessions-their maintenance, storage and purpose. This doesn't mean you're suddenly becoming acquisitive and greedy. Not at all. Money and possessions are a fact of our daily lives. We need money for basics like iPhones. Your financial focus goes beyond just holiday spending. You're swinging some big deals or at least hoping to. It looks good. You're in a 12-year cycle where your earnings should increase along with your assets. So whatever you're hoping to pull off will likely happen in your favour. Ka-ching!

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Well, you're certainly the belle of the ball, the leading man in a movie, and the winner of all the nominations. It's all about you! Not only are you getting a lot of attention and interest from other people, this is also your time to regenerate and restore yourself for the coming year. It's totally appropriate to put yourself first now. Think about what you want your new year to hold for you. You have a strong urge to communicate to others, so make time for this. You'll have the upper hand in most negotiations because, with so many planets in Capricorn, you're holding three Aces. This is not a guarantee but it's a nice start! Yeehaw!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You've got a secret! This gaggle of planets is hiding in a very private part of your chart, which is a sure indicator of private plans and secret activities. (You devil.) It also means you're working behind the scenes or working alone more than usual. Actually, not only are you working behind the scenes with private plans, you're surprisingly selfless now. You find it easy to be generous to others through your efforts. You'll put the needs of others before your own. You have a lot of stoicism and diligence right now to do the right thing. It's all terribly admirable. And you're not even smug about this! (I never realized how close to perfection you are.)

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

What a popular time for you! In fact, it's almost too much. Clubs, groups and organizations in addition to friends all want to see your face. Everyone wants a piece of you. Activities with younger people make demands on your time now; in addition to important discussions with some people about your long-term goals and dreams for the future. Do share your ideas. The reason for this is that the feedback from others can help you now. It's all very circular. Even articulating your goals out loud will help you. It's important for you to define what dreams might be a reality because ever since 2007, your focus on your external world and what you're capable of achieving has been growing. Remember: The day after tomorrow is the third day of the rest of your life.

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Trooper Beat

On October 22, at about 8:30 a.m., Gambell VPOs received a telephone call from a Gambell resident requesting VPOs pick up Stephan Apangalook, 18. Investigation revealed Apangalook was intoxicated and charges are pending for Minor Consuming Alcohol.

On November 20, at 1:00 p.m., AST received a report of a disturbance in Gambell. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Mary Iyakitan, 18, of Gambell, for Minor Consuming Alcohol, Harassment I, and Probation Violation. Iyakitan was remanded to AMCC. Bail was set at \$1,000 plus a third party custodian.

On November 22, at 3:50 p.m., AST received a report of a conditions of release violation. Investigation continues.

On November 25, Brevig Mission VPSO Winfred Olanna, Jr. conducted an investigation regarding Craig Jones, 28, of Brevig Mission, for violating his conditions of release. Investigation revealed Jones violated his conditions of release by having direct contact with S.O., a 21-year-old female. On November 26, an arrest warrant was issued for Jones charging him with Violation of Conditions of Release.

On November 29, at 3:37 a.m., AST received a report of a suicide attempt in Gambell. A 19-year-old female was subsequently transported to a hospital in Nome for treatment of non life-threatening injuries.

On November 29, at 10:30 a.m., Koyuk VPSO David Swooko arrested a 17-year-old male juvenile with an arrest warrant. The juvenile was transported to Nome and remanded to the Nome Youth Facility.

On November 30, Unalakleet AST received a report from the St. Michael VPO that he arrested Elia Abruska, 24, of St. Michael for a probation violation when he was found highly intoxicated. Abruska was held in St. Michael until he was telephonically arraigned and then transported to Nome and lodged at AMCC.

On November 30, at 5:09 p.m., Unalakleet

Seawall

11/24
Charlie Kowchee, DOB: 11/22/63, received a Summons to Appear.

12/1
Andrew Kunayak, DOB: 2/27/72, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree.

Katherine Iyapana, DOB: 3/10/74, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree and Criminal Mischief in the 5th Degree.

Nickolas Bloodgood, DOB: 6/10/63, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree and Domestic Violence.

12/2
A Koyuk male was transported to AMCC on a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

Harlan Kingeekuk, DOB: 8/12/60, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Disorderly Conduct.

A Nome male was transported to the hospital on a title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

12/3
Dannita Malewotkuk, DOB: 2/18/86, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, Resisting Arrest, and Violation of Conditions of Probation.

An Elim male was transported to the hospital on a title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

12/4
Nicholas Pete, DOB: 4/3/64, was arrested and

booked into AMCC for Violation of Conditions of Probation.

Dan Koonook, DOB: 1/25/56, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violation of Conditions of Probation and Violation of Conditions of Release.

12/5
A Nome female was transported to the hospital on a title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

12/6
Ralene Keith, DOB: 11/5/87, was arrested and booked into AMCC on a Bench Warrant.

Orville Ahkinga, DOB: 12/3/66, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, Domestic Violence and Violation of Conditions of Release.

12/7
Lyle Okinello, DOB: 11/13/68, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree.

12/8
Timothy Brown, DOB: 12/22/83, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, Domestic Violence.

Kenneth Smith, DOB: 11/22/87, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violation of Conditions of Probation.

Perry Olanna DOB 8/23/63, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violation of Conditions of Probation.

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Legals

St. Michael Native Corporation
Saint Michael Native Corporation (SMNC) has begun its reconveyance program under 14(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. The reconveyances will be for land around Saint Michael which was occupied by individuals/organizations on December 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:

John Pius Henry Jr, SMNC Land Planner
P.O. Box 59049
Saint Michael, AK 99659
Telephone: (907) 923-2594
Email: SMNCLandPlanner@gmail.com
mySpace: www.myspace.com/smnclandplanner

The myspace site will contain copies of the documents and relevant posting information. Starting July 18, 2008, applications will be accepted until December 17, 2008.

10/9, 10/30, 11/6, 11/27, 12/4, 12/11

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME

In the Matter of:
R.A. 10/14/90)
P.A. 10/10/94)
R.A. 12/27/92)

Children Under the Age of)
Eighteen (18) Years.)
Case Nos. 2NO 08-10/11/12 CN
SUMMONS
To: Robert Savage
Unknown Address

BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF ALASKA you are hereby summoned to appear before the Superior Court for the State of Alaska in a Children's Proceeding to be held at Nome, in the Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, 113 Front St, Room 230, on January 15, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., and to be then and there subject to the orders of this court in a matter affecting said children who are the subject of a petition filed in this court under the provisions of AS 47.10.010—230, a copy of which petition is attached hereto and made a part of this summons as though set forth in full herein. You, or the above named children, have the right to be represented by an attorney at the hearing, or at any other hearing, held in this matter. If you want an attorney, but cannot afford one, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you, or the children or both you and the children as the case may be, at state expense. The court has the power to terminate the relationship of parent and child, should the facts warrant such action, and you are hereby advised of that possibility. In the event you fail to appear in accordance with the foregoing summons, you may give up your right to support or oppose the petition. DATED at Anchorage, Alaska this October 8, 2008.
CLERK OF THE TRIAL COURTS
By:
Deputy Clerk
11/20-27, 12/4-11

BERING STRAIT SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Bering Strait School District is requesting Proposals / Statements of Qualifications from interested General Contractors for participation in the "team-build" construction method for design and remodel of the High School and replacement of the Gymnasium in Unalakleet, Alaska. Proposals will be received at Kumin Associates, 808 E St, Suite 200, Anchorage, Alaska 99501 until 2:00 PM December 16, 2008. Proposals will be reviewed and scored by selection committee and will not be publicly opened or read aloud. A pre-proposal conference will be held at Kumin Associates, Wednesday, December 9, 2008, at

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Real Estate

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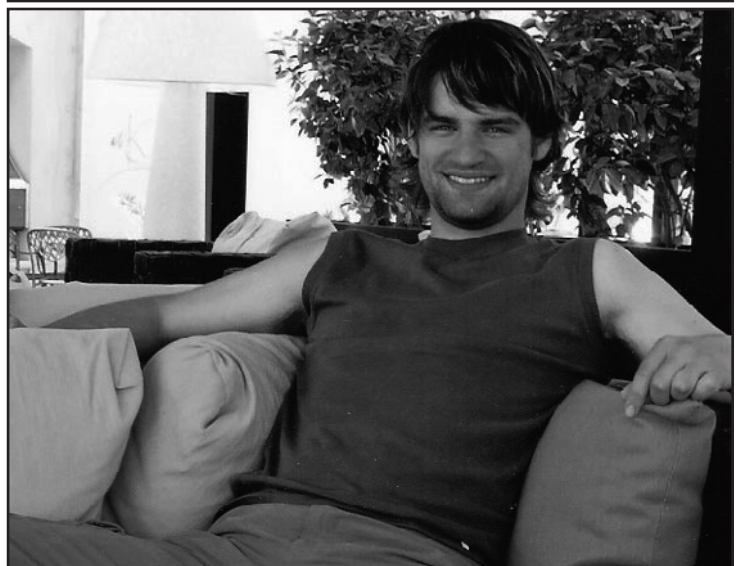
Your new best friend may be waiting for you at the Nome Animal Shelter!



Adopt a pet and get a **FREE** bag of dog/cat food from Doctor Leedy and the *Nome Kennel Club*. Dog food, cat food, cat litter and other donations are always welcome at the Nome Animal Shelter!

Nome Animal Control & Adopt-A-Pet • 443.5212 or 443.5262

Missing



MISSING— Pictured above is Guy Shutz, DOB 11/21/86, 6 ft tall, 175 lbs, blue eyes, brown hair. Last seen July 8 in Seward. Possibly heading to Anchorage, Fairbanks or Kodiak. His parents need to know about his safety and well-being. Contact them at 775-376-107 or email shutz@sbcglobal.net if you have seen him.

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Businesses or organizations wishing to have staff photos are encouraged to either call or email, starting now, to schedule appointments.

443-5235 or email: ads@nomenugget.com

• More Obituaries

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dent who loved hunting, fishing and trapping. He played for Palmer Youth Activities from tee-ball to all-stars, football and basketball.

His family wrote, "Dale had a laugh that would fill a room from wall to wall."

He is survived by his parents, Doc Blatchford, and Irene "Jean" and Donald Snovel of Palmer; wife, Jeanie Blatchford of South Naknek; son, Uriah Blatchford of South Naknek; stepson, Travis Wassillie of South Naknek; stepdaughter, Crystal Wassillie of Anchorage; adopted son, Byron Blatchford-Peterson of Anchorage; sisters, Karen (Jake) MacDonald of Wasilla and Isabella Blatchford of Washington; brothers, Craig and Glen Blatchford of Palmer, Henry (Waynette) Lax of Washington; six grandchildren; nephew, Nathan Lax of Washington; nieces, Stevie Blatchford of South Dakota, Amanda Lax of California, and Holly, Olivia and Isabella Blake of Wasilla; and numerous other family members including dear Uncle Jack.

Donations may be sent to the Wells Fargo account #2272544459. Friends may send condolences to the Snovels, 1260 S. Badger Road, Palmer 99645.

David "Dave" Allen Bergsrud

David Bergsrud, 66, died peacefully in his sleep December 4 at his home. He was born February 2, 1942 in Spring Grove, Minnesota. He was the fifth of six children born to Walter and Luverne (Bryant) Bergsrud. He graduated from Spring Grove High School in Minnesota in 1960. He was employed with Mansfield, Inc. and continued living in Spring Grove until 1964 when he drove his 1956 Pontiac up the Alaska Highway to Alaska where he was employed at Western Geophysical in Anchorage. Dave married Gail (Holty) Modjeski

in 1968 and together they had two children. He moved to Nome in the late '70s when he became a partner with Thrasher and Associates. After retiring, he found enjoyment in playing cards and driving for Checker Cab Company in Nome. His family said Dave was a lifelong "wheeler and dealer," buying and selling cars as a young man and a willing trader of whatever you wanted to trade right up until the day he died.

He is survived by his daughter Tanya (Gerry) Ryan of Trempealeau, WI, and his son, Shawn (Jennie) Bergsrud of Winona, MN. He has five beloved granddaughters, Shelby, Shyanne, and Shaysie Ryan, and Hailey and Miranda Bergsrud; two sisters, Berthana (Peter) Wirth of Spring Grove, Minnesota, and Lucinda Thomas of Four Oaks, NC; two brothers, Wesley (Peggy) Bergsrud of Anchorage, and Daryl Bergsrud also of Anchorage; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents and sister LaDeane Dahle.

Memorial Services were held in Nome Alaska at Our Savior Lutheran Church on December 9 and in Minnesota December 13 at Trinity Lutheran in Spring Grove followed by burial at the West End Trinity Cemetery.



David "Dave" Allen Bergsrud

On behalf of the friends and colleagues of Lloyd Baisdell, I would like to publicly express our most sincere gratitude to the Nome EMS and Law Enforcement personnel for their rapid response and diligent attempts to save the life of our dear friend Lloyd. On November 24 Lloyd suffered a massive heart attack at the Bering Air terminal while embarking on a flight to the Kupol Gold Mine in Chukotka. Travelling through Nome on our way to and from work in Chukotka, we always appreciate the warm hospitality and special character of the people of Nome while we are far from our families and homes. While we've lost a dear friend and co-worker we gain a small piece of mind knowing that the men and women of Nome EMS and Law Enforcement are close at hand, and the support of the Nome community is behind them. Your service and hospitality are deeply appreciated.

Kind regards,
Todd Hoffman
Post Falls, Idaho

Public Notice CITY OF NOME

O-08-12-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE NOME CITY COUNCIL, NOME, ALASKA, PROVIDING FOR A TEMPORARY SALES TAX EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN GROCERY ITEMS INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

This ordinance had first reading at a Regular meeting of the Nome City Council on December 8th, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for December 22nd, at 7:30 PM in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk.

12/11, 12/18

King Island Native Community IRA Council Elections

- December 13, 2008
- 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Nome Mini Convention Center

The IRA council will convene a meeting of the membership at 1:30 p.m. to be followed by a potluck.

Hope to see you there!

12/4, 12/11



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2:00 PM at the office of Kumin Associates. Proposers are not required to attend.

Project Scope: The Unalakleet High School/Gymnasium Project includes demolition and replacement of the gymnasium, locker rooms, music room and weight room - approximately 11,550 SF. It also includes a remodel of approximately 13,800 SF including high school areas, utility building and wood shop. Work will include minor site development and utility extensions. The existing and new construction is International Building Code (IBC) Type V-B, non-rated, with a sprinkler system throughout as required per State of Alaska mandate for education buildings. Wood structural members will be used, with interior wood/metal stud partitions and a metal roof and insulated exterior walls.

The project also includes pre-construction services to assist the design team in completion of the Construction Documents. A guaranteed maximum price (GMP) based on completed design development documents will be required. Pre-construction activities are planned to begin in January 2009. Construction is anticipated to begin in May 2009, with completion of the entire facility scheduled for August 2010.

Copies of the complete Request for Proposals may be obtained at the following location, upon receipt of a non-refundable payment of \$20.00 per set, plus a \$10.00 fee if mailing is required. Make checks payable to Kumin Associates, Inc.

Kumin Associates, Inc.
808 E Street, Suite 200
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Tel. 907-272-8833
Fax. 907-272-7733

No proposal will be accepted unless the Bering Strait School District has formally issued an RFP to the proposer. The Bering Strait School District reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any and all proposals.

12/4, 12/11

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME CASE NO: 2NO-08-00250CI ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING

In the Matter of a Change of Name for:

Peter Onosa'i Curtis Ellanna,

Current name of Minor.

Notice of Petition to Change Name

A petition has been filed in the Superior court (Case #2NO-08-00250CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Peter Onosa'i Curtis Ellanna to Peter Onosa'i Ellanna. A hearing on this request will be held on February 10, 2009 at 4:00 pm at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.

12/4-11-18-25

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

ALBERTO S. CABRERA,
Deceased.

Case No. 2NO-08-44 PR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given Christina Cabrera has been appointed personal representative of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Christina Cabrera, c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box

61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762.
DATED this 25th day of November, 2008.

H. Conner Thomas, ABA#8006049
Attorney for Personal Representative
12/4, 12/8, 12/11

Public Information Notice

Senior Citizen/Disabled Veteran Property Tax Exemption application deadline and qualifications:

The applications **MUST** be filed annually with the City Clerk and are due by Feb. 2, 2009. All homeowners 65 and older by 12/31/08 and widows or widowers over 60 of previously qualified applicants are eligible to apply.

The 2009 application forms are available online at ***www.nomealaska.org*** or by request from the City Clerks office by calling **443-6612**. Applications must be returned by Feb. 2, 2009.

12/11, 12/18, 1/15, 1/22

CITY OF NOME

Public Notice

Reminder: City of Nome issued Licenses and Permits for 2008 expire on 12/31/08. The following Licenses and Permits should now be renewed for 2009:

- Sales Tax License
- Health Permit
- Hotel/Motel License
- Pulltab License
- Resale Certificate
- Animal License
- Chauffeur's License
- Taxi Cab License
- Motor Bus License

IT IS ALSO TIME TO APPLY FOR EXEMPTIONS FOR:

Municipal Tax Exemption - DUE by February 2, 2009
Senior Citizen/Disabled Veteran's Property Tax Exemption - DUE February 2, 2009

Contact the City Clerk's office if you have questions **443-6663**

12/4, 12/11, 12/25

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY



Gambell Formerly Used Defense Site Project Closeout Reports



The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District, announces the release of two documents relating to the Gambell FUDS on St. Lawrence Island:

- Project Closeout Report - Hazardous, Toxic, or Radioactive Waste (HTRW)**
- Project Closeout Report - Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP)**

These reports summarize the response actions completed in Gambell to address contaminated media and small arms ammunition concerns. Copies of the report are available at the Information Repositories in Nome (UAF-Northwest Campus Library), Savoonga (City Hall), Gambell (Sivuqaq Lodge), and Anchorage (ARLIS - UAA Campus Library).

For more information please contact: Mr. Carey Cossaboom, Project Manager
P.O. Box 6898 (CEPOA-PM-ESP)
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska 99506-0898
(907) 753-2689



2008 Annual Nome Kennel Club General Meeting

- **Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2008**
 - **6 p.m.**
 - **Nome Council Chambers/City Hall**
- http://www.nomekennelclub.com***

• More Letters

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ties, families, and persons served. Morris is also building a retirement home in Homer and will not remain in the region. However, I'm certain the warm glow of our \$15 million endowment will cause him to fondly reminisce of home. Who are the true beneficiaries? Dan Harrelson as the mayor of the community and as a leader of a CDQ group, lacks the ability and intent to serve our people. He cannot be allowed to use his position to benefit a select few, or to harm those who he views as obstacles to his power. Personal access to our region's wealth has apparently given him a false sense of entitlement.

Vast wealth with scant regulation and zero oversight is a dream come true for corporate opportunism, obvious in a presidential salary of \$100,000, not including the five figure stipend as an NSEDC board member and likely, another five figure stipend as a board member of Siu Corporation. Who owns NSEDC? Wilma Osborne White Mountain

Photo by Tyler Rhodes
MERRY MUSIC—Student musicians serenade the crowd at the Nome-Beltz High School's dessert and auction fundraiser with a little holiday music at the elementary school Dec. 2.



Court

Week ending 12/5 Civil

Noyakuk, Diana vs. Jungers, David; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term
Dexter, Maria vs. Dexter, Christopher; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term

Small Claims

No Small Claims filed

Week ending 12/5

State of Alaska v. Bryce Green (3/2/89); Notice of Dismissal; Minor Consuming/Possession Alcohol; Filed by the DAs Office 12/2/08.

State of Alaska v. Marvin Kulowivi (1/1/77); Notice of Dismissal; Petition to Revoke Probation #1; PTR filed on 10/22/08; Filed by the DAs office 12/2/08.

State of Alaska v. David R. Pettigrew (10/21/43); Notice of Dismissal—Petition to Revoke Probation filed 10/27/99; PTR filed on 10/27/99; Filed by the DAs Office 11/10/08.

State of Alaska v. Yvonne Aukon (2/5/89); Count 2: Habitual Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 11/10/08; State dismissed Counts: count 1 (001); 90 days, 45 days suspended; Unsuspended 45 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Community Work: Complete 96 hours of community work service and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's License or Permit: Revoked for 6 months, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Shall immediately surrender license/permit to court; Probation until her 21st birthday; Shall not consume inhalants, or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license/permit, pay fine and surcharge, show proof of community work service; Shall submit to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer and may be arrested without a warrant for probation violation; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.

State of Alaska v. Fredric Saccheus (8/28/89); 2NO-08-458CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: MCA; Filed by the DAs Office 11/26/08.

State of Alaska v. Fredric F. Saccheus (8/28/89); 2NO-08-757CR Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 10/24/08; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court, or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 2/1/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 11/26/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Christopher Hanson Miklahook (1/13/89); 2NO-08-460CR Count 1: Harassment 2nd; Date of offense: 7/4/08; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: counts 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/26/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol or marijuana; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Christopher H. Miklahook (1/13/89); 2NO-08-460CR Count 3: Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 7/4/08; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court, or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 2/1/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 11/26/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered.

State of Alaska v. John Penetac (11/12/64); Criminal Trespass 2nd; Date of offense: 11/25/08; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Christopher Acoman (1/8/74); Order and Conditions of Release: Execute following bonds: Performance Bond (non-corporate) in the amount of \$750; 100% cash; Obey following conditions: Follow condition of probation; Appear at all scheduled hearings unless excused; Obey all local, state and federal laws and ordinances; Notify court in writing of any change in residence or mailing address; Next Court Hearing: 12/17/08, 1:30 p.m., Nome.

State of Alaska v. Elsie Weyanna (3/28/55); Dismissal; Count 1: Liquor Importation Into Local Option Area, Chg. Nbr. 1; Count 2: Transporting Alcohol by Carrier to Dry Area, Chg. Nbr. 2; Filed by the Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals 12/3/08.

State of Alaska v. Ada Olanna (2/26/83); Dismissal; Count 1: Liquor Importation Into Local Option Area, (FEL), Chg. Nbr. 1; Count 2: Trafficking in Liquor Without a License or Permit in a Local Option Area, (FELC), Chg. Nbr. 2; Count 3: Transporting Alcohol by Carrier to Dry Area, Chg. Nbr. 3; Filed by the Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals 12/3/08.

State of Alaska v. Clarence Olanna (11/8/87); Dismissal; Count 1: License or Permit Required, (FELC), Chg. Nbr. 1; Count 2: Liquor Importation Into Local Option Area, (MISD), Chg. Nbr. 2; Count 3: Transporting Alcohol by Carrier to Dry Area, Chg. Nbr. 3; Count 4: Minor Consuming/Possession Alcohol, Chg. Nbr. 4; Filed by the Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals 12/3/08.

State of Alaska v. Jamie Kakoon (11/13/83); Dismissal; Count 1: Liquor Importation Into Local Option Area, (MISD), Chg. Nbr. 1; Count 2: Transporting Alcohol by Carrier to Dry Area, Chg. Nbr. 2; Filed by the Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals 12/3/08.

State of Alaska v. Brandon Schmid (10/10/84); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Mischief Fifth Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 12/4/08.

State of Alaska v. Nicholas Pete (4/30/64); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110826594; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall not remain in or return to Nome without written permission from the Court, except for medical reasons; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days, remanded into custody; Must pay the suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Justin L. Katcheak (1/16/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109523736; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Marsha Lee (7/5/72); 2NO-08-692CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110698677; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall be assessed for alcohol treatment by 1/14/09; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Marsha Lee (7/5/72); 2NO-08-709CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110698767; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall be assessed for alcohol treatment by 1/14/09; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Antonia Penayah (8/28/86); Harassment 2nd; Date of offense: 10/25/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/5/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Troy Patrick Apatiki (1/20/86); Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 9/28/08; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Unsuspended 72 hours shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 1/31/09; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 1/1/09; Forfeit alcohol to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/4/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or con-

sume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Person and baggage subject to warrantless search at any airport; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Kevin Miller (3/24/54); Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 11/1/08; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation 6 months; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not consume alcohol to excess.

State of Alaska v. John Shelikoff (1/30/92); 2UT-08-47CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Minor Consuming Alcohol; Filed by the DAs Office 12/1/08.

State of Alaska v. John Shelikoff (1/30/92); 2NO-08-442CR Repeat Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 6/20/08; Fined \$1,000 with \$500 suspended; Shall pay \$500 to Nome Clerk of Court by 9/1/09; Shall complete 48 hours of community work and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of court within 120 days; Driver's license or permit is hereby revoked for 90 days, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Such license shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Probation until 1/30/13; Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license or permit, pay the fine, and show proof of community work service, as ordered; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.

State of Alaska v. John Shelikoff (1/30/92); 2NO-08-603CR Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 8/23/08; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court, or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 6/1/09; Probation until 6/1/09; Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Patrick Okitkon (3/12/94); Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 8/1/08; Fined \$400 with \$200 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court, or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 4/1/09; Shall attend Alcohol Information School at his own expense and show proof of completion to court within 90 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 11/28/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered; Shall show proof of completing Alcohol Information School if ordered.

State of Alaska v. Jeffrey Paniptchuk (12/30/88); Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 9/4/08; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court by 2/1/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 12/4/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Lynne Lee Noongwook (5/21/73); Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 9/28/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/4/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, S.N. without consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Harold Tactacan (6/10/82); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; Misconduct Involving Controlled Substance 4th; Violated conditions of probation by 2nd Suppl. PTRP (8/30/08); Conditions of probation modified as follows: Readmit; Suspended jail term must now be served: 10 months, C.T.S.—Consider placement in CRC after defendant has served more than half—look at history prior to determining; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge because defendant was taken to jail in connection with this probation revocation or is being ordered to serve time in jail for the revocation; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Willie Curtis Foster (12/21/79); Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 10/16/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/4/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Joseph Nupowhotuk (2/8/69); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110698029; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Gerald Ozenna (7/7/72); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110064015; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 12/2/09; Must pay the suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Lloyd Kiyetulluk (6/14/67); Reckless Driving; Date of offense: 8/15/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Driver's license, privilege to obtain a license and to operate a motor vehicle are revoked for 30 days concurrent with DMV action; Any license or permit shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Probation until 11/28/09; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for violation of probation; No violations of law, Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for a period of 1 year from date of this judgment (11/28/08).

State of Alaska v. Nicholas William Tom (2/24/81); 2NO-07-457CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109422522; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall perform 30 hours of community work service within the next six months and submit proof of completion to the Court; Probation extended to 11/28/09; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Nicholas W. Tom (2/24/81); 2NO-07-634CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110825289; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 11/28/09; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Shaun Sileok (5/6/78); Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 11/15/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/1/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Not be where alcohol is present.

State of Alaska v. Mark Miklahook (4/14/66); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 108380898; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall participate in the recommended treatment, counseling, and after care through Village Based Counseling; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 3 days, not to exceed time served; Must pay the suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Wilson Oozeva (6/18/53); 2NO-08-705CR Count 2: Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 10/9/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days have been served consecutive to case 2NO-08-782CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Wilson Oozeva (6/18/53); 2NO-08-7782R Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 10/29/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 40 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall not exceed time served; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until

12/2/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter ore remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store or be where alcohol is present; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol in such community.

State of Alaska v. Eleanor Amaktolik (10/18/74); False Information or Report; Date of offense: 9/30/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/28/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for alcohol; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Timothy Henry (7/3/85); 2NO-08-707CR Count 1: Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 10/10/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/4/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, S.S. without consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Timmy Lee Henry (7/3/85); 2NO-08-880CR Count 1: Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 12/3/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 75 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/4/09; 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 contact, directly or indirectly, S.S. without consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Tina M. Raymond (1/10/89); Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 11/10/08; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court by 1/31/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 12/4/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine.

State of Alaska v. Faye Okpowruk (12/4/91); Minor Consuming Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 10/15/08; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court by 1/31/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 12/4/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Jesse D. Weyiouanna (12/4/90); Minor Consuming or in Possess or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 11/1/08; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court by 1/31/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 12/4/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Jonathan Davis (10/31/89); Minor Consuming or in Possess or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 10/9/08; Fined \$400 with \$200 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court by 1/31/09; Alcohol forfeited to State; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment 12/4/08); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Raymond Larsen (8/27/63); 2NO-06-451CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109520901; 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. Raymond Larsen (8/27/63); 2NO-08-512CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4th; Charge 002: Assault 4th; Filed by the DAs Office 12/4/08.

State of Alaska v. Edward Anasogak (11/2/80); Criminal Trespass 1st; DV; Date of offense: 11/29/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Probation until 12/3/09; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly, or return to the residence of S.O. without consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Michelle Keene (6/11/68); Count 3: Criminal Mischief 4th; DV; Date of offense: 3/3/08; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: counts 1, 2 (001, 002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 120 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution if any 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 to be determined within 30 days; Probation until 12/2/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive conduct, or domestic violence; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.

State of Alaska v. Duane Johnson (12/22/89); 2NO-08-4CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110062467; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 11/28/10; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-08-672CR; Remanded into custody; All other term and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Duane Johnson (12/22/89); 2NO-08-672CR Count 1: DUI; Date of offense: 9/28/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Unsuspended 72 hours shall be served consecutive to count 3 and Case 2NO-08-04CR; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/28/09; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$75 through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Cost of Imprisonment: Shall pay \$330 to the SOA at: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Shall be screened for treatment or education by NSBHS, ASAP, or an approved equivalent agency by 3/1/09, complete the recommended program, and show proof of completion to the court; Required treatment may include residential treatment up to 90 days; Driver's license, privilege to obtain a license and to operate a motor vehicle are revoked for 90 days concurrent with DMV action; Any license or permit and identification card shall be immediately surrendered to the court; ID Card must be surrendered within 2 working days; Probation until 11/28/10; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for violation of probation; No violations of law, including DUI, refusal to submit to breathalyzer, operating motor vehicle while license is canceled, suspended or revoked or in violation of limitation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for a period of 2 years from date of this judgment (11/28/08); Other: Not be where alcohol is present.

State of Alaska v. Duane Johnson (12/22/89); 2NO-08-672CR Count 3: Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 9/28/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Probation until 11/28/10, subject to the following conditions: same as count 1.

State of Alaska v. Don McClain (7/1/49); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110697417; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. John Saclamana (12/19/81); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110127132; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: Ninety days; forty days from Count 2 and fifty days from Count 1; Remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Al Koonooka (11/10/65); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109526697; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, days; Remanded into custody; defendant's fine due date is extended to 10/1/09.

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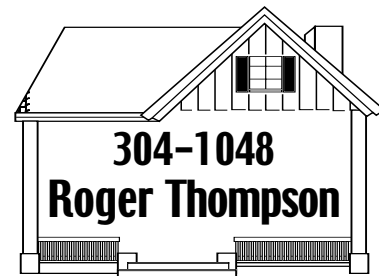
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Nomeites will get some respite from sales tax

Tax holiday will apply to groceries until April 30

By Laurie McNicholas

The Nome Common Council approved first reading of an ordinance to exempt certain grocery items from the City's 5 percent sales tax Jan. 15 through April 30, 2009 at a meeting Monday. The second and final reading is scheduled Dec. 22.

"This temporary tax exception will not include restaurant sales of food nor...food intended for immediate consumption (food kept hot such as soups or roasted chicken and individual-sized portions of food sold with utensils except where packaged by a third-party), either on or off-premises," reads the proposed ordinance.

The purpose of the temporary tax relief is to help Nomeites provide for their families this winter while coping with increased household costs due to an abrupt increase in fuel prices, the proposed ordinance states. The 2009 grocery sales tax exception will cover a shorter period than the City's grocery sales tax exceptions in 2006 (Jan. 15-May 15) and this year (Jan. 15-June 30).

On the advice of the City attorney, the Council postponed until Jan. 12, 2009 the second reading of an ordinance to amend a previous ordinance authorizing a second amendment to an agreement among the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank and the City.

The proposed ordinance (0-08-10-01) authorizes the City to issue its Port Revenue Funding Bond 2008A for a maximum of \$5 million to refund the City's port revenue bond, 1986 series, fix certain details of such bond and provide for related matters. The City attorney recommended postponing action on the ordinance because NOAA is still reviewing language proposed by the Bond Bank.

Wind farm on power grid

Nome Joint Utility System Manager John Handeland said the new wind farm on Banner Peak, a joint venture of Bering Straits Native and Sitnasuak corps., has been "energized" (connected to the power system), and tests are being conducted.

Handeland also said that this week NJUS will switch from the new power plant to the old power plant for a while to commission a fire alarm system.

Public comments: Seek state help for schools' fuel costs

Mitch Erickson suggested that the Alaska Legislature be asked to reimburse schools for abrupt spikes in fuel costs that unbalance their budgets. For example, he said Nome Public Schools had faced an unanticipated increase of \$135,000 in fuel costs in 2006 and more recently the Nome Board of Education had cut the JROTC program to balance the NPS budget. Erickson sought advice from the Council in formulat-

ing such a legislative proposal.

Councilman Stan Andersen said he thinks the Alaska Municipal League has adopted a resolution addressing the issue Erickson described, and he suggested that Erickson contact City Manager Josie Bahnke or Mayor Denise Michels for information. Both were absent from the meeting.

The Council held an executive session closed to the public to discuss labor contract negotiations, contractual issues between NJUS and the Rock Creek Mine and other topics.



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BIG COUNTRY — A camp sits in the sun and expanse of the Bering Sea coast between Teller and Nome.

ALASKANS ARE TALKING ABOUT DENALI'S EXPERIENCE



►►► Fred Braun
Realtor - Kenai

"ConocoPhillips and BP - I don't think there are two stronger companies anywhere."



Glenese Petty ◀◀◀
Financial Advisor - Kenai

"They have years and years of Arctic experience they can put into place."



►►► Samantha McKibbin
Marketing Specialist - Wasilla

"Denali has Alaska experience and knows our environment - I think that's important to all Alaskans."

• Burke —

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mile distance between him and his family, and the expense of supporting two households.

The process of resigning has been difficult, he acknowledged. "I did not want to go; it's too early for me." He said he likes Nome and hopes to return.

Burke recently promoted veteran Nome Police Officer Byron Redburn to the rank of Sergeant. He predicted that Redburn and Sgt. Preston Stotts will form a good management team as the City seeks a permanent or interim police chief to replace him. In the meantime, Burke will work on a transition plan with Bahnke and will continue to recruit and screen candidates for three vacant patrolman positions. He has served as Nome's Police Chief since June 6, 2007.


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