



VIEW FROM ABOVE—A Frontier Alaska plane circles Friday above the site where flight 8218 crashed last Thursday on Newton Peak.

Photo by Tyler Rhodes

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A miracle on Newton

Six survive crash in whiteout conditions

By Tyler Rhodes

Johne "Candy" Seetot had just glanced out the airplane window last Thursday afternoon to see what appeared to be the Snake River below—the only discernable thing in an otherwise sea of white—before she leaned her head against the window and dozed off.

When Seetot violently awoke, she found herself thrown into the seat in front of her, her head was hurting and the plane was on the ground. Her seatbelt remained buckled in the seat now behind her; somehow she slipped out of the restraint. "I started asking what happened. We were in the snow," Seetot said.

What had happened many would later describe as a miracle. Seetot, her fellow four passengers and the pilot of Frontier Alaska flight 8218 from Brevig Mission had all survived after the Piper PA-31-350 flew into the side of Newton Peak just northeast of Nome.

The crash occurred in whiteout conditions shortly before 6:30 p.m. Feb. 19. While Seetot was asleep when they hit the mountain, other passengers reported seeing nothing nor having any indication that the plane was going down before impact. The flight was a regularly scheduled trip for Frontier and was piloted by Harland Hannon of Nome.



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

ROUGH LANDING—Frontier Alaska flight 8218 sits amazingly intact on the side of Newton Peak Friday after crashing into the mountain in whiteout conditions the evening before. After an approximate three-hour search, all six occupants of the plane were found alive and transported to Nome. Two passengers were hospitalized.

National Transportation Safety Board Investigator Clint Johnson said Hannon reported no mechanical issues with the plane. Johnson said

Hannon told him he descended about 10 miles out of Nome due to deteriorating weather. After getting permission to land under special visual

flight rules, due to the weather conditions, Hannon put his landing gear

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Fire claims four lives in White Mountain

By Tyler Rhodes

A house fire in White Mountain claimed the lives of four of the village's residents Friday.

According to Alaska State Troopers, Josephine Lincoln, 71, Frank Oksotarkuk, 51, Dean Lincoln, 43, and Patrick Lincoln, 24, died as a result of the fire at the Lincoln residence.

Village Public Safety Officer Dan Harrelson was at home, just a few hundred feet away from the Lincoln house, when just after 11 p.m. 13-year-old Tiffany Lincoln came running in with the news that her house was on fire.

Harrelson, who had a couple friends over, sprang to his feet. "Just

as long as it took me to put my snowpants on we were out the door," he said. They arrived to find the front, and only door locked. Using a maul, Harrelson was able to break the knob and access the arctic entryway. He was forced to use the maul again to break open the locked door that led to the home's interior. At that point, it was clear that entering the house was not an option. "Once we got the second door opened, plumes of black smoke

poured out," he said. "It was like an oven on broil, trying to go in."

Harrelson said he could see down low where there was about a foot of clearance between the smoke and the floor. There were no signs of people in the hallway. "I think when we first responded, whoever was in the house had already perished," he said.

Still, Harrelson, his friends, the volunteer fire department and nearly the entire community went right to work to put the fire out. Harrelson

said the town's fire truck had mechanical issues and the deep snow added to the difficulty of getting equipment to the blaze. Harrelson's friends went to the fire hydrant located about a quarter of a mile from the house and started running a hose.

Harrelson said when he couldn't get inside the house he went around the back where he saw flames shooting out of a window. "It spread very

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Photo Courtesy of Andrew Haviland

TRAGEDY—Flames consume a house in White Mountain in which four people were trapped inside late Friday night. All four perished.

Lake resigns as hospital CEO

By Tyler Rhodes

Just as his one-year contract was set to expire, Michael Lake has resigned from his position as president and chief executive officer of Norton Sound Health Corp. Monday.

The health corporation announced the resignation in a brief press release issued Tuesday. Carol Piscoya, who has worked for NSHC for six years, has been appointed interim president and CEO. Most recently Piscoya has served as vice president of Community Health Services.

According to NSHC's general counsel, Rick Helms, Lake gave no reason for his resignation in a letter written to the corporation's board of directors. Helms said a meeting

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MOVING ON—Michael Lake gave his resignation as CEO and president to the Norton Sound Health Corp. board of directors Monday after one year on the job.



Archive photo by Diana Haecker

Letters

Hello,

Profit or nonprofit, your job as Board of Directors/Members is to inform/notify the general public of the day-to-day activities/operations of NSEDC. NSEDC was formed by the idea of a man who loved and cared for the Alaska Native peoples. Those of you who were there when NSEDC was born know who this man is.

How the heck can the ignorance are greediness of those on the Board of Directors/Members get as far as it has come today? Is that what NSEDC has become? A bunch of unsure, insecure people who would rather point their fingers at each other, trying to clear themselves?

Realize it or not the USA is in trouble. We probably won't feel "the crunch" till later. As it is, we pay outrageous prices for gas, stove oil, groceries, and it's not getting any better.

The "bumps" that used to be easily straightened out a long time ago, that's just it, *days gone by*, these "bumps" are here, they're big, they deserve attention. A physician would tell you if your child got bonked on the head, "Keep him/her awake a few hours," to make sure they did not die.

I for one can see the ignorance of the "imports" who have nothing better to do than rattle a few cages, sit back and have a good laugh about it. Aside from all the hatred, it doesn't matter what color skin you're in, we all have red blood flowing through our veins. I hope all is well with you and yours.

Arthur D. Paniptchuk
Kotzebue

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

Editorial

Practice Pays Off

The hours of planning and coordinating practice sessions, mock disasters drills and training exercises can be a major inconvenience and take a lot of precious hours. Some would rather spend the time relaxing at home with their family. The sacrifice pays off.

Nome's emergency service got put to the test last week and came out with flying colors. They made us proud. A plane crash on the mountainside just outside of town with all surviving with no major injuries brought wide smiles to the faces of all who were involved in the rescue effort. All of our rescue agencies worked together flawlessly like a well-oiled machine. The Nome police, State Troopers, Nome Fire Department Search and Rescue and Ambulance volunteers, Norton Sound Regional Hospital personnel, the Federal Aviation Administration, the radio communications folks, the skilled pilot and level-headed passengers brought a positive outcome to a potential disaster.

Training, drill sessions, continuing education and interagency coordination takes time and effort but are so very important in making Nome such a great community. We are proud of our well-trained volunteers and dedicated professionals. Thanks for the job well done.

— N.L.M. —



Photo by Paul Kudla

UP, UP AND AWAY — Shane Smithhisler puts some loft on the snow being blown out of the area behind the Rec Center last week.

Storm delivers record snowfall:
Last Wednesday's bounty the third biggest February snow day in history

It probably comes to no surprise to most Nomeites who were digging out their cars and tunneling their way to their front doors last week that Nome set a snowfall record last Wednesday.

The 8.2 inches of white stuff that came down Feb. 18 easily topped the previous record of 5 inches set in 1918. The day also earned the distinction of being the third snowiest February day on record, edging out a 7.9 accumulation set Feb. 3, 1975. The top two snowiest days on record for February in Nome are 9.3 inches on Feb. 12, 2005 and the 14 inches that blanketed Nome Feb. 19, 1920.

A Look at the Past

Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

TIME TO GET SMART — Get out your furs, stay warm and breeze through all the blizzards. For thousands of years, the Eskimos have survived the long, cold Arctic winters by living off the bounty of the land and sea for food as well as for clothing. Wolverine and wolf ruffs, squirrel fur parkas, reindeer mukluks and sealskin mitts are still the clothes of choice for this time of year.



Weather Statistics

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Sunrise	02/26/09	09:19 a.m.	High Temp	33° 2/22/09	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	03/04/09	08:58 a.m.	Low Temp	-30° 2/18/09	
Sunset	02/26/09	07:11 p.m.	Peak Wind	44 mph, E, 2/18/09	
	03/04/09	07:30 p.m.	Precip. to Date	2.18"	
			Normal	1.57"	

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ROUGH AND TUMBLE—Nikki Polk, a.k.a. Butch Chastity, hurls an accusation at another cast member during the presentation of a murder mystery Saturday night at the Pioneer Igloo in Nome. The Nome Arts Council event provided theater-goers with dinner and a chance to solve the Western-themed whodunnit.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
February 26 - March 4, 2009

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, February 26		
*Tennis	Closed for BSRC	
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	Closed
*XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Kinderswim	Pool	11 a.m. - 1 p.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	Closed
*Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Look Who's Balking video	Prematernal Home	1 p.m.
*Smoke Free Class	Prematernal Home	3:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	No classes
*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	No classes
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	No classes
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Overeaters Anonymous meeting	Baptist Comm Church	7 p.m. (across from KNOM)
*Swing Dancing	Nome Rec Center	No classes
*Narcotics Anonymous	Behavioral Health Bldg.	7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, February 27		
*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
*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
*Relax-Stress Relief video	Prematernal Home	1 p.m.
*Two To Get Ready video	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Kids Soccer K - 3rd grade	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Workout videos Jennie's choice	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Kids Soccer 4th - 7th grade	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.
*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, February 28		
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
UMW Thrift Shop (Trial Basis)	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 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.
*Things Mother Never Told Me video	Prematernal Home	1 p.m.
*The New Mother-Putting It Together video	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 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, March 1		
*Pool		Closed
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*The Baby System-The 1st Yr video	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Beginning Baton with Jay	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
*Nutrition class (note new time)	Prematernal Home	5 p.m.
*AA: Big Book Study	HR Conf. Room, NSHC	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Monday, March 2		
*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.
*Sexually Transmitted Disease video	Prematernal Home	1 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Cardio Kick Boxing with Kelly S.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	6 p.m. - 7:30 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.
*Pathways to Healthy Life video (new time)	Prematernal Home	7 p.m.
*Drop-in Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3		
*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.
*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. - 3 p.m.
*Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Social Services class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Wiffle Ball Grades 4-6	Nome Rec Center	3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Wiffle Ball Grades 7-8	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 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.
Meet Cutting Workshop-Greg Finstad	Nome Eskimo	6 p.m. - 9 p.m. (\$30 fee)
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6:15, 7:30 & 8:45 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Nome Planning Comm Work Session	Council Chambers	6:30 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Nome Planning Commission Reg Mtg	Council Chambers	7 p.m.
*Your Baby's Hearing Test video (new time)	Prematernal Home	7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4		
*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
*Dental class	Prematernal Home	11 a.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 - 3 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.
*Floor Hockey Grades 4-6	Nome Rec Center	3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Floor Hockey Grades 7-8	Nome Rec Center	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
*Tried & True...Labor Techniques video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Cardio Kick Boxing with Kelly S.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*H2O Aerobics	Pool	6 p.m. - 7:30 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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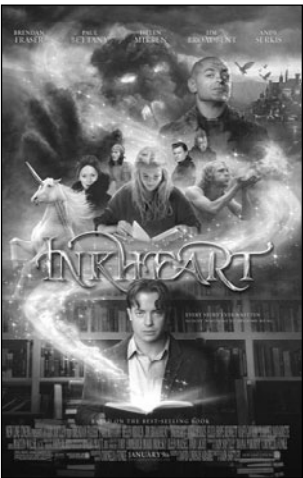
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SCATTERED—A landing gear door sits anchored in the snow Friday as drifts accumulate around it and the crashed plane that skidded along the mountain side the afternoon before. All occupants survived the incident.

• Crash

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down and put the approach flaps in, according to Johnson. "He promptly flew it into the ground roughly after that," Johnson said. "It was whiteout conditions, the way he explained it. The airplane impacted the snow and slid for 100 feet."

Thursday evening, the National Weather Service was reporting cloudy skies and 10 mph winds. Parts of Nome at the time of the accident were experiencing complete whiteout conditions with fog and blowing snow on the ground. From the plane, Seetot said the weather appeared to degrade as they got closer to Nome. "On the Brevig side we could see ground here or there, or the mountain peaks. Once we got more on the Nome side, it got pretty white-out," she said.

Around 6:20 p.m. Hannon made his last communication with the base in Nome. After the radio went silent, Alaska State Troopers report that Frontier Alaska Nome Station Manager Shannon Thrun advised them of the overdue flight. Nome Volunteer Fire Department Search and Rescue was immediately called into action.

Seetot, who is from Brevig Mission, said everyone kept their composure after the crash. "We were all pretty calm, no hysterics," she said. "We were checking each other, asking each other, 'Can you move? Are you all right?'"

While most escaped relatively unscathed, passenger Heidi Graber, a NACTEC employee who lives in Teller, suffered a broken back in three spots and a fractured pelvis. Seetot was banged up with a swollen eye "the size of a golf ball" and bruising over much of her face. She and Graber were the only two to be

hospitalized as a result of the wreck. "Heidi was next to me in the plane and now she's next to me in the hospital," Seetot said from her hospital room Friday.

Other passengers on the flight were Stewart Tocktoo, Rosie Ahnangnatoguk and Vernon Ozenna. All are from Brevig Mission.

Once they realized no one was critically injured, Seetot said the next order of business was to try and let people know their location. "We were asking the pilot if the ELT [emergency location transmitter] went off, if he could send out a signal," she said. "We all tried our cell phones." The plane's location, not too far east and downhill of Newton's south peak and a little more than a mile west of the Kougarok Road, was out of cellular phone range.

An ELT signal was in fact going out and help was on the way, but it would not arrive for a couple of hours. Searchers were initially directed to head out east toward Hastings and Cape Nome. Ensuing reports moved the searchers closer, directing them to the vicinity of Army Peak, about 3 1/2 miles south-east of the crash site.

Nome Fire Chief Matt Johnson said his searchers were first told to look seven miles east of the VOR site, which itself is a few miles east of Nome. Johnson said searchers tracking with two-way radios were able to hone in closer on the signal.

The search progressed as daylight quickly faded. "It went dark on us pretty quickly," Johnson said. Even with daylight, spotting the downed aircraft was likely to be a challenge, Johnson said. "A white airplane on a white mountain is pretty hard to

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find," he said.

When cell phones failed and the ELT did not lead searchers directly to the wreckage, it was an old-fashioned method of communication that finally alerted rescue crews to the waiting passengers' location. Seetot said fellow passengers Tocktoo and Ozenna decided to light a signal fire by soaking clothing or other material in gasoline. That fire caught Dexter resident David Olsen's attention, who in turn notified officials at about 8:50 p.m. "David Olsen said he saw a weird orange glow from the side of his house," Johnson said. "You can't go wrong with making a fire or setting off a flare."

Seetot said they could see the lights of searchers below in the valley while they waited, but none were turning in their direction. The fire quickly changed that. "I was so glad those boys thought about trying to burn something," Seetot said. "We seen only a couple of lights first, and then finally those guys put that stuff on fire. All of the sudden then there were lots of lights coming up the hill. It was such a good feeling to see those lights coming up the hill."

Despite the smell of gasoline, Seetot said she and other passengers remained in the plane. Seetot said pilot Hannon at one point left the plane talking about walking to the top of the hill where phone reception would be likely. He wasn't able to make it. "There was just too much snow I guess," Seetot said.

Seetot said the deep snow also made it difficult on the way down to the road as the passengers were transferred by snowmachine to ambulances waiting on the road. A gully northeast of the crash site swallowed snowmachines that ventured into it, she said. When the snowmachine on which she was riding became stuck in that gully, Seetot said she had to get off and hike back out to the hillside. Once back on the machine she had to brace for an aggressive ride to keep from again getting stuck. "I had to hang on for dear life," she said.

Graber, the passenger who suffered a broken back, was brought down the mountain in a sled towed by a snowmachine.

Seetot was released from the hospital late Friday night. She said she would be remaining in Nome for the week to attend the Kawerak Regional Conference.

Teamwork

When news of the missing plane got out, it did not take long for the cavalry to respond. A response came from Nome Search and Rescue volunteers, Troopers, Nome Volunteer Ambulance Service, National Guardsmen, Evergreen Helicopters, Norton Sound Regional Hospital, and other members of the community all stepped up to help. "There were lots of other people in this community helping us out

with radio communication, with mapping, with just everything," Fire Chief Johnson said. "It takes a whole community to run an operation like this."

Johnson said 29 members of search and rescue participated in the effort. Plows were called out to clear the Kougarak Road, which was passable, but less than ideal for rescue vehicles. The National Guard's tracked-vehicles were ready to respond if needed. An Evergreen helicopter attempted to join in the search, but had to return due to weather, Trooper Sgt. Merrill said. "It was probably the smoothest search and rescue I've seen," Trooper Sergeant Andrew Merrill said. "Everybody did an awesome job."

Frontier Alaska President Jim Hajdukovich lauded all those who assisted in the search. "We're just very fortunate with the search and rescue efforts provided by the Nome community members," he said. "It was definitely humbling to see the efforts. People really went above and beyond."

For Matt Johnson, it wasn't the first time he has participated in a search for a plane that eventually ended up on Newton Peak. On May 14, 1998, a Baker Aviation Cessna 208 Caravan crashed near the same location, ending up on its roof. All 10 passengers survived the crash into the snowy hillside that occurred in whiteout conditions.

In the hours that passed between the initial report of the missing flight last week and the discovery of the passengers and pilot, expectations on the ground were grim. "At one point we were definitely thinking the worst and then there was the excitement hearing the news of the survivors, Hajdukovich said. "Now we're just hoping for a fast recovery of all the survivors."

NTSB investigator Clint Johnson said he was informed of the missing flight within a half hour of its disappearance. The initial reports had him packing his bags for a trip to the site, as is protocol when there are fatalities. "I thought for sure I was coming to Nome Thursday night," he said. Johnson was gratefully able to conduct his work from Anchorage.

Johnson said crash investigations typically take six months to a year. He said this investigation should be completed in that timeframe. Johnson said he will likely again interview the pilot, Hannon, since the initial debriefing was done quickly. "He was pretty emotional about the whole thing," Johnson said.

Johnson complimented Hannon and Frontier Alaska for their cooperation with the investigation to this point. "Not only the pilot, but also Frontier has been extremely helpful to give us a hand with this," he said.

Plane remains on hillside

On the side of Newton Peak around noon last Friday, the wind was working on erasing traces of the crash. Drifts were building around the fuselage and wings. A



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

CHECKING IT OUT—Mike Quinn, a mechanic with Frontier Alaska, examines the wreckage of the Piper PA-31-350 Friday afternoon on the side of Newton Peak northeast of Nome. The plane went down last Thursday evening in whiteout conditions.

bit of charred material—likely the improvised flare that drew rescuers to the site—could be seen in the snow just downhill of the plane, that appeared largely in tact. Part of a landing gear door was sticking out of the snow down slope from the rest of the plane. A large dent could be seen on the leading edge of one of the tail's horizontal stabilizers. No propeller was visible on the plane's left side, while one bent blade stuck out of the snow on the right. Other than that, the plane largely appeared to be in tact—albeit far out of place and nearly buried by snow.

After investigating the crash site late last week, the Federal Aviation Administration released the plane back to Frontier Alaska. Hajdukovich said a helicopter will most likely be used to hoist the aircraft from the slope and bring it back to the airport. As for what will then become of the aircraft, he said an insurance adjuster will determine if it is a total loss. "We're more interested in getting it out of there to where it belongs at the airport," Hajdukovich said.

Hajdukovich said Frontier Alaska would like to get the plane moved as quickly as possible and is waiting for the weather to cooperate and the availability of a helicopter capable of moving the wreckage.

The loss of the plane has not affected Frontier Alaska's scheduled service, Hajdukovich said, noting that the company has relocated aircraft to make up for the loss.

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Stimulus plan prescribes new hospital for Nome

\$152 million in Indian Health Service funds slated for new facility on Nome Bypass Road

By Tyler Rhodes

With the ink on the federal stimulus package barely dry, Nome is already in line to see one big project.

U.S. Sen. Mark Begich's office announced Monday that the Indian Health Service announced funding for the Norton Sound Regional hospital replacement project. Begich reported that HIS has approved \$152 million for the major construction phase of the new facility.

Work on the new hospital has already been underway despite the complete funding package not yet being in place. Norton Sound Health Corp. board members and other dignitaries held a ground-breaking ceremony for the new facility last summer. Complete with golden shovels—perhaps a premonition as “shovel-ready” projects have become the buzzword associated with the federal stimulus package—the ceremony was held on the large gravel pad constructed for the facility last summer. This fall and winter pilings have been pounded for the project.

Phone calls to NSHC's acting chief executive officer Carol Piscoya to learn how the funding will impact the project were not returned by press time.

Last summer it was reported that NSHC was

second in line for IHS funding for a new hospital behind Barrow. Rather than wait for IHS, the health corporation used Denali Commission funds to get the ball rolling. At that time \$15 million of those funds had been spent for design work, the pad and steel piles.

The new hospital will replace the current 1950s-era structure on the corner of Bering Street and Fifth Avenue. The 144,000-square-foot structure will be located off the Nome Bypass Road and will be three times larger than the current facility.

The final version of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act included \$227 million for two IHS projects already underway. Officials have told Sen. Begich the Norton Sound Regional Hospital and a project in South Dakota, were the two chosen by the IHS for the funding.

According to the project summary submitted to Sen. Begich, the hospital will create an estimated 200 construction jobs, many of them as early as this summer; an additional 100 new positions once it's completed; and 450 existing jobs will be retained.

The NSHC board of directors last summer approved a resolution putting IHS in charge of constructing the new hospital. The agreement allowed NSHC to retain some oversight and



Archive photo by Diana Haecker

SHOVEL-READY—Norton Sound Health Corp. board members ceremoniously dig into a dirt pile at a ground-breaking for the new hospital last summer.

play an active role in the construction phase. The resolution also empowered NSHC's president and CEO to negotiate with IHS appropriate contracts and agreements, and as part of

those negotiations to “promote regional and Alaskan Native preference in hiring and the use of alternative energy, both to the greatest extent possible,” according to the resolution.

• Lake

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was called by the board's executive committee Monday to accept Lake's resignation.

Efforts to contact Lake, whose number in Nome is unlisted, were unsuccessful Tuesday.

According to the press release issued by NSHC, Lake thanked the

board “for a wonderful and rewarding experience over the last year.” The press release credits Lake for shepherding the new hospital construction project, including a redesign and the securing of all the necessary funding to complete its construction (see related story on page 6). “Both fiscal and operational policy changes during

Mr. Lake's tenure have benefited the corporation financially,” the press release reads.

Lake moved to Nome from Florida to take on the president and CEO job for NSHC. He had previously operated a company that ran hospitals in rural Florida and Mississippi. After selling that firm, he took a position as interim CEO for a hos-

pital in Idaho. He started with NSHC on March 1 of last year.

NSHC counsel Helms said he was not aware of any hiring process being started yet to replace Lake, deferring the question to the board of directors. The board is next scheduled to meet March 6, Helms said.

Piscoya takes the helm as interim CEO during a dynamic period for

the corporation. “I am happy to serve in this role and look forward to working directly with all divisions of the corporation,” she is quoted as saying in a press release. “With the new hospital construction, new village clinic planning and increased delivery of a variety of health services, this is an exciting time to be in rural health care.”

NovaGold may pay electric bill with land

By Tyler Rhodes

As NovaGold fought for its financial life after suspending operations at the Rock Creek Mine in November, some of its bills in Nome went unpaid.

With a new investor on board and its cash position again secured, NovaGold Chief Executive Officer Rick Van Nieuwenhuyse said last week that he came to town with a stack of checks in hand. “I think we're pretty well squared with everybody in Nome,” Van Nieuwenhuyse said last Thursday during a visit to Nome.

There is one bill, however, waiting to be resolved.

Nome Joint Utility System is owed money for electricity provided to the mine before its suspension. While NJUS General Manager John Handeland said NovaGold is prepared to wire funds to zero out its account, a land deal is also on the table. In an e-mail to *The Nome Nugget* Feb. 16, Handeland said NovaGold and the City of Nome have been in discussions for several weeks regarding property NovaGold owns near the city-operated Port of Nome. The property would be used for a port expansion.

Handeland said if the port were to

ultimately receive title to the land from NovaGold, the Port of Nome would pay the utility. He also said NovaGold would pay off its debt directly to NJUS if an agreement is not soon finalized.

“Since NovaGold suspended operations they have continued to use our power and have made regular payments for the ‘new juice’ plus payments against old balance,” Handeland said in his e-mail to *The Nome Nugget*. “The utility will be paid one way or the other, either directly by NovaGold or by arrangement with the port.”

Handeland did not mention the amount of NovaGold's unpaid balance.

Van Nieuwenhuyse said he was grateful to those who waited for payment. “We are very appreciative that vendors held out,” he said. “Obviously it's not fun when you owe people money.”

Van Nieuwenhuyse said the company is now on solid footing after receiving \$75 million in new investments since January. The lion's share of that money has come from Electrum Strategic Resources LLC, which invested \$60 million with the option to buy more stock. “The in-

vestor has a high degree of confidence in the way we run our business,” Van Nieuwenhuyse said. As testament to that, he said the investor has not asked for a seat on the board despite now owning approximately 30 percent of the company.

Van Nieuwenhuyse also said Electrum believes in the value of resource businesses. “Gold's always been a store of value, and I think everybody in Nome understands that,” he said.



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Jesuits file for bankruptcy in the face of abuse claims

By Diana Haecker

The Oregon Jesuits last week filed in the District of Oregon for bankruptcy protection in response to more than 200 claims alleging sexual abuse of children by Jesuits in the past.

Announcing the filing on February 17, Father Patrick Lee, Provincial of the order, said in a prepared statement, "Our decision to file Chapter 11 was not an easy one, but with approximately 200 additional claims pending or threatened, it is the only way we believe that all claimants can be offered a fair financial settlement within the limited resources of the Province."

In November 2007, the Oregon Province settled 110 claims of sexual abuse stemming from Alaskan victims for \$50 million. The settlement

was one of the largest paid out by a Catholic order and its insurer, and at that time, dealt with all Alaskan claims against the Jesuits. However, more claims surfaced during the bankruptcy proceedings by the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska.

Almost a year ago, CBNA filed for bankruptcy protection as the Fairbanks Diocese faced a myriad of claims against priests and lay workers allegedly sexually abusing children in Alaskan remote villages from the 1950s to the 1980s. As part of the bankruptcy proceedings, all persons who had a claim against CBNA had to come forward by December 2, 2008. This deadline created a whole new slew of sexual abuse claims against the CBNA and (since most Catholic

priests active in Alaska also belonged to the Jesuits) the claims now also apply to the Jesuits' Society of Jesus, Oregon Province. The Jesuit order already faced 50 sexual abuse claims of minors stemming from priests working in the lower 48, but the additional 150 cases from Alaska forced the order to take action.

Anchorage attorney Ken Roosa, who represents most Alaska clergy sex abuse clients, said 61 cases that were pending in Bethel, are now on hold. "Right now, everything is on hold, including the case against the Vatican," said Roosa. "At this point, there are many more unknowns than there are knowns."

The Society of Jesus, Oregon Province oversees Jesuits in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Wash-

ington and Oregon. The Oregon Province runs universities, high schools and parishes, which are separately incorporated entities and therefore untouchable to be liquidated.

The bankruptcy petition file said that the Province owns assets worth \$4.8 million versus \$61.7 million in sexual abuse claims.

"Chapter 11 will allow the Oregon Province to resolve pending claims, manage its financial situation and continue its various ministries in the Northwest in which it has been engaged since 1831," Provincial Lee said.

Pat Walsh, the Oregon Province public relations spokesman said that beyond the statement and a frequently asked questions sheet posted on the Jesuits' website, the Jesuits will make no further comment.

• Fire

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rapidly," he said.

Efforts were made to draw water from the nearby river, but problems with the pump and slush in the hose prevented it from working. Harrelson said the fire hydrant and 1 1/2-inch hose alone were not enough to effectively battle the blaze. Despite the equipment troubles, the fire was not allowed to spread to other structures.

"When we fight a fire like that, it really is an entire community effort," Harrelson said. "I was very impressed with some of the young people of White Mountain. They were on scene, trying to find jobs to do to assist. Some of the young girls were going door to door, trying to verify who was in the house."

Harrelson also said the village's firefighters and Fire Chief Eric Morris put on a tremendous effort to battle the fire.

Alaska State Trooper Sgt. Andrew Merrill said it appears the fire was accidental. "We're still in process of making the final determination," he said. Troopers and the state fire marshal were finally able to get to White Mountain on Monday after being hampered by weather for several days.

Merrill also said it appeared alcohol played a role in the incident. "The parties involved were drinking alcohol prior to the incident," he said. Merrill said the bodies of the victims have been sent to Anchorage for autopsies.

Harrelson said it appears that the fire started in the middle bedroom of the residence. "The burn patters determine that was the hot area, and it spread from there," Harrelson said. That room was Tiffany Lincoln's room.

Tiffany Lincoln, Harrelson's niece, was being raised by Josephine Lincoln, who was her grandmother. "Young Tiffany and her mother lost everything they owned in that fire," Harrelson said. "All she has is the clothes on her back." Harrelson said if anyone from Nome or the surrounding communities would like to help with clothing or other donations, they can contact the White Mountain Tribal Council by calling tribal coordinator Dorothy Barr at (907) 638-3651.

Josephine Lincoln and Dean Lincoln both lived at the house. Patrick Lincoln, who is a nephew of Josephine and is Tiffany's brother, and Oksoktaruk were visiting on the evening of the blaze.

Harrelson said the tragedy has hit the small community hard. "It's certainly difficult for families to deal with one death. When you multiply it by four, four deaths in a community as small as White Mountain literally touches everybody in some way," he said. "It affects the entire community."

Harrelson said he believes the house, built by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, was constructed some time in 1989 or 1990. He said it was a well-built and well-kept house. "The occupants

of the house, they were very meticulous," Harrelson said. "It was a clean-as-a-whistle kind of house. They were very proud of it."

Harrelson said it is the first time he can remember losing community members in a fire. He said White Mountain is working on getting a new public safety building where fire-fighting equipment can be stored. "We're hoping for a legislative grant so we can fund and offer better fire fighting for our community," he said.

"It was like an oven on broil, trying to go in."

– White Mountain VPSO
Dan Harrelson

Friends of Pilgrim organize to advocate for public use

The Friends of Pilgrim Hot Springs held an organizational and scoping meeting Feb. 20 at the Nome City Hall Council Chambers. The purpose of the meeting was to document the concerns of residents of Nome and the communities of the Seward Peninsula relating to the future of the Pilgrim Hot Springs that is to be determined by the court system in a lawsuit involving the Dio-

cese of Fairbanks.

Those attending gave comment about the historic and traditional use of the property and concern for its future. They hoped to keep the property open as a regional recreational area and promoted the concept of preservation rather than major development. They decided to hold their next meeting Friday, March 20.

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Road to Nome study: Update finds highway to Nome “practical”

By Diana Haecker

A Western Alaska Access Planning Study project report released last week found that access from the Alaska highway system to western Alaska is “practical from an engineering, environmental and land management standpoint.”

The three-page report summarizes the first three phases of the ongoing study prepared by contractor DOWL HKM for the Alaska Department of Transportation.

In August 2008, DOT hired DOWL to analyze the realities of what it would take to build the 600-mile highway from the Alaska road system to Nome.

DOWL issued a first update in late January and made the document public last week.

“The first phase of work has demonstrated the capability to identify an east-west corridor in the WAAPS region, especially in a matrix of public and private roads,” summarizes the report. “It also clearly indicates a range of economic and community waypoints that would both benefit from a highway and would be critical to safely maintain and operate a long distance route between Fairbanks and Nome.”

Alaska’s vast expanses are crisscrossed by only a few roads, leaving all of the western communities of the state as stranded islands, only to be reached via airplane, boat, snowmachine or dog team.

The stated purpose of the highway is to “facilitate resource and community development in the western interior, central Brooks Range, and Seward Peninsula areas of the state.” In order to gain access to the land’s

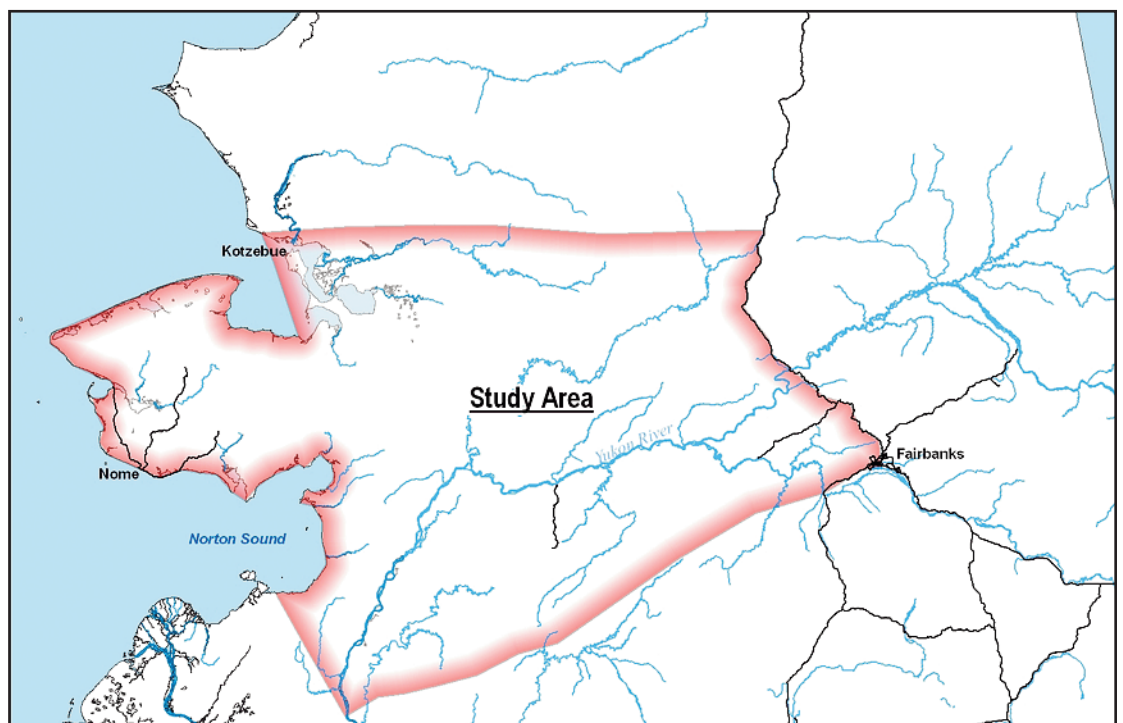
riches and to give villagers the eventual opportunity to drive to jobs at nearby mines yet to be developed, the DOT began looking at a possible connection from the road system near the Fairbanks and Nenana area to a wide swath of land to the west, all the way up to Bettles in the Brooks Range down to the southern shores of the Seward Peninsula.

A map attached to the project update document shows a mosaic of different colors, signaling various land ownership status. Landowners in the study area are the state, Native corporations, the federal Bureau of Land Management, a few enclaves of National Park Service land and several national wildlife refuges managed by the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

While the public at large has not yet had a say in the matter, the DOWL team had met with the region’s Native Corporations, borough and city governments and mine developers to float the idea of the project. “Throughout the consultation process, the team found strong support for a corridor between Fairbanks and Nome, and a willingness to assist as needed on further studies, including access across private lands and access to data useful for a design effort,” said the report.

The first phases of the study also included a review of existing literature and studies on the transportation corridor and developing a geographic information system database.

“The review of existing studies and discussions with resource development entities, including mineral exploration and development companies, indicate that building a main-



Map courtesy of Alaska Department of Transportation

STUDY AREA—The s- called Western Alaska Access Study encompasses a huge area to be examined for the best possible access corridor to the Seward Peninsula.

line east-west corridor to which mineral developers can build, may provide the best option for moving forward with a public-financed highway,” says the report.

However, if the state were to build resource developers a road to their resources, the public needs to get something out of it as well. The report mentions that mine operators would have to build their own roads from the public road to the actual resource, where heavy equipment not legal on public roads can be operated.

No dollar figures are attached to the project yet, but estimates published in news articles ran \$3.5 million per mile.

DOT spokesperson Meadow Bailey however cautioned that it is not

set in stone what form the transportation corridor will take. “It’s a corridor, not road, what really is looked at. At this point, we’re not sure what it should be, a road, railroad or just a telecommunications corridor,” Bailey said in an interview with *The Nome Nugget*.

The question of how to maintain a 600-mile corridor through a region battered by ferocious winter weather for a large portion of the year, Bailey said, will be answered at the very end of the study period. The project report update suggests to “examine a ‘fee in lieu of taxes’ system for all-season, heavy haul operations on the public highway. This approach to industrial use of a public highway, combined with a public-private road

identification effort, will help identify a cost-effective public highway corridor.

“This is a big overview that will determine what resources could be explored, which communities want the road to come and if the stakeholders in the region are in support of it,” Bailey said. “While the study is to gather a map of what resource is out there and in what quantities, the study is not just driven by that,” said Bailey. “A road to resource development has to be weighed evenly with the human aspect, what it would do to the communities.”

The next report due in March deals with resource analysis. A final report is slated to be issued in December 2009.

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DOUBLE TROUBLE—Iris Warnke-Green (left) and Elizabeth Sherman-Luce (right) work double to defend against Sherilyn Soots of the Warriors in Bethel over the weekend of Feb. 20.

Girls take two

The Nome girls basketball team's journey to Bethel proved fruitful last weekend, as the Lady Nanooks swept the Warriors.

Vanessa Tahbone put up 19 points to lead the Lady Nanooks in Friday night's win against Bethel. Rachael Bauman added 13, and Iris Warnke-Green chipped in with 10 points for the 47-36 win.

Nome again was victorious Saturday with a final score of 39-35. Iris Wieler led all scorers with 11 points for Nome. Kira Polk added 14 for the Lady Warriors. The Lady Nanooks record improved to 13-7 for the season.

The Lady Nanooks finish their regular season this weekend with a

trip to Kotzebue for two games against their perennial rivals.

Boys sweep Bethel at home

The Nanook varsity basketball team gave the hometown crowd something to cheer about with two wins over Bethel at Nome-Beltz last weekend.

Nome's Jesse Blandford exploded in the first half in Friday night's action, tallying all 17 of his points before halftime. The Nanooks grew their 12-point halftime lead over the next two quarters to win the game 66-43.

Jeremy Head scored 10 of his game-high 19 points in the third quarter to blow the lead wide open for the Nanooks. Christian Ostoski scored 16 points to lead the Warriors.

The Warriors met with a similar fate Saturday night when Blandford and Head each scored 21 to lead Nome to a 65-47 win. Mason Evans drained three 3-point goals for the Nanooks. Nome's season record improved to 17-4 with the pair of weekend wins.

Bethel did get some revenge in junior varsity action. On Friday, the JV Warriors wasted no time, outscoring Nome 19-9 in the first quarter. Zac Bourdon scored 11 points to lead the Nanooks and Nathan Blandford added 10.

On Saturday, Bethel's JV squad dispatched Nome 38-33. Bourdon and Josh McComas each scored 8 points for Nome.

The boys will be back for more at home this weekend, facing Kotzebue Friday and Saturday. These will be the boys' last regular season home games.

Nome will also play host for the 2009 Western Conference Basketball Tournament March 4-7. Participating teams are Barrow, Kotzebue, Nome, Hooper Bay, Bethel, Dillingham and Unalaska. The top two teams in both the boys' and girls' brackets will qualify for the 2009 Class 3A State Basketball Tournament.



Photo courtesy Nome Ski and Biathlon

CHAMPS—Current rural state ski and biathlon champions Emerson Conger, center, a sophomore from Nome, and Shyler Johnson, right, an eighth grader from Unalakleet pose with former Western Alaska Ski Champion Major Paul Lincoln, left, who skis for the Alaska National Guard team and is formerly of White Mountain. The gentlemen met up at a mid-February biathlon race at Kincaid Park in Anchorage. Conger and Johnson placed first in their respective divisions, while Lincoln placed second in the adult division.



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MUSHING TOWARD THE IDITAROD—Charlotte Mattheis, 17, will take part in the Junior Iditarod race that starts in Willow this Saturday. Mattheis will be mushing the team of Dempsey Woods, with whom she has trained for the last couple of years. Nome's Michael Owens will also be running the race.



DID WE CATCH YOUR DAUGHTER OR SON IN THE ACT?

Each week *The Nome Nugget* gathers hundreds of photos—everything from scenic landscape shots to the local high school basketball games. We only have so many pages in the paper to print photos, but there's plenty of room on the web. Check out www.nomenugget.net to get a look at all the shots we took over the last few weeks. If you see something you like, you can order prints, photo mugs and even T-shirts!

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BERING STRAIT SCHOOL DISTRICT BASKETBALL RECORDS 2008-2009 Season Standings ending February 21, 2009					
TEAM STANDINGS					
I-A BOYS	Conference Record Win-Loss	Overall Record Win-Loss	I-A GIRLS	Conference Record Win-Loss	Overall Record Win-Loss
Gambell	4 - 0	8 - 0	Koyuk	7 - 1	7 - 1
Elim	7 - 1	12 - 2	Elim/Shaktolik	4 - 4	4 - 4
Golovin	6 - 2	9 - 4	Wales	5 - 5	5 - 5
Brevig Mis.	6 - 3	10 - 3	Golovin	2 - 4	2 - 6
Koyuk	3 - 3	3 - 5	Gambell	1 - 3	5 - 5
Shaktolik	3 - 7	3 - 7	Brevig Mission	1 - 5	1 - 7
Teller	2 - 6	2 - 6			
II-A BOYS	Win-Loss	Win-Loss	II-A GIRLS	Win-Loss	Win-Loss
Savoonga	0 - 3	0 - 9	Savoonga	0 - 2	4 - 5
Shishmaref	4 - 2	7 - 7	Shishmaref	2 - 4	6 - 5
Stebbins	0 - 2	6 - 6	Stebbins	2 - 4	4 - 10
Unalakleet	6 - 5	8 - 10	Unalakleet	7 - 2	10 - 6
BOYS TEAMS			SCORES		
Friday, February 13, 2009			GIRLS TEAMS		
Brevig Mission 83 - Stebbins 56			Shishmaref 71 - Brevig Mission 28		
St. Michael 76 - Shaktolik 24			Unalakleet 47 - Stebbins 31		
Unalakleet 73 - Shishmaref 44					
Saturday, February 14, 2009			Shishmaref 78 - Brevig Mission 28		
Brevig Mission 79 - Stebbins 64			Unalakleet 73 - Stebbins 31		
St. Michael 76 = Shaktolik 28					
Unalakleet 71 - Shishmaref 44					
All other games were weathered out.					
Friday, February 20, 2009					
Gambell 72 - Savoonga 57	Forfeit	Koyuk 60 - Brevig Mission 46	OT		
Point Hope 90 - Unalakleet 71		Unalakleet 65 - Point Hope 60			
Shaktolik 2 - Teller 0		Gambell 30 - Savoonga 21			
Golovin 2 - St. Michael 0		Wales 2 - Elim 0			
Shishmaref 2 - Koyuk 0		Shishmaref 62 - Stebbins 34			
Golovin 73 - Elim 69	Elim Boys				
Brevig Mission 67 - Golovin 60	Tourney				
Saturday, February 21, 2009					
Gambell 84 - Savoonga 49	Forfeit	Koyuk 44 - Brevig Mission 28	Forfeit		
Point Hope 89 - Unalakleet 50		Gambell 2 - Savoonga 0			
Shaktolik 2 - Teller 0		Point Hope 67 - Unalakleet 38			
Golovin 2 - St. Michael 0		Wales 2 - Elim 0			
Shishmaref 2 - Koyuk 0		Shishmaref 62 - Stebbins 36			
Elim 79 - Brevig Mission 77 OT	Elim				
Brevig Mission 74 - Golovin 64	Boys				
Elim 71 - Golovin 53	Tourney				
Elim 83 - Brevig Mission 76	Elim 1 st , Brevig Mission 2 nd , Golovin 3 rd , Brevig Mission 4 th				
St. Michael boys and White Mountain Co-ed teams are finished for the season.					

HOROSCOPES

February 26 - March 4, 2009

CAPRICORN
December 22–January 19

Your candor often gets you into trouble, Capricorn, but not this week. What you say is held in high esteem and launches you onto a new path.

ARIES
March 21–April 19

Envy gets the best of you, Aries, and you make a silly purchase. Don't beat yourself up about it. It happens to the best of us. Independence comes at a price for a young friend.

CANCER
June 22–July 22

Give your finances a quick once-over, Cancer. All is not what it seems. Motivation for health and fitness goals comes from a very unlikely source. Listen up!

LIBRA
September 23–October 22

Definitely, Libra. You deserve a promotion, and it is on the horizon. A squabble among friends brings out the best in you. Who knew you could be so smooth.

AQUARIUS
January 20–February 18

Good fortune smiles on you. Celebrate with a night on the town with friends, Aquarius. A small child leaves you with an interesting question to ponder.

TAURUS
April 20–May 20

Gifts of the heart make for a groovy time at work. A tasty treat is in order for the weekend, and surprisingly, it doesn't come from you, Taurus.

LEO
July 23–August 22

Thoughts of yesteryear plague your mind. Give some old friends a call and have a little get-together. You won't believe the laughs you have, Leo.

SCORPIO
October 23–November 21

Good riddance to a bad habit. You find the resolve to make a change stick, Scorpio. A health concern eases with an advancement in technology.

PISCES
February 19–March 20

Honestly, Pisces. Keeping your feelings under wrap is not helping the situation. Go ahead, open up and watch things happen. An e-mail proves inspiring.

GEMINI
May 21–June 21

Hear a friend out, Gemini. Their intentions were good: they just got off track somewhere along the line. A road trip sparks interest in a new endeavor.

VIRGO
August 23–September 22

Joy pays you a visit, Virgo, and you remember what life was like when you were young. Take steps to get back to that mindset, and success will be yours.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22–December 21

Your instincts are rarely off, Sagittarius, but that changes this week. You leap and fall, but lucky for you, a buddy is there to catch you and soothe things over.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Church Services Directory

Bible Baptist Church Service Schedule, 443-2144
Sunday School 10 a.m./Worship Hour 11 a.m.

Community Baptist Church-SBC
108 West Third, 443-5448
Small Group Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
— Pastor Bruce Landry

Community United Methodist
2nd Ave. West, 443-2865
Sunday 11 a.m. Worship
Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Thrift Shop — Tuesday & Thursday 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Nome Covenant Church
101 Bering St. 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey
Sunday School 9:45 a.m./Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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.

Our Saviors Lutheran Church
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.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527
Corner of Steadman and Kings Place
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 p.m./Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Seventh-Day Adventist (Icy View), 443-5137
Saturday Sabbath School 10 a.m.
Saturday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Christian School
M-F, 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Grades 1-9

Nome Church of Nazarene
3rd & Division, 443-2805
Sunday: Prayer Meeting 9:30 a.m./Sunday School 9:45 a.m./Worship Service 11 a.m.

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Blonde Indian author Ernestine Hayes stirs Nomeites

Remembering who you are is key to combating cultural trauma

By Laurie McNicholas

Occasionally someone new comes to town for a few days whose presence lingers after her visit ends. And when she leaves behind a beautifully written book about her life, she may take up permanent residence in local memories.

The book is *Blonde Indian*, An

when Ernestine entered first grade in what the author calls “the white people’s school” in the early 1950s. Her clothing was wrinkled and unwashed, in contrast to the stylish and tidy apparel of her classmates. Readers share with Ernestine her first sense of discrimination and alienation as she revisits her memo-

After leaving him and her three sons, she was often adrift in urban settings.

Turning toward home

However, Ernestine never forgot her grandmother’s words, “Remember who you are.” Homeless in San Francisco, she became inspired by the courage of an Aleut friend and decided to return to Juneau. “Knowing her became a gift,” Ernestine wrote of her friend. “I saw the substance of her courage and good fortune, and I learned that sometimes it’s enough just to show up in this world. Just to show up and say *Here I am.*”

At the age of 40 Ernestine headed toward Seattle in a battered old station wagon with her dog Gypsy and little else to reclaim her life in Lingit Aani, the land of the people, where she knew she belonged. She left behind in California her three sons and her mother, but she believed that her mother would follow her only child, and she did. Passages in *Blonde Indian* relate that her sons later joined her in Juneau too.

The book makes powerfully real the traumatic effects on generations of Tlingit Indians of their abrupt loss of an age-old way of life in the 1800s. Throughout her memoir, Ernestine contrasts the reflections of those losses in her life and the lives of her fictional Tlingit characters, Old Tom and his son Young Tom, with descriptions of the enduring aspects of Tlingit culture such as one’s clan membership, traditional stories and a love relationship with the land.

Ernestine’s writing style varies with her topic in the narrative. Her voice is at times caustic when she chronicles the lives of Old Tom and the Young Tom, and her experiences in a Juneau elementary school. Her descriptions of nature—the rainforest, glaciers, mountains, waters and creatures in her Southeastern Alaska surroundings—are lyrical. The accounts of her life experiences as an adult are simply honest and direct. Oratorical cadences emerge in her delineation of Tlingit society:

“...The clan forms the basic political unit; it is the clan with which an individual most profoundly identifies; it is the clan to which one’s allegiance is owed. It is the clan that forms relationships. The clan owns the crest, the stories, the histories, the right to use different parts of the land. And the names. We do not own our names. The clan owns our names. It is the clan that must never be denied and must never be aban-

doned. It is the clan that will live on” (*Blonde Indian*, p. 53).

Ernestine returned to school during her first few years back in Juneau. She also worked in the summer aboard a small cruise ship, pointing out sights to tourists. As she reminisces about the ship’s trips to Skagway, Glacier Bay, Sitka, Petersburg and Wrangle in *Blonde Indian*, she guides readers to the ancient territories of various Tlingit clans and provides traditional place names and historical anecdotes.

Sharing our histories

Last month during her Nome visit, Ernestine captivated about 40 listeners with her presentation, “What Shall We Do with Our Histories?” As a participant in the NWC International Polar Year Speaker Series,

she described the effects of trauma within the historical framework of colonization of Native Americans and Tlingit Indians in particular.

Here is a summary of the history she provided: Manifest Destiny, the historical belief that the United States was destined and divinely ordained by the God of Christianity to expand across the North American continent from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean, provided a rationalization for American territorial expansionism, colonialism and war-making.

In about 1800 Russian fur traders established New Archangel settlement near Sitka and for the next 60 years or so the Russians stayed mostly inside their stockade, toler-

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Photo by Denise Olin

REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE—Ernestine Hayes explains how to combat cultural trauma. She was in Nome recently to lecture at the Northwest Campus, University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Alaska Native Memoir by Ernestine Hayes, whose Tlingit name is Saankalaxt. The author is an assistant professor of English at the University of Alaska Southeast. She traveled from Juneau to Nome late last month to teach a four-day course, “Introduction to Memoir,” for 18 students at the Northwest Campus, University of Alaska Fairbanks. She capped her visit to the region with two days in Savoonga, working with students in classrooms and discussing memoir writing with adults in the evening.

The title of Ernestine’s memoir is from a song, *Blonde Indian*, *Blonde Indian*, which her Tlingit grandmother, Ruth Willard Hayes, composed and sang to her as a child because she had light-colored hair. Published in 2006 by the University of Arizona Press, *Blonde Indian* won the American Book Award in 2007. The award was established in 1978 by a nonprofit education and service organization, the Before Columbus Foundation, to recognize outstanding literary achievement by contemporary American authors.

Ernestine was born in Juneau and raised in her early years by Ruth Hayes in her house at the edge of Juneau’s Indian village. Ernestine’s mother, Erma Daisy Hayes, was hospitalized with tuberculosis soon after Ernestine’s birth, first in Juneau and later in Seward.

Ruth Hayes grounded her granddaughter in the ways and stories of her people and taught her never to forget who she is. The family lived on poached deer and porcupine, soups made from meat market scraps and fried halibut cheeks from heads of fish discarded on the dock near a cold storage facility where Ernestine’s grandparents sometimes found work sliming fish. Their house had no refrigerator, freezer, hot water or shower.

Ruth’s efforts to instill a strong sense of identity and self-worth in her granddaughter were challenged

ries of elementary school.

Erma Hayes returned to Juneau when Ernestine was 10 years old, and five years later they moved to California. By that time Ernestine had become incorrigible. She did not complete her sophomore year in high school. In the next 25 years she endured a long relationship with an abusive man in isolated rural areas.



Barbara Jean Franks, Anchorage/Juneau/Hoonah, recent Associate in Arts & Sciences degree graduate, human services professional.

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Find out more on the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council website
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or call Alaska’s Careline
24-hour hotline
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A message from the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority and our partner, the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council.

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Position: Administrative Assistant I – Clerk's Office
Range: 12
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Hours: Full Time, 37.5 hours per week
Qualifications: High School Diploma or equivalent and at least two years clerical/ secretarial experience; must be proficient in Microsoft Office applications; must be proficient with 10-key calculator; excellent command of the English language, grammar, composition and punctuation; must be available on occasion to attend evening meetings.
Duties include: Clerical work requiring extensive typing, computer data entry and direct contact with the public. Provides administrative support service to the City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk. Sets up and maintains files of records for Sales Tax, Charitable Gaming, Resale Certificates, Hotel/Motel Permits and Health & Sanitation Permits. Reviews for compliance application for various permits and licenses issued by the City following established procedures. Follows up on delinquent or non-compliant applications. Complete job description available at City Hall.

Closing Date: Until Filled

Applications and Job Description may be obtained from City Hall **443-6663**, Nome Job Service or call Dana Handeland at **443-6621** for more information. Deliver completed application along with a resume to City Hall.
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Iditarod Craft Fair is from Mar. 16th to 21st. To reserve your table call Cheryl Thompson at 907-443-5632.

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Seawall

2/17

Amanda Ozenna, DOB: 6/26/89, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Stacy Okpealuk, DOB: 12/12/85, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Clara Noyakuk, DOB: 4/22/88, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the 4th Degree and received a citation for Minor in Possession of Alcohol.

A Nome female was transported to the hospital on a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

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2/18

Edward Anasogak, DOB: 11/2/80, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Aaron Moses, DOB: 5/13/81, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Michelle Ahnangnatoguk, DOB: 7/28/84, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Marsha Lee, DOB: 7/5/72, was arrested and

booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

2/19 A Nome juvenile received a citation for Minor in Possession of Tobacco.

2/20 A Nome male was transported to the hospital on a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

2/21

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

A Nome female was transported to the hospital on a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

Otto Soolook, DOB: 9/6/71, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

2/22

Pauline Hoelscher, DOB: 8/30/85, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, Domestic Violence.

Henry Titus, DOB: 8/24/82, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

John Wellert, DOB: 2/10/64, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Legals

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

King Island Native Corporation (KINC) is requesting written proposals from qualified licensed and bonded contractors for the following work: Labor and materials to renovate a single-family residence at 602 E 4th Avenue, Nome, Alaska. KINC will accept written proposals until 5 pm, local time, on Monday, March 2, 2009.

Proposals should be submitted to: King Island Native Corporation

Attn: Janet Carlisle

P.O. Box 992

Nome, AK 99762

Mark the envelope: 602 E 4th Ave Renovations
Questions regarding the RFP may be directed to Janet Carlisle at King Island Native Corporation at 443-5494. A scope of work listing all required items is available.

KINC reserves the right to reject any and all bids for this project, to waive any informality in the procurement process, and to award an agreement which is in the best interest of King Island Native Corporation.

Proposals will be accepted at the King Island Native Corporation office located on 706 E 4th Avenue until Monday, March 2, 2009.
2/19-26

VACATION OF PORTIONS OF THE GOLD AVENUE RIGHT OF WAY PLATTED WITHIN BLOCKS 1 AND 2 OF THE OFFICIAL PLAT OF THE TOWNSITE OF NOME, ALASKA

The City of Nome is proposing vacating the right of way ("ROW") for the purpose of facilitating the replatting of the Nome Sandspit to reflect the changes from the Nome Harbor Improvements Project and to consolidate City ownership of this property into useful parcels. The portions of the platted ROW is described as follows: beginning between the southwest corner of Lot 15, Block 1 and the northwest corner of Lot 18, Block 2 and extending to between the southwest corner of Lot 1, Block 1 and the northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 2 of the Townsite of Nome, Alaska. The vacation of said property will be by ordinance enacted by the Nome City Council duly noticed by agenda and public notice. Further information may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Clerk.
2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME

CASE NO: 2NO-08-00250CI
JUDGMENT FOR CHANGE OF NAME

In the Matter of

A Change of Name for:

Peter Onosa'i Curtis Ellanna,

Current Name of Minor Child

Notice of Judgment—Change of Name

A judgment has been issued by the Superior Court in Nome, Alaska, in Case Number: **2NO-08-00250CI**, ordering that the minor child's name be changed from **Peter Onosa'i Curtis Ellanna** to **Peter Onosa'i Ellanna**, effective upon issuance of the clerk's Certificate of Name Change.
2/26

PUBLIC NOTICE

In Accordance with Chapters 63.26 and 27.40, Revised Code of Washington
NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF LOANS AND CLAIM OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

The Thomas Burke Memorial Washington State Museum, formerly known as the Washington State Museum and dba the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture, hereby gives notice termination of the following loans and claim of the abandoned property:

Last known or resumed known names and addresses and description of loaned artifacts:
Miss Frances Ross, Nome, AK
-1 child's coat of fur, duck, ptarigam feathers, 1 pair of child's boots, 1 model fur parka

ANYONE KNOWING THE WHEREABOUTS OF ANY OF THE ABOVE LISTED OWNERS SHOULD PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO: MUSEUM REGISTRAR, THE THOMAS BURKE MEMORIAL WASHINGTON STATE MUSEUM, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, BOX 353010, SEATTLE, WA 98195-3010.

IF WRITTEN ASSERTATION OF LEGAL TITLE IS NOT PRESENTED to the Thomas

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Trooper Beat

On January 7, Nome Alaska Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Enforcement was contacted by AMCC in reference to David Moore, 25, of Nome, who attempted to introduce tobacco and marijuana into the prison and deliver it to his inmate brother, Matthew Moore, 24, of Nome. Nome ABADE completed the investigation on February 9, and filed charges on both in the Nome Court.

On February 4, Nome ABADE contacted Yvonne Aukon, 19, of Nome. Investigation revealed Aukon was intoxicated, in violation of her release conditions and without her third party. An arrest warrant was obtained for her third party, Karla Aukon, 40, of Nome. Both were arrested and transported to AMCC.

On February 4, Nome ABADE located a suspicious parcel at the Nome Postal Annex. Investigation revealed Keshia Ozenna, 27, of Seward, mailed Sheena Ozenna, 24, of Diomed, 162.3 grams of marijuana. Charges will be filed with the Nome District Court.

On February 7, Nome ABADE and Nome AST assisted Nome Police Department search a local residence on suspicion of Minor Consuming.

On February 9, Nome ABADE contacted Mabel K. Geary, 43, of Nome, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, six 750ml bottles of alcohol were seized from her luggage. Charges will be forwarded to Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals.

On February 10, at about 10:45 p.m., Savoonga VPOs responded to a residence for a complaint of a domestic dispute. Larry Kingekuk, 51, of Savoonga, was arrested for Disorderly Conduct, Resisting Arrest, and Assault IV and transported to Nome where he was lodged at AMCC. Alcohol was involved.

On February 11, Nome ABADE contacted Elias F. Milligrock, 22, of Shishmaref, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, 2-750ml bottles of alcohol were removed from his jacket. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA.

On February 11, Nome ABADE contacted Sophie Tocktoo, 31, of Koyuk, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, two 750ml bottles of alcohol were removed from her luggage. Charges will be forwarded to OSPA.

On February 16, Unalakleet AST received a report that a juvenile had been assaulted. Office of Children's Services has been notified and AST and the VPO are continuing the investigation.

On February 17, Nome ABADE discovered a suspicious parcel at the Nome Postal Annex. Investigation revealed that marijuana was concealed inside and it was headed to Diomed. Suspects have been identified and the investigation continues.

On February 19, at approximately 6:28 p.m., Nome AST was contacted by Frontier Alaska Station manager, Shannon Thrun, and advised of an overdue aircraft. The aircraft was being piloted by Frontier Flying Services Pilot Harland Hannan of Nome with five passengers from Brevig Mission: Johnee Seetot, Stewart Tocktoo, Rosie Ahnangnatoguk, Heidi Graber, and Vernon Ozenna. The aircraft was returning from Brevig Mission. Nome

Volunteer Fire Department Search and Rescue dispatched searchers immediately and AST also responded via snowmachine. Evergreen Aviation flew their helicopter for an aerial search with a medic and spotter, but deteriorating weather forced the helicopter to return to Nome. At approximately 8:30 p.m. ground searchers were advised by David Olsen a Dexter resident that he saw a light on the backside of Newton Peak approximately 8 miles north east of Nome. Searchers were guided to the light and located the aircraft, pilot and passengers. All were reported to be in good health with only minor injuries reported. Searchers transported the individuals to the Beam Road approximately 1 mile from the crash site to be taken to Norton Sound Hospital via ambulance for medical clearance. On February 20, investigation determined that poor weather contributed to the aircraft flying into the ground. No mechanical issues were reported prior to the incident. Alcohol was not involved. All passengers were transported to NSH. Two individuals were admitted for treatment of injuries sustained in the crash. All searchers returned and no injuries of searchers were reported. NVFD Engine 8, which responded to the area, became stuck off the shoulder of the road but was extricated by a bulldozer and loader. NTSB and the FAA were notified of the crash and investigators traveled to Nome. NVFD SAR, Nome Ambulance EMS crew and NSH staff were exceptional and instrumental in a fast and successful resolution to this event.

On February 8, at about 10:53 a.m., Nome AST received a report of an assault on a 17-year old girl in the Nome area. Investigation completed and charges forwarded to the Nome Youth Facility.

On February 10, at about 6:20 p.m., a 17-year old male was detained on a detention order for violating his conditions and subsequently transported to Nome where he was lodged at Nome Youth Facility

On February 20, at 11:41 p.m., the AST received a report of a residential structure fire in White Mountain. Subsequent investigation shows four people died in the fire: Josephine Lincoln, 71; Frank Oksotruk, 51; Dean Lincoln, 43; and Patrick Lincoln, 24; all from White Mountain. The White Mountain Volunteer Fire Department responded and controlled the blaze to prevent it from spreading to other homes. Entry into the residence was attempted, however, due to smoke and heat rescue was not possible. Next of kin have been notified. Alcohol is a factor in this case. Investigation continues.

On February 22, at 2:21 a.m., the AST received a report of a disturbance in Gambell. Douglas Henry, 30, of Gambell, was subsequently charged with Probation Violation and Misconduct Involving Weapons IV.

On February 22, Unalakleet AST received a report of an assault at the St. Michael School on February 16. Investigation revealed a student had assaulted a staff member. Charges are being referred to the Juvenile Probation office.

On February 22, Nome ABADE and Nome AST acted on an anonymous tip and contacted Karen Nguyen, 53, of Anchorage, at a local air carrier. Incident to contact, 3.1 grams of marijuana was seized from her jacket. Charges will be forwarded to the Nome DAO.

Looking for a new buddy?



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



Nome Eskimo Community

Vacant Tribal Council Seat

Nome Eskimo Community currently has one (1) vacant Tribal Council seat. The seat would expire at the Annual Meeting 2009. Candidates must be a Tribal member of Nome Eskimo Community and 21 years or older to serve.

Applications will be accepted until Friday, March 27, 2009, 5 p.m.

Interested members may pick up an application at the NEC office building at **200 W. 5th Avenue**. If you have any questions, you may contact Linda at **443-2246** or email nomeeskimo@gci.net.

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ated by the Tlingits because it was good for trade. Then the fur trade became unprofitable, the United States bought Alaska from the Russians, and Manifest Destiny was extended beyond North America's contiguous continental borders.

That meant Native Alaskans soon would be forced to speak English, convert to Christianity and adopt European ways. A period of rapid and overwhelming loss began for Tlingits. When they lost their ancestral fishing rights, many lost wealth and status. Some were able to retain their language and traditional practices for another generation or two.

Beginning in the late 1800s and continuing through the 1960s, Tlingit children were removed from their homes to boarding schools where they lost their Native language, identity and history.

Effects of trauma

"The traumatic effect of these national policies of Manifest Destiny, removal, assimilation, and conversion is undeniable," Ernestine said. "When a seemingly endless and overpowering force of people confronts a group of people already in place with the articulated purpose of destroying their culture, the inescapable result is cultural trauma. The only question might be how long it will take.

"For cultures that were in existence for thousands and tens of thousands of years, it's reasonable to expect that when those cultures are dealt a killing blow—a killing blow

delivered over a span of 50 to 60 years—the death, even a speedy one, will take three or four generations," she continued. "When seen in that light, we can recognize that the symptoms we bemoan—high incarceration rates, suicide rates, alcoholism, high school drop-out, college drop-out, smoking, early pregnancy, depression, tuberculosis, poverty, removal of children, abuse, domestic violence, termination of parental rights, fetal alcohol—are symptoms of cultural trauma. We are witnessing the death throes of a culture. And as we do when we attend any death, we must do so with the constant knowledge that in spite of the agony, in spite of the great sorrow, in spite of the stink, we are witnessing something sacred."

Ernestine asked her audience to imagine what would happen if in the year 2010 the American culture is abruptly subdued by another culture that considers theirs far superior. She then described a series of losses, humiliations and resulting traumas ironically similar to those Native Americans have experienced in the past 250 years or so.

Turning back the tide

"I speak for a moment to my relatives," Ernestine said. She described a carved memorial pole at Saxman village near Ketchikan depicting a

young man with his arm caught by a giant clam. She said the pole was carved in memory of a youth who lost his life when his arm was caught by a giant clam and as a cautionary lesson to those who would reach into traps. Several teenage boys in the audience listened with rapt attention.

Ernestine explained how the pole symbolizes the willingness of Native Americans to adopt the ways of the dominant culture, for example to use alcohol and to see the land and its resources as exploitable for industrial purposes.

"Whether from curiosity, hunger or greed, or because we had no choice, we have reached into the unknown," she said. "We are caught in the grip of a giant trap, and now the tide is upon us. But it is not too late to free ourselves. We can take wisdom from the story of the man who was caught in a deathly grip and because of it lost his life. We can pause to consider the choices we make. We can be mindful of our own culture and own land and our own history. We can reach not into a trap but into the box of wisdom. By remembering who we are, we can turn back the tide."

What can non-Natives do?

Ernestine offered pointers to non-Native persons whose activities

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Burke Memorial Washington State museum within 90 days of the second publication of this Notice, the property is deemed abandoned and becomes the property of the Thomas Burke Memorial Washington State Museum pursuant to Chapters 63.26 and 27.40, Revised Code of Washington.

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Second publication: March 5, 2009
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NOTICE OF SALE

Trustee, Alaska Trustee, LLC will sell realty for cash to the highest bidder at the Main entrance to the Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street on March 26, 2009, at 10:00 AM with other sales that may be conducted. Proceeds will apply to the Debt of Trust naming Joseph Panigee and Bertha Panigee a/k/a Bertha L. Panigee, Trustor, Joseph Panigee and Bertha Panigee a/k/a Bertha L. Panigee, Record Owner, recorded on June 06, 2006 under Reception No. 2006-000548-0, Barrow Recording District, Second Judicial District, Alaska, describing: Lot 7, Block 2 of BROWERVILLE ADDITION NO. 2, according to the plat filed September 17, 1982 as Plat Number 82-7, records of the Barrow Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska

Excepting therefrom the Subsurface Estate and all rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances of what so ever nature accruing unto said estate pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 12-18-71 (85 Stat 688, 704, 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613 (F) (1976) as reserved by the United States of America), a/k/a 5382 S Laura Madison, Barrow, AK 99723. \$127,955.33 is due, plus interest, advances, etc. Go to alaska-trustee.com or usa-foreclosure.com for status.


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**Happy Birthday
BettyAnn — LX —**



**Did you get that
million dollar
shot?**

Sorry, no prizes awarded, but we will publish your name. You will be a published photographer! Send your photos (in jpeg format) to photos@nomenugget.com or mail to your negs or photo print to **The Nome Nugget Pouch 610 Nome, AK 99762.** (Please give us a brief description of who, what, when and where your photo was taken.) If you have questions call **(907) 443-5235.**



**Arctic ICANS —
A nonprofit cancer
survivor support group.**

1-800-478-9355

Arctic ICANS next meeting

The Nome Cancer support group will meet at the XYZ Center on

Thursday, Mar. 5 • 7:30 p.m.

*Topic: Cancer Detection, Treatment
and Research Center in Nome*

For more information call 443-5726.

Public Hearing

CITY OF NOME

The Nome Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing during the regular scheduled meeting held on:

- Tuesday March 3, 2009
- 7 p.m.
- Council Chambers

Re: Variance application By Mary M. Reader Block 43a, Lots 8b. The request is for a variance from lot Size and set back requirements.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

FISHERIES SAFETY ORIENTATION CLASS
April 5 - 15, 2009

On behalf of the **Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC)** Board of Directors, the NSEDC Employment, Education & Training (EET) Department is happy to announce a fisheries safety orientation class at the Alaska Vocational Technical Center in Seward, Alaska on April 5 - 15, 2009. The class is limited to fifteen participants with a deadline of March 24, 2009, when the selection will happen in the evening. In compliance with the U.S. Coast Guard Zero Tolerance Law, each trainee must pass a drug screen urinalysis and stay off the alcohol during training and employment working on our trawlers, crabbers, and long-liner vessels in the Bering Sea. Required to work sixteen hours a day seven days a week upon successful completion of the training, each trainee must pass a physical examination and document a hearing test at the Norton Sound Regional Hospital. Applications can be received from your local NSEDC Community Liaison or by calling Jerry at **1-800-385-3190.**

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Thank you

The Davis and Ningeulook families say "thanks for all the support and prayers given to us during our time of need."

To the Shishmaref Health Aides, NSHC Medivac Staff, including Mike Owens and EMS Team and Bering Air for bringing us home, to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital Staff, to the wonderful staff at ANMC in caring for our Mom, to the relatives and friends just for being there (Gertie Ahne, Edna Iyatunguk, Skeeter and Queenie Davis, Geraldine Kiyutelluk, Alma Mullins, and Doreen Sanders) to give us love and support, to the Lutheran Church (Anchorage) ladies for their beautiful singing, also to Robin Kiyutelluk and her mom for singing, a special thank you to Pastor Karen Sonray, Lorena and Sheila Seetomona, Jennifer and Janelle Pootoogooluk, Bill Hendricks, Eva and Brittany Kiyutelluk, Gladys Hendricks and Marilyn Kuzuguk for bringing us food while in Anchorage, to Pastor Karen Sonray, Covenant Church Pastor and Pastor Lee Boleman for your prayers. In Anchorage to Gladys Hendricks and Harriet Cutshai; in Nome to Iva Ailak, Florence McComas, Dorcas and Wayne Walluk for preparing our Mom's casket, to Floyd Wal-luk Jr. for giving our brother a place to stay while in Anchorage, to Nora and Jennie Kuzuguk for their loving support waiting for us when we arrived in Anchorage, a special thank you to Anna Kuzuguk, the IRA and SDMA Staff for their donations and making it possible for our brother to go down to Anchorage, to Grace Minix for allowing us to use her car to make Mom's funeral arrangements, to Sheryl Nayokpuk for bringing food everyday, to Sharon F. Nayokpuk, Esther and Pauline Iyatunguk in preparing for the potluck after the funeral, to everyone that brought food for the potluck, to Carol Piscoya and the Miller family for the beautiful fresh flowers; also to Amelia "Pinky" Iyatunguk (Anchorage) for the flow-ers, to Sandra Tahbone for the food for the potluck, to Elmer Aves-suk for the love and support and prayers, also Millie Kuzuguk for being with the rest of my family, to Kevin and Tony Cabinboy for driving to Anchorage to see mom, to Flora Weyiouanna, Ruby and Bill Jones, Rachel Stasenko, William "Boy-Boy" Keller for sending and bringing food to our home, a special thanks to Julie Renwick (NSHC Social Worker) for assisting us in arranging Mom's funeral preparations and paperwork, to all the grave diggers for their hard work in digging the ground, to Robert Iyatunguk, Harry Al Ningealook, and Ronald Davis for making the cross, to Johnson Eningowuk, Calvin Nayokpuk and Elmer Nayokpuk for making the box. To the community of Shishmaref thanks for the singspiration the day before our mother's funeral—it bought so much comfort to all of us. Last, thank you to Bess Miller (Augusta Georgia) for call-ing me, giving me love and support and prayers every day—once again "thank you" to all the people in the region for all the love, car-ing and prayers given to us during the loss of our dear Mother. God Bless You all.

Stella, Fred, Ronald and Pearl
If we forgot anyone, please forgive us.

**Severe
Weather
School Day
Guide**



**For our Nome Public Schools
parents & guardians:**

Safety First! – Check Outside!
Even if school is open or starting late and the walk to school or the bus stop looks unsafe to you keep your child home!

Listen to NOME radio on AM or FM. The announcements about school begin at 6 a.m. every school day morning the threat of severe weather is present.

When you hear that SCHOOL IS DELAYED it means your school start time will be one hour later that normal. Listen to the school announcements on Nome radio to be sure of your bus and school schedule.

A one hour DELAY for school means your bus will start one hour later than normal and your school will start one hour later than normal.

Public Notice

CITY OF NOME

The Nome Planning Commission has two seats up for re-appointment. If you are interested in serving on the Nome Planning Commission, please submit an application form.

Application forms are available at City Hall or on the City of Nome website at: **www.nomealaska.org**

All applications must be turned in to City Hall by Monday, February 27, 2009 5:00 p.m., at the following address:

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
CITY OF NOME
PO BOX 281
102 DIVISION STREET
NOME, ALASKA 99762

Please call **907-443-6663** if you have further questions.

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All Around the Sound

New Arrivals

Yowah Charles Saccheus was born January 9 at Alaska Native Medical Center at 6:12 a.m. He weighed 9 lbs 2 oz., and was 21 1/2 inches long. His sister is Searaya Saccheus and his brother is Noah Saccheus.

His father is Charles Saccheus Jr., and his mother is Janelle Murray.

His paternal grandparents are



Jenna Reese Matthias



Aaron Raymond Rosales



Adrienne Jerri Ernestine Summer Okpealuk

Marjorie and Charles Saccheus, Sr. His maternal grandparents are Ida and Joseph Murray Jr.

Joan Nashoanuk and Emmett Matthias of Stebbins announce the birth of their daughter **Jenna Reese Matthias**, born February 12, 2009 at 7:37 a.m. She weighed 9 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 20" in length. Her sisters are Allison and Madelyn. Maternal grandparents are Morris and Roselyn Nashoanuk of Stebbins. Paternal grandparents are Clem and Emma Matthias of Kotlik.

Jacob Rosales is pleased to announce the birth of his brother, **Aaron Raymond Rosales**, born on January 18 at 6:21 p.m. in Potsdam, New York. Aaron was born weighing in at 7 pounds 1 ounce, and measured 19 inches in length. Proud grandparents are Carol and the late Raymond Rosales of Plymouth, Minnesota, and Jon and Angela Larson of Nome. Welcome Aaron!

Jamie Ahkinga and Lane Okpealuk of Little Diomed are very excited to announce the birth of their daughter, **Adrienne Jerri Ernestine Summer Okpealuk**. Adrienne was the third baby born Jan. 1, 2009 at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She was born at 12:56 p.m. weighing 5

lbs., 5.4 oz. and measured 19 inches in length. She joins her siblings, Alyssa Caitlin Renee Allison Ahkinga, 8, Natalie Alexandra Alice Opik Ahkinga, 4, Marcus Kobe Okpealuk, 3, and late baby brother Elijah Walter Okpealuk who died at birth Feb. 3, 2008. Proud maternal grandparents are Orville Sr. and Dora Ahkinga of Diomed, and paternal grandparents Marie and Michael Lawlor of Nome and late grandpa Vincent Okpealuk.

Wedding Bells

Terra Jade Abbott and Christopher Thomas Aningayou were joined in vows of holy matrimony on February 14, at River of Life Assembly of God Church in Nome with Rev. Henry Reiber officiating. The maid of honor was Nancy Ahnangnatoguk and the best man was Frank Johnson. Bridesmaids were Diana Ellana and Mary Ruud, groomsmen were Scott Aningayou and Christopher Ahl. The flower girl was Teri Ruud, the ring bearer was Teag Green-Johnson, and usheress was Edna Ruud.

Also in attendance were the parents of the bride, James and Marcis Abbott; parents of the groom, Robin Thomas and Audrey Aningayou; the groom's grandparents, Perry and

Nancy Mendenhall; groom's sister Debbie Aningayou and her daughter Sierra, and many other relatives and friends. The floral arrangements featured purple iris; the corsages were salmon-pink carnations.

The wedding party entered to music by Dorcas Bloom. The mothers of the bride and the groom lighted special candles to symbolize the unity of the two families. The bride was then given away by her father. A double ring ceremony included special vows spoken by the couple to each other and a private communion service with the pastor. The beautiful ceremony was fol-

lowed by a reception and wedding feast at the Pioneer's Hall, with a great display of different dishes.

The blessing was given by Marie Malewotkuk, the groom's great aunt.

The joyous evening was capped off with toasts of the bride and groom, cutting of the wedding cake, and live music by Louie Green's band. This included a special solo with guitar, *Unchained Melody*, by the bride's father and with the wedding party and many guests then dancing to old favorites.

Obituary

Elizabeth Marguerite "Betty" Walsh

Elizabeth "Betty" Marguerite Walsh was born September 11, 1921 in Rahway, New Jersey to Joseph Petry and Frances Olinger Petry. She died February 5 in Seattle. One of 10 children, she grew up in Floral Park on Long Island, New York. During World War II she came to Seattle to train and work for the Civil Aeronautics Board. She was stationed in British Columbia, and then in Anchorage, where she met, fell in love with, and married her husband, James "Jim" Minor Walsh in 1946. Betty's life work centered around her family. She bore and raised 10 children and took care of many others. Having lost her father during the Great Depression, she learned early and well how to make do with little and to make a little go a long, long way. Betty's hands were always busy.

In addition to being a full-time homemaker, Betty was active in her community. Her many civic activities were inspired by a deep belief in peace and justice. She was involved with, among others, Servas International, the Catholic Church, the League of Women Voters, Girl Scouts of America, The Irish-American Heritage Society, and she helped prepare meals at the Blessed Sacrament Feed-In early on Sunday mornings.

Betty's paid work outside the home included work as a bank teller after her high school graduation; a teletype operator and air traffic controller for the CAB; a poll worker for elections in Ketchikan, and in Seattle; a clerk and teaching aide in the Seattle School District; and as late as 2002, a census taker. In her spare time, Betty loved to bake for friends and family; pick fruit and make jam; solve crossword and jigsaw puzzles; and read.

She was a Yankees and Mariners fan and an avid traveler to everywhere and anywhere, and loved keeping up correspondence with family and friends around the world. Her endless dedication to her family and her work was a wonderful gift that will not be soon forgotten.

Betty was well-loved and will be dearly missed by all especially, her loving husband of 62 years, James Minor Walsh and their children, Mary T. Jones, Elizabeth A., Nora L., J. Timothy (Diane), Eileen F. (Gee), C. Erin (Michael), James D. (Kathy), Michael B., Joan C. Campbell (Bruce), Thomas A. (David); her grandchildren, Jennifer (Dan), Matthew, Seamus, Andrea (Chris), Caitlin, Brigid, Kyle, and Christopher; six great-grandchildren plus one more on the way; her sisters, Dr. Mary Ann Petry and Sister Benedict de Saint Augustine, and her brother, Jim Petry. She was preceded in death by her grandson Jaron.

A funeral mass was celebrated Tuesday, February 10, at Blessed Sacrament Church in Seattle. Remembrances may be made to The Blessed Sacrament Feed-In, the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Blessed Sacrament, or your local Food Bank. Please sign the online guestbook at www.legacy.com Hoffner Fisher and Harvey.

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bring them into contact with Native issues.

"All Native cultures and world-views are as rich and complex as the land from which they emerged," she noted. "If we truly learn about one another—if we are silent for an extra moment when we think and before we speak—if we remember that dominant is not a synonym for superior—then perhaps we can take some time to evaluate not the shortcomings of others but the limitations of our own ways of seeing."

"What shall we do with our histories?" she asked.

"We must confess our histories. We must acknowledge our histories. We must remember our histories. It is only after those things are done that we can begin to heal, and to communicate with one another as the equals that we are."

"Let us tell each other stories that underscore the parallel nature of our lives. Let us tell each other stories that value the evident relationship in our condition. Let recognition and respect and knowledge travel in both directions. It's not only Native people who need to remember who we are."

Ernestine then told the audience who she is, identifying herself in

both Tlingit and English by her names, tribe (Eagle), clan (Burnt House Clan) and the house to which she belongs (Wolf). "I am a grandchild of the Gunaxteidi," she said. "Yan wa shaa: I am a Kaagwaantaan woman. *Sheetka Kwaan*: My clan springs from Sitka."

Hayes' students comment

"We had fun in her class!" said Denise Olin of the introductory course on memoir writing that Hayes taught last month in Nome. "Most of us laughed and cried through the four days we met. We did some very interesting exercises. For instance, she had us write three separate short sto-

ries and then look at our first and last short story to see if they were related. She said if they were related, this could very well be a theme for our memoir. She is a wonderful instructor, and she is good at keeping her student's attention. She is very encouraging, which is sometimes hard to find in a classroom setting."

"I found the class extremely inspiring," said Michele Murphy. "It really motivated me to get back to my writing and spend more time doing it. And I think Ernestine's teaching style is fabulous because she gives concrete advice rather than esoteric criticism. I love the prompts and hope to use them on a regular

basis. They are a great way to get started writing on a new topic."

Wilfred Anowlic said he took Hayes' course because he wants to write a memoir about growing up on King Island. He began to jot his memories in journals years ago, noting how much his life had changed when he moved to Nome in 1959. For the course he wrote a short story about beginning his work life in Nome at the age of 16 and the pleasure of attending movies at the local theater. "When I turned in my story, Ernestine said, 'You have a strong voice.' I said, 'Really, I do?' She was a very good teacher, and it was hard work."

Court

Week ending 2/20 Civil

Iyapana Jr., Ernest vs. Olanna, Alberta; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term Settlement Funding LLC vs. Gould, Anna M.; Structured Settlement - Superior Court Katchatag, Eric Murphy vs. Cannon, Marlene; Disestablishment of Paternity - Superior Court

Wilson, Katie vs. Komonaseak, Terry; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term Daniels, Judith F. vs. Daniels, Eric; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term

Small Claims

Alaska Airlines Inc vs. Baquerizo, Rocio; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail Credit Union 1 vs. Jones, Joseph M.; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail Credit Union 1 vs. Jones, Joseph M.; SC More Than \$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail Credit Union 1 vs. Cannon, Marlene A.; Small Claims \$2500 or Less

Week ending 2/20

State of Alaska v. James K. Barr (5/8/91); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: 1st Minor Consuming Alcohol; Filed by the DAs Office 2/17/09.

State of Alaska v. Kathleen Herzner (4/13/89); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Operating Vehicle With Expired Registration; Charge 002: Operating Vehicle Without Insurance; Filed by the DAs Office 2/17/09.

State of Alaska v. Darryl Coffey (5/6/72); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Fourth Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 2/18/09.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Sampson (1/4/89); Dismissal; Sexual Assault Second Degree; Date of offense: 12/20/08; Minute Order; On this date (2/18/09); in open court the Prosecuting Attorney for the State of Alaska gave notice that the State does not intend to proceed with a preliminary hearing in this matter; On motion of the defense, the Court hereby dismissed the above named case for failure to timely proceed with preliminary hearing pursuant to Rule 5/5.1.; Accordingly, it is ordered that the defendant shall be released from custody, any bond executed on behalf of defendant be exonerated, and any cash or other security posted as bail be refunded

to the depositors.

State of Alaska v. Janice Rookok (2/27/65); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110826765; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Lincoln Lee (3/6/91); Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 7/21/08; 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 7/1/09; Shall attend Alcohol Information School at his own expense and show proof of completion to court within 90 days; Probation for 1 year; 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.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Asila (6/6/85); 2NO-08-165CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109526553; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days, consecutive to the terms in Case No. 2NO-08-506CR and 2NO-08-931CR; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Asila (6/6/85); 2NO-08-506CR Judgment and Commitment; Count 002: Burglary 2; Date of offense: 7/21/08; The following charge was dismissed: Count 001: Robbery 2- Use Force To Prevent Resistnc; Date of offense: 7/21/08; Count 002: 2 years, 0 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served consecutive to 2NO-08-165CR and 2NO-08-931CR; Credited for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: \$100 within 10 days to Nome Trial Courts; Jail Surcharge: Immediately pay correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Any appearance or performance bond in this case is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Asila (6/6/85); 2NO-08-931CR Judgment; Crim trespass 1- In A Dwelling; Any appearance or performance bond in this case is exonerated; Jail

surcharge (state offenses only): \$50 (if no probation); Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; 30 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days are to be served consecutive to 2NO-08-165CR and 2NO-08-506CR; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant entitled to credit on this case for any time served since his arrest on 12/21/08.

State of Alaska v. Don McClain (7/1/49); 2NO-09-50CR Count 1: DUI; Date of offense: 1/27/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 10/15/09; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$75 through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 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, complete the recommended program, and show proof of completion to the court; 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 shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Don McClain (7/1/49); 2NO-09-50CR Count 2: Driving While License Canceled, Suspended or Revoked, or in Violation of Limitation; Date of offense: 1/27/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Don McClain (7/1/49); 2NO-09-51CR Count 3: Assault 4th; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001), count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served; 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.

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