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THE THAW—Slowly but surely the Snake River emerges from beneath the ice and snow along Seppala Drive and Nome's power plant.

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RIGHT BEFORE HER EYES—Nome Elementary School student Chase Marvin dazzles classmate Allison Komonaseak with his handmade bubble maker. Marvin made the largest bubble in the annual Bubble Festival in Keith Conger's first grade class.

Contaminated soils to get scrubbed at Anvil Mountain

Air Force to remove toxic PCBs used at White Alice Communication site

By Laurie McNicholas

The U.S. Air Force is developing a plan to clean up soils contaminated with polychlorinated bipenyls (PCBs) at the former Anvil Mountain Radio Relay Station next year.

PCBs are the only contaminants of concern remaining in the soil, Air Force representative Steve Hunt told the Nome Common Council at a work session May 11. Hunt is remedial project manager with the 611th Civil Engineering Squadron. He said transformer fluid containing PCBs was used to service electronics at the relay station and then discarded or spilled onsite.

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The manufacture of PCBs was stopped in the United States in 1977 because of evidence they build up in the environment and can cause harmful health effects, including cancer, according to information posted at www.MedicineNet.com. Before 1977 PCBs were used as coolants and lubricants in transformers and other electrical equipment because they don't burn easily and work well as insulators.

The station atop Anvil Mountain was built in 1957 as one of the original 31 White Alice Communication System facilities constructed during

the Cold War era of the 1950s, reports the "Follow-on Remedial investigation Work Plan" prepared for the cleanup project by Jacobs Engineering. These sites enabled the Aircraft Control and Warning system site to link with the Distant Early Warning System to form a cohesive network relaying information to Elmendorf and Eielson Air Force bases. The station was operated through 1979 and declared excess in 1981.

In 1998 the Air Force contracted with Bering Straits Development Co., owned by Bering Straits Native Corp., for a major cleanup project at the Anvil Mountain site. The project included removal and disposal of asbestos and leaded paint; demolition of all facilities, except for four 60-foot high communications towers (antennas); removal, treatment and disposal of petroleum-contaminated soil; removal of other wastes; and contouring and revegetation of the site.

At the request of the City of Nome, the towers were left standing on their concrete foundations. Hunt assured the council that plans for removal of soil containing PCBs from the White Alice site do not include

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Senate takes aim at Native corp. contracts

By Tyler Rhodes

A U.S. Senate subcommittee is investigating the practice of handing out federal contracts to Alaska Native corporations.

Bering Straits Native Corp. is among 20 Alaska Native corporations to receive a letter from Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight probing the contracts distributed through the

Small Business Administration's 8(a) program. BSNC is the regional corporation for the majority of the Seward Peninsula and eastern Norton Sound.

The 8(a) provision gives contracting priority to small, disadvantaged businesses. Through the program and additional provisions created by former U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens, Alaska Native corporations have been able to receive contracts of limitless value often without having to bid against other entities.

The letters sent from Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo., dated May 12, ask the corporations to provide documents and information relating to—among other items—names of subsidiaries, executive compensation for share-

holders and non-shareholders, and a breakdown of the number of employees who are and

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Tax rates may dip as values spike

By Laurie McNicholas

The total assessed value of real and personal taxable property in Nome leaped to almost \$225 million this year, an increase of nearly \$27.7 million compared to 2008.

Ironically, Nome residents received notice of sharp increases in property value assessments following the unexpected Rock Creek Mine closure, which resulted in vacant rental housing and diminished restaurant business as

mine workers left town. This year's extremely high prices for heating fuel, gasoline and electricity also have pinched the local economy.

Some property owners have asked the Nome Common Council to offset the big increases in their property value assessments with a big reduction in the current 10 mil tax rate so they will pay no more taxes to the City in the coming fiscal year than they did this year. During a work session Monday, council members re-

viewed FY2010 budget scenarios based on three different mil rates presented by City Controller Cussy Kauer.

Kauer's figures show that a 10 mil property tax rate would produce nearly \$2.25 million in general fund revenues in FY2010, compared to almost \$1.98 million in FY2009. A 9 mil property tax rate for FY2010 would yield \$2.02 mil-

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READY TO WALK—Abbree Verdin is all smiles as she prepares to graduate. Photos of this year's grads start on page 9.

Letters -

Dear Editor,

I am expressing my thoughts about the recent news about Rock Creek Mine in this week's Nome Nugget. United States of America v. Alaska Gold Company et al -3:2009cv00090 was reported as having concluded with a violation of the Clean Water Act resulting in a fine for \$883,628 to be paid by Alaska Gold Company a subsidiary of Nova Gold Inc.

I would like to know what will happen to these monies should AGC/NG pay the fines? Where does it end up? Does it go toward increasing monitoring efforts or cleanup of the pollution at the mine? Or is that left up to the mining company who promised us that this mine would not pollute our streams and rivers?

are considered ads.

Another thing, why was this operation permitted by the government in the first place? If someone like myself can look at the Rock Creek Mine's Plan of Operations and the Environmental Investigation Document, not to be confused with an actual Environmental Impact Statement, and find them both lacking, why couldn't the government officials also find them lacking? Is it because our regulations are outdated? Are we still working off of the United States General Mining Act of 1872 (you can Google that to find

out more about it)? Anyone who is curious about Rock Creek Mine and the permitting process can go to the Alaska State Division of Mining website, http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/mining/lar gemine/rockcreek/index.htm and look it up to see exactly what I'm talking about. Make sure you look at the "Key Project Documents" that I stated above. These documents are what our government officials used to give the go-ahead on Rock Creek.

For those communities that are near the Donlin mine site on the Kuskokwim River that is near being permitted, you might want to check into NovaGold's plan of operations for your area. If it is anything like the one for Rock Creek Mine you might want to prepare for your waters to be polluted http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/mining/lar gemine/donlin/index.htm, www.novagold.com

As of today there is no Plan of Operations or Environmental Investigation Document listed on the site for Donlin. By the time these "key documents" are up on the website it might be too late to act. Watch for public meetings regarding the mine and attend them, so you are well informed and can have your say in the matter. Demand specific information on the project! Don't let what hap-

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Sound Off

Unions and business: Not a zero-sum game **By Vince Beltrami**

Sometimes it's hard to forget that we're all in this together. In moments of crisis, however, we must come together on level playing fields to make things

Our economy has gone to hell in a handbasket because a wealthy few were allowed to play by a different set of rules than the rest of us. And the problem was clear long before the pain became this severe.

Workers' productivity soared over the last 25 years, yet wages stayed flat. Now, health care costs are through the roof and millions of jobs are in jeopardy. And, as it turns out, the wealth that we created with our sweat was gambled away.

Recent years have seen the largest gap between the wealthy and the rest since just before the Great Depression. Is it any coincidence, then, that this economic inequality has now ushered in the two greatest economic crises of the last century?

Stagnant wages have severely restricted the average worker's buying power. Small businesses across the country are hurting because workers simply cannot afford to buy the very products that they're creating. Already, the new administration has moved quickly to stem the crisis, but as President Obama has said, we won't be able to rebuild the middle class if working people don't have the freedom to form and join unions.

Every year, tens of thousands of workers are harassed, intimidated and fired for expressing a desire to join a union. Even when workers are successful in their efforts, they won't receive a collective bargaining contract almost half the time.

Millions of Americans want to be able to form and join unions, but they shouldn't have to risk their livelihoods in the process. That's why Congress recently introduced the Employee Free Choice Act-legislation that will let

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Editorial

Letters to the editor must be signed and

include an address and phone number.

Thank yous and political endorsements

Holding the Bag

We're stuck with hundreds of gallons of high-priced fuel. Such a deal! Nome paid top dollar last summer to buy lots of fuel to power the Rock Creek Mine. We built a new power plant to sell electricity to Rock Creek Mine. Nome Joint Utilities thought we'd make lots of money selling electricity to the mine and Nomeites would benefit by paying less to power our homes.

Boy, did we get sold a bill of goods. We are such trusting souls. We didn't even have a contract to cover our NJU behinds. Too many of us bent over backwards to please the mine. We endured high rents and unavailable housing because of the mine. We put up with speeding trucks and heavy wear and tear on our roads. We got no property tax revenue (the mine is outside of the city limits) and the promise of a honeybucket subdivision. As a community, we got nothing. Hopefully we learned a lesson—a very painful one. We need to keep a close watch on our local government and take an active part in city government. We need an ethics watchdog. We have to kick ourselves into action and encourage folks to run for office - no more business as usual and uncontested seats.

We must encourage our youth to educate and involve themselves in the future of our town. Nomeites are fantastic folks, but we need to be able to recognize the snake oil salesmen when they come knocking at our door. If we aren't vigilant in protecting our interests, we will always end up holding the bag. - N.L.M.-

A Look at the Past



Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

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IT"S ALMOST OVER! - Pictured in about 1905 these Nome kids can not wait to get out of school for the best time of the year: Summertime and no more school

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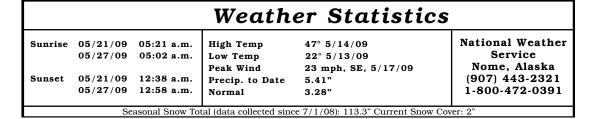
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Floods and fire wreak havoc

As the violent spring breakup makes its way down river, communities along the Yukon and Kuskokwim rivers assess the damage and start cleaning up. Gov. Sarah Palin visited Tanana last week and went house to house to inspect damage. Last weekend, a river watch team was in Saint Mary's to conduct aerial observations from Holy Cross to the mouth of the Yukon River. As of press time on Monday, severe ice jam flooding was still a concern for stretches of the lower Yukon.

The Village Public Safety officer in Tanana reports that floodwaters have receded and that evacuees may return home soon. A life safety assessment team was deployed along the Middle Yukon to conduct life safety assessments, collect damage assessments and to coordinate flood response operations.

The state's Emergency Coordination Center has filled emergency requests from Tanana and Stevens Village, delivering water, food, fuel, emergency power supplies, sanitation and hygiene supplies, a satellite phone, cots/sleeping bags, dog food, radios and pumping equipment to the stricken areas.

The situation is stabilized in Eagle as food, water, fuel, health care, shelter and temporary power are under control in the Village and City of Eagle. A water purification system and storage tank provides potable water in Eagle.

On the Kuskokwim front, 19 evacuees from Kwethluk are still sheltered at the Bethel Head Start facility.

Eyewitnesses in Akiak reported on Monday that ice bergs the size of cars bobbed on river water flooding the village last week. All women and children were evacuated and flown out with chartered Frontier Alaska planes. People were either boated to the airstrip or put on waders to get to the airport. Residents scrambled to get their ATVs, snowmachines and dog teams to higher ground and away from the shoreline of the raging Kuskokwim. Water mains popped up and floated on the river water and the old school building was almost completely destroyed.

Near Homer, a wildfire threatened 70 homes near the communities of Voznesenka and Kachemak Selo. The fire started on May 12 and burned 1,500 acres of federal, state and private land, threatened three schools and a transmission line. The American Red Cross of Alaska opened a shelter at East End Road in Homer to help the 40 individuals who were forced to evacuate their homes. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency has authorized the use of federal funds to help the State of Alaska fight the Mile 17 East End Road fire.

Nome hospital gets slice of \$500 million of IHS funds

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced last week that the Indian Health Service released \$500 million allocated for improvements in Indian health in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Nationwide only two hospital construction projects are funded with the ARRA money and Nome's new Norton Sound Regional Hospital facility is one of them. The other is the Eagle Butte Health Center on the Chevenne River reservation in South Dakota.

IHS is vague on the numbers and didn't release the exact amount, but it said that the funding would be enough to complete the hospital. "Apparently the federal agencies have stopped releasing specific numbers for specific projects because they don't want it to impact bidding," explained Julie Hasquet with Sen. Mark Begich's office. "A while back we were given a \$152 million number, but that is not in the latest report." Approximately \$227 million of the funds nationwide are slated for health facilities construction. The Stebbins Community Association received funds for washeteria improvements and the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium received money for facilities in Kotzebue, Bethel and Anchorage. In total, Alaska receives \$182.3 million for 72 IHS projects, paying for equipment, facility construction, maintenance and sanitation projects.

Senators plead with Palin to accept energy funds

The fight over the acceptance of federal stimulus funds continues as co-chairs of the Alaska Senate Re-

sources Committee Sens. Bill Wielechowski and Lesil McGuire plead with Gov. Palin to accept \$28.6 million in stimulus energy funds.

Last week the senators announced that they received information from the U.S. Department of Energy confirming that Alaska can meet State Energy Program funding requirements through local energy standards, rather than a "one-size-fits-all" statewide code. Palin had said she would not accept the energy funds from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act because acceptance of the money requires Alaska to adopt national energy standards. The senators said that new data from municipalities and communities across the state show that Alaska most likely already meets the State Energy Program funding requirements. Of the 92 percent of Alaskans who live in communities with populations of 2,500 or more, 52 percent live in communities with energy codes in place and 68 percent live in communities with building codes in place. Communities with energy codes include Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Nome, Petersburg, Palmer, Seward, Valdez and Skagway. Ketchikan, Soldotna and Wrangell are in the process of adopting energy codes.

Including structures funded by the Alaska Housing Finance Corp. and the Denali Commission, Alaska is very likely already in compliance with the State Energy Program funding requirement that 90 percent of new and renovated building spaces meet energy efficiency standards, Wiechelowski and McGuire said in a statement.

The Alaska Municipal League, AARP, the Municipality of Anchorage, the City of Ketchikan and the City of Juneau as well as U.S. Sen. Mark Begich have sent letters requesting the acceptance of the \$28.6 million. Begich said that his office has received 522 separate requests for federal funding totaling \$4.8 billion dollars from the State of Alaska, Alaska communities and nonprofit groups all seeking federal funding for projects.

Iditarod rookie criticizes race officials

Anchorage (AP)—Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race officials are being criticized by some back-of-packer racers, including a rookie musher who was removed from the race because he wasn't traveling fast enough.

Rob Loveman has protested his withdrawal. He said it was unfair and

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COMINGINITY CALENDAR May 21 - May 27, 2009

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Thursday, May 21

*Tennis
*Open Gym
*XYZ Center
*Nome Visitor Center
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*Kinderswim & Lap Swim
*Carrie McLain Memorial Museum
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*Strength Training with Robin
*All About Babies Part I & 2 video
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*Lap Swim

*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.

*Nome Food Bank

*Family Swim

*Thrift Shop

*City League Volleyball

*Swing Dancing with Seijl

*Pick-up Basketball *Lap Swim *Open Gym *XYZ Center *Nome Visitor Center

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*Kindergym *Carrie McLain Memorial Museum

*Kids Soccer K - 3rd grade *Circuit Training with Kelly S. *Kids Soccer 4th - 7th grade *Open_Gym

*Tae Kwon Do with Dan Nometown Tales! Theatrical

Logo Contest deadline

Friday, May 22

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*Library Hours
*Open Gym
*H20 Aerobics
*Northwest Campus Library
*Pregnancy Mom & the Baby video
*Family Swim *Open Swim Pool
*Staying Sane Time Saving Tips video Prematernal Home
*Lap Swim Pool

Family Fun Night (free admission)

*AA Meeting

Pool

Nome Rec Center

BHS Bldg. 2nd floor

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Sunday, May 24

*Pool
*Nome Visitor Center
*Having a Baby video
*Open Gym
*Special Delivery video
*Beginning Baton with Jay
*AA: Big Book Study

Monday, May 25

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*Carrie McLain Memorial Museum

*Open Gym

Northwest Campus Library

*Audiology class

*Open Swim

*Wiffle Ball Grades 4-6

*Strength Training with Robin

*SITOS Awareness Project video

*Wiffle Ball Grades 7-8

*Lap Swim

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*Tront Street
*Kegoayah Library
*Nome Rec Center
*Northwest Campus
*Prematernal Home
*Nome Rec Center

*Open Gym *H2O Aerobics *Tae Kwon Do with Dan *Hello Central (also on Channel 98) *AA Meeting

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Wednesday, May 27 Nome Rec Center

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Space needed if shelter to run next winter

Shelter backers urge Nome to think of winter and homeless well before the snow flies

By Tyler Rhodes

Before the snow has even melted in and around Nome, the organizers behind this winter's emergency shelter are already scrambling to try and be ready the next time the temperature dives well below freezing.

For the Nome Emergency Shelter Team, or NEST, that scramble is centered around finding a facility to use as next year's shelter. "If we don't have a space, we don't have a shelter," said NEST member Abby Huggins.

For 22 nights last winter, the Nome Nazarene Church offered space in its building from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. for those without shelter to spend the night. Over those nights, 42 different people stayed at the facility. Many were regulars.

When the temperatures again next winter plunge below -10°F, the threshold NEST has set for opening, the church will no longer be available as a shelter. If NEST is to achieve its goal of at least maintaining the level of service offered last year—but doing so for a full winter—a replacement facility will have to be found soon.

The part of NEST working to address the short-term needs of Nome's homeless population, which has dubbed itself NEST Now, is looking for ideas from the community on where or how to host a shelter next winter. "It happened last year because people stepped up and came together," Huggins said. She and her fellow NEST members are hoping a similar grassroots, groundswell can happen again. "We really need ideas and things offered."

Isaac Grody-Patinkin, a NEST member who will soon be moving from Nome, said an ideal facility "If we don't have a space, we don't have a shelter"

- Abby Huggins

would be one that could provide shower and laundry services for those staying there. He would also like to see the facility provide other resources. "We would like the shelter to serve more as a link to social services than it has," Grody-Patinkin said

Grody-Patinkin is also a realist, knowing last year's shelter and whatever is cobbled together for next winter, if anything, is a band-aid approach to the larger problem in Nome. "Those things are going to be wonderful in time," he said. "But at a minimum we want to maintain what we had this year."

Even maintaining the level of service offered at the Nazarene Church will be a challenge. The shelter was entirely a volunteer effort. Four hall monitors were needed for each night of operation to ensure shelter guests were able to rest peacefully and keep a watch over the building. More volunteer effort was required to coordinate those monitors and round-up supplies such as food and extra clothing.

This year, the shelter's 22 nights reflected an opening date in early March. If a shelter is to open its doors the first night temperature threshold is hit, many more volunteer hours will be necessary. "That's a much longer haul. How do we do that without burning people out?" Grody-Patinkin said.

Another challenge faced by NEST in keeping its momentum moving forward is the loss of a few of its most active members. Besides Grody-Patinkin, Nazarene pastor and NEST member Jeran Marchbanks is moving out of Nome. "We need some folks who are really passionate about seeing this continue," Grody-Patinkin said.

The other half of the NEST equation is a group working on more long-term solutions to the homeless problem in Nome. Fitting hand-inglove with that will be a community meeting on a detox center scheduled for June 18 at Old St. Joseph Hall at 9:30 a.m.

The regular NEST meetings will be taking a break for the summer. Huggins, however, is still available if anyone has a suggestion or idea for a facility or otherwise. She can be reached at nomesteam@gmail.com or by calling 304-2898 or 443-5259.

While NEST's long-term goal is for a holistic approach to reduce chronic homelessness in Nome, the immediate focus is more simple and urgent. "We offer a challenge to ourselves and the community to get through the winter without one death due to exposure," Grody-Patinkin said.

That work, NEST member stress, needs to start now rather than in the dark days of winter. "Let's remember this winter. Let's remember that re-



Photo by Denise Olin

CELEBRATING—Chick Trainor dishes up during a potluck held in April to celebrate the NEST emergency shelter's first winter of operation at the Nome Nazarene Church. If future celebratory potlucks are to be held, a new facility needs to be found to house the shelter.

ally cold week in March," Grody-Patinkin said

"And let's make it happen again,"

Ice shoves ashore in Shaktoolik, no damage reported

According to the National Weather Service, Shaktoolik's beach saw a forceful return of a winter resident Sunday.

The weather service reported Monday evening that ice piled as high as 25 to 30 feet in places along the beach in what is described as an ice shove. "The ice shove most likely oc-

curred when shorefast ice that had broken away in the warm weather and offshore winds of the last week returned in Sunday's storm," the weather service reported.

The tallest piles of ice were reported to be near the village's corporation building with piles up to 10 feet high near the school. Sec-

tions of the beach, however, were reportedly completely ice-free and no river mouths were blocked, eliminating any danger of flooding.

The phenomenon is not expected to repeat, and the ice that did make it to shore will probably stay there until the sun says otherwise. "Weather conditions in the next week are such

that no more ice advance is expected. The ice will most likely remain in place and indeed melt in the coming weeks of seasonal warmth," the weather service said. "While the ice may be a visual curiosity, the ice shove is likely unstable and onlookers should be cautious."

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lion in general fund revenues, and an 8.76 mil rate would produce \$1.97 million—nearly as much as the 10 mil rate yielded in FY2009.

Total general fund revenues listed in the draft FY2010 budget for each property tax scenario are: 10 mil, \$9,923,850; 9 mil, \$9,913,575; and 8.76 mil, \$9,911,109. Council mem-

bers asked Kauer to project the difference in revenues between mil rates of 8.76 and 7 in the 2010 budget. She said a 7 mil rate would produce \$383,000 less in net revenues than an 8.76 mil rate.

Kauer noted that a \$600,000 decrease in sales tax revenues is anticipated next year. The draft budget for FY2010 includes \$4.6 million in general fund revenues from sale tax

collections, compared to \$5.2 million in FY2009. General fund revenues for FY2009 totaled \$12 million, including \$1 million from the sale of the Reindeer Plant to Norton Sound Economic Development Corp.

Council members spent two hours scouring the draft FY2010 budget department by department, comparing budgeted to actual expenses in the FY2009 budget and suggesting

cuts in the proposed FY2010 budget. They made numerous inquiries about current and projected expenditures, and asked Kauer and City Manager Josie Bahnke to obtain the requested information for them. Council member Mary Knodel said she is trying to get the FY2010 budget down to a 7 mil property tax basis.

The council will hold another budget work session at noon May 26.

Noting that much discussion had centered on projected Public Works Department expenses for equipment and tasks such as snow removal, Randy Pomeranz suggested that Public Works personnel be asked to attend the work session. A regular council meeting is scheduled May 26 at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Denise Michels and councilman Neal Foster were absent from the Monday work session.

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demolition of the towers.

Removing contaminated soils

Accompanying Hunt to the council meeting were Stephen Witzmann and Vanessa Angel of Jacobs Engineering. The firm has investigated the Anvil Mountain White Alice site and developed a plan for removal of PCB-contaminated soils. Under current state regulations, the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation requires a cleanup level of one part per million (1 mg/kg) for soils contaminated with PCBs, Hunt noted.

Hunt used a PowerPoint presentation to show the levels and quantities of PCB contamination in various locations at the Anvil Mountain site. He said the site contains 2,700 cubic yards of soils with PCB contamination of 1 mg/kg to more than 10 mg/kg; 600 cubic yards of soils with PCB contamination of 10 mg/kg to more than 50 mg/kg; and 500 cubic yards of soil with PCB contamination of more than 50 mg/kg.

Hunt said project planners have considered several alternatives for the cleanup project and currently favor alternative 6—grain-size screening and offsite disposal of all PCB-contaminated soil above 1 mg/kg. Implementing this alternative will cost just over \$4 million, and sorting out large particles that don't need to be shipped off-site will save money, he added.

"PCBs are small molecules that sick to the soil surfaces on a microscopic level," reads a page in Hunt's

presentation. "Because of the ratio of surface area to total volume, the majority of PCB contamination is associated with fine material, silts and sands, while only a small fraction of the original contamination is associated with the larger material. After the material size screening is complete, the larger material will be tested to confirm it contains less than 1 mg/kg PCBs and then used as backfill."

Council member Mary Knodel asked where contaminated soils removed from the site will be taken. Witzmann said the soils would be barged to Washington state and placed in a toxic substance control landfill.

Hunt said PCBs are insoluble in water, but are toxic if they are ingested. Soils contaminated with PCBs are a potential problem for persons who drive ATVs over them, raise dust and breathe it, he added.

Knodel suggested that signs be posted at the site warning ATV drivers of that hazard. Hunt agreed to do so.

Knodel asked at what depth PCB-contaminated soils will be removed from the site. The depth of soil removal will vary, Hunt replied, noting that bedrock appears on the surface in some locations. Soil removal will occur at a maximum depth of six to seven inches beneath the surface, he added.

Councilman Stan Andersen asked whether the cleanup project will go out to bid. Hunt said the Air Force has the in-house capability to do the job, but can opt to bid for contractors. If the project is done in-house, the Air Force will rely on Nome for heavy equipment operators and for lodging



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

A CONTAMINATED LANDMARK—The White Alice site atop Anvil Mountain will be the subject of an Air Force cleanup to remove PCBs from the soil.

and meal accommodations, he added. Hunt said a feasibility study for the project will be completed and released for public comment in a few months, and removal of PCB-contaminated soils from the site is scheduled for summer 2010. The remedy will be selected in accor-

dance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, commonly known as Superfund.

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that back-of-the-packers are pressured to keep moving in the race. And he said the pressure to keep moving might have contributed to the death of a dog in musher Lou Packer's team.

Packer, also a rookie, had two dogs die in a blizzard. He had his lawyer send letters to those who suggest a more capable musher might have avoided the dog deaths. He points the blame at the Iditarod Trail Committee.

Race marshal Mark Nordman said no musher would be kicked out of the race for making a decision that was in the best interests of his dogs. Loveman's dogs, Nordman said, were in great shape when the rookie driver was ousted. By the time the race marshal pulled Loveman, a 52-year-old Montanan, he had slipped to the very back of the pack and faced the long, desolate and difficult 90-mile trail to the ghost town of Iditarod alone with his team. Out in front of him on the trail, 47-year-old Kurt Reich from Divide, Colo., was already in trouble. Another rookie, he eventually had to be rescued from a cabin by Iditarod officials who found him seriously hypothermic.

Packer's two dogs died when he got pinned down on the trail in bad weather. His attorney, Ward Mendes from Fairbanks, is now questioning

whether the Iditarod did enough to support him and other back-of-thepackers. In a letter to race veteran Diana Moroney, a longtime volunteer and Iditarod Air Force pilot this year, Mendes blames the Iditarod Trail Committee for failing to adequately monitor the progress of tail-end mushers, arguing that this is why Packer, Blake Matray from Fairbanks and Kim Darst from New Jersey ended up in trouble. Nordman said the race works hard to help rookies prepare for what they will be getting into, but race officials can't hold everyone's hand while they are on the trail.

Palin pushes for Kensington Mine development

At the direction of Gov. Palin, the state Department of Law filed a supplemental brief last week with the U.S. Supreme Court supporting development of the Kensington Mine near Juneau. The mine is under fire because it proposed to dump mine tailings into Lower Slate Lake and obtained Army Corps of Engineers permits to do so.

The Southeast Alaska Conservation Council filed a lawsuit, which alleged that the Corps violated federal law by the issuing permits. The U.S. District Court upheld the Corps permit, but in May of 2007, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the Corps violated

the Clean Water Act when it issued a "fill material" permit to Coeur Alaska to discharge 210,000 gallons per day of tailings slurry into the lake.

SEACC maintains that the discharge would kill all the fish and most other aquatic life in the lake for at least the duration of mining activity, and recov-



ery of the "lake" would take several decades. An appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court followed the 9th Circuit Court decision, and the state intervened to assist mine owner Coeur-Alaska and the Corps in defending the permit.

The Kensington Mine site is a proposed underground gold mine located near Berners Bay, 45 air miles north of Juneau.

Court imposes deadline on walrus protection ruling

A federal judge on Monday approved a settlement between the Center for Biological Diversity and the U.S.

Fish and Wildlife Service. The ruling requires FWS to investigate whether the Pacific walrus warrants the protections of the Endangered Species Act. Under the settlement, FWS must make an initial finding on the center's petition requesting protection of the walrus by September 10, 2009. A subsequent decision as to whether the species should be protected has to be issued in 2010.

The center petitioned FWS to pro tect the Pacific walrus in February 2008 and filed a lawsuit late last year when the agency refused to process the petition. FWS officials told *The Nome Nugget* earlier this year that the agency did not have enough funds or resources to investigate the status of the walrus to meet the 90-day finding deadline.

The primary threat to the walrus is the loss of its sea-ice habitat in the face of global warming, say lawyers for the center. Listing under the Endangered Species Act would grant broad protection to the Pacific walrus. The sticking points are that this would include a requirement that U.S. federal agencies ensure that any action they carry out, authorize, or fund would not jeopardize the continued existence of Pacific walruses or adversely modify their habitat.

The statute also requires the Secretary of the Interior to prepare and implement recovery plans for listed species. Lawyers for the center main-

tain that listing of the walrus would not affect subsistence harvest of the species by Alaska Natives. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar is currently reviewing whether to defend the Chukchi leases as well as other Bush-era regulations authorizing oil companies to harass walrus and polar bears. Salazar agreed with the former administration to limit protections for the polar bear and in a court filing defended the validity of the Chukchi Sea oil and gas leases.

Passports required

The law requiring all U.S. citizens and foreign nationals to present a passport or other document when entering the United States goes into effect June 1 reminds Sen. Begich's office. The law will require Alaskans crossing in and out of Canada to present the appropriate documents.

The Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 requires travelers coming into the United States through a land or sea border to provide proof of both citizenship and identity. In addition to a passport, other valid documents include a Passport Card or a TRUSTED Traveler Card (NEXUS, SENTRI, FAST). If children under age 16 don't have an accepted document, they will need to present an original or copy of their birth certificate or other proof of citizenship.

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Sitnasuak re-elects three to board, seats one new member

Trudy Sobocienski serving as interim CEO

By Tyler Rhodes

Sitnasuak Native Corp. returned three board members to their positions and seated a new member at its annual meeting May 9 in Nome. Re-elected to the board were Homer Hoogendorn, Neal Foster and Andrew Miller Jr.

Newly elected to the board was Janice Doherty. All were elected to serve three-year terms.

Also running for seats, according to the corporation's proxy statement sent out before the meeting, were Louise (Keller) Bauman and Robert Fagerstrom. Fagerstrom was the corporation's president and chief executive officer, and was a board member since 1979.

Board member Trudy Sobocienski is currently serving as the interim president and CEO. "We're working with the board on the next steps," Sobocienski said as to the process of determining a permanent replacement for the position. To that end, Sitnasuak is running an advertisement in this week's Nome Nugget soliciting for the position. It is asking that applications be sent before July 1.

Officials with the corporation would not comment on how or why Fagerstrom left the position. Fagerstrom, who would only say he works for a Sitnasuak subsidiary which he would not identify, also did not wish to comment on the change in leadership.

In addition to Sobocienski, other current board members who were not up for re-election at the last meeting are Jacob Ahwinona, Helen Bell, Crystal Andersen-Booth, Perry Mendenhall, Jeannie Yuman and Wendell (Mike) Wassmann.

Andersen-Booth is serving as board chair. Foster is serving as the first vice chair, Wassmann as second vice chair, Yuman as treasurer and Doherty is serving as secretary.

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are not shareholders.

McCaskill is the chair of the Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, a subcommittee of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. A May 29 deadline was set for the requested information, giving the corporations just 13 business days to compile the data.

A hearing on the matter is scheduled for July 16 before the subcommittee.

BSNC President and CEO Tim Towarak said the corporation is not worried about any immediate effects as a result of the investigation. "We're probably one of the smaller contractors through the 8(a) program," he said.

Despite being a small player, the program has played a huge role in developing the corporation's bottom line, Towarak said. "It's been major cause of our [revenue] increase," he said. "When I first got here we were doing \$9 million a year, and last year we did \$113 million. That's phenomenal growth for a small corporation, and it's been because of the 8(a) program."

In its 2008 annual report, BSNC lists six of its 11 subsidiaries as participating in the 8(a) program. Among those are companies that provide administrative, technical, aerospace and logistics support. The contracts are for work all across the nation.

The regional corporation emerged from bankruptcy in 1989 and has been posting record profits in recent years. Contract work has played an

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- BSNC President/CEO Tim Towarak

important role in that turnaround. "Our total gross income increased by about 50 percent over the prior year because we increased our contracts revenues from around \$64.9 million to \$99.5 million," reads the message to shareholders from Towarak and Chairman Henry Ivanoff in the 2008 report. Towarak said nearly all of that contract work was procured through the 8(a) program.

The probe has solicited a quick response from Alaska's senators. Sens. Lisa Murkowski and Mark Begich sent a letter in response to McCaskill May 15, voicing concern over the investigation. "While we welcome fair and just oversight of the Native American 8(a) program to ensure its integrity, transparency, and accountability, we are also concerned that [Alaska Native corporawill be inadvertently harmed," reads the letter.

In their letter, the Alaska senators ask that the deadline be extended to "a more reasonable 30 business days," and note that the inspector general of the SBA is already conducting an audit of the subcontractpractices of the Native corporations which they expect to be released in June.

BSNC's Towarak said the corporation should be able to meet the deadline, but will have to sideline other projects to do so. "I think we can do it because we don't have as many contracts as some of the large contractors, but we'd prefer to have more time," he said.

Towarak said BSNC's participation in the contracting program has come at a measured pace. "We have been doing it very slowly and deliberately because of our financial his-

tory," he said. "We didn't want to take any chances. We wanted to be very conservative in our approach to taking new work." As the corporation has become more successful and robust financially, as well as more experienced in contract work, Towarak said BSNC has become a bit more aggressive in its contract work over the past few years.

In their defense of the program, Begich and Murkowski argue that the contracting program is vital to encouraging private-sector business development in some of the most economically depressed areas of the nation. "Thus far, the [Alaska Native corporations] have benefited the indigenous people of Alaska (the shareholders) enormously and have set Alaska Native people on the path toward economic development by infusing rural communities with dividends, employment opportunities, scholarship programs, land management, cultural and social programs and numerous other benefits for the Alaska Native shareholders," the letter reads.

Towarak agrees that the program has given a needed boost to the corporations. "We just hope that the Congress understands that it has been very beneficial to all Alaska Native corporations," he said.

Towarak noted that despite the fact that all the 13 regional corporations have participated in the 8(a) program, the majority of the approximately 200 corporations representing villages and smaller communities have not done so. "It takes a lot of capital and a lot of work to get into it. If the program goes away they would have lost the opportunity," he said.

Other entities have argued that the contracts have come at the expense of other disadvantaged groups, some of which have faced caps on the size of contracts available under the 8(a) program. The contracts often cover work at military installations and other federal facilities. Reports estimate that the contracts reach into the billions in value annually.

In addition to BSNC, corporations receiving the letters were: Ahtna Inc., Arctic Slope Regional Corp., Bristol Bay Native Corp., Calista Corp., Chugach Alaska Corp., Cook Inlet Region Inc., Doyon Ltd., Koniag Inc., NANA Regional Corp., Sealaska Corp., The 13th Regional Corp., Afognak Native Corp., Tyonek Native Corp., Cape Fox Corp., Chenega Corp., Eyak Corp., Goldbelt Inc., Olgoonik Corp. and The Aleut Corp.

Crews continue to clear snow off area highways

The Alaska Department of Transportation reported Monday that its crews are working at mile 48 of the Bob Blodgett Nome-Teller Highway to repair washouts. The road is open to Teller, however, the department warns that it is passable only with four-wheel drive vehicles and those travelling the route are doing so at their own risk.

To the east, the department reported the Nome-Council Highway was open to mile 40 as of Monday. The Kougarok Road was open to mile 36 as of Monday.

roads are currently soft and rutted.



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The department reported that the SNOW JOB—A bulldozer works to clear the Kougarok Road in early May. The road was open to mile 36 as of Monday.

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Impasse reached between teachers, administration

By Janet Ahmasuk

It was announced at the last Nome Board of Education meeting May 12 that the Nome Education Association and Nome Public Schools have reached a point of impasse in negotiations for a new certified employment contract. The Federal Mediation Services Office has been contacted to provide assistance in the process of moving negotiations forward.

The last best offer of the district for a three-vear contract that includes a salary increase of 6 percent over the next three years. As proposed, salaries would increase by 1.5 percent in year one, 2 percent in year two and 2.5 percent during the third year.

The Nome Education Association's last counter proposal was for a one-year contract that includes an increase of 1.5 percent and a decrease of two days to the teachers' work vear.

The Classified Employees Association did reach successful negotiations, and the classified document is ready for ratification. By all accounts it was a smooth process.

Nome Elementary School new principal, Shari Biscotti, was introduced at the meeting. She loves it here, she says, and is looking forward to next fall. She has 20 years of education experience as teacher and principal. Presently she is a professor at Cal State University in San Bernardino, Calif.

High School Principal Janeen Sullivan presented special recognition awards of Nome Nanook blue vests with school logo to coaching staff who received awards at the state athletic tournaments. Honored were Lieudell Goldsberry who was named wrestling coach of the year, Duke McGuffey who was named assistant wrestling coach of the year, Pat Callahan who was named boys basketball 3A Coach of the Year, and Rebecca Callahan who was named as the girls cheer coach of the year for the region.

Nome-Beltz Assistant Principal Doug Boyer presented April-May Students of the Month. The junior high student of the month for May was Eli Johnson, who was described as friendly, hard-working and noted for staying on task. April high school student of the month was Beth Herzoner, who was nominated by her Spanish teacher.

The May high school student of the month is Miles Reader and the April junior high student of the month was Katherine Ivanoff.

Student

representative report

Choir and band spring concert was held May 5. Richelle Horner. Martina Painter and Kellen Baker continued on to state for their superior ratings in singing and band.

The Friends of Rachel Club has ended and the students are excited to join next vear.

Seniors third hour media class is starting to work on the senior slideshow and scholarship packets

The decorations for graduation have been ordered.

The Junior Prom was held May 1 with the theme "Las Vegas."

The last pep assembly of the year was Friday, May 15 in honor of the seniors' last day.

Report form NES Principal Carl White

NES has received \$18,000 from Nome Eskimo Community for the breakfast program. The support from NEC is very appreciated.

Fourth quarter and end-of-theyear perfect attendance for the entire year will be at the assembly on the last day of school at 9 a.m. There will also be a slide show of all the fun and learning that goes on at Nome Elementary School.

Parents can now register future Kindergarten students for the 2009-10 school year. This is for children who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31.

Parents are advised to look in the lost-and-found box if their child is missing some clothes, gloves, boots, coats, hats, etc. All items remaining

at the end of the school year will be given to charity.

The last day of school is May 22. Kindergarten through third grade will be dismissed at 12:30 p.m.; forth through sixth grade will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. At 9 a.m. there will be an all school assembly. Sixth grade promotion will be at 12:45 p.m.

Notes from Anvil City Science Academy

The eighth graders returned this past weekend from their trip to Washington, D.C. Highlights included meeting with U.S. Sens. Lisa Murkowski and Mark Begich, touring the White House, and observing the U.S. Senate in session. Students shared their experiences on a blog that can be viewed on the school website. Pictures will be posted in a week or so.

ACSA Artists in Schools program has begun. Students will be working with brother and sister Ryan and Sarah Conarro over the next two weeks in preparation for the dramatic production entitled "Nometown Tales." The final performance will take place at 7 p.m., May 22 at the Nome Elementary School Commons.

The formal application process has ended. In May the ACSA APC held a lottery drawing to determine enrollment for the 2009/10 school vear. Letters informing applicants of their acceptance or placement on a waiting list were mailed May 12. Eleven new students have been accepted, with nine placed on a waiting list.

Board members open discussion

Board President Gloria Karmun asked about the current assistant superintendent position now held by incoming Superintendent Jon Wehde. Would it be continued or eliminated? She was in favor of a Native education program to replace it.

Wehde said that funding for Native education has changed drastically. Karmun suggested a partnership with Nome Eskimo Community might be a worthwhile effort to strengthen the program.

Board member Barb Nickels wants to see a grant writer position created and does not agree totally with a Native education program.

Nickels also added that she works with the Parent Advisory Committee that meets quarterly.

Board member Betsy Brennan does not see neglect on Native programs. She also commented that adding Native education to the superintendent position might be putting too much on the position.

Outgoing Superintendent Rick Luthi added that hiring someone else to restructure the Native education program might be the way to go.

Board Member Albert McComas wanted the issue of the Northwest Alaska Career and Technology Education Center (NACTEC) vis-àvis Nome students added to the



Students on the move

ACSA GOES TO WASHINGTON (above)—The eighth grade class from Anvil City Science Academy meets with Sens. Lisa Murkowski and Mark Begich during their recent class trip to Washington, D.C.

HONORED (right)—Cadet Maj. **Lucas Ritter receives the American** Legion Award for Scholastic Excellence from Jake Kencik of the American Legion during the JROTC awards banquet May 15. Kenick also presented cadets Ahbree and Sharon Verdin with scholarship awards. Cadet Master Sgt. Kyle Griemsmann was presented the Veterans' of Foreign Wars Award from Ron Huffman of VFW Post 9569 at the ceremony.



next work session. McComas agreed about the need to focus on Native education.

Action items approved

The following items passed upon

- Extensions HomeSchool Program
- Superintendent contract
- CORE (Consortium of Reading Excellence) proposal
- · Added at the meeting: Roof replacement D and E at Nome-Beltz High School agreement with Aurora Project Management put out for bid · Item removed at meeting: Emer-

gency Transfer Switch replacement

Board comments

Brennan congratulated the Nome Literacy Council for a show well done and well attended.

McComas congratulated Calvin Bell for setting a new state record in the seal hop and also all the coaches awarded coach of the year.

Board member Kirsten Timbers thanked Business Manager Jenny Martens for all her help during classified negotiations.

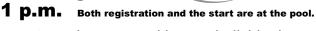
Upcoming events

On May 25 there will be a board

work session. May 26 will be an inservice day. A regular board meeting will be held June 9.

Stroke-n-Croak Triathlon

- Sunday, May 24
- Registration begins at noon
- Race begins at



This event can be run as either an individual or a team. The race consists of a 1 mile swim, 4 mile run and an 8 mile bike ride.

\$15.00 entry fee or \$25.00 for entry and a finisher's shirt



Registration begins May 26 for kids ages 3 - 13

Children's Library Hour 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

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A NEW FRIEND-Eddie the Eagle and Nome Alaska State Troopers supervisor Sgt. Andrew Merrill dub Nome Preschool students eaglets for actively participating in their gun safety presentation. Left to right are Andrew Hafner, Andrew Nashalook, Raina McRae, Brandon Smith, Eddie Eagle, Sadie Ellison, Sgt. Merrill, Deklen Agloinga and Brianna Menadelook.

NVAD Open House



Last Saturady afternoon the Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department held an open house for the Nome Community members to see the workings of the NVAD headquarters and enjoy a barbecue.

Photos by Nancy McGuire

(above)

WHAT A CREW - Nome Volunteer Ambulance EMTs Vicky Erickson, Jimmy West, Jr., Sciji Heck, Charlie Lean with helper Kali Knowlton,

(above right)

SIZZLING SOME DOGS - EMT Kevin Knowlton mans the grill for the Nome Ambulance Open House last Saturday afternoon. He has been an EMT volunteer for 7 years.

WON'T HURT A BIT - Patrick Callihan gets his blood sugar tested by Rahnia Parker at the Nome Voulnteer Ambulance Open House Satur-



Troopers, Eddie Eagle promote gun safety

By Gloria Ann Karmun

"If you see a gun: STOP! Don't Touch. Leave the Area. Tell an Adult." Numerous Nome Preschool and Kawerak Headstart children listened attentively as "Eddie the Eagle" recently visited their respective school sites to promote gun safety education.

Nome resident Steve Smith says the program presentation is strictly voluntary and sponsored by the National Rifle Association. Locally the Friends of the NRA host several fundraisers to promote gun safety and shooting Sports.

According to the Volunteer Handbook, "The Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program was developed in 1988 to teach children in pre-kindergarten

through sixth grade what to do should they come upon an unsecured firearm. Eddie Eagle, the program mascot, serves as a positive role model to millions of children each year, teaching a simple, yet powerful, safety message."

Folks who are interested in learning more about the program and have access to the World Wide Web visit www.nrahq.org/safety/eddie

Alaska State Trooper Sergeant Andrew Merrill, Nome post supervisor accompanied Eddie the Eagle and his assistant John Harland. The children viewed a short video, had a question and answer session, and received gunlocks provided by the Alaska State Troopers for each of



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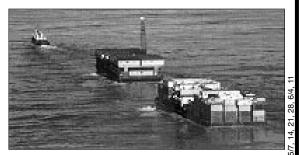
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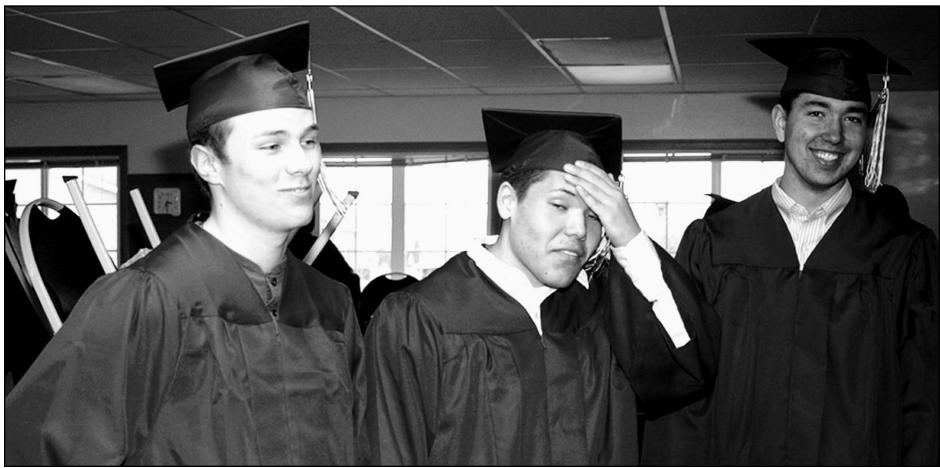
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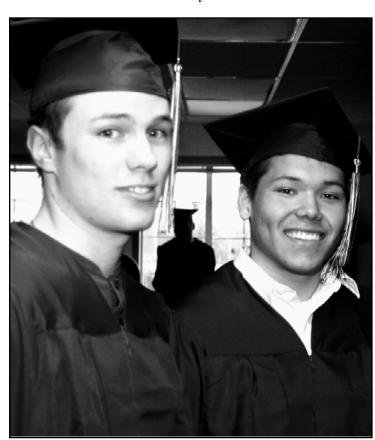


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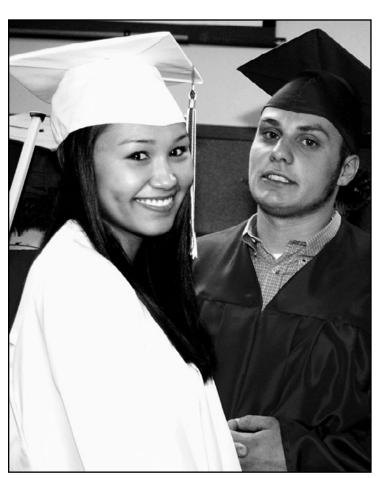


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WHAT DID HE FORGET? - Left to right, Darell Tweet, Michael Hawkins and Quinten Johnson think about their future after graduation as they prepare, with other gradutes, to attend the baccalaureate service Sunday at Our Savior Lutheran Church.



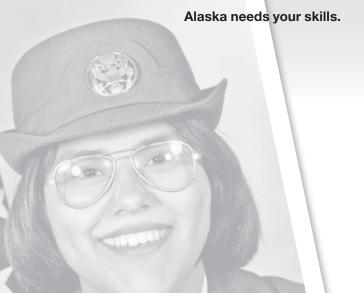
READY NOW!-Michael Hawkins, right, is now prepared to face the baccalaureate service attendees.



KEEP SMILING—Hattie Keller and Jarvis Miller get ready to attend baccalaureate.

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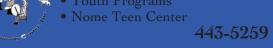




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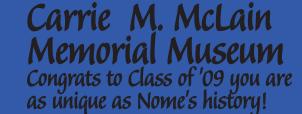
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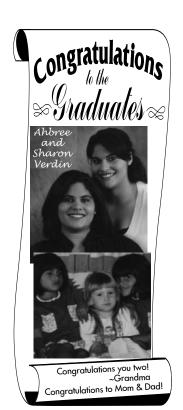


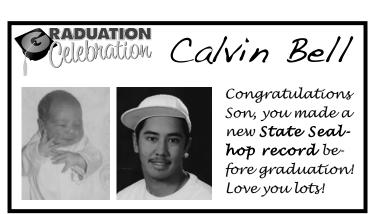
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GRADUATING TWINS (left)—Abbree, left, and Sharon Verdin walk the graduating walk down the Our Savior Lutheran Church aisle on Sunday, May 17 during the Baccalaureate service.

INVOCATION (right)-Christina Perrigo gives the invocation for the graduating seniors, the first item on the program, Sunday.





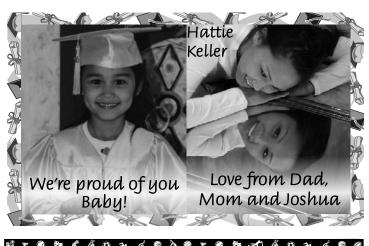


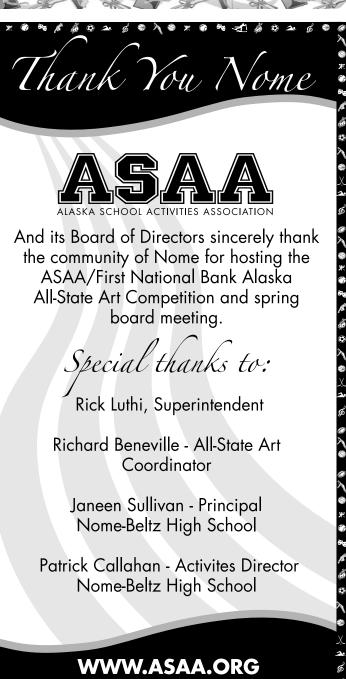












Attend the Memorial Day Parade at 10 a.m. in front of the Post Office!

All Around the Sound

Steve and Zoe Ivanoff of Unalakleet are proud to announce that their daughter Kelsi Marie will be graduating from Portland State University on June 13 with a Bachelor of Sci-

ence degree in Community Development. Kelsi is planning on continuing her education and finishing her degree in engineering. Kelsi is the granddaughter of Chuck and Marie Greene of Kotzebue, Ralph and Mil-



Kelsi Marie Ivanoff



Photo courtesy of Jamie Ahkinga **HEAVY SNOW**—The aftermath is seen at the Little Diomede National Guard Army facility after the roof caved in due to heavy snow in the early evening of May 12. No one was injured in the incident.

lie Ivanoff of Unalakleet, and Bernard and Fe Schwind of Hawaii.

Nickels to join NSEDC **Education Foundation**

Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. has hired Barb Nickels as the President and Executive Director of its education foundation.

The NSEDC Education Foundation Board of Directors announced Nickels' selection May 14. Nickels, a member of the Nome Board of Education, previously worked at Kawerak Inc. as its Director of Community Planning and Develop-

She is to begin her tenure with the foundation on June 15.

The foundation is a nonprofit corporation established solely to provide education opportunities for residents of the Norton Sound region, according to a press release issued by the foundation.

Nome Sportsman's Association on target

A new association has been formed in support of a community shooting range for Nome.

The Nome Sportsman's Association held its first meeting April 28, electing officers and initiating several projects. The association lists its purpose as operating a safe shooting facility for use by its members, other organizations deemed appropriate and the general public. The group also plans to offer firearms training to promote proper handling and

Steve Smith will head the group as president. Other board members are vice president Jeff Darling, secretary Lauri Harlan, treasurer Bruce Klein, Howard Apple, Tok Tozier, Brian Hensley and Keith Conger. Stan Piscoya has been appointed range manger.

Membership in the organization is open to anyone who is not prohibited by current law from owning a

The association's next meeting is scheduled for May 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the National Guard Armory.

Skate park lands Tony Hawk **Foundation grant**

The Golden Beach Skaters, the group working to establish a skate park for Nome, has been awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Tony Hawk Foundation.

According to skate park backer Kendra Nichols, the funds will go toward the pouring of concrete or laying of asphalt for the skate park's foundation surface. "We're getting close to the amount we need," Nichols said.

Last year the park got its start with the arrival of ramps and other equipment, which are now just waiting for solid ground on which to sit, so skaters can use them. Skater and bikers-both young and old-got a taste of what's to come late last sum-

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Photo by Nancy McGuire

BACK FOR A VISIT—Rev Gene Morrell and his wife Merrilee have returned to Nome for a visit. The Rev. Morrell was pastor of the Nazarene church in Nome from 1963-1969. They are returned after 37 years in the ministry and now reside in Bend, Oregon. They commented that Nome now has many more buildings and paved streets.



Photo by Debbie Karp

CONGRATULATIONS - Donna Morgan with her granddaughter named named the same. Donna recently graduated from Dimond High school in Anchorage. She is the daughter of Bruce and Linda Morgan. Donna is the 8th of Donna's grandchildren to graduate from highschool so far! Grandma Donna is also a great-grandma!

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strings to get them off the hook. There

is a lesson to be

An opportunity

come again. A

coworker's pride

gets in the way of a

project. Take up the matter with the

resurfaces. Seize it,

Pisces. It will not

learned.



TAURUS

GEMINI

June 21

You will have to move quickly to get things done. A sweet surprise puts you on cloud nine.

make it happen!

Chaos strikes at

home, but not to

worry, Gemini. You

will get through it

with finesse. Your

ise a little boost. A





LEO

July 23– August 22



work, and you

Home improvement plans spiraling out of control, Leo? Relax. Help will come from an unlikely source. A new source of

income develops.

Virgo. That's how

the week goes for

Use it to your

advantage.







crisis passes. Invite them over for a little celebration, Libra. news from home motivates you to help out another. A phone call

A friend's health

October 22

Drat, Scorpio.
Transportation issues continue. Think outside of the box, and the perfect solution will emerge. Reaching a financial goal requires careful planning.

October 23-November 21

an end, Sagittarius, and the accolades are all yours. The bright blooms of spring remind you that the time has come to



August 23-September 22

you. A financial endeavor pays off. and a road trip

November 22-December 21

SAGITTARIUS tackle a repair at

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More All Around the Sound

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mer when the equipment was brought out for a test run at a skate

"If we can't get the foundation laid, we need to at least have another skate night," Nichols said. "I know kids are getting anxious."

Mayor Michels breaks the bubbly

Nome Mayor Denise Michels was recently on hand in Seward to christen Crowley's newest tug, the *Nachik*.

The *Nachik*, which means "hair seal" in Inupiaq, will serve Western Alaska and is designed to operate in

shallow waters. It will soon be joined by a sister vessel, the *Sesok*. The 1,362-horsepower tugs are designed for both ocean towing and barge handling. The crafts feature

raised pilothouses.

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The boats were jointly designed by Crowley and Diversified Marine.

Saying it Sincerely

By Rev. David Elmore from Community United Methodist Church for the Nome Ministerial Association

"Being God's Friend" Reference: John 15: 9 – 17

In order to understand this passage, we need understand what the original audience of John's Gospel thought when they read this passage. Jewish culture during Jesus' time was impacted by its contact with the Roman Empire and Greek Culture. So we must understand the Greek concept of friendship based on the teachings of Aristotle.

Aristotle defined three types of friendship. The first kind of friend, according to Aristotle, is that which is useful to us. A second type of friend according to Aristotle is that which we cultivate because we enjoy the friendship. A final type of friend, the best kind, according to Aristotle, is that sort of friend made for the sake of friendship. This type of friendship is rare because it requires a level of presence and commitment that we can't afford to make with everyone or we would stretch ourselves too thin.

Aristotle further states that "a friend is another self." What this means is friends begin to take on the characteristics of one another – both good and bad. Saint Thomas Aquinas offered his take on Aristotle's idea by saying that one of the goals of the Christian life was to "become friends with God." And by becoming friends with God, we have the ultimate model in the Trinity. The Trinity helps us to understand what love truly is. It allows us to see that love is concerned with one another just as the three persons are concerned about one another.

Our passage from John today gives us some guidance on how we become friends of God. First is that we are no longer servants, but friends of God. Second is that we are appointed by God to go bear fruit. And finally, we are to love one another. Being friends with God is transformative. In being friends with one another, we are transformed by God's love, by God's peace, that we become more and more like God – we become friends with God, we are perfected in Love.

Those hearing this message of John's Gospel had been kicked out of the synagogues. How could God speak of joy amidst this situation? Today, in our situation in Nome, how can we speak of joy as well? There are some in our community who make their money off of the dependence of others on intoxicants. And there are many in our community who are affected by this – either through dependence or by being children or family of those who are trapped in this cycle of dependence. I've seen too many children having to take care of adults in this community. Yet God speaks of our joy being complete.

And what must we do? We are to form a fellowship with God – read the scriptures, engage in prayer, and practice works of mercy. These are things we all know to do, but we may have trouble doing. We are to help all God's people see they are children of God. But we can do more . . . what other opportunities are waiting for us to pursue as friends of God?



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HONORED ELDER—Dan Karmun is joined by his wife, Ethel,
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Trooper Beat

On April 8, Shaktoolik VPSO Lucas Stotts took reports of items being stolen from residences in the village. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is continuing.

During the week of May 4, 2009, the following During the week of May 4, 2009, the rollowing individuals were contacted and issued citations by the Alaska Wildlife Troopers in Nome for Failure to Return RM840 Moose Hunt Reports, which were due by September 30, 2008; Michael Hahn, Troy Miller, Reese Madden, Thomas Noyakuk, Margaret Gandia, William Parnell, and Danny Aukon. As of the time the citations were issued, the permits had still not been returned. mits had still not been returned

On May 11, at 9:32 a.m., AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Gambell. Subport of a cornesic disturbative in Cambell. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Fabian Ungott, 29, of Gambell. Ungott was charged with Assault III, Assault IV, Misconduct Involving Weapons IV, and Interfering with a Report of a Crime Involving Domestic Violence. Ungott was remanded to AMCC.

On May 11, at 1:00 p.m., Village Public Safety ficer John Peratrovich received a report of a do-

mestic disturbance in Savoonga. Kenneth Noongwook, 18, of Savoonga, was subsequently arrested for Assault III. Noongwook was remanded

On May 11, Nome Alaska Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Enforcement contacted Nicolas Tyler Bliss, 19, of Fairbanks, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, one16oz bottle of alcohol was removed from his luggage. Bliss was headed to the dry village of Savoonga. Charges will be forwarded to Office of Special Prosecutions and Anneals

On May 13, Unalakleet AST received informa-tion of a possible probation violation in St. Michael. AST investigation is continuing to determine if the person's probation was violated.

On May 15, at approximately 6:10 a.m., VPSO On May 1s, at approximately 5:10 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich received a report of a domestic disturbance in Savoonga. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Orlan Wongittilin, 33, of Savoonga, for Felony Probation Vlolation and Assault IV. Wongittilin was remanded to AMCC. On May 16, at 2:00 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich received a report of an intoxicated minor in Savoonga. John Toolle, 20, of Savoonga, was subsequently charged with Probation Violation and Minor Consuming Alcohol.

On May 16, at 6:00 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich received a report of an intoxicated minor in Savoonga. Scott Slwooko, 19, of Gambell, was subsequently charged with Minor Consuming Alcohol.

On May 16, at 6:30 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich received a report of an injured ATV driver in Savoonga. Robin Kogassagoon, 18, of Savoonga, was subsequently charged with Minor Consuming Alcohol. Kogassagoon was transported to the Savoonga Clinic for treatment of his injuries.

On May 16, at 1:10 p.m., AST arrested Charles Okpealuk, 41 of Teller, for Probation Violation and Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance VI. Okpealuk was remanded to AMCC.

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Daniel Walluk, DOB: 11/5/58, was arrested and Danier Walluk, Dob. 1179,59, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Driving under the Influence and Driving without a License.

Jerry Iyapana, DOB: 10/25/71, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree, Domestic Violence.

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Florence Ahkinga, DOB: 5/24/84, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Disorderly Conduct. Frederick Driggs, DOB: 2/2/88, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault Third Degree. Richard Pyles, DOB: 9/16/62, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the Fourth Degree.

Joshua Brock, DOB: 10/11/92, received a citation for Driving an Off Road Vehicle on the Hwy. Richard Pyles DOB: 9/16/62 was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Re

David Hopper, DOB: 12/20/63, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of

Probation.
Johnny Weyiouanna, DOB: 12/14/72, was arested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Frederick Larsen, DOB: 9/6/85, was arrested and booked into AMCC on a felony arrest warrant.

Megan Topkok, DOB: 9/28/88, was arrested and

booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation and Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol. Anthony Fernandez, DOB: 4/28/80, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Con-

Curtis Williams, DOB: 3/22/78, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Harassment in the First Degree and Disorderly Conduct.

During this reporting period, we had five persons transported to the hospital for a Title 47 Protective Custody Hold.

Nicholas Anasogak, DOB: 12/29/75, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

Legals

gree, Domestic Violence

INVITATION TO BID SUB/SUPPLIER BIDS REQUESTED FOR: New Norton Sound Regional Hospital Nome, Alaska - Sol. #09-102-SOL-00003

BIDS DUE: May 27, 2009 @ 3:00pm SUBMIT BIDS TO: Bering Straits Development Co./ Neeser Con-

struction, Inc. JV struction, inc. JV Attn: George Tuckness 2501 Blueberry Rd, Anchorage, AK 99503 Phone: 907-276-1058 Fax: 907-276-8533 george@neeserinc.com

We are an Equal Opportunity Employerand requests bids from Small Businesses

American Indian/Alaska Native Firms, Small Disadvantaged Business Firms, HUB-Zone Firms, Women-Owned Firms, Veteran-Owned Firms, & Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Firms

> SUB/SUPPLIER BIDS REQUESTED Norton Sound Regional Hospital Nome, Alaska 09-I02-SOL-00003

All Sub and Supplier Quotes Due by: Thursday May 28, 2009 @ Noon (AKST) Scope letters and expressions of interest should be faxed by May 25, 2009.

Kiewit Building Group Inc 1577 C Street, Suite 101 Anchorage, AK 99501

Phone: 907-222-9350 Fax: 907-222-9380

We are an Equal Opportunity Employer and request subcontractor and supplier quotes from all interested small business concerns (incl. ANCs and Indian Tribe), including Veteran-Owned, Serv-Disadvantaged, and Woman-Owned enterprises.

Preference will be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned economic enterprises.

Notice to Bid

Notice to Bid

Nome Public Schools is accepting bids for

Nome-Beltz Standby Transfer Switch and
Equipment Project. The closing of this bid invitation will be Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at 4:00p.

Questions regarding this bid may be directed to the office of the Maintenance Director at 443-

Request for Proposals

The Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) is requesting qualified per-sons and companies to propose supervisory, electrical and plumbing services along with incidental equipment and installation for completion of vertical wind turbine projects in Nome and Unalakleet, Alaska. Proposals may be for both in-

To obtain a copy of the request for proposals, please contact Tiffany Martinson, Community Benefits Director, at (907) 443-2477 or by email at tiffany@nsedc.com.

Bid closure: Friday, May 29, 2009 at 4 p.m.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
F-14908-B and F-14908-C
Alaska Native Claims Selection
ACTION: Notice of decision approving lands for

conveyance SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving the surface estate in certain lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Sitnasuak Native Corporation. The lands are in the vicinity of Nome, Alaska, and are located in Kateel River Meridian, Alaska

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Looking for a new best friend or new family member?

Grubby found a family! Grubby's friends are waiting for you at the shelter, come and see who is available for adoption!



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

Check out the Nome Nugget online! www.nomenugget.net

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pened in Nome happen to your community! Keep in mind that the pollution to our waters happened during the construction phase of Rock Creek Mine. As of today Rock Creek Mine is not producing gold and is not

• More Legals

continued from page 15 T. 11 S., R. 32 W., Secs. 6 and 7; Secs. 18 and 32.
Containing 2,317.16 acres.
T. 9 S., R. 33 W.,
Sec. 35.

Containing 640 acres T. 9 S., R. 34 W., Secs. 29 and 32. Containing 1,280 acres. T. 10 S., R. 34 W., Secs. 5, 8, and 17 Containing 1,852.78 acres T. 9 S., R. 35 W., Secs. 6, 7, and 18. Containing approximately 350 acres. T. 9 S., R. 36 W. Secs. 12 and 13; Secs. 24 and 25.

Containing approximately 630 acres.
Aggregating approximately 7,069 acres.
The subsurface estate in these lands will be conveyed to Bering Straits Native Corporation when the surface estate is conveyed to Sitnasuak Native Corporation.

Notice of the decision was published in the Fed-

Notice of the decision was published in the Feb-eral Register on May 15, 2009.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:
1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the de-cision shall have until June 15, 2009 Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance

employing local peoples at the level that the company promised. Their rock crusher didn't work on the type of gold bearing ore that is found at the site. Poor planning on the company's part is to blame, not the weather or the valid concerns of the community of Nome that were

with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their

rights. ADDRESS: A copy of this decision may be ob-Bureau of Land Management

Bureau of Land Management Alaska State Office 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13 Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: The Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907-271-5960, or by e-mail at ak blm conveyance@ak.blm.gov. Eileen Ford

Land Transfer Resolution Specialist Land Transfer Adjudication II

Copy furnished to Public Information Center (954C) 5/21-28;6/4-11

SUB/SUPPLIER BIDS REQUESTED FOR: New Norton Sound Regional Hospital in Nome, Alaska; Solicitation Number: 09-102-SOL-0003. SUBMIT BIDS TO: SKW/Eskimos, Inc. Attr.: John Golick, 3900 C St., Ste 301 Anchorage, AK 99503, Phone: 907-339-6700 Fax: 907-339-6755 no later han 5:00PM, May 26. SKW is an Equal Opportunity Employer and solicits pricing from all Indianowned economic enterprises, DBEs, Small and Minority Firms, Women's Business Enterprises, HUBZone-owned Small Businesses, and Service-disabled Veteran-owned Small Businesses for Subcepts (Specification). Subcontractors/Suppliers.

Trooper Beat

On April 8, Shaktoolik VPSO Lucas Stotts took reports of items being stolen from residences in the village. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is continuing.

During the week of May 4, 2009, the following individuals were contacted and issued citations by the Alaska Wildlife Troopers in Nome for Failure to Return RM840 Moose Hunt Reports, which were due by September 30, 2008; Michael Hahn, Troy Miller, Reese Madden, Thomas Novakuk Margaret Gandia, William Parnell, and Danny Aukon. As of the time the citations were issued, the permits had still not been returned.

On May 11, at 9:32 a.m., AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Gambell. Subport of a comestic disturbance in Gambell. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Fabian Ungott, 29, of Gambell. Ungott was charged with Assault III, Assault IIV, Misconduct Involving Weapons IV, and Interfering with a Report of a Crime Involving Domestic Violence. Ungott was remanded to AMCC.

On May 11, at 1:00 p.m., Village Public Safety Officer John Peratrovich received a report of a domestic disturbance in Savoonga. Kenneth Noongwook, 18, of Savoonga, was subsequently arrested for Assault III. Noongwook was remanded to the AMCC.

On May 11, Nome Alaska Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Enforcement contacted Nicolas Tyler Bliss, 19, of Fairbanks, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, one16oz bottle of alcohol was removed from his luggage. Bliss was headed to the dry village of Savoonga. Charges will be forwarded to Office of Special Prosecutions

Savoonga, for Felony Probation Violation and Assault IV. Wongittilin was remanded to AMCC.

On May 16, at 2:00 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich received a report of an intoxicated minor in Savoonga. John Toolle, 20, of Savoonga, was subsequently charged with Probation Violation and Minor Consuming Alcohol.

On May 16, at 6:00 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich received a report of an intoxicated minor in Savoonga. Scott Slwooko, 19, of Gambell, was subsequently charged with Minor Consuming Al-

On May 16, at 6:30 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich re-ceded a report of an injured ATV driver in Savoonga, Robin Kogassagoon, 18, of Savoonga, was subsequently charged with Minor Consuming Alcohol. Kogassagoon was transported to the Savoonga Clinic for treatment of his injuries.

On May 13, Unalakleet AST received information of a possible probation violation in St. Michael. AST investigation is continuing to determine if the person's probation was violated.

On May 15, at approximately 6:10 a.m., VPSO Peratrovich received a report of a domestic disturbance in Savoonga. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Orlan Wongittilin, 33, of

Okpealuk, 41 of Teller, for Probation Violation and Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance VI. Okpealuk was remanded to AMCC.

Native Village of Shaktoolik

SOLICITATION NOTICE RFP-NVOS-09-CPA-01 NATIVE VILLAGE OF SHAKTOOLIK (NVOS) CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT (CPA) SERVICES CONTRACT

AUDIT-BOOKREVIEW

NVOS intends to enter into a contract for professional CPA services for the auditing requirements of the Single Audit

The successful firm will act as NVOS's Project Technical Representative to provide professional service to evaluate compliance with the Single Audit Act requirements; Prepare the annual audit report with government auditing standards (GAGAS); Determine whether the financial statements and schedules of expenditures of Federal awards are presented fairly; Follow up on prior year audit findings; Designate auditee as low risk, if applicable.

The solicitation package will be available for distribution by mail, fax, or e-mail, beginning MAY 6, 2009. Responses must be submitted in the format specified in the solicitation, and must be received no later than 5 p.m. on MAY 27, 2009

Requests for solicitation documents must be directed to Karlene Sagoonick, Tribal Coordinator

> Native Village of Shaktoolik P.O. Box 100 Shaktoolik, AK 99771 ksagoonick@kawerak.org (907) 955-3701 phone (907) 955-2352

brought to the attention of the Alaska State government, the City of Nome, and Alaska Gold Company/Nova

Gold Inc.

Right now we are awaiting news of how the Tailings Storage Facility at Rock Creek is being dealt with be-

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• More Employment

Kawerak Administration Division- Recruitment Notice – for TWO WEEKS from May 18 closing date is June 2 at close of business. DEPARTMENT: Administration

JOB TITLE: Beringia Museum Culture and Science Project Director
POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time LOCATION: Nome, Alaska EXEMPT STATUS: Non Exempt

PAY SCALE GRADE:16 - 17 - 18 - 19 (\$27.91-

38.64)DOE REPORTS TO: Senior Planner QUALIFICATIONS:

I) Four years of planning experience or college education on a year for year basis in museum/cultural center studies and/or cultural documentation. 2) Effective writing, budgeting, research and communication skills.

3) Experience with complex projects with construction involved.

4) Experience in fundraising from the private sec-Typerforce including individuals, foundations, corporations and major donors.

S) Knowledge of public process, design and con-

6) Knowledge of the Bering Strait Region people and history highly desirable.
7) Ability to work well with others and under pres-

sure.
8) Strong computer skills using Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point & data base systems.

9) Must be willing to travel extensively to villages

and outside the region.

Native Preference per Public Law 93-638.

Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231.

Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's active that the properties of the

website at www.kawerak.org or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to personnel@kawerak.org. Thank you. 5/21-28

Kawerak Community Services Division Recruitment Notice – for TWO WEEKS from May 18 closing date is June 2 at close of business.

DIVISION: Community Services
DEPARTMENT:Community Planning & Develop-

ment
JOB TITLE: Program Director
POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full-Time
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 14-17(\$24.80-34.33) DOE REPORTS TO: Vice President - Community Serv-

QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelors Degree in Rural Development, Economics, Public Administration, Business Management or related field. Supervisory work experience in directly related fields may be substituted for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.

2.Minimum two years supervisory and program implementation and management experience.

3. Must have strong oral and written communica-S. wits have storing that and whiter commitmited tion skills, organizational and budgeting skills;
 4. Knowledge of contemporary issues and current trends, law, policies and program of interest or otherwise affecting community development and tribal governments.

Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to

work with minimum supervision; 6.Must possess computer skills in Windows, Mio. Must possess computer skins in windows, windows, word and Excel, e-mail and Internet usage. Also, prefer Microsoft Power Point skills; 7. Must be willing to travel extensively;

8. Prefer knowledge of the Bering Straits Region

and its people; Native Preference per Public Law 93-638

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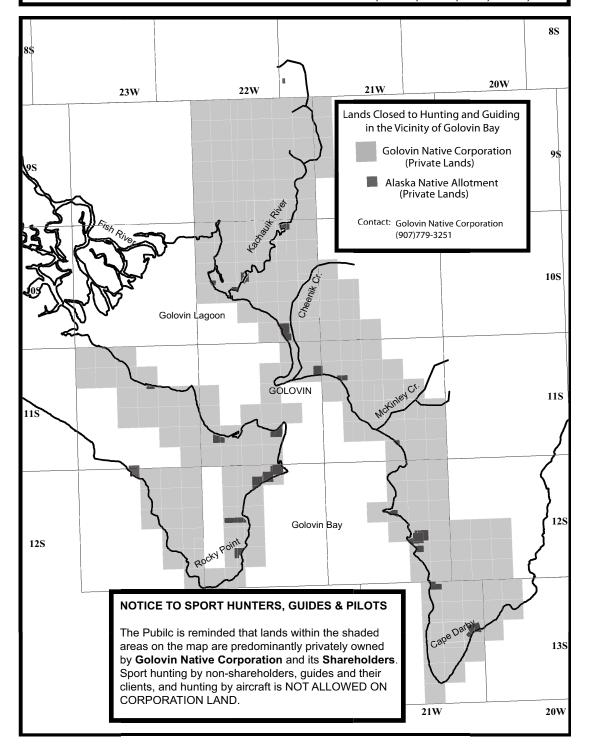
Notice of Koyuk **Native Corporation** (KNC) Shareholders **Annual Meeting**



PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the KNC Annual Shareholders Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 30, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at the Koyuk Community Hall for the following purposes:

Election of (3) Board of Directors & and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, 5/21



Obituary



Martha G. Craft

Martha G. Craft

Soldotna resident Martha G. Craft, 87, died Monday, May 11, 2009 at Central Peninsula Hospital in Soldotna. Her ashes will be buried at the Nome Cemetery in

Mrs. Craft was born December 15, 1921 to James Crawford and Sadie May (Kane) Gum in Cass, W. Virginia. She attended high school and furthered her education by attending clerical school in West Virginia. Mrs. Craft moved to Annette Island in 1949 and then to Nome in 1950. While in Nome, she worked for the Miners and Merchants Bank as a cashier.

In 1968 she moved back to West Virginia where she worked for Davis Electrical in Elkins, WV until she retired. Mrs. Craft moved to Soldotna in 2005 where she resided until her death. She was a member of the Beta Sigma Phi in Nome and WV. Nome Women's Club where she was appointed to the Alaska Commission on the status of Women in 1966 by Gov. Bill Egan and again in 1967 by Gov. Walter Hickel. Martha enjoyed knitting; she won many ribbons at the West Virginia State Fair. She also loved gardening, canning her fruits and vegetables and playing

The family wrote, "She was instrumental in starting the hot lunch program in the public school in Nome. She volunteered at Davis, Memorial Hospital in Elkins, WV

and was named volunteer of the year

She was preceded in death by her son, David Craft; parents; and sister, Margaret Francher.

She is survived by her son Joel Craft Sr. and his wife Esther, of Soldotna; sister, Virginia McCauley and her husband Jack, of Maryland; granddaughters, Annette Burcham and her husband Aaron, of Soldotna

and Martha Ellington and her husband Michael, of Nome; grandsons, Roy Craft of Anchorage and Joel Craft Jr. and his wife Michelle, of Nome; great-grandchildren, Aiden Craft, Whitney Burcham, McKinna Craft, Danika Craft, Colton Godfrey, Koryne Godfrey, Madison Ellington, Carly Ellington; and many nieces and nephews.



ON THE MOVE - Outsiders' shop heads to new location near the intersection of the Nome Bypass Road (Seventh Ave.) and the Teller High-

Photo by by Nikolai Ivanoff

way. Q Trucking is giving a lift.

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workers decide how they want to form a union.

It's time to pass labor law reform that will stop employers who break the law with threats and illegal firings. We need to create incentives for workers and their employers to come together and negotiate meaningful contracts in a timely manner.

In many instances, unions and employers at hundreds of successful businesses have come together to form constructive relationships. Unions and businesses have worked together to train workers in new skills, preparing them for the kinds of jobs that will get this economy running again. Union workforces are more stable, with less turnover and fewer retraining costs.

These cooperative relationships help local communities prosper. True wealth isn't built on top of reckless speculation. It takes the efforts of working people and responsible business owners to achieve long-term sustainability. That's what the American dream has always been about, and it's time for us to make that dream a reality once more.

Vince Beltrami is President of the Alaska AFL-CIO

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cause it was not designed to hold water, only tailings from the mine. This TSF was built at the bottom of a downhill slope. Heavy snowfall collects uphill and inside the TSF, so when the spring thaw hits it turns into a big lake full of toxins. Per the Plan of Operations a Water Treatment Plant and Injection Wells are supposed to be up and running to keep the TSF from being overloaded with excess water. The WTP is not operational and I'm not sure what is happening with the injection wells. So, right now water is collecting behind walls of dirt with liners that were not designed to hold a lot of water. I hate to think what will happen to the Snake River Valley should those walls not hold.

Rock Creek Mine was permitted by our government. Now we are dealing with the consequences. I don't think it is too much to ask for tighter constraints on mining companies to provide valid, specific, safe plans of operation that show best management practices and a solid foundation for any mine that will be constructed in our state. Get it straight before you build it!

Thank you, Karen McLane Nome, AK

Dear Editor:

Another child has been killed by one of the local cab drivers. How many more times or how many more mothers and fathers will have to suffer such a loss or suffer the pain of one of their children being injured due to the lack of control and negligent behavior behind the wheel of a vehicle in Nome, another cab in this incident? How many more will it take before this community takes a stand to demand some accountability here?

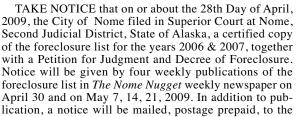
How many of you could add your own harrowing story, hopefully not as severe as the one just created by this same cab company? Would it include things like this: slamming on

brakes directly in front of you, turning without signaling, cutting through yards, cutting corners, (My own nephew was hit in his yard. A cab cutting a corner hit him. He lived) pulling out in front of you like a bat-out-of-hell? Rules of the road don't apply here. They have an attitude, like somehow they are exempt? Is that \$4 fare so urgent that your life, my life, can be put at risk with not so much as even thank you or" kiss my

It is early spring and along with it comes clusters of little kids playing. Which one? Is YOUR kid out there? I don't have little kids but on occasion I am a pedestrian! I've heard all the excuses, I've heard all reasons like "it was an accident," things happen "," only God knows why. " Well, which one wasn't. Let's do something Nome.

Toni Ellingworth Nome, AK

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE for the Year 2009, listing Delinquent Real Property Taxes for the **Years 2006 & 2007.**



last-known owner of the property as their name appears on the foreclosure list.

During the time of publication of the foreclosure list, and up to the expiration of the statutory period for redemption, the property listed on the foreclosure list may be redeemed by payment in full for all taxes, penalties, and interest due and owing on the parcel(s) sought to be redeemed together with payment for a proportionate share of the costs of foreclosure, including but not limited to, the costs of publication, mailing, and attorney's fees.

The foreclosure list is available for public inspection at the Clerk's Office in City Hall, Nome, Alaska, at 102 Division Street, Nome, Alaska 99762. PAYMENT IN FULL OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT SHOWN ON THE FORECLOSURE LIST PLUS INTEREST, PENALTIES, AND A PROPOR-TIONATE SHARE OF THE COSTS OF FORECLOSURE MUST BE MADE BEFORE ANY PROPERTY WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE FORECLOSURE LIST.

CITY OF NOME, ALASKA 2006-2007 FORECLOSURE LIST

OWNER OF RECORD	TAX LOT #	LEGAL	2006 TAX	2007 TAX	ΡΕΝΔΙ ΤΥ	INTEREST*	GRAND TOTAL**
OWNER OF RECORD	TAX LOT #	LEGAL	177	177	LIVALII	INTEREST	TOTAL
Apok, Martha (Estate) c/o Sharla Pate	001.121.31	South ½ of Lot 12, B 48 NT		814.00	65.12	115.08	994.20
Aukon, Danny Wayne Jr. & Barbara Lee	001.151.02A	Lot 13A, B 31 NT	685.30	685.30	109.65	248.44	1728.69
Ayek, Mary (Estate) c/o Sylvester Ayek	001.121.02	Lot 2, B 46 NT	1009.84			73.71	1083.55
The Cooperative Small Boat Fishermans Association of Alaska	001.411.24	Lot 49, B 57 NT		372.22	2	0.98	373.20
Eaton, Mike, Gloria & Lorriane	001.281.64	Lot 25A, B 27 Official plat 83-22 of U.S. Survey 451	596.20	596.20	95.39	216.14	1503.93
Eberl, Hatto H.	001.119.06	Lot 6, B 119 NT		333.30	26.66	47.12	407.08
Eberl, Hatto	001.221.08	L 4A and the Westerly 14 feet of Lot 5A, B 92 NT	193.60	193.60	30.98	70.19	488.37
Eberl, Hatto	001.221.08A	Lot 5A, B 92 NT	1059.30	1059.30	169.49	384.03	2672.12
Eberl, Hatto	001.241.31A	Lot 8A, B 30 of the replat of Lots 5,6,7,8,9 & N.1/2 of L10 excepting the East 25', NT		1538.90	123.11	217.56	1879.57
Hager, John & Tina	198.2.181	Lot 4A Flat Creek Subdivision	1773.20	1773.20	283.71	642.83	4472.94
Halladay, Duffy	001.231.28	North 65' of the South 97' of Lot 1, B 65 NT		650.10	52.01	91.91	794.02
Hoogendorn, Betty Ann	198.2.250	Section 24 MS # 1120 East Bench Placer		2788.50	223.08	394.21	3405.79
Kakik, Sam & Zarcone, Beatrice Lee,	001.311.15	West ½ of Lot 11 & all of Lot 12, B 96 NT	1083.50	1083.50	173.36	392.80	2733.16
Luce, Robert	001.111.16	Lot 6, B 69 NT	1656.60	1656.60	265.06	600.56	4178.82
Merkouris, John & My Quyen	001.281.39	North 46' of Lot 16, B 25 NT	397.78	695.20	55.62	127.75	1276.35
Milligrock, Lydia	198.2.464	Lot 6, B 14, Icy View Subdivision	1443.46	2054.80	164.39	373.24	4035.89
Mogg, Gloria J.	001.311.16	L 9,10,11(E 1/2) B 96 NT		577.50	46.20	81.65	705.35
Oleson, Joleen D.	001.281.23	East 20' of Lot 1, B 26 NT	256.85	513.70	61.64	83.16	915.35
Trigg, Clarence	001.161.25	L 29 & 30 (L 30 exc W 3'), B 66 NT	838.20	838.20	134.11	304.02	2114.53

*Interest for this total is computed as of April 21, 2009. Additional interest at eight percent (8%) per year on the tax due continues to accrue until paid in full. **In addition, each property or owner must pay its proportionate costs of foreclosure, including but not limited to attorney fees, court costs, costs of notice and publication, and costs of mailing. The costs must be paid before the property may be removed from the foreclosure list. I certify that I am the City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Nome, Alaska and that the foregoing foreclosure list is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ Sandy Sturgis-Babcock, City Clerk/Treasurer

/s/ Joelene M. Kacena Notary Public, My Commission expires: 3/29/13

THIS LIST IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA, AT 102 DIVISION STREET, NOME, ALASKA 99762. A PETITION FOR JUDGMENT AND DECREE OF FORECLOSURE HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE SUPERIOR COURT IN NOME, ALASKA.

Court

Week ending 5/15

Civil

Henderson Receivables Origination LLC vs. Pete, Nicholas; Structured Settlement - Superior Court

Small Claims

Credit Union 1 vs. Oxereok, Gene F.; Small Claims More than

Cornerstone Credit Services LLC vs. Noongwook, Adora; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Cornerstone Credit Services LLC vs. Olanna, Thomas S.; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Savoonga Native Store vs. Annogiyuk, Merrill et al; SC \$2500 or Less: 2 Deft. Cert Mail

Stebbins Native Store vs. Andrews, Benjamin T.; SC More Than \$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Savoonga Native Store vs. Edwards, Charles; SC More Than \$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Savoonga Native Store vs. Wongittilin, Mabelene; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Savoonga Native Store vs. Noongwook, Edwin; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Savoonga Native Store vs. Penayah, Luke; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Savoonga Native Store vs. Gologergen, Arnold; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail Savoonga Native Store vs. Kingeekuk, Melly; SC \$2500 or Less:

1 Deft. Cert Mail Savoonga Native Store vs. Pungowiyi, Martha; SC More Than

\$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail Savoonga Native Store vs. Noongwook, Valerie; SC More Than

\$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail Criminal

State of Alaska v. Nicholas Anasogak (12/29/75); 2NO-09-127CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Attempted Criminal Trespass 1°; Filed by the DAs Office 5/4/09.

State of Alaska v. Nicholas Anasogak (12/29/75); 2NO-09-177CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701359; 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. Burlene Oliver (1/23/76); Corrected Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Fourth Degree; Charge 002: Assault Fourth Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 4/30/09; Redistributed with corrected Case Number.

State of Alaska v. Valerie Henry (2/14/84); 2NO-09-74CR Count 002: Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 10/13/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001), count 3 (003); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 210 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days have been served; Credit time served 2NO-09-216CR; Forfeit alcohol to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/13/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol or controlled substances, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and war-rantless search of residence for alcohol or controlled substances; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport; Alcohol/Substance Abuse assessment

ment and aftercare. State of Alaska v. Valerie J. Henry (2/14/84); 2NO-09-216CR Count 001: Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 4/23/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: counts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, dismissed: (003-008); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Forfeit Marijuana to State; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/13/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol or controlled substances, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol or controlled substances; Alcohol/Substance Abuse assessment by 6/15/09; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare

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State of Alaska v. Valerie J. Henry (2/14/84); 2NO-09-216CR Count 002: Resisting with Arrest; Date of offense: 4/23/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: counts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/13/11, subject to the following conditions: same as count

State of Alaska v. Dannita Malewotkuk (2/18/86); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110700972; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Leonard Delie (3/12/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110125098; Violated conditions of pro-

bation; Probation extended to 5/8/10; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect. State of Alaska v. Steven C. Eckroate (4/17/52); Count 001: Sal-

vage Of Game Meat/Furs/Hides-Edible Meat Taken; Date of offense: 1/4/09; The following charge was dismissed: Count 002: Take Cow Musk Ox During Closed Season; Date of offense: 1/4/09; 45 days, 45 days suspended; Fined \$2,500 with \$1,000 suspended; Any unsuspended amount is to be paid within 2 years; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 to be paid within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; License Actions: hunting license revoked until 5/7/12; Restitution: pay restitution in the amount of \$3,000 to the SOA pursuant to statute; Other: The following item is forfeited to the State: Equipment used in or in aid of the violation: snowmobile and rifle; seized items may be bought back/redeemed by payment of \$1,000 for the snowmobile and \$500 for the rifle; Probation: 5 years (date of Judgment: 5/7/09); Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no similar violations of law during the probation period.

State of Alaska v. Anthony Gandia; Order Modify Probation; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the probation conditions regarding alcohol in this case is modified as follows: Defendant shall not possess or consume alcohol nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store, with the exception that he may be on the premises of the Polar Bar/Liquor in conjunction with his employment as cook at the Polar Cub Restaurant; Defendant is subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol; DATED AT NOME, ALASKA This 14th day of May 2009, BEN ESCH, Superior Court Judge.

State of Alaska v. Reginald W. Lockwood (8/28/53); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110126637; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, shall report to AMCC by 7/1/09; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Wade Daniels (10/6/82); 2NO-08-559CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110826135; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time, remanded into cus-

State of Alaska v. Wade Daniels (10/6/82); 2NO-08-628CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110826225; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time, remanded into cus-

State of Alaska v. Wade E. Daniels (10/6/82); 2NO-09-228CR Assault 4° DV; Date of offense: 4/28/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 12 months, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 12 months shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-08-559CR and 2NO-08-628CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days

State of Alaska v. Vanessa Kost (1/19/89); Dismissal; Assault 4°,

charge number 1; Filed by the DAs Office 5/15/09. State of Alaska v. April M. James (3/30/63); Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 11/3/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 160 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 4pm, 5/15/09; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence; Fine: \$3,000 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$3,000 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 5/15/12; Forfeit alcohol; cash, yeast to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/15/14; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in dry or damp community, nor have alcohol in her residence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol in a dry or damp community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to dry/damp community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Tenadore Oozeva (6/22/75); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110826666; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 60 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of pro-bation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Don McClain (7/1/49); Count 2: Assault 4° DV; Date of offense: 3/30/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); 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: \$50 shall be paid through this court within

State of Alaska v. Marie Ningealook (9/6/79); Order Suspending Imposition of Sentence and Providing for Probation; Count 001: Theft 2°; Date of offense: 1/14/08; Defendant came before court 5/11/09 with counsel. Michele Murphy. Public Defender. and John Earthman, DA present; It appearing to the satisfaction of this court that the ends of justice and the best interests of the public, as well as the defendant, will be served thereby, IT IS ORDERED that the sentencing of the defendant is suspended for a period of 5 years and the defendant is placed on probation to the DOC under the conditions of probation listed below; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant pay

restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and that defendant apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend every vear in which defendant is a resident eligible for a dividend until the restitution is paid in full; The Restitution Judgment will continue to be civilly enforceable after the period of probation expires and after any set-aside of the conviction in this case; Criminal Rule 32.6(i); Police Training Surcharge: IT IS OR-DERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$100 to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Second Jail Surcharge: \$100 if probation revoked and, in connection with revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); Special Condition of Probation – Imprisonment: 90 days, shall report to AMCC by 6pm on 5/11/09; This Court recommends service of time at Seaside Community Residential Center; General and Other Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Probation expires 5/11/14; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Rambo Hunt (5/2/89); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 001: Assault 3°; Date of offense: 12/11/08; The following charges were dismissed pursuant to Criminal rule 43(a): Count 002: Criminal Mischief 3°; Count 003: Assault 4°; Count 004: Criminal Trespass 1°; Count 005: Reckless Endangerment; Date of offenses: 12/11/08; 24 months, 16.5 months suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with defendant remanded to custody; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: \$100; Second Jail Surcharge: \$100 if probation revoked and, in connection with revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA IDENTIFICATION: ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state, and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h); Restitution: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay restitution as follows: as follows: Restitution Recipients: Andrew Foxie, Sr., \$100; Payments must be made to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; The court will also accept payments; Restitution is due immediately for civil execution purposes, unless defendant establishes a payment schedule with the Department of Law Collections Unit or, in municipal cases, with the court; If the defendant misses any required payment, the total unpaid amount becomes immediately due and civil execution may begin; Interest will accrue on the principal amount of restitution due at the rate provided in AS 09.30.070(a), currently 3.50% from: the date of this judgment (5/11/09); Defendant ordered to apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend every year in which defendant is a resident eligible for a dividend until the restitution is paid in full; IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 2 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Alvin Amaktoolik (1/29/87); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 001: Assault 3°; Date of offense: 3/26/09; The following charges were dismissed pursuant to Criminal rule 43(a): Count 002: Assault 3°; Count 003: Misconduct Involving Weapons 4°; Date of offenses: 3/26/09; 4 years, 2 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with defendant remanded to custody; This Court recommends service of time at Wildwood Correctional Center; Defendant is to be credited for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: \$100; Second Jail Surcharge: \$100 if probation revoked and, in connection with revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.041(c); DNA IDENTIFICATION: ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested to do so by a health care professional acting on behalf of the state, and to provide oral samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; AS 12.55.015(h); IT IS OR-DERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 2 years under the fol-lowing conditions: General and Special Conditions of Proba-tion set, as stated in order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Edward Kakaruk (11/25/72); Count 2: Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 3/8/09; Counts Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/14/9; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for al-

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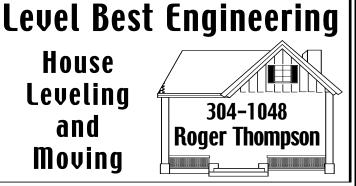


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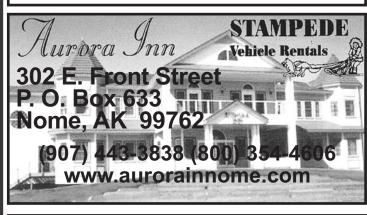
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MAKING GOOD USE OF A PUDDLE (above)—Proving there's no need for an outdoor pool in Nome, a group of girls brave the muck on a recent sunny day. Left to right are Megan Contreas, Briday Knittle, Kelsey Imminigan, Maria Pelkola, Hannah Alowa, Annalise Contreas, Jillian Stettenbenz and Hannah Kennedy.

THE DEEP END (right below)—Audra Murdock takes the plunge.

"WOOF, WOOF" MEANS "I DO"—The Nome neighborhood celebrated the wedding of Sara and Chopper. From left to right are Angalee Vaden, Jillie Stettenbenz carrying bridesmaid Pookie, Sara (the bulldog), Sarah Mostoller, Chopper (the hound) and Mollie. The wedding was held May 15 at 3 p.m. and was coordinated by Mostoller and Skylyr Ramos. The wedding program announced the bridesmaid, Pookie; maid-of-honor, Bailey; Person-who-givesaway, Jillie; bride, Sara; groom, Chopper; Preacher, Sarah; lights, Skylyr; walking bridesmaid, Mollie.



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SLAPSHOT—The Nome North Stars competed in the Labatt Blue/USA Hockey tournament April 24-26, winning their first three games. They went onto the semi-finals and lost 1-0. Pictured are (back row, left to right) Dave Tunley, Nick Klescewski, Kenny Brunette Kenny Hughes, Brian Bourdon, Wayne Christiansen, (front row, left to right) Peter Pickett, Wilson Bourdon Bill Herzner Mitch Erickson and Charlie Painter.



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DISASTER CREW—A group of Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center students helped Tom Vaden and Seiji Heck assemble nearly 100 disaster response packets for Nome and villages in the region. The packs, all identical, carry first-aid and emergency supplies. Pictured are (1 to r) Laya Dan, 17, of Stebbins; Corrina Odinzoff, 14, of Stebbins; Jessica Abessuk, 17, of Nome; Rae-Rae Olanna, 16, of Shishmaref; Tristan Seppilu, 16, of Savoonga; Sheryl Noongwook, 15, of Savoonga; and Dorothy Kava, 18, of Savoonga.



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