



Photo by Denise Olin

THEY'RE OFF—Fearless racers plunge into the Nome River Sunday for the start of the annual Bering Sea Lions Club Nome River Raft Race. For more on this year's race, see page 10.

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**TAKING THE PLUNGE** (above)—Casting aside reason, brave souls sprint into the frigid Bering Sea Saturday afternoon for the Nome Midnight Sun Festival's annual Polar Bear Swim at the East-end Beach.

**UP TO NO GOOD** (right)—Ken Shapiro displays his key to the vault, lit fuse and all, at the annual robbery at the Wells Fargo Bank on Front Street Saturday. Don't worry, the good guys foiled the robbers once again.



## Sunshine graces Nome's Midnight Sun Festival

**By Tyler Rhodes**  
Nomeites and visitors alike were likely catching their breath Monday after a sun-drenched weekend brought out hordes of revelers to a marathon of events for the annual Midnight Sun Festival.

The kids got the first crack at the festivities when the guests of the Nome Midnight Sun Folk Festival, The Great Alaska Bluegrass Band, put on a kids' dance and concert at the elementary school Friday. A few wild rounds of bluegrass musical chairs and animal songs had the kids up and dancing. The band also let the children take a strum or two of each of the instruments.

Despite the gorgeous sunshine—an element that had been in limited quantity for the last few weeks—a good showing turned out later in the evening for an indoor concert by The Great Alaska Bluegrass Band. Brought to Nome for the weekend from Juneau, the band delivered hard-charging, high-energy bluegrass tunes along with sweet harmonies

and slower songs. That first show at the elementary school and a follow-up jam session and short set at Airport Pizza later Friday evening helped build a buzz around the band, with each performance gathering larger and larger crowds.

The festival next took to the beach in the early hours of Saturday

morning. Nearly 70 runners and walkers burst off the starting line of the annual Gold Dust Dash at 8 a.m., tackling the 4-mile race along the shores of the Bering Sea (see related story on page 9).

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## Shelter in, JROTC out as city finalizes 2010 budget

**By Laurie McNicholas**  
The Nome Common Council approved a general fund municipal budget for FY2010 at a meeting Monday after adding on \$5,000 for the Nome Sportsmen's Association to develop the shooting range near Sunset Creek west of town and \$10,000 for the Nome Emergency Shelter Team to continue operation of an emergency shelter in the winter and spring of 2009-2010.

Councilman Stan Andersen introduced motions to approve the funding requests.

NEST volunteers staffed the emergency shelter for 22 nights last March and April at the Nazarene

Church when temperatures dropped to -10° F or colder. At a meeting June 8, the council declined NEST's initial request for \$10,000 in municipal funds and use of the Mini Convention Center as an emergency shelter. Council members said they wanted to see a more defined plan before committing city resources to NEST's efforts.

In response, NEST Volunteer Coordinator Abby Huggins provided the council with concrete evidence of community commitment through in-kind, volunteer, material and monetary contributions to the emergency shelter. She also prepared alternative budgets—one

based on locating the shelter in a city-owned facility such as the Mini Convention Center and the other based on renovating a building such as the food bank to house the shelter.

The council also received individually written letters of support for NEST from Sitnasuak Native Corp., Kawerak Inc., Nome Eskimo Community, King Island Native Community, Norton Sound Health Corp., Bering Straits Foundation, Nome Community Center, the Regional Wellness Forum, Nome Youth Facility, Community United Methodist Church, radio stations KICY and KNOM, the Bering Sea Women's Group,

the Elim IRA Council and Sue Steinacher. Several of the organizations have provided in-kind contributions to support NEST's efforts.

Councilwoman Mary Knodel asked whether NEST is exploring other potential locations for the shelter. Glen Parady, housing director for Nome Eskimo Community, said the team is trying to obtain information about a two-story house at 105 E. First Street that has been condemned and may be owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Parady said he became involved in NEST's

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## Mining permit snagged by multiple violations

**By Laurie McNicholas**  
Bill Angus, the City of Nome's new public works director, paid an unannounced visit June 16 to a mine at Moonlight Wells operated by Marvin Rapose, dba Nome AK Gold Concentrates (NAGC).

On Monday Angus wrote a report to City Manager Josie Bahnke citing multiple violations of a city permit to mine at the site and Rapose's failure

to correct the violations.

At a meeting Monday night, members of the Nome Common Council referred to Angus' report as they addressed a proposed resolution to issue a Moonlight Wells permit renewal to NAGC for the 2009 mining season. The mine is located in the area where Nome draws its drinking water.

As noted in the first sentence of the proposed resolution, "...the citizens

of Nome desire to protect its potable water supply including aquifers for what is commonly known as Moonlight Springs and Moonlight Wells..." Following is Angus' report of permit violations by Rapose in the Moonlight Wells Protection area, to which he attached photographs documenting the violations.

"I conducted a no-notice visit at the subject mine last Tuesday (6/16/09) to

verify compliance with the terms spelled out in the subject permit.

"I found no activity at the mine and no representatives were apparently present on-site," Angus continued. "A casual inspection revealed approximately 20 drums (55 gal) of various lubricants, approximately 30 pails (5 gal) of various lubricants, a

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Corner Office

By Jason Evans  
Our state spending is out of control

Our state has serious economic problems in our future. Even with the prospect of a new, huge gas pipeline, new taxes from large mining developments and the possibility of a personal income tax or a statewide sales tax, we are out of control in our spending.

The State of Alaska FY2009 Operating Budget which starts next month totals \$11.1 billion and includes funding for public education, university system, public health and safety, transportation and resource development. Sarah Palin said, “This administration takes its fiscal responsibility seriously.” Yeah right, this is crazy.

In FY2002, just eight short years ago, on Tony Knowles’ last state budget, the state spent a total of \$2.1 billion.

Our state has slowly built our budget to a point where it has no sustainability. We have declining oil revenue, no personal income tax, no statewide sales tax, and very limited tax revenue on mining, fishing and tourism. The outlook for our state is not good and there is nothing big enough to save us.

If we took immediate action and 1) added the taxes from a new gas pipeline, plus 2) added a sales tax AND an income tax, and 3) took away our Permanent Fund Dividend and used it for state government, we still do not have enough money to sustain this type of spending. Long-term we are still not even close to being sustainable. There is nothing out there big enough that will replace our oil revenue and yet, no one is talking about it.

To create a solution we need years of planning and discipline and that discussion needs to take place. Politicians don’t want to talk about taxes, which are political death and a sure way not to be elected. So no one is saying a word and we are going down a bad path for our state’s future.

I don’t ever want to leave Alaska, but in a few years maybe I’ll move to Hawaii. Hawaii has been a poor state for years. Maybe I’ll spend a couple years in the sun and on the beaches and learn how to deal in a state with no money and then I can move back and enjoy Alaska again.

*The Corner Office is a column written by Jason Evans, a business and financial consultant. He has extensive expertise in business and finance. He was born and raised in Nome and may be reached at [jevans@financialalaska.com](mailto:jevans@financialalaska.com).*

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

Editorial

Oil Strike

No, there has not been a big oil discovery in Nome (unless we consider all that fuel that’s still in NJU’s tanks — that super expensive stuff we purchased for the Rock Creek Mine). Since every oil supplier in the Lower-48 knows that Alaska has to make big fuel purchases every summer, they stick it to us every summer with the top dollar fuel prices.

We should fool them this year and not buy a single drop of that precious stuff. Nome probably has enough of last summer’s expensive oil to get us through another winter. If those windmills on Banner peak get cranking we might find a pleasant surprise on our utility bills. Perhaps we could purchase our fuel on futures when the price of oil drops after the last barge leaves Seattle.

We should find the cost of keeping warm will be a constant challenge. Perhaps the future Nome homes will have an array of solar tubes and panels. We need to get in gear to beat the oil profiteers. Who knows, maybe global warming will have oil tankers docking in Nome in January. Are we ready and willing to strike a change?  
— N.L.M.—

Letters

Dear Editor,  
Here is a letter I sent to the Department of Justice.

Case U.S. v Alaska Gold Company and NovaGold Resources, Inc.  
DOJ No. 90-5-1-1-09621  
Public Comment on Settlement Agreement No. 2  
Mr. Casey,  
Violation of similar state permits  
The permittee did not control off-

site water quality exceedances and allowed waste to wash away from the facility. This is in violation of the State of Alaska’s Waste Management Permit 2003-DB0051.  
The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has issued notices of violations numerous times that resulted in financial penalties to the permittee.  
This case primarily concerns approximately 414 acres of disturbed

wetland property that was estimated to be filled with 13,697,436 cubic yards (cy) during the operation of the Rock Creek Mine.  
The land-disturbing construction activities on various portions of the property resulted in violations of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act

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A Look at the Past



*Photo and History Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum*  
**IT’S MY TURN! — We have Mothers’ Day and Fathers’ Day. Why not Children’s Day? This is Nome celebrating Children’s Day on June 27, 1914 in Barracks Square on the oceanfront where the Post Office stands today. Note the U.S. Life Saving Station in the background.**

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — June 25 - July 1, 2009

Day	Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Th	06/25	01:16 a.m. LDT	-0.4	L 08:45 a.m. LDT	1.4	H 01:07 p.m. LDT	1.0	L 06:33 p.m. LDT	1.5
F	06/26	02:11 a.m. LDT	-0.5	L 09:34 a.m. LDT	1.5	H 02:23 p.m. LDT	1.0	L 07:49 p.m. LDT	1.5
Sa	06/27	03:03 a.m. LDT	-0.4	L 10:20 a.m. LDT	1.5	H 03:37 p.m. LDT	0.8	L 09:01 p.m. LDT	1.4
Su	06/28	03:53 a.m. LDT	-0.3	L 11:02 a.m. LDT	1.6	H 04:48 p.m. LDT	0.7	L 10:13 p.m. LDT	1.3
M	06/29	04:40 a.m. LDT	-0.2	L 11:42 a.m. LDT	1.6	H 05:56 p.m. LDT	0.5	L 11:27 p.m. LDT	1.2
Tu	06/30	05:26 a.m. LDT	0.0	L 12:19 p.m. LDT	1.6	H 07:00 p.m. LDT	0.4	L	
W	07/01	12:43 a.m. LDT	1.1	H 06:10 a.m. LDT	0.3	L 12:54 p.m. LDT	1.6	H 07:57 p.m. LDT	0.2

Daily variations in sea level due to local meteorological conditions cannot be predicted and may significantly effect the observed tides in this area. All times are listed in Local Standard Time (LST) or Local Daylight Time (LDT) when applicable. All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

Weather Statistics

<b>Sunrise</b>	<b>06/25/09</b>	<b>04:21 a.m.</b>	<b>High Temp</b>	<b>63° 6/19/09</b>	<b>National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391</b>
	<b>07/01/09</b>	<b>04:31 a.m.</b>	<b>Low Temp</b>	<b>40° 6/16, 17, &amp; 19/09</b>	
			<b>Peak Wind</b>	<b>28 mph, W, 6/16/09</b>	
			<b>Precip. to Date</b>	<b>6.91"</b>	
<b>Sunset</b>	<b>06/25/09</b>	<b>01:48 a.m.</b>	<b>Normal</b>	<b>4.42"</b>	
	<b>07/01/09</b>	<b>01:40 a.m.</b>			

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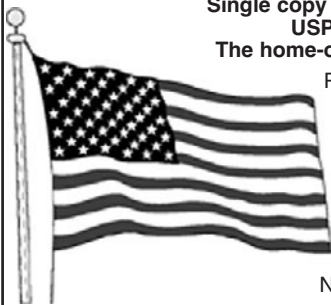
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Compiled by Diana Haecker  
**Earthquakes shake South-central, Aleutian islands**

Without much warning, except for the sudden calm and cessation of bird songs, the earth began to shake on Monday at 11:28 a.m. in South-central Alaska and along the Aleutian Islands chain. According to the Alaska Earthquake Information Center and the US Geological Survey, the initial earthquake mostly felt around the Talkeetna, Willow and Skwentna areas, registered 5.41 on the Richter scale. The shake was followed by a series of smaller aftershocks. The epicenter was located about 30 miles southwest of Talkeetna.

An even greater earthquake of magnitude 5.6 shook the Andreanof Island in the Aleutian chain at 11:55 a.m. A minute later, Southcentral felt another earth rumble with a 4.03 magnitude. The shocks were felt all the way to Soldotna, albeit weak. No damage was reported. Just as Nomeites were catching up on their sleep before the Midnight Sun festivities, the Alaska Earthquake Information Center says a magnitude 4.1 quake struck at 3:15 a.m. Saturday, June 20, about 87 miles southwest of Nome.

**U.S. court OKs dumping gold mine waste in Southeast Alaska lake**

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court has upheld a U.S. government permit to dump mining tailings from the proposed Kensington gold mine into nearby Lower Slate Lake, even though all its fish would be killed. By a 6-3 vote on Monday, the justices say a federal appeals court wrongly blocked the permit on environmental grounds. Environmentalists fear that the ruling could set a precedent for how mining waste is disposed in American lakes, streams and rivers.

The Army Corps of Engineers in 2005 issued a permit for waste disposal at the proposed underground gold mine north of Juneau. The

Southeast Conservation Council and Earthjustice sued to halt the practice, saying dumping the mine tailings in the lake would kill fish. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco blocked the permit, saying the dumping is barred by stringent Environmental Protection Agency requirements under the Clean Water Act of 1972.

This week's Supreme Court ruling gives the mine's operator, Coeur d'Alene Mining Corporation, the green light to go ahead with the mine's development. US Senator Mark Begich commented on the decision as being good for Southeast Alaska jobs and bringing clarity to a 20-year-old dispute. "It's time for the federal agencies to work with the Kensington team to move the project forward," Begich said in a statement.

Governor Sarah Palin also lauded the court's decision. "This is great news for Alaska," Palin said. "Today's ruling is a green light for responsible resource development. Kensington will produce as many as 370 well-paying jobs. We truly appreciate Coeur's tenacity in pursuing the project and its dedication to hiring Alaskans to work at the mine." The state supported Coeur's legal efforts to move the project ahead.

**Energy committee on info-gathering road trip**

House Special Committee on Energy co-chairs Bryce Edgmon, D-Dillingham, and Charisse Millett, R-Anchorage and other committee members continued their information-gathering with a visit to Fairbanks last week. The trip's insights are supposed to be used to draft a statewide energy plan, due out in time for the next legislative session starting January 2010. The committee held field meetings in Nome and Kotzebue in February, in Dillingham in March and in Bethel in May.

The Fairbanks hearing took place at the Butrovich Building on the University of Alaska Fairbanks campus with 40 people testifying on topics concerning what the state can do to help promote alternatives. The forum discussed what is needed until a natural gas pipeline is built, wind-diesel technology perfected and large-scale hydroelectric projects like the long-proposed Susitna Dam come to be realized. Also discussed was finding a way to wean the state off of expensive home heating oil, using propane to replace heating oil in rural Alaska

and other areas not connected to large-scale power grids, creating a statewide intertie instead of the current regional ones, and finding the right businesses to drive the new industry.

**Bill proposed to keep ethics complaints confidential**

House State Affairs Committee chair Bob Lynn, R-Anchorage, announced that he plans to introduce legislation in January to revise procedures for ethics complaints filed against the Executive Branch of state government. The proposed bill is in response to 15 ethics complaints filed against Governor Sarah Palin that alleged ethical misconduct ranging from wearing Arctic Cat logo wear during the start of the Iron Dog to alleged abuse of office for personal gain stemming from the Troopergate scandal, state reimbursements of questionable state travel with her children and using her office for her political action committee Sarah-PAC. A state personnel board had dismissed most complaints as having no merit. Two complaints are pending.

In regard to the Troopergate scandal, special ethics counsel Stephen Branchflower found that Palin did violate an ethics law that prohibits public officials from using office for personal gain. While ethics complaints against legislators stay confidential until found with merit, the executive branch is not guarded by similar confidentiality.

"If someone goes public with an ethics complaint against the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General or anyone in the Executive Branch before it's determined to have merit, it is not dismissed. As a result, an unsubstantiated complaint can be all over the newspaper, TV, and talk radio before it's even investigated. That's not fair. It invites frivolous complaints by people with a political agenda, wasting public money and the time of everybody involved," Lynn said.

**Corps of Engineers has new commander**

Army Corps of Engineers Colonel Kevin Wilson turned over command of the Alaska District to Colonel Reinhard Koenig in a ceremony at district headquarters on Elmendorf Air Force Base on Tuesday. Wilson,

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*COMMUNITY CALENDAR*

**June 25 - July 1, 2009**

EVENT PLACE TIME

**June is mammogram promotion month @ NSHC, 443-3227 for details or to make your appointment today!**

**Thursday, June 25**

*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 6:30 p.m.
*Audiology	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Pregnancy Mom & the Unborn video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
<b>Friends of Pilgrim mtg</b>	<b>Polar Cafe</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
*Beginning Baton with Jay	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Swing Dancing with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

**Friday, June 26**

**Dr. Ray, Orthodontist, is here for one day, call 443-2055 before today for an appt.**

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 4 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	12:05 p.m. - 12:50
*Smoking Sessation class	Prematernal Home	1 p.m.
*Pregnant Teens Taking Care video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Ruslan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

**Saturday, June 27**

*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*Celebrate Birth video	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
<b>Relay For Life Fundraiser Walk/Run</b>	<b>East End Park</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
*Close to the Heart video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	BHS Bldg. 2nd floor	8 p.m.

**Sunday, June 28**

*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*I am your Child video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*** AHFC Goal Preliminary Application Submission Deadline 4:30 p.m. ***		
*Smoking Time to Quit video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*AA: Big Book Study	HR Conf. Room, NSHC	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Monday, June 29**

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	12:05 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.
*Start out Right video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*All about Baby's video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Ruslan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Drop-in Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

**Tuesday, June 30**

*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Social Service video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*RVSV-What you should Know	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*** AHFC OEA program CHDO Intent To Apply Application Deadline 4:30 p.m. ***		
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

**Wednesday, July 1**

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	12:05 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.
*Celebrate Birth video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Nutrition Class video	Prematernal Home	3:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Ruslan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	BHS Bldg. 2nd floor	8 p.m.

**Recurring activities/events (3 or more days a week):**  
Summertime Nome Rec Center noon - 5 p.m. (M - Th)

Business/place of interest hours of operation:		
XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Tu - F)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m. (everyday)
Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (everyday)
Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m. (M - Th & Sa)

*Relay For Life is a local fundraiser, make your pledge today or walk/run on Saturday, June 27.*

Do you have a local event or activity?  
Contact Denise at 443-5235 or e-mail  
ads@nomenugget.com to have your  
event/activity listed here.

**Summertime Mon - Thur!**

Make sure your children are dressed for the weather!  
**Healthy well balance lunch at the Rec Center (old bowling alley from noon - 1 p.m., free for anyone under 18 years of age.**

Norton Sound Health Corporation



Community Calendar sponsored by Norton Sound Health Corporation, 443-3311



**We are open at 6:30 a.m. to serve breakfast, see above for menu items!**

**Breakfast menu to include, but not limited to:**

- Biscuits
- Cinnamon Rolls
- Hashbrowns
- Biscuits & gravy

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**Take Out Orders**

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# Bering Straits Development Co. gets into hot water

By Sandra L. Medearis

Crews have been off and on the roof of the Aurora Executive Suites on "D" Street several times in several weeks installing a 40-foot bracket on the east-west wing of the building. Last week they were up there again, taking advantage of sunshine and safer footing on a dry roof, putting 150 solar heat collector tubes on the bracket at an angle to aim them toward the equator.

The exercise is Bering Straits Development Co.'s latest project to collect energy available for the taking. This time the innovative company hopes to use this Apricus solar hot water system to turn the sun's heat into hot water for the apartments. Under certain circumstances, the apparatus will provide heat to the building as well as those ahhh-inspiring hot showers. The word Apricus in Latin has to do with "sunny" and "warm."

Installers hope the solar energy collectors will both save the use of fossil fuel and yield additional benefits in providing data for other alternative energy users wanting to divert a major cost of living.

"Hot water heaters typically make up 35 percent to 50 percent of a household energy bill," said Rob Bensin, electrical power administrator for the project. "The data will allow us to better judge, install and predict payback with this real-life experience in the Nome area."

How much the solar hot water system would save depends on hot water usage, the weather and the requirements of a particular system.

Bensin chose the tube system for its high efficiency after a long study of data sheets, he said.

BSDC, owned jointly by Sitnasuak and Bering Straits Native corporations, currently has solar panels on the



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

**GREEN MACHINE**—Bering Straits Development Co. has installed a rooftop solar energy hot water system to provide ahhh-inspiring hot showers at Aurora Executive Suites and burn less fossil fuel.

Old Federal Building on Front Street and operates an 18-unit wind farm north of town. The solar panels are quietly producing savings at the Old Federal Building, while the wind turbines have required more tinkering.

At a confab in the office of Jerald Brown, BSDC's chief operating officer, Brown, Bensin and Tony Parsons, construction manager, applauded the simplicity of the tubes that makes them easy on maintenance. No moving parts—unlike wind turbines that have been giving heartache—just brackets, tubes, storage tank, sensor, controller and, well, pumps to move the "free" hot water. Free, after the payback, but Brown pointed out that there actually would be payback for homeowners as the setup costs less

than other solar collectors. The number of tubes can be adjusted to the need, and the system sets up rapidly.

Cost savings on various parts of the planet vary with solar levels. Energy is reduced on cloudy days. The solar tubes will not supply 100 percent of hot water year-round without backup from another energy source.

Just the same, using solar energy part of the time would mean less emission up the stacks from the boilers, Bensin observed.

So how do the tubes work?

Pretty fast. Folks attending alternative energy classes in Nome have seen Nomeite Dave McDowell, already basking in the benefits of his Apricus installation, demonstrate how one of the tubes placed outside

a meeting hall on a cloudy day in winter came back in with the metal tip hot as a firecracker in 10 to 15 minutes. The individual tube comprises two layers of toughened glass with a vacuum in between the layers. The vacuum layer acts like the Thermos bottle in your lunch bucket, preserving about 97 percent of the energy absorbed from the sun. This increases efficiency of the collector and protects it from cold air. Manufacturers say the system does not need antifreeze.

The sun's energy transfers to the water by way of heat pipes inside each tube. Heat transfer liquid circulates through a header and goes to heat exchangers in two 119-gallon tanks containing domestic water that

is heated and stored. During short days, the water in the tanks might only be conditioned for assisting the domestic hot water heater. The tanks also have a second heat exchanger for heating the complex when domestic hot water demands are met. An outdoor temperature sensor controller will lower the heating transfer liquid in the boiler system when the outside temperature is above 30° F.

The solar hot water system has been designed for northern climates, according to manufacturers based in Australia, and targets markets in northern United States and northern Europe.

One sunny day last week Bensin came out of the Executive Suites after checking the solar hot water system. "It's working," he beamed. "The water is hot and the system is dissipating surplus heat outside."

In the United States, the Apricus solar tube collector system falls under the benefits of a federal government energy credit system.

Meanwhile, Parsons frequently has a clipboard in hand to read the meters on another project—the flat panel solar collector system and basement boilers at the Old Federal Building on Front Street across from the post office. There, Parsons can log how long boilers are operating down to 1/100 of an hour and keep track of wind speed and temperature outside as part of data collection on the solar panels.

The activity and data collection in energy issues is in BSDC's business plan to make alternative energy and energy-saving devices available to the public, such as LED light bulbs—giant steps ahead of spiral compact fluorescent bulbs—for domestic and commercial applications.

## • Mine

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pallet of approximately 12 lead acid automotive type batteries, a medium duty truck with a large bulk fuel tank mounted on the back, approximately ten jugs of anti-freeze (1 gal) and a large stained area on the ground that clearly indicates that oil had been spilled (not recently). All of these items were within the "Protected Area" and all are violations of the permit. After returning to my office, the applicant arrived unexpectedly. I told him that I just returned from visiting the mine and shared my concerns with respect to these violations. I told him that the materials had to be removed from the site prior to the Public Hearing in order to gain a favorable report/recommendation from me. I also told him that I would report my findings to the City Manager. I provided the applicant copies of the 2008 permit, the related application prepared by NAGC, and a draft copy of the Temporary Operations Permit. He was told verbally and in writing what the specific violations were and the importance of getting the violations off the site.

"Today, I called the applicant and asked permission to revisit the site," Angus wrote. "He

wanted to meet with me and came to my office. He said the batteries were gone and the 5 gal pails were emptied. Upon my arrival, I met the applicant and again looked around the site. I saw that most of the 5 gal pails were open and empty with residual oils still in the bottom. He said the oils were consolidated into one pail which was accepted at the landfill. There were about ten pails yet to be opened and emptied by the applicant. It seems unlikely that: a pail of oil was accepted at the landfill and that a trip would be made all the way to the landfill without emptying the few that were remaining. I suspect the oil was dumped on-site somewhere. The pallet of lead acid batteries was still on-site, just as it was last week. I believe the applicant was trying to deceive me when he said the batteries were gone."

Angus made the following recommendations:

"1. Grant temporary permit effective in a week, subject to removal of all violations (verified by me).

"2. Final and proper...disposition of all offensive materials to be physically inspected and verified by me. (It is too easy to simply bury things out there).

"3. Over excavation and proper disposal of

all contaminated soils (verified by me prior to backfill).

"4. Submit to random, unrestricted, and unscheduled site inspections at interval not to exceed two weeks."

Councilwoman Mary Knodel moved to amend the proposed resolution issuing a Moonlight Wells permit renewal to NAGC for the 2009 mining season to include the four recommendations by Angus. The council approved both the amendment and the resolution as amended by votes of 4 to 1. Stan Anderson, Jerald Brown, Knodel and Randy Pomeranz voted yes; Jon Larson voted no. Councilman Neal Foster was absent from the meeting.

Dr. Derrick Leedy recently complained to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and to the Nome Common Council that violations of state and federal environmental standards are taking place in the NAGC mining operation. In a letter to the council dated June 19, Leedy states:

"There are State and Federal stormwater violations in both the Marvin Rapose and Betty Crutch mining operations on the west and north side of Anvil Mountain. Some of the lands may be leased by Alaska Gold or Pri-

vate Mineral Holders.

"There is also a violation of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game habitat permit that is [a]ffecting Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) in Anvil Creek and its receiving waters. Turbidity levels are way beyond the limits set by the Alaska Water Quality Standards..."

Accompanying Leedy's letter is a photo of outflow from the Marvin Rapose mining operation that Leedy says shows turbidity exceeding Alaska Water Quality Standards.

In his letter Leedy recommends that the council contact Eva DeMaria, EPA Office of Compliance and Enforcement, Region 10, about the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit program and to arrange for an agency to inspect both mine sites. He also recommends that the council have the landowners develop and implement a mitigation plan to correct the stormwater discharges.

"Wait until this is completed prior to the issuing of a permit for the Moonlight Springs Watershed Protected Area that is about 3.5 square miles," he advised. "Only issue a permit for mitigation at this time.

"The city faces a huge liability if a permit is issued," Leedy concluded.



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# Sinking houses, stinking swamps spur complaint to NJUS

By Sandra L. Medearis

Some houses at East End sit in a swamp replete with moss and algae.

These backyard lakes and deep puddles beneath houses may result from sewer and water construction projects, road construction, melting permafrost, or any combination of several of these.

Whatever the cause, the situation is lowering yards and property values by destroying landscaping and raising safety and health risks in their neighborhood, several residents told the Nome Joint Utility System board of directors on June 16. These homeowners want the issue on the agenda at next month's meeting so that the utility can look at whether soil testing and hydrology played a part in designing the water and sewer installation with proper or dysfunctional drainage along Sixth Avenue.

NJUS board and staff said they could take a look, but that the responsibility for drainage belonged to the City of Nome.

Jana Varrati who lives at Fifth Avenue and "I" Street, told the NJUS panel that when she and spouse Ben Esch bought their home, yards between "H" and "I" streets were all at the same level and seeded with the same grass—beautiful—until a couple of years ago. Now water that flows in and ponds from thaw to freeze up has spoiled the yards and stagnates beneath houses, according to Varrati.

"Our front yards are full of sink

holes, huge chasms and swamps. Water is accumulating under our homes; some on pads (and some on pilings) are sinking at a rapid rate," she said. "It looks and smells like polio water [stagnant disease-bearing water]," filled with "mosses and unsavory growth."

Varrati alluded to City liability for lowered property values and the risk of a child drowning in one of the "lakes."

Varrati, as did her neighbors Kris Busk and Scott Kent, asked the board to get the issue on the next agenda to allow staff to drive by the water-logged area and look at maps and hydrology.

Busk asked that NJUS investigate the causes and look into designing a solution, maybe drainage parallel and perpendicular to the affected property.

"My main concern is the safety of Nome's citizens," he said.

Some board members were ready to dive into the "lakes" and begin a vigorous backstroke, saying that handling this issue was the City's job—road crews only build what and where they are told to build.

"Is it a utilities issue or a City drainage issue?" asked board member Carl Emmons. "Drainage of the City is way beyond our scope."

Utilities director John K. Handeland said staff would pull files and videos to take a look at utility work in the area.

In the discussion, board members cited examples from personal knowledge of other sink holes and swamps

that they attributed to the warmer climate melting ice lenses associated with permafrost. The melting of these slabs of ice that go vertical or horizontal beneath building sites causes houses all over town to go up and down like the music from a circus calliope.

"There's a lot of ice in the ground up there," Emmons said.

In fact, NJUS board president Jimmy West Jr. said, "In the Sixth Avenue job, they over-excavated and replaced it with better material."

The best material to underlie construction projects in the arctic would be sand and gravel to help defeat the forces of permafrost and melt.

Heaving ground beneath buildings comes partly with water flowing in to make ice lenses that push up, separate and melt under certain conditions to drop the level again. The water doesn't rise in sand and gravel. Water rises in clay, but slowly, not to make lakes and ponds in the yard out the back bedroom window. Silt is the culprit, like silt that goes along with old beach lines.

Silt wicks the water up the worst, ice scientists and geologists say. Add warmer temperatures or drainage from utilidor removal and thawing of permafrost goes top to bottom until it has gone deep enough to drain the impromptu lakes. The quick analysis is that ground needs to remain frozen or home owners need to keep filling until the site stabilizes.



Photo by Sandra L. Medearis

**HANDOFF**—Jana Varrati provides photos to NJUS board member Fred Moody showing swamps and small lakes that plague property owners on the east end between "H" and "I" streets along Sixth Avenue. Utility manager John Handeland is seen in the background.

Varrati and her neighbors are filling their land.

"As owners we realize our responsibilities for upkeep and maintenance of our properties, and we have put in load after load of fill to try to deal with this problem," she said. "It keeps getting worse."

The problem did not show up until the project to fill Sixth Avenue.

"The installation of utilities on Sixth Avenue brought this problem to light and exacerbated it," Varrati said.

The board will discuss the issue further at the next regular board meeting in July.

# Post office, court may get new landlord

By Sandra L. Medearis

About a dozen interested parties representing themselves, nonprofit organizations and local government met with federal real estate officials to find out more about impending disposal of the Federal Building on Front Street.

This building is where good citizens report for court jury duty and pick up their mail at the post office. The building has been referred to the real estate disposal section of the Government Services Administration because not enough federal offices occupy the

building. The June 17 meeting in the court area was preliminary to what could be a yearlong process to determine who will be the next landlord.

"The ratio is off. There is a lack of tenants with less than 50 percent federal occu-

pancy," Blaine Hastings manager of GSA property disposal, northwest arctic region, said. "This building has been determined excess to GSA need."

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efforts last October. He suggested that a city official or a council member become a permanent member of NEST.

### JROTC funding nixed

The council rejected a motion by Andersen to add \$118,000 to the city's FY2010 budget to continue the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps program at Nome-Beltz High School. Andersen and Jerald Brown voted in favor of the motion, while Knodel, Jon Larson and Randy Pomeranz voted against it. Councilman Neal Foster was absent from the meeting. Last year Nome Public Schools deleted JROTC funding from its budget, and the council subsequently approved a motion by Andersen to add \$136,000 for the program to the City of Nome's FY2009 general fund budget.

In testimony Monday prior to the vote, Barb Nickels, a member of the Nome Board of Education said the board cannot fund the JROTC program but supports its missions, goals and positive impacts on students. Copies of a letter from board President Gloria Karmun in support of the program were distributed to council members.

JROTC Cadets Gregory Saclamana and Landis Bjorgen advocated for funding to continue the program next year, citing its benefits to students and community services performed by cadets. Bjorgen said cadets had raised \$5,804 through car washes and other activities, received pledges of \$16,100 in contributions and have \$4,000 in a JROTC account, for a total of \$25,904. He asked the council to allocate \$118,096 in municipal funds to the program for the coming school year.

### 2010 City budgets adopted

The council approved an FY2010 general fund budget totaling \$10.228 million based on a property tax rate of 7 mills. Other FY2010 City of Nome budgets adopted by the council Monday were:

- The capital projects fund budget totaling \$9.7 million. Grants and appropriations from federal and state agencies and other entities

fund this budget.

- The Port of Nome budget totaling \$4.58 million, \$3 million of which are Federal Emergency Management Agency funds for repair and maintenance of the Cape Nome quarry.

- The special revenue fund budget totaling \$278,321. This budget accounts for revenues and expenditures for grants, contracts and agreements that the City accepts for purposes other than direct operational and administrative expenditures in the general fund budget.

- The construction capital projects fund budget totaling \$2.96 million. This budget accounts for revenues and expenditures associated with school and port construction bond monies.

### Other council actions

Knodel made a motion to approve a request from Gary Hart, dba Nome Checker Cab Inc., to transfer his six taxi licenses to Rodney Jones effective Aug. 1. Larson moved to amend the motion to say that Jones must comply with all provisions of applicable City ordinances before the taxi licenses are transferred to him. The council approved the amendment and the main motion.

In a letter to the council dated June 9, Rhonda L. Komok appealed a decision by Chief of Police Dallas Massie to deny her application for a Chauffeur's License with the City of Nome. She also appealed the decision in public comments during the council meeting. In a letter to Komok dated June 5, Massie said he is unable to approve the application because she does not meet the requirements set forth in the Nome Code of Ordinances Section 3.10.030.

During the council meeting, Brown asked Massie to comment on Komok's appeal. Massie said he could not go into all the reasons for issuing the denial in an open session. Council members met with Massie in executive session, following which they voted unanimously to deny Komok's appeal.

### City Manager's report

City Manager Josie Bahnke said

Nome Volunteer Fire Department Chief Matt Johnson and three NVFD volunteers have flown to Wisconsin to inspect the department's new ladder truck and drive it to Washington state for shipment to

Nome on a barge.

Bahnke recently met with staff of Sitnasuak Native Corp. to discuss placement of the Two Eskimo Boys statue on the southwest end of Anvil City Square. A life-size statue of

Constantine Uparazuck and Gabriel Adams with two huskies will arrive in Nome by barge in July, announced SNC Chairperson Crystal Andersen-Booth in a letter dated June 1 to the City of Nome.

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# Nanooks let loose in the jungle

*Nome-Beltz Spanish Club gets a taste of life south of the border in Costa Rica*

By Tyler Rhodes

While some Nomeites were still skiing and many were waiting for that last patch of snow to disappear from their property, a group of 15 of their neighbors were basking in humid 80°F days in the jungle.

After more than a year of planning and fundraising, 11 Nome-Beltz High School students and their four chaperones spent 10 days in Costa Rica taking Spanish language classes in the morning and rallying for various adventures in the afternoons. The trip was organized by Nome-Beltz Spanish teacher Erika Eaton.

The crew departed Nome in the early afternoon May 29, arriving in San Jose approximately 24 hours later. The group quickly bypassed the Central American country's capital and largest city, taking vans for a three-hour trip to the town of La Fortuna in the northwest part of the country in the Alajuela Province.

Last week, students Kailyn Kashevarof, Cori Eide, Jeff Rose and Niki McGuffey, along with Eaton and chaperone Nikki Polk, met with a *Nome Nugget* reporter to share some highlights of the trip. Other students on the voyage were Alex Morgan, Sean Yi, Mark Steiger, Emerson Conger, Mason Evans, Josh McComas and Rene Lammer. Filling out the ranks of the chaperones were Bobby Evans and Mari Lammer.

When asked about their favorite experience from the trip, the word "zipline" quickly leapt out of the students' mouths. Suspended hundreds of feet above the jungle and tethered to a cable that ran through the trees, the group raced at speeds up to 50 mph along the lines as they descended toward the ground.

While the conversation bumps from highlight to highlight—white-water raft trips, canyoning expeditions and hot springs—there is also a surprising revelation for a bunch of students who just got out of school. They enjoyed their language classes.

"At first I didn't want to do it at all," said Eide, who graduated this year. The students, however, quickly warmed to the classes held each morning in La Fortuna. "It really helped my conversation skills," Eide added.

McGuffey said she saw her ability to both speak and comprehend improve quickly. "Speaking it got way better for me," she said. She noted she wasn't always able to follow conversations word for word, but would pick up enough key words to know what was being discussed.

Some students found that they were better prepared to speak the language than they thought. "It was a lot easier than I expected it to be," Kashevarof said.

While Eaton enjoyed the more adrenaline-fueled elements of the trips, like ziplining, her highlight came from watching her students progress with their language skills. "The best part of the trip for me was seeing my students start using their Spanish spontaneously with each other around town," Eaton said.

The students reported having an easier time understanding Spanish in the small town of La Fortuna versus the larger cities of San Jose and Turrialba, where they spent some time as well. "When you go to the city, they talk so fast," Eide said.

They also found more patient listeners in the small town. "People in La Fortuna were more used to tourists," McGuffey said.

Not only was the language a bit foreign, but also the customs. The students talked about seeing school children head to school at the early hour of 7 a.m., all wearing uniforms. The also noted that the Costa Rican students' extracurricular activities differed a bit. "They're really good at soccer," Kashevarof said.

The group did get some interaction with local students—on the Nomeites' terms—through a game of basketball. "They were OK. They couldn't shoot, but they handled themselves," Rose said. The advantage, however, was definitely with the Nanooks.

Other little differences between home and Costa Rica also struck the group. The students said they were surprised to see that the television programming would be a mix of Spanish and English shows. The same applied for music on the radio.

The trip also gave the students chances to taste new foods. They were introduced to tamales wrapped in banana leaves, juices sipped straight from the fruit through a straw and other exotic fruits. McGuffey said that although she missed Starbucks, she enjoyed the Costa Rican coffee, learning to drink it black.

The trip also gave the students chances to have upfront encounters with animals—some wild and some not-so wild. The group visited a farm outside La Fortuna where they saw a dairy operation. Each student got a chance to milk a cow. Some kids had more luck than others with the task. "I just couldn't milk it for some reason," Rose said.

The students also saw coffee plants and pineapples growing, as well as yucca plants and pepper trees.

The farm trip also included a walk into the nearby jungle where students spied many tiny poisonous frogs, giant leaf-cutter ants, big butterflies and centipedes.

The group also encountered other animals throughout the trip that were



Photo by Erika Eaton

**WELCOME TO THE JUNGLE**—Nome-Beltz Spanish Club members (left to right) Niki McGuffey, Sean Yi, Cori Eide, Emerson Conger and Jeff Rose take a break in the central plaza in La Fortuna, Costa Rica in early June. The club, under the guidance of teacher Erika Eaton, prepared for more than a year for the 10-day trip.

not quite as exciting to see. "The bugs scared me," McGuffey said. She added that they would put geckos into their rooms in hopes they would eat the bugs.

Some of the other animals experienced on the trip were just outside the hotel. "I would wake up to roosters every morning," Eide said.

The students also got a taste of life in a country where the social and political systems do not work quite the same as in the United States. On the way to a raft trip near the city of Turrialba, the traffic on the highway began to thicken before it came to an abrupt stop. The group's van driver was able to snake his way through the gridlock until he could go no farther and the source of the bottleneck was discovered.

Just 15 minutes away from the start of the raft trip after a three-hour drive that started at 5 a.m., the group's journey came to an end for much of the day. Workers from nearby pineapple plantations had barricaded the roads to protest working conditions and the effects of pesticides in the drinking water they used. The large group of workers, while peaceful, would not let traffic pass in either direction. "It was like a

sit-in protest," McGuffey said.

While getting a bit of a cultural lesson, the students made the best of the four to five hours spent waiting on the side of the road. Food vendors appeared out of nowhere selling partially frozen juices and other cool snacks and drinks. "It was very calm," Polk said. "People selling things made it all the more clam."

While many of the days on the trip were tempered by afternoon rain showers, the weather this day was warmer. "It was the only day I was actually able to get a tan," Eide said.

Once the barricade was opened the group was able to finally drive the final few miles to Turrialba. They arrived too late, however, to raft that day. The group made up for the lost time the next day with a canyoning trip in the morning and a raft trip during the afternoon. The students gave the raft trip high marks. McGuffey said their guide was great, with the students teaching him some English. She said the group sang songs as they bounced down the river.

The students' short stay in the city of Turrialba had a different feel than that of the more touristy La Fortuna. The traffic was more hectic, the streets more crowded. The city also held some surprises. Rose described turn-

ing a corner during a walk and arriving in a giant market. "All of the sudden we were in this huge warehouse. It was jam-packed," Rose said. He said he was surprised to find stands selling trinkets and items of all sorts, from clothing and food to DVDs, all spread pell-mell throughout the market.

Even with its more chaotic atmosphere, Rose said he would have liked to spend more time in the larger city. Overall, he was surprised at the modernity of the nation. "I was expecting it to be a little more third-world," he said.

Eaton gave her students high praise for their enthusiasm and how they handled themselves during the trip. Whether it was trying new foods or putting up with a four-hour roadblock, she said the group was willing to go with the flow. She said she would be willing to go back with the same group in a heartbeat.

Eaton also expressed gratitude toward all the support given by parents, community members and organizations in helping make the trip a reality. Several community entities donated funds, and parents and students logged countless hours baking and selling goods, washing cars and organizing rummage sales to raise funds to cover the expenses.

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Current occupants would not be kicked out, Hastings said. GSA would help them negotiate a new lease with new landlords or find a place to move.

Another federal agency would have first grab at the two-story building, Hastings said. Right off, the federal Department of Health and Human Services, and Housing and Urban Development, under priority consideration, could evaluate the property to assist the homeless. That designation would be good for 30 years.

"If it is suitable, they can have the first jump," Hastings said. "Federal agencies don't seem excited. We don't anticipate a response."

The local and state governments, schools and city included, stand next in line to get the building at a price discounted up to 100 percent—meaning for free—as a public-use conveyance for library, museum, port facility, law enforcement, self-help housing or the like.

"We can convey it to the city at no cost," Hastings said, adding that the building is in the historical district,

so "the city can acquire it as a historical monument."

State and local government could lease the building, and even make a profit, to defray maintenance and the like. It is likely folks will not be making U-turns and double parking in front of a different post office.

"We have a good core of tenants who mostly have indicated no desire to move," Hastings said.

If there are no takers among government agencies, then the building would go on the block for fair market value to other qualified public uses or private individuals. However, there would be no local preference, with the sale listing going on the Internet for all interested. Speculators beware, however, as there is a clause in effect for a certain period of new ownership to prevent localities from "land banking" property and then selling it for a higher price to a third party.

"We have no interest in seeing it go to one organization or another. We will send a notice to the mayor," Hastings told the group. "We are hoping we can find a good owner for the building and everyone

would be happy."

Several local people asked about asbestos issues. GSA realty specialist

Fred Zderic said he did not think any abatement would be needed to use the building as it stands.

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**CHOPPING BAIT (left)**—Randy Hoogendorn chops frozen herring and chum salmon for bait Sunday morning in Nome's small boat harbor as he and Robin Thomas prepare for a return trip to the crab grounds.

**DELIVERY (above)**—Jason Johnson carefully places red king crabs in a tote while Travis Murphy lifts crabs from the hold to the deck Sunday morning at the Northern Norton Sound Seafood Products plant in Nome.

# Red king crab processed at Nome plant

By Laurie McNicholas

As Travis Murphy and Jason Johnson filled totes with their red king crab catch Sunday morning at the Northern Norton Sound Seafood Products plant in Nome, Robin Thomas and Randy Hoogendorn chopped crab bait—frozen herring and water-marked chum salmon harvested last year—for their return trip to the crab grounds.

On the previous Sunday, June 14, rescue personnel had plucked Murphy and Johnson from atop an overturned flat-bottom boat about 50 yards offshore from the beach behind Nome's Front Street. The Norton Sound summer commercial fishery for red king crab opened at noon the following day.

While Murphy and Johnson offloaded their catch, Richard Okinello and David Walluk removed live crab from holding tanks filled with seawater at about 36°F and placed them in totes for processing. A couple of days earlier the plant had processed its first 2,000 pound crab batch of the season, according to NNSSP manager Rich Ferry.

Eric Osborne said he had found crab all over the fishing grounds off Golovin, but no concentrations of crab in any spot. He made his first crab delivery to the NNSSP plant last Friday. On Sunday he was preparing to take on bait and ice at the plant for his second crab trip of the season. Frank McFarland was expected to deliver a load of crab to the plant on Sunday afternoon.

This summer's commercial red king crab fishery quota is 375,000 pounds, reports the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Of that amount, 7.5 percent (28,125 pounds) is allocated to the Community Development Quota fishery. The Norton Sound CDQ and open access king crab fisheries opened simultaneously this year.

Norton Sound Economic Development Corp., one of six entities in the Western Alaska Community Development Program, represents 15 member communities in the Bering Strait region. NSDEC owns the NNSSP plant and operates the Southern Norton Sound Seafood Products plant in Unalakleet, which processes salmon and herring.

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# National report calls for emission reduction

*In effort to curb global warming, society to understand complexity of global warming*

By Diana Haecker

Climate change is real, and yes, primarily induced by man-made greenhouse gas emissions, says a new federal report titled "Global Climate Change Impacts in the United States."

The 190-page study was commissioned in 2007 and released last Thursday. It is the product of a consortium of 13 US government science agency experts, led by the National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration.

The report confirms that global warming increases in recent decades are human-induced and that climate changes already have visible impacts in the United States, notably Alaska, may it be through erosion in coastal areas to changes in water availability and insect infestations.

Culprit for the warming trend is a combination of emissions from burning fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas and the clearing of forests and agricultural practices. John Holdren, assistant to President Barack Obama for science and technology, said that the report paints a comprehensive picture and urges to take action. "It tells us why remedial action is needed sooner than later as well as showing why that action must include both global emissions reductions to reduce the extent of climate change and local adaptation measures to reduce the damage from the changes that are no longer avoidable," Holdren said in a statement.

University of Fairbanks scientists David McGuire and John Walsh were part of the study. "A key point from the study is that, from everything we're seeing in terms of impacts, it's clear that we are committed to more warming," said McGuire, a landscape ecology professor and researcher with the UAF Institute of Arctic Biology.

Scientists agree that cuts in carbon

dioxide emissions would lessen warming over this century and beyond. If emissions continue to rise at or near current rates, temperature increases are more likely to be near the upper range of temperature rise projections. While warmer temps sometimes seem appealing to arctic and sub-arctic residents, warming upsets the balance in a frail ecosystem with potentially severe consequences. Temperatures rise faster in the winter and in the arctic, the report says. The arctic also stands out in the report's projections of more precipitation while the tropics see a decrease in rainfall. Key predictions for Alaska include drier conditions, an increase in insect infestations and wildfires, declines in lakes and increase in coastal storms threatening coastal villages and fishing fleets; change and decline in fisheries and infrastructure damage due to melting permafrost.

The projected sea-level rise increases erosion, storm surge damage and flooding, especially in the Southeast US and in Alaska. Due to the ocean's absorption of carbon dioxide, it has been observed that the oceans are increasingly acid, which in turn leads to the inability of corals and other sea life to build shells and skeletons.

While Alaska sees increased beetle infestations, rapidly melting glaciers and erosion problems already, the report says that all different scenarios considered, "relatively large and sustained changes in many aspects of climate are projected by the middle of this century, with even larger changes by the end of this century."

"Choices made about emissions reductions now and over the next few decades will have far-reaching consequences for climate-change impacts," the report says.

"Almost no policy action could be implemented that would mitigate

the factors causing the warming fast enough that we wouldn't experience any impacts," said McGuire. "It's up to our society to make decisions about the degree of warming and impacts we are willing to deal with." Not only environmental consequences are projected, but also national security issues are addressed as global food and water scarcity could lead to mass migrations, health impacts and even armed conflicts.

According to an Alaska fact sheet published with the report, over the past 50 years, Alaska has warmed at more than twice the rate of the rest of the United States. Its annual average temperature has increased 3.4°F,

while winters have warmed even more, by 6.3°F. As a result, climate change effects are much more pronounced than in other regions of the United States. The higher temperatures are already causing earlier spring snowmelt, reduced sea ice, widespread glacier retreat and melting permafrost.

"Alaska's at the vanguard of climate change and we're seeing the changes here sooner than elsewhere," said John Walsh, director of the Center for Global Change and Arctic System Research at UAF's International Arctic Research Center.

In conclusion, the report says that a combination of mitigation and

adaptation is in store for humanity to deal with the problem. Also, more science and research is needed to supply the basis for society to come up with adaptation and mitigation strategies. "The best decisions about these strategies will come when there is widespread understanding of the complex issue of climate change — the science and its many implications for our nation," the report says. While humans have adapted to changing circumstances in the past, "future adaptations will be particularly challenging because society won't be adapting to a new steady state but rather to a rapidly moving target," the report concludes.

## Key findings for United States:

- **Climate changes are underway in the United States and are projected to grow.** Climate-related changes are already observed in the United States and its coastal waters. These include increases in heavy downpours, rising temperature and sea level, rapidly retreating glaciers, thawing permafrost, lengthening growing seasons, lengthening ice-free seasons in the ocean and on lakes and rivers, earlier snowmelt, and alterations in river flows. These changes are projected to grow.
- **Crop and livestock production will be increasingly challenged.** Agriculture is considered one of the sectors most adaptable to changes in climate. However, increased heat, pests, water stress, diseases, and weather extremes will pose adaptation challenges for crop and livestock production.
- **Threats to human health will increase.** Health impacts of climate change are related to heat stress, waterborne diseases, poor air quality, extreme weather events, and diseases transmitted by insects and rodents.

## Key findings for Alaska:

- Longer summers and higher temperatures are causing drier conditions.
- Insect outbreaks and wildfires are increasing warming.
- Closed-body lakes in Interior Alaska are declining in area.
- Thawing permafrost damages roads, runways, water and sewer systems, and other infrastructure.
- Coastal storms increase risks to villages and fishing fleets.
- Displacement of marine species will affect key fisheries.

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the outgoing Alaska District Commander, will command a new Corps district office at Kandahar in southern Afghanistan. Koenig had served as the Chief of the Operations Branch for the Office of the Chief of Engineers at the Pentagon and in Iraq from July 2006 to August 2007. Both Wilson and Koenig worked in the Alaska District earlier in their military careers as captains during the 1990s, then returned as district commander, said Corps spokeswoman Pat Richardson.

### Corps proposes to continue clean up Northeast Cape on St. Lawrence Island

In early July, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers plans to remove toxic waste left by former military facilities at Northeast Cape on St.

Lawrence Island. The work is scheduled to begin in early July and end by mid September.

The U.S. Air Force constructed an Aircraft Control and Warning station and a White Alice Communications System station at Northeast Cape in the early 1950s. The operations ended in 1969 and 1972 when the buildings and most equipment were abandoned in place due to the high cost of removing them from the remote island. A solid waste dump for the installations was located along Cargo Beach Road. The Corps wants to expose and remove the buried drums and contaminated soil from the Cargo Beach Road landfill and then build a new landfill cap. The Corps also plans to conduct a pilot study of in situ chemical oxidation treatment of fuel-contaminated soil in the former Main Operations Complex. The cleanup entails that equipment and supplies are brought to the island by barges landing at Kitnagak Bay and a work camp would be set up near the existing airfield. The Corps' environmental assessment determined that the actions will have minor short-term impacts on the environment but would improve the long term overall quality of the project environment. Between 1994 and

2005, the Corps removed containerized hazardous and toxic wastes and demolished structures at Northeast Cape. The former radar and communications facilities are located 60 miles southeast of the village of Savoonga. No public meeting is scheduled on the cleanup, but comments can be submitted by June 28 to: Christopher.B.Floyd@usace.army.mil.

### Early walrus count results alarm conservation group

(AP)—A partial federal assessment of Pacific walruses estimates their minimum population at just 15,164 but says the count likely missed a number of animals. The estimate released last week only represents animals counted in about half of walrus habitats in the Bering and Chukchi seas and does not account for animals that were in water rather than on ice. A 1990 aerial survey estimated the walrus population at 201,039 in the region. The count was done by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in response to a court deadline requiring the agency to identify marine mammal stocks most affected by interactions with commercial fishing. The Center for Biological Diversity has petitioned to list walruses as an endan-

gered species because of the impact of global warming on Arctic sea ice.

### State intervenes in Outer Continental Shelf oil lease sale litigation

The State of Alaska last week has moved to intervene in a federal court case in which the Native Village of Point Hope seeks to rescind dozens of leases issued by the federal government under an offshore oil and gas lease sale conducted for federal waters in the Chukchi Sea. Newly appointed and sworn in attorney general Dan Sullivan said that he would "vigilantly safeguard and defend Alaska's interests," particularly those relating to economic opportunities for Alaskans and the balance of state and federal rights and responsibilities. "This case entails both such in-

terests," he said.

The Point Hope plaintiffs contend that the decision by the U.S. Mineral Management Service to conduct the lease sale for the Outer Continental Shelf, along with the environmental impact statement underlying that action, violated federal law, including the Endangered Species Act. The lawsuit seeks to void all of the leases issued in the sale. If successful, the lawsuit could delay development of the OCS for decades. Although the lawsuit is against the federal government, ConocoPhillips, Shell and now the State of Alaska have intervened. AG Sullivan said that the state's interest in the matter is that oil and gas industry is the largest employer in Alaska and that the industry's taxes account for 90 percent of the general fund revenue for state government.



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**WAVE-RUNNER (above)**—Shanna Moeder works her way to the finish line Saturday morning along the beach east of Nome to claim the top spot for women in the 2009 Gold Dust Dash.

**SKILLED AND LUCKY (right)**—Teddy Payenna is all smiles after finishing first in the Gold Dust Dash. The high school runner was rewarded with a gold nugget for his effort. He also won another nugget in a drawing.



# Runners hit the beach in search of gold at annual Dash

By Tyler Rhodes

Well before the fire engines and floats took to Front Street Saturday, a parade of runners and walkers strode and streamed down the beach east of town for the 2009 Gold Dust Dash.

High schooler Teddy Payenna dominated the race, taking the lead shortly after the start and never giving it up. Payenna finished the 4-mile race in 24 minutes and 34 seconds. Tyler Rhodes took the runner-up honors, finishing nearly a minute later.

Shanna Moeder claimed the win for the women, finishing in 33:17. Caitlin Tozier was

the next woman to cross the line, marking a time of 36:19.

Nearly 70 ran and walked along the Bering Sea from East-end Beach almost to the mouth of the Nome River before making a U-turn and heading back to the start. Some zigzagged to avoid the waves of the incoming tide while others plodded through the water, preferring wet feet to the energy-sapping dry sand.

Both Payenna and Moeder received gold nuggets for their wins. Payenna was doubly lucky, taking home a second nugget won through a drawing.

## 2009 Gold Dust Dash

East-end Beach to the Nome River and back, 4 miles

1) Thaddeus Payenna, 24:34; 2) Tyler Rhodes, 25:32; 3) Kevin Keith, 27:28; 4) Harry Karmun, 27:30; 5) Lonny Booshu, 28:28; 6) Gary Knuepfer, 28:29; 7) Douglas DeVore, 31:48; 8) Nick Schmidt, 32:43; 9) Shanna Moeder, 33:17; 10) Emery Booshu, 36:05; 11) Joe Peterson, 36:18; 12) Caitlin Tozier, 36:19; 13) Rosa Schmidt, 36:22; 14) Joseph Fiskeaux, 36:35; 15) Emily Self, 38:02; 16) Hannah Tozier, 38:18; 17) Nikki Polk, 41:16; 18) John Bioff, 41:28; 19) Denise Potlock, 44:34; 20) Christine Schultz, 44:43; 21) Penny Jack, 47:15; 22) Myra Stotts, 51:43; 23) Erica Wieler, 51:43; 24) Quinn Tozier, 52:36; 25) Nora Nagaruk, 52:54; 26) Susanna Fiskeaux, 53:06; 27) Mary Fiskeaux, 54:46; 28) Ben Fiskeaux, 54:46; 29) Martha Fiskeaux, 54:46; 30) Luda Kinok, 54:49; 31) Rena Booshu, 55:58; 32) David Booshu,

55:58; 33) Dawyn Sawyer, 56:50; 34) Jarod Tozier, 57:45; 35) Anna Moore, 59:39; 36) Joni Heffren, 59:58; 37) Phyllis Krueger, 59:58; 38) Mercie McGuffy, 60:47; 39) Julie Raymond-Yakoubian, 63:08; 39) Paul Bioff, 64:44; 41) Greg Mitchell, 64:44; 42) Julie Hall, 65:41; 43) Jennifer Goslin, 65:41; 44) Kathy Wheelehan, 65:51; 45) Abigail Tozier, 65:57; 46) Sheri Fagerstrom, 66:29; 47) Dana Handeland, 66:31; 48) Peggy Fagerstrom, 66:31; 49) James Loffman, 67:01; 50) Gloria Landry, 70:25; 51) Annette Robertson, 71:10; 52) Alex Khalaf, 71:10; 53) Nathan Evak, 72:00; 54) Amy Bioff, 72:11; 55) Andrew Huggins, 72:49; 56) Abby Huggins, 72:49; 57) Dana Sherman, 73:26; 58) Danielle Holt, 73:26; 59) Alexander Durtka, 73:29; 60) Sharon Durtka, 73:30; 61) Marie Tozier, 80:07; 62) Tok Tozier, 80:07; 63) Jan Huggins, 85:18; 64) Dennis Huggins, 85:18; 65) David Dodman, 86:00; 66) Linda Maack, 86:00.



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

**HERE COMES TROUBLE**—A gang of thugs make their way down Front Street just after noon on Saturday toward the Wells Fargo Bank. Luckily law enforcement was standing by to take care of the would-be thieves in the annual bank robbery production as part of Nome's Midnight Sun Festival.

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### Nome loves a parade

The band was back on display on the back of a flatbed truck a few hours later along with dozens of Nome's organizations and entities for the annual Midnight Sun Parade up and down Front Street. Joining the requisite fire trucks and ambulances, several groups created floats to honor this year's theme of "50 Years under the Midnight Sun," in honor of Alaska's five decades of statehood. Nome Elementary School's entry in the parade, a monstrous blue and gold birthday cake followed by a large group of young candle-carriers took the top prize for floats, earning \$100 from the Nome Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Some of Nome's youngest residents tossed candy at their peers and children of all ages as they rode on the Nome Preschool Association's float. The candy-throwers not only pleased the eager kids that lined both sides of Front Street, the contest judges also smiled upon them, awarding the entourage as the best youth float. The association also received \$100.

Also honored with a \$100 prize was the King Island float. Members of the King Island community drummed and danced for nearly an hour on a trailer as the parade

worked its way west on Front Street, executed a loop and returned eastward to the state building again.

A \$50 prize was awarded for the best bike, which went to a cruiser by the name of "Old Yellow." Another \$50 was supposed to go to the best skateboard in the parade. However, with no entries, the prize instead went to the best dog. Pooch-owner Cathy Chamberlain, who paraded with a costumed husky and two chihuahua-pomeranian mixes atop a large rolling flower took home the improvised prize.

Joining the prize-winners were floats representing churches, the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, Norton Sound Heath Corp.'s CAMP department, a family of cavemen parodying the GEICO insurance commercials, The Arctic ICANS Relay for Life, and the Nome-Beltz class of 1989, among others.

### The good guys win again

The crowds didn't wander far after the parade finished its lap around downtown. Some sampled the barbecue chicken served by the Lions Club as they waited for the next show to begin. Sure enough, at high noon at the Wells Fargo Bank, they were not disappointed.

Good guys with guns, not-so-good guys also toting firearms, ladies of ill

repute and others, all donning turn-of-the-century costumes, set the scene for Nome's annual bank robbery. As the peaceful scene unfurled before the bank, heads could be seen turning westward along Front Street. In the distance a gang of questionable character spread across the street, heading straight for the bank. Leading the charge was Ken Shapiro, who stood out in the crowd of miscreants not so much for what he had on, but for what he didn't. Wearing only his long red underwear, Shapiro called out that he was going to find the unlucky person who stole his pants.

When the gang arrived at the bank, a short gunfight ensued. Shapiro relieved the fight's loser of his coat. As Sheriff Wyatt Earp, who looked a lot like Nome's Arlo Hannigan, talked matters over with Shapiro, other members of the gang slipped inside the bank. Shapiro soon raised the stakes when he lighted the fuse of a stack of dynamite and walked into the bank himself. A deafening boom followed and bank employees were soon seeing fleeing the building—one noticeably missing his pants. Shapiro, now fully clothed, emerged with his gang.

Earp and his men, however, couldn't let the mayhem stand unanswered and corralled the robbers with a volley of gunfire. With only a few men left standing, the robbers pledged to

be good and emptied their loot on the ground. It didn't stay there long, however. The piles of candy that flowed

from the bags were quickly pounced

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**HERE COMES THE CANDY** (above, left)—A beautiful butterfly grabs a handful of candy to toss at spectators as the Midnight Sun Festival parade makes its way eastward on Front Street Saturday.

**CANDLES AND CAKE** (left)—Nome Elementary School's entry won for the best float in the parade with the theme "50 Years under the Midnight Sun."

**HELLO CENTRAL ON THE BEACH** (above)—Nome's Richard Beneville mugs for the camera before Polar Bear swimmers take to the sea Saturday.



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upon by the children who lined the performance area.

### A quick swim

With the sun still dominating the cloudless sky, a healthy crowd pushed eastward after the robbery performance to the beach. Where runners and walkers had previously traveled along the shore that morning, the masses during the afternoon would point themselves south for the annual Polar Bear Swim. Encouraged by the bright sunshine and a raging palette bonfire, dozens of brave souls charged into the Bering Sea for a brief swim. Those who dunked themselves in the chilly water were rewarded with a certificate to prove they lacked the good sense to stay out of water that could quickly render them hypothermic.

Some achieved the feat with a quick in-and-out dunking, while thicker-skinned participants actually executed some swim strokes in the chilly water. Many tan-challenged folks came out of the water with a red glow to them. Nearly all who emerged from the sea returned to the beach with a smile.

Following the swim, sun-soaked revelers could duck inside the elementary school for a big serving of Nome's talent and goodies at the Folk Fest Main Stage event. The Main Stage event features 10-minute musical performances, mostly of local acts, but also from visitors.

### Nome's talent takes the stage

Nearly 20 acts filled the bill at this year's event, delivering everything from Nikki Polk's heartfelt folk songs

to Andrew Cooper's searing Gibson Flying V electric guitar playing Ozzy Osbourne tunes. Greg Mitchell and his crew, which included Charlie Painter, Megan Hahn, Jimi Adams, Ron Horner and Bonnie Hahn, again put some theatrics into their performance as Miss Bonnie and the Wyld Earps. Festival headliners, The Great Alaska Bluegrass Band, grabbed the stage for an extended set.

While the show rolled on in the school's commons, the gym hosted a couple dozen booths offering food and crafts. A hungry visitor could find anything from a pulled pork sandwich and pizza to ulus and mas-sages. Shopping and eating didn't mean missing out on the show. A wall-sized screen and speakers pumped both audio and video of the show into the gym.

After four solid hours of music, several of the festival's performers gathered on stage to sing "Goodnight Irene" together, most adding a verse of their own to the tune.

### Rains yield for raft race

If it floats, it was probably part of someone's raft on Sunday. The Bering Sea Lions Club Nome River Raft Race annually tests the ingenuity and competitive drive of a host of Nomeites. While most of the homemade rafts entered exhibit some signs of ingenuity, the competitive drive usually only applies to the first half of the field. The back-of-the-packers are most often out for a pleasure cruise.

After nothing but sunshine since Thursday, this year's race appeared threatened by poor weather as Sunday dawned with pounding rain. Un-

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**SHADY LADY** (above)—Honie Abercrombie makes eyes and waves at the crowd gathered in front of the Wells Fargo Bank Saturday as she plays a role in the annual bank robbery.

**CLEARING THE STREET** (above, right)—Undertaker Bryon Redburn and deputy Louis Murphy clear Front Street of poor Doug DeVore who was the first casualty in the 2009 bank robbery re-enactment.

**CHARMING CHILDREN** (right)—The Miller family helps give Nome the appearance of a calm, peace-loving town during the bank robbery production. Little do they know, bandits are on their way to the bank.



Photo by Paul Kudla



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# 2009 Nome Midnight Sun Festival



Photos by Tyler Rhodes

**WITH FEELING** (above)—Dave Coler, rock-'n-roller, sings his heart out during the Nome Midnight Sun Folk Festival's Main Stage event Saturday afternoon at Nome Elementary School. Playing under the name, The Carolina Plate Lickers, Coler was joined for a set by Lorne Carroll and Laura Davis. Nearly 20 acts took the stage at the event.

**BLUEGRASS** (left)—Andrew Heist of the Great Alaska Bluegrass Band sings a number with the group Friday evening at the elementary school for the Folk Festival's opening concert.



# All Around the Sound

## New Arrivals

Charleen and Nicholas Tom of Saint Michael announce the birth of their son **Mario Damian Sipary Dan**, born May 13 at 9:12 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. He weighed 8 pounds, 3.6 ounces and was 20" in length.

Sandra and Robert Annogiyuk of Savoonga announce the birth of their daughter **Marlene Doi Anna Angiyinga Annogiyuk**, born May 31 at 11:33 p.m. She weighed 8 pounds, 1.2 ounces and was 21" in length. Siblings are Jason Naghull Annogiyuk, 30; Sharona Naluwi Annogiyuk, 27; Sonny Kuuf Annogiyuk, 24; Randy Keniiti Annogiyuk, 21; Logan Nuut Annogiyuk, 18; and brother J.R. Sikneq Annogiyuk, 12.

Misty Iworrigan and Corey Akeya of Savoonga announce the birth of their daughter **Paige Chelsea Rene Quizalugaq — Paqileghhmii Akeya**, born May 5 at 4:33 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 7 pounds, and was 18" in length. Siblings or other family members are: brothers Ramsey, 2; and Ashton, 1; grandfather Kenneth Iworrigan Sr. from Gambell; and Peggy and Norman Akeya from Savoonga.

Natalie Maude Olanna of Brevig Mission announces the birth of her son **Alex Ander Neapuk Seetot**, born June 14 at 3:27 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces, and was 20" in length. Maternal grandparents are Frieda Olanna and Delbert Seetot of Brevig Mission; great aunts are Nellie Eide of Nome, and Nancy Huls of Brevig Mission. Welcome, Alex.

Tiffany R. Slwooko and Jason E. Annogiyuk of Gambell announce the birth of their son **Jonathon Merrill "Esnighqwaq" Annogiyuk**, born June 14 at 7:28 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds and was 20" in length. His sisters are Tanisha Doi Slwooko, 11, Helen Paanga Annogiyuk, 5. His brother is Api Slwooko, 8. Maternal grandparents are the late Timothy and Annie Slwooko. Paternal grandparents Robert and Sandra Annogiyuk of Savoonga.

Carol D. Nashoanuk and Randy P. Henry, Sr. of Stebbins announce the birth of their daughter **Kaelyn Julie Rose Henry**, born June 15 at 10:21 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 11.6 ounces, and was 19" in length. Siblings are Kailey Nashoanuk, 6; Karla Henry, 3; and Randy Henry, Jr., 23 months. Maternal grandparents are Morris and Roselyn Nashoanuk of Stebbins. Paternal grandparents are Patrick and Julie Henry of Stebbins.

## Shutterbugs snap Alaska, reveal hidden gems

Alaska Wilderness League and Alaska Wilderness Recreation and Tourism Association teamed up in May on a national photography contest to highlight national park-quality public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management in Alaska. The Alaska's Hidden Gems Photography Contest attracted 61 submissions from all over and had 50 that qualified for entry. Sue Steinacher of Nome was the overall contest winner and placed first in the *Wildlife* category. Sue has lived in Nome off and on since the mid-1980s and considers it one of Alaska's best kept secrets. In September 2007, while camping with

friends from Fairbanks in the Kigluai Mountains, some 60 miles north of Nome on the Seward Peninsula, and watching the sun rise on the north face of the "Kigs," she heard the gargling of the approaching cranes and grabbed her camera for the winning shot. "The opportunity to enjoy these magnificent mountains and the refuge they provide to the wildlife we value, are what sustains most of us who tough it out year after year in this distant northwest corner of Alaska," says Sue.

## Graduates

Louise Keller Bauman is pleased to announce the graduation of her daughter **Eda English** from the University of Alaska Fairbanks on May 10. Eda graduated *summa cum laude* with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management and minor in Rural Development. Eda also graduated salutatorian from the 1999 Class of Nome-Beltz High School. Eda plans to continue her education and has been accepted in the graduate degree program at the UAF School of Management. Her proud parents are Louise Bauman and Brent Bauman of Nome, and Frank Katchatag from Unalakleet.

## Honors

*The Nome Nugget's* Diana Haecker was named a first place winner for reporting on social issues and took second place for reporting on science (technology, ecology, environment and energy). She was also awarded a second place for photography in the National Federation of Press Women's Communications Contest.



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**WAGON WHEEL FLY-IN**—Airplanes adorn the hillside at Wagon Wheel Creek as Doug Doherty serves a big breakfast to the aviation enthusiasts including Darlene Whitney, Sterling Ambrose and Sean Bogart.



Photo by Larry Eggart

**HEADING FOR FUN**—Nome aviator heads for weekend at Wagon Wheel Camp near Council.

## Wagon Wheel rounds up Nome aviators

By Janice Doherty

Larry Eggart's dream of hosting an aviators' weekend getaway after almost 20 years of hoping it would all come together one day proved to be a success. Nine private aircraft parked on the colorful, wildflower covered tundra strip throughout the day on Saturday, June 13. The location was 71 miles east of Nome just past Council among the majestic bright green cottonwood trees and the sound of the ice-cold

Wagon Wheel Creek rushing by. Magenta woolly lousewort and cobalt blue forget-me-nots adorned the Alaskan tundra as the aviation enthusiasts enjoyed the picnic and campout weekend.

Private aviators from Nome who participated in the event included the following: Larry Eggart and Darlene Whitney in their Maule, Lynn Johnson in his Taylorcraft, Victor Olsen in his Piper PA-12, Debbie and Tony Parsons in their Piper PA-

11, Simon and Jennifer Kinneen in their Piper PA-14, Tony and Angie Gorn in their Piper PA-12, Jay Wieler in his Piper PA-18, Sean Bogart and Sterling Ambrose in Sean's Citabria and Doug and Janice Doherty in their Cessna 170B.

The temperatures reached a balmy 75°F on Saturday afternoon as the pilots compared Alaskan Bush wheels and shared many Alaskan aviation experiences. The children, including Gavin and

Kellen Kinneen and Erica and Landon Wieler played hide and seek in the bushes and chased each other with light sabers. A beautifully decorated cake with 28 candles surprised Jennifer Kinneen as the aviators sang happy birthday to her. After the children went to sleep, a wine and cheese tasting took place.

A nesting raven caring for her recently hatched fledglings entertained the group with their loud

squawks. Those who chose to camp out for the evening woke up to a big Alaskan breakfast prepared by Doug Doherty and Sean Bogart before they all flew back to Nome. This event will be held annually during the second weekend of June, weather permitting. Interested aviation enthusiasts may contact Larry Eggart of Nome for more details.

## Assault, weapon misconduct land Teller man in jail

A Teller man was arrested Tuesday morning on assault and weapons charges after Alaska State Troopers responded to a call about an intoxicated man with a gun in the village west of Nome.

According to Trooper Sgt. Andrew Merrill of the Nome Post,

David Soolook Jr., 46, was arrested and charged with assault in the third degree, third- and fourth-degree misconduct involving weapons, and two counts of reckless endangerment.

Merrill said Troopers received the call at 6 a.m. Tuesday, and responded from Nome by both aircraft and car. Merrill said Soolook's girlfriend received minor injuries in the incident, requiring a visit to the Teller clinic. Merrill said no further care was needed. He also said alcohol was involved.

Troopers Merrill, Ann Sears and John Stroebele responded to the call. Soolook was scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday afternoon in District Court in Nome.

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# HOROSCOPES

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 <b>CAPRICORN</b> December 22–January 19	Time to get the ball rolling on that home improvement project, Capricorn. It cannot wait any longer. A health issue rears its ugly head once again.	 <b>ARIES</b> March 21–April 19	You're much too smart to fall into that trap. Resist it with all of your might, Aries. Travel is on the agenda. The best destination is not far from home.	 <b>CANCER</b> June 22–July 22	You race to the finish, but will you make it, Cancer? Only time will tell, and much sooner than you think. A friend reaches out to you; don't turn a deaf ear.	 <b>LIBRA</b> September 23–October 22	Passion sizzles at home, and you wine and dine that special someone. All of the pieces of the puzzle come into place at work, except for one. Don't drop the ball, Libra.
 <b>AQUARIUS</b> January 20–February 18	Up and at 'em, Aquarius. All eyes are on you to come up with the perfect solution to a dilemma. The message at home is clear. Heed it.	 <b>TAURUS</b> April 20–May 20	Pick a side at home, Taurus, and you will be doomed. They are both right. Say so and make your exit. A financial snafu works out in your favor.	 <b>LEO</b> July 23–August 22	Push the envelope too much, Leo, and you just might find yourself in hot water. Pull back and give someone else the reins. A home repair goes well with the right materials.	 <b>SCORPIO</b> October 23–November 21	Get it, Scorpio, get it. That's how quick you are this week. Your mind goes into overdrive, and the ideas fly. A cheeky young friend takes you someplace extra-special.
 <b>PISCES</b> February 19–March 20	Magic is about to happen. Anything will be possible, Pisces, so go forth and shine. A young friend asks the very question you hoped they wouldn't. Be honest.	 <b>GEMINI</b> May 21–June 21	You can dish it out, but can you take it, Gemini? The answer to that question comes this week. Bits and pieces at home turn into one awesome product.	 <b>VIRGO</b> August 23–September 22	You're flip-flopping on an issue, and it isn't cool. State your opinion, Virgo. It is essential for the situation to progress. Sighs at home indicate that something is up.	 <b>SAGITTARIUS</b> November 22–December 21	Time to make amends, Sagittarius. You opened mouth, inserted foot and what transpired afterwards was quite the mess. This is not something that will blow over. You must act now.

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Photo courtesy of Marie Tozier

**REUNITED**—The Nome-Beltz High School class of 1989 added some extra events to Nome’s Midnight Sun Festival for their 20-year class reunion. Pictured here at an event at Farley’s Camp June 20 are (back row, left to right) Bobby Bahnke, Ed Kelliher, Merrileigh Boring, Earl Merchant, Cynthia Gray, Fritz Carlson, Tim Parker, JeriAnn Tomter and Suzi Piscoya. In the front row (left to right) are Cynthia Outwater, Kathy Wheelahan, Melissa King, Crystal Booth, Roberta Castel, Marie Tozier and Linda Kimoktoak.

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# Saying it Sincerely

By Pastors David and Julie Elmore  
from Community United Methodist Church  
for the Nome Ministerial Association

**Bible Reference: Acts 2: 1-21**

Several weeks ago we celebrated Pentecost Sunday. Red is the color of Pentecost, reminding us of the power of the Holy Spirit; that it burns like the tongues of fire that rested upon each person in this passage from the book of Acts. But more than just being powerful, the Holy Spirit symbolizes change. After Pentecost, the church was forever changed. Our passage says that all people were able to hear the Gospel, God’s good news, in their own language. And the change goes deeper than that. Luke, who most believe to have written the book of Acts, saw this occasion as the fulfillment of Joel’s prophecy: “In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” (Acts 2:17-21)

It seems as if the Church has fallen a bit short at times of God’s will as revealed at Pentecost. There are many in our region who at one point were not allowed to even speak their own language, much less to hear the gospel in it. That is one reason why it is so important that we continue the tradition of singing hymns translated into the languages of this region. The Holy Spirit transcends language and culture. Who needs a translator when we have the Holy Spirit in our lives?

Dr. Lovett Weems, United Methodist Professor of Church Leadership, says that if we refuse to change we are essentially saying that the Kingdom of God has been brought to completion. Certainly we have a long way to go before we say God’s reign is present in its fullness. Calling people to faithful, committed discipleship to Jesus Christ is not easy. Sometimes it may even be painful. God never promised us things would be easy – God only promised us the peace that comes from knowing God. The promise of Pentecost is that as we remain faithful, and even if we may fall away a bit, God is faithful and through the Holy Spirit God is with us on this journey no matter how tough. No matter what unexpected turns this journey may take. As we seek to be God’s people and faithful disciples, Pentecost tells us we are not alone on that journey. Thanks be to God!



The Ahnangnatoguk family would like to inform the friends and family of Carol Ann Outwater that her burial service will be held at the Nome Cemetery at 1 p.m. on June 26, 2009.

## Nome-Beltz Senior High honor roll semester 2

<b>12th Grade</b> Madelyn Alvanna-Stimpfle Jessica Avessuk Kelsey Babcock <b>Milton Baker</b> Rachael Bauman <b>Jesse Blandford</b> <b>Taylor Booth</b> Cara Buie <b>Cori Eide</b> Andrea Jones Tlalaluk Katchatag <b>Hattie Keller</b> Willis Pate <b>Miles Reader</b> Misty Reader Lauren Steiger <b>Darell Tweet</b> Sharon Verdin Emmylou Vial Kimberly West  <b>11th Grade</b> Curtis Babcock Lonny Booshu Steffen Cox Jeremy Head	Richelle Horner Dawson Kauer Charles Kowchee Charlotte Mattheis Nikole McGuffey Eric Odden AnnieKate Olson <b>Lauren Otton</b> Jeremy Perkins Lucas Ritter <b>Taylor Romanesko</b> <b>Chrystiene Salesky</b> McKenzie Scott Addison Shield Hilary Stiles Louise Tungwenuk Derek Wieler  <b>10th Grade</b> Jeremiah Johnson Kailyn Kashevarof Renee Lammer Christian Leckband Alexander Morgan Elizabeth Sherman-Luce David Stickel Timothy Sullivan	Norman Tweet  <b>9th Grade</b> Daniel Anderson <b>Nathan Blandford</b> <b>Elizabeth Herzner</b> <b>Jens Irelan</b> Xaiver Kowchee Jacob Martin Mary Ruud Danielle Scott Raechel Stiles <b>Brendan Wehde</b>  <b>Junior High (missed last week)</b> <b>8th Grade</b> David Olin <b>7th Grade</b> John Tocktoo
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To make honor roll, students must maintain a 3.0 (B) grade point average, have no grade lower than a C, and be taking at least four classes. Bolded names signify a 4.0 Gpa.

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

**Community Baptist Church-SBC**  
108 West Third, **443-5448**  
**Small Group Bible Study** 10 a.m.  
**Sunday** Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
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**Community United Methodist**  
2nd Ave. West, **443-2865**  
**Sunday** 11 a.m. Worship  
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**Nome Covenant Church**  
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**Sunday** School 9:45 a.m./**Sunday** Worship 11 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Fellowship Meal 5:30 p.m./Ladies’ Bible Study, Mens’ Fraternity & Children’s Choir 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Youth Group 7 p.m. (call 443-7218 for location)  
**Friday:** Community Soup Kitchen 6 - 7 p.m.

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
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**VBS 6/22-25 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**/Morning Worship 11 a.m.

**River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333**  
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**Wednesday Night Service** 6:30 p.m.

**St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527**  
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**Mass Schedule: Saturday** 5:30 p.m./**Sunday** 10:30 a.m.

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

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## Seawall

6/15 Karl Peterson, DOB: 4/1/44, received a citation for Expired Registration.

6/17 John Merculief, DOB: 10/15/67, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, Domestic Violence.

6/18 Patrick Omiak, DOB: 3/17/82, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation.

6/19 Lorraine Jungers, DOB: 1/29/63, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation. Raymond Kunnuk, DOB: 4/13/72, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, Domestic Violence.

Dylan Lott, DOB: 9/1/88, was issued a citation for Failure to Provide Child Safety Device.

6/20 Nicole Topkok, DOB: 5/2/91, received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol. Louis Green, DOB: 10/26/85, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. Andrew Ozenna, DOB: 1/3/86, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Indecent Exposure and Probation Violation.

Camille Droman, DOB: 10/14/66, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Indecent Exposure. Camille Droman, DOB: 10/14/66, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Fugitive From Justice. Theodora Katcheak, DOB: 3/13/89, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation, two counts Assault on a Police Officer, two counts Harassment, Criminal Mischief and a citation for Endangering Welfare of a Child.

6/21 Andrew Cooper, DOB: 9/2/86, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Domestic Violence.

Andrew Kunayak, Jr., DOB: 2/27/72, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation. Diana Ellanna, DOB: 2/28/85, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation.

6/22 Daisy Weinard, DOB: 5/9/90, received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol. Debra Moto, DOB: 4/12/85, 4/12/85, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Assault 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, Domestic Violence.

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## Trooper Beat

On June 10, at about 10:23 a.m., Gambell VPOs received a request for assistance at a Gambell residence. Amos Slwooko, 25, of Gambell, was arrested for Resisting Arrest, Harassment I and probation violation. Slwooko was telephonically arraigned, due to weather, then transported to Nome and lodged at AMCC.

On June 11, Nome AST received a report of an assault in Stebbins. The incident was not a crime involving domestic violence and alcohol was not involved. The report will be sent to the DAO for review.

On June 13, at about 9:30 p.m., Stebbins VPOs received a report that Pamela Pete, 30, of Stebbins, was intoxicated and drove her 4-wheeler into a porch and broke a window at the same residence. Pete was arrested for Criminal Mischief III, Driving Under the Influence, Resisting Arrest, and Criminal Trespass II. Pete was telephonically arraigned.

On June 15, at 7:30 p.m., AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Gambell. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Lee Koozaata, 29, of Gambell, for Misconduct Involving Weapons 4, Assault 4, and Resisting Arrest. Koozaata was remanded to AMCC.

On June 17, at about 2:50 a.m., Nome Police

Department received two 911 hang-up calls from a 45-year old female reporting she was assaulted by her boyfriend at their residence in Nome. AST investigation revealed 57-year old Michael G. West of Nome assaulted his girlfriend and when she was attempting to call the police he pulled the telephone cord out of the wall twice. West was arrested for Assault IV, domestic violence, and Interfering with a Report of Domestic Violence. West was transported to AMCC where he was booked with no bail.

On June 15, at approximately 2:30 a.m. Kelly Slwooko, 31, of Gambell, was arrested on an outstanding arrest warrant for Assault IV. Further investigation revealed Kelly Slwooko was intoxicated in violation of his probation. Slwooko had been consuming “Oust” hairspray and hand sanitizer. Slwooko was transported and remanded to AMCC without incident.

On June 17, Nome Alaska Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Enforcement arrested Douglas Seidemann, 45, of Nome, in a local business. Seidemann was arrested for Assault 4-DV and Reckless Endangerment and transported to AMCC. Bail set at \$5,000.00 and Third Party Custodian.

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**POSITION STATUS: Regular, Part-Time**  
**EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt**  
**PAY SCALE GRADE: 9-10-1 1-12 (\$18.45 – 25.55)DOE**  
**REPORTS TO: Children & Family Services Program Director**

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#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1) High school diploma or G.E.D.
- 2) At least one year of work experience in a human service agency required. Education in a human service field may substitute for the work experience on a year for year basis.
- 3) Basic computer skills and ability to utilize Windows (Word and Excel) and Internet required.
- 4) Knowledge of Bering Strait region preferred.
- 5) Must have a valid Alaska Driver's License.
- 6) Must be willing to travel extensively in rural Alaska.
- 7) No prior conviction of child abuse, family violence, or other convictions that would affect the performance of the position requirements.
- 8) Ability to maintain client confidentiality.

#### EEO

Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231. Applications can be accessed via Kawerak website at [www.kawerak.org](http://www.kawerak.org) or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to the Human Resources office at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to [per-sonnel@kawerak.org](mailto:per-sonnel@kawerak.org). Thank you. 6/25

[ens@bssd.org](mailto:ens@bssd.org). Requests may also be made to FAX Number (907) 624-3524. Proposals must be submitted in quadruplicate and received by the Bering Strait School District prior to 3:00PM, June 19, 2009. Proposals received after that time will not be considered.

Proposals shall be addressed as follows:  
Bob Dickens, Facilities Director  
Bering Strait School District  
P.O. Box 225  
Unalakleet, Alaska 99684

#### "Architectural Services Proposal"

All questions regarding this proposal shall be submitted in writing and either faxed to (907) 624-3524 or emailed to [bdickens@bssd.org](mailto:bdickens@bssd.org). Firms qualifying for formal interviews will be notified by June 23, 2003. Individual Firm interviews may be conducted on or about June 30, 2008. BSSD reserves the right to relinquish formal interviews and award the A&E contract based on submitted proposals. BSSD shall not be liable for any costs incurred by any A&E firm in response to this request. 6/4-11-18

#### CITY OF NOME

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

O-09-06-01 An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the FY2010 General Fund Municipal Budget for the City of Nome, Alaska Exercising the Power to Assess, and Authorizing the Levy of a General Property Tax  
O-09-06-02 An Ordinance to Establish, Approve and Adopt the FY2010 City of Nome Capital Projects Fund Budget  
O-09-06-03 An Ordinance to Establish, Approve and Adopt the FY2010 City of Nome Special

Revenue Fund Budget  
O-09-06-04 An Ordinance to Establish, Approve and Adopt the FY2010 City of Nome Port of Nome Fund Budget  
O-09-06-05 An Ordinance to Establish, Approve and Adopt the City of Nome FY2010 Construction Capital Projects Fund Budget  
These ordinances had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on June 8, 2009 at Noon, 12:00 PM and were passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM** in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk. 6/11-18

#### NOTICE OF DEFAULT – SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

A foreclosure sale will be held **August 13, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.** in the lobby at the main front entrance, Nome Superior Court, at the Federal Building, Front Street, Nome, AK of the Deed of Trust recorded August 1, 2002, as Instrument No. 2002-000701-0, Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, as a lien against real property described as: Lots 2 and 3 and the East 40 feet of Lot 4, Block "G", according to the official November 24, 1934 map of the TOWNSITE OF NOME; Records of the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska; which has a street address of 100 Front Street, Nome, AK 99762. Trustor/Record Owner Stanley Sobocienski, individually and as surviving spouse of Valerie Sobocienski, as to Lot 2; Stanley

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## Legals

### Request for Architectural Services Proposals Little Diomed K-12 Major Maintenance Project

The Bering Strait School District (BSSD) is soliciting proposals from architectural firms to do the design and engineering for the Little Diomed K-12 Major Maintenance project located in Little Diomed, AK.

Proposal to include A&E services from Schematic Design through Construction Documents:  
a) Planning and design for the remodel or replacement of approximately 18,500 square feet of school educational space, including standard classrooms, labs, shops, physical education, storage, mechanical, electrical and flow space b) preparation of a project budget and independent cost estimate c) preparation of building performance specifications, d) soils analysis e) hazmat investigation, and, f) construction administration. Firms qualified and interested in the above scope of services are invited to submit the following information: a) name of firm b) resume of firm and of individuals that will be participating in this project c) registration, licensing and professional history d) Architect's Statement of Qualifications e) description of rural Alaska experience f) school project experience, list of projects completed within last ten years and sample 8 1/2" x 11" floor plans from several projects g) financial history of firm, including a recent financial statement h) work plan and proposed schedule for the performance of services i) narrative of your qualifications pertaining to this work j) experience with the "Bam-Build" (CM/GC) approach to project delivery k) references. Statement of Qualifications Forms may be obtained by contacting Bob Dickens at email [bdickens@bssd.org](mailto:bdickens@bssd.org).

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Sobocienski as to Lot 3 and the East 40 feet of Lot 4, have breached the obligation for which the Deed of Trust is security: failure to make payments when due under the Deed of Trust. Beneficiary, Wells Fargo Bank Alaska, National Association, is owed the principal amount of \$55,576.81, plus interest at the current rate of 8.25% (the interest rate is subject to change from time to time based on changes in an index which is the floating rate equal to the Prime Rate set from time to time by Wells Fargo Bank plus 2.5 percentage points above the index) per annum from December 14, 2008, plus costs, fees, and other charges incurred or advanced thereafter. The Trustee elects to sell the property and to apply the proceeds against the obligation. Trustee reserves the right to postpone the sale, set a minimum bid, submit an offset bid, and establish other bidding procedures at the sale. Questions should be directed to the Law Of fices of GROH EGGERS, LLC, 2600 Cordova Street, Suite 110, Anchorage, AK 99503, phone (907) 562-6474. Yukon Title Company, Inc., Trustee Dated: 5/11/09 By: Cathy Shuttleworth 6/11-18-25; 7/2

**Notice**  
Nome Eskimo Community (NEC), a federally recognized Tribe, is requesting proposals from qualified firms and individuals for the provision of audit services. Interested firms and individuals must submit written proposals to NEC so that they are received, in person or by mail, on or before the close of business on Friday , October 30, 2009. The audit services will be for a three-year period beginning with the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009 through fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. All services are to be in accordance with 24 CFR Part 44, the Single Audit Act. In accordance with Federal regulations, Indian Preference in the selection process shall apply. For more information contact Debra Evans at (907) 443-2246 or email at [debraevans@gci.net](mailto:debraevans@gci.net). 6/11-18-25; 7/2

**Notice**  
Request for Proposal: The city of Unalakleet will receive sealed proposals until 12:00 noon (local time), 10 July, 2009, for Foothills Master Plan and Subdivision Design Project, Unalakleet, Alaska. Documents are available 12 June 2009 through the City of Unalakleet. Contact Herbert Ivanoff, City Administrator. Phone (907) 624-3531 Fax: (907) 486-3130. Email: [Herbert.Ivanoff@counk@alaska.com](mailto:Herbert.Ivanoff@counk@alaska.com). 6/18-25

**Operating Expense Assistance (OEA)**  
ALASKA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION (AHFC) announces the availability of annual funding for the Operating Expense Assistance (OEA) program. This program is for organizations who meet the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), HOME Investment Partnerships program criteria as Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) or who are interested in becoming CHDOs as defined by HUD 24 CFR Part 92. The OEA program provides CHDOs certified by AHFC with operating cost funding. To receive OEA funds, a CHDO must demonstrate that it has or intends to develop, sponsor, or own HOME Investment Partnership assisted housing outside of the Municipality of Anchorage. **Eligible applicants include only Non-Profit Organizations who qualify as CHDOs.** If selected by AHFC, successful subrecipients must execute a Grantee Agreement and administer the funds in accordance with Federal HOME Program Regulations. **The only way interested parties can be included in this solicitation is by submitting an "Intent to Apply" form available on the internet: [www.ahfc.us](http://www.ahfc.us) (select Notices, Notices of Funding Availability).** To be eligible for funding under this program, "Intent to Apply" forms must be received by **4:30 p.m. Local Anchorage Time, June 30, 2009.** Forms delivered to an incorrect AHFC location or received after the deadline WILL NOT be eligible to apply and will not be considered for funding. Forms will only be accepted via email at: [cslover@ahfc.state.ak.us](mailto:cslover@ahfc.state.ak.us). Telefax and hard copy forms WILL NOT be accepted. For more information, or if unable to access the

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(CWA). The environmental consequences of this construction activity include massive discharges of sediment-laden stormwater in 2007, 2008 and now presently occurring in 2009. In 2007 and 2008 the disturbed areas had few of the erosion control measures in place that should have been implemented through a NPDES stormwater permit. Adequate measures to control contaminant releases to the nearby three streams were not taken during the construction of the Rock Creek Mine. The fill material impacted the three perennial coastal streams. There is strong evidence that the receiving waters of the Snake River were also impacted. These alterations diminished the value of the coastal streams as habitat for the native aquatic life, such as salmon and other fish. The sedimentation events occurred when salmon eggs were in the streambed, depleting them of oxygen. The property started in earnest to stabilize particularly vulnerable areas of the property to reduce the ongoing erosion risks, but this attempt failed resulting in contamination in May and June of 2009 of all three streams, especially Lindblom Creek. A digital photo taken on June 12, 2009 was taken of Lindblom Creek at the Glacier Creek Rd. There should be related State enforcement actions against the Rock Creek Mine. Payment and Penalties: As a re-

"Intent to Apply" form via internet, contact: Colette Slover, Planning Department Alaska Housing Finance Corporation 4300 Boniface Parkway, PO Box 101020, Anchorage, AK, 99510-1020 330-8275 or 1-800-478-2432 (toll-free statewide) 6/18-25

**NOTICE OF FY 2010 GOAL PRELIMINARY APPLICATION**  
In September 2009, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) will announce the FY 2010 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for its Greater Opportunity for Affordable Living (GOAL) Program. Under this NOF A, AHFC makes grants, zero-interest loans, and federal tax credits available for competitive allocation to successful pre-application respondents who will acquire, rehabilitate, or construct rental housing. **In order to be eligible to apply for the FY 2010 GOAL Program, a Preliminary Application for your proposed project must be submitted to Alaska Housing Finance Corporation no later than July 28, 2009 at 4:30 P.M.** The preliminary application will, in part, provide sufficient information for AHFC to determine if the project proposal meets the minimum criteria for invitation into the full FY 2010 GOAL competition. A full list of items that will be reviewed during the pre-application is available in the FY 2010 GOAL Program Rating and Award Criteria Plan. The full FY 2010 GOAL application, to be submitted in the Fall of 2009, will address other aspects of the proposed development in greater detail. These additional aspects are outlined in the FY 2010 GOAL Program Rating and Award Criteria Plan. Supporting information on all of these components will be submitted in the full GOAL application. **The deadline is 4:30 p.m. on July 28, 2009.** To obtain a preliminary application and find out more about these development programs, please visit the AHFC website at: [http://www.ahfc.state.ak.us/grants/goal\\_down-load.cfm](http://www.ahfc.state.ak.us/grants/goal_down-load.cfm). Or contact: Daniel Delfino Alaska Housing Finance Corporation P.O. Box 101020 Anchorage, Alaska 99510 907-330-8273 907-338-2585(FAX) 1-800-478-2432 [ddelfino@ahfc.state.ak.us](mailto:ddelfino@ahfc.state.ak.us) 6/18-25

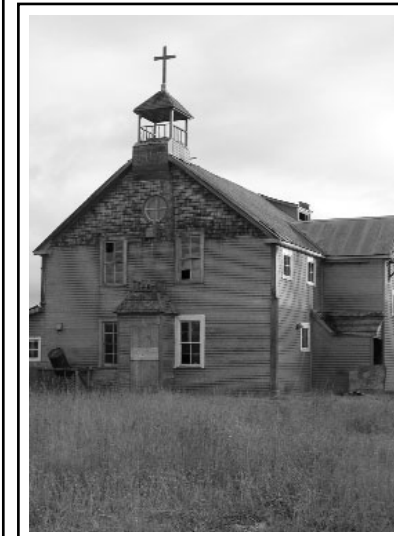
**NOTICE**  
**The University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Education (including our distance-delivered programs) is hosting an accreditation review by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).** Both NCATE and the University of Alaska Fairbanks recognize that graduates, parents, schools, and community organizations have valuable perspectives on the quality of the programs that prepare teachers and other school personnel. We invite interested parties to submit written testimony on the School of Education to: Board of Examiners NCATE 2010 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20036-1023 or by email to [callforcomments@ncate.org](mailto:callforcomments@ncate.org) Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of professional education programs of fered at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (including our distance delivered education programs), and should specify the respondent's relationship, if any, to the institution (i.e. graduate, present or former faculty member, employer of graduates.) Copies of all correspondence received will be sent to the University of Alaska Fairbanks for comment prior to review. No anonymous testimony will be considered. Letters of comment should be received no later than July 20, 2009. UAF is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and educational institution. 6/18

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: )**  
**ERNIE W. BUTTS,**

sult of the CWA violations described above, under the settlement the Alaska Gold Company and NovaGold Resources, Inc. will pay fines totaling \$883,628 to resolve violations of a stormwater discharge permit. The Need for Injunctive Relief: In order to repair damage caused by the companies I strongly recommend additional monies be paid by the company to improve overall site stabilization to prevent further erosion and restoration of stream segments at three sites on the property. The cost of these measures will more than likely exceed \$ 2,000,000. Site Stabilization – Under additional conditions of the settlement, work should continue to stabilize portions of the property vulnerable to erosion. This should include such measures as completion of a soil “nail wall” to stabilize the slopes of the waste rock and development rock mounds as well as the sides of the Tailings Storage Facility (TSF). Erosion control needs to be maintained in the future on roadways that are used on the property. Terracing slopes, and planting and maintaining vegetation cover should be used to control erosion at this site, including the barren ridges of earthen fill. For all required vegetation, the settlement also needs to require the control of invasive plant species and use native grasses and shrubs such as willows. These stabilization measures should start to take place prior to freeze-up this year. It would be prudent for the U.S. to do this in a

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Deceased. 2no-08-21 PR  
Case No. **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given Gary D. Butts has been appointed personal representative of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Gary D. Butts, c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762. DATED this 12th day of June, 2009. /s/ Robert D. Lewis, Attorney for Gary D. Butts Personal Representative, Box 61, Nome, AK 99762 6/25; 7/2-9



Friends of Pilgrim Hot Springs

General meeting

Meeting to be held:  
**Thursday, June 25, 2009**  
**7 p.m.**  
**Polar Cafe**  
Public is welcome to attend

LEGAL NOTICE  
- SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE BANKRUPTCY -

NOTICE OF DEADLINE TO FILE CLAIMS

IF YOU SUFFERED INJURY BY PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR SEXUAL ABUSE OR MISCONDUCT BY A JESUIT PRIEST OR OTHER PERSON FOR WHICH YOU CLAIM THE SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE HAS SOME RESPONSIBILITY, OR IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER REASON TO ASSERT A CLAIM AGAINST THE SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE, YOU MUST ACT NOW TO FILE YOUR CLAIM

THE LAST DAY TO FILE CLAIMS IS  
NOVEMBER 30, 2009

**SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE (the “Debtor”)**  
**has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection (United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Oregon, Case No. 09-30938-elp11). The Bankruptcy Court has ordered that all persons with a claim for damages against the SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE for injuries resulting from sexual, mental, or physical misconduct or abuse, or for any other reason, must file a claim on or before November 30, 2009.**

You must complete and file a proof of claim if: (1) you contend that the Debtor is responsible for any injury or other damages to you because you claim that you were injured by physical, mental, or sexual abuse or misconduct, whether by a priest, other clergy, a worker, a volunteer, an employee or other person or entity within the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington (the “Oregon Province Territory”) for which you claim the Debtor has some responsibility; or through such acts that occurred outside the Oregon Province Territory for which you claim the Debtor has some responsibility; or (2) if you have a claim against the Debtor for any other reason.

For more information, or to receive a long form Notice of Claims Bar Date and Proof of Claim Form write to: Society of Jesus Oregon Province Case, c/o BMC Group, Inc., PO Box 3020, Chanhassen, MN 55317-2011, call the toll free number listed below, or visit the website set forth below.

**1-888-909-0100**  
**[www.bmcgroup.com/sjop](http://www.bmcgroup.com/sjop)**



Romantic tryst on Middle Beach ends in jail

A couple who perhaps got too caught up in the Midnight Sun festivities last weekend are facing indecent exposure charges after allegedly getting a little too close and personal Saturday on the beach in Nome.

The Nome Police Department said it received a call June 20, reporting a couple having sex in the Middle Beach area. Officers responded and

arrested Camille Droman, 43, and Andrew Ozenna, 23, charging them both with misdemeanor charges of indecent exposure.

According to a press release from the police department, a subsequent investigation led to additional charges of being a fugitive from justice levied against Droman. Police say she has an active warrant against her in Lake County, Fla., for possession of methamphetamine and three

counts of possession of paraphernalia. As of Tuesday morning, she was awaiting extradition to Florida.

Ozenna was arraigned June 22. A pre-trial conference on the matter was set for Aug. 5.

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timely matter as NovaGold Resources, Inc. today has no source of income or cash flow and may remedy the situation by declaring bankruptcy.

Stream Restoration – Under this additional settlement the channels of all three creeks and the inflow areas of the creeks that enter the Snake River should be carefully analyzed because channel restoration may be needed due to the cumulative effects from the contamination and the future probable effects that may happen for a number of years.

Tailing Storage Facility – Today the facility is filled with over 50 million gallons of water in a storage dam that was not designed to hold water, but paste mill tailings. The area of the recycle mill pond also needs to be addressed.

Monitoring of stream conditions and vegetation to ensure that performance criteria in the new agreement have been met should follow

all work on the slopes and waterways.

Payment of Penalties: As a result of the CEA violations already settled and agreed upon by the permittee of \$883,628. This is the second largest fine in Region 10 but it is certainly not the largest fine for a NPDES Permit violation in the United States.


The additional fines for restoration will represent a significant deterrent to others who disregard Federal and State erosion control requirements. I would estimate that the new restoration work and extensive repair work would cost between \$2.0 Million to \$5.0 Million.

This new additional settlement will reduce erosion at the Rock Creek Mine, restore perennial stream systems, including surrounding native plant habitats, and will lead to cleaner, safer streams and coastal waters.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dr. Derrick Leedy  
Nome, AK

**Thank you!**

The Bering Sea Women's Group thanks Mitch Erickson and Sari Haugen of the Nome Visitor Center! Their assistance is highly appreciated. Thank you for making the visiting NSVRC (National Sexual Violence Resource Center) members feel welcome and helping to make their visit a positive experience. Also, thank you to those who participated to make the dinner a success! Thank you to Norton Sound Seafood Products for donating the fish for the dinner.



Bering Sea Women's Group  
Crisis line: 443-5444 or  
toll free:1-800-570-5444

**Sealed Bid Sale**  
**Individual Native Allotments**

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is offering for sale, on behalf of the Native owners, the following tracts of land:

Item No.	Description	Minimum Acceptable Bid	No. of Acres
1	Barbara Joe, owner. St. Michael Townsite Lot, Lot 2, Block 15, Tract C, USS 5579.	\$15,000.00*	0.27
2	Patricia Sagoonick, owner. Lot 2, USS 10250, Alaska, situated on the right bank of the Bonanza River approximately 2 miles southwesterly from the village of Solomon, Alaska.	\$50,000.00*	39.98
3	Linda Anselm, owner. Situated 22 miles northeasterly of Unalakleet, F17247, USS 5454, lots 5 & 6. Accessible by boat.	\$229,000.00	149.00
4	Paul Washington, owner. Situated on the north westerly shore of St. Michael Bay, 1 mile south westerly of St. Michael. F16241, USS 12488, Lot 1. Accessible by vehicle.	\$250,000.00	159.96

\*Deferred payment plan available; please ask Kawerak LMS staff for details.  
TITLE TO LAND SOLD AS A RESULT OF THIS ADVERTISEMENT WILL BE CONVEYED IN A FEE SIMPLE STATUS BY APPROVED DEED. TERMS AVAILABLE ARE CASH OR DEFERRED PAYMENT AS SPECIFIED.

Sealed Bid Opening will be on **August 12, 2009 at 2 p.m.**

For a Bid Packet or for more information please contact:  
**Kawerak, Inc. Land Management Services, P.O. Box 948, Nome, Alaska 99762.**

AWARD WILL BE MADE TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER WHO MEETS OR EXCEEDS THE MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE NATIVE OWNER. Instructions and further information are available at the above office or by phone, toll free within Alaska **1-800-443-4316**, direct **907-443-4326**. Terms of sale specified thereon.

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**Public Notice**

The Nome Planning Commission has one (1) seat available for re-appointment.

If you are interested in serving on the Nome Planning Commission, please submit an application form.

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

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THURSDAY, JULY 2, 2009 AT 5:00 P.M. TO CITY HALL, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
CITY OF NOME  
P.O. BOX 281  
102 DIVISION STREET  
NOME, ALASKA 99762

**CITY OF NOME**

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**Wales Native Corporation**  
**Annual Shareholders' Meeting Notice**

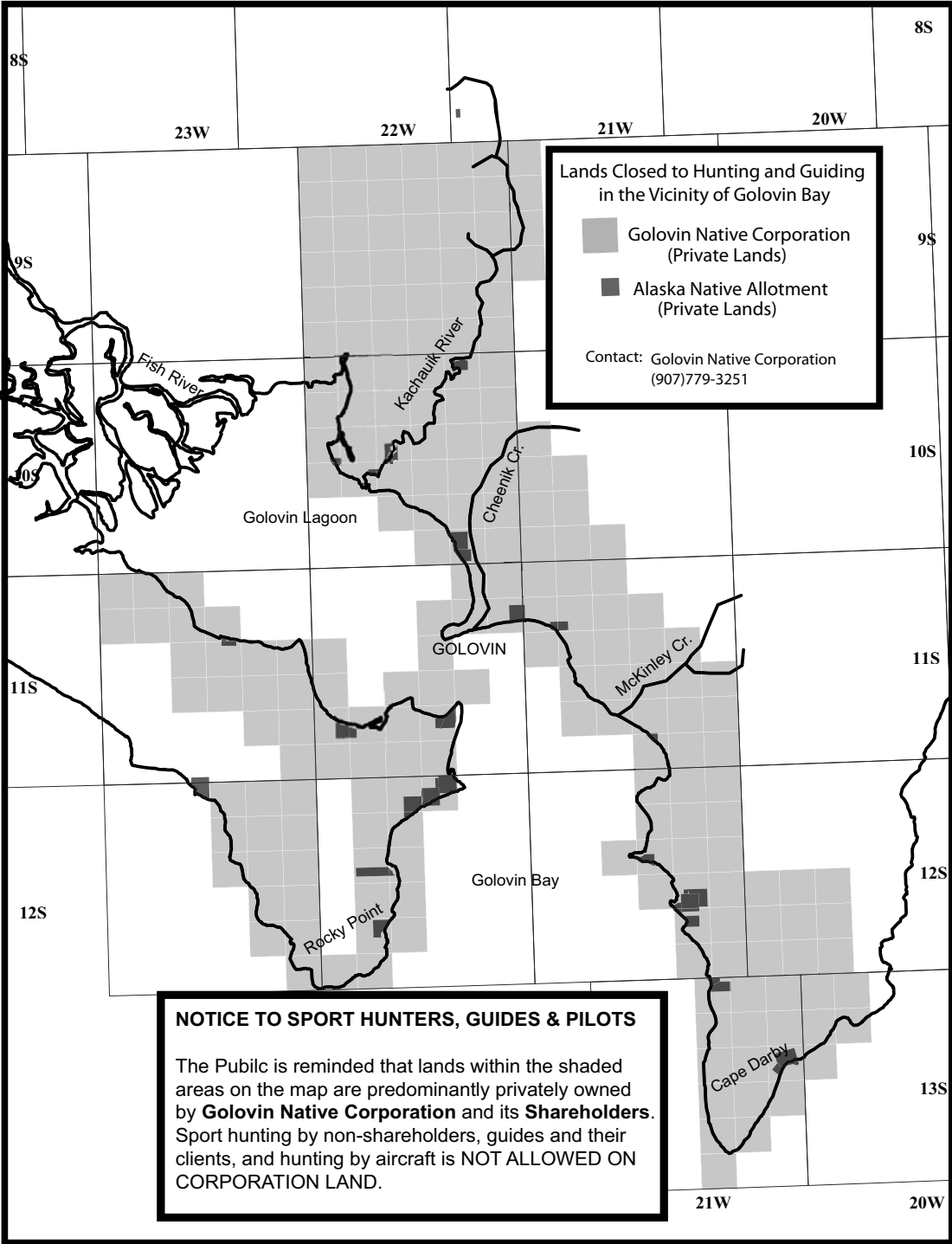
The 36th Wales Native Corporation Annual Shareholders' Meeting will be held in Wales, Alaska on Friday, July 10, 2009 and the doors will open at 1 p.m. for registration.

The meeting will be held at the Native Village of Wales Multi-Purpose Building. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect three (3) Directors and to conduct any other business that may come before the shareholders.

Proxies for this meeting must be returned by Friday, July 10, 2009 to be valid. If you have any questions or comments, please contact our office at (907) 664-3641 or mail to the following address: Wales Native corporation, PO Box 529, Wales, AK 99783-0529.

**NOTICE TO SPORT HUNTERS, GUIDES & PILOTS**

The Pubilc is reminded that lands within the shaded areas on the map are predominantly privately owned by **Golovin Native Corporation** and its **Shareholders**. Sport hunting by non-shareholders, guides and their clients, and hunting by aircraft is **NOT ALLOWED ON CORPORATION LAND**.



8S, 9S, 10S, 11S, 12S, 13S, 23W, 22W, 21W, 20W, Fish River, Kachauik River, Cheenik Cr., Golovin Lagoon, GOLOVIN, McKinley Cr., Rocky Point, Golovin Bay, Cape Darby



## Court

Week ending 6/19

### Civil

Nome Commercial Company vs. Sobocienski, Stanley; Real Estate Matter - Superior Court  
James, Tami vs. James Jr., Dennis; DV: ExParte Only

### Small Claims

No Small Claims filed.

### Criminal

State of Alaska v. Ivan Larsen (3/1/88); **Corrected** (by typesetter) Disorderly Conduct; Date of of fense: 3/10/09; 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 6/10/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law , assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly or return to the residence of K.L. (excludes court appearances as parties).

State of Alaska v. Patrick R. Takak (3/4/91); Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of of fense: 3/21/09; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court, or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 9/1/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 6/17/09); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances, or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Michael Aukon (3/15/90); 2NO-09-144CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701179; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 45 days, this court recommends placement at Seaside Center; Remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Michael Aukon (3/15/90); 2NO-09-325CR Habitual Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 6/10/09; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Community Work: Complete 96 hours of community work service and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's License or Permit: Revoked for 6 months, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Shall immediately surrender license/permit to court; Probation until his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday; Shall not consume inhalants, or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license/permit, pay fine and surcharge, show proof of community work service, and report to jail as ordered; Shall submit to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer and may be arrested without a warrant for probation violation; Shall contact NSBHS while incarcerated, and shall be evaluated, pay for, and successfully complete any recommended alcohol education or treatment program(s); Inpatient treatment of up to 90 days can be required; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.

State of Alaska v. Ernest Ailak (9/12/43); Assault 4<sup>th</sup>; DV; Date of offense: 4/16/09; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; \$100 applied to surcharge; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days have been served; 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 6/17/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence.

State of Alaska v. Dawn Oozevaseuk (8/30/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701404; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Must contact NSBHS within 2 days of release from incarceration; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Andrew Irrigoo (2/22/80); Violating Protective Order; Date of offense: 6/3/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 300 days, 180 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Col-

lections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 6/16/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall not possess or consume alcohol for 1 year (date of judgment: 6/16/09); Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer; Other: Not return to Clarence Irrigoo, Sr. residence within 8 hours of consuming alcohol; No violation of any DVRO.

State of Alaska v. Eli Mendenhall (5/4/76); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Fourth Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 6/16/09.

State of Alaska v. Kenneth Noongwook (6/7/90); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Third Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 6/15/09.

State of Alaska v. Xavier Pete Jr. (8/26/88); 2NO-08-175CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109526634; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Xavier Pete Jr. (8/26/88); 2NO-08-676CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110698632; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Xavier Pete, Jr. (8/26/88); 2NO-08-676CR Habitual Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 6/4/09; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay total of \$50 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Community Work: Complete 96 hours of community work service and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's License or Permit: Revoked for 6 months, concurrent with any DMV administrative action; Shall immediately surrender license/permit to court; Probation for 1 year; Shall not consume inhalants, or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license/permit, pay surcharge, show proof of community work service; Shall submit to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer and may be arrested without a warrant for probation violation; Shall contact NSBHS within 10 days or release, and shall be evaluated, pay for, and successfully complete any recommended alcohol education or treatment program(s); Inpatient treatment of up to 90 days can be required; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.

State of Alaska v. Stephan Apangalook (6/13/90); Count 1: Violating Release Conditions; Date of of fense: 6/9/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Karen Nguyen (7/10/55); Misconduct Involving Controlled Substance 5; Date of of fense: 2/22/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 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 6/17/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume controlled substances without prescription; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport.

State of Alaska v. John Ahkvaluk (7/20/65); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Fourth Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 6/16/09.

State of Alaska v. Gregory E. Mike (8/4/70); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109061766; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 6/15/10; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Kimberly Iyakitan (6/1/67); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violating Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 6/15/09.  
State of Alaska v. John Penetac (11/12/64); Count 001: Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 6/14/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Forfeit alcohol to State; 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; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Amos Slwooko (5/11/84); 2NO-09-54CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110829771; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 120 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-327CR; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Amos Slwooko (5/11/84); 2NO-09-327CR Count 002: Harassment 1<sup>st</sup>; On Peace Officers; Date of of fense: 6/10/09; Partial Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 360 days, 120 days suspended; Unsuspended 240 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-09-54CR; 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 6/15/11; 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 assaultive or disorderly conduct; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer for alcohol; Alcohol/Mental Health Assessment by 1 month of release; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Including residential treatment up to 6 months.

State of Alaska v. Patrick Omiak, Jr. (3/17/82); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110827206; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 6/18/10 from both counts; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days from count one (1); Remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Magdelaine Kakaruk (3/10/84); Assault 4<sup>th</sup>; DV; Date of offense: 4/27/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 6/19/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly Nellie Penayah, without consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in her residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer for alcohol; Not be where alcohol is present.

State of Alaska v. Eric Daniels (4/22/72); Count 1: Assault 4<sup>th</sup>; DV; Date of offense: 2/19/09; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 210 days, 90 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 6/19/11; 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 assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact, directly or indirectly or return to the residence of Judith Daniels; Mental Health Assessment 9/3/09; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.

State of Alaska v. Matthew Hadley (7/3/84); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Fourth Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 6/19/09.

State of Alaska v. Lee Koozaata 12/6/80; Amended Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 107501454; On 2/15/07 defendant was convicted of violating the crime of Importation of alcohol; Violated conditions of probation by committing a new of fense, as set forth in the Petition to Modify or Revoke Probation filed on 1/14/09; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 27 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-21CR; Suspended \$100 Correctional Facility Surcharge must be paid within 10 days to: AG Collection Unit, Anchorage.

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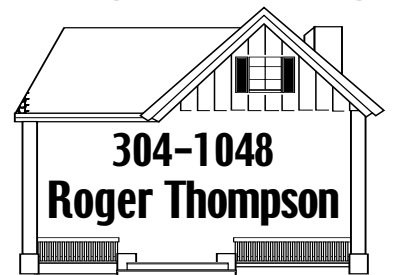
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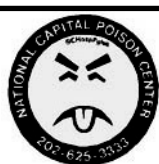
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**STRAIGHT SHOOTER** (above, left)—Ramone Cabrerra gives land-lubbers a dousing as his team, the River Rats, make their way downstream.

**BACK OF THE PACK** (above)—The tail end of the raft race had a more laid-back feel that those gunning for the finish line. Chickens, beverages and water fights were the norm for the bottom tier.

**CAPTAIN MUSK OX**—Arlo Hannigan gives orders to his crew of the Musk Ox Sally float before starting the raft race Sunday.

## • Festival

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daunted by wind or rain—all the teams were bound to be wet anyway—a strong field crowded the start at Mile 13 of the Kougarok Road. The teams were to be rewarded for their effort as the rains tempered by the race's start and the sun broke through within an hour of the cannon's blast that sent the teams on their way.

The rules of the race are pretty simple. All rafts must be homemade, manned by at least four crewmembers, and non-motorized. All crewmembers must be entirely wet by the finish line.

This year's winners, the Howling Dogs, squeaked out the win in 1 hour, 23 minutes, just one minute ahead of the runners-up. The team named Truman Johnson their captain in memory along with Barnaby Longley. Crewmembers were Kyle Griemsmann, Willis Pate, Ricky Wideman, Steffan Cox and Landis Bjorgen. The second-place finishers, the Kigluaik Adventure, was captained by Lieudell Goldsberry and crewed by Andrew

Goldsberry, Chris Busk, Dempsey Woods, Banner Romenesko and Larry Pederson. The third-place team finished 11 minutes back from the winners. That crew, the Green Machine, was made up of captain Miles Reader, Brittney Carpenter, Jackie Reader, Rachael Bauman and Cody Robson. The top three teams received trophies.

The rafts came in all shapes and sizes. Many were a simple slab design made of plywood and Styrofoam while others incorporated various airtight containers for float. The more serious crafts were pared down to the most basic elements, requiring the crew to kneel and paddle. Others were designed for comfort with chairs (often made of coolers), perhaps a table for playing dice and various equipment for spraying water at other teams and spectators.

While some took much more time than others did, all the teams reportedly made it to the finish safely.

### Final show wraps it up

For those still standing, The Great Alaska Bluegrass Band put the finishing



Photo by Amber Bradley

**CHEST BUMP** (right)—Shaun Kacena (left) and Jacob Bloodgood give a float-coat chest-bump for good luck before the start of the raft race Sunday.

ishing note on the festival with one last show at the elementary school Sunday evening. Put to work nearly the entire time they were in Nome, the band was still able to crank out beautiful three-part harmonies and hot picking through its deep repertoire of traditional bluegrass music.

By 9 p.m. the show was over, the seats stacked and the crowd on their way home. Many were likely bound to pull the shades on the longest day of the year to get some rest before work resumed Monday after what is arguably the longest and most fun weekend of the year in Nome.

## 2009 Nome River Raft Race results

1. Howling Dawgs:
2. Kigluaik Adventure
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