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CIRCLING UP—A group of muskoxen gather on the side of Skookum Mountain east of Nome, forming a circle to protect two young calves.

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WALKING FOR THE CURE—Sherry Nayokpuk (left) packs Sherilyn Anderson, 8 months, as she's joined by Athena Hall (center), Sierra Anderson and Jerry Asila in the Arctic ICANS Relay for Life event Saturday at the East-end Park. For more photos of the event, see page 8.

Snake River Bridge to move

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome Joint Utility System staff and board have a plan to replace the decrepit Snake River Bridge with a new crossing closer to town.

That's the bridge that has Band-Aids all over it to keep roadbed material from sifting into the water. New money came down the hopper for the bridge replacement from the state's voters approving a road package last November.

Proposed plans call for laying the bridge across the river at the beginning of the broad curve of Seppala Drive east of

the Center Creek Road intersection. Placement under study calls for the port area end of the bridge to come out near the south end of the new power plant. Such an alternative would require road realignment on Seppala between Center Creek and Cemetery roads to provide an intersection for the bridge approach.

The state Department of Transportation, declaring support for the project, has agreed to lease land adjacent to the north end of the new power plant to NJUS and

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Skinny crabs close fish plant

By Laurie McNicholas

The Norton Sound Seafood Products plant in Nome reportedly stopped issuing bait and ice to commercial red king crab fishermen June 22 after receiving complaints from customers about insufficient meat fill in the legs of crab purchased from the plant. Crab fishermen told *The Nome Nugget* the plant would suspend operations for two weeks.

Meanwhile, the Norton Sound commercial red king crab fishery remains open because Lamar Ballard of AquaTech, an

Anchorage firm that buys crab from Unalakleet fisherman Clarence Towarak, sampled crab in Towarak's first delivery and found the legs filled with crab meat. Ballard attached photos of the samples showing cross-sections of meat-filled crab legs to a July 24 e-mail to Joyce Soong, fisheries biologist with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Nome.

Rich Ferry, NSSP's northern region operations manager, provided the following

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Council calls for internationally binding Arctic Sea laws

By Diana Haecker

A busy future lies in store for the Arctic Ocean as thinning sea ice potentially opens the window for commercial marine traffic to traverse the ocean on top of the world in the summer, concludes a multi-national shipping report commissioned by the Arctic Council.

To keep the environment protected while developing the Arctic sustainably, the 200-page Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment report recommends creating uniform shipping regulations across the Arctic for safety and

environmental protection, to take measures protecting Arctic people and the environment, and to build marine infrastructure, communication systems, ports, ice information services and to provide ice navigation training.

Scientists predict that multi-year sea ice is seriously declining and may be gone by the summer of 2015. "It is highly plausible there will be greater marine access and longer seasons of navigation, except perhaps during winter, but not necessarily less difficult ice conditions for marine operations,"

says the report.

Although the International Maritime Organization has developed guidelines for ships operating in Arctic ice-covered waters, those recommendations are voluntary and not binding. "There are no uniform, international standards for ice navigators and for Arctic safety and survival for seafarers in polar conditions," the report states. Also, there are no mandatory environmental standards developed by the IMO for ships in Arctic waters.

With more traffic and resource development,

the report identifies the No. 1 threat as an oil spill. But a response to such a disaster would be nearly impossible. "The lack of marine infrastructure in all but a limited number of areas, coupled with the vastness and harshness of the environment, makes conduct of emergency response significantly more difficult in the Arctic," the report concludes.

The lack of an international marine regulatory framework combined with natural re-

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Push for detox center still has strong backing

By Tyler Rhodes

Leaders of a wide cross-section of Nome's agencies and organizations gathered June 18 to continue working on a roadmap toward providing services and treatment for those suffering from substance abuse and chronic homelessness in the region.

The roundtable-style meeting served as a follow-up to an April 9 community meeting centered on de-

veloping some sort of residential treatment facility in Nome. Like that April meeting, the most recent gathering was organized by Norton Sound Health Corp. and was open to the public.

The June 18 meeting drew more than two dozen people to Old St. Joe's Hall to hear of the progress made by various groups and agencies seeking to address the problem in

both the long and short term.

Norton Sound Health Corp. is working with a \$50,000 grant from the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority to evaluate the need and feasibility of providing a detoxification and treatment facility. The hospital was awarded another \$100,000 from the authority for further planning and feasibility studies in fiscal year 2010.

The large group meetings pulling to-

gether the people and organizations that fit into the larger picture of serving those in need are part of that evaluation.

Much of the early discussion at the meeting centered on the work of the Nome Emergency Shelter Team, an ad-hoc group that has worked to tackle the issues of homelessness and substance abuse treatment since

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Letters

Dear Nancy,

I have these thoughts regarding what I heard on the radio this morning. Thank you.

The city council votes for a flop house over a leadership program for young people. Who owns them? Perhaps they should learn the difference between helping and enabling. No one likes to see drunks staggering along Front Street in the middle of the day. So stop serving! In this environment, alcohol does not need to flow before the end of the work-day. If that impacts the ill gotten gains of our liquor vendors and city fathers, maybe we need some pain. We live in tough times. Repeat offenders and those without work should not be served. Period! I am sure that the hospital, police, and social services could formulate a short list for that purpose. You know who they are. Need shelter? Stay at home. Want to party? Pay your way, but make sure that you have a room beforehand. Don't like it? Get out and work to earn your American dream. See how easy it is. Stop wallowing in your self pity at government expense. We all pay. City council— think about the future. Make a decision that takes some guts and support your youth. They are our future and deserve the expense. Break the chain and stop wasting time and money.

S. W. Kirchner
USCG (Ret)
Nome, AK

Dear Editor,

I have deep wonderful feelings for the community of Nome, Alaska.

I am a long-term resident of 32 years and I believe the people of Nome are great examples of how the good people of this earth hold the world up.

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

Editorial

Independence Day

Let's look forward to the day when Nome is energy independent. We probably have more of a need for energy independence than any other community in the USA. We are isolated and depend on the fuel oil barons for our ability to keep the lights on, our homes heated and our engines running.

We have the resources and the brains to be energy independent. We just need the will power and resolve to get planning for fuel cells to power our trucks and ATVs. We need to harness the energy of the sun to heat our solar panels. We need to arrange for battery charging stations because the trucks and ATVs of the not too distant future will probably not rely on the internal combustion engine. Hopefully we will see an array of wind turbines cranking our energy for Nome Joint Utilities to sell us at an affordable cost.

We can't become victims of circumstance by letting ourselves be dragged kicking and screaming into alternative energy generation. We must go forth boldly and encourage Nome Joint Utilities to provide leadership in promoting our independence from OPEC, British Petroleum, Standard Oil and the West Coast oil refinery price controllers. So, Nomeites, let's get started on our Declaration of Independence. Happy Fourth of July. — N.L.M.—

You can travel a minute out of town and be granted a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see a beaver swimming free in a tundra pond, right next to a migratory duck and see here eggs far beyond the touch of human hands. Any one of us can drive down to the Nome River and catch salmon or the Snake River for salmon, trout and tomcod.

I believe this is why we hold Nome precious to our souls.

So my question is, why do we allow foreign peoples to continuously injure our waters and our lands? Many are very conscientious, like Quality Asphalt. They plan many of their projects like the Unalakleet Airport Project well over a year in advance. Why does this double standard exist?

Please let your heart be your guide and deny the Moonlight Watershed Permit to anybody, any entity, and person who violates the federal Clean Water Act, which includes the "willful" act of burying used oil in our watershed in Anvil Mountain and then covering it up— putting our drinking water in harm's way.

I prefer the beavers, ducks, and fish to the unrealistic promise of finding the glitter of gold in dem dare hills.

The truth is never sexy; neither is one million pounds of cyanide stored next to the ball field.

Oh, I forgot about the groups of reindeer we often see alongside our roads.

Sincerely,
Dr. Derrick Leedy
Nome, Alaska

Dr. Leedy will be out of town for the next City Council Meeting on Monday July 13. He encourages all the good folks of Nome to let our good council members know their feelings.

A Look at the Past



History and photo Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

OVER THE TOP—Nome has always celebrated the Fourth of July in a most enthusiastic way. The pole vault taking place at Barrack's Square in 1909 was a crowd favorite. This year we celebrate 50 years of Statehood under the Midnight Sun. Be a part of the fun this Fourth of July — it's a Nome family tradition!

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — July 2 - July 8, 2009

Day	Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	
Th	07/02	02:03 a.m. LDT	1.1	H 06:55 a.m. LDT	0.5	L 01:27 p.m. LDT	1.5	H 08:51 p.m. LDT	0.1	L
F	07/03	03:30 a.m. LDT	1.1	H 07:41 a.m. LDT	0.8	L 01:59 p.m. LDT	1.4	H 09:40 p.m. LDT	0.0	L
Sa	07/04	04:58 a.m. LDT	1.1	H 08:30 a.m. LDT	0.9	L 02:32 p.m. LDT	1.4	H 10:28 p.m. LDT	0.0	L
Su	07/05	06:17 a.m. LDT	1.2	H 09:24 a.m. LDT	1.0	L 03:07 p.m. LDT	1.3	H 11:14 p.m. LDT	0.0	L
M	07/06	07:22 a.m. LDT	1.2	H 10:23 a.m. LDT	1.1	L 03:49 p.m. LDT	1.3	H 11:59 p.m. LDT	-0.1	L
Tu	07/07	08:15 a.m. LDT	1.3	H 11:23 a.m. LDT	1.1	L 04:40 p.m. LDT	1.3	H		
W	07/08	12:42 a.m. LDT	-0.1	L 08:58 a.m. LDT	1.3	H 12:21 p.m. LDT	1.1	L 05:35 p.m. LDT	1.3	H

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

Sunrise	07/02/09	04:33 a.m.	High Temp	62° 6/23/09	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	07/08/09	04:49 a.m.	Low Temp	39° 6/29/09	
			Peak Wind	31 mph, W, 6/28/09	
			Precip. to Date	7.12"	
Sunset	07/02/09	01:39 a.m.	Normal	4.80"	
	07/08/09	01:25 a.m.			

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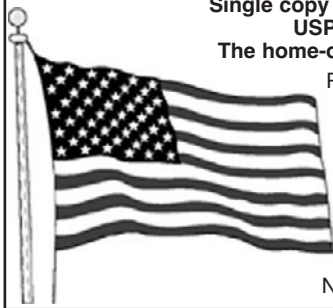
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Alaska state news

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60 sign up for Iditarod 2010

WASILLA— During the annual musher and volunteer picnic at the Iditarod Trail Committee headquarters in Wasilla, 60 mushers appeared in person or sent in their entries for the 2010 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog race. Saturday, June 27 marked the first day of signup for the race. Mushers hailing from Alaska, the lower 48, Canada, Scotland and even Jamaica handed in their sign-up paperwork and the newly increased entry fee of \$4,000. Citing increased costs to put on the race, the ITC has increased the entry fee from \$1,875 in 2007 to \$3,000 in 2008 and \$4,000 for this year's race.



Four-time Iditarod champions Jeff King and Martin Buser, three-time Iditarod champion Lance Mackey and 2004 champion Mitch Seavey entered the race as well as 19 rookies. From western Alaska, Kotzebue veterans John Baker and Robert Nelson are listed, but longtime racer and 2005 runner-up Ed Iten's name is missing. However, Iten's son Quinn Iten is making a bid for the first time in the race. Also new to the Iditarod is Unalakleet's William "Middie" Johnson. The racers compete for a purse of \$630,000 with \$610,000 paid out to the top 30 finishers, and \$1,049 apiece for the rest of the pack. A lottery waiving the entry fee is held among those mushers at the picnic. This year's winners are Kotzebue musher Robert Nelson and four-time champion Jeff King.

Prior to the countdown for the 2010 racing season, ITC has enacted a few new rules, including that mushers get to draw for their starting

position in the order of their sign up either in person or by mail. It used to be that only mushers in person got to be in the first draw for starting position. Another new rule for 2012 is that rookies have to log at least 750 miles in pre-qualifying races. This is up from 500 miles that were historically required. The ITC is also finalizing a mechanism to a new rule that enforces drug testing of mushers. The next Iditarod starts March 7 in Anchorage, with the restart taking place in Willow.

Don Young seeks reelection

ANCHORAGE (AP)— U.S. Rep. Don Young, Alaska's sole representative in the U.S. House for a majority of statehood, announced Monday he would seek re-election in 2010. Young, 76, filed with the Division of Elections and said he wanted to make it clear to potential challengers that he was in the race. "We decided it was best to get it out on the table," he said. The Republican was re-elected last year despite facing federal investigations of his connections to an Alaska businessman convicted of bribing state lawmakers and an earmark in a spending bill that benefited a campaign supporter. He defeated former House Minority Leader Ethan Berkowitz, an Anchorage Democrat, in the 2008 race. He faced a stiffer challenge in the Republican primary, beating Lt. Gov. Sean Parnell by 304 votes.

House approves climate change bill

On Friday, the U.S. House of Representatives approved a sweeping climate change bill that would limit carbon dioxide emissions, require increases in renewable energy usage and mandates consumer products to be more energy efficient. The bill goes into effect in 2012 and had vast support among Democrats and President Barack Obama.

By a vote of 219-212 the House approved the bill. Only eight Republicans voted for the bill and 44 Democrats defected from their party to vote against it.

The bill – if adopted by the Senate

in September – would force cuts in domestic greenhouse-gas emissions by 17 percent in 2020 and 83 percent in 2050 through a cap-and-trade permit system on heavy emitters and the oil and gas industry. It also would mandate greater renewable energy usage, boost appliance and building efficiency standards and pay for domestic and overseas plant and forest conservation. The measure drew fire from Alaska's Congressman Don Young, who voted No on the bill. Young said that the bill amounts to a national energy tax bill that will raise electricity and gas prices and would export American jobs overseas. "This is a sad day for America, and I mean that from the bottom of my heart," Young said in a statement. "The smart thing to do would be to develop our fossil fuels and use that money to develop alternative forms of energy, but instead, the Majority wants to play the part of global martyr. China and India can keep pumping all the pollutants they want into the atmosphere, and we'll fall on our sword and accept responsibility. That's absolute nonsense!" Young said.

Senator Lisa Murkowski also released a statement saying that the bill is not a solution to climate change but seems to be pushed through for political reasons. "This bill was forced through the House in a process designed to minimize open, transparent debate and preclude a thorough analysis of what the bill actually does," Murkowski said.

Feds, state work together on spring flooding recovery

Governor Sarah Palin and Federal Emergency Management Agency administrator Dennis Hunsinger signed a disaster response agreement last week. The agreement allows for federal participation in the spring flooding disaster recovery on the Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers. FEMA has set up a state-feds joint field office in Anchorage to manage the federal response to the flooding. From the state's side, the Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is involved and helps people affected by the spring flooding.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

July 2 - July 8, 2009

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, July 2		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoyah 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.
Nome Planning Commision Available Seat Application due: 5 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.
*Beginning Baton with Jay	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
Arctic Icans reg mtg	XYZ Center	7:30 p.m.
*Swing Dancing with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Friday, July 3		
*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.
*Pregnani 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, July 4		
Fourth of July schedule of events listed below! Have a safe holiday!		
Ranger Guided Hike-Nat'l Park Svc	Sitnasuak Bldg	10 a.m.
Family Saturday-Nat'l Park Svc	Sitnasuak Bldg	10 a.m.
*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.
*Close to the Heart video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	BHS Bldg, 2nd floor	8 p.m.

Sunday, July 5		
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*I am your Child video	Prematernal Home	1:30 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, July 6		
*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, July 7		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoyah 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.
*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.
*Thrifty 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 8		
*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.

Summercise (session 2) and the free lunch program resumes on July 6.

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	Kegoyah Library	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
Holiday hours >>>>>>>		10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m. (M - Th & Sa)

4th of July schedule of events:

- 8 a.m. Anvil Mt. Run
- 10 a.m. Mother Goose Parade
- 11 a.m. (approx) Street Games
- 1 p.m. Free Ice Cream
- 2:30 p.m. Statehood Picnic
- 3:30 p.m. Traditional Games (see page 4 for more details).

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• Detox

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early last winter. Made up of representatives from nearly a dozen community entities, NEST was able to pull together an emergency shelter that opened for 22 nights since March when the temperature dropped to -10° F or colder.

The shelter, operated out of the Nazarene Church, required a large amount of volunteer effort and donations to work. "This past winter was such a collaboration of so many people," said NEST member and Nome Community Center employee Abby Huggins. As NEST looks toward the coming winter, it is working to find a facility since the Nazarene Church will no longer be available. "A space is what we really have to secure," Huggins told the gathering.

NEST did gain some support from the City of Nome when it allocated \$10,000 in its budget to support the organization.

Over the coldest period of the winter, the shelter was open every night for more than two weeks. Besides making a difference for those who were able to sleep in a warm space, the impact was also noticeable for other organizations. The hospital saw a dramatic decrease in emergency room admissions. The Wellness Forum's Safety Patrol, which walks the streets to ensure people are not posing a risk to themselves or others, was relieved to have a place to which they could escort those who may have risked passing out outside in the fatally cold conditions.

"We would walk them up there. We knew they were warm and safe, and they would not perish," said Berda Willson of the Wellness Forum. Willson is also a member of the NSHC Board of Directors.

It was also suggested at the meeting that having the shelter open per-

haps meant some of its guests were more likely to leave the bar earlier since they would not have to prolong their stay to closing time in an effort to stay warm longer.

Speakers also said it is important to note that not all guests at the shelter suffered from alcohol abuse.

Without a shelter as an option, those too inebriated to care for themselves will often be taken to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center for a protective hold. If those picked up blow above a certain amount when given a breathalyzer test, the correctional facility cannot hold them and they are brought to the hospital.

Colleen Meyer, inpatient and ER nursing director at the hospital, detailed many of the problems the emergency room and inpatient areas face when having to deal with inebriated patients delivered to their doors. Injured nurses, occupied beds when other patients may need them and the disruption to other patients and staff are among the problems experienced. "A lot of our beds in our ER are filled up with people who don't really need to be there," Meyer said.

"We did notice a drop-off when NEST was open," she said at the meeting. "Now we're back to the old way."

Meyer said the fallout of dealing with chronic inebriates lasts beyond the time that the patients are in the facility. Nurses and staff burn out. Seeing someone in such a destructive cycle also takes its toll. "When there is a death, it's hard. We see them at their worst. We see their clothes and take care of them," she said. "The impact is huge, and the loss is huge."

While much of the meeting focused on the short-term work conducted by NEST and the issues the community as a whole is confronting, facilitator Mary Elizabeth Rider also turned the

"A lot of the beds in our ER are filled up with people who don't really need to be there."

— ER Nursing Director Colleen Meyer

discussion toward the future and what the community ultimately wants to see as a response to the problem.

Rider, who was hired by NSHC to help in the planning effort, lauded the volunteerism exhibited in Nome, citing the Safety Patrol and NEST volunteers, as well as the showing for the large-group planning meetings. "That's not happening anywhere else in the state," Rider said.

In addition to NSHC's long-term planning effort, there is another facet to NEST also looking toward the future. As NEST formed, it developed the two groups to deal with the immediate problem of people freezing to death on the streets of Nome and the longer-term issue of setting up a system to deal with the multiple reasons people end up facing the risk of death by exposure in the middle of town.

The NEST long-term effort is not entirely independent of the hospital's. Much of the effectiveness of NEST—for both the short- and long-term groups—can be attributed to its makeup of members who work for most of the organizations who can or will play a role in addressing the issue. NEST members include representatives from the hospital, Nome Community

Center, Nome Eskimo Community, Kawerak Inc., churches, the Bering Sea Women's Group and many others.

Part of the long-term planning is lining out the roles all those organizations will play in whatever plan gets developed. "We're trying to see how that [long-term NEST] group fits into this," said Kawerak's Melanie Edwards, who works with the long-term NEST group.

"Norton Sound Health Corp. is committed to medical detox and residential treatment," NSHC's Melissa Boeckmann said. "We're hoping for after-care to be taken care of by Kawerak."

Sara Neubauer, who works for Kawerak providing vocational rehabilitation training, said her program could dovetail in nicely with a treatment center. "We could come in and help [treatment center residents] be financially secure," she said. "If we get this up and running, I feel we can make a big difference on our end."

Boeckmann said initial planning efforts picture a detox facility with 16 beds. She said how those 16 beds would break down between use in a residential program and something more temporary was not yet determined. "We're kind of filling in the big picture right now," she said. "We haven't got down to the details yet."

As NSHC makes preparations to move into a new hospital in 2012, the current facility naturally figures large as a potential site for any future treatment facility to be developed. "By 2012 you're going to have

this old building as well as this beautiful new building," Rider said. "Is there something that can be done with that facility?"

NSHC board member Willson said her fellow board members are looking for input on potential uses for the old hospital. "The board doesn't want to work in a vacuum in making these decisions," she said.

Boeckmann said the hospital plans to have its services planned out and funded by 2012.

Early visions include a few different services that could be offered to suit those in varying states of need.

Ideas include an emergency shelter for those who are sober but at risk in the elements since they have no other place to stay. For those who are not sober but medically stable, a sleep-off center is envisioned to keep people safe from the elements in a bare-bones facility. Some commented that such a facility should still be dignified and provide support and perhaps referral to other services. A medical detox center would accept those who are not medically stable enough for the sleep-off center.

A long-term treatment center would accept those who want to break the substance abuse cycle. Housing, employment and other support services are envisioned to help those who would successfully complete a treatment program.

As Boeckmann said, NSHC is working toward the medical detox center and a treatment program. Who or what organization would provide other services, such as a sleep-off center or emergency shelter, has yet to be determined.

Discussion also centered on people's social needs after completing a treatment program. "There needs to be a leisure aspect," said NSHC social worker Julie Renwick. "What do you do socially besides going to the bar? ... That term 'hope' is very important. There needs to be something at the end [of treatment]."

Boeckmann said the planning effort is continuing with another large-group meeting planned for sometime this fall.

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the City for storing supplies and staging for utility projects as well as the bridge renewal. The bridge project would require NJUS to use this land to relocate other activities and facilities. As the bridge replacement project would start next summer, NJUS needs to start moving materials around now, utility manager John Handeland said. Additionally, the utility and City of Nome are working with DOT for a land disposal to make this site north of the power plant available for construction of a maintenance and operations facility, including replacement of the current NJUS office. NJUS had received notice that a block grant for the full \$565,000 necessary was available. Staff was working on matching funds due in November and environmental paperwork to turn the award into real dollars.

In other business June 16, Hande-

land went over the utility's financial statements for May, noting much more than \$2 million in accounts receivable with \$1.9 million of that due from Alaska Gold Co. on Rock Creek power use. AGC and NJUS had been working on a land swap to pay the bill, but now NJUS has asked NovaGold, the parent company of Alaska Gold, to pay the bill directly in cash, Handeland told the board.

In other business:

• Handeland informed the board that diesel that cost \$1.60 per gallon in May was then pushing \$2 in June. NJUS already has a supply of high-priced oil for its generators and wouldn't be purchasing any oil this barge season unless the price dropped significantly in September when the last barges float, Handeland said. However, the utility is in negotiations with its buyers' consortium, Western Alaska Fuel Group, to put its bargaining weight behind other member villages needing oil.

• NJUS has received approval to erect a tower on Newton Peak to continue wind energy studies, and meanwhile was negotiating with Bering Straits Development Co. for power entering the grid from the Banner Wind Farm. The wind farm's turbines are still now as adjustments are made to the system, but would be twirling in August, Handeland said.

• Attending the meeting by telephone June 16, board member Berda Willson commented that while NJUS is interested in developing alternative energy, the utility's focus has been on diesel-generated power.

"The utility has to supply reliable energy to the community," she said. "We still need diesel-fired energy capacity if the wind is not blowing or the wind generators are down." Earlier in the meeting, the NJUS board noted that while it was great to be receiving funding to develop wind energy, a major component of such a solution would be storage and transmission.

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French sailors work to cross the NW Passage

Story and photo by Anna Hahn

Approximately 16 months ago Thierry Fabing of France began planning a polar expedition through the Northwest Passage, traveling from the east to the west. In the summer of 2009 he began the next step of his journey, which entailed the same basic route, only backward.

The trip from the west to the east side of the Northwest Passage began on June 5 in Sand Point along the Aleutian Chain and will eventually end in Greenland around the beginning of September.

"The purpose of our polar expedition is to reach Greenland from Alaska. We started on the fifth of June in Sand Point, and now we are in Nome. We want to reach Greenland by the beginning of September," said Patrick Reader, a crewmember from France and the United Kingdom.

The crew is composed of four people, Fabing and Reader, as well as Arielle Corre and Aline Penitot, both from France. In Barrow another member will join their team, Gilles Durand of France. Additionally, Fabing's daughter

may connect with them later in the journey.

After the team reaches Greenland, Fabing will find a harbor to park the *Baloum Gwen*, his sailboat, for one year. He may do several smaller trips to the different coasts of Greenland.

"This is a sport and a human challenge. I don't think it's easy to cross the Northwest Passage," Reader said. "There is always a team of two people who are navigating the sail boat, and the others are sleeping. Every four hours there is a shift change. After only a few days we are quite tired and exhausted, but at the end of the day we are pleased and proud of achieving the expedition."

THE BALOUM GWEN—The trusty sail boat of Skipper Thierry Fabing awaits departure from Nome's harbor last week. Winds and weather recently delayed the French crew's planned travels through the Northwest Passage.



• Arctic

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source riches in a brutal and yet biologically fragile environment caused enough alarm for agencies to scramble for the assessment and to prepare for the future. In 2004 the Arctic Council, a forum of the eight Arctic-bordering nations, called for a comprehensive Arctic marine shipping assessment. In April 2009, the assessment report was completed and later signed and agreed upon by all Arctic Council member nations. "This is partially a policy document of the Arctic states as well as a science document—it's a multifaceted, international and negotiated report," said Lawson Brigham, the chairman of the group preparing the report.

In a presentation last week at the University of Alaska at Fairbanks, professor Brigham, also Alaska office director of the U.S. Arctic Research Commission and chairman of the Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment, said that the focus of AMSA was on marine safety and environmental protection.

Brigham showed a satellite photo of the Arctic on Sept. 11, 2007, when both Northwest and the Northeast passages were open for passage. "For the first time in memory, those major straits were completely ice free for 10 days," Lawson said.

Although a warming climate facilitates possible summer sailings in the Arctic, Brigham said climate change is not the main driver for increased marine traffic, but resource development is. Enormous riches lie underneath the ice, productive fish-

eries ring the Arctic basin on all sides and companies are jockeying for position to develop offshore minerals. "The Arctic is the store house of important resources like oil, gas and other minerals, and maybe fresh water in the future, and also it is important to the transport of these resources to market," Lawson said.

Currently, some of the largest ships sailing the world's oceans are headed to and from the world's biggest zinc mine, Red Dog mine, north of Kotzebue and a huge Russian palladium mine, carrying ore to its processing plants. Other mineral development is planned for Greenland and the Baffin Islands, where plans exist to ship ore from there to steel mills in Europe.

With increased shipping comes the need for more marine infrastructure. Critical infrastructure include ice navigation training centers, navigational charts, communications systems, port services, facilities for ship-generated waste, timely ice information, places of refuge and icebreakers to assist in emergencies.

The Coast Guard frequently pays a visit to Nome, but has no permanent presence in the Gold Rush City. Brigham said that there are no specific plans or recommendations made to establish some sort of Coast Guard presence in Nome. "For the lack of any port in the area, clearly Nome is well poised to provide port and other services," Brigham said.

In addition, a growing cruise ship industry with northern destinations become players in the shipping mix. While many ships have safely traversed the Arctic Ocean in

the past, cruise ships worry Lawson because they have no ice-breaking capabilities and there is a lack of search and rescue systems. As an example, Lawson showed slides of a cruise ship that ran into ice in Antarctica in November 2007, due to an operator error and insufficient training of the navigator. The ship sank, but all aboard survived, were scooped up and rescued.

And then there is the issue of governance. Arctic boundaries beyond the 200 nautical miles from the surrounding Arctic mainland are partially disputed by Russia, complicating jurisdictions even more. One of the 17 recommendations that came out of the assessment is that the Arctic states should harmonize Arctic marine shipping regulatory regimes within their own jurisdiction and uniform Arctic safety and environment protection regulations.

The Coast Guard is the main U.S. agency dealing with marine issues, homeland security, environmental protection, science support, border patrol and law enforcement is also preparing for more business in the north. In a report called *The emerging Arctic—A new maritime frontier*, the Coast Guard concluded that Arctic boundaries must be determined and that all federal, state and local agencies must prepare for full seasonal operations in the Arctic.

The Senate Appropriations Committee approved the Homeland Security Subcommittee's \$44.3 billion budget for 2010 and appropriated \$32.5 million for a polar icebreaker

program. The funding is meant to finish the reactivation of the icebreaker *Polar Star* and directs the Coast Guard to study whether a new heavy polar icebreaker class is needed or if a major service life extension for existing heavy icebreakers is in order. Currently, the Coast Guard's only working heavy icebreaker, the *Polar Sea*, has seven years remaining on its service life.

Another concern in the AMSA report deals with the prospect of resource development clashing with traditional subsistence use areas. This is especially pronounced in the Bering Strait area, where the report says, offshore hydrocarbon developments may lead to increased ship traffic. "The Bering Strait region

ringed with indigenous communities and a highly productive ecosystem with many species of marine mammals, fish and seabirds, may require formally established vessel routing measures," the report says.

In the process of gathering information for the report, Lawson and Inuit Circumpolar Council director Jimmy Stotts visited Nome last year, as well as Barrow and other coastal communities in Norway, Canada and Iceland. "Some of these inputs from those town hall meetings are the base of the information to write the report," Lawson said last week.

"There are lots of wild cards in the game to paint a picture of the future of the Arctic," Lawson concluded his presentation.

Bering Land Bridge National Preserve



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ADF&G curbs Unalakleet River subsistence salmon catches

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game restricted subsistence salmon fishing in the Unalakleet River drainage to set gillnets with mesh size of 6 inches or less from June 29 until further notice.

The subsistence salmon schedule—from 6 p.m. Monday to 6 p.m. Wednesday, and from 6 p.m. Thursday until 6 p.m. Saturday—also remains in effect for the Unalakleet River drainage and the marine waters of the Shaktoolik and Unalakleet subdistricts.

“The timing of the in-river mesh-size restrictions coincides with the peak migration period for age 5 and older king salmon into the Unalakleet River,” explains an ADF&G press

release issued by the Nome Area Office June 26. “Considering the weak projected run of Unalakleet River king salmon, it is imperative to increase escapements of large and more egg-bound females. Ultimately, allowing more of these more productive females to reach the spawning grounds should mitigate the effects of this year’s projected weak run and improve future returns of king salmon into the drainage.

“The ADF&G Unalakleet River test net has been in operation since June 8 and the North River counting tower, a project operated jointly by Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. and ADF&G, has been in operation since June 19,” states ADF&G. “As of June 25, the

Unalakleet River test net has caught 43 king salmon, which is nearly twice the 5-, 10- and 20-year average catches for this date. However, the Unalakleet River test net is not a reliable indicator of king salmon abundance, and the North River counting tower has only enumerated 12 king salmon as of June 25.

“Unalakleet River test net king salmon catches do provide information about king salmon run timing and movements through the drainage,” ADF&G continues. “Typically, king salmon will mill around in the lower Unalakleet River for 5 to 7 days before actively migrating upstream to spawning areas. The first pulse of king salmon detected in the marine subsistence

fishery from June 15 to 17 is expected to show up at the tower any day. Further restrictive measures, including an early closure to the king salmon subsistence and sport fisheries, may be necessary if North River king salmon passage and subsistence catch rates are weak. The department will continue to evaluate escapement and catch information in the coming days to determine if further action is necessary or if mesh-size restrictions can be rescinded.”

For additional information, contact Jim Menard, area management biologist, or Scott Kent, assistant area management biologist, at the ADF&G Nome Area Office, phone (907) 443-5893.

• Skinny legs

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reply by e-mail to the *Nugget*’s questions asking why and for how long the plant will be closed.

“In order to get the best possible price for the Norton Sound red king crab for local fishermen, we need to continually and reliably present a quality product to our customers in Norton Sound, other parts of Alaska and overseas. This year the meat fill on the crab legs is below what we have seen in previous years. The crab

looks beautiful, comes from a healthy population but is skinny. We decided to hold off on purchases until the crab have a chance to gain weight.

“So, why are the crab skinny?” Ferry continued. “After talking to biologists from NSEDC’s Fisheries Research and Development Division and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, the consensus is that first, a colder than normal spring may have kept the crab’s metabolism depressed, which in turn may have caused them not to gain weight after their molt.

And second, the 2009 season opened two weeks earlier than in previous years. The season previously opened about July first for Community Development Quota crab, closed [and] then reopened for open access crab. During those years in which the season opened later, there had been some CDQ crab with low—not as low as this year—meat fill.

“We expect to see a better meat fill next week and will resume purchasing as soon as a quality product can be produced,” Ferry wrote. “NSSP will sample the crab and monitor their meat fill.” The NSSP plant is owned and operated by Norton Sound Economic Development Corp, one of six entities in the Western Alaska Community Development

Program. NSEDC represents 15 Bering Strait communities in the CDQ program.

This summer’s commercial red king crab quota is 375,000 pounds. Of that amount 7.5 percent (28,125 pounds) is allocated to the CDQ fishery. The Norton Sound CDQ and open access fisheries opened simultaneously this year.

Man convicted of sexual assault

A 24-year-old man was convicted of first- and second-degree sexual assault June 22 following a jury trial in Nome.

Moses Milligan was convicted on the two counts which stemmed from an incident that occurred June 26, 2008. He is scheduled to be sentenced in October and faces a sentence of 20 to 30 years.

According to the state Department of Law, Milligan assaulted his girlfriend’s co-worker after a party the co-

worker had hosted. After the victim had driven other guests home in the morning, she came home and went to sleep alone in her bed. She awoke to find Milligan on top of her, engaged in intercourse. The Department of Law said Milligan did not immediately stop when asked to withdraw.

After Milligan left the room, the victim immediately called the Nome police. Officers found Milligan outside the victim’s apartment. According to the Department of Law,

Milligan first feigned no knowledge of the incident before conceding that there may have been sex but no assault.

At trial, by contrast, Milligan offered the jury a graphic account of consensual sex he said was initiated by the victim. But the jury found Milligan guilty of second-degree sexual assault, for penetrating the victim as she slept, and first-degree sexual assault, for continuing without her consent.

The case was prosecuted by Nome District Attorney John Earthman.

Ladder leads robbers into ANB

The Alaska Native Brotherhood Club reported being broken into in the early morning hours of June 24.

Nome Police Department said it received a report of a burglary at the club located at 605 West 4th Ave. around 8 a.m. June 24. An investigation revealed someone had forced entry into the building earlier in the morning using a ladder. Damage to the building was estimated at more than \$250.

According to Chief Dallas Massie,

no suspects have been identified at this time. He did say video surveillance from inside the club that captured an image of a suspect is being evaluated.

Massey would not elaborate on what was stolen from the establishment, but noted it was nothing significant.

Whoever forced their way into the club must have been in a hurry to leave since they left their ladder behind. Massey said his department

would love to speak with the party who owns the ladder.

An e-mail sent out on a popular local list-serve the day after the break-in from ANB Club and Trust President Joleen Oleson also sought out the ladder’s owner. “We’re willing to trade the ladder you left behind for the key to our safe,” her message reads.

Anyone with information related to the incident is asked to contact police at 443-5262.

The Nome Nugget wishes everyone a safe and fun 4th!

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Meet and sign up at City Hall before 8 a.m. for the annual 12.5-mile run from downtown, up and over Anvil Mountain and back to City Hall.



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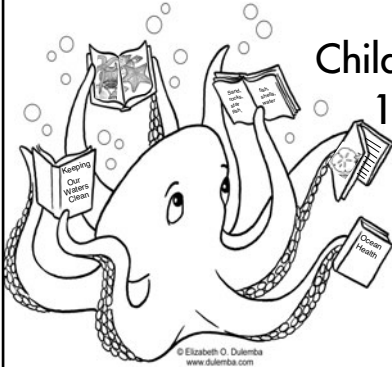
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School board president turns in resignation

After a dozen years of service, Karmun seeks job within district

By Tyler Rhodes

Nome Board of Education President Gloria Karmun announced her resignation after 12 years of service Tuesday.

The school board scheduled a special meeting for July 1 to act on Karmun's resignation. The meeting was scheduled to occur after press time.

Karmun said she is resigning so she can put her hat in the ring for a job opening up within the district. "That's my main reason for

resigning, because I would like to pursue employment with the district," she said. "I can't pass up this opportunity to attempt, or at least apply, for the job."

The school district requires that a board member give up his or her seat in order to apply for a district job. Karmun said she wishes to apply for the district's personnel officer position. The job opened up with Cynthia Gray's recent resignation.

While the results of the July 1

meeting were unavailable as of press time, Karmun said the board in the past has solicited letters of interest from community members wishing to fill an open seat until its term expires. Karmun said normally the board's vice chair, who is currently Albert McComas, would assume the president's seat.

Karmun's seat will be up for election in October. Regardless of her resignation, the seat may have been open to a newcomer this fall anyway.

"I've been struggling whether or not I would run, but I had not made the final decision," she said.

The personnel officer is not the only opening the district is currently looking to fill. In terms of teachers, the district is recruiting for a senior high English/language arts teacher, an elementary physical education teacher and a half-time teacher at the Anvil City Science Academy. The district is also recruiting for two certified early childhood education

teachers to work at the Nome Pre-school and Kawerak Head Start programs (see the related story on this page 10 for more). "It's kind of an unusual list at this time of year," said personnel officer Gray said at a June 23 board meeting.

In addition to Gray's position, the district also has noncertified staff openings for an instructional/media aide for the Native program at the high school, and three special education aides.

Board nods at coaches, activities director still on standby

By Tyler Rhodes

After a delay of several weeks, the Nome Board of Education cleared the way June 23 for school district administrators to offer contracts to coaches and advisors. The board opted, however, to continue withholding the contract for the district's activities director position.

The move came two weeks after the board withheld offering all the extra-duty contracts as it discussed a related personnel issue and the development of the district's activities handbook for the next school year.

In its June 23 special meeting, the board considered an initial motion to direct the administration to offer all the extra-duty contracts. Board member Albert McComas then introduced an amendment removing the activities director position from the offering. McComas' motion, which passed 3-2, asked that the activities director contract be subject to approval by the board. The amendment passed with support from McComas, Board President Gloria Karmun and board member Kirsten Timbers. Board members Betsy Brennan and Barb Nickels voted against the amendment, voicing their belief that all the contracts should have been offered.

History teacher Pat Callahan has served as the activities director, as well as the boys basketball head coach, for the past few years.

Once the amendment was approved, the full board voted to allow the rest of the contracts to be offered.

Despite school being out for the summer, the delay in letting the contracts prompted concern and difficulty for some in the community. Speaking as a parent and community member, Mari Lammer pleaded with the board to offer the contracts. "By delaying extra-duty contracts, it has a direct effect on summer plans and athletics," she said.

Lammer, who is also a teacher in the district, told the board that if the contracts were not offered, programs such as cross country and volleyball would be hampered in their startup in the late summer. A more immediate effect was felt by programs like wrestling and girls basketball which participated in summer camps. Lammer said funds for those programs, including those raised by students and parents, were not available while

the contracts were outstanding.

"I urge you to resolve your concerns tonight, as it will affect summer travel and fall startup," Lammer said before the board voted.

Lammer also spoke to the value of having an official school coach or an advisor present on trips and at activities, such as a camp. Having the coach of record present, she said, makes it clear to the students that the school rules and regulations will apply during the activity.

Board member Brennan echoed Lammer's sense of urgency. "I think it's very important to offer these contracts," she said. "We should not be holding our students hostage as we have these last few weeks."

Board President Karmun said she did not believe the board's actions were putting extracurricular activities in peril. She noted that the district administration and school board are available in the absence of an activities director. "I don't feel like we're jeopardizing the athletic department," she said. "I feel they can come to the school board for guidance."

Brennan and Nickels, however, were adamant in their opinion that the activities director contract be offered. "I want to express my frustration with not offering all the extra-duty contracts," Brennan said. "The person who is organizing many fall events is not on contract."

Nickels questioned the motivation of singling out the one position. "I would hope as a school board that we are making a decision based on a position and not on personnel," she said.

Nickels brought up the district's policy that contracts valued at less than \$10,000 can be offered by the district administration without the approval of the school board. "It's my gut feeling that I would not want to take that away from administration," Nickels said.

The board's vote came during a meeting that was held directly following a work session. The first action taken by the board once the meeting started was to call an executive session, during which it met out of the public view for more than an hour before coming back to the Nome Elementary School library. The executive session was called by board member Timbers to discuss a

personnel issue that was also the subject of an executive session at the board's June 9 meeting.

In the work session prior to the official meeting, the board heard from incoming Superintendent Jon Wehde who defended the hiring practice used for selecting a new girls varsity basketball coach. Former coach Dennis Welch will no longer work for the district next year after accepting a position in Homer. Nome-Beltz Vice Principal Doug Boyer was named as Welch's replacement.

Wehde said the hiring committee is normally assembled by the assistant principal, who in this case bowed out since he was a candidate. Wehde said the activities director also petitioned to be excused from the interview team, citing personal prejudices. Wehde said the superintendent stepped in to fill out the committee. "That was an appropriately assembled committee," he told the board.

Wehde noted, however, that the 2009-2010 activities handbook is currently in draft form if there are provisions in regard to hiring that the board does not like. "Keep in mind this is last year's book," he said. "If there are concerns over findings or rules, they are now in draft form."

Board member McComas commented that he was not in favor of the rehiring provisions allowed for coaches. Under the current policy, coaches and advisors are offered the first right of refusal. This means if a coach receives a satisfactory evaluation at the end of the season, he or she will again be the head coach next season unless they opt to no

longer accept the position. "I want to get [the hiring process] out where it's open, transparent and fair," McComas said. "Let's post them every year."

McComas proposed a hypothetical situation in which a seasoned coaching veteran in a specific sport comes to the district. McComas said in such a situation, under current rules, a second-year coach who is still learning the ropes but performing satisfactorily could have a stronghold on a program while the proven coach sits on the sidelines. "[The policy] hurts our programs," he said. "These programs, they pull kids in and keep them in school."

Other board members were not so supportive of the idea. "You're walking a slippery slope, there," Brennan said, noting that there could be more reasons for individuals to want a coach removed beyond a more experienced person moving to town or an unsatisfactory review.

Nickels questioned if the same hiring practice was applied to teaching positions in the district.

McComas also lauded changes already implemented in the draft version of the handbook such as the addition of a community member to the hiring committee for advisors and coaches. "I like that," he said. "Any time we can bring a community member in, that's great." The board is scheduled to meet again July 21.

JROTC not giving up

The Nome Board of Education also heard from student members of the Nome Junior Reserve Officer

Training Corps at its combined meeting and work session June 23. Cadet Sam Schmidt asked for the board's support as the program works to find funding to keep itself alive.

The program has a steep uphill climb to complete if it is to again be included in the upcoming school year. The school district last funded JROTC in the 2007-2008 school year. The city stepped in last school year to keep the program going. Neither entity stepped up to provide funding that requires nearly \$150,000 in salaries for the instructors. The program requires two instructors.

Maj. Gary Grennon, who ran the JROTC program in Nome for years, will no longer be in Nome next year as he has accepted a position as an instructor at Anchorage's East High School.

Schmidt said JROTC has raised approximately \$26,000 on its own and is still trying to find ways to find the funds. Cadet Landis Bjorgen also addressed the board, detailing his efforts and travails in calling businesses to seek funding.

Board members acknowledged the good the program does as well as their inability to provide financial support. Outside of granting funds, board members said they would try and offer support in other ways.

Board member Betsy Brennan suggested that district officials keep the program in mind if they learn of funding opportunities. Board member Barb Nickels said she would personally come help at fundraisers or other events JROTC organized to show that the board does support the program.

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RELAY WALKERS (above, top)—Visitors from Lake Stevens and Bothel, Wash., along with some Nomeites take part in the a cancer awareness walk by hiking up the Salmon Lake hill June 27. Walking for the cure are (l to r) Samantha Huffer who is holding Rhyan Palicte, Malissa Palicte, Roxanne Huffer, Chloe Mattheis, Ashley Holte and Sheri Fagerstrom. Unable to walk with the larger group that assembled in Nome, the crew walked in countryside north of Nome.

WHERE DO I SIGN? (above)—Jana Varratti on the left fills out her “in honor of...” form for the walk as Linda Maack helps direct others. Rita Hukill, Sherry Nayokpuk ahmuking Sherilyn Anderson, 8 months old, and Elizabeth Murphy also fill in some forms.

IN HONOR OF! (right)—Ellen Baige walks in honor of her daughter Sharon who has battled with cancer.



Photos by Denise Olin

Nome isn't crazy, that really is a green bike

By Anna Hahn

Nome has seen his bright yellow apparel, heard his foreign engine, stared at his...bike, and some have even ventured to look him in the eye and strike a conversation. Who... or rather what is this guy, and what the heck is he doing in (and out) of town?

Dr. Gregory Frazier is a man who suffers greatly from a disease (commonly known around Germany) as wanderlust. It's an addiction, need, as well as impulse to wander, travel, and explore.

"I remember in the 1970s, there was a poster of a fellow — he had ridden a motorcycle from Alaska to Argentina. That gave me the curiosity," admitted Frazier.

There is a map beside Frazier's bed, and for more than 10 years he has been looking at Nome and realizing that there are three roads leading out of the town.

The history of the Gold Rush, Wyatt Earp, the Red Light District, and historical population sizes also drew him to the city.

He is currently in Nome touring the roads and will write approximately six articles throughout the next two years, all in reference to Nome and its road systems.

"I have a motorcycle here that is made for a combo of road and off road biking," said Frazier.

This is approximately the 24th trip the motorcyclist had made to Alaska and first one to Nome.

When he travels he keeps no formal diary or journal, but rather a collection of notes (ex: the price of gas per gallon, the amount of a hotel

room, food and drinks). He also confessed that he tends not to write books on the road but rather back home in Denver, Colorado.

The clothes Frazier wears are almost all made by GOR-TEX, down to the gloves. The bright yellow jacket he wears is for protection and to be visible.

"I've been hit by a vehicle four times while riding and all four times the other driver said they didn't see me. With this [jacket] on, it's hard for them to say that," said Frazier.

Frazier added that while he is here he will take between 2,000 and 3,000 photographs and that he wishes people would stop to talk to him.

"When I look at the trips around the world that I've made, it's not so much the places I remember, but the people that I meet and remember more."



Photo by Anna Hahn

GREEN MACHINE—Dr. Gregory Frazier, a motorcyclist, journalist and author is touring Nome's road systems in order to satisfy his wanderlust.



Relay For Life

Celebrate. Remember. Fight Back.

Nomeites walk to fight cancer

by Nancy McGuire

It was cool and a brisk wind blew in off the Bering Sea but that didn't stop a group of about 40 Nomeites who put on their parkas and walked the East End Loop from the picnic shelter, up the Bypass Road and back Saturday afternoon. They walked to show their support for the battle against cancer.

The walk was part of the Relay for Life to raise funds for the American Cancer Society and the local cancer support group, the Arctic ICANS.

Cancer impacts the lives of many. It touches many friends, family members and individuals in all walks of life. Nomeites had a chance to walk in honor of folks who are currently battling cancer and in memory

of those who died from cancer.

When walkers completed the route they were treated to some hot dogs, sandwiches and soft drinks and got a chance to share stories and keep warm. In addition to the walk in town, several Nomeites decided to do the Relay at Salmon Lake. They did not have to battle the wind and the sun was in full glory.



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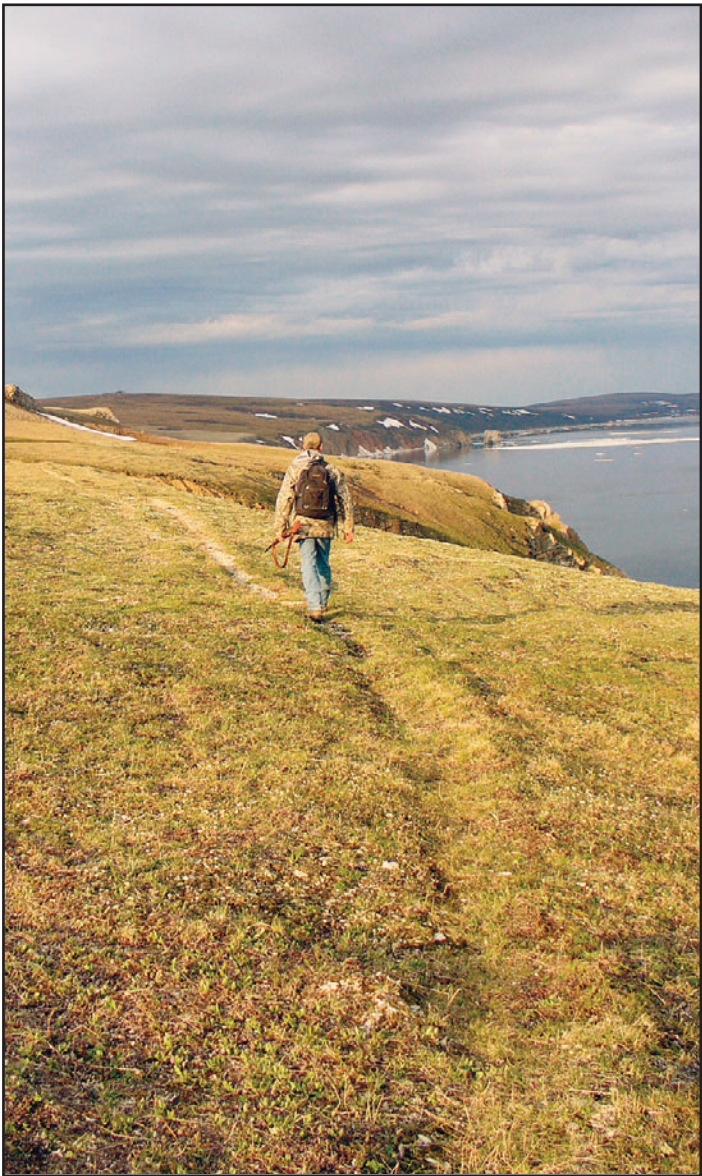


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SCENIC STROLL (top, left)—Kirk Reynolds walks the picturesque coastal animal trail at Bluff east of Nome on a recent outing.

RUNNING REINDEER (top, right)—A group of reindeer runs alongside the Nome-Council Highway near Cape Nome.

LIFT-OFF (above)—Swans take wing near Safety on a recent overcast day.

PRETTY PUFFINS (left)—Two puffins peek out of their rocky perch along the cliffs that line the bluff area east of Nome.

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Supreme Court sides with Hageland pilots

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Alaska Supreme Court this month upheld a Superior Court ruling that Hageland Aviation does indeed owe a class of pilots overtime pay, clearing the way for the pilots to collect \$1.6 million in back pay and damages.

The 23 former and then-current pilots for the air service, led by former pilot John Harms, brought a class action suit in 2002 for unpaid overtime wages due them according to the Alaska Wage and Hour Act. The pilots generally worked a 14-hour day, court documents said.

Subsequently, two legislative actions sought to support the "vulnerable rural air transport industry" by making the lawsuit go away and chilling future similar suits. These acts went against the Alaska Constitution, the lower court found.

When the Legislature amended the labor law in 2003 to exempt pilots from the act's overtime pay section, Hageland moved to dismiss the 2002 lawsuit.

The Alaska Superior Court Judge Peter Michalski ruled in 2004 that the change exempting airlines from paying the pilots overtime could apply only from the effective date of July 16, 2003. Legislative action then amended the law in 2005 to make the 2003 change retroactive to 2000. Hageland again filed to be excused from paying the overtime. At the same time, the pilots argued that the retroactive exemption in a number of ways went against the state and federal constitutions. The Superior Court again went with the pilots.

Michalski declared the legislative action making the exemption retroactive to 2000 violated a "takings" and "contract" clause of the Alaska Constitution, and violated the

federal constitution.

The Superior Court reasoned that Hageland's practice of docking pilots' pay for partial day absences violated state labor department rules against salaries of employees not paid overtime being reduced because of varying work loads, therefore the pilots were the class of non-exempt employees that get overtime pay for extra hours.

The Superior Court said the legislative actions caused a financial loss to the pilots. Additionally, it said the legislation impaired the contractual relationship between the pilots and Hageland. It also went against the state constitution that forbids private property being taken for public use (supporting the fragile air transport industry) without just compensation. In 2007 the parties agreed on damages of \$1.6 million and a final judgment was entered.

Hageland and executives Michael Hageland and James Tweto appealed to the Supreme Court, arguing that there was no loss to the pilots—that they had not expected overtime and did not rely on it. Hageland further argued that the contract that was affected—the payment of overtime according to state law—was not infringed. On June 5, the high court upheld Michalski's ruling.

In supporting the legislation—HB 171 and SB 105—applying the overtime compensation exemption to flight crews, committee meeting minutes cite several air commuter executives saying in March 2005 they paid flight crews fair wages and that paying straight time prevented pilots from pushing weather and safety considerations to get overtime pay. Bruce McGlasson, at the time president and owner of Grant Aviation, said his company paying a daily rate encouraged safety because on a



Summer fun with Nome Eskimo Community

TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN (above)—A group of young hikers rest after climbing to the top up Anvil Mountain June 12.

SEAL WORK (right)—Rena Sparks, 12, cuts blubber off of a small seal hide in the Nome Eskimo Community Trigg Hall.



Photos courtesy of Nome Eskimo Community

daily rate, pilots were paid whether they flew or not. Paying an hourly rate gave pilots an incentive to fly when they should not fly. Several pilots, including Brett Harris of Hageland Aviation, said the daily lump pay rate was fair and encouraged safety. Bob Hadjukovich of Fron-

tier Aviation, in supporting SB 105, told legislators that pilots in Alaska are compensated very well compared to those flying in other parts of the country, so the lawsuits against Hageland surprised him.

Another Hageland pilot, Jason Wilson, told legislators that pilots

flying Cessna 207s made \$90 per flying hour and that some pilots for Hageland made as much as \$150 per flight hour. In 2004, there were very few days when pilots exceeded 10 hours of flight time, Wilson said, and he and many other pilots did not feel a need to be paid overtime.

Two grants to fund three new school jobs

By Tyler Rhodes

The school district has received a grant funding two teachers who will work with students before they ever pass through the doors of the elementary school.

Under the Alaska Pilot Pre-Kindergarten Program, Nome Public Schools will receive \$219,539 to provide and support the program at the Nome Preschool and Kawerak Head Start during the next school year. The grant is renewable for the 2010-2011 school year.

According to district business manager Jenny Martens, the funding will cover the salaries of the two certified early childhood education

teachers, student transportation, supplies and professional development for the two teachers. "It's well-rounded and covers all the aspects of doing this program," Martens said.

The program has the teachers working with the students on a 10-1 ratio.

Martens told the Nome Board of Education at its June 23 work session that the collaboration between the Nome Preschool and Head Start programs helped the district score high in the competitive grant process.

While the two teachers will be working in buildings outside of the district, they will considered Nome Public Schools employees. Despite

that fact, the children with whom the new teachers will work will not be counted toward the district's enrollment, an important factor in the amount of state funding it receives.

The district has also received a \$49,000 grant to hire a new employee and host a mentoring program. The funding from the Alaska Staff Development Network previously went to the Big Brother Big Sister program. While the organization receiving the funds has changed, the mission of the program has not. The new hire will work to match children in the fourth through eighth grades with an adult who can act as a mentor and friend to the student.

"It's a completely wonderful opportunity," Superintendent Jon Wehde told the Nome Board of Education at the work session. "This came at a

point where I can only take it as a blessing and windfall."

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<p>AQUARIUS January 20–February 18</p> <p>The celebration is on, and you are asked to play host. Toss aside your reservations, Aquarius, and step up to the plate. It's time you let your culinary talents shine.</p>	<p>TAURUS April 20–May 20</p> <p>A young friend involves you in their battle for independence. Be careful how you proceed, Taurus. You don't want to step on any toes. A small windfall pumps up your bank account.</p>	<p>LEO July 23–August 22</p> <p>A family member offers you some sage advice. Listen carefully, Leo. They really do have your best interest at heart. A romantic gesture sets the stage for a wonderful weekend.</p>
<p>PISCES February 19–March 20</p> <p>Gorgeous weather puts everyone in a better frame of mind. Use the positive vibes to get the fire brewing on a project at work, Pisces. A package arrives early.</p>	<p>GEMINI May 21–June 21</p> <p>Passion ignites, and you break out of your shell, Gemini. A weak link at work is revealed. Approach the matter with extreme caution and tact. A phone call dashes hopes.</p>	<p>VIRGO August 23–September 22</p> <p>An old letter provides insight into a relationship long over. Learn from it, Virgo, and watch your relationship blossom. An heirloom returns home.</p>
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Decision on Unalakleet baby starvation death due

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Alaska Supreme Court staff have reported an appeal involving a baby starved to death in 2003 “ripe for a decision” on whether the lower courts properly denied the father an acquittal in response to earlier appeals.

Heather Takak and Frank R. Johnson in separate trials were found guilty of starving Christina N. Johnson until she died at a Unalakleet clinic on Nov. 17, 2003.

A grand jury indicted Takak on the first-degree murder charge at the end of May 2004, and indicted the baby’s father, Frank R. Johnson, on second-degree murder. In a trial held in Unalakleet, a jury found Johnson guilty of manslaughter. Johnson filed for acquittal, saying the state did not

prove its case in that the jury attributed the death to the wrong cause. Nome court judge Ben Esch denied Johnson an acquittal, but said he could have a new trial.

Takak worked out a plea deal that dropped the charge from murder to manslaughter. She drew a sentence of 20 years in August 2006 and went to Hiland Correctional for manslaughter after her daughter died in a state of starvation and with fresh head injuries from her mother throwing her on the floor. At issue in Johnson’s verdict was whether the baby died from the injuries or from starvation.

The state Court of Appeals accepted Johnson’s trial and verdict for review, but it ruled against Johnson and Esch, ruling out a new trial and

ordering Johnson to be sentenced on the verdict of manslaughter.

Johnson then appealed to the Alaska Superior Court. Court documents show that on June 10 all briefs have been filed and oral arguments presented in Johnson’s appeal.

Pending the outcome of his case, Johnson lived in third party custody situations and at the Seaside Center where he held a job in town. However, in early 2008 in a separate case, Johnson was found in violation of release conditions and jailed.

The prosecutor in the cases, Rick Svobodny, said Takak had earned the full sentence—20 years— for manslaughter because of aggravating factors—the baby was less than a year old and extremely vulnerable because she could not escape or ask

for help, and the additional factor that Takak and the victim belonged to the same social unit living under the same roof. Another child in the home, a five-year-old son, received nutrition and care.

“It is just inexplicable, why Ms. Takak is taking care of one child and not another, and why in a fit of anger she throws a baby to the ground because she is mad at the person she lives with,” Svobodny said.

Takak and Johnson took Christina N. Johnson to the Unalakleet clinic early on Nov. 17, 2003 because, they said, she had trouble breathing. The baby died at the clinic, weighing 7.67 pounds, according to late state Chief Medical Examiner Franc Fallico. In July 2005 at the father’s trial, village health aides testified that in the clinic

that morning, Christina looked like a three-month-old child.

An autopsy found evidence from the baby’s remains that she had starved and had injuries to her head within several days of her death.

In a statement to an investigating Alaska State Trooper, Takak said she had not fed Christina and had dropped her twice intentionally in the bedroom of the couple’s Unalakleet home.

“I dropped her on purpose. I was in the bedroom. I dropped her twice,” Takak said according to a trooper statement admitted to the court record.

Throughout the case, Svobodny argued Johnson had neglected the welfare of his daughter and should have foreseen that Takak would harm the baby.



Photo by Denise Olin
REINDEER LOVE PIZZA— Velvet Eyes, pet reindeer of Carl and Ginny Emmons makes short work of her pizza at the bebefit pizza eating contest at Airport Pizza last week. The event raised money for the Nome Children’s Home. Velvet Eyes says she does not care for anchovies.

Just to let you know that your love and support during this difficult time is so greatly appreciated. Quyanna to the ANMC staff, (Retired Pastor) Henry Pearson for his prayer, singing at Mom’s bedside by Hannah Takak, the Amaktoolik’s (Bernice & Marie), the many visitors of friends and family, Davis Nashalook for the beautiful visual pictures, Emory Nashalook for guidance and participation, the welcome at the Anchorage First Covenant church, Pastor Max Lopez-Cepero, Anchorage parishioners for their help with the potluck and cleaning of the church, the singing (Isabelle Millet & others), Lewis Nakarak (kind words & song), Rachel Dimmick for her joyous words and song for her best friend, Anchorage BSNC staff for assistance with the funeral program, flowers, potluck, Gail Anagick, Ryan Schubert, and Bruce Hellenga.

Quyanna to the Unalakleet Covenant church, Pastor Chip Swanson & family, parishioners and community members for their potluck, singing, handmade cross, casket cover, grave digging, transportation in the community, hospitality, airfares, a special thank you to the City of Unalakleet, Unalakleet Native Corp., Norton Sound Sled Dog Association, Covenant Womens’ group in Unalakleet (Linda Towarak, Betty Oyoumick, Donna Erickson, to name a few) and all those who contributed to the Unalakleet service, the Towarak family, Tim Towarak, Annabelle & Dave Cunningham, Terry Katongan and crew , Velma & Merlin Johnson, Herb & Heidi Ivanoff, Jay Fraytag , Olga Oyoumick , uncle Lehman Nashalook, Lila Nashalook and Richard Guidry, Native Village of Shaktoolik, City of Shaktoolik, Betty Kay Jackson, Uncle Ernie Sagoonick, and the support and prayers of numerous friends and relatives.

Lenora’s warm and welcoming smile, the kindness she showed unto others will be missed by the many lives she touched - may our memories of her remain in our hearts forever. To those that were unable to attend her service and burial, know that Lenora and her family understands why you could not be there and she would not want you to feel sad about it but to keep her memory alive how she treated you and would want you to treat others that way in your lives. We know that Mom [Lenora] would have been more than appreciative to all of you.

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Employment

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDCC) is currently recruiting for a **Community Development Coordinator (CDC)**. The CDC is responsible for assisting in the implementation of all programs and services administered by the Community Benefits Department while encouraging and supporting sustainable development projects within the Norton Sound Region. Qualifications: Undergraduate degree from an accredited university is preferred. Year for year applicable experience can be substituted for degree requirement. Experience in staff supervision, budgeting, program management, and grant writing is preferred. Must be a resident of the Norton Sound region and proficient with computers and associated technology. Closing Date: Open Until Filled.

NSEDCC offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits package. Please see our website to view the full job description and to download the application at www.nsedcc.com or contact Camille Cruz, HR Director, (800) 650-2248. Qualified individuals should submit their application, resume and cover letter to: NSEDCC, 420 L Street, Suite 310, Anchorage, AK 99501. Telephone: (907) 274-2248 and Fax: (907) 274-2249. 6/11-18-25; 7/2

Kawerak Administration – Extended Recruitment Notice –starting 6/25/09 open until filled. DEPARTMENT: Administration JOB TITLE: Beringia Museum Culture and Science Project Director POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time EXEMPT STATUS: Non Exempt LOCATION: Nome, Alaska PAY SCALE GRADE: 16 - 17 – 18 – 19 (\$27.91-38.64) REPORTS TO: Senior Planner QUALIFICATIONS: 1) Four years of planning experience or college education on a year for year basis in museum/cultural center studies and/or cultural documentation.

2) Effective writing, budgeting, research and communication skills. 3) Experience with complex projects with construction involved. 4) Experience in fundraising from the private sector including individuals, foundations, corporations and major donors. 5) Knowledge of public process, design and construction. 6) Knowledge of the Bering Strait Region people and history highly desirable. 7) Ability to work well with others and under pressure. 8) Strong computer skills using Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point & data base systems. 9) Must be willing to travel extensively to villages and outside the region. Native Preference per Public Law 93-638. Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231. Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at www.kawerak.org or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to personnel@kawerak.org. Thank you. 7/2-9

KAWERAK POSITION DESCRIPTION DEPARTMENT: Administration JOB TITLE: Tribal Coordinator POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt PAY SCALE GRADE: 9-10-11 REPORTS TO: Tribal Affairs Director **BRIEF SUMMARY OF JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:** 1. Provide administrative support at the local level to facilitate information exchange and delivery of services. 2. Assume responsibility for day to day operations of the office for Tribal Council. Compose letters and answer routine correspondence, type reports, complete and monitor grant applications, assist in

gathering information on the needs of tribal members at the local level and forward above information to Kawerak and other organizations for inclusion in region-wide planning efforts. 3. May serve as financial officer for the Native Village and submit reports as required. 4. Establish and maintain local filing system and office procedures. 5. Receive visitors, answer telephones and disseminate information. 6. Assume the primary responsibility to ensure that Tribal enrollments are kept up to date. 7. Schedule meetings and conferences for Tribal Council. Record and transcribe minutes for all Tribal Council meetings. 8. May serve as Tribal Court clerk and as such assists in the drafting and coding of Tribal ordinances. 9. Provides staff support to the local Elder's Committee. 10. Other duties as assigned by the Tribal Council President.

QUALIFICATIONS: 1. High school diploma or G.E.D. equivalent. 2. Two years previous secretarial, administrative, or supervisory experience. 3. Must be able to type. Computer experience highly desirable. 4. Strong organizational, oral and written communication skills. 5. Must be able to work well with the public. Native Preference per Public Law 93-638. (Approval 12-3-98) 7/2

Trooper Beat

On June 14, at 12:30 p.m., AST received a report from a female reporting that her husband, Douglas Seidelmann had broken items inside the residence while intoxicated and was scared that she and her child would be injured by him. AST responded but Douglas Seidelmann had fled the residence prior to AST's arrival. Douglas Seidelmann was arrested several days later on a warrant for the charges of DV Assault in the Fourth Degree and Reckless Endangerment.

On June 20, at about 2:30 a.m., a 33-year old female resident of Nunum Iqua contacted Kotlik Police Department reporting a boat travelling from Saint Michael to Nunum Iqua was overdue. The boat, carrying five adults and six children left Saint Michael at about 6:00 p.m. on June 19, and was to have arrived in Nunum Iqua by 1:00 a.m. at the latest. Kotlik Search and Rescue was authorized and an AST Alaska Wildlife Trooper from Saint Mary's was requested to fly from Emmonak to Saint Michael. On June 20, at about 3:00 p.m., the boat was located in Kotlik and all the passengers were fine. The boat experienced engine problems.

On June 20, at about 4:45 a.m., Stebbins VPOs were requested to assist with a 26-year old female. Upon responding, the VPO observed John D. Mercurief Jr. choking the female while she was on the ground. Mercurief Jr. was arrested for Assault III, domestic violence, and telephonically arraigned.

On June 20, Nome Alaska Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Enforcement contacted Janice Rookok, 44, of Savoonga, at a local air carrier in Nome. Incident to contact, one 750ml bottle and one 375ml bottle of alcohol were seized from the restroom trashcan after Rookok exited. Rookok admitted that she hid the alcohol in the trash. Charges will be forwarded to Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals.

On June 20, Nome ABADE located a suspicious mail parcel headed to Savoonga. Consent was given to search the box and seven 750ml bottles of alcohol were seized as evidence. Investigation continues.

On June 21, at 2:30 a.m., AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Savoonga. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Robin Booshu, 23, of Gambell, for Assault 4. Booshu was remanded to AMCC.

On June 21, at about 6:18 a.m., Nome Police Department dispatch received a report from a 57-year-old male who said his truck was stolen from the Dexter Roadhouse. Subsequent to ASTs investigation, Charlene Elianna, 20, of Nome, was arrested for Vehicle Theft I, Driving Under the Influence, Driving with a Revoked License, Habitual Minor Consuming and Probation violation. Elianna was transported to AMCC where she was lodged with no bail.

On June 21, at 12:20 p.m., Village Public Safety Officer John Peratrovich contacted Wagner Wongittlin, 49, of Savoonga, on Front Street in Nome. Investigation shows Wongittlin consumed alcohol in violation of his probation. Wongittlin was arrested for Probation Violation and remanded to AMCC.

On June 22, at 5:47 a.m., AST received a report of an assault in the village of Teller. AST re-



NOME PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLASSIFIED JOB VACANCIES

Nome Public Schools has the following job vacancies for the 2009 - 2010 school year. All are open until filled.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONAL - (3) positions - Must have High School Diploma with two or more years of college preferred. Previous successful experience working with students having special needs/behavior difficulties. Assist special needs students with homework, assigned classroom work and testing.

Term: Permanent seasonal summer off Schedule: 24 - 30 hours/week

Salary: \$16.23 - \$24.48/hour DOE

PERSONNEL OFFICER - District Wide - Bachelors Degree preferred. Experience working in Personnel/Human Resources or related field required. A minimum of five years working in office environment required. Experience in general use of computers; proficiency with work processing, spreadsheets, and other related systems. Excellent communication skills, both oral and written. Duties include supervise the general administrative processes and activities related to the district's personnel functions, ensuring compliance with state and local statues and ordinances, school board policy, and collective bargaining agreements. Assists the Superintendent in daily routine matters of the school district and school board activities. Develops and coordinates the recruitment process for classified/certified employees. Attends school board meetings and prepares official minutes.

Term: Permanent Full-time/12 months Salary: Exempt Salary - \$50,000 DOE

Detailed job descriptions are available at the district personnel office, **443-2231** or Email Cynthia Gray at cgray@nomeschools.com.

Nome Public Schools is an EEO Employer

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sponded to Teller and investigation lead to the arrest of David Soolook Jr., 46, of Teller, for assaulting his girlfriend. Investigation also determined that Soolook had possessed a firearm while intoxicated. Soolook Jr. was arrested and transported to Nome where he was arraigned on two

counts of Assault in the third degree and one count of Misconduct Involving a weapon fourth degree.

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Looking for a new best friend or an addition to the family?

Grubby says, "get over to the animal shelter and see which of my friends want to go home with you." His friends are waiting for you, call to make an appointment today.

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



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1-800-478-9355

Arctic ICANS —
A nonprofit cancer survivor support group.

Arctic ICANS next meeting

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

Thursday, July 2 • 7:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting

For more information call 443-5726.

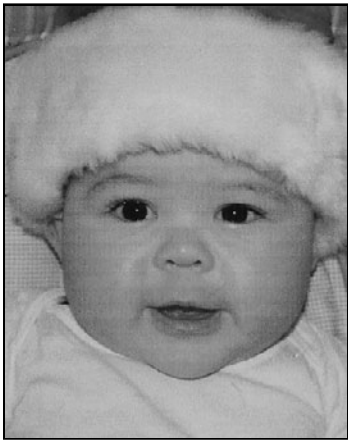
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New Arrivals

Kyle Lee Crump and Janis Menadelook of Nome announce the birth of their son **Noah Lee "Menadelook" Crump**. Noah was born on Friday June 12 at 8:00 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage.

Noah weighed 9 pounds and 2 ounces and was 21 inches in length. Family members present included: Great grandmother Elvira Baquerizo, grandmother Rocio Baquerizo, uncle Robert Kunayak, great aunts Maria Brezden and Alex Foster, and second cousin Lauren Foster.

Late announcement of new arrival



Michael V. English

Michael V. English, Jr., born August 2, 2008 to Mr. and Mrs. Eda Keller English and Spc. Michael V. English. Michael's tribal name is Ahnganguaq and Tiqgi Mom, Eda, is from Nome; Michael's father is a Medec (and a blackbelt) serving in the United States Army and is from Olongapo City, Philippines. Paternal grandparents are the late Vincent English from Miami, Florida and Aida English of Olongapo City. Maternal grandparents are Louise Keller Bauman and Brent Bauman of Nome and Frank Katchatag of Unalakleet.

Nora Ruby Brown-Douglas and Raymond Clyde Douglas, Jr. of White Mountain, announce the birth of their daughter **Eva Rose Lily**



Eva Rose Lily Douglas

Legals

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 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 Offices 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.
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

ERNIE W. BUTTS,
Deceased.

Case No. 2no-08-21 PR

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.
Robert D. Lewis, Attorney for Gary D. Butts
Personal Representative, Box 61, Nome, AK 99762
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Public Posting Notice of Statement of Potential Conflict of Interest

Per the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) NAHASDA regulations, specifically section 25 CFR 1000.30-1000.36, the Tribe must publicly disclose when an individual directly affiliated with the organization has qualified and been selected to receive financial assistance through the NAHASDA program.

A Potential Conflict of Interest is being disclosed to: a Nome Eskimo Community employee has applied for and met the requirements for participating in the NEC Indian Housing Buy Down Assistance Program.

This employee of Nome Eskimo Community has met all the requirements for participation in the Nome Eskimo Community Housing Program, which consists of the following criteria:

- Met the low-income guidelines published by HUD
- Please be advised that any public comments must be received at the Nome Eskimo Community office within 10 (ten) calendar days of the initial date of this posting. All conflict of interest comments must be in a sealed envelope, addressed as "Conflict of Interest Comment." Comments that are received will be reviewed at the next regularly scheduled Nome Eskimo Community meeting. Nome Eskimo Community will not consider any comment received after the end of this ten (10) day comment period.

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Douglas, born June 22, at 4:25 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21" in length. Siblings are Jessica, Leslie and Beau Brown; Venessa Koonooka, Clyde, Kitty and Raymond Douglas III. Maternal grandparents are Jake and Rose Titus of White Mountain. Paternal grandparents the late Raymond Sr. and Clara Douglas of Koyuk.

Cecelia A. Long and Isaiah T. Snowball of Saint Michael announce the birth of their son **Trevor Thomas Alex Long**, born June 19, at 12:26 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 19.5" in length. His sister is Madison Kaylyn Long, 1. Maternal grandparents are Danny and Mary Long of Nome; and paternal grandparents are Hilary and Alma Snowball of Saint Michael.

Dolly M. Eningowuk and Freddy F. Saccheus of Shishmaref announce the birth of their son **Delbert Ian Levi Eningowuk**, born June 22, at 8:47 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and was 20" in length. Maternal grandparents are Fred and Frieda Eningowuk of Shishmaref. Paternal grandmother is Bessie Saccheus of Elim.

Innovative Technology

Washington, D.C. — A project by students from Bering Strait School District in Unalakleet is one of 15 displays from across the U.S. being showcased at the Library of Congress in a far-reaching exhibit on innovative uses of technology in education taking place as part of the International Society for Technology in Education National Educational

Computing Conference (NECC), June 28 to July 1. The showcase highlights everything from digital citizenship to games that help teach science and includes the exhibit by Unalakleet students, which is titled the iDitaProject.

"The iDitaProject fosters the development of communication, collaboration and critical thinking skills in students while providing unique, behind-the-scenes insight into the Iditarod race, mushers and athlete dogs," says Randy Fleharty, technology integration facilitator for the Bering Strait School District.

Thirty students from around the district in grades five through 12 were actively involved in the iDitaProject broadcasts, benefiting from the technology integration into their classroom studies.

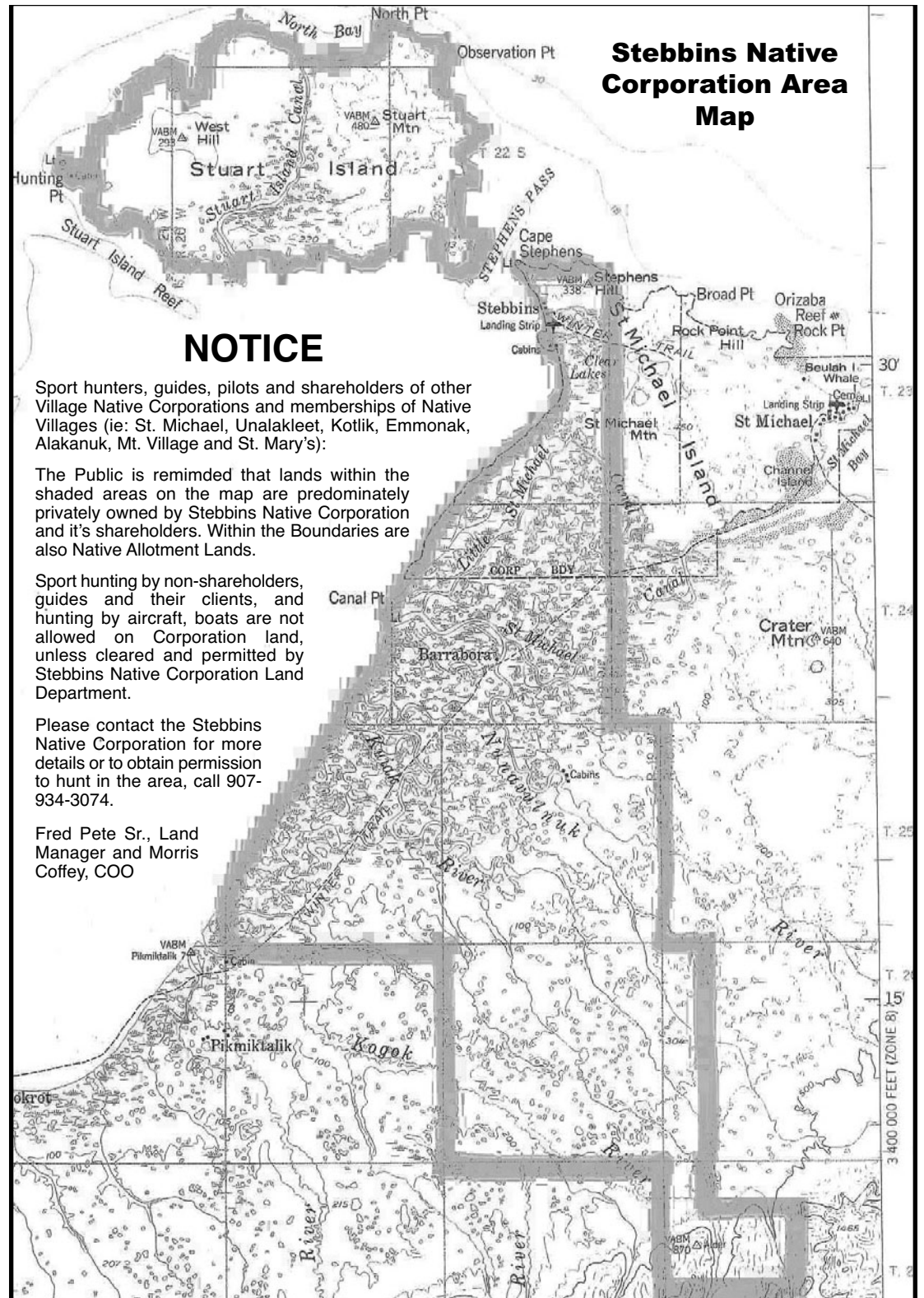
The iDitaProject is just one of many such initiatives taking place across the country that are being highlighted at this year's 30th anniversary NECC.

A reception celebrating all of the student submissions was held June 30 at the Library of Congress. For a

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NEWLYWEDS—Kari Hahn and Elgin Dean were wed June 19 at Old St. Joseph Hall in Nome. They will reside in Portland, Ore., near close family members and friends.



NOTICE

Sport hunters, guides, pilots and shareholders of other Village Native Corporations and memberships of Native Villages (ie: St. Michael, Unalakleet, Kotlik, Emmonak, Alakanuk, Mt. Village and St. Mary's):

The Public is reminded that lands within the shaded areas on the map are predominately privately owned by Stebbins Native Corporation and it's shareholders. Within the Boundaries are also Native Allotment Lands.

Sport hunting by non-shareholders, guides and their clients, and hunting by aircraft, boats are not allowed on Corporation land, unless cleared and permitted by Stebbins Native Corporation Land Department.

Please contact the Stebbins Native Corporation for more details or to obtain permission to hunt in the area, call 907-934-3074.

Fred Pete Sr., Land Manager and Morris Coffey, COO

• More Trooper Beat

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On June 22, at 10:25 a.m., AST received a report of three overdue travelers in Gambell. Ground search teams from Gambell and Savoonga are currently deployed on the south side of Saint Lawrence Island.

On June 22, at 11:20 a.m., Village Public Safety Officer Lucas Stotts received a report of vandalism at the Shaktoolik School. Several suspects have been identified. Investigation continues.

On June 22, at 2:30 p.m., VPSO Stotts received a report of homebrew manufacturing at a Shaktoolik residence. Subsequent investigation led to the seizure of several gallons of homebrew. Lila Bonilla, 43, of Shaktoolik, was charged with Manufacturing Alcohol.

On June 22, at 7:35 p.m., St. Michael health aides contacted Nome AST to report a death in the village. Health aides reported that a female juvenile was deceased. AST is responding to investigate the incident. No further information will be released at this time pending investigation.

On June 23, at 5:40 p.m., Unalakleet AST and the Unalakleet Police Department forced entry into the house of Louis Mischa Tucker, 66, of Unalakleet, as a welfare check had been requested as he had not been seen in several days. Inside the house Tucker was found deceased. The SME was contacted and released the body for burial. Next-of-kin have been notified.

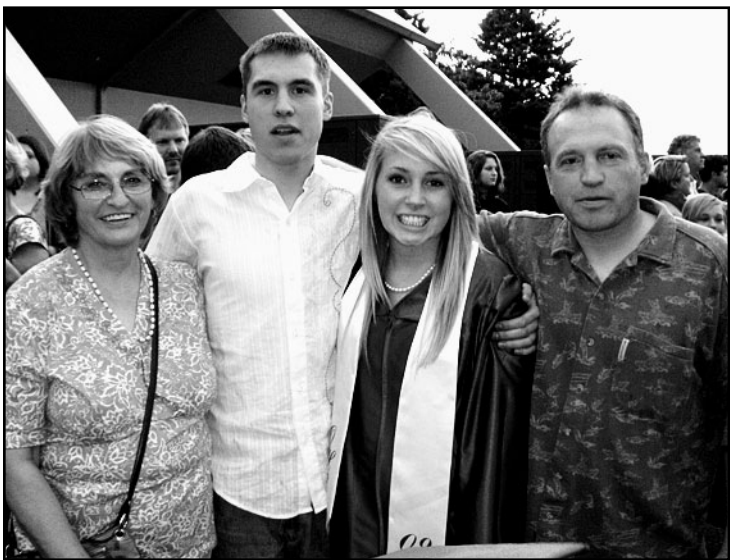
On June 24, at about 11:00 a.m., Kenneth D. Shoogukruk, 50, of White Mountain, was arrested on a \$10,000 warrant, 2NO-09-371CR, original charges 2 counts of Sexual Assault II, 2 counts Sexual Abuse of a Minor II and one count of Harassment II. Shoogukruk was transported to Nome where he was lodged at AMCC.

On June 24, at approximately 7:30 p.m., James Walunga, 29, of Gambell, was arrested for Assault III DV and Probation Violation after the investigation revealed that he had assaulted a woman and consumed alcohol in violation of his probation. Walunga was transported to AMCC.

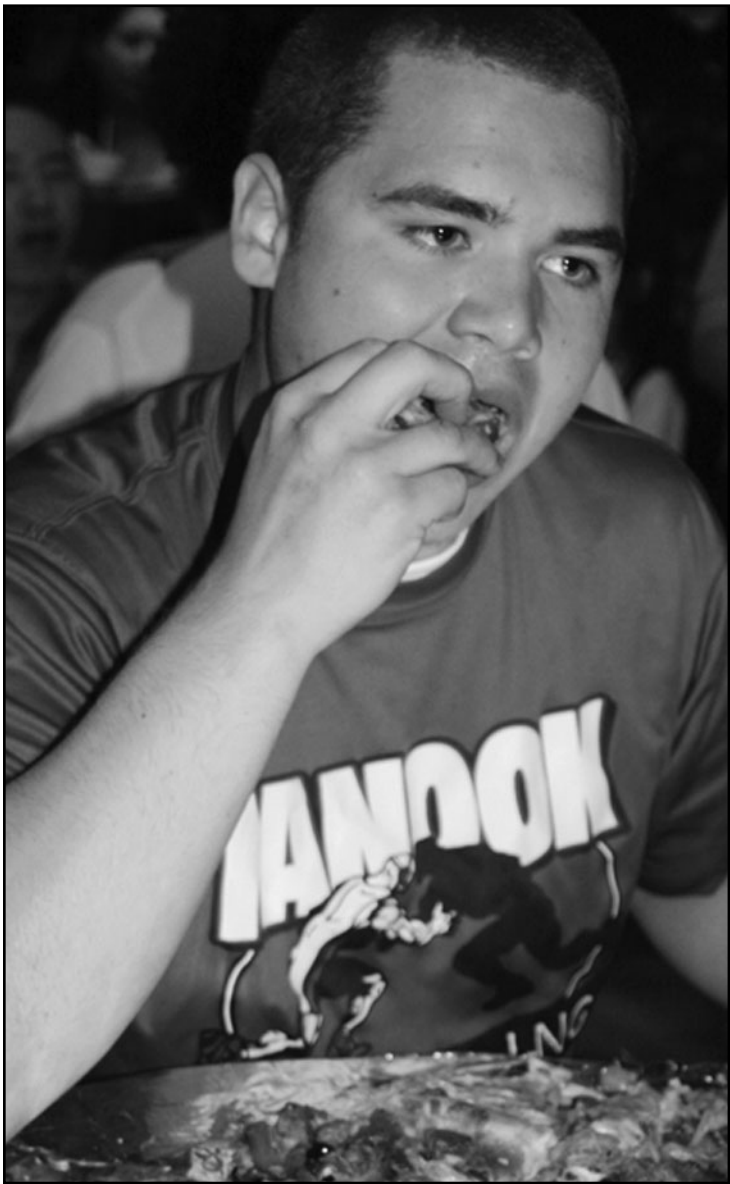
On June 26, at 9:00 a.m., Aaron Hunt, 19, of Kotlik was arrested in Stebbins by VPO Delbert Acoman after the Stebbins Police Department received information that Aaron Hunt had a warrant for his arrest. The original charges were Misconduct involving Weapons in the Fourth Degree.

On June 26, at 11:52 a.m., AST received a report of a sexual assault that occurred in the Norton Sound region. Information is being withheld pending further investigation.

All Around the Sound



CELEBRATION—Family members gather to celebrate the graduation of Moriah Morgan from Olympia High School in Washington June 10. Pictured are (l to r) grandmother Donna Morgan, brother Alex Morgan, Moriah Morgan, and father David Morgan. The graduate’s mother is Tammy Ramsey of Tenino, Wash.



HOLD THE PEPPERONI— Derek Weiler makes pizza disappear at a benefit held at Airport Pizza for the Nome Children’s Home last Wednesday.

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complete schedule of NECC events and topics, go to www.iste.org/necc/.

Graduate

Brent Bauman is pleased to announce the graduation of his son Lucas Bauman on June 27. Lucas received his Associates Degree in

Master Certified Diesel Truck Technology from the Lincoln College of Technology in Denver, Colorado. Lucas graduated from Nome-Beltz High School in 2008, doubled his workload and completed the program in one year. The proud parents are Brent Bauman and Louise Keller Bauman of Nome.



Lucas Bauman

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

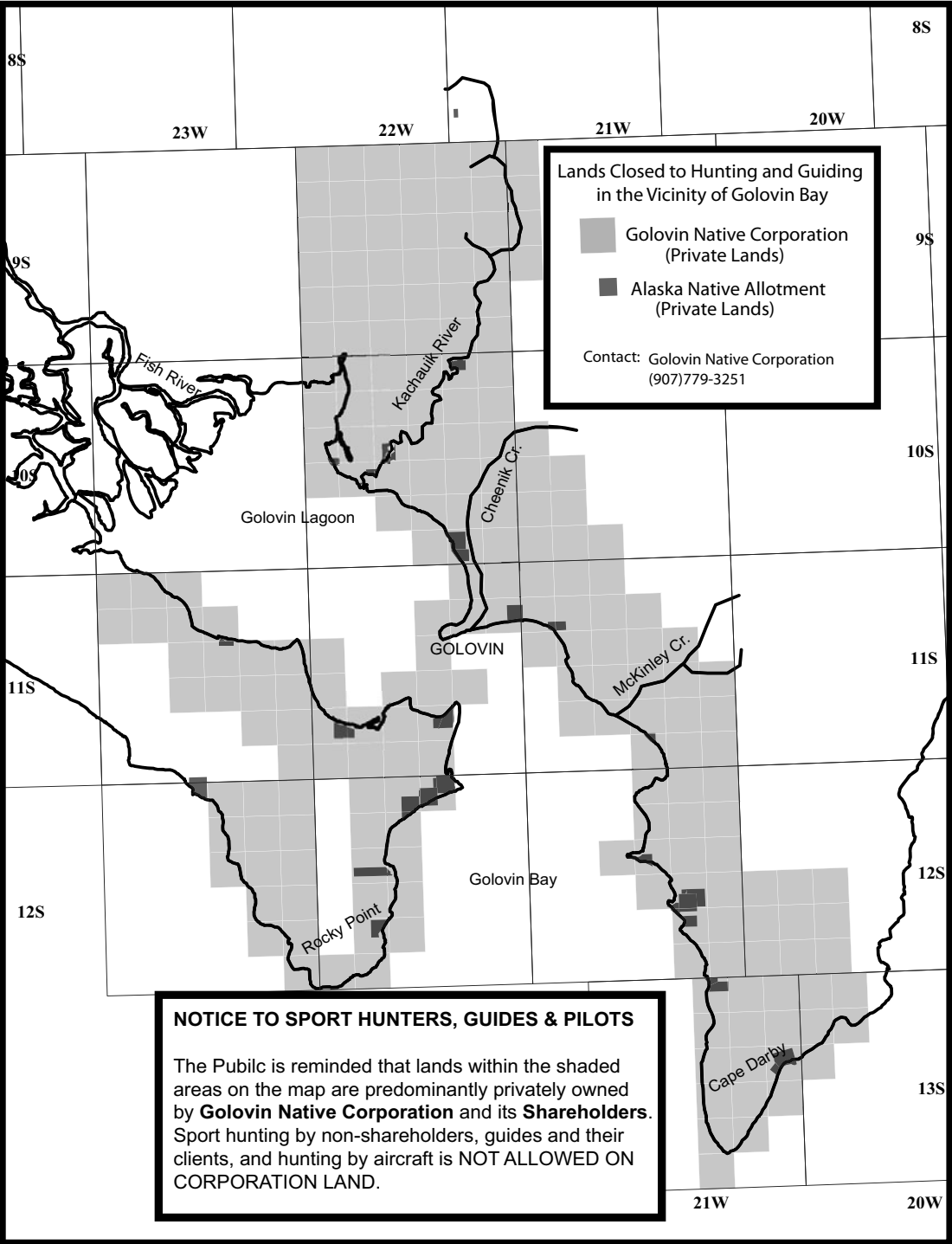
*Deferred payment plan available; please ask Kawerak LMS staff for details.
TITLE TO LAND SOLD AS A RESULT OF THIS ADVERTISEMENT WILL BE CONVEYED IN A FEE SIMPLE STATUS BY APPROVED DEED. TERMS AVAILABLE ARE CASH OR DEFERRED PAYMENT AS SPECIFIED.

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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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.

Obituaries

Matthew James Hartwick

Former Alaska resident Matthew James “Matt” Hartwick died June 13, 2009 at home in Palm Bay, Florida of cancer.

A service was held on Saturday in Melbourne, Florida at the South Brevard Funeral Home.

Matthew was born July 21, 1955 in Anchorage to June I. Degnan of Unalakleet, Alaska and James W. Hartwick of Belleville, Michigan. Matthew was employed as an electronic technician for the Caelum Research Corporation at the Kennedy Space Center, Cape Canaveral, Florida. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, member of the IBEW Local 288 and The Bering Straits Native Corporation.

He attended the University of Alaska Fairbanks and worked on the Oil Pipeline along with his friends. While living in Alaska he enjoyed fishing and all types of Alaskan outdoor activities.

He is survived by his mother, June I. Degnan of Sitka and Juneau; his father, James W. Hartwick of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; his wife, Rhonda of Palm Bay, Florida; his sons, Wade M. Hartwick, U.S. Army (Active Duty) and wife Lena; Beau Evan Hartwick, U.S. Air Force (Active Duty); the mother of his two sons, Valarie Vance Hartwick Milewski, Veteran, U.S. Navy, Tequesta, Florida; his sister Juliet Degnan Hildreth and husband Joe of Anchorage, Alaska; three step brothers, Tim, Chris and Beau Hartwick; uncle, Chuck Degnan and wife Virginia of Unalakleet, aunts, Eva Merrifield, Anchorage; Ida Harden, Anchorage; Frances Ann Degnan, Unalakleet and Rose Mary Hartwick Traskos, Belleville, Michigan.

Matthew was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Frank A. Degnan and Ada Degnan, Unalakleet; paternal grandparents, Harry Dalton Hartwick and Marion Creighton Hartwick, Belleville, Michigan; uncles, Gerald O. Deg-

nan, Unalakleet; Larry Hartwick, Belleville, Michigan; Harry Traskos, Belleville, Michigan and aunt, Carol Mae Hartwick of Howell, Michigan.

His family wrote, “ Matt held many interests, traveled to many countries and held a deep passion for life, friends and family”. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date to honor his life and mission.

David J. Katongan Sr.

David J. Katongan Sr. was born February 5, 1936 to Hannah and Pete Katongan at Unalakleet and died suddenly at his home May 16, 2009. He is survived by his loving wife Mildred of 48 years to whom he married May 23, 1960 by Rev. Maynard Londborg at the Unalakleet Covenant Church. He is survived by his children Loretta, David Jr.,

Frances, LaVerne, Darrell and DeWayne, 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He helped raise granddaughters Beverly Johnson and Teada Katongan and dearly loved and cherished every moment he spent with them. He is also survived by his confidante and sister Emma Ivanoff, Adeline Hopson and brother Glenn James Katongan.

David completed school to the eighth grade, choosing to stay at home to help his parents hunt, fish and trap when high school students would leave home and not return until after graduation. David had a passion for dogs, which was a result of the responsibility he took to take care of his Dad’s dog team. As a teenager he raised his own team of dogs as long distance runners. All his life Across the River was his home away from home.

On October 28, 1957 he joined the Army National Guard and attended basic training at Fort Ord, CA. He was honorably discharged as Sergeant.

David retired from the Alaska Commercial Company where he worked as butcher and transferred from Nome back to his hometown of Unalakleet in July 1979, continuing to work for the AC Company before retirement. David’s wife Millie remembers how he encouraged harmony and wanted to see that everyone in his family was healthy and strong. The apple of his eye was his great grandson Chase, and he would ask him every morning, “what are your eyes going to see today?”

We will always cherish good times and his life with us will always be precious memories.

Court

Week ending 6/26 Civil

In the Matter of: Lawlor, Michael; Juror Order to Show Cause: Fail to Appear
Hoogendorn, Lee Ann vs. Alowa, Joel Kevin; DV: Both ExParte and Long Term
Hoogendorn, Lee Ann vs. Alowa, Joel Kevin; DV: Both ExParte and Long Term
Hoogendorn, Lee Ann vs. Alowa, Joel Kevin; DV: Both ExParte and Long Term
Ellanna, Diana vs. Minix Jr., Michael; DV: Both ExParte and Long Term
Kowchee, Mary vs. Ashenfelter, Gerald; DV: Both ExParte and Long Term
Seppilu, Sally S. vs. Butler Sr., Patrick; DV: Long Term Only
Dan, Opal L. vs. Pete, Bruce J.; DV: ExParte Only

Small Claims

No Small Claims filed.

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Thomas P. Aukon (5/4/69); Dismissal; Count 1—Liquor Importation Into Local Option Area; Filed by the Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals 6/23/09.
State of Alaska v. Michael West (4/22/52); Dismissal*; Count 1: Assault 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 6/25/09; *Count 2 is still pending.
State of Alaska v. Sophie Day Tocktoo (8/16/77); Count 1: Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 2/11/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by noon 6/26/09; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 11/15/09; Forfeit alcohol to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 6/25/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for alcohol in such communities; Defendant’s person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to dry/damp community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.
State of Alaska v. Jeffery Dan Nashoanank (3/18/88); Count 002: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 4/14/08; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); 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 6/25/10; 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 D.R. without consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Camille D. Droman (10/14/66); Dismissal; Florida law enforcement reports that at this time they are not interested in extraditing the defendant; The following charges are dismissed by the prosecuting attorney pursuant to Criminal Rule 43(a) without prejudice: 001: Fugitive From Justice; Filed by the DAs Office 6/23/09.

State of Alaska v. Andrew Kunayak Jr. (2/27/72); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110699811; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated upon reporting to jail; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, shall report to AMCC by 6/29/09; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to service sentence.

State of Alaska v. Brendan Oseuk (7/28/74); 2NO-08-563CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110698011; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Brendan Oseuk (7/28/74); 2NO-09-307CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 6/24/09.

State of Alaska v. Wagner B. Wongittilin (1/11/60); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110064726; Violated conditions of probation; 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. Aloysius Muktoyuk (5/19/71); 2NO-08-288CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109525302; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-251CR; Remanded into custody; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Aloysius Muktoyuk (5/19/71); 2NO-09-251CR Count 1: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 5/7/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: counts 2, 3 (002, 003); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-08-288CR; 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 6/24/10; 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 S.O. or C.K. without consent

State of Alaska v. Douglas Seidelmann (12/17/63); 2NO-08-659CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110127222; After a hearing, the court finds that the defendant is refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked

and imposed: all remaining time, this court recommends Seaside Center for placement; Consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-08-944CR; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Doug Seidelmann (12/17/63); 2NO-08-944CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110700198; After a hearing, the court finds that the defendant is refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time, this court recommends Seaside Center for placement; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Douglas Seidelmann (12/17/63); 2NO-09-349CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Fourth Degree; Charge 002: Reckless Endangerment; Filed by the DAs Office 6/19/09.

State of Alaska v. Herbert Paniptchuk, Jr. (4/25/64); Reckless Driving; Date of offense: 4/25/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 50 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 10/1/09; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Driver’s license, privilege to obtain a license and to operate a motor vehicle are revoked for 30 days concurrent with DMV action; Any license or permit shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Probation until *6/25/10; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for violation of probation; No violations law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer for a period of 1 year from the date of this judgment (6/25/09); *Redistributed on 6/26/09 by N.B. with correct probation date.

State of Alaska v. Dennis Thrasher (7/22/89); 2NO-08-437CR Notice of Dismissal—Petition to Revoke Probation #1; PTR filed on 9/18/08; Filed by the DAs Office 6/15/09.

State of Alaska v. Dennis Emmanuel Thrasher (7/22/89); 2NO-08-637CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Disorderly Conduct; Charge 002: Assault 4°; Charge 003: DUI; Charge 004: Reckless Driving; Charge 005: MCA; Charge 006: Escape 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 6/15/09.

State of Alaska v. Ryan Antoghome (10/16/76); 2NO-09-231CR Count 1: Furnish Alcohol to Person Under 21; Date of offense: 5/2/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 45 days shall be served consecutive to 2NO-09-241CR; 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. Ryan Antoghome (10/16/76); 2NO-09-241CR Count 2: Violate Conditions of Release; Date of offense: 5/6/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 15 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 15 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-09-231CR, time has been served; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

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