



Photo courtesy of Nome Eskimo Community

KING-SIZED CATCH—Participants at Nome Eskimo Community’s Summer Youth Cultural Camp show off salmon caught in the Niukluk River in early July. Left to right are Tom Gray, Clifford Iknokinok, Elizabeth White, Dezirae Sherman-Kakaruk, Katelynn Gray, Shayla Johnson, Taylor McDaniel, Deanna Walluk, Lindsay Burt, Jason Gilder, Naiomi Brunette, Sam Ahkinga, Jaqueline Galineaux and BeeJay Gray.

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COMMUNITY ART—Tammy Ayala adds flowers to the wall of the Nome Methodist Church’s thrift shop July 14. Several community members gathered to put their artistic mark on the mural.

Chum runs the worst on record

Northern Norton Sound run at historic low, targets being hit in southern sound

By Laurie McNicholas

In mid-July the salmon runs in southern Norton Sound were coming in as projected, but in northern Norton Sound the chum salmon runs were the worst on record, and sockeye (red salmon) returns were well below expectations, reports Jim Menard, area management biologist for Norton Sound and Kotzebue for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

The cumulative tally of chum salmon past most counting projects in northern Norton Sound were at

record lows in mid-July, the average historic midpoint of the run, and Menard projects that the chum run will finish well below escapement goals this year.

The ADF&G closed all chum salmon fishing and all salmon net fishing in the Nome subdistrict July 15. The only legal subsistence gear for salmon fishing is hook and line. Any chum salmon incidentally hooked must be immediately released while in the water. Sport

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Council-approved resolution changed before permit given

By Laurie McNicholas

On July 20 City Manager Josie Bahnke provided *The Nome Nugget* with a copy of the official City of Nome Resolution No. R-09-06-04 issuing a Moonlight Wells permit renewal to Nome AK Gold Concentrates (NAGC) for the 2009 mining season.

The permit allows Marvin Rapose, dba

NAGC, to conduct placer mining within the Moonlight Wells Protection Area from which Nome draws its drinking water.

There is a significant difference between the official signed version of the resolution and the version approved by the Nome City Council at a regular meeting June 22. The official resolution renews NAGC’s annual permit for the

2009 mining season subject to removal of all violations from the mine site. The version of R-09-06-04 approved by the council June 22 stipulated granting a temporary permit to NAGC effective in a week after the council adopted the resolution, subject to removal of all violations from the mine site, as recommended by Public Works Director Bill Angus.

However, Angus issued an annual permit for 2009 to NAGC on June 24 after verifying that all violations had been removed from the site just two days after the council meeting.

The version of R-09-06-04 approved by the council June 22 included the following four

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Delay in pumping puts Rock Creek in hot water

By Tyler Rhodes

In what state regulators are essentially summing up as a case of too little, too late, Rock Creek Mine operator NovaGold was hit with a notice of violation July 2 in regard to its effort to remove water from behind its tailings dam.

“The things we highlighted in that notice of violation were that they were three months late in starting [water]

treatment and disposal, and that they were not treating water at the rate they said they would,” said Sharmon Stambaugh, a program manager within the Division of Water at the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

The issue stems from the mine’s effort to remove the more than 50 million gallons of water that has accumulated behind its tailings dam at the idled mine site just a few miles northwest of Nome. The water, largely the result of runoff and groundwater, has regulators concerned over the dam that was never meant to have so much liquid behind it. “The [water treatment plant] capacity and combined injection well capacity was established to prevent increases in water storage behind the tailings storage facility which has the potential to compromise the integrity of the dam,” the notice of violation reads.

The dam was designed to hold back primarily tailings—the waste left over when the gold is extracted from the ore—which are more or

less solid in their consistency. Very few tailings, however, were deposited in the storage facility since work at the mine was suspended last November just as NovaGold was moving the project into production.

After two winters of heavy snowfall and a miscalculation by NovaGold on how water moves and collects around the mine site, the tailings storage facility gathered significant amounts of water. “Essentially we had an incorrect

estimate on the water balance,” said NovaGold President and Chief Executive Officer Rick Van Nieuwenhuyse. “That and a 100-year storm event is why the water ended up behind the dam.”

To remove the water, NovaGold built a treatment plant on the mine site and drilled a number of wells to inject the treated water back into the aquifer. The rate at which NovaGold accomplished the task became the fodder for the state DEC’s notice of violation.

has been in discussions with Nome Joint Utility System over the creation of a pipeline from its water treatment plant at the mine site to connect to the city’s wastewater treatment system. “At this point it’s a concept,” Van Nieuwenhuyse said. “We think it’s an interesting long-term solution.”

The idled mine is currently working to rid the area behind its tailings dam of

“It’s not that it’s not operational and not that it’s not working as it should,” Van Nieuwenhuyse said. “The water treatment plant is operational.”

The mine’s temporary closure plan called for the plant and wells to be able to treat and inject 350 gallons per minute by Feb. 15. The DEC said the plan also called for the treatment plant to be able to handle rates from

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City lagoon eyed for mine’s wastewater

By Tyler Rhodes

As the Rock Creek Mine works to meet a state mandate to treat and pump water from behind its tailings dam, it is mulling the possibility of piping that water in the future to the City of Nome’s sewer lagoons.

NovaGold Resources President and Chief Executive Officer Rick Van Nieuwenhuyse said the mining firm

more than 50 million gallons of water by pumping it through injection wells (*see related story above*). Even if the mine realizes its goal of having the facility emptied of water by the end of this year, Van Nieuwenhuyse acknowledges the water will return. “Obviously there’s always going to be some water

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Letters

Dear Litterbugs,

I was out on the Council Road the other day, and the Teller Road the day before and the Kougarok Road the day before that and I noticed that you lost your stuff. You can find it all along the side of the roads and off into the countryside. I also picked up a few bags full of the stuff if you'd like to stop by and claim them. I figure you're dearly missing your valuables, and I don't like looking at them, so pick them up and knock it off.

I realize that litterbugs probably don't read newspapers, mostly they just throw them on the ground. So, those of you reading this, if you wouldn't mind passing the message on, that would be great.

Sincerely,
Moriah Sallaffie
Nome, AK
P.S. Once you pick up your garbage and stop littering, I might like you better.

Hello,

I am writing regarding my grandson's pup that we had to put to sleep.

I had the pup tested for a disease that we and other people suspected. Well, my grandson had one of those dogs that does not grow very big, in fact it was very small. We all know that these little dogs can be very territorial and a little vicious. My grandson dearly loved his dog and his dog loved him and followed him wherever he went.

My grandson, whose name is Elijah, lives mostly with his great-grandmother whose name is Mary Seppilu. At the time of the death of his beloved great-grandpa (David Seppilu), my daughter and my son-in-law decided to buy him a pup from a local person. The pup really helped him heal his broken heart about his grandpa.

Well, the pup had bitten a couple of children, who I might say had no parent or parents watching over them. That's when suspicion began of some sort of disease the dog might have. Coincidentally the children bitten got ill. I apologize to the families. I myself knew the pup was clean because he also bit my grandson while he was playing with him. He got a

small scratch from the bite, I was concerned but my grandson is fine.

To make things clear, as a family, we decided to put the dog to sleep and send him out for testing. Just as I expected, the dog came out clean and healthy. Now my grandson will be broken hearted all over again when he finds out what we did to his dog. Maybe it's a lesson for us and other parents to watch their toddlers when they are playing out by themselves.

Elijah's pup's name was Twister. We all learned to love him, though he was a bit ugly. I ask at this time if anyone might want to donate a nice husky pup or a similar dog with a very nice nature. I would really appreciate it very much.

Well thank you, Nancy, and we again apologize to the families whose children got bitten, but rest assured, the dog's test came in very clean. We will have the results in writing if anyone wants proof. The

vet in Nome will send the proper documents of the disease-free dog.

Ike Kulowiya
Savoonga, AK .99769

Dear Editor,

City problems: A town overflowing with waste.

At Wales we have a honey bucket haul system with a sewage lagoon. When the system was built people

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

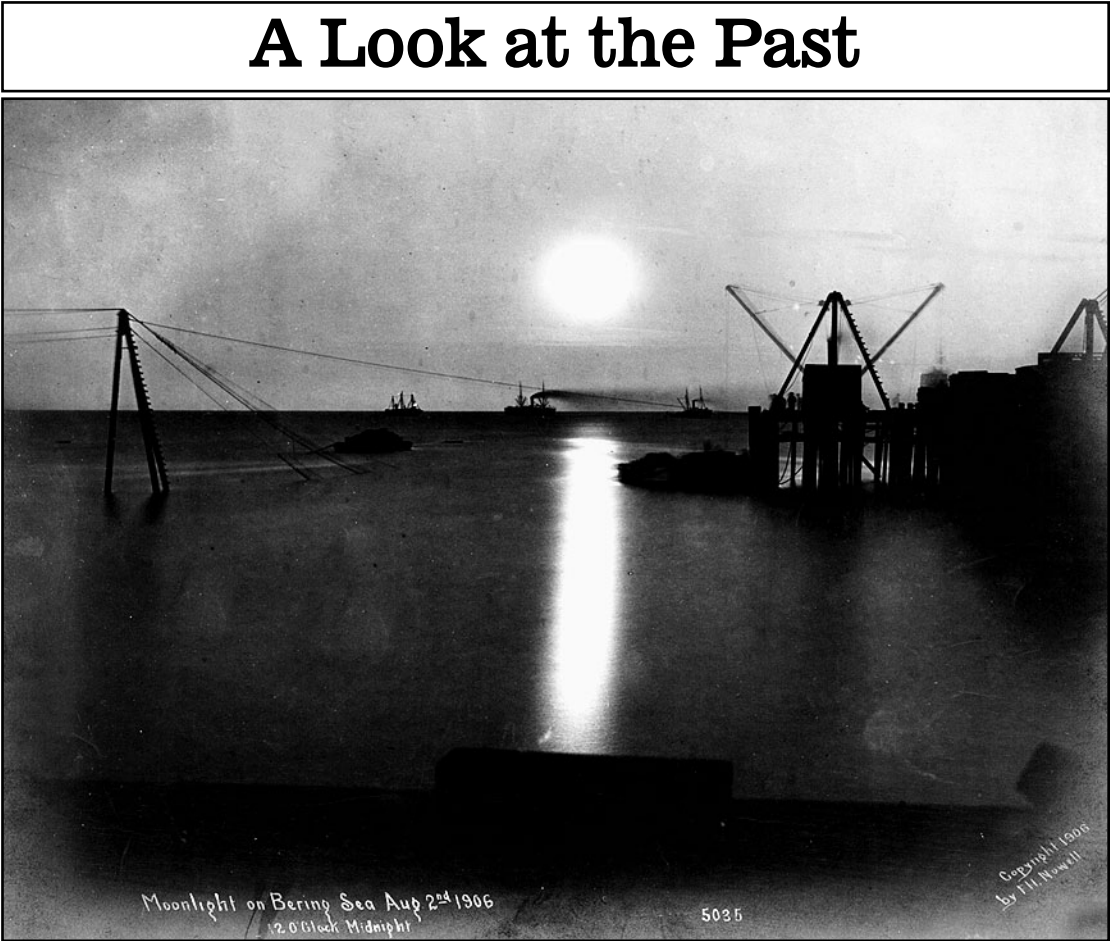
Editorial

How Far Do We Bend?

We granted a permit to mine in our watershed. Wait, maybe we didn't. The last city council meeting was cancelled, but somehow a permit seems to have been granted, or was it? Perhaps Nome Common Council needs to bring the resolution back to the table. We have a process, let's follow it.

Nomeites have a lot of things to keep their eyes on. There's a hint that the Rock Creek Mine might want to drain its tailings pond into Nome's Sewage Lagoon. What happened to all those injection wells? What kind of hose are they going to run across eight miles of tundra? Visualize a hose that looks like a gigantic lawn sprinkler. Rock Creek Mine is not within the Nome City Limits. We should not let them even think of using the Nome Sewage Lagoon. Heck, they still owe Nome Joint Utilities \$1.9 million for their unpaid electric bill.

Snake oil is everywhere and the salesmen are slathering it on us. They want us to take all the risks with no gains. Our elected officials and the residents of Nome need to know how to adhere to our regulations and filter out the fertilizer. We should not give away the store and lose our shirts in the process. If we keep bending the rules we will break the system. — N.L.M. —



Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum.

REFLECTIONS ON THE SAME MOON— Forty years ago this week on July 20, 1969, American Neil A. Armstrong became the first man to walk on the moon. Sixty-three years before that world changing event, Nome photographer F.H. Nowell caught this serene moment of “Moonlight on Bering Sea August 2, 1906 ~ 12 O'clock Midnight.” This is looking south along Sesnon's Wharf near where the UAF Northwest Campus is today.

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — July 23 - July 29, 2009									
Day	Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Th	07/23	12:12 a.m. LDT	-0.4	L 07:35 a.m. LDT	1.3	H 11:48 a.m. LDT	1.0	L 05:37 p.m. LDT	1.6H
F	07/24	01:04 a.m. LDT	-0.4	L 08:18 a.m. LDT	1.4	H 01:03 p.m. LDT	0.9	L 06:47 p.m. LDT	1.5H
Sa	07/25	01:52 a.m. LDT	-0.4	L 08:58 a.m. LDT	1.5	H 02:13 p.m. LDT	0.8	L 07:54 p.m. LDT	1.5H
Su	07/26	02:38 a.m. LDT	-0.3	L 09:36 a.m. LDT	1.5	H 03:19 p.m. LDT	0.6	L 09:00 p.m. LDT	1.4H
M	07/27	03:22 a.m. LDT	-0.1	L 10:13 a.m. LDT	1.6	H 04:22 p.m. LDT	0.5	L 10:07 p.m. LDT	1.3H
Tu	07/28	04:06 a.m. LDT	0.1	L 10:49 a.m. LDT	1.6	H 05:22 p.m. LDT	0.3	L 11:16 p.m. LDT	1.2H
W	07/29	04:49 a.m. LDT	0.3	L 11:26 a.m. LDT	1.6	H 06:19 p.m. LDT	0.2	L	
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	07/23/09	05:13 a.m.	High Temp	69° 7/21/09
	07/29/09	05:33 a.m.	Low Temp	47° 7/16/09
Sunset	07/23/09	01:03 a.m.	Peak Wind	30 mph, NNE, 7/21/09
	07/29/09	12:41 a.m.	Precip. to Date	7.67"
			Normal	6.03"
			National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391	

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State news briefs

Governor Palin, Parnell tour northwest Alaska

Before still-Governor Sarah Palin started to pack boxes in the preparation of her move out of the Governor's mansion in Juneau, she visited Kotzebue and Unalakleet last week. The Associated Press reports that she had been received in Unalakleet like a rock star and while there, she signed a power cost equalization program bill into law. PCE is a program designed to make power more affordable to rural Alaskans by covering the cost of electricity that exceeds 12 cents per kilowatt hour for the first 500 kilowatt hours used by a household each month. On Friday, soon-to-be Governor Sean Parnell visited



Kotzebue and attended a groundbreaking ceremony for the Kotzebue Shore Avenue Reconstruction Project. The multi-million dollar project involves major improvements to the city's oceanfront business area. Department of Transportation Commissioner Leo Von Scheben, Deputy Commissioner Frank Richards and Northern Region Director Steve Titus also attended. So far, Parnell, who is going to be sworn in as governor next weekend in Fairbanks, has not announced any changes in the cabinet.

Sex offender sentenced to 99 years

Bethel— John Leopold of Alakanuk has been sentenced to 99 years in prison for sexual assault in the first degree and incest. Superior Court Judge Leonard Devaney imposed the sentence last Thursday, based upon Leopold's convictions after a jury trial in Bethel in April on those counts and on sexual assault in the second degree. Leopold had two prior felony convictions, for sexual assault in the second degree and assault in the third degree. At Thursday's sentencing hearing, reports indicated that he had victimized

at least six people in incidents of sexual assault or sexual abuse dating from 1986. Leopold's sentence is literally 99 years as, due to a prior sexual assault felony, he will not be able to accrue "good time."

EPA reviews Kensington mine dumping tailings in lake

The regional office of the US Environmental Protection Agency is looking into the Kensington gold mine's plan to dump mine tailings into Lower Slate Lake. EPA regional director sent a letter to start an eight-month review process on the proposal. A recent Supreme Court ruling overturned a 9th District Court of Appeals decision to allow the mine operators Coeur Alaska to use the lake as a tailings facility. A local environmental group had sued to halt the proposed rock waste dumping in a lake situated in Tongass National Forest. The state of Alaska joined Coeur in the litigation. State officials push to expedite the issuance of this last required permit. Also, U.S. Senators Lisa Murkowski and Mark Begich are not happy about the EPA's letter, arguing that the mine has promised to create 300 new jobs in the area. At the request of Murkowski and Begich, EPA administrator Lisa Jackson will come to Murkowski's office next week to meet with them and attempt to explain EPA's actions on this issue. Coeur spokesman Tony Ebersole said additional delays could cost the company millions of dollars.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as the entity to deal with permits under the Clean Water Act, opened a 15 day comment period about proposed modifications to the permit issued in 2005 to Coeur Alaska, Inc., authorizing construction of a mine tailings storage facility in Lower Slate Lake. The comment period ends on Aug. 3. The modification updates and corrects wetland mapping information and drawings contained in the permit modification issued on June 17, 2005. A total of 83.4 acres of fill was authorized under the previously issued permit, and as of December 2008, 45.2 acres of waters and wetlands had been filled.



Photo by Don Goertz

KOTZEBUE SHORE AVENUE GROUNDBREAKING—Left to right: Lanien Livingston, Congressman Young's office; Al Adams, former Alaska Senator; DOT&PF Deputy Commissioner Frank Richards; Jocelyn Hambricht, Senator Begich's Office; Lt. Governor Sean Parnell; Lisa Coyle, DOT&PF Project Manager; DOT&PF Commissioner Leo von Scheben; Steve Percy, AIC President; Steve Titus, DOT&PF Northern Region Director; Eugene Smith, Kotzebue Mayor; Rich Walker, City Manager; Clement Richards, City Council Member; Ernie Norton, City Council Member; Matt Tekker, City Council Member.

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EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Thursday, July 23		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegayyah Library	10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 6:30 p.m.
*Denali Kid Care/ Medicaid	NSRH	2 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Welcome to the World video/ 3 Birth stories	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 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.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Beginning Baton with Jay	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Swing Dancing with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
Friday, July 24		
Alaska Logistic Voyage 9004 Seattle departure (see ad on page 10 for more details)		
*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
*Smoke Awareness Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Nutrition class	Prematernal Home	3 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 25		
Wyatt Earp Dexter Challenge	Anvil City Square	9:30 a.m.
See the ad on page 8 for more details		
*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*Baby's First Month video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Comforting Your Fussy Baby vid.	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
Summer Fest	Anvil City Square	5 p.m.
Sunday, July 26		
*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*They Joy of Stress video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Bathing and Diapering video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*AA: Big Book Study	HR Conf. Room, NSHC	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Monday, July 27		
*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
*Lap/Open Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	12:05 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.
*Two To Get Ready video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Eating for Two 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.
Nome Common Council reg mtg	Council Chambers	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting "Big Book Study"	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
Tuesday, July 28		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegayyah 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.
*Making a Difference video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
NSERC 2nd Qtr mtg starts	BSNC/Old Fed Bldg	1:30 p.m.
See ad on page 12 for more details		
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Single Parenting video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Wednesday, July 29		
*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Lap/Open Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Dental Class	NSRH	11 a.m.
*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.
*Open Swim	Pool	4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Grandparenting video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Ruslan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.
*AA Meeting	BHS Bldg. 2nd floor	8 p.m.
Recurring events/activities (3 or more times a week):		
*Free Lunch (Last Week for this)	Old Bowling Alley @ Rec	noon - 1 p.m. (M - Th)
*Summercise Session 2	Nome Rec Center	noon - 5 p.m. (M - Th)
*Summercise Swimming	Pool	1 p.m. - 4 p.m. (M - Th)
(for children signed up for this portion of Summercise)		
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	Kegayyah Library	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
>>>>>		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	1 p.m. - 8 p.m. (M - Th & Sa)

Do you have a local event or activity, free for community members? Contact Denise either by phone 443-5235 or e-mail ads@nomenugget.com to have your event/activity listed here.

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Norton Sound Health Corporation

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

King Island community debates \$400,000 for road projects

Proposals include ferry to King Island, trails and road improvements to Cape Woolley Road

By Sandra L. Medearis

The King Island Community met July 18 to discuss new money available for improvement projects on roads, routes and trails of interest to subsistence users, country travelers and city drivers.

This roads fix-up pot holds \$400,000 from the American Recovery and Re-investment Act of 2009. Translation: federal economic stimulus funds.

The money can be used by King Island Community IRA itself or in partnership with other Native corporations or government entities like the City of Nome. Dust control and better access to Cape Woolley Lagoon, even a

Cape Woolley coastal area ferry system, loomed big in the two hours' discussion at Old St. Joe's meeting hall.

"This is a new development on the national level to include tribes' input on their transportation needs," said Lisa Ellanna, King Island Community IRA transportation planner. "We are learning all of this together. This is the first meeting of many. We would like to get an idea on where our members would like to focus."

Any project selected has to be ready for the shovels by 2010.

Based on comment at the meeting, King Island people want better routes to traditional subsistence food gathering areas and to their

homeland, King Island, lying in the Bering Sea 92 miles off Nome.

"It is important to our people to have accessibility to our island," IRA Council member Marilyn Koezuna Irelan said. "It would help our thinking and to be stronger and more unified. Young people need to know it is their land where there is clean air and no cars."

It has been difficult for people to exist on the mainland since King Island people had to relocate to Nome in the 1960s, she said.

Money can legally go for these subsistence access improvements, as well as work on roads in town, visiting meeting moderator Julianne Baltar said. Baltar is the manager of All Na-

tions Tribal Transportation Consortium, of which King Island is a member. ANTTC is an independent tribal consortium based in Dillingham. One of its missions is to help member tribes with transportation, construction, project development and maintenance associated with the Indian Reservation Roads Program. ANTTC will also assist city, state and federal road programs. ARRA has \$310 million reserved for IRR project assistance nationwide.

Baltar cautioned that any work done with the money would necessarily give public access.

"ARRA funds have to be for public trans-

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• Permit

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recommendations in a report by Angus that described multiple permit violations at the NAGC mine site—all within the Moonlight Wells Protection area—and Rapose's failure to correct the violations.

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

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

"3. Over excavation and proper disposal of all contaminated soils (verified by me prior to backfill).

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

The official version of resolution R-09-06-04 that Bahnke provided to the *Nugget* July 20 grants a Moonlight Wells permit to NAGC for the 2009 mining season subject to the following additional conditions:

"1. The permit shall not be issued or effective until the Public works Director has verified that:

"a) all objectionable material has been removed from the site including but not limited to the following:

"i) lead acid batteries
"ii) all 55 gallon drums of various lubricants

"iii) all 5 gallon pails of various lubricants

"iv) all jugs of anti-freeze; and

"b) all contaminated soil on site has been over excavated and properly disposed of.

"2. The Public Works Director shall use the authority granted the City to make random unscheduled inspections pursuant to condition 'B' of the permit at least once every two weeks during the term of the permit." Condition B of the permit reads: "The permittee shall allow the City Manager or his representative access to the permitted sites at reasonable times to conduct scheduled or unscheduled inspections or tests to determine compli-

ance with the permit, City laws, and regulations."

On July 10 a *Nugget* reporter contacted Bahnke by phone to find out whether Rapose had removed all violations from the mine site and had received a temporary mining permit from the City. Bahnke said Angus had issued an annual permit, not a temporary permit, to Rapose June 24 after verifying that all permit violations had been removed from the site. She faxed a copy of the permit to the *Nugget*.

The permit states that it is effective upon approval by the Nome City Council by resolution and cites R-09-06-04 as the authorizing resolution. The permit is dated June 24, signed by Angus and Rapose and attested by City Clerk Sandy Sturgis-Babcock. On July 10, the *Nugget* reporter phoned Sturgis-Babcock to question whether the resolution approved at the June 22 council meeting authorizes the City to issue NAGC an annual mining permit. Sturgis-Babcock looked at minutes of the meeting, which she indicated were not yet complete, and said she would ask Angus what he had intended by the recommendations in his report.

Sturgis-Babcock confirmed per minutes of the meeting that the council had approved attaching the four recommendations from Angus's report as an amendment to R-09-06-04 and had then approved the amended resolution. The council approved both the amendment and the resolution as amended by votes of 4 to 1. Stan Anderson, Jerald Brown, Mary Knodel and Randy Pomeranz voted yes; Jon Larson voted no. Councilman Neal Foster was absent from the meeting.

On July 13 Bahnke told the *Nugget* reporter she had not yet seen a signed copy of the resolution. She also noted that she and Mayor Denise Michels had left Nome shortly after the June 22 meeting ended and had returned more than a week later. The June 22 council meeting began at 6 p.m. instead of

the regularly scheduled time of 7:30 p.m. because Bahnke and Michels needed to catch the evening flight out of Nome.

Bahnke said Councilman Andersen served as acting city manager in

her absence and that Angus had informed Andersen that Rapose had brought the Moonlight Wells mining site into compliance per the amended resolution.

The signed copy of Resolution R-

09-06-04 that Bahnke provided to the *Nugget* reporter July 20 includes the statement: "APPROVED and SIGNED this 22 day of June, 2009." The resolution is signed by Michels and attested by Sturgis-Babcock.

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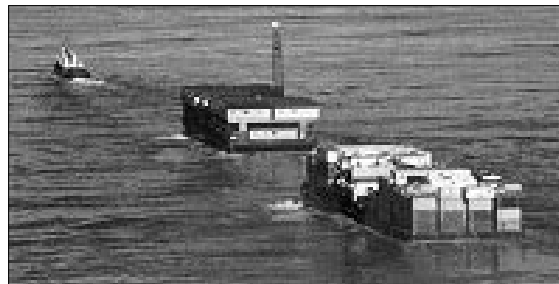
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Spirit of Oceanus pays Nome a visit

Cruise ship provides amenities for adventurous passengers

By Anna Hahn

The *Spirit of Oceanus* docked in Nome for a brief stopover on Friday morning.

The ship carried about 115 guests and 34-40 crewmembers on the Nome portion of its tour. The 300-foot ship is 8 years old and is the only foreign-flagged vessel under the only American-owned cruise ship line, Cruise West.

The advantage to traveling under a foreign flag on this boat allows it more trouble-free travels to other countries compared to an American-flagged ship.

"Most of our guests are extremely well traveled, retired folks looking for a unique, uncrowded, casual and personal experience," said John Kreilcamp, the vice-president of Alaska Operations for Cruise West, based out of Anchorage.

Life on a ship is extremely different than on solid ground. However, the boat does provide many similar services and conveniences found on land.

The medical facilities hold a minimal amount of technology, but include defibrillators, oxygen, supplies for stitches and simple fractures, and facilities to hold seriously ill people until they are on shore and able to reach a hospital.

The dining room is outfitted in a formal style where wines are priced around \$50 and sparkling wines work their way up to \$105 a bottle. Breakfast is most commonly served on the deck, where there is a large hot tub. The crew also pumps the tub with plain chilling seawater to allow guests the ultimate opportunity of a "polar bear swim."

A small weight room is located a short way down the shinning, faux-wood-lined and video-camera-monitored hall.

Guest bedrooms range from 215 square feet (the smallest room, a "Superior Suite") to 437 square feet (the Owner's Suite). All hold life-jackets, a private bathroom, TV, and the bed converts from two twins into a king-sized bed.

While many cruises include gambling and games, this experience provides guests with guest speakers for entertainment. Lectures with topics based around wildlife, culture and Alaska are not uncommon.

Most of the crew originate from outside the United States. However, all labor laws must follow those of the United States, and every crewmember knows English.

The *Spirit of Oceanus* often stops in Nome, but this time will not return for two years. It will be traveling around the world on a international cruise where guests may join the adventure from almost any land stopover on its itinerary.

BON VOYAGE—Passengers step aboard the *Spirit of Oceanus* as it prepares to depart Nome July 17. Several Nomeites were involved in providing a brief tour of the town for the visiting passengers.



Photo by Denise Olin

• Roads

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portation," she said.

Baltar advised the community to consider banding with City of Nome to improve city streets that everyone uses. These are:

- Renewed surfaces for Third, Fourth and Fifth avenues between Steadman and "K" streets.
- Improvements to Bering Street from Front Street to Bypass Road.
- Pavement for Bypass Road.

That idea went over like a lead umiaq.

Nuh-uh, said Frank Irelan, also a member of the IRA Council. Throwing in with the City would mean that people already getting paychecks from the City would get the project pay.

"It would give money to people who already have jobs—money for people already hired," Irelan said. "A coastal ferry would give jobs to King Island people who need jobs."

Later in the meeting, Irelan suggested that a trail-marking project could start soon and provide jobs.

Other members suggested they could go for dust control on the City's streets.

"We need dust control for where we live for our quality of life," said IRA Council Member Ruth Ojanen, encouraging more input from King Island members. "Your comments are helpful. Every comment is valuable."

All in all, the King Island group came up with the following wish list for further consideration:

- Improve Cape Woolley Road and make it safer.
- Establish a ferry across Cape Woolley Lagoon, but restrict access to King Island lands on the other side.

- Dust control on Nome Council Road to Milepost 18 or 20.

- Dust control and improvements of Dexter Bypass and Nome-Taylor Highway as far as Kuzitrin area for subsistence access.

- Improvement on Blodgett Highway (Nome-Teller Road) to Milepost 40 where Cape Woolley Road heads toward the coast.

- Transit bus for Nome, including wheelchair access. Such a plan could be subsidized by the state with vouchers, Ellanna said. She had met with state officials to begin to explore the plan.

- Winter trail marking Nome to Teller and to Cape Woolley.

- New road from Tisuk River to Sinuk River.

- Shelter cabins with emergency supplies.

- Safety classes for country travelers.

- Research for a coastal ferry system.

- Spring snow removal on Teller and Cape Woolley roads.

- Helicopter landing pad at the coastline of King Island combined with a seasonal dock. Currently, helicopters land at top of King Island, but that necessitates a difficult job carrying supplies down to the village, Vince Pikonganna observed.

- Investigating a tramway from the boat landing to the village—good for elders.

Would this mean the people want public access on King Island? Baltar asked.

"It would be better to have a public building and guides," Frank Irelan said. "That would be jobs and protect our lands."

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• Salmon

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fishing for chum salmon is closed by regulation.

Record low chum counts through July 15 at the Kwiniuk River Tower in the Moses Point (Elim) subdistrict and the Niukluk river Tower in the Golovin subdistrict prevented ADF&G from opening a commercial chum fishery in the subdistricts this year.

"By Board of Fisheries regulation, the Subdistrict 2 (Golovin Bay) and Subdistrict 3 (Moses Point) Salmon Management Plan does not allow for a commercial chum fishery unless the department projects that chum salmon escapement goals will be achieved and the harvestable surplus will more than meet escapement needs," Menard explained in an e-mail to *The Nome Nugget* July 19. "A commercial pink salmon fishery may not occur unless subsistence needs are expected to be met and the chum salmon escapement goals achieved."

"The above regulation will keep the commercial fishermen on the beach in Elim and Golovin until coho [silver salmon] season," he added. "In the Subdistrict 2 and 3 management plan the commercial coho fishery may occur when the chum salmon escapement goals are achieved or when the department determines that further restrictions would have no impact on achieving chum salmon escapement goals."

On July 17 the ADF&G closed all salmon net fishing on the Pilgrim and Kuzitrin rivers because only 255 sockeye salmon had passed through the Pilgrim River weir through July 14. The Pilgrim River is a tributary of the Kuzitrin. Nearly 8,000 sockeyes had passed through the weir on July 14 last year, the second lowest

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sockeye count for that day since the weir began operating in 2003.

Hook and line is the only legal subsistence gear to harvest salmon in the Pilgrim and Kuzitrin rivers. Sport fish bag limits are in effect for subsistence hook and line fishing. The escapement goal at Salmon Lake ranges from 4,000 to 8,000 sockeyes observed by aerial survey. Subsistence fishers are reminded that Salmon Lake remains closed to salmon fishing by regulation.

Menard provided the following mid-July reports on salmon runs and salmon fisheries in all six subdistricts in Norton Sound. Cumulative figures for salmon species enumerated at counting projects through July 19 appear at the end of the report.

Unalakleet Subdistrict

Commercial fishing for chum salmon (mesh restricted to 6 inches or less) began July 10. Preliminary commercial catches through mid-July were 4,927 chums, 8,544 pinks, 81 silvers and 36 sockeyes for 15 permit holders.

Subsistence gillnet fishing with unrestricted mesh is open seven days a week in the marine waters and downstream of the confluence of the

North River. Subsistence beach seining is open seven days a week in the marine and fresh waters of the subdistrict. All king salmon caught in beach seines must be immediately returned to the water. Sport fishing remains closed to king salmon in the subdistrict and no bait can be used.

Catches through July 15 at the Unalakleet River Test Fish project totaled 132 kings, 737 chums, 175 pinks and six sockeyes.

With the subsistence closures in recent years the test catches can be somewhat skewed when compared historically. However, this year we started commercial fishing much earlier in the season in the subdistrict, believing that we would still reach the king salmon escapement goal with the mesh restrictions in the commercial fishery limiting the king catch in the commercial catch.

The test net king catch through July 15 is the best catch since 1997. We usually have passed the 90 percent point of king run at the test net by July 15. The chum catch through July 15 is average when compared to the five-year average and one-third above the 10-year average. The average historical midpoint at the test net is July 15.

The pink catch through July 15 is

double most odd-numbered years in the 1990s and 2001. In 2003 and 2005 huge odd-numbered year runs had test net catches 10 times higher for mid-July. The 2007 catches were almost double the 2009 catches for mid-July. The average first quarter point for an odd-numbered year at the test net is July 15.

The Unalakleet River Test Fish project is conducted by ADF&G with assistance from Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. (NSED).

Escapement goals at the North River Tower are: King salmon 1,200 to 2,600; chum, no goal established; pink, 25,000; silver, 550 to 1,100 (aerial survey goal). Cumulative counts through July 15 were 1,260 kings, 2,184 chums, 38,154 pinks, 12 silvers and 16 sockeyes.

We made the low end of the king goal because of a big two-day push at the tower on July 12 (336 kings) and July 13 (312 kings). Twenty-four kings passed the tower on July 14 and 36 kings on July 15. In the period from 2004 through 2008 we made escapement only in 2007 with 1,948 kings counted at the tower. Through July 19 a total of 1,770 kings had passed the North River Tower, nearly double the final es-

capement count of 900 kings last year. The average historical third quarter point is July 15.

The chum count is about two-thirds of the five-year average and about 15 percent below the 10-year average. The North River tower is not a good indicator of chum run strength, as radio telemetry studies have shown that about 15 percent of the chum run to the Unalakleet River goes up the North River. The average historical midpoint is July 21.

The pink salmon run is coming in as expected with escapement to date well below recent odd-numbered years of 2003, 2005 and 2007 and well above the 1997, 1999 and 2001 runs. The average historical first quarter point is July 14 for an odd-numbered year.

Silvers are starting to be counted at the tower about one week later than in recent years. The average historical first quarter point at the tower is Aug. 2. The North River tower is a cooperative project of ADF&G and NSED.

Shaktoolik Subdistrict

Commercial fishing for chum salmon (mesh restricted to 6 inches or less) began July 10. Preliminary commercial catches to date are 5,172 chums, 4,359 pinks, 70 silvers for 11 permit holders.

Subsistence gillnet fishing with unrestricted mesh is open seven days a week in the marine and fresh waters. Subsistence beach seining is open seven days a week in the marine and fresh waters. All king salmon caught in beach seines must be immediately returned to the water. Sport fishing remains closed to king salmon in the subdistrict and no bait can be used.

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Dear Friends in Nome,

In June, the National Sexual Violence Resource Center's (NSVRC) Advisory Council and several staff members were honored to spend some time in Nome, Alaska and nearby villages. We are grateful to our Advisory Council member, Rep. Anna Fairclough, of Eagle River, AK, and her staff Karen Schuessler and Kim Skipper for making the arrangements of our annual meeting and informative site visits; and to the State of Alaska, for sponsoring our in-state travel. We also want to express our deepest appreciation to all the wonderful people we met in Nome, White Mountain and Teller. The hospitality, friendliness, and openness of everyone we met left a warm and lasting impression.

We particularly want to thank Samaria Ross whose work at the Bering Sea Women's Group is so valuable, and Gretchen Freohle, Ann Whalen, Harriet Simpson, Violet Charles, Briday Green and all of the other wonderful women of the Bering Sea Women's Group who provided us with such an elaborate and generous feast of special foods; and to the XYZ Senior Center for sharing your space with us.



We thank Mayor Denise Michels for welcoming us to Nome, and appreciate all the informative and gracious speakers who shared valuable information and insights with us including Pastor Bryan Crocket, Christine Schultz, Dennette Perry, Bryan Weyauvanna, and Kerry Webster.

We thank all who helped plan and coordinate our visits to Nome, White Mountain, and Teller including State Troopers Col. Audie Holloway, Trooper Yancy, Sgt. Merrill, and Katherine Tepas; Mitch Erickson of the Nome Chamber of Commerce, Sari Haugan of the Convention and Visitors Bureau, Briday Green for accompanying us to Teller, and all of the wonderful community members of White Mountain who shared their stories and insights including Mayor Dan Harrelson, City Council members Lincoln Simon, Thiry Titus, Linda Jones, Amos Brown and Davis Lincoln; IRA Leaders Lincoln Simon, Carol Ashenfelter, Mary Charles, Willa Ashenfelter, Dorothy Barr and Irving Ashenfelter; Clinic staff Kriselila Buck, Ida Lincoln and Rita Buck;

school principal, Andrew Haviland, and other community members.

We have many wonderful memories of our time together and appreciate everyone who played any part in making us feel so welcome. You are fortunate to live in such a strong and impressive community with dedicated, creative, and resourceful people who are willing to do whatever is necessary to help one another. We applaud your many efforts to create a safe and respectful community for every adult and child; and one that is free from sexual abuse and other forms of violence. Please know that you have made many friends all across the country, through the NSVRC, and you can feel free to call upon us if there is anything we can do to assist you with your ongoing prevention and intervention initiatives.

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• More salmon

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Norton Bay Subdistrict

Commercial fishing for chum salmon (mesh restricted to 6 inches or less) began July 14. Commercial catches to date are confidential because fewer than four permit holders have fished.

Moses Point (Elim) Subdistrict

Escapement goals at the Kwiniuk River Tower are: King salmon, 300 to 550; chum, 11,500 to 23,000; pink, 8,400; silver, 650 to 1,300 (aerial survey goal). Cumulative counts through July 15 were 279 kings, 5,940 chums and 9,807 pinks.

The average historical third quarter point for kings is July 15. The kings have been tracking the five- and 10-year averages and are on track to pass the low end of the escapement goal for the first time since 2005.

By July 15 at the tower we are usually at the 80 percent point for the chums. Looking back 30 years, we are at least at the 70 percent point of the chum run past the tower. Using 70 percent at the tower this year, we would project the chum count at the tower finishing at the all time lowest since operations began in 1965. The lowest count was 1976 when 8,508 chums were counted for the season, and the second lowest count was 1999 when 8,763 chums were counted for the season.

The average historical first quarter point for pinks is July 17 for an odd-numbered year. The pink count ranks 4th in the last 10 odd-numbered years. In 2005 there were more than 58,000 pinks past the tower by this date, but we are well within striking distance of the second biggest count in recent odd-numbered years of 12,678 pinks past the tower in 2007 by July 15. The counts in 1997, 1999 and 2001 were all fewer than 1,000 by this date. The Kwiniuk River Tower is an ADF&G project with assistance from NSEDC.

Golovin Subdistrict

Escapement goals at the Niukluk River Tower are: Pink salmon, 10,500; chum, minimum of 30,000; king, minimum of 100 (combined Fish River and Boston Creek aerial survey); silver 2,400 - 6,100. Cumulative counts through July 15 were 168 kings, 5,275 chums and 8,754 pinks.

The average historical third quarter point for kings is July 14. This is the best king count since 2002 and the first time we have cracked 100 kings since 2004. The average historical midpoint for chums is July 14. This is the worst count by this date since the project began in 1995.

This the eighth odd-numbered year of counting pinks, and we rank third for this date behind 2005 (34,000) and 2007 (17,500), but well ahead of the fewer than 1,000 counted in 1997, 1999 and 2001 by

this date. The average historical first quarter point for the tower in an odd-numbered year is July 20. The Niukluk river Tower is an ADF&G project with assistance from NSEDC.

Nome Subdistrict

As noted above, all salmon net fishing and chum salmon fishing are closed in the subdistrict. The only legal subsistence gear for salmon fishing is hook and line. Any chum salmon incidentally hooked must be immediately released while in the water. Sport fishing for chum salmon is closed by regulation.

The Eldorado River Weir escapement goal is 6,000 to 9,200 chum salmon. Cumulative counts through July 15 were four kings, 1,759 chums and 94 pinks. The chum count is the second lowest on record for this date. The average historical third quarter point at the weir is July 18.

The pink count is average for this date. In most odd-numbered years, fewer than 1,000 pinks are counted past the weir. In 2007 there were 283 pinks counted past the weir by July 15, and the final count of the season was 833 pinks. In 2005 there were 103 pinks counted past the weir by July 15, but the final count was a record odd-numbered year count of 12,356 pinks. The average historical first quarter point at the weir is July 21. The Eldorado River Weir is a cooperative project between NSEDC and ADF&G.

Escapement goals at the Nome River weir are: Chum 2,900 to 4,300; pink, 3,150 (odd-numbered year). Cumulative counts through July 15 are 107 chums, 121 pinks and one sockeye.

The average historical first quarter point for chums is July 12 and the midpoint is July 19. Chum passage at the weir is a record low for this date. Pink passage ranks fourth out of eight odd-numbered years, well behind the record odd-numbered year of 2005 that had 16,508 pinks by this date and the second best count of 2007 (3,328) by this date.

Historically we are at the average 2 percent cumulative passage through the weir by July 15 with the average historical first quarter point for an odd-numbered year occurring on July 22. The Nome River Weir is an ADF&G project with assistance from NSEDC.

The Snake River Weir escapement goal is 1,600 to 2,500 chum salmon. Cumulative counts through July 15 were 60 chums and 21 pinks.

The average historical first-quarter point for chums is July 14. Only two years (1999 and 2007) had lower counts through July 15. The final count in 1999 was 484 chums, and in 2007 it was 1,224 chums.

The average historical first quarter point for pinks in an odd-numbered year is July 23. By July 15 pinks were at the average 1 percent of passage. In 2007 there were 161 pinks past the weir by July 15

with a final count of 4,634 pinks, and in 2005 there were 175 pinks past the tower by July 15 with a final count of 13,813 pinks. The weir is a cooperative project of NSEDC and ADF&G.

The Glacial Lake Weir escapement goal (aerial survey) is 800 to 1,600 sockeye salmon. The cumulative count through July 15 was 607 sockeyes, the lowest since complete season counts began in 2001. The average historical third quarter point is July 13. The weir is a cooperative project between and NSEDC and ADF&G.

Port Clarence District

As noted above, all salmon net fishing was closed on the Pilgrim and Kuzitrin Rivers effective July 17. Hook and line is the only legal subsistence gear to harvest salmon in the Pilgrim and Kuzitrin Rivers. Sport fish bag limits are in effect for subsistence hook and line fishing.

The Pilgrim River Weir escapement goal (aerial survey at Salmon Lake and Grand Central tributary to Salmon Lake) is 4,000 to 8,000 sockeye salmon. Cumulative counts through July 15 were 11 kings, 318 chums, 36 pinks and 262 sockeyes. All counts are the lowest since the weir began operations in 2003.

The average historical midpoint for sockeye salmon is July 15. The next lowest count at the weir through July 15 was 2008 with 8,702 sockeyes counted. The average historical first quarter point for chums is July 18. The average historical first quarter point for pinks for an odd-numbered year is July 17. The weir is a cooperative project of NSEDC and ADF&G.

Salmon counts through July 19

Cumulative figures for salmon species enumerated at counting projects through July 19 are as follows: Unalakleet Test Net: 134 kings, 820 chums, 380 pinks, one coho; North River: 1,770 kings, 3,318 chums, 67,302 pinks, 402 cohos; Kwiniuk River: 342 kings, 7,023 chums, 18,342 pinks, six cohos; Niukluk River: 174 kings, 9,138 chums, 10,023 pinks, three cohos; Eldorado River: seven kings, 3,188 chums, 238 pinks; Nome River: 350 chums, 738 pinks; Snake River: 288 chums, 96 pinks; Pilgrim River: 19 kings, 767 chums, 103 pinks, 375 sockeyes; and Glacial Lake: 726 sockeyes.

For more information, contact Menard or Scott Kent, assistant area management biologist, ADF&G Nome Area Office, phone (907) 443-5167.

Kotzebue District

The Kotzebue Sound commercial salmon fishery opened July 10 after Great Pacific Seafoods registered to buy salmon. Preliminary commercial catches through July 16 were 14,140 chums for 23 permit holders. Catches and catches per unit of effort were average for the first week of fishing.

The ADF&G began operating the Kobuk River Test Fish project July 10. The catch through July 15 was 36 chums and 150 sheefish. The cumulative chum index was 36.7 points and average for July 15. The cumulative sheefish index of 170.9 points was slightly below average for July 15.

For more information, call the Kotzebue ADF&G office at 442-3420, the ADF&G Commercial Fisheries office in Nome at 1-800-560-2271 or the buyer at 442-4192.

Norton Sound red king crab

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KUAHOOP (left)—Lyndsay Burt and Dezireae Sherman-Kakaruk pull in the catch at the Niukluk River during Nome Eskimo's third annual cultural camp.

TEAM EFFORT—Back to front are Kirsten Timbers, Shayla Johnson, Deziare Sherman-Kakaruk, Katelynn Gray, Jason Gilder, Sam Ahkinga, Taylor McDaniel, Elizabeth White, Fawn White and Deanna Walluk.

NEC Cultural Camp teaches youth traditional living

By Kirsten Timbers

Nome Eskimo Community sponsored its third annual Summer Youth Cultural Camp July 6-10. The camp was hosted by Tom and Bee Jay Gray of Alaskan Northwest Adventures at their campsite, the "Mosquito Bar" on the Niukluk River. Twelve joyful 7-12th grade campers attended. They were Katelynn Avesuk, Lindsay Burt, Jacqueline Gallineaux, Katelynn Gray, Shayla Johnson, Dezirae Sherman-Kakaruk, Deanna Walluk, Elizabeth White, Samuel Ahkinga, Jason Gilder, Clifford Iknokinok, and Taylor McDaniel. This year's camp had a strong focus on traditional living and fishing. "From river to land, it's cut and canned" was the theme.

The campers were accompanied by four chaperones: Niaomi Brunette, Kirsten Timbers, Fawn White and Jeff Collins. Chaperones were provided by Bering Straits Foundation, Nome Community Center and NEC. The staff and campers had a wonderful time filled with exciting and informative presentations, fishing, swimming, eco challenges and great food which was graciously prepared by Bee Jay and Crystal Lincoln. This year's camp was organized by Katie O'Connor, Tribal Services coordinator for Nome Eskimo Community.

On the first day of camp all the youth gathered at Nome Eskimo Community and prepared for the ride out to Council. Lance Johnson, Nome Community Center, and Dawn Warnke, NEC Tribal Services Specialist, drove two vans filled with eager campers. The drive took about 2.5 hours to get to Council where they were met by Tom and his river guide, Edward Stang. After their arrival the staff, chaperones and campers helped load the boats with their camping gear and shortly thereafter were on their way down the Niukluk River to the Mosquito Bar campsite. After going over camp instructions and camper expectations, campers ate a quick lunch and boated down the mouth of the Niukluk and Fish rivers to seine. Seining was a huge success as the campers pulled in 13 kings (12 in one seine) and several chums. Upon return to camp Tom gave a fish cutting demonstration to the campers and then handed them all traditional Fish River style ulus to allow them to practice cutting their own fish. The campers all cut fish and hung it on the dry rack. The rest of the evening followed with dinner, ice breakers, S'mores and ghost stories before bedtime.

The next day the campers were greeted by a beautiful blue sky and bright sunshine. After a hearty breakfast the campers began smoking the fish and cleaning off any maggots that had been laid in the cache overnight. The campers had their first guest presenter, Stephanie Johnson from the Nome Youth Facility, who focused on Drug Demand Reduction. The campers participated in a balloon game that taught the importance of having values. They also did an exercise using cookies that taught them about peer pressure. It was a

very informative presentation and the children took away great lessons.

The second guest speaker was Rahnia Parker from the Norton Sound Health Corporations CAMP department who focused on diabetes prevention. She did an exercise with the students that taught them about how the body produces insulin. Rahnia also discussed how the Bering Strait region has the highest rate of diabetes in the nation. She had a huge can of soda and can of chew and used them as tools to discuss how soda and tobacco, when used at the same time, can be dangerous for one's health and can put one at risk for diabetes.

The campers wound down the busy day with games indoors and stories around the campfire.

On the third day the campers put all their energy into seining. Each child was given a specific task and they set and pulled in the seine net all by themselves. They caught as many fish as was needed and even caught enough to share 63 chums and 4 kings with neighboring camps.

After seining, the campers were given a lesson on canning fish from Tom Gray. While half of the students canned fish the other half swam and tried their luck with a rod and reel.

The campers then prepared for the acclaimed Eco Challenge. The campers and counselors were divided into four teams for the Eco

Challenge; Team Coho, Team King, Team Sockeye and the counselors were Team Mulukchuks. The goal was to be the first team to swim across the river and back, make a fire, and get a pot of water to a rolling boil. The teams consisted of five teammates: two canoers, one runner, one swimmer, and one fire starter. The canoers started the race carrying with them five Strike-Anywhere matches in a Ziploc bag. They paddled ferociously upstream about 200 yards. There they handed the matches to the runner, who ran to the end of the gravel bar and back. The runner gave the matches to the swimmer who swam back to the beginning of the race, where the fire starter had been busy gathering wood. All teammates worked together to get any other dry wood they could find to help bring the water to a rolling boil. The campers worked hard and cooperatively. It was exciting and a memorable race for all.

The chaperones thought that the campers would be tucked out from working in the water all day, but somehow everyone managed to stay up way past bed time to play numerous enthusiastic games of Spoons and Scatergories.

The next day campers awakened to fog and drizzle. Though it was damp outside, it did not dampen anyone's spirits. The schedule in-

cluded a hike, rain or shine, with guide and GPS instructor Keith Conger. The campers loaded into two boats and rode up the Fish River to Aggie Creek. Keith gave a tutorial to the campers about how to use a GPS and made coordinates of checkpoints along the hike. The campers hiked into Aggie Creek and visited the old mining buildings and a dilapidated dredge. As soon as the crew got to the dredge the sun broke through the clouds and stayed for the reminder of the day. Many campers had rosy cheeks and tanned arms after the hike.

The crew returned to camp and had a delicious dinner of traditional Eskimo food. The children were well fed and delighted that the counselors were on dish duty. The evening consisted of canning fish, swimming and numerous magic card tricks.

The final day was met with long faces and talk about next year's camp. The campers and chaperones broke camp and prepared to leave. The kids piled their gear into the boats and headed back to Council where Colin Long, NEC Capacity Building Project Coordinator and Fawn White were waiting to hear about the week's adventures. After a few last minute pictures and good-byes, the kids and gear made their way back home.

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Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. at Old St. Joe's parking lot.

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GOOD EATS—Krista Seidemann, David Seidemann (4) and Uma Nattanguk (4) enjoy the pleasure of a hot-hot dog on a cool day on July 9 at the Wells Fargo's open house. Wells Fargo was showing their appreciation for customers.



Photo by Anna Hahn

READ WITH ME—(Left to right) Karen Mehl, her daughter Rachel Berkeley, and brothers Pierce and Preston Goslin gather around Marguerite La Riviere, the library director, for story time during the weekly children's hour at the library.

Young bookworms hit the library

By Anna Hahn

Every child of Nome has heard of (and most likely participated in) the Summer Reading Program the Kegoayah Kozga library annually hosts.

"I heard about the program when we moved here. We came one time and were hooked. We've been coming ever since," said Jennifer Goslin, the mother of four young boys.

This year's theme for the program is "Get Creative at Your Library." With this, Nome's local library has created a variety of crafts with their older group including jellyfish, Eskimo masks, comics on computers, flags, coats of arms and crowns. They also have learned about the health of the ocean with the crew from the

sail boat *Ocean Watch*.

In a separate session for preschoolers, Marguerite La Riviere, the library director, reads a story aloud, provides coloring sheets, simple projects and bookmark crafts, and makes puzzles available.

"It's an important time for the toddlers, I put the puzzles out for the younger kids because they need to learn basic shapes and letters in order for them to be able to read later on. For example, a triangle kind of looks like an A, they need to be able to learn and understand that" said La Riviere.

When a child first enrolls with the program he or she receive a bag full of logos and stickers to keep track of reading minutes and the number of books they've read.

Each adolescent picks and sets personal reading goals.

This year there are more than 100 participants in the program (compared to the 63 young readers from last summer). At one point this summer the library was jammed with 22 kids and their parents.

The program runs for an entire two months and is sponsored by the Alaska State Library. They pick the theme's direction for the state and send goodies, crafts and more ideas out to individual libraries.

"For me, I think it's really important for the library to have the reading program. The doors are closed to the general public so the kids can run around and be a little louder," said La Riviere.

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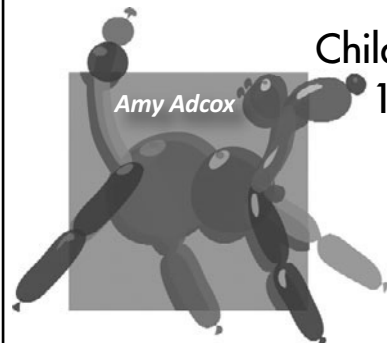
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Police arrest one, seek another in Nome Trading Co. burglary

By Tyler Rhodes

The Nome Police Department has arrested a man they allege was part of a break-in and burglary over the weekend at the Nome Trading Com-

pany.

Michael Wayne Bowman, 18, was charged with second-degree burglary, second-degree theft and third-degree criminal mischief. According

to police, Bowman moved to Nome from California last fall. The police believe Bowman did not act alone and are trying to identify and locate an accomplice.

Police say the robbery likely took place sometime between 2:30 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. Saturday. Stolen were a 42-inch and three other flat-screen LCD televisions. Police believe the thieves also helped themselves to soda, candy and beef jerky. The thieves gained entry to the store through a front window causing an

estimated \$1,000 in damage. Police received the report of the burglary just before 6 a.m. Saturday.

Police arrested Bowman Sunday evening after executing a search warrant at his home where they said the four televisions were found.

In a short appearance Monday for his arraignment in District Court before Judge Ben Esch, Bowman entered a plea of not guilty. Bowman, who told Esch he was currently employed and had been working for Arctic Transportation Services for

the past nine months, was granted a public defender.

Esch ordered Bowman be held in lieu of \$2,500 bail and the requirement he be watched by a third-party custodian if released. A preliminary hearing in the matter is scheduled for July 30.

Police are still seeking the public's help in locating the other suspect. They ask that anyone with information call the department at 443-5262 any time, day or night.



Photo by Denise Olin

WHO IS THAT FUZZY FELLOW? — Muskox grazes contentedly along the Old Glacier Creek Road.

Saying it Sincerely

By Rev. Julie Yoder Elmore, Community United Methodist Church
For the Nome Ministerial Association
Biblical Reference - Amos 7:7-15

This Bible passage begins with God showing Amos a plumb line against a wall built with a plumb line. In construction, a plumb line is used to measure something against the ideal or standard. God is setting a plumb line in the midst of God's people — Israel. Today we can look to Christ as an ideal or standard for us in our lives — our plumb line for today. When God sent Jesus Christ into the world, Jesus set the example by which we should live. While Jesus was on the earth, he built relationships with people and especially made sure that those who were outcast by society were seen and heard by him. In Luke 19, when Jesus saw Zacchaeus up in the sycamore tree, Jesus asked him to come down and said that he needed to stay at Zacchaeus' house. Who would stay with someone who was so hated and ostracized for cheating people? According to Luke 19, Jesus would.

Jesus also overturned the tables of the moneychangers. He overturned the tables of people selling things in the temple for their own benefit. The vendors were cheating people. Jesus also healed the most affluent, important people in society as well as the poorest. We see this when Jesus healed both Jairus' daughter and the woman who had been bleeding for 12 years. Both were female and at opposite ends of the class and economic spectrum.

Amos 7:7-15, Amos was calling people on behalf of God to live according to the plumb line God set for all people. Many in power did not like this because the powerful gained from the injustices or did not want to do the work required to live as God called them to do.

Prophets really have a great challenge. First of all they are called by God to deliver a certain message to a certain people in a certain place. Some people try to make excuses as to why they cannot be a prophet. God does, however, equip the called. Second of all, prophets are most often called to speak in a place where the people do not want to hear the message — especially if that message from God means that they have to change their behavior. The one bearing the message is not often welcome. Amos seemed to run into this challenge.

Yes, Amos was being sent away by the Priest Amaziah at Bethel who told the king that Amos was conspiring against him. Amaziah did not want to hear Amos' message from God and was trying to send him back to where he came from. Amaziah did not want anyone else prophesying to the people at Bethel, which ironically means "House of God." Amos was being silenced.

Who in our world is silenced today? Whose words do we need to hear that we would rather not? Could God be trying to communicate to us through them?

Accused killer of Julie Vacek Farewell may stand trial in California

By Sandra L. Medearis

A man accused of killing former Nomeite Julie Vacek has asked for a sanity hearing, scheduled in California's Solano County next week.

Standing accused of the December 2007 domestic violence homicide after which police found Julianna Farewell dead in the couple's apartment is her husband of five years, Peter William Farewell, then 42. She was 49.

Capt. Mike Daley of the Benicia, Calif. Police Department said Monday there has been no trial in the case opened in 2007, pending a hearing to determine Farewell's competency to stand trial.

Investigators believe Farewell struck his wife in the head with an unidentified object, Daley said earlier.

Police responded to a medical emergency call at the Farewell residence in the 1100 block of East 6th Street at about suppertime on Dec. 17, 2007, according to police documents.

Farewell told dispatchers during a 911 call there had been a medical emergency and he was performing CPR on his girlfriend, and then hung up without providing added details, Daley said.

Benicia Fire Department paramedics discovered Julianna Farewell expired at the residence. The Farewells had lived in Benicia for

five years. The Benicia Police Department said neither party had a

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 <p>AQUARIUS January 20–February 18</p> <p>Ease up at home, Aquarius, and you will live to regret it, maybe not right away but eventually. Financial backing for an idea comes from an unexpected source.</p>	 <p>TAURUS April 20–May 20</p> <p>You'll be beating them off with a stick this week, Taurus. Everyone it seems will want a piece of you. A tinkle of the ivories gets the creative juices flowing.</p>	 <p>LEO July 23–August 22</p> <p>You're swamped with work this week, Leo. Push forward, pay attention to the details and you will go places you never thought possible.</p>	 <p>SCORPIO October 23–November 21</p> <p>Focus too much on money, Scorpio, and greed could get the best of you. It's the small things in life that count. A date with that special someone gets the weekend off to a good start.</p>
 <p>PISCES February 19–March 20</p> <p>Been working for something for a very long time, Pisces? It is within reach as long as you believe in yourself. A frank conversation with a neighbor turns ugly. Stand your ground.</p>	 <p>GEMINI May 21–June 21</p> <p>Your love life could use some spicing up. Play hard to get, Gemini, and see what happens. A home repair list grows smaller, thanks to the help of a true friend.</p>	 <p>VIRGO August 23–September 22</p> <p>The moment to reach for the skies is here. Seize every opportunity that comes your way, Virgo. A matter at home demands thinking outside of the box.</p>	 <p>SAGITTARIUS November 22–December 21</p> <p>You're revealing just a bit too much these days, Sagittarius, and someone is about to take advantage of that fact. Shush! A minefield develops at home. Walk carefully.</p>

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were told that only biodegradable bags were to be used— if any at all— because plastic bags would clog up the system and fill the lagoon up very fast. The system was meant to be a leachable and would last a long time if handled right.

Now, I was told (with some very harsh words from our mayor) that this was not a leach system because that would be a contamination of the tundra. So we were all to use plastic bags to hold our waste and that would make it cleaner for the workers. This now leaves us with a sewage lagoon that is full of plastic bags filled with waste.

The solution for cleaning up this problem has now been made and it is a winner. A new lagoon will be made! And so when it is filled up with plastic bags I guess another one will be built.

Wales will be the city best known for all the sewage lagoons dotting the area. What a beautiful sight that will be. It falls right in line with the City dump that covers almost a mile of beach.

But that has a solution as well.,

New very small equipment was bought and shipped to Wales. This equipment will be used to clean up the dump, and the operators, who have absolutely no experience, are the sons of the mayor. I guess the City’s Insurance Company will have no problems with this as well.

Now to keep us all from asking questions on any of this, meetings are held in secret and no room is provided for the public even if they knew of them. No minutes are posted anywhere for the public to read and when I asked about it I was told to write a letter and I would get a response.

I was at one time under the impression that all City papers and business were public knowledge, but how can that be when the office is not willing to post anything for the public to know? And people are told that they cannot look at them. The mayor bad-mouths any questions and purposefully pulls work away from people who can do it and gives it to his inexperienced family.

Yes, a town overflowing with waste!
Daniel L. Richard Sr.,
Wales, AK 99783

• Accused killer

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criminal history.
The case has undergone several postponements over the past year

Trooper Beat

On June 5, a 42-year-old male resident of Teller reported a money order for over \$500 was missing and possibly stolen on June 4, sometime in the evening. Investigation revealed Sam Komok, 53, of Teller, took the money order from the victim’s pocket and used it to purchase alcohol. Charges pending against Komok for Theft II.

On July 9, Unalakleet AST received a report of an assault in the village of St. Michael. AST is assisting the VPO with the case, investigation is continuing.

On July 10, Unalakleet AST received a report of an alleged sexual assault occurring in the past. Investigation continues.

On July 10, at 11:15 p.m., AST received a report of a stabbing in Stebbins. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Jermaine Lockwood, 26, of Stebbins, for two counts of Assault 3, three counts of Assault 3 on a police officer, Probation Violation, and Resisting Arrest. Lockwood was remanded to AMCC. The victim was treated at the Stebbins Clinic and released.

On July 13, at approximately, 3:15 a.m., Darlene Chiskok, 28, of St. Michael was arrested for assault IV DV, after the investigation revealed that she had assaulted her boyfriend. Alcohol was a factor. Chiskok was transported and lodged at AMCC.

On July 13, at approximately 3:30 a.m., VPSO Gerald Otto received a report from an Elim resident reporting getting assaulted by a 17-year-old female. During the investigation of the first assault the juvenile responded to a second residence and assaulted a second person. The victims were seen at the Elim clinic. The juvenile was also seen driving an ATV while being impaired and she damaged the private property of another by kicking in a door. The location of the juvenile is still undetermined.

On July 13, at approximately 10:00 a.m., a 17-year-old juvenile from St. Michael was arrested on an outstanding warrant for a juvenile probation violation. The juvenile was transported and lodged at Nome Youth Facility.

On July 13, at approximately 12:15 p.m., Tommy Lockwood, 26, of St. Michael was arrested for Assault IV DV, after the investigation revealed that he had assaulted his girlfriend.

and a half.

In March, Farewell, formerly employed as a bartender in the Bay Area, asked for his public defender to be dismissed for not doing a good

job on his behalf. The court denied the request.

Tommy Lockwood was telephonically arraigned.

pending AST response and further investigation.

On July 14, at 3:15 a.m., AST received a report of a domestic disturbance in Gambell. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Fredrick Kaningok, 36, of Gambell, for Assault 4. Kaningok was remanded to the AMCC.

On July 15, at approximately 2:00 p.m., Nome AST was advised by Savoonga VPOs of a structure fire that happened at approximately 7:00 a.m. Volunteer fire fighters were able to extinguish the fire preventing it from spreading. Injuries were reported but names are being withheld at this time

On July 11, at 4:10 a.m., AST received a report of an intoxicated juvenile in Gambell. A 15-year-old female was subsequently charged with Minor Consuming Alcohol.

On July 18, at 1:15 a.m., AST received a report of an intoxicated minor in Gambell. Julian Ap-atiki, 20, of Gambell, was subsequently charged with Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Seawall

7/13 Jamone Cross, DOB: 12/22/82, was arrested and booked into AMCC on a Bench Warrant for Violations of Conditions of Release and Escape.

7/15 Michael Giang, DOB: 8/28/80, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Felony Probation Violation.

Karlene Waghiyi, DOB: 6/14/74, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation. Ross Terhaar, DOB: 4/9/89, received a citation for Failure to Yield to an Emergency Vehicle.

7/16 Derek Saclamana, DOB: 3/20/89, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Felony Probation Violation and Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol.

John Saclamana, DOB: 12/19/81, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

7/17 Peter Adsuna, DOB: 3/2/88, received a citation for Failure to Register Vehicle. Reed Eide, DOB: 12/12/93, received a citation for Driving an ATV Without License.

7/18 Darrel Harrison, DOB: 4/4/59, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Disorderly Conduct. Noah Shoogukwruk, DOB: 2/24/84, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation and Disorderly Conduct.

Nicholas Tom, DOB: 2/24/81, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Probation Violation.

Melinda Erickson, DOB: 3/6/75, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

7/19 Michael Bowman, DOB: 8/23/90, was arrested and booked into AMCC for Burglary in the Second Degree, Theft in the Second Degree and Criminal Mischief in the Third Degree.

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Thank you!

All the volunteers who worked so hard to make last weekend’s WOT clinics a success.

The volunteers arrived early to set up the fire hall classroom, made coffee, ran errands, picked up meals, set up the range and spent hours on their knees in the gravel to run the manual clay throwers. They were cheerful, positive and focused. After the weekend was done, they cleaned it all up, and talked about the next event. What a wonderful group! Sincere thanks go to:

Howard Appel, Brian Hensley, Kevin Knowlton – who volunteered both days; John Mikulski – our photographer extraordinaire; Dan Reed – who came to observe, and ended up coaching all day; Jeff Darling, Brad Dittmar, Bantu Nichols – some of the best volunteers ever; Bruce Klein and Laurie Harlan – Nome Sportsmen’s Association Board members; AND Steve Smith – without Steve, none of this would have happened.

Special thanks to the corporate donors who have been supporting the FNRA and the Nome Sportsmen’s Association: CarQuest, Builders Industrial, Krier Brothers, Inc., and Outsiders Hardware

Church Services
Directory

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

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

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

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

Nome Covenant Church
101 Bering St. 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey
Sunday School 9:45 a.m./Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday: Fellowship Meal 5:30 p.m./Ladies’ Bible Study, Mens’ Fraternity & Children’s Choir 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Youth Group 7 p.m. (call 443-7218 for location)
Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 - 7 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church
5th & Bering, 443-5295
Morning Worship 11 a.m.

River of Life Assembly of God, 443-5333
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Service 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Fishing Reports.

Subsistence-Sport-Commercial

Hear the latest fishing information from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game as well as local tides and marine weather: Monday through Sunday at 9:20 AM, 12:20 PM and 6:20 PM

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Birthday Greetings from a little gnome in Nome!



July 23, 2009
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Karmun and Donald
Dexter Karmun!

Love, hugs and
kisses from Laraine
Rose Olanna

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Deadline is noon Monday • (907) 443-5235 • Fax (907) 443-5112 e-mail ads@nomenugget.com

ULTRALIGHT — Ultralight for Sale Powered Hand Glider 503 Rotax motor B.R.S., Ski's and Wheels 5,000.00 will negotiate Daniel 907-634-1005 7/2-16-23

FOR SALE — Case Wheel Loader; in Nome 1983 W24C, \$21,000 Call 907-771-2305 6/25 tfn

Real Estate

SALE—income/Investment property—2 story duplex - appx 1900 sq ft (on two City lots) Close to Port of Nome and town on Seppala Drive Now being remodeled "AS is" fixer-upper price - \$195M (360) 891-4553 7/9-tfn

For sale — vacant lot on 3rd Ave. next to Baptist church. Contact Edna Buffas (541) 957-8600. 7/23

Employment

Kawerak Children & Family Services Division – Recruitment Notice – 07/13/09 to close of business on 07/27/09.
DIVISION: CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

DEPARTMENT: Children and Family Services
JOB TITLE: Children and Family Services Program Director

POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 14-15-16-17 (\$24.80 – 34.33)DOE

REPORTS TO: VP Children and Family Services
QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1) Bachelor's degree in the field of social work, psychology, counseling or related field preferred; work experience may substitute for education on a year for year basis.
- 2) At least one year experience in child protective services, working knowledge of ICWA and state and tribal court proceedings preferred.
- 3) Excellent written and oral communication skills required. Must possess basic computer knowledge and skills in Windows, Internet, Microsoft Excel and Word, Power Point and Publisher.
- 4) Experience in cross-cultural and rural settings preferred.
- 5) Must pass child protective services and criminal history and background check.
- 6) Must keep client confidentiality.
- 7) Must be willing to travel in the Bering Strait Region, the State of Alaska and occasionally throughout the United States.

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.
7/16-23

Kawerak Education, Employment & Training Division –Recruitment Notice – 07/10/09 to close of business on 07/24/09.

DIVISION: Education, Employment & Training
JOB TITLE: Youth Employment Coordinator

POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full time
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 9-10-11 (\$18.45 – 24.08) DOE

SUPERVISOR: Youth Employment Director EET Division

- QUALIFICATIONS:**
1. High school diploma or GED required.
 2. Must possess strong writing and verbal communication skills. Strong organizational skills required.
 3. Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimal supervision.
 4. Ability to work effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds.
 5. Must possess strong working knowledge of Word, Excel and Windows software.
 6. Must have a clean criminal history record with no criminal convictions.

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Kawerak Community Services Division –Recruitment Notice – 07/20/09 to close of business on 08/03/09.

Division: Community Services
Department: Community Planning & Development

Job Title: Business Development Specialist
Position Status: Regular, Full Time
Exempt Status: Non-Exempt
Pay Scale Range: 12, 13, 14 (\$22.04 – 28.75) DOE

Reports to: Community Planning & Development Program Director

Qualifications:

1. Bachelors Degree in Economics, Business Administration, Marketing, Rural Development (Small Business Management) or related field from an accredited college; or an Associate Degree in a relevant field plus two years experience in business development and/or management, or community development. Work experience in business administration, business finance, community and economic development, e-commerce or related field may substitute for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.
2. Experience in business planning, financial management, and conducting organizing business training programs.
3. Must possess strong research, communication and organizational skills.
4. Must be proficient in computer applications such as Microsoft Word, Excel and Access, Publishing, Internet usage, on-line marketing, and knowledge of digital photography.
5. Must be able to work with minimum supervision.
6. Must be able to work effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds.
7. Must be willing to travel extensively in rural Alaska.

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7/23-30

Kawerak Community Services Division – Tribal Affairs Dept–Recruitment Notice – 07/17/09 to close of business on 07/31/09.

DEPARTMENT: Administration
JOB TITLE: Tribal Coordinator- for Chinik Eskimo Community

LOCATION: Golovin, Alaska
POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time
EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt
PAY SCALE GRADE: 9-10-11 (\$18.45 – 24.08)DOE

REPORTS TO: Tribal Affairs Director

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.

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7/23-30

Kawerak Community Services Division- Recruitment Notice – 07/14/09 to close of business on 07/28/09.

DIVISION: Community Services
JOB TITLE: Vice President Community Services

POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full-time
EXEMPT STATUS: Exempt
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska
PAY SCALE GRADE 19-20-21(\$33.33 - 43.49)DOE

REPORTS TO: Executive Vice President

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, Economics, Construction technology or other related field related to division programs. Comparable management level work experience in the field may be substituted on a year for year basis.
2. Two years of management and supervisory experience required.
3. Must possess strong writing, managerial, budgeting, organizational and oral communication skills.
4. Must be knowledgeable of federal Indian law, particularly as they relate to Alaska Native tribes.
5. Must be willing to travel extensively.
6. Must possess basic computer knowledge and skills in Internet usage, Word, Excel and Windows.
7. Prefer knowledge of the Bering Straits Region and its people.
8. Prefer knowledge of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Public Law 93-638 and compacting regulations.

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JOB OPENING
The City of Nome is accepting applications for:

Position: Equipment Operator II
Range: 14A-14C
Salary: \$22.26 to \$23.97 plus shift differential and benefits

Hours: Full time, 40 hours
Qualifications: Must have a valid CDL, capable of correct and safe operation of various types of heavy equipment. Experience in road maintenance and repair, earthwork, and installation and repair of various underground utilities is a plus. Must be capable of carrying out assignments independently and follow oral written instructions. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent.
Closing date: Open until filled.
Fax completed applications to (907) 443-5349 or deliver to City Hall.

Applications available through City website at www.nomealaska.org or through Nome Job Service or at City Hall.
NOTE: The City of Nome is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
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JOB OPENING
The City of Nome is accepting applications for:

Position:Janitor
Range: 9A-9C
Salary: \$15.33 to \$16.52 plus shift differential and benefits
Hours: Full time, 37.5 hours a week in the evenings

Qualifications: Must have a valid AK driver's license, a basic familiarity with janitorial practices, and use basic janitorial equipment. Must work with a high degree of independence and follow oral and written instructions. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent and pass a background investigation.

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Fantastic kitchen & living room, vaulted ceilings 406 E F Street - \$189,000

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Greenhouse, shed, large lot 405 E Tobuk Alley - \$245,000

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Helen “Huda” Ivanoff, Manager

(907) 443-5220

Fax: (907) 443-5318

Hearing Impaired: 1-800-770-8973

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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!

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

•More Employment

STEBBINS:

The Parents as Teachers program is currently seeking a Family Visitor to provide home based and family development support services to families with young children prenatal to three years of age. Knowledge of child development and the ability to work independently is preferred. Required: HSD/GED +18 years of age, willingness to

obtain further training in Anchorage. Must have drivers license and own transportation.

Salary: \$12.54-\$13.79 / hr DOE 40 hours/week 46 weeks a year. Download application from www.ruralcap.com. Submit application to 731 E. 8th Ave., Anchorage, 99501 by 5 pm July 27th.

7/23

Chairman Dan Harrelson has set the dates for NSEDC's 2nd Quarter meetings. Please see the schedule below for locations and times.



Meeting date/meeting type:	Location:	Time:
July 28, 2009 Executive Committee Meeting Rules & Bylaws Committee	BSNC Boardroom BSNC Boardroom	1:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m.
July 29, 2009 Scholarship Committee NSSP Working Group Fisheries Development Committee	BSNC Boardroom BSNC Boardroom BSNC Boardroom	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
July 30, 2009 Finance Committee Board of Directors' Meeting	BSNC Boardroom BSNC Boardroom	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
July 31, 2009 Board of Directors' Meeting	BSNC Boardroom	9:00 a.m.

Portions of these meetings may be held in Executive session to conduct confidential business of the organization.

The Nome Convention & Visitors Bureau/Nome Chamber of Commerce Recruitement Notice

The Nome Convention & Visitors Bureau/Nome Chamber of Commerce is recruiting for the position of Tourism Director. This is a full time, year-round position responsible for the promotion of Nome and the Bering Straits Region as a visitor destination and the operation of the Visitors Center. We are looking for that one person to take us to that “Next Level.”

Qualifications:

- 1) Minimum of five years experience in a supervisory position involving administrative responsibilities
- 2) Experience in tourism marketing preferred
- 3) Knowledge of Alaska's tourism industry and contact highly preferred.
- 4) Must have extensive knowledge of Nome and regions businesses, residents and the services they provide.
- 5) Good communication skill, knowledge of various Microsoft programs and the ability to manage a proactive website.

Salary: DOE

A detailed job description is available at the Nome Visitors Center or by emailing nomechamber2@pci.net.

Nome Chamber of Commerce is a EEO Employer.

Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME
ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING

In the Matter of a Change of Name for:
Elizabeth Kalerak aka Betty Murray aka Betty Segock
Current name of Adult.
Notice of Petition to Change Name
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-09-169CI) requesting a name change from (current name) **Elizabeth Kalerak aka Betty Murray aka Betty Segock to Betty Segock**. A hearing on this request will be held on **August 14, 2009 at 4:00 pm at Nome Court-house, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK 99762.**
7/9-16-23-30

CITY OF NOME
PUBLIC NOTICE

DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY LAND USE PERMIT TO NOME SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION FOR SUNSET FIRING RANGE

The City of Nome is considering disposal of municipal property in the form of a Land Use Permit to Nome Sportman Association for the purpose of providing hunter safety training for the Community of Nome. The property is a portion of City property located on Mile 9 of the Nome-Teller Highway described as Section 6, Township 11 South, Range 34 West and Section 1, Township 11 South, Range 35 West. Because this is a non-exclusive, revocable land use permit the estimated value is less than \$5,000. The disposal of said property will be by ordinance enacted by the Nome Common Council duly noticed by agenda and public notice. Further information may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Clerk. 7/9-16-23-30; 8/6

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
F-14932-A, F-14932-C, F-14932-D, F-14932-E, and F-14932-F

Alaska Native Claims Selection
ACTION: Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance
SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving the surface estate in certain lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Shaktoolik Native Corporation. The lands are in the vicinity of Shaktoolik, Alaska, and are located in:
Lot 2, Tract 1, U.S. Survey No. 3779, Alaska. Containing 0.08 acres.
Kateel River Meridian, Alaska
T. 11 S., R. 11 W.,
Secs. 1 to 4, inclusive;
Secs. 11, 12, and 13;

Secs. 19 to 28, inclusive.
Containing approximately 9,541 acres.
T. 14 S., R. 11 W.,
Secs. 29 to 32, inclusive.
Containing approximately 2,508 acres.
T. 15 S., R. 11 W.,
Secs. 6 and 7.
Containing 1,227.47 acres.
T. 12 S., R. 12 W.,
Secs. 5, 8, and 17.
Containing 1,920 acres.
T. 15 S., R. 12 W.,
Secs. 1, 12, 13, 24, 25, and 36.
Containing approximately 1,780 acres.
T. 13 S., R. 13 W.,
Secs. 5, 6, and 9.
Containing approximately 148 acres.
T. 15 S., R. 13 W.,
Secs. 31 and 32.
Containing 57 acres.
Total Aggregating of Sec. 12(a) is approximately 17,181 acres.
The subsurface estate in these lands will be conveyed to Bering Straits Native Corporation when the surface estate is conveyed to Shaktoolik Native Corporation.
Notice of the decision was published in the Federal Register on **July 2, 2009**.
DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:
1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until August 3, 2009 to file an appeal.
2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.
ADDRESS: A copy of this decision may be obtained from:
Bureau of Land Management
Alaska State Office
222 West Seventh Avenue, #13
Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: The Bureau of Land Management by phone at **907-271-5960**, or by e-mail at **ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov**.
/s/
Eileen Ford
Land Transfer Resolution Specialist
Land Transfer Adjudication II Branch
Copy furnished to:
Public Information Center (954C)
7/16-23-30; 8/6

HOME Opportunity Program (HOP)
ALASKA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION (AHFC) announces the availability of funding for the HOME Opportunity Program (HOP). This program is for organizations interested in providing down payment and closing costs assistance to lower-income homebuyers meeting program guidelines. AHFC will award program funds to **non-profit organizations, regional housing authorities and/or public agencies** selected by AHFC to act as a "subrecipient" to administer AHFC's HOME Opportunity Program (HOP). *This is not a solicitation for interested homebuyers.* Interested homebuyers must apply directly to selected subrecipients for eligibility approval and funding assistance. Properties to be purchased must be located outside of the Municipality of Anchorage.

Eligible applicants include only Public Agen-

cies, Regional Housing Authorities or Non-Profit Organizations.

If selected by AHFC, successful subrecipients must execute a Grantee Agreement and administer the funds in accordance with Federal HOME Program Regulations and AHFC's HOME Opportunity Program Policies and Procedures Manual.

Application kit is available on the internet: <http://www.ahfc.state.ak.us> (select "Grants", then select the HOME Opportunity Program - HOP)

For more information, or if unable to access the application via internet, contact:

Colette Slover, Planning Department
Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
4300 Boniface Parkway,
PO Box 101020, Anchorage, AK. 99510-1020

330-8275 or 1-800-478-2432 (toll-free statewide)

Applications for funding under this program must be received by **4:30 p.m. Local Anchorage Time, September 3, 2009**. Proposals received after the deadline or delivered to an incorrect AHFC location before the deadline WILL NOT be considered for funding. Telefax or email applications WILL NOT be accepted. **An original and three (3) copies of the application proposal must be sent to the name and address noted above.**
7/23

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.

6/25, 7/2-9-16-23-30, 8/6

Public Notice

CITY OF NOME
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

MOONLIGHT WELLS PERMIT

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NOME COMMON COUNCIL TO SEEK COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING:

Approval of a Permit to be issued to Mitch Erickson for a surface gravel stockpiling and screening in the Moonlight Wells Protection Area.

A copy of the Permit is available at Nome City Hall.

DATE: Monday, August 10, 2009

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: City Council Chambers

7/23-30; 8/6

Pilgrim Hot Springs Clean-up Effort

Anyone who wants to volunteer can contact Tom at **907-322-4992** or just show up at the Pilgrim Hot Springs between Saturday, July 25 and Sunday, August 2. Make a small part of our World cleaner.



Friends of
Pilgrim Hot
Springs

General meeting

Meeting to be held:
**Thursday, July 30
7 p.m.**
Polar Cafe
Public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Stebbins Native Corporation
Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Notice of the 36th Annual Meeting of Shareholders as prescribed by the By-Laws of Stebbins Native Corporation, Article 11, Section 1. The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders shall be held on the first Friday of September of each year for the purpose of electing directors and for transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. The meeting will be held:

7 p.m. at the Stebbins Community Hall on September 4, 2009

Shareholders who are at least 18 years of age who want to run for one of four (4) seats are requested to send/submit a letter of intent to:

Stebbins Native Corporation
PO Box 71110
Stebbins, Alaska 99671

Shareholders may also submit their letter of intent to:
fredj@hughes.net.

Deadline for intent to run must be received by SNC office by 5 p.m. on August 7, 2009.

Shareholders are encouraged to email their current mailing addresses.

7/16-23-30

Court

Week ending 7/17
Civil

Swann, Vanessa vs. Cash, Dallas; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term
Prentice, Virginia vs. Williams, Robert; DV: ExParte Only
Atchak, Shana vs. Pete, Louis; DV: Both ExParte & Long Term
Takak, Ralph vs. Norton Sound Economic Development Corp; Personal Injury Other - District Court
Kahle, Michele S. et al vs. United Rentals Inc Corp et al; Wrongful Death - Superior Court
Kahle, Michele S. et al vs. Alaska Gold Co an Alaskan Corporation; Wrongful Death - Superior Court
Kahle, Michele S. et al vs. Executive Force Australia PTY LTD an Australian Co; Wrongful Death - Superior Court
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State of Alaska v. Dawn Oozevaseuk (8/30/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701404; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: Balance of sentence, shall report to AMCC by 7/15/09 by 5PM; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence.
State of Alaska v. John D. Merculief (10/25/61); Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 6/17/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 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 7/11/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol.
State of Alaska v. Yvonne Aukon (2/5/89); 2NO-08-943CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110700189; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-219CR; Shall report to AMCC by 5pm on 8/21/09; Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence.
State of Alaska v. Yvonne A. Aukon (2/5/89); 2NO-09-135CR Count 1: Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 10/21/08; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Forfeit interest in proceeds for 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.
State of Alaska v. Daniel E. Tocktoo (10/18/88); Count 3: Misconduct Involving Weapons 4th; Date of offense: 5/23/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 1 (001), 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 160 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 8/21/09; 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; Restitution: Shall pay restitution to the satisfaction of the property owner; Probation until 7/14/10; 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; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.
State of Alaska v. Gary Cantrell (10/7/83); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violation

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State of Alaska v. Pauline M. Kugzruk (12/18/68); Order Suspending Imposition of Sentence and Providing For Probation; Count 001: Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance 4th; Date of offense: 2/8/09; Defendant came before the court on 7/13/09 with counsel, Robert Lewis, Office of Public Advocacy and Wayne Cary, DA present; It appearing to the satisfaction of this court that the ends of justice and the best interests of the public, as well as the defendant, will be served thereby, IT IS ORDERED that the sentencing of the defendant is suspended for a period of 1 year and the defendant is placed on probation to the DOC under the conditions of probation listed below; Police Training Surcharge: pay to the court the following surcharge pursuant to AS 12.55.039 within 10 days: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility and is being sentenced to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Second Jail Surcharge: IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay a collections facilities surcharge of \$100 if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; AS 12.55.014(c); Other Orders: Shall be fingerprinted upon reporting to jail in Anchorage; Special Condition of Probation-Imprisonment: Shall serve the following term of imprisonment: 45 days; Shall report to Cordova Center, 130 Cordova Street, Anchorage at 7:45am on 7/17/09; General Conditions of Probation set, as stated in order; Other Special Conditions of Probation: Person and baggage subject to warrantless search for controlled substances at any airport upon reasonable suspicion by a peace officer or probation officer; Probation expires 7/14/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated.
State of Alaska v. Diana Elianna (2/28/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110700927; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall be assessed for alcohol treatment within 30 days of release from custody, and shall complete the recommended treatment and aftercare; Probation extended to 7/10/10; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, shall report to AMCC by 5pm on 7/17/09; This court recommends service of time at Seaside Community Residential Center; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Nicole Topkok (5/2/91); Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 5/31/09; Fined \$600 with \$300 suspended; Shall pay \$300 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10/31/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 7/9/09); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay fine, as ordered.
State of Alaska v. Misty Miller (5/18/89); Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 5/31/09; Fined \$600 with \$300 suspended; Shall pay \$300 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10/31/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 7/9/09); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay fine, as ordered.
State of Alaska v. Dawnelle Apangalook (1/11/76); 2NO-08-800CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110699397; Violated conditions of probation; No action taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
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State of Alaska v. Kenneth John Washington (11/24/77); Count 3: Misconduct Involving Weapons 4th; Date of offense: 6/12/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 1 (001), 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 12 months, 3 months suspended; Unsuspended 9 months shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 9/1/09; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Train-

ing Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 7/16/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence of alcohol.
State of Alaska v. Garrick G. Takak (1/19/93); Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 3/21/09; Fined \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to Nome Clerk of Court or show proof of completing 66 hours of community work service, by 10/31/09; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 7/15/09); Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay fine or show proof of community work service, as ordered.
State of Alaska v. Ryan Okleasik (4/23/91); 2NO-09-285CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701836; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: Balance of sentence; Remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.
State of Alaska v. Ryan Okleasik (4/23/91); 2NO-09-387CR Count I: Assault 4th; DV; Date of offense: 6/30/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count II; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 0 days suspended; 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. Michael Walker (5/26/83); 2NO-09-61CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110700639; Defendant refusing probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 120 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-389CR.
State of Alaska v. Michael Walker (5/26/83); 2NO-09-389CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 7/1/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days, 0 days suspended; 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. Sabrina A. Slwooko (12/7/83); 2NO-08-727CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110698821; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to 7/15/10; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.
State of Alaska v. Sabrina A. Slwooko (12/7/83); 2NO-09-359CR Harassment 1st; Date of offense: 6/20/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 0 days suspended; 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. Arnold C. Takak (7/5/64); 2NO-06-741CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109418706; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: Balance of sentence; This court recommends placement at Seaside Center for placement; Shall report to AMCC by 8/31/09 by 5PM.
State of Alaska v. Arnold Takak (7/5/64); 2NO-09-215CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault Fourth Degree; Filed by the DAs Office 7/14/09.
State of Alaska v. Daniel Walluk (11/5/58); Count 1: DUI; Date of offense: 5/11/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed 002 (002); 60 days, 40 days suspended; Report on 7/20/09 by 5pm to AMCC; Fine: \$3,000 with \$0 suspended; \$3,000 due 10/31/09; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due 10 days from date of judgment (7/17/09); Jail Surcharge: \$150 (if probation) with \$100 suspended (if probation); \$50 due to Collections Unit, Anchorage; Cost of Imprisonment: \$1467 (2nd offense) with \$0 suspended; Full amount due to AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment; Contact NSBHS, ASAP or approved agency within 45 days of release from custody; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; Driver's license revoked for 1 year; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device; Costs of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before fine due date; After you regain the privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for 24 months during your probation period; Probation until 7/17/10; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol for a period ending 7/17/10; Other: Shall not operate motor vehicles without a license.
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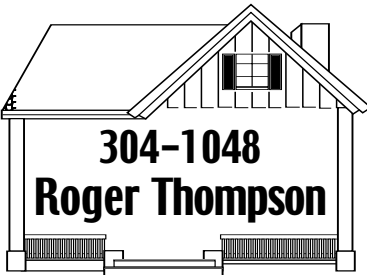
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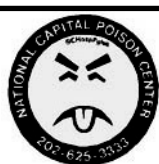
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530 to 700 gallons per minute. Additionally, the plan called for the injection wells to be able to handle up to 150 percent of the treatment plant's capacity. "Instead, Rock Creek did not inject ... water until May 15, 2009 when they requested and received Department-required approval to inject," the notice reads.

NovaGold reported receiving the violation in a July 15 press release announcing its second quarter financial results for 2009.

Van Nieuwenhuyse said the notice was unexpected. "We were a bit surprised on the notice of violation because the water treatment plant has been operational since February as well as the injection field," he said July 16.

Van Nieuwenhuyse admits that the system was not operating at full-scale in February, citing problems with freezing pipes and other winterization issues. "It's kind of almost like ... when you're starting to prime something, you kind of have to take several times to get it right," he said.

While working out the kinks in the system, Van Nieuwenhuyse said the water running through the treatment plant was eventually being circuited back to the tailings storage facility. Once the injection wells were engaged in mid May, NovaGold started gradually ramping up the rate at which the water was pumped underground. According the DEC, the average injection rate was 150 gallons per minute from May 15 to June 15. The DEC said a rate of 300 gallons per minute was achieved on June 26, and 330 gallons was hit on July 1.

Van Nieuwenhuyse said July 16 that the injection

rate was averaging around 350 to 360 gallons per minute. He said the water level of the pond behind the dam is now lowering at a rate of a little more than an inch a day. "The immediate thing we want to do is get the water from behind the dam," Van Nieuwenhuyse said. "As we have said many times, the water was never intended to be there."

The tailings impoundment has been collecting water from runoff, precipitation and groundwater. A small amount of water used in the mine's short production run was also deposited in the pond. Both DEC and NovaGold officials say that water is no longer in the system. "It's not process water, that's been long gone," Stambaugh said.

"The important thing is it's just water," Van Nieuwenhuyse said. "You could literally classify it as storm water."

In its notice of violation, the DEC asks that NovaGold present an engineered plan by July 15 detailing how it will process the approximate 50 million gallons of water that could have been treated and removed if the system would have been operational along the timeline spelled out in the permit. At a steady rate of 300 gallons per minute, 24 hours a day, it would take nearly four months to process 50 million gallons. Early in the year, the water was estimated at a volume of 54 million gallons.

The DEC's Stambaugh acknowledged that NovaGold had achieved a rate of at least 300 gallons per minute, but she noted that is about 50 percent shy of the rate DEC wanted to see processed. "They needed to inject more than that to start reducing the water behind the tailings storage facility," Stambaugh said.

Van Nieuwenhuyse doesn't quite read the



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

WATER BEHIND THE DAM—Rock Creek's tailings storage facility still harbored a significant amount of water in mid-June.

requirements the same way, saying the permit required a rate of 330 gallons per minute. "Read the permit. It's online," he said.

Discrepancies over the required rate aside, Van Nieuwenhuyse said his goal is to have the pond essentially drained by the end of the year. "My objective is to try and get rid of all the water this year—or at least the lion's share, because you'll never get rid of it all," he said.

Stambaugh said July 16 that NovaGold did submit to DEC a plan to address the violation by the July 15 deadline. "They were responsive to get materials to us by deadline," she said.

She withheld any comment on the plan since department staff were just starting to review it.

Chris Foley, the program manager for the Division of Water's Compliance Program, said that while there is no statutory time limit for DEC to make a determination on NovaGold's plan, it is on the front burner. "It is a priority to us to evaluate that submission," he said.

The notice sent to NovaGold warns of potential fines and response costs—both in civil and criminal terms—associated with the violation. As of press time, the state had not filed any action in court against the company.

NovaGold reports narrowing its losses in second quarter

By Tyler Rhodes

Citing favorable exchange rates and reduced exploration costs, Rock Creek Mine operator NovaGold Resources reported a greatly reduced financial loss for the second quarter July 15 when compared to the same time period a year ago.

The Canadian mining firm, which is working toward becoming a production company, stated a net loss of \$4.8 million Canadian for three-month quarter ending May 31. That compares to a second-quarter loss of C\$23.2 million in 2008.

In announcing the financial results, NovaGold also said its two stalled projects, the Rock Creek Mine near Nome and Galore Creek in British Columbia, would see no new life for the rest of the year. NovaGold officials have repeatedly said Rock Creek would not re-open in 2009. In earlier reports the company said all options for Rock Creek are on the table, including rekindling the project, selling it or working it in collaboration with another firm. In its July 15 release, it said a review of whether or not to re-open the project is still pending.

With the two idled mines in what the company terms "care and maintenance" mode, NovaGold did not incur expense related to exploration

at the projects. In the most recent quarter, the company reported expenditures of C\$4.4 million related to exploration work at its Donlin Creek prospect near the Kuskokwim River. In the second quarter of 2008, NovaGold spent a combined C\$16.9 million on exploration at Donlin, Rock Creek and Galore Creek.

The flip-side of the mines not producing is the obvious fact they are not turning a profit. With none of its properties producing minerals, NovaGold has primarily funded its activities through stock offerings. The company did report small revenues of approximately C\$400,000 for the second quarter of 2009, mainly from land and gravel sales as well as gold royalties.

Exchange rates also smiled favorably upon NovaGold, playing a role in the C\$18.4 million difference between the second quarters of 2008 and 2009. The company reported a C\$16.1 million foreign exchange gain between the Canadian and U.S. dollars compared to a loss of C\$700,000 in 2008. A strengthening Canadian dollar and its effect on the company's liabilities that are based in U.S. dollars was primarily credited for the gain.

NovaGold also reported on its financials for the first six months of the year, ending March 31. Over that

period the company realized a net loss of C\$33.3 million. That compares to net earnings over the same time period in 2008 of C\$1 million.

In comparing the first six months of 2008 and 2009, NovaGold cited a C\$16.3 million cost recovery by suspending Galore Creek in 2008. That suspension was also cited for cost increases in terms of care and maintenance costs, which along with Rock Creek, totaled C\$15.5 million for first six months of 2009. In the 2008 time period, NovaGold spent only C\$3.8 million for care and maintenance solely for Galore Creek. The company also cited interest payments and other debt expenses made in 2009 that added to the C\$31.3 million jump in losses in 2009.

In addition to looking back on first half of 2009, the NovaGold release also commented on its outlook for the rest of the year. As of May 31, the company reported cash and cash

equivalents of C\$56.1 million with working capital of C\$48.9 million.

For the remainder of the year, NovaGold said it will spend U.S.\$7 million on the Donlin Creek project, mainly toward permitting. The company plans to spend the same amount toward maintaining Rock Creek while it decides what to do with the property. NovaGold plans to spend C\$16 million for the maintenance and what it termed "optimization activities" at Galore Creek.

NovaGold also noted that no mineral production would occur at any of its properties in 2009. "The company does not plan to commence development or construction at its Donlin Creek and Galore Creek projects in 2009, nor does it currently plan to recommence the start-up process at the Rock Creek project," a July 15 press release reads.

For NovaGold to get any of those projects producing, significantly more money will be needed. "The company

will need external financing to develop and construct its properties and to fund the exploration and development of its other mineral properties in future years," the release said. NovaGold said it could look to banks, debt and equity offerings for more cash.

Adopting the normal cautionary language used with financial resources, NovaGold warned additional cash might not be easy to come by. "There can be no assurance that the company will be able to secure the financing necessary to retain its rights to, or to begin or sustain production at, any of its mineral properties," the release concludes.

NovaGold President and Chief Executive Officer Rick Van Nieuwenhuyse said that search for funds would come a few years down the road as Donlin would near the end of its permitting stage. "We fully expect the permitting process to be a two- to three-year process," he said.

• Pipeline

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back there unless you change the configuration [of the tailings storage facility]," Van Nieuwenhuyse said.

Nearly all of the water in the tailings facility is the result of runoff, groundwater and precipitation. The mine only worked its production cycle for a short amount of time last fall before shutting the facility down in November due to financial and mechanical issues.

Van Nieuwenhuyse said the pipe would run approximately eight or nine miles in length. He would not elaborate on any projected price tag for the proposal. "We're still working on a cost estimate," Van Nieuwenhuyse said. "We obviously have some ideas, [but] it's sensitive from a negotiating stand point. Obviously it's a long pipeline, so it's a significant number."

Nome Joint Utility System Manager John Handeland said the potential project would call for up to 250,000 gallons per day to be piped to Nome's sewer lagoons. He said that Nome currently puts approximately 450,000 gallons per day on average into the lagoons. He noted that the lagoons have the capacity to accept more than 1 million gallons a day and that no expansion would be required to accommodate the extra water.

Both Handeland and Van Nieuwenhuyse point out that the water coming from the mine to the lagoons would be

far cleaner than what the city contributes. "Most of Nome's [input into the lagoon] is gray water-black water combination (sewage) that receives primary treatment by aeration in the lagoons. NovaGold's water would be good enough to drink," Handeland wrote in an e-mail to the *Nugget*.

Van Nieuwenhuyse believes the addition of the treated water from its plant would actually aid the city. "The benefit is the water quality is much better than sewage water," he said. "There's a dilutive benefit allowing Nome Joint Utility System to meet its water quality requirements."

Van Nieuwenhuyse added that a testing system would likely be put in place to evaluate the water between the plant and the lagoons. "We would have a third-party monitoring the water in the pipeline to ensure it does meet the delivery standards we have established," he said.

State regulators last week were getting their first peek at the proposal. "We got a verbal outline of it late Monday afternoon, [July 13]," said Sharon Stambaugh, a program manager within the Division of Water at the state Department of Environmental Conservation. "Both Nome Joint Utilities and the company came to us to talk about it. We didn't have a concrete plan. ... They were more advanced in proposing it than we were in reviewing it."

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